

# PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

# TRANSFORMATIONS

**Question 1**

The smooth function  $f = f(x, y)$  satisfies

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}.$$

Find the general solution of the above partial differential equation by using the transformation equations

$$x = u + v \quad \text{and} \quad y = u - v.$$

$$f(x, y) = F(x + y)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \quad f = f(u, v) \\
 & \left. \begin{array}{l} x = u + v \\ y = u - v \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} 2u = x+y \\ 2v = x-y \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} u = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}y \\ v = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}y \end{array} \right. \\
 & \bullet \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \\
 & \bullet \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \\
 & \text{SUB INTO THE P.D.E.} \\
 & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \\
 & \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} = 0 \\
 & f(u, v) = F(u) \\
 & f(u) = F(x+y)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 2**

The smooth function  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies

$$y \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = xy.$$

Find the general solution of the above partial differential equation by using the transformation equations

$$u = x^2 + y^2 \quad \text{and} \quad v = x^2 - y^2.$$

$$z(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}(x^2 + y^2) + f(x^2 - y^2)$$

Given PDE:  $y \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = xy$

Let  $u = x^2 + y^2$  and  $v = x^2 - y^2$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} (2x) + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} (0)$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} (0) + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} (2y)$

Sub into the P.D.E.

$y \left[ 2x \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + 0 \right] + x \left[ 0 \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + 2y \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \right] = xy$

$2xy \left[ \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \right] = xy$

$4 \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = 1$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \frac{1}{4}$

$z = \frac{1}{4}u + f(v)$

$z = \frac{1}{4}(x^2 + y^2) + f(x^2 - y^2)$

**Question 3**

The smooth function  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 6(x+y)^2 z^2.$$

Find the general solution of the above partial differential equation by using the transformation equations

$$\xi = x + y \quad \text{and} \quad \eta = x - y.$$

, 
$$z(x, y) = \frac{1}{(x+y)^3 - f(x-y)}$$

USING THE TRANSFORMATION EQUATIONS GIVEN

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= x+y & \eta &= x-y \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} \times 1 + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \times 1 = \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} \times 1 + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \times (-1) = \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \end{aligned}$$

SUBSTITUTE AND THE ODE

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} = 6(x+y)^2 z^2 \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta}\right) - \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta}\right) = 6(x+y)^2 z^2 \\ &\Rightarrow 2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} = 6(x+y)^2 z^2 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} = 3(x+y)^2 z^2 \end{aligned}$$

SOLVE BY SEPARATION OF VARIABLES OR DIRECT INTEGRATION

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z^2} dz = 3(x+y)^2 d\eta \\ &\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{z} = 3(x+y)^2 + f(y) \\ &\Rightarrow -z^{-1} = \frac{1}{3(x+y)^2 + f(y)} \\ &\Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{-3(x+y)^2 - f(y)} \\ &\Rightarrow z(x,y) = \frac{1}{f(-y) - (x+y)^2} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 4**

The smooth function  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 1.$$

Find the general solution of the above partial differential equation by using the transformation equations

$$x = u^2 + v^2 \quad \text{and} \quad y = u^2 - v^2.$$

$$\boxed{\quad}, \quad z(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(x + y) + f(\sqrt{|x - y|})$$

REVERSE THE TRANSFORMATION EQUATIONS, & OBTAIN PARTIAL DERIVATIVES

$$\begin{cases} x = u^2 + v^2 \\ y = u^2 - v^2 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} = 2u^2 \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} = 2v^2 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = 2u^2 \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = 2v^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} u^2 = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{2} \\ v^2 = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{2} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot 2u^2 \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot 2v^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} u^2 = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{2} \\ v^2 = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{2} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2u^2 \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2v^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} u^2 = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{2} \\ v^2 = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{2} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \frac{1}{2}x \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = \frac{1}{2}y \end{cases}$$

BY THIS POINT ONLY WE HAVE

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

SUBSTITUTE INTO THE P.D.E.

$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = 1 \\ &\rightarrow \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right] + \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right] = 1 \\ &\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 1 \\ &\rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

SOLVING BY DIRECT INTEGRATION

$$\begin{aligned} z(u, v) &= u^2 + f(v) \\ z(u, v) &= \left( \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}y \right) + f(\sqrt{|x - y|}) \\ z(u, v) &= \frac{1}{2}(x + y) + f(\sqrt{|x - y|}) \end{aligned}$$

**Question 5**

$$(x+y)\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (y-x)\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0.$$

Transform the above partial differential equation using the equations

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) \quad \text{and} \quad v = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right).$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = 0}$$

SOLVE PARTIAL DIFFERENTIALS FROM THE TRANSMISSION EQUATIONS

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) \quad v = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2} \times 2x = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2} \times \frac{y}{x} = -\frac{y}{(1 + \frac{y^2}{x^2})x^2} = -\frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2} \times \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{(1 + \frac{y^2}{x^2})x} = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

