



UPSC CSE Mathematics: Previous Year Questions: ODE

2025

- 1) Solve $(1 - y^2 + \frac{y^4}{x^2}) (\frac{dy}{dx})^2 - 2\frac{y}{x} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} = 0$
- 2) Form the differential equation of all ellipses whose axes coincide with coordinate axes.
- 3) If $F(s)$ and $G(s)$ are Laplace transforms of $f(t)$ and $g(t)$ respectively, then prove that $\mathcal{L}\left(\int_0^t f(x)g(t-x)dx\right) = F(s)G(s)$. Using this result, solve the equation $y(t) = t + \int_0^t y(x)\sin(t-x)dx$.
- 4) Find the general solution and singular solution of the differential equation $(1 + \frac{dy}{dx})^3 = \frac{27}{8a}(x+y)(1 - \frac{dy}{dx})^3$.
- 5) Find the complete solutions of $x^3 \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + 3x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = x \log x$
- 6) Solve the differential equation $(x+2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - (2x+5) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = (1+x)e^x$ by the method of variation of parameters.

2024

- 1) Find the orthogonal trajectories of the family of curves $r = c(\sec \theta + \tan \theta)$, where c is a parameter.
- 2) Solve the integral equation $y(t) = \cos t + \int_0^t y(x)\cos(t-x)dx$ using Laplace transform.
- 3) Find the second solution of the differential equation $xy'' + (x-1)y' - y = 0$ using $u(x) = -e^{-x}$ as one of the solutions.
- 4) Find the general solution of the differential equation $x^2y'' - 2xy' + 2y = x^3 \sin x$ by the method of variation of parameters.
- 5) State uniqueness theorem for the existence of unique solution of the initial value problem $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y), y(x_0) = y_0$ in the rectangular region $R: |x - x_0| \leq a, |y - y_0| \leq b$. Test the existence and uniqueness of the solution of the initial value problem $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2\sqrt{y}, y(1) = 0$, in a suitable rectangle R . If more than one solution exists, then find all the solutions.

- 6) Using Laplace transform, solve the initial value problem

$$y'' + 2y' + 5y = \delta(t - 2), y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0$$

where $\delta(t - 2)$ denotes the Dirac delta function.

2023

- 1) Obtain the solution of the initial-value problem $\frac{dy}{dx} - 2xy = 2, y(0) = 1$ in the form $y = e^{x^2} [1 + \sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(x)]$
- 2) Given that $L\{f(t); p\} = F(p)$. Show that $\int_0^\infty \frac{f(t)}{t} dt = \int_0^\infty F(x) dx$. Hence evaluate the integral $\int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-t} - e^{-3t}}{t} dt$
- 3) Solve the differential equation: $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 3\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4\frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = e^x + \cos x$.
- 4) Find the solution of differential equation : $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2xy^3+2}{3x^2y^2+8e^{4y}}$
- 5) Reduce the equation $x^2p^2 + y(2x + y)p + y^2 = 0$ to Clairaut's form by the substitution $y = uv$ and $xy = v$. Hence solve the equation and show that $y + 4x = 0$ is a singular solution of the differential equation.
- 6) If the tangent to a curve makes a constant angle θ with a fixed line, then prove that the ratio of radius of torsion to radius of curvature is proportional to $\tan \theta$. Further prove that if this ratio is constant, then the tangent makes a constant angle with a fixed direction.
- 7) Solve the following initial value problem by using Laplace transform technique $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - 4\frac{dy}{dt} + 3y(t) = f(t)$ $y(0) = 1, y'(0) = 0$ and $f(t)$ is a given function of t .

