



**EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA**

**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**

**EXTERNAL DEGREE EXAMINATION IN SCIENCE - 2008/2009**

**FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER (Jan./Mar., 2011)**

**EXTMT 104 - DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS AND FOURIER SERIES**

Answer all questions

Time : Three hours

1. (a) State the necessary and sufficient condition for the differential equation

$$M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$$

to be exact.

Hence solve the following equation

$$\left(3x^4y^2 - \frac{1}{y}\right) \frac{dy}{dx} + 4x^3y^3 + \frac{1}{x} = 0.$$

- (b) Find the general solution of the following ordinary differential equations:

i.  $(1 + e^{x/y}) dx + e^{x/y} \left(1 - \frac{x}{y}\right) dy = 0;$

ii.  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = y^2 \log x.$

2. (a) If  $F(D) = \sum_{i=0}^n p_i D^i$ , where  $D = \frac{d}{dx}$  and  $p_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , are constants with  $p_0 \neq 0$ . Prove the following formulas:

i.  $\frac{1}{F(D)} e^{\alpha x} = \frac{1}{F(\alpha)} e^{\alpha x}$ , where  $\alpha$  is a constant and  $F(\alpha) \neq 0$ ;

ii.  $\frac{1}{F(D)} e^{\alpha x} V = e^{\alpha x} \frac{1}{F(D + \alpha)} e^{\alpha x} V$ , where  $V$  is a function of  $x$ .

(b) Find the general solution of the following ordinary differential equations by using the results in (a).

i.  $(D^3 - 3D - 2)y = 540x^3 e^{-x}$ ;

ii.  $(D^3 + 4D^2 + 4D)y = 8e^{-2x}$ .

3. (a) Let  $x = e^t$ . Show that

$$x D y \equiv \mathcal{D} y,$$

and

$$x^2 D^2 y \equiv (\mathcal{D}^2 - \mathcal{D})y.$$

where  $\mathcal{D} \equiv \frac{d}{dt}$ .

Use the above results to find the general solution of the following ordinary differential equation

$$(x^2 D^2 - 3x D + 4)y = x + x^2 \ln x.$$

(b) Solve the following simultaneous ordinary differential equations:

$$(5D + 4)y - (2D + 1)z = e^{-x},$$

$$(D + 8)y - 3z = 5e^{-x}.$$

4. Use the method of Frobenius to obtain two linearly independent solutions in series for the following ordinary differential equation

$$4x \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 7y = 0.$$

5. (a) Write down the condition of integrability of the total differential equation

$$P(x, y, z)dx + Q(x, y, z)dy + R(x, y, z)dz = 0.$$

Solve the differential equation

$$y^2 dx - z dy + y dz = 0.$$

- (b) Solve the following differential equations:

i.  $\frac{dx}{z(x+y)} = \frac{dy}{z(x-y)} = \frac{dz}{x^2 + y^2};$

ii.  $\frac{dx}{xy} = \frac{dy}{y^2} = \frac{dz}{zxy - 2x^2}.$

- (c) Apply Charpit's method or otherwise to find the complete and the singular solution of the non-linear partial differential equation

$$2z + p^2 + qy + 2y^2 = 0.$$

- (d) Solve the non-linear partial differential equation

$$pz - q^2 = 1.$$

You may assume that  $z = F(x + ay) = F(u)$ , where  $u = x + ay$  and  $a$  is arbitrary constant.

6. (a) Obtain the Fourier series expansion of

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{when } 0 \leq x < 3, \\ 0 & \text{when } -3 < x < 0. \end{cases}$$

- (b) Find the finite Fourier sine transform and the finite Fourier cosine transform of  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ , where  $u$  is a function of  $x$  and  $t$  for  $0 < x < l$ ,  $t > 0$ .

- (c) Use part (b) to show that the solution of the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2},$$

subject to the boundary condition:

$V(0, t) = 0$ ,  $V(4, t) = 0$ ,  $V(x, 0) = 2x$ , where  $0 < x < 4$ ,  $t > 0$ , is

$$V(x, t) = \frac{-16}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2 t}{16}} \cos n\pi \sin \frac{n\pi x}{4}.$$