

**POST-GRADUATE COURSE**  
**Term End Examination — June, 2022/December, 2022**  
**MATHEMATICS**

**Paper-3A : ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS**

Time : 2 hours ]

[ Full Marks : 50

Weightage of Marks : 80%

**Special credit will be given for accuracy and relevance in the answer. Marks will be deducted for incorrect spelling, untidy work and illegible handwriting.**

**The marks for each question has been indicated in the margin.**

**Use of scientific calculator is strictly prohibited.**

*( Symbols / notations have their usual meanings )*

Answer Question No. **1** and any *four* from the rest :

1. Answer any *five* questions : 2 × 5 = 10
- a) Find the singular solution of the differential equation satisfied by the family of curves  $c^2x^2 - 2yc + 4 = 0$  where  $c$  is a parameter.
- b) Are the solutions  $e^x$ ,  $e^{-x}$  and  $e^{2x}$  of the differential equation  $y''' - 2y'' - y' + 2y = 0$ , linearly dependent ?
- c) If  $S$  is defined by the rectangle  $|x| \leq a$ ,  $|y| \leq b$ , show that  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ , satisfies the Lipschitz condition. Find the Lipschitz constant.
- d) Solve the equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2}{1+y^2}$  with the initial condition  $y(0) = 0$  by Picard's method to obtain  $y$  for  $x = 0.15$  correct to 3 decimal places.
- e) Locate the critical point and find its nature for the system  $\dot{x} = x + y$ ,  $\dot{y} = x - y + 1$ .
- f) Let  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  be two solutions of the problem
- $$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + a \frac{dy}{dt} + by(t) = 0, t \in \mathbb{R} \\ y(0) = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$
- where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. Find the Wronskian of  $y_1$  and  $y_2$ .

- g) Prove the Rodrigues formula

$$L_n(z) = e^z \cdot \frac{d^n}{dz^n} (z^n \cdot e^{-z})$$

where  $L_n(z)$  is the Laguerre polynomial of order  $n$ .

2. a) Given that  $y = (t + \frac{1}{t})$  is a solution of  $t^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + t \frac{dy}{dt} - y = 0$ . Solve the equation by reducing the order of the equation. 5

- b) If the  $n$  vector functions  $\vec{\phi}_1, \vec{\phi}_2, \dots, \vec{\phi}_n$  are the  $n$  solutions of the homogeneous linear vector differential equation  $\frac{d\vec{y}}{dx} = A(x)\vec{y}$  and the Wronskian  $W(\vec{\phi}_1, \vec{\phi}_2, \dots, \vec{\phi}_n) = 0$  for some  $x_0 \in [a, b]$  then prove that  $\vec{\phi}_1, \vec{\phi}_2, \dots, \vec{\phi}_n$  are linearly dependent on  $[a, b]$ . 5

3. a) Use Picard's method to compute approximately the value of  $y$  when  $x = 0.1$  from the initial value problem  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$  where  $y(0) = 1$ . Check the result with the exact value. 5

- b) State Picard's existence and uniqueness theorem for IVP of differential equation.

Prove that for the IVP,  $\frac{dy}{dt} = y^2 + \cos^2 t$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ , the interval of existence of the solution is  $[0, \frac{1}{2}]$ , given that  $R$  is the rectangle containing the origin :  $R = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq a, |y| \leq b, a > \frac{1}{2}\}$ . 5

4. a) Obtain the Green's function and hence find the solution of the following BVP :

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = f(x), 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

subject to  $u(0) = \alpha, u'(1) = \beta$ , ( $\alpha, \beta$  are constants). 5

- b) Find the general solution of

$$(x^2 + 1) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 6(x^2 + 1)^2 \text{ given that } y = x \text{ and } y = x^2 - 1$$

are two independent solutions of the corresponding homogeneous equation. 5

5. a) Determine the nature of the critical point for the system  $\dot{x} = \sin y$ ,  $\dot{y} = \cos x$  and find the equation of the phase path. 5
- b) Find the nature and the stability property of the critical point of the system  $\dot{x} = -ax + y$ ,  $\dot{y} = -x - ay$  for  $a < 0$  and  $a > 0$ . 5
6. a) Find the general solution of the homogeneous linear system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax$$

$$\text{where } A = \begin{pmatrix} -5 & -12 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & -1 \\ -7 & -10 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}. \quad 5$$

- b) Prove that

$$J_{2n}(z) = (-1)^n \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos 2n\phi \cdot \cos(z \cdot \sin\phi) d\phi.$$

where  $J_{2n}(z)$  is the Bessel function of first kind and of order  $n$ . 5

7. a) If  $P_n(x)$  denotes the Legendre Polynomial of degree  $n$ , prove that

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_m(x) \cdot P_n(x) dx = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } m \neq n \\ \frac{2}{2n+1}, & \text{if } m = n \end{cases} \quad 5$$

- b) Prove that if  $m < n$ ,

$$\frac{d^m}{dt^m} \{H_n(t)\} = \frac{2^m \lfloor n \rfloor}{(n-m)!} H_{n-m}(t)$$

where  $H_n(t)$  is Hermite's polynomial of degree  $n$ . 5

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