2022

- 1) Show that the general solution of the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} + Py = Q$ can be written in the form $y = \frac{Q}{P} - e^{-\int P dx} \left\{ C + \int e^{\int P dx} d\left(\frac{Q}{P}\right) \right\}$, where P, Q are non-zero functions of x and C , an arbitrary constant.
- 2) Show that the orthogonal trajectories of the system of parabolas $x^2 = 4a(y + a)$ belong to the same system.
- 3) Solve the following differential equation by using the method of variation of parameters: $(x^2 - 1)\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x\frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = (x^2 - 1)^2$, given that $y = x$ is one solution of the reduced equation.
- 4) Solve the following initial value problem by using Laplace's transformation $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} - 3\frac{dy}{dt} + 2y = h(t)$, where $h(t) = \begin{cases} 2, & 0 < t < 4, \\ 0, & t > 4, \end{cases} y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0$
- 5) Find the general and singular solutions of the differential equation: $(x^2 - a^2)p^2 - 2xyp + y^2 + a^2 = 0$, where $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$. Also give the geometric relation between the general and singular solutions.

- 6) Solve the following differential equation : $(3x + 2)^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 5(3x + 2) \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x^2 + x + 1$

2021

- 1) Solve the differential equation $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2y = x^2 e^{3x} + e^x \cos 2x$
- 2) Solve the initial value problem using Laplace transform method:
 $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4y = e^{-2x} \sin 2x; y(0) = y'(0) = 0$
- 3) Solve $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (\tan x - 3 \cos x) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \cos^2 x = \cos^4 x$ completely by demonstrating all the steps involved.
- 4) Find all possible solutions of the differential equation: $y^2 \log y = xy \frac{dy}{dx} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$
- 5) Find the orthogonal trajectories of the family of confocal conics $\frac{x^2}{a^2 + \lambda} + \frac{y^2}{b^2 + \lambda} = 1; a > b > 0$ are constants and λ is a parameter. Show that the given family of curves is self-orthogonal.
- 6) Find the general solution of the differential equation: $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x(1+x) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2(1+x)y = 0$.
Hence, solve the differential equation: $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x(1+x) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2(1+x)y = x^3$ by the method of variation of parameters.

2020

- 1) Solve the following differential equation: $x \cos \left(\frac{y}{x}\right) (y dx + x dy) = y \sin \left(\frac{y}{x}\right) (x dy - y dx)$
- 2) Find the orthogonal trajectories of the family of circles passing through the points $(0, 2)$ and $(0, -2)$
- 3) Using the method of variation of parameters, solve the differential equation $y'' + (1 - \cot x)y' - y \cot x = \sin^2 x$ if $y = e^{-x}$ is one solution of CF.
- 4) Using Laplace transform, solve the initial value problem $ty'' + 2ty' + 2y = 2$; and $y(0) = 1$ and $y'(0)$ is arbitrary. Does this problem have a unique solution?
- 5) Solve differential equation: $(x + 1)^2 y'' - 4(x + 1)y' + 6y = 6(x + 1)^2 + \sin \log(x + 1)$
- 6) Find the general and singular solutions of the differential equation $9p^2(2 + y)^2 = 4(3 - y)$

2019

- 1) Solve the differential equation $(2y \sin x + 3y^4 \sin x \cos x) dx - (4y^3 \cos^2 x + \cos x) dy = 0$
- 2) Determine the complete solution of the differential $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 3x^2 e^{2x} \sin 2x$
- 3) Solve the differential equation $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (3 \sin x - \cot x) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \sin^2 x = e^{-\cos x} \sin^2 x$
- 4) Find the Laplace transforms of $t^{-1/2}$ and $t^{-1/2}$. Prove that the Laplace transform of $t^{n+\frac{1}{2}}$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is $\frac{\Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2})}{s^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}$

- 5) Find the linearly independent solutions of the corresponding homogeneous differential equation of the equation $x^2y'' - 2xy' + 2y = x^3 \sin x$ and then find the general solution of the given equation by the method of variation of parameters.
- 6) Obtain the singular solution of the differential equation $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 \cot^2 \alpha - 2\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \alpha = 1$. Also find the complete primitive of the given differential equation. Give the geometrical interpretations of the complete primitive and singular solutions

