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M.Sc.

First Semester

CORE – 01

MATHEMATICS

Course Code: MMAC 1.11

(Ordinary Differential Equations)

Total Mark: 70

Pass Mark: 28

Time: 3 hours

Answer five questions, taking one from each unit.

UNIT-I

1. (a) Consider the equation $y'' + a_1 y' + a_2 y = 0$, where a_1, a_2 are real. Suppose $\alpha + i\beta$ is a complex root of the characteristic polynomial, where α, β are real, $\beta \neq 0$. Then show that
- (i) $\alpha - i\beta$ is also a root
- (ii) any solution ϕ may be written in the form
- $$\phi(x) = e^{\alpha x} (d_1 \cos \beta x + d_2 \sin \beta x) \text{ where } d_1, d_2 \text{ are constants.}$$
- Find the value of α, β . 3+3+2=8
- (b) Let I be the interval $0 < x < 1$. Find a function ϕ which has a continuous derivative on $-\infty < x < \infty$, which satisfies $y'' = 0$ in I and $y'' + k^2 y = 0$ outside I , ($k > 0$), and which has the form $\phi(x) = e^{ikx} + A e^{-ikx}$, ($x \leq 0$) and $\phi(x) = B e^{ikx}$, ($x \geq 1$). Determine ϕ by computing the constants A, B and its value in I . 6
2. (a) Let ϕ_n be any function satisfying the boundary value problem $y'' + n^2 y = 0$, $y(0) = y(2\pi)$, $y'(0) = y'(2\pi)$, ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) then show that $\int_0^{2\pi} \phi_n(x) \phi_m(x) dx = 0$ if $n \neq m$. 4
- (b) Suppose ϕ_1, ϕ_2 are linearly independent solutions of the constant coefficient equation $y'' + a_1 y' + a_2 y = 0$, show that $W(\phi_1, \phi_2)$ is a constant if and only if $a_1 = 0$. 4

- (c) Let $L(y) = y'' + a_1 y' + a_2 y$ where a_1, a_2 are constants, and let the characteristic polynomial be $p(r) = r^2 + a_1 r + a_2$. Now if A, α are constants and $p(\alpha) \neq 0$, show that there is a solution ϕ of $L(y) = Ae^{\alpha x}$ of the form $Be^{\alpha x}$ where B is a constant and compute the particular solution of $L(y) = Ae^{\alpha x}$ if $p(\alpha) = 0$. 2+4=6

UNIT-II

3. (a) Prove that there exists n linearly independent solutions of $L(y) = 0$ on I . 4
- (b) Consider the equation $y'' + \frac{1}{x} y' - \frac{1}{x^2} y = 0$ for $x > 0$, then
- (i) show that there is a solution of the form x^r , where r is a constant
 - (ii) find the two solutions ϕ_1, ϕ_2 satisfying $\phi_1(1) = 1, \phi_2(1) = 0$;
 $\phi_1'(1) = 1, \phi_2'(1) = 1$. 4
- (c) Consider the equation $y'' + \alpha(x)y = 0$, where α is a real valued continuous function for $0 < x < \infty$. Now, if $\alpha(x) \geq \epsilon$ for $0 < x < \infty$, where ϵ is a positive constant, show that every real valued solution has an infinity of zeros on $0 < x < \infty$. 6
4. (a) Let ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n be n linearly independent solutions of $L(y) = 0$ on an interval I . If ϕ is any solution of $L(y)$ on I it can be represented in the form $\phi = c_1 \phi_1 + \dots + c_n \phi_n$, where c_1, \dots, c_n are n constants. Then prove that any set of n linearly independent solutions of $L(y) = 0$ on I is a basis for the solution of $L(y) = 0$ on I . 4
- (b) Consider the equation $y'' + \alpha(x)y = 0$ where α is a continuous function on $-\infty < x < \infty$ which is of period $\xi > 0$ and let ϕ_1, ϕ_2 be the basis for the solutions satisfying $\phi_1(0) = 1, \phi_2(0) = 0$;
 $\phi_1'(0) = 1, \phi_2'(0) = 1$, then show that
- (i) there is at least one non trivial solution ϕ of the period ξ if and only if $\phi_1(\xi) + \phi_2(\xi) = 2$. 3
 - (ii) there exist a one non trivial solution ϕ satisfying $\phi(x + \xi) = -\phi(x)$ if and only if $\phi_1(\xi) + \phi_2(\xi) = -2$. 4

