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**RESIT/SUPPLEMENTARY / SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE GENERAL, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
ECONOMICS STATISTICS, BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SCIENCE) &
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION(ARTS)**

MATH 326: METHODS OF APPLIED MATHEMATICS

STREAMS: AS ABOVE

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 05/05/2021

8.30 A.M - 10.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer ALL questions
- Adhere to the instructions on the answer booklet.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a. Identify the nature of the singular points of the equation $(1 - x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0$
(6 marks)
- b. Find the recurrence relation satisfied by coefficients in the series solution of the differential equation $y'' + 2xy' + (1 + x^2)y = 0$
(6 marks)
- c. Obtain the indicial equation of the following differential equations
 $2xy'' + (x + 1)y' + y = 0$
(6 marks)
- d. Express in terms of legendres polynomials $x^3 + 1$
(6 marks)
- e. Solve the differential equation $2xU_{xx} - 3yU_{yy} = 0$ by variable separable method 6marks

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a. Solve in series the differential equation $(1 - x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 2y = 0$ (10 marks)
- b. Find a Fourier series to represent $f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & -\pi < x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 < x < \pi \end{cases}$ (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a. Find the Laplace transform of $t^3 e^{-2t}$ (7 marks)
- b. Using the Laplace transforms, to evaluate $\int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-3t} \sin t \, dt$ (7 marks)
- c. Express $f(x) = x$ as a sine series in $0 < x < \pi$ (6 marks)
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