2018

- 1) Solve: $y'' - y = x^2 e^{2x}$
- 2) Solve: $y''' - 6y'' + 12y' - 8y = 12e^{2x} + 27e^{-x}$
- 3) Solve
- (i) Find the Laplace transform of $f(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$
- (ii) Find the Inverse Laplace transform of $\frac{5s^2 + 3s - 16}{(s-1)(s-2)(s+3)}$
- 4) Solve: $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 y + 2\frac{dy}{dx}x - y = 0$
- 5) Solve: $y'' + 16y = 32 \sec 2x$
- 6) Solve: $(1+x)^2 y'' + (1+x)y' + y = 4 \cos(\log(1+x))$
- 7) Solve the initial value problem $y'' - 5y' + 4y = e^{2t}; y(0) = \frac{19}{12}, y'(0) = \frac{8}{3}$
- 8) Find α and β such that $x^\alpha y^\beta$ an integrating factor of $(4y^2 + 3xy)dx - (3xy + 2x^2)dy = 0$ and solve the equation.
- 9) Find $f(y)$ such that $(2xe^y + 3y^2)dy + (3x^2 + f(y))dx = 0$ is exact and hence solve.

2017

- 1) Find the differential equation representing the entire circle in the xy -plane.
- 2) Solve the following simultaneous linear differential equations: $(D + 1)y = z + e^x$ and $(D + 1)z = y + e^x$ where y and z are functions of independent variable x and $D \equiv \frac{d}{dx}$.
- 3) If the growth rate of the population of bacteria at time t is proportional to the amount present at the time and population doubles in one week, then how much bacteria's can be expected after 4 weeks?
- 4) Consider the differential equation $xyp^2 - (x^2 + y^2 - 1)p + xy = 0$ where $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$ substituting $u = x^2$ and $v = y^2$ reduce the equation to Clairaut's form in terms of u, v and $p' = \frac{dv}{du}$ hence or otherwise solve the equation.
- 5) Solve the following initial value differential equations $20y'' + 4y' + y = 0, y(0) = 3.2, y'(0) = 0$.
- 6) Solve the differential equation: $x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \frac{dy}{dx} - 4x^3y = 8x^3 \sin(x^2)$

7) Solve that following differential equation using method of variation of parameters $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = 44 - 76x - 48x^2$

8) Solve the following initial value problem using Laplace transform: $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 9y = r(x), y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 4$ where $r(x) = \begin{cases} 8\sin x & \text{if } 0 < x < \pi \\ 0 & \text{if } x \geq \pi \end{cases}$.

2016

1) Find a particular integral of $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y = e^{x/2} \sin \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2}$

2) Show that the family of parabolas $y^2 = 4cx + 4c^2$ is self-orthogonal.

3) Solve $\{y(1 - x \tan x) + x^2 \cos x\} dx - x dy = 0$

4) Using the method of variation of parameter solve the differential equation

$$(D^2 + 2D + 1)y = e^{-x} \log(x), \left[D \equiv \frac{d}{dx} \right]$$

5) Find the general solution of the equation $x^2 \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 4x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6 \frac{dy}{dx} = 4$

6) Using Laplace transformation solve: $y'' - 2y' - 8y = 0, y(0) = 3, y'(0) = 6$

2015

1) Solve the differential equation: $x \cos x \frac{dy}{dx} + y(x \sin x + \cos x) = 1$

2) Solve the differential equation: $(2xy^4 e^y + 2xy^3 + y) dx + (x^2 y^4 e^y - x^2 y^2 - 3x) dy = 0$

3) Find the constant a so that $(x + y)^a$ is the integrating factor of $(4x^2 + 2xy + 6y) dx + (2x^2 + 9y + 3x) dy = 0$ and hence solve the differential equation

4) Solve (i) Obtain Laplace Inverse transform of $\left\{ \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{s^2} \right) + \frac{s}{s^2 + 25} e^{-5s} \right\}$

(ii) Using Laplace transform, solve $y'' + y = t, y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -2$

5) Solve the differential equation $x = py - p^2$ where $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$