- (c) Let ϕ, ψ be two real valued linearly independent solutions of $y'' + \alpha(x)y = 0$ on $a < x < b$, where α is a real valued. Show that between any two successive zeros of ϕ there is a zero of ψ . 3

UNIT-III

5. (a) One solution of $x^2 y'' - xy' + y = 0$, ($x > 0$) is $\phi_1(x) = x$. Find the solution ψ of $x^2 y'' - xy' + y = x^2$, satisfying $\psi(1) = 1$, $\psi'(1) = 0$. 6
- (b) Find two linearly independent power series solution of the equation $L(y) = y'' - xy = 0$. And show that the solutions are convergent. 8
6. (a) Find two linearly independent power series solution (in powers of x) of $y'' - xy' + y = 0$. 5
- (b) The equation $y'' + e^x y = 0$ has a solution of the form $\phi(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k x^k$ which satisfies $\phi(0) = 1$, $\phi'(0) = 1$. Compute $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, c_5$. 4
- (c) Show that $\int_{-1}^1 P_n(x)P_m(x)dx = 0, (n \neq m)$ where P_n is the n^{th} Legendre polynomial. 5

UNIT-IV

7. (a) Solve the equation $y' = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x+y-1}{x+2} \right)^2$ 3
- (b) Find an integrating factor for each of the following equations and solve them
- (i) $(2y^2 + 2)dx + 3xy^2 dy = 0$ 3
- (ii) $(5x^2 y^2 + 2y)dx + (3x^4 y + 2x)dy = 0$ 4
- (c) Consider the equation $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$, where M, N have continuous first partial derivatives on some rectangle R . Prove that the function u on R , having continuous first partial derivatives, is an integrating factor if and only if $u \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \right) = N \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - M \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ on R . 4

8. (a) For each of the following problems compute the first four successive approximation: 3×3=9
- (i) $y' = x^2 + y^2, y(0) = 0$ (ii) $y' = 1 + xy, y(0) = 1$
- (iii) $y' = y^2, y(0) = 1$
- (b) Consider the equation $y' = (3x^2 + 1)\cos^2 y + (x^2 - 2x)\sin 2y$ on the strip $S_a : |x| \leq a$ ($a > 0$). If $f(x, y)$ denotes the right side of this equation, show that $f(x, y)$ satisfies a Lipschitz condition on this strip, and hence show that every initial value problem $y' = f(x, y), y(x_0) = y_0$, has a solution which exist for all real x . 5

UNIT-V

9. (a) Find all the solutions of the following equations for $|x| > 0$
- (i) $x^2 y'' + xy' + 4y = 1$ 4×2=8
- (ii) $x^2 y'' + xy' - 4\pi y = x$
- (b) Let $L(y) = x^2 y'' + axy' + by$ where a, b are constants, and let q be the indicial polynomial $q(r) = r(r-1) + ar + b$. Then
- (i) Show that the equation $L(y) = x^k$ has a solution ψ of the form $\psi(x) = cx^k$ if $q(k) \neq 0$. 3
- (ii) Suppose k is a root of q of multiplicity one. Show that there is a solution ψ of $L(y) = x^k$ of the form $\psi(x) = cx^k \log x$. 3
10. (a) Find the solution near $x = 0$ of $x^2 y'' + (x + x^2)y' + (x - 9)y = 0$. 10
- (b) If J_n denotes the Bessel's function of first kind, then prove that $J_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n J_n(x)$. 4