

**Directions:** Answer all questions and show all (intermediate) work in the booklet provided. Start each new question at the top of a new page and box your final answer.

1. (20 pts) Consider the initial value problem:

$$y' = 2xy(1 + x^2)^{-1/2}, \quad y(0) = 1$$

- (a) Is the differential equation separable?  
(b) Is the differential equation linear?  
(c) State the method you will use to solve for  $y(x)$  and then find the solution (you may leave your answer in implicit form).
2. (20 pts) Consider the initial value problem:  $y' = \frac{3}{x} + y$  with  $y(1) = -1$ .
- (a) Use Euler's method with step size  $h = 0.5$  to approximate the solution  $y(x)$  at the point  $x = 2$ .  
(b) Use the improved Euler's method with step size  $h = 0.5$  to approximate the solution  $y(x)$  at the point  $x = 1.5$ .
3. (20 pts) Complete each of the following:
- (a) Find the general solution to:  $y'' + 4y' + 8y = 0$  (your answer should **not** contain the imaginary number  $i$ ).  
(b) Write the **form** of the particular solution to:  $y'' + 4y' + 8y = 1 + e^{-2x} \cos 2x$  (**do not solve for the coefficients**).
4. (10 pts) A nitric acid solution flows at a constant rate of 4 L/min into a large tank that initially held 100 L of pure water. The solution inside the tank is kept well-stirred and flows out of the tank at a rate of 3 L/min. If the concentration of nitric acid in the solution entering the tank is 0.1, **set up but do not solve** the initial value problem for  $x(t)$ , the volume of nitric acid in the tank at time  $t$ .
5. (30 pts) Consider the following second order, linear, constant coefficient, non-homogeneous differential equation:

$$y'' + 6y' + 5y = 3e^{-2x}.$$

- (a) Use the method of undetermined coefficients to find the particular solution  $y_p(x)$  (**you must solve for the coefficient(s)**).  
(b) Find the general solution.  
(c) Now use variation of parameters to find the particular solution  $y_p(x)$ . Note: If you have done this correctly, you will get the same answer as in part (a).

The following equations may be helpful:

$$\begin{aligned} v_1' y_1 + v_2' y_2 &= 0 \\ v_1' y_1' + v_2' y_2' &= \frac{g(x)}{a} \end{aligned}$$