6) Solve $x^4 \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} + 6x^3 \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + 4x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x \frac{dy}{dx} - 4y = x^2 + 2 \cos(\log_e x)$

2014

1) Justify that differential equation of the form: $[y + xf(x^2 + y^2)] dx + [yf(x^2 + y^2) - x] dy = 0$ where $f(x^2 + y^2)$ is an arbitrary function of $(x^2 + y^2)$, is not an exact differential equation and $\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}$ is an integrating factor for it. Hence solve this differential equation $f(x^2 + y^2) = (x^2 + y^2)^2$

2) Find the curve for which the part of the tangent cut-off by the axes is bisected at the point of tangency.

3) Solve by the method of variation of parameters: $\frac{dy}{dx} - 5y = \sin x$

- 4) Solve the differential equation: $x^3 \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + 3x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + 8y = 65 \cos(\log_e x)$
- 5) Solve the following differential equation:
 $x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2(x+1) \frac{dy}{dx} + (x+2)y = (x-2)e^{2x}$, when e^x is a solution to its corresponding homogeneous differential equation.
- 6) Find the sufficient condition for the differential equation $M(x, y)dx + N(x, y)dy = 0$, to have an integrating factor as a function of $(x + y)$. What will be the integrating factor in that case? Hence find the integrating factor for differential equation of $(x^2 + xy)dx + (y^2 + xy)dy = 0$ and solve it.
- 7) Solve the initial value problem $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + y = 8e^{-2t} \sin t$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 0$ by using Laplace transform.

2013

- 1) If y is a function of x , such that the differential coefficient $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is equal to $\cos(x + y) + \sin(x + y)$. Find out a relation between x and y , which is free from any derivative / differential.
- 2) Obtain the equation of the orthogonal trajectory of the family of curves represented by $r^n = a \sin n\theta$, (r, θ) being the plane polar coordinates.
- 3) Solve the differential equation $(5x^3 + 12x^2 + 6y^2)dx + 6xydy = 0$
- 4) Using the method of variation of parameters, solve $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + a^2y = \sec ax$
- 5) Find the general solution of the equation $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = \ln x \sin(\ln x)$
- 6) By using Laplace transform method, solve the differential equation $(D^2 + n^2)x = a \sin(nt + \alpha)$, $D^2 = \frac{d^2}{dt^2}$ subject to the initial conditions $x = 0$ and $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$, at $t = 0$, in which a, n and α are constants.

2012

- 1) Solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2xye^{(x/y)^2}}{y^2(1+e^{(x/y)^2})+2x^2e^{(x/y)^2}}$
- 2) Find the orthogonal trajectory of the family of curves $x^2 + y^2 = ax$
- 3) Using Laplace transforms, solve the initial value problem $y'' + 2y' + y = e^{-t}$, $y(0) = -1$, $y'(0) = 1$
- 4) Show that the differential equation $(2xy \log y)dx + (x^2 + y^2 \sqrt{y^2 + 1})dy = 0$ is not exact. Find an integrating factor and hence, the solution of the equation
- 5) Find the general solution of the equation $y''' - y'' = 12x^2 + 6x$
- 6) Solve the ordinary differential equation $x(x-1)y'' - (2x-1)y' + 2y = x^2(2x-3)$

2011

- 1) Obtain the solution of the ordinary differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = (4x + y + 1)^2$, if $y(0) = 1$
- 2) Determine the orthogonal trajectory of a family of curves represented by the polar equation $r = a(1 - \cos \theta)$, (r, θ) being the plane polar coordinates of any point.
- 3) Obtain Clairaut's form of the differential equation $(x \frac{dy}{dx} - y) (y \frac{dy}{dx} + x) = a^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$. Also find its general solution
- 4) Obtain general solution of second order ordinary differential equation $y'' - 2y' + 2y = x + e^x \cos x$
- 5) Using the method of variation of parameters, solve $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4y = \tan 2x$
- 6) Use Laplace transform method to solve the following initial value problem:

