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(2017 Admission Onwards)

MATHEMATICS

MAT1C05 : Differential Equations

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

Instructions : Answer any four questions from Part – A. Each question carries 4 marks. Answer any four questions from Part – B without omitting any Unit. Each question carries 16 marks.

PART – A

1. Find the indicial equation of the differential equation $x^3y'' + (\cos 2x - 1)y' + 2xy = 0$.
2. Define $F(a, b, c, x)$ and show that $F'(a, b, c, x) = \frac{ab}{c} F(a + 1, b + 1, c + 1, x)$.
3. Define the Bessel function $J_p(x)$ and show that $\frac{d}{dx} [x^p J_p(x)] = x^p J_{p-1}(x)$.
4. Find two solutions of the system $\frac{dx}{dt} = x + y, \frac{dy}{dt} = 4x - 2y$.
5. If $y(x)$ is a nontrivial solution of the differential equation $y'' + q(x)y = 0$ on $[a, b]$ then prove that $y(x)$ has at most a finite number of zeros in $[a, b]$.
6. Let $f(x, y)$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ be continuous functions on a closed rectangle R with sides parallel to the axes. Prove that $f(x, y)$ satisfies the Lipschitz condition on R .

PART - B
Unit - I

7. a) Find a solution as a power series for the initial value problem $y' = x - y$, $y(0) = 0$. Express the solution in terms of familiar functions. Also verify your solution by directly solving the initial value problem.
- b) Find the general solution $y = \sum a_n x^n$ in the form $y = a_0 y_1(x) + a_1 y_2(x)$ where $y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$ are power series for the differential equation $y'' + xy' + y = 0$.
8. a) Verify that origin is a regular singular point and calculate two independent Frobenius series solutions of the equation $2x^2 y'' + x(2x + 1)y' - y = 0$
- b) Find two independent Frobenius series solutions of $x^2 y'' - x^2 y' + (x^2 - 2)y = 0$.
9. a) Define Gauss hypergeometric equation and obtain the hypergeometric series as a solution of this equation.
- b) Find the nature of the point at infinity for the Gauss hypergeometric equation.

Unit - II

10. a) Using $(1 - 2xt + t^2)^{-1/2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x) t^n$, show that
- i) $P_n(1) = 1$ and $P_n(-1) = (-1)^n$
- ii) $P_{2n+1}(0) = 0$ and $P_{2n}(0) = (-1)^n \frac{1.3 \dots (2n-1)}{2^n n!}$
- b) Prove the orthogonality property of Legendre polynomials.
- $$\int_{-1}^1 P_m(x) P_n(x) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \neq n \\ \frac{2}{2n+1} & \text{if } m = n \end{cases}$$
11. a) Prove that $J_{-1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \cos x$.
- b) Prove the orthogonal property of Bessel functions :
- $$\int_0^1 x J_p(\lambda_m x) J_p(\lambda_n x) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \neq n \\ \frac{1}{2} J_{p+1}(\lambda_n)^2 & \text{if } m = n \end{cases}$$



12. a) If two solutions $x = x_1(t)$, $y = y_1(t)$ and $x = x_2(t)$, $y = y_2(t)$ of the system $\frac{dx}{dt} = a_1(t)x + b_1(t)y$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = a_2(t)x + b_2(t)y$ are linearly independent on $[a, b]$, then prove that $x = c_1 x_1(t) + c_2 x_2(t)$, $y = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t)$ is the general solution of the system on $[a, b]$ for any constants c_1 and c_2 .
- b) Find the general solution of the system $\frac{dx}{dt} = -3x + 4y$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = -2x + 3y$.

Unit - III

13. a) Let $u(x)$ be any nontrivial solution of $u'' + q(x)u = 0$, where $q(x) > 0$ for all $x > 0$. If $\int_1^{\infty} q(x) dx = \infty$, then prove that $u(x)$ has infinitely many zeros on the positive x -axis.
- b) State and prove the Sturm comparison theorem.
14. a) Let $f(x, y)$ be a continuous function that satisfies a Lipschitz condition on a strip defined by $a \leq x \leq b$ and $-\infty < y < \infty$. If (x_0, y_0) is any interior point of the strip, prove that the initial value problem $y' = f(x, y)$, $y(x_0) = y_0$ has a unique solution on the interval $a \leq x \leq b$.
- b) For what points (x_0, y_0) does the initial value problem $y' = |y|$, $y(x_0) = y_0$ has a unique solution on some interval $|x - x_0| \leq h$?
15. a) Find the exact solution of the initial value problem $y' = x + y$, $y(0) = 1$. Starting with $y_0(x) = 1$, calculate $y_2(x)$, $y_3(x)$ and $y_4(x)$.
- b) Solve the following initial value problem (system) by Picard's method.
- $$\frac{dy}{dx} = z, y(0) = 1$$
- $$\frac{dz}{dx} = -y, z(0) = 0$$