



**I Semester M.Sc. Examination, May 2011  
MATHEMATICS  
Differential Equations**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

*Note : 1) Answer **any five** questions.  
2) All questions carry **equal** marks.*

1. a) State and prove Picard's theorem for existence and uniqueness of an initial value problem. **12**
- b) Find the general solution of  $y^{(5)} - y^{(4)} - y' + y = 0$  **4**
2. a) Find the general solution of  $y'' + y = \tan x \sec x$  by the method of variation of parameters. **8**
- b) Find the solution of  $x^2 y'' + 7xy' + 8y = 0$  by finding the solution of its adjoint equation by stating appropriate result. **8**
3. a) Define Sturm-Liouville Problem. Find the eigen values and eigen function of Sturm-Liouville Problem. **8**
- b) Solve the boundary value problem  $y'' + \lambda y = f(x)$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y(\pi) = 0$  by Green's function method. **8**
4. a) Find the series solution of laguerre differential equation  $xy'' + (1 - x)y' + ny = 0$  around the singular point for a non-negative positive integer n. **9**
- b) Prove that  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x} L_m(x) L_n(x) dx = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m = n \\ 0 & \text{if } m \neq n \end{cases}$  **7**

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**Math 1.5**

5. a) Find the general solution of the non-homogeneous linear system

$$X'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} X(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 3t \\ -t \\ e \end{bmatrix} \quad 6$$

b) Define the four types of critical points of the linear autonomous system

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= ax + by \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= cx + dy, \text{ when } ad - bc \neq 0. \end{aligned} \quad 6$$

c) Determine the nature and stability of critical point of the system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -2x + 4y ; \frac{dy}{dt} = -2x + by. \quad 4$$

6. a) Find the critical points of the non-linear system  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 1 - y ; \frac{dy}{dt} = x^2 - y^2$ .  
Determine their nature and stability. 8

b) State only the Liapunov stability theorem. Determine the stability of the critical point (0, 0) of the system  $\frac{dx}{dt} = -x^5 - y^3 ; \frac{dy}{dt} = 3x^3 - y^3$ . 8

7. a) State Cauchy problem and discuss its geometrical significance. 8

b) Define semilinear, quasilinear and nonlinear partial differential equations of first order. Explain the method of characteristics for solving quasilinear cauchy problem. 8

8. Solve :

a)  $\frac{\partial^3 z}{\partial x^3} + \frac{\partial^3 z}{\partial x^2 \partial y} - \frac{\partial^3 z}{\partial x \partial y^2} - \frac{\partial^3 z}{\partial y^3} = e^{2x+y} + \sin(x+2y)$ . 6

b) Discuss the method of characteristics for the cauchy problem of second order and illustrate with a suitable example. 10