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} - 2 \frac{dx}{dt} + x = e^t, x(0) = 2 \text{ and } \left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = -1$$

2010

- 1) Consider the differential equation $y' = \alpha x, x > 0$ where α is a constant. Show that
 - (i) If $\phi(x)$ is any solution and $\psi(x) = \phi(x)e^{-\alpha x}$, then $\psi(x)$ is a constant;
 - (ii) If $\alpha < 0$, then every solution tends to zero as $x \rightarrow \infty$
- 2) Show that the differential equation $(3y^2 - x) + 2y(y^2 - 3)y' = 0$ admits an integrating factor which is a function of $(x + y^2)$. Hence solve the equation
- 3) Verify that $\frac{1}{2}(Mx + Ny)d[\log_e(xy)] + \frac{1}{2}(Mx - Ny)d[\log_e(x/y)] = Mdx + Ndy$. Hence show
 - (i) If the differential equation $Mdx + Ndy = 0$ is homogeneous, then $(Mx + Ny)$ is an integrating factor unless $Mx + Ny \equiv 0$
 - (ii) If the differential equation $Mdx + Ndy = 0$ is not exact but is of the form $f_1(xy)ydx + f_2(xy)x dy = 0$ then $(Mx - Ny)^{-1}$ is an integrating factor unless $Mx + Ny \equiv 0$;
- 4) Use the method of undermined coefficients to find the particular solutions of $y'' + y = \sin x + (1 + x^2)e^x$ and hence find its general solution.

2009

- 1) Find the Wronskian of the set of functions: $\{3x^3, |3x^3|\}$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$ and determine whether the set is linearly dependent on $[-1, 1]$
- 2) Find differential equation of the family of circles in xy -plane passing through $(-1, 1)$ and $(1, 1)$
- 3) Find the inverse Laplace transform of $F(s) = \ln \left(\frac{s+1}{s+s} \right)$
- 4) Solve: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^2(x-y)}{3xy^2 - x^2y - 4y^3}, y(0) = 1$

2008

- 1) Solve the differential equation $ydx + (x + x^3y^2)dy = 0$
- 2) Use method of variation of parameters to find the general solution of $x^2y'' - 4xy' + 6y = -x^4\sin x$
- 3) Using Laplace transform, solve the initial value problem $y'' - 3y' + 2y = 4t + e^{3t}, y(0) = 1, y'(0) = -1$
- 4) Solve the differential equation $x^3y'' - 3x^2y' + xy = \sin(\ln x) + 1$
- 5) Solve the equation $y - 2xp + yp^2 = 0$, where $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$

2007

- 1) Solve the ordinary differential equation $\cos 3x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y \sin 3x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 6x + \sin^2 3x, 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$
- 2) Find the solution of the equation $\frac{dy}{y} + xy^2 dx = -4x dx$
- 3) Determine the general and singular solutions of the equation $y = x \frac{dy}{dx} + a \frac{dy}{dx} \left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}}, a$ being a constant.
- 4) Obtain the general solution of $[D^3 - 6D^2 + 12D - 8]y = 12 \left(e^{2x} + \frac{9}{4} e^{-x} \right)$,
- 5) Solve the equation $2x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x^3$
- 6) Use method of variation of parameters to find general solution of equation $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 2e^x$

2006

- 1) Find the family of curves whose tangents form an angle $\frac{\pi}{4}$ with the hyperbolas $xy = c, c > 0$
- 2) Solve the differential equation $(xy^2 + e^{-\frac{1}{x^3}}) dx - x^2 y dy = 0$
- 3) Solve: $(1 + y^2) + (x - e^{-\tan^{-1} y}) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$
- 4) Solve the equation $x^2 p^2 + py(2x + y) + y^2 = 0$ using the substitution $y = u$ and $xy = v$ and find its singular solution, where $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$
- 5) Solve the differential equation $x^2 \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + 2x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{y}{x} = 10 \left(1 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)$
- 6) Solve the differential equation $(D^2 - 2D + 2)y = e^x \tan x, D \equiv \frac{dy}{dx}$ by the method of variation of parameters.