NOTE: GET EXPRESSIONS FOR  $x = x(u, v)$  &  $y = y(u, v)$

- $x = \ln(x^2 + y^2)$
- $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{y}{x}$
- $y = x \tan v$
- $y^2 = e^{2v} - x^2$
- $x^2 = e^{2v} - y^2$
- $e^{2v} - x^2 = e^{2v} \sec^2 v$
- $e^{2v} = x^2 + 2x \sec^2 v$
- $e^{2v} = x^2(1 + \tan^2 v)$
- $e^{2v} = x^2 \sec^2 v$
- $x = e^{v} \cos v$
- $x = e^{v} \cos v$

$$\Rightarrow y = x \tan v$$

$$\Rightarrow y = (e^v \cos v) \frac{\sin v}{\cos v}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = e^v \sin v$$

RELATE ALL THE INEQUALITIES & EXPRESSIONS

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \cos v \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} \sin v \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = e^v \cos v \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = e^v \sin v$$

$$x \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \cos v + \frac{1}{2} \sin v = e^v (\cos v + \sin v) \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 + y^2 = e^{2v}$$

$$y \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{2} \sin v - \frac{1}{2} \cos v = e^v (\sin v - \cos v)$$

TRANSFORM  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = 0$  BY THE CHAIN RULE

- $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}$
- $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}$
- $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$
- $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$
- $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}$
- $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}$

NEXT WE TRANSFORM THE P.D.E

$$\rightarrow (2uv) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (1-v^2) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^v (\cos v + \sin v) \left[ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cos v - \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \sin v \right] + e^v (\sin v - \cos v) \left[ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \sin v + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cos v \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (uv \cos v) \left[ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cos v - \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \sin v \right] + (\sin^2 v - \cos^2 v) \left[ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \sin v + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cos v \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} (uv \cos v \cos v - uv \sin v \sin v) + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} (\sin^2 v + \cos^2 v) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} (uv \cos^2 v - uv \sin^2 v) + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} (\sin^2 v + \cos^2 v) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} (uv \cos^2 v + \sin^2 v) - \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} (\sin^2 v + \cos^2 v) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$$

## Question 6

The function  $z$  depends on  $x$  and  $y$  so that

$$z = f(u, v), \quad u = x - 2\sqrt{y} \quad \text{and} \quad v = x + 2\sqrt{y}.$$

Show that the partial differential equation

$$2\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - 2y\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0,$$

can be simplified to

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial u \partial v} = 0.$$

, proof

SUM BY EXPANDING ALL THE REQUIRED EXPRESSIONS IN ORDER TO SUBSTITUTE INTO THE GIVEN SIDE

•  $U = x - 2\sqrt{y}$   
 $V = x + 2\sqrt{y}$

FINDING AND SUBSTITUTING

$\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = 1 \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$   
 $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = 1 \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$

$2x = U + V \quad 4\sqrt{y} = V - U$   
 $2x = 1 + 1 \quad 4\sqrt{y} = 1 - 1$   
 $2x = 2 \quad 4\sqrt{y} = 0$   
 $x = 1 \quad y = 0$

$\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$   
 $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$

SUM WITH THE FIRST ORDER DERIVATIVES

$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}\right) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \times 1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$   
 $\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial y}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}\right) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \times 1 = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$

$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}\right) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \times 1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$   
 $\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial y}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}\right) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \times 1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$

TION AND RESOLVING

$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \quad \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y^2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$   
 $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \quad \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \quad \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$

$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \left[ -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right] + \frac{1}{2}\left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right] = 0$

NEXT SUBSTITUTE THESE RESULTS INTO THE P.D.E.

$2 \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} - 2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y^2} = 0$   
 $2 \left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} - 2 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right] = 0$   
 $-2 \left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \left( \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \left( \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right] = 0$   
 $- \left[ \frac{1}{4y} + \frac{1}{4y} + \frac{1}{4y} \right] = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Rightarrow 2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + 1\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + 3\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} - \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial z} + 1\frac{\partial^2}{\partial xy^2} + 1\frac{\partial^2}{\partial xz^2} - 1\frac{\partial^2}{\partial yz^2} = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow 8\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow 8\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 \\
 & \text{DETERMINE TO THE FIRST ORDER DERIVATIVES OF } u \text{ AT THE VERY BEGINNING} \\
 & \Rightarrow 8\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{5}\left[-b^2 + ab - \frac{1}{4}a^2 + b^2\right]\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow 8\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{3}{4}a^2 - \frac{1}{4}b^2\right)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow 8\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{4}b^2\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow 8\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{4}b^2\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) + \frac{1}{5}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^2 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{40}b^2 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 7**

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

The above partial differential equation is Laplace's equation in a two dimensional Cartesian system of coordinates.

