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**Read Me First:** Show all essential work very neatly. Use correct notation when presenting your computations and arguments. Write using complete sentences. Remember this: "=" denotes "equals" , " $\Rightarrow$ " denotes "implies" , and " $\Leftrightarrow$ " denotes "is equivalent to". Do not "box" your answers. Communicate. Show me all your magic on the page. Eschew obfuscation.

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1. (140 pts.) Solve each of the following differential equations or initial value problems. If an initial condition is not given, display the general solution to the differential equation.  
(20 pts./part)

(a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x}y = \frac{1}{x^2+1}$  ;  $y(1) = \ln(2)$ .

(b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 5x^4(1 - y^2)^{1/2}$  ;  $y(0) = -\frac{1}{2}$ .

$$1. (c) \ (x^2 + xy + y^2)dx - (x^2)dy = 0$$

$$(d) \ (\sec(x)\tan(x) - 8y^2)dx + (e^{2y} - 16xy)dy = 0$$

$$1. (e) \quad 6 \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x} y = 14x^2y^{-5}$$

$$(f) \quad x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 6 \ln(x) + 6$$

1.(g)  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y = \tan(x)$  ;  $y(\frac{\pi}{4}) = 0$ ,  $y'(\frac{\pi}{4}) = 0$ .

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2. (10 pts.) Work the following problem which uses Hooke's law:

**Be sure to state what your variables represent using complete sentences.**

// A 256 pound stone is attached to the lower end of a spring with a fixed support. (The spring is vertical.) The weight stretches the spring 2 feet when in its equilibrium position. If the weight is then pushed down 8 inches and released at time  $t = 0$  with an initial velocity of 4 inches per second directed upward, obtain the displacement  $s$  a function of time. [Assume free, undamped motion.]

3. (10 pts.) Obtain the recurrence formula for the power series solution at  $x_0 = 0$  of the homogeneous O.D.E.

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x^2y = 0.$$

Are there any coefficients which must be zero ? Which are they ??  
Compute the first six (6) coefficients for the initial conditions  $y(0) = 2$  and  $y'(0) = 0$ .

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4. (10 pts.)

The equation  $x^2 \cdot y'' + x(x + 5)y' + 4y = 0$  has a regular singular point at  $x_0 = 0$ . Find the indicial equation of this O.D.E. at  $x_0 = 0$  and determine its roots. Then, using all the information now available and Theorem 6.3, say what the general solution at  $x_0 = 0$  looks like without attempting to obtain the coefficients of the power series functions involved. [Hint: Use ALL the information you have available after solving the indicial equation. Write those power series varmints right carefully, folks.]

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5. (10 pts.) It is known that  $f(x) = x^r$  is a solution of the homogeneous linear differential equation

$$(*) \quad x^2 y'' - 3xy' + 4y = 0$$

for a particular value of  $r$ .

(a) Find the value of  $r$  by substituting  $f(x)$  into  $(*)$ , obtaining an algebraic equation in  $r$ , and solving the equation involving  $r$ .

(b) Then find a second, linearly independent solution to  $(*)$  by using the technique of reduction of order.

(c) Using the wronskian, verify that the two functions you get from parts (a) and (b) are indeed linearly independent.

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6. (10 pts.) Work the following problem which uses *Newton's Law of Cooling*:

// Assume a body of temperature  $200^\circ\text{F}$  is placed at time  $t = 0$  in a medium the temperature of which is maintained at  $80^\circ\text{F}$ . At the end of ten minutes the temperature of the body has dropped to  $180^\circ\text{F}$ . When will the temperature of the body be  $100^\circ\text{F}$ ?? //

**Be sure to state what your variables represent using complete sentences.**

7. (10 pts.) Using only the Laplace transform machine, very carefully solve the following very dinky first order initial value problem:

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) + y(t) = 0 \\ x(t) - y'(t) = 0 \end{cases},$$

$$x(0) = 1 \text{ and } y(0) = 0.$$

Can you avoid going in circles??

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*Silly 10 point bonus:* Each polynomial with real coefficients,

$$p(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n b_k x^k$$

$$= b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + \dots + b_{n-1} x^{n-1} + b_n x^n,$$

is the unique solution to infinitely many initial-value problems where the ordinary differential equations have constant coefficients. Obtain an infinite sequence of initial-value problems where each ordinary differential equation is homogeneous with constant coefficients, the initial conditions are at  $x_0 = 0$ , and the general polynomial,  $p$ , above is the unique solution. [Say where your work is, for it won't fit here. Oh, here's a hint: There is an easy, Taylor-made solution.]