2005

- 1) Find the orthogonal trajectory of the family of co-axial circles $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + c = 0$, where g is the parameter.
- 2) Solve: $xy \frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{(x^2 - y^2 - x^2y^2 - 1)}$
- 3) Solve the differential equation: $[(x + 1)^4 D^3 + 2(x + 1)^3 D^2 - (x + 1)^2 D + (x + 1)]y = \frac{1}{(x+1)}$
- 4) Solve the differential equation:
 $(x^2 + y^2)(1 + p)^2 - 2(x + y)(1 + p)(x + yp) + (x + yp)^2 = 0$ where $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$, by reducing it to Clairaut's form by using suitable substitution.
- 5) Solve the differential equation $(\sin x - x \cos x)y'' - x \sin x y' + y \sin x = 0$ given that $y = \sin x$ is a solution of this equation.
- 6) Solve the differential equation $x^2 y'' - 2xy' + 2y = x \log x$, $x > 0$ by variation of parameters

2004

- 1) Find the solution of the following differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x$
- 2) Solve: $y(xy + 2x^2y^2)dx + x(xy - x^2y^2)dy = 0$
- 3) Solve: $(D^4 - 4D^2 - 5)y = e^x(x + \cos x)$
- 4) Reduce the equation $(px - y)(py + x) = 2p$, to Clairaut's equation and solve it.
- 5) Solve: $(x + 2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - (2x + 5) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = (x + 1)e^x$
- 6) Solve the following differential equation: $(1 - x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4x \frac{dy}{dx} - (1 + x^2)y = x$

2003

- 1) Show that the orthogonal trajectory of a system of confocal ellipses is self-orthogonal
- 2) Solve: $x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \log y = xye^x$
- 3) Solve $(D^5 - D)y = 4(e^x + \cos x + x^3)$, where $D \equiv \frac{dy}{dx}$
- 4) Solve the differential equation $(px^2 + y^2)(px + y) = (p + 1)^2$, where $p = \frac{dy}{dx}$,
by reducing it to Clairaut's form using suitable substitutions
- 5) Solve $(1 + x^2)y'' + (1 + x)y' + y = \sin 2[\log(1 + x)]$
- 6) Solve the differential equation $x^2 y'' - 4xy' + 6y = x^4 \sec^2 x$ by variation of parameters.

2002

- 1) Solve: $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = x^3 y^2$
- 2) Find the values of λ for which all solutions of $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3x \frac{dy}{dx} - \lambda y = 0$ tend to zero as $x \rightarrow \infty$.

- 3) Find the value of constant λ such that the following differential equation becomes exact.
 $(2xe^y + 3y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} + (3x^2 + \lambda e^y) = 0$. Further, for this value of λ , solve the equation.
- 4) Solve: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x+y+4}{x-y-6}$
- 5) Using the method of variation of parameters, find the solutions of
 $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y = xe^x \sin x$ with $y(0) = 0$ and $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{x=0} = 0$
- 6) Solve: $(D - 1)(D^2 - 2D + 2)y = e^x$ where $D \equiv \frac{dy}{dx}$

2001

- 1) A continuous function $y(t)$ satisfies the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \begin{cases} 1 + e^{1-t}, & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 2 + 2t - 3t^2, & 1 \leq t < 5 \end{cases}$$
 If $y(0) = -e$, find $y(2)$
- 2) Solve: $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = x^2 \log_e x$
- 3) Solve: $\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} \log_e y = \frac{y(\log_e y)^2}{x^2}$
- 4) Find the general solution of $ayp^2 + (2x - b)p - y = 0, a > 0$
- 5) Solve: $(D^2 + 1)^2 y = 24x \cos x$ given that $y = Dy = D^2y = 0$ and $D^3y = 12$ when $x = 0$
- 6) Using the method of variation of parameters, solve $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4y = 4 \tan 2x$