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**ST. JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY, BENGALURU- 27**  
**M.Sc MATHEMATICS- I SEMESTER**  
**SEMESTER EXAMINATION: OCTOBER 2023**  
(Examination conducted in November/December)  
**MT 7421- Ordinary Differential Equations**

**Duration:** 2 Hours

**Max. Marks:** 50

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1. The paper contains **ONE** printed pages.
  2. Answer any **FIVE FULL** questions, where each question carries 10 marks.
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1. State and prove Abel's Formula.
2. (a) Show that the solution set of the equation  $y'' + 7y' + 12y = 0$  forms the fundamental set.  
(b) A tank initially contains 50 gallons of pure water. A salt solution containing 2 pounds of salt per gallon of water is poured into the tank at the rate of 3 gallons per minute. The mixture is stirred and is drained out of the tank at the same rate.
  - i. Find the initial value problem that describes the amount of salt in the tank at any time.
  - ii. Find the amount of salt in the tank at any time.
  - iii. Find the amount of salt in the tank after 20 minutes.
  - iv. Find the amount of salt in the tank after a long time. **[3+7]**
3. Find the power series solution of the differential equation  $(x^2 + 1)y'' + xy' - xy = 0$  in powers of  $x$ .
4. Solve using Frobenius method the given differential equation  $xy'' + y' - xy = 0$ .
5. Find the eigenvalue and eigen function of the differential equation  $y'' + \lambda y = 0$  with boundary conditions  $y(0) = 0$  and  $y(1) = 0$ .
6. Find the general solution of  $x^2y'' + 7xy' + 8y = 0$  by finding the solution of its adjoint equation.
7. (a) Define the critical point for an autonomous system of differential equations. Find the critical points of  $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \frac{c}{m} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{q}{a} \sin x = 0$   
(b) Solve the equation  $y'' = -2t(y')^2$  with  $y(0) = 2, y'(0) = -1$ . **[4+6]**

**OR**

- (a) Determine the type and stability of the critical point of  $(0, 0)$  of the non linear system of equation  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 8x - y^2, \frac{dy}{dt} = -6y + 6x^2$ .
- (b) Solve the differential equation  $yy'' = (y')^2$ . **[4+6]**

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