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DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

MATH 308-506

Exam 1.A, 21 Sep 2005

Name:

Mark: /40

1. Sketch the direction field for the equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 5x(x-1)^2(2-x)$$

in the region  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 2.5$ . What is the  $t \rightarrow \infty$  limit of the solution satisfying  $x(0) = 1.5$ ? Can the solution satisfying  $x(0) = 0.5$  ever grow to 1.5? Justify.

**(8 marks)**

2. Solve the IVP

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x^2(1 + \sin(t)), \quad x(0) = 1.$$

(8 marks)

3. Solve the IVP

$$\cos(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 \sin(x)y = x \cos^3(x), \quad y(0) = 2.$$

(8 marks)

4. The body of a murder victim was discovered at 6pm. Police officers measured the body temperature at 6.10pm and then again at 7.10pm; the temperature readings were  $29^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$  correspondingly. The temperature of the building is maintained by an air conditioning system at the constant  $21^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Assuming the victim had the normal temperature of  $37^{\circ}\text{C}$  at the time of the murder, what time did the murder happen? Use Newton's law of cooling

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = k(M - T),$$

where  $T$  is the temperature of the body,  $M$  is the temperature of the environment and  $k$  is a proportionality coefficient. Write down the equations you are solving. (Hint: take 6.10pm as  $t = 0$ ).

**(8 marks)**

5. A sailboat has been running (on a straight course) under a light wind at 1 m/sec. Suddenly the wind picks up, blowing hard enough to apply a constant force of 600 N to the boat. The only other force on the boat is water resistance that is proportional to the velocity of the boat with the proportionality constant  $b = 100$  N-sec/m. If the mass of the boat is 150 kg, find the velocity of the boat as a function of  $t$ . What is the limiting velocity of the boat.

**(8 marks)**