

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)

BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2023  
(First Semester)

Branch – MATHEMATICS WITH COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS AND LAPLACE TRANSFORMS

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (10 × 1 = 10)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	1	Newton's Law of cooling is given by _____ a) $\frac{dT}{dt} = k(T - A)$ b) $\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T - A)$ c) $\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T - A)$ d) $\frac{dT}{dt} = k(T - A)$	K1	CO1
	2	A linear first-order differential equation has _____ singular solutions. a) no      b) 1      c) 'n'      d) many	K1	CO1
2	3	The general solution of $y'' + y' = 0$ is _____ a) $A \cos x - B \sin x$ b) $A \sin x + B \cos x$ c) $A \sin x - B \cos x$ d) $A \cos x + B \sin x$	K1	CO2
	4	The particular solution of $y'' + 4y = 12x$ is _____ a) $x$ b) $12x$ c) $3x$ d) $0$	K2	CO2
3	5	The fifth-order differential equation $9y^{(5)} - 6y^{(4)} + y(3) = 0$ has the triple root $r = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ and the double root $r = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ a) $0, \frac{1}{3}$ b) $\frac{1}{3}, 0$ c) $0, 1$ d) $1, 0$	K2	CO3
	6	The basic circuit equation is _____ a) $L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI + \frac{1}{C}Q = E(t)$ b) $L \frac{dI}{dt} - RI + \frac{1}{C}Q = E(t)$ c) $L \frac{dI}{dt} - RI - \frac{1}{C}Q = E(t)$ d) $L \frac{dI}{dt} + RI + \frac{1}{C}Q + E(t) = 0$	K1	CO3
4	7	Laplace transform of function $f(t)$ is given by _____ a) $F(t) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t}f(t)dt$ b) $F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st}f(t)dt$ c) $f(t) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t}f(t)dt$ d) $f(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st}f(t)dt$	K2	CO4
	8	$L(t^{-1/2}) = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ a) $\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{s^2}}$ b) $\frac{\pi}{s}$ c) $\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{s^2}}$ d) $\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{s}}$	K2	CO4

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**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ANY THREE questions  
 ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (3 × 10 = 30)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	16	Suppose that at time $t = 0$ , 10 thousand people in a city with population $M = 100$ thousand people have heard a certain rumor. After 1 week the number $P(t)$ of those who have heard, it has increased to $P(1) = 20$ thousand. Assuming that $P(t)$ satisfies a logistic equation, when will 80% of the city's population have heard the rumor?	K4	CO1
2	17	If $y_1$ and $y_2$ are two linearly independent solutions of the homogeneous equation $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$ with $p$ and $q$ continuous on the open interval $I$ and if $Y$ is any solution, then prove that there exists numbers $c_1$ and $c_2$ such that $Y(x) = c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x)$ .	K3	CO2
3	18	Solve the initial value problem $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 3e^{-x} - 10 \cos 3x$ ; $y(0) = 1$ and $y'(0) = 2$ .	K3	CO3
4	19	Using Laplace Transform, solve the initial value problem $x'' - x' - 6x = 0$ ; $x(0) = 2$ , $x'(0) = -1$ .	K4	CO4
5	20	A mass that weighs 32 lb (mass $m = 1$ slug) is attached to the free end of a long, light spring that is stretched 1 ft by a force of 4 lb ( $k = 4$ lb/ft). The mass is initially at rest in its equilibrium position. Beginning at time $t = 0$ (seconds), an external force $f(t) = \cos 2t$ is applied to the mass, but at time $t = 2\pi$ this force is turned off (abruptly discontinued) and the mass is allowed to continue its motion unimpeded. Determine the resulting position function $x(t)$ of the mass.	K4	CO5

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