

## Higher Math for Engineers Review for Exam I

This exam will cover the following topics:

- I. **Separable equations.** You should be able to identify a separable linear differential equation and solve it.

Examples of typical problems are: Page 46, problems 12, 14, 16 and 20.

- II. **Linear equations.** You should be able to identify a “linear” equation and solve it.

Typical problems are: Page 55, problems 8, 10, 17 and 18.

- III. **Exact equations.** You should be able to identify and exact linear differential equation and solve it.

Typical problems are: Page 65, problems 12, 15, 16 and 24.

- IV. **Special integrating factors.** Given a linear differential equation in the form

$$M(x, y) dx + N(x, y) dy = 0$$

which is not exact, you should be able to compute if possible a special integrating factor that depends either only on  $x$  or on  $y$  and use it to solve the equation.

Typical problems are: Page 71, problems 8, 9, 10, 11.

- V. **Conceptual problems.** You will be asked to answer some conceptual questions. The following are examples:

- (i) State the definition of separable linear equation.
- (ii) What is a criterion to decide whether an equation is exact?
- (iii) What is a special integrating factor?
- (iv) What is the order of a linear differential equation?