

The Open University of Sri Lanka  
B.Sc./B.Ed. Degree, Continuing Education Programme  
No Book Test (NBT) - 2024/2025  
Level 4 - Applied Mathematics  
ADU4303- Applied Linear Algebra & Differential Equations



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**DURATION: ONE HOUR**

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**Date: 23.03.2025**

**01.00p.m.-02.00p.m.**

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ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

1. Find the general solution of each of the systems of simultaneous differential equations, given below in the standard notation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad \dot{x}_1 &= x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= 2x_1 + 3x_2 - 4x_3 \\ \dot{x}_3 &= 4x_1 + x_2 - 4x_3, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad \dot{x}_1 &= 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4e^{3t} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_1 - 2x_2 - e^{3t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad \ddot{y}_1 &= y_1 + 2y_2 \\ \ddot{y}_2 &= 2y_1 - 2y_2 \end{aligned}$$

2. Find a sinusoidal particular solution for the following system of partial differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{x}_1 - 8x_1 + 5x_2 &= \sin 2t \\ \ddot{x}_2 - 10x_1 + 7x_2 &= 2 \cos 2t. \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the general solution of the differential equation given below:

$$6x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y = 0, \quad (x > 0).$$