# Math 336 Ordinary Differential Equations Midterm Exam

Box your answers.

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## 1 Solve the following ODEs or IVPs

If the ODEs admit complex solutions, write BOTH the complex solutions and the real solutions.

1.  $y' = y^2 t^2$ , y(0) = 1. Plot the solution.

2. y' + y - 1 = 0, y(0) = 0. Plot the solution.

3.  $y' = \frac{-4x^3 - 4y}{4x - y^4}$ . (Hint: Is this ODE exact?). Plot two distinct solution curves.

4. y'' - 12y' + 36y = 0, y(0) = 4 and y'(0) = 0. Plot the solution.

5. y'' + 8y + 25y = 0.

6.  $y'' + 4y' + 5y = 5x + 5e^{-x}$ .

7.  $y'' - 6y' + 9y = e^{3x}$ .

### 2 Solve the following to the best of your knowledge

- 1. (Skydiver velocity model) A skydiver jumps off an airplane and is in vertical downward motion. He deploys his parachute 15 seconds into his fall. Assuming that his initial velocity v(0) = 0, and that air resistance  $F_R$  is proportional to  $v^2$  before parachute deployment, and to v after parachute deployment. Let  $g = 32.2 ft/sec^2$ ,  $k_1/m = 0.00104$  and  $k_2/m = 2.01$ , where m is the body mass of the skydiver, and  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  are the proportionality constants between  $F_R$  and  $v^2$  and v respectively.
  - (a) Write a first order ODE modeling the velocity of the skydiver. Do not solve the ODE.
  - (b) What is the limiting velocity of the skydiver before and after deployment?

#### 2. Convert the following higher order ODE into a system of first order ODEs

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = 3e^x - 10\cos(3x).$$

Find the form of the particular solution of the above ODE (don't forget to check for duplication).

## 3 Numerical

Consider the IVP  $y' = \frac{-2xy}{1+x^2}$ , y(0) = 1.

- 1. Find the analytical solution and plot it on the interval [0, 5].
- 2. Solve numerically using Euler's method with step size h = 0.5 on the interval [0, 5]. Plot the numerical solution on the same graph above.
- 3. Estimate the error using the second derivative of the exact solution.