SECOND MIDTERM

Open book exam. Duration: 50 minutes Full credit given for correctly answering 6 (out of 10) questions.

1. Consider a LGWI process with the following rates

$$\lambda_n = 25 + 6.2n$$
 per hour
 $\mu_n = 7.3n$ per hour

having 8 members at 8:17. Compute

- (a) the expected value (use the xx:yy:zz format) and standard deviation (in minutes and seconds) of the time of death of the last native ('natives' are the 8 initial members *and* their progeny),
- (b) the long-run proportion of time with more than 5 (surviving) immigrants (this time, do *not* include their descendents).
- 2. This is a continuation of the previous question. Compute:
 - (a) the probability that the *total* (combining natives, immigrants and their progeny) surviving population at 8:55 is between 12 and 17,
 - (b) the expected value of this population at 8:55, and the corresponding standard deviation.
- 3. Consider the following PDE

$$\dot{P}(z,t) = P'(z,t) \cdot (1+z^2) \cdot \arctan z$$

- (a) Find its general solution (sufficiently simplified). Give details of your steps, not just the final answer.
- (b) Also, find the specific solution which meets

$$P(z,0) = \frac{1}{1+z^2}$$

Spell out your g(x) function - what exactly is it?

4. Consider the following PDE

$$\dot{P}(z,t) = (1 + e^{-z}) \cdot P'(z,t) + P(z,t)$$

- (a) Find its general solution (simplified). Provide details.
- (b) Also, find the specific solution which meets

$$P(z,0) = 1 + e^z$$

What was your g(x)?

5. Consider a B&D process with the following rates

$$\lambda_n = 7.5 - 0.5n$$
 per hour
 $\mu_n = 0.8n$ per hour

and the value of 10 at time 0. Compute

- (a) the expected value of the process 18 minutes later, and the corresponding standard deviation,
- (b) the long-run average frequency of visits to State 12 (per week, assuming 24/7 operation), and their average duration (in minutes and seconds).