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M Sc Mathematics

MTH2C09 : ODE AND CALCULUS OF VARIATIONS

2024 Admission Onwards

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Weightage: 30

Part A

*Answer **all** questions. Weightage 1 for each question. (8x1 = 8 Weightage)*

1. Give confluent hypergeometric equation. [BTL1]
2. Show that $\sin x = x \left[\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} F\left(a, a, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{-x^2}{4a^2}\right) \right]$. [BTL3]
3. Locate and classify the singular points of the differential equation $x^3(x-1)y'' - 2(x-1)y' + 3xy = 0$. [BTL2]
4. Explain the types of critical points of non linear system. [BTL1]
5. Prove that $\Gamma(p+1) = p!$. [BTL2]
6. Prove that $\frac{d}{dx} J_0(x) = -J_1(x)$. [BTL1]
7. Define Lipschitz condition and also state Peano's theorem. [BTL1]
8. What is an admissible function? [BTL1]

Part B

*Answer **any two** questions from each module. Weightage 2 for each question. (6x2 = 12 Weightage)*

Unit-I

9. Express $\sin^{-1} x$ in the form of a power series by solving the equation $y' = (1 - x^2)^{-1/2}, y(0) = 0$ in two ways. [BTL1]
10. Transform the Chebyshev's equation $(1 - x^2)y'' - xy' + p^2y = 0$, where p is a non-negative constant into a hypergeometric equation and find the general solution near $x = 1$. [BTL3]
11. Determine the nature of the point $x = \infty$ for Bessel's equation $x^2y'' + xy' + (x^2 - p^2)y = 0$ [BTL4]

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Unit-II

12. Show that $(0,0)$ is an asymptotically stable critical point for the system [BTL3]
 $\frac{dx}{dt} = -3x^3 - y, \frac{dy}{dt} = x^5 - 2y^3.$
13. If the two solutions $x = x_1(t), y = y_1(t)$ and $x = x_2(t), y = y_2(t)$ of the [BTL4]
homogeneous 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 $[a, b]$ and
if $x = x_p(t), y = y_p(t)$ is any particular solution of non-homogeneous system
 $\frac{dx}{dt} = a_1(t)x + b_1(t)y + f_1(t), \frac{dy}{dt} = a_2(t)x + b_2(t)y + f_2(t)$ on this
interval then prove that
 $x = c_1 x_1(t) + c_2 x_2(t) + x_p(t), y = c_1 y_1(t) + c_2 y_2(t) + y_p(t)$
is the general solution of the non-homogeneous system on $[a, b]$.
14. Prove that $J_p(x) = \frac{x}{2p}[J_{p-1}(x) + J_{p+1}(x)]$. Then find $J_{-3/2}(x)$ and $J_{-5/2}(x)$. [BTL3]

Unit-III

15. Describe Picard's method of successive approximation for solving the initial value [BTL3]
problem $y' = f(x, y), y(x_0) = y_0$.
16. State and prove Sturm separation theorem. [BTL4]
17. Let $q(x)$ be a positive continuous function that satisfies [BTL2]
 $0 < m^2 < q(x) < M^2$ on $[a, b]$.
If $y(x)$ is a nontrivial solution of $y'' + q(x)y = 0$ on $[a, b]$ and if x_1 and x_2 are
successive zeros of $y(x)$ then prove that $\frac{\pi}{M} < x_2 - x_1 < \frac{\pi}{m}$. Further more if
 $y(x)$ vanishes at a and b and at $n-1$ points in (a, b) then prove that
 $\frac{m(b-a)}{\pi} < n < \frac{M(b-a)}{\pi}.$

Part C

Answer any two questions. Weightage 5 for each question. (2x5 = 10 Weightage)

18. a) Find the indicial equation and its roots of the differential equation [BTL2]
 $4x^2 y'' + (2x^4 - 5x)y' + (3x^2 + 2)y = 0.$
b) Find two independent Frobenius series solution of the equation
 $xy'' - y' + 4x^3 y = 0.$
19. a) Derive Rodrigue's formula for Legendre polynomials; [BTL4]
 $P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n.$
b) Show that $\int_{-1}^1 P_m(x) P_n(x) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \neq n \\ \frac{2}{2n+1} & \text{if } m = n \end{cases}.$
20. a) Find the general solution of the system, $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3x - 4y, \frac{dy}{dt} = x - y$. [BTL4]
b) Find the critical points, differential equation of the paths of the system and
solve this equation to find the paths, $\frac{dx}{dt} = y(x^2 + 1), \frac{dy}{dt} = 2xy^2.$
21. Prove Picard's theorem. [BTL5]
