

**October 2025**  
**B.A./B.Sc.**  
**Third Semester**  
**MAJOR – 3**  
**MATHEMATICS**  
*Course Code: MAM 3.11*  
**(Differential Equations)**

Total Mark: 50

Pass Mark: 20

Time: 2 hours

I. Answer three questions, taking one from each unit.

**UNIT-I**

1. (a) Show that  $x^3 + 3xy^2 = 1$  is an implicit solution of the differential equation  $2xy \frac{dy}{dx} + x^2 + y^2 = 0$ . 4
- (b) Solve the initial value problem  $(2x \cos y + 3x^2)dx + (x^3 - 2x \sin y - y)dy = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 0$  4
- (c) Consider the differential equation  $(4x + 3y)dx + 2xydy = 0$  then show that the equation is not exact and find the integrating factor. 4
2. (a) Solve the differential equation  $y^2dx - (3xy - 1)dy = 0$  4
- (b) Solve the initial value problem  $x \sin y dx + (x + 1) \cos y dy = 0$ ,  $y(1) = \frac{\pi}{2}$  4
- (c) Show the homogeneous equation  $(Ax^2 + Bxy + Cy^2)dx + (Dx^2 + Exy + Fy^2)dy = 0$  is exact if and only if  $B = 2D$  and  $E = 2C$ . 4

**UNIT-II**

3. (a) Formulate the general differential equation for exponential decay of radioactive element. 6

- (b) Derive an expression for half-life time of a radioactive element. 2
- (c) If you have 50 grams of  $^{14}\text{C}$  today, how much will be left in 100 years? (Given  $\ln 2 = 0.69314$ ) 4
4. (a) Show the compartmental model and write down the balance law for the mass pollution in lake. 2
- (b) Formulate the general differential equation of a lake pollution model. 4
- (c) Formulate the pollution levels in the case study of Lake Burley Griffin. 6

### UNIT-III

5. (a) Find the general solution of  $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 4\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 3\frac{dy}{dx} + 18y = 0$ . 4
- (b) Solve the initial-value problem  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 6\frac{dy}{dx} + 25y = 0$ ,  
 $y(0) = -3$ ,  $y'(0) = -1$ . 4
- (c) Solve:  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 3\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 2x^2 + e^x + 2xe^x + 4e^{3x}$  4
6. (a) Given that  $e^{-x}$ ,  $e^{3x}$  and  $e^{4x}$  are solutions of  
 $x^3 \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 4x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 8x \frac{dy}{dx} - 8y = 0$ . Show that they are linearly independent on the interval  $-\infty < x < \infty$  and solve the general solution. 4
- (b) Given that  $y = x$  is a solution of  $(x^2 + 1) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0$ . Find a linearly independent solution by reducing the order. 4
- (c) Solve  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2\frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = 2e^x - \ln(\sin x)$ , with conditions  
 $y(0) = 2$ ,  $y'(0) = 4$ . 4

II. Answer any two of the following questions.

7. (a) Solve:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy^3$  2
- (b) Solve:  $(x - 2y + 1)dx + (4x - 3y - 6)dy = 0$  2
- (c) Solve the initial value problem  
 $(3x - y - 6)dx + (x + y + 2)dy = 0, y(2) = -2$  3
8. (a) In a continuous population growth, find the equation for the time taken for the population to double in size. 2
- (b) Solve the differential equation  $\frac{dX}{dt} = -\frac{r}{K} \left( X^2 - KX + \frac{Kh}{r} \right)$ ,  
when  $r = 1, K = 10, h = \frac{9}{10}$ , at  $X(0) = x_0$ . 2
- (c) Solve the differential equation  $\frac{dC}{dt} = \frac{F}{V} (C_{in} - C)$ , with the  
initial condition  $C(0) = C_0$ . 3
9. (a) Determine a word equation and appropriate compartment model  
for both prey and predator. 2
- (b) Formulate the differential equations for the predator-prey  
density model. 2
- (c) Find the equilibrium point of the differential equation.  
 $\frac{dX}{dt} = \lambda_1 X - C_1 XY, \frac{dY}{dt} = C_2 XY - \lambda_2 Y$ . 3
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