

## FP3 Introduction to Differential Equations Questions

- 3 (a) Show that  $y = x^3 - x$  is a particular integral of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2xy}{x^2 - 1} = 5x^2 - 1 \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

- (b) By differentiating  $(x^2 - 1)y = c$  implicitly, where  $y$  is a function of  $x$  and  $c$  is a constant, show that  $y = \frac{c}{x^2 - 1}$  is a solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2xy}{x^2 - 1} = 0 \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

- (c) Hence find the general solution of

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2xy}{x^2 - 1} = 5x^2 - 1 \quad (2 \text{ marks})$$

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- 3 (a) Show that  $\sin x$  is an integrating factor for the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + (\cot x)y = 2 \cos x \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

- (b) Solve this differential equation, given that  $y = 2$  when  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . (6 marks)
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- 3 (a) Show that  $x^2$  is an integrating factor for the first-order differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2}{x}y = 3(x^3 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

- (b) Solve this differential equation, given that  $y = 1$  when  $x = 2$ . (6 marks)
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- 3 By using an integrating factor, find the solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + (\tan x)y = \sec x$$

- given that  $y = 3$  when  $x = 0$ . (8 marks)
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