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Eng 282 Assignment

Assignment 1

1) a) Define differential equation and give 2 examples.

Differential equation is the relationship between an independent variable  $x$ , or dependent variable  $y$  and one or more derivatives of  $y$  with respect to  $x$

Examples: 1)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x^7$

2)  $(x^2 + xy) \frac{dy^2}{dx^2} = xy - y^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$

b) i)  $y = Ae^{-4x} + Be^{-6x}$

ii) Second order of the differential equation can be formed

iii) This is due to the presence of 2 arbitrary constants  $A$  and  $B$

iv)  $y = Ae^{-4x} + Be^{-6x}$  — (1)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -4Ae^{-4x} - 6Be^{-6x}$$
 — (2)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 16Ae^{-4x} + 36Be^{-6x}$$
 — (3)

From eq (1)  $Ae^{-4x} = y - Be^{-6x}$  — (4)

Substitute (4) in eq (2)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -4(y - Be^{-6x}) - 6Be^{-6x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -4y + 4Be^{-6x} - 6Be^{-6x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -4y - 2Be^{-6x}$$
 — (5)

From eq (1)  $Be^{-6x} = y - Ae^{-4x}$  — (6)

Substitute (6) in (5)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -4Ae^{-4x} - 6(y - Ae^{-4x})$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -4Ae^{-4x} - 6y + 6Ae^{-4x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -6y + 2Ae^{-4x} \quad \text{--- (B)}$$

$$\text{from eqn (A): } 2Be^{-6x} = -4y - \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \text{--- (C)}$$

$$\text{from eqn (B): } 2Ae^{-4x} = \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y \quad \text{--- (D)}$$

Substitute (C) and (D) in eqn (3)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 8\left(\frac{dy}{dx} + 6y\right) + 18\left(-4y - \frac{dy}{dx}\right)$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 8\frac{dy}{dx} + 48y - 72y - 18\frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -10\frac{dy}{dx} - 24y$$

$$\text{ANS: } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 10\frac{dy}{dx} + 24y = 0.$$