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END-OF-SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS :NOV-2025
M.Sc -MATHEMATICS **MAXIMUM MARKS: 75**
SEMESTER: I **TIME : 3 HOURS**

ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

SECTION – A (10 X 1 = 10 MARKS)

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS.

(K1)

1. If $y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$ are linearly dependent, then their Wronskian $W(y_1, y_2)$ is _____.
a) Zero everywhere
b) Non-Zero everywhere
c) Zero at isolated points only
d) Constant Non-Zero
2. The solution of the Legendre equation that is finite at $x = \pm 1$ is called _____.
a) Legendre polynomial
b) Bessel function
c) Chebyshev polynomial
d) Hermite polynomial
3. The matrix exponential e^{At} is used in solving _____.
a) Non-linear systems only
b) Linear systems with constant coefficients
c) Legendre equations
d) Bessel equations
4. The successive approximation method in Picard's theorem constructs solutions in the form _____.
a) Power series in x
b) Iterative integrals
c) Fourier series
d) Matrix exponentials
5. Green's function is primarily used to _____.
a) Convert a boundary value problem into an integral equation
b) Solve non-homogeneous systems by eigenvalue method
c) Find the power series expansions
d) Eliminate boundary conditions

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING IN ONE (OR) TWO SENTENCES

(K2)

(Qn. No. 6 - 10)

6. What does a zero Wronskian indicate?

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7. What is an ordinary point of a differential equation?

8. What is the fundamental matrix of a system?

9. What is meant by elementary linear oscillations?

10. Define periodic boundary conditions.

SECTION – B

(5 X 5 = 25 MARKS)

ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

(Qn. No. 11 to 15) Questions for Short Answers with internal choices – 2 questions from each unit. (K3)

11. a) State and prove Abel's formula.

(OR)

b) Find the general solution of the equation $x'' - \frac{2}{t^2}x = 0, 0 < t < \infty$.

12. a) If p_n is a Legendre polynomial, prove that $\int_{-1}^1 p_n^2(t) dt = \frac{2}{2n+1}$.

(OR)

b) Show that the individual equation for the equation $tx'' + (1-t)x' + nx = 0$ has repeated roots.

13. a) Write the equation $x''' - 6x'' + 11x' - 6x = 0$ in the vector matrix form.

(OR)

b) Find a fundamental matrix for the system $\bar{x}' = A\bar{x}$ where $A = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix}$

are constants.

14. a) Let $x(t)$ be a solution of $x'' + a(t)x = 0, t \geq 0$ existing on $(0, \infty)$. If $a(t) < 0$ on $(0, \infty)$, prove that $x(t)$ has at most one zero.

(OR)

b) Prove that the zeros of a solutions of $x'' + a(t)x' + b(t)x = 0, t \geq 0$, are isolated.

15. a) State and prove Eigen function expansion

(OR)

b) Find the Green's function for the BVP $x'' = f(t); x(0) = x(1) = 0$.

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SECTION – C

(5 X 8 = 40 MARKS)

ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

(Qn. No. 16 to 20 Questions for Long Answers with internal choices – 2 questions from each unit.

(K4 (Or) K5)

16. a) Assume that $a_0(t), a_1(t), \dots, a_n(t)$ and $b(t)$ are real valued continuous functions of t defined on an interval I of the real line \mathbb{R} and that $a_0(t) \neq 0$, for all $t \in I$. Prove that the IVP $a_0(t)x^n + a_1(t)x^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_n(t)x = b(t), x(t_0) = \alpha_1, x^{(t_0)} = \alpha_2, \dots, x^{(n-1)}(t_0) = \alpha_n$ has one and only one solution.

(OR)

b) Let $x_1(t), x_2(t), \dots, x_n(t)$ be linearly independent solutions of $L(x) = 0$ on the interval I . Prove that any solution $x(t)$ of $L(x) = 0$ on I is of the form $x(t) = c_1x_1(t) + c_2x_2(t) + \dots + c_nx_n(t), t \in I$ Where c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n are some constants.

17. a) Consider the Hermite equations $x'' - 2tx' + 2x = 0$. Assume that $z(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k t^k$ is a solution of Hermite equation. Determine the constants a_k .

(OR)

b) Let A_1, A_2, \dots be the positive zeros of the Bessel function $J_p(t)$, prove that

$$\int_0^1 t J_p(A_m t) J_p(A_n t) dt = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \neq n \\ \frac{1}{2} J_{p+1}(A_n)^2 & \text{if } m = n \end{cases}$$

18. a) State and prove existence and uniqueness theorem.

(OR)

b) Determine $\exp(tA)$ for the system $x' = Ax$ where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

19. a) State and prove Picard's theorem.

(OR)

b) State and prove Hille-winter theorem.

20. a) State and prove Picard's theorem on Boundary value problem.

(OR)

b) Let $G(t,s)$ be given by the relation

$$G(t,s) = \begin{cases} -(y(t)z(s) / A) & \text{if } t \leq s \\ -y(s)z(t) / A & \text{if } t \geq s \end{cases}$$

prove that $x(t)$ is a solution of $L(x)+f(t)=0, a \leq t \leq b, m_1x(a) + m_2x'(a) = 0, m_3x(b) + m_4x'(b) = 0$ if and only if $x(t) = \int_a^b G(t, s) f(s) ds$.
