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### **Instructions**

Answer all questions

Symbols used have the usual meanings

**Question 1**

1.1 Find

(a)  $z_1 + z_2$  if  $z_1 = 2 + 3i$  and  $z_2 = 4 + 5i$  (2)

(b)  $z_1 - z_2$  if  $z_1 = 4 + 7i$  and  $z_2 = -3 + 9i$  (2)

(c)  $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$  if  $z_1 = 1 + 3i$  and  $z_2 = 2 + i$ . Use any method (4)

1.2 Let  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  be complex numbers. Prove that

$$|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$$
 (4)

1.3 convert the complex number

$$z = 2 - 2i$$

into its trigonometric form

$$z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$$
 (8)

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**Question 2**

2.1 Let

$$f(x, y) = 3x^2y - xy^3$$

Compute the partial derivative  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  from first principles. (5)

2.2 Let

$$f(x, y) = x \cos y + ye^x.$$

Compute  $f_x, f_{xx}, f_{xy}, f_y, f_{yy}$  (5)

2.3 Let

$$f(x, y) = x^2 - 2y^3, \text{ where } x = \sin t \text{ and } y = e^{3t}$$

Use the chain rule to find  $\frac{df}{dt}$  (5)

2.4 Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 y \quad (5)$$

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### Question 3

3.1 Show that the differential equation

$$(x^2 + y^2)dx + (2xy + \cos y)dy = 0$$

is exact, and then find its general solution.

Use any method of your choice. (10)

3.2 Find the particular solution to the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + y = x, \quad y(0) = 4 \quad (10)$$

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**Question 4**

- 4.1 A bacteria culture initially contains 100 cells and grows at a rate proportional to its size. After an hour the population has increased to 420.
- (a) Find the number of bacteria after 3 hours  
 (b) When will the population reach 10 000 cells? (10)
- 4.2 A roast chicken is taken from an oven where its temperature has reached  $85^{\circ}\text{C}$  and is placed on a table in a kitchen where the temperature is  $22^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- (a) If the temperature of the chicken is  $65^{\circ}\text{C}$  after 30 minutes, what is the temperature after 45 minutes?  
 (b) When will the chicken cool to  $40^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Assume Newton's Law of Cooling applies. (10)
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**Question 5**

- 5.1 Show that the half-life of a radioactive substance is independent of the original amount. (5)
- 5.2 A skydiver of mass  $m$  jumps from an airplane through the air. The magnitude of the air resistance is
- $$R = kv$$
- where  $v$  is the velocity of the skydiver and  $k$  is a constant.
- (a) Sketch the free-body diagram of the skydiver. Take the downward

direction as positive.

(b) Applying Newton's second law of motion, obtain a linear first order differential equation

(c) Assuming that initially

$$v(0) = v_0$$

solve the resulting initial value problem for  $v(t)$ , where  $t$  is time

(d) Find the limiting velocity (the velocity after a long time has elapsed) of the skydiver. (15)

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