MATH 2243 — FALL 2007 FINAL EXAM
DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS AND LINEAR ALGEBRA

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(2) This exam has 13 pages including this cover and two intentionally blank pages for your use. There are 10 problems total. You have 3 hours.
(3) No notes or books are permitted.
(4) Only non-graphing calculators are permitted.
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(6) Place your ID card on your desk for inspection.
(7) Good luck!

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1. Determine whether the following statements are true or false. If you state the statement is false give a counterexample that demonstrates your claim. You will be scored +2 points for a complete correct answer. 0 for no answer and –2 for an incorrect answer. Thus guessing will be penalized.

(a) If $A$ and $B$ are $n \times n$ matrices then $(AB)^{-1} = A^{-1}B^{-1}$.
(b) Given a collection of linearly independent vectors $v_1, \ldots, v_k$ in a vector space $V$, any vector $x$ can be expressed as $x = c_1v_1 + \cdots + c_kv_k$.
(c) If two $n \times n$ matrices $A$ and $B$ are similar, then $\det A = \det B$.
(d) Suppose $V$ is a vector space, $S \subseteq V$ is a subspace of $V$, $v \in S$ and $v = a + b$ where $a, b \in V$. Then $a, b \in S$.
(e) For all values of the coefficients $k$ and $c$ the following system has only one solution.

$$
\begin{bmatrix}
0 & 2 & 2 & | & c \\
3 & 2 & 1 & | & 5 \\
0 & 1 & k & | & 3
\end{bmatrix}
$$
2. Solve the following differential equation:
\[
\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x - 1)y^5}{x^2(2y^3 - y)}.
\]
You may leave your answer in implicit form.
3. Consider a population $P(t)$ satisfying the logistic equation $P'(t) = \alpha P - \beta P^2$, where $\alpha = a$ is the constant birth rate per month per individual, and $\beta = bP$ is the death rate per month per individual. Assume that the initial population is 1000 individuals and there are 50 births and 20 deaths per month occurring at time $t = 0$.

(a) Calculate the constants $a$ and $b$ from the data.
(b) What is the maximum population which can be attained?
(c) How many months does it take for the population to reach 80% of the limit population?
4. Consider the differential equation $dx/dt = -x^2 + kx - 1$ containing the parameter $k$. Determine the number and stability or unstability of the critical points depending on the value of $k$. Construct the bifurcation diagram.
5. Let

\[ A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \]

be a $3 \times 3$ matrix. Find a collection of linearly independent vectors such that solution space corresponding to the homogeneous equation $Ax = 0$ is the set of linear combinations of those vectors.
6. Find the eigenvalues and a full set of linearly independent eigenvectors of the two following matrices. Determine which of them is diagonalizable and find a diagonalizing matrix $S$ and a diagonal matrix $D$ such that it is equal to $S^{-1}DS$.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$
7. Find the general solution to the differential equation:
\[ y^{(3)} - 2y'' + y' = x^2 + xe^x. \]
8. Apply the eigenvalue method to solve the following system of differential equations:

\[ x_1' = 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \]
\[ x_2' = -5x_1 - 3x_2 - x_3 \]
\[ x_3' = 5x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 \]
9. Solve the system of linear equations

\[ 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + 6x_4 = 14 \]
\[ x_1 - 2x_2 + 5x_3 - 5x_4 = -7 \]
\[ 4x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 + 7x_4 = 17 \]
10. 

(a) Find the Laplace transform of $f(t) = \sin^2(t/2)$. 
(b) Find the inverse Laplace transform of $F(s) = \frac{1}{2s^2(s^2 + 1)}$. 
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