

8. Obtain the inverse Z-transform of $\bar{x}(z) = \frac{z(z+1)}{(z-1)^2}$.
9. State and prove the generalization of the Poincare-Perron theorem.
10. Consider the Pielou logistic delay equation

$$y(n+1) = \frac{\alpha y(n)}{1 + \beta y(n-k)}, \quad \alpha > 1, \beta > 0, k \text{ a positive integer.}$$

Show that every positive solution of above oscillates about its positive equilibrium point

$$y^* = (\alpha - 1) / \beta \text{ if } \frac{\alpha - 1}{\alpha} > \frac{K^k}{(k+1)^{k+1}}.$$

APRIL/MAY 2019

MMA44 — DIFFERENCE EQUATION

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (5 × 6 = 30 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. (a) Prove that for fixed $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}$, the following
- (i) $\Delta x^{(k)} = kx^{(k-1)}$;
 - (ii) $\Delta^n x^{(k)} = k(k-1)\dots(k-n+1)x^{(k-n)}$;
 - (iii) $\Delta^k x^{(k)} = k!$.

Or

- (b) Prove that the operator Δ^{-1} is linear.
2. (a) Find the solution of the difference system

$$x(n+1) = Ax(n), \text{ where } A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Or

- (b) State and prove Abel's formula.

3. (a) Find the Z-transform of the sequences $\{na^n\}$ and $\{n^2a^n\}$.

Or

- (b) State and prove shifting property.

4. (a) Show that $\left(\frac{n}{t^2+n^2}\right)^n = O\left(\frac{1}{t^n}\right)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$, for $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Or

- (b) Prove that suppose that the matrix A has k linearly independent eigen-vectors $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_k$ and k corresponding eigen values $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$. If condition

$$\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{|\lambda_i(n)|} \|B(n)\| < \infty \text{ holds for } B(n), \text{ then}$$

system equation $y(n+1) = [A + B(n)]y(n)$ has solution $y_i(n)$, $1 \leq i \leq k$, such that $y_i(n) = [\xi_i + o(1)]\lambda_i^n$.

5. (a) Suppose that f is continuous on \mathbb{R} and satisfies the following assumptions :

(i) $xf(x) > 0$, $x \neq 0$

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \inf \frac{f(x)}{x} = L$, $0 < L < \infty$,

(iii) $pL > \frac{K^k}{(k+1)^{k+1}}$ if $k \geq 1$ and $pL > 1$ if

$k = 0$, where $p = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf p(n) > 0$.

Prove that for every solution of $x(n+1) - x(n) + p(n)f(x(n-k)) = 0$ oscillates.

Or

- (b) Suppose that $p(n) \geq 0$ and $\sup p(n) < \frac{k^K}{(k+1)^{k+1}}$. Prove that

$x(n+1) - x(n) + p(n)x(n-k) = 0$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ has a nonoscillatory solution.

SECTION B — (3 × 15 = 45 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

6. Solve the equation

$$x(n+3) - 7x(n+1) + 16x(n) - 12x(n) = 0,$$

$$x(0) = 0, x(1) = 1, x(2) = 1.$$

7. Solve the system $y(n+1) = Ay(n) + g(n)$, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, g(n) = \begin{pmatrix} n \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, y(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$