

B.Sc. (Physical Sciences/Mathematical Sciences) with Mathematics as one of the Core Discipline

Category-III

**DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – A-3:
DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS**

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

| Course title & Code | Credits | Credit distribution of the course | | | Eligibility criteria | Pre-requisite of the course (if any) |
|------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|----------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Lecture | Tutorial | Practical/ Practice | | |
| Differential Equations | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | Class XII pass with Mathematics | Nil |

Learning Objectives

The primary objective of this course is to introduce:

- Ordinary and partial differential equations.
- Basic theory of higher order linear differential equations, Wronskian and its properties.
- Various techniques to find the solutions of above differential equations which provide a basis to model complex real-world situations.

Learning Outcomes

This course will enable the students to:

- Solve the exact, linear, Bernoulli equations, find orthogonal trajectories and solve rate problems.
- Apply the method of undetermined coefficients and variation of parameters to solve linear differential equations.
- Solve Cauchy-Euler equations and System of linear differential equations.
- Formulate and solve various types of first and second order partial differential equations.

SYLLABUS of Discipline A-3

Unit – 1

(15 hours)

Ordinary Differential Equations

First order ordinary differential equations: Basic concepts and ideas, First order Exact differential equations, Integrating factors and rules to find integrating factors, Linear equations and Bernoulli equations, Initial value problems, Applications of first order differential equations: Orthogonal trajectories and Rate problems; Basic theory of higher order linear differential equations, Wronskian and its properties.

Unit – 2

(12 hours)

Explicit Methods of Solving Higher-Order Linear Differential Equations

Linear homogeneous equations with constant coefficients, Linear non-homogeneous equations, Method of undetermined coefficients, Method of variation of parameters, Two-point boundary value problems, Cauchy-Euler equations, System of linear differential equations.

Unit – 3

(18 hours)

First and Second Order Partial Differential Equations

Classification and Construction of first-order partial differential equations, Method of characteristics and general solutions of first-order partial differential equations, Canonical forms and method of separation of variables for first order partial differential equations; Classification and reduction to canonical forms of second-order linear partial differential equations and their general solutions.

Essential Readings

1. Myint-U, Tyn and Debnath, Lokenath (2007). Linear Partial Differential Equations for Scientist and Engineers (4th ed.). Birkhäuser. Indian Reprint.
2. Ross, Shepley L. (1984). Differential Equations (3rd ed.). John Wiley & Sons.

Suggestive Readings

- Edwards, C. Henry, Penney, David E., & Calvis, David T. (2015). Differential Equations and Boundary Value Problems: Computing and Modeling (5th ed.). Pearson Education.
- Kreyszig, Erwin. (2011). Advanced Engineering Mathematics (10th ed.). Wiley India.
- Sneddon I. N. (2006). Elements of Partial Differential Equations. Dover Publications.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.