Show clearly that Laplace's equation in the standard two dimensional Polar system of coordinates is given by

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} = 0.$$

**proof**

$\nabla^2 \phi = 0$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

$\bullet \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x}$

$\bullet \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y}$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \left( -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \times \frac{\partial^2 r}{\partial x^2} + \left( -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \times \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial x^2} \right) \right) \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x}$$

$$= \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \left( -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \times \frac{\partial^2 r}{\partial y^2} + \left( -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \times \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial y^2} \right) \right) \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y}$$

$$= \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial y^2}$$

Now the second insulation

$\bullet \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right) = \left( \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \left( \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right)$

$$= \cos^2 \theta \left( \cos^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( -\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) - \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) - \sin^2 \theta \left( \sin^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right)$$

$$= \cos^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} - \cos \theta \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} - \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} - \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2}$$

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Product rule      ↑  
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Product rule

$$\begin{aligned} &= \cos^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} - \cos \theta \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \left[ \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{\cos \theta \sin \theta}{r^2} \left[ \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right] \\ &= \cos^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{2 \cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} - \frac{2 \cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \\ &= \cos^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{2 \cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} - \frac{2 \cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \\ &\text{Now} \\ &\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right) = \left( \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \left( \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \\ &= \sin^2 \theta \left( \cos^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \cos^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \cos^2 \theta \left( \sin^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \\ &= \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \cos \theta \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \cos \theta \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} \\ &\quad \swarrow \text{Product rule} \quad \swarrow \text{Product rule} \\ &= \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \left[ \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} \left[ \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right] \\ &= \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} - \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} \\ &\quad - \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} \\ &= \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{2 \sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} - \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{2 \sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} - \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \\ &\text{Now} \\ &\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = \cos^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} - \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \\ &\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} - \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \\ &\text{Add} \\ &\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = \left( \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta \right) \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} \\ &\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} \equiv \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

# FIRST ORDER P.D.E.s

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = F(x, y, z) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = G(x, y, z) \quad \text{for } z = z(x, y)$$

**Question 1**

It is given that  $z = F(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + 2yz = xy^3.$$

Determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\boxed{\quad, \quad z = \frac{1}{2}x(y^2 - 1) + e^{-y^2}f(x)}$$

AS THIS IS A SIMPLE FIRST ORDER P.D.E WITH  
ONLY ONE PARTIAL DERIVATIVE PRESENT WE  
CAN JUST SOLVE IT AS AN O.D.E WHERE  
THE OTHER INDEPENDENT VARIABLE IS TREATED  
AS A CONSTANT (OR FREE).

$z = f(x, y)$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + 2yz = xy^3$

L.F.  $= e^{\int 2y dy} = e^{4y}$

$\rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(ze^{4y}) = xy^3e^{4y}$

$\rightarrow ze^{4y} = \int xy^3e^{4y} dy$

$\rightarrow ze^{4y} = \frac{1}{4}y^4(e^{4y}) + C$  ← BY PARTS (u=xy<sup>3</sup>, v=e<sup>4y</sup>)

$\Rightarrow ze^{4y} = \frac{1}{4}y^4e^{4y} - \int 4ye^{4y} dy$

$\Rightarrow ze^{4y} = 2\left[\frac{1}{4}y^4e^{4y} - \int ye^{4y} dy\right] + A$

$\Rightarrow ze^{4y} = \frac{1}{2}y^4e^{4y} - \frac{1}{2}ye^{4y} + B$

$\Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2}y^4 + B(e^{-4y})$

$\Rightarrow z(y) = \frac{1}{2}y(y^2 - 1) + B(y)e^{-4y}$

# FIRST ORDER P.D.E.s

(by linear transformations)

$$A \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + B \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + Cz = G(x, y), \quad z = z(x, y)$$

### Question 1

It is given that  $\psi = \psi(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$3 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} - 4 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = x^2.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$\xi = Ax + By \quad \text{and} \quad \eta = Cx + Dy, \quad AD - BC \neq 0$$

with suitable values of  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\boxed{\quad}, \quad \psi(x, y) = \frac{1}{9}x^3 + f(4x + 3y)$$

$3 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} - 4 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = x^2$

USING THE TRANSFORMATIONS GIVEN

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= Ax + By & AD - BC \neq 0 \\ \eta &= Cx + Dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} &= A & \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} &= B \\ \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} &= C & \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} &= D \end{aligned}$$

BY THE CHAIN RULE

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = A \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} + C \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} = B \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} + D \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \eta} \end{aligned}$$

SUBSTITUTE INTO THE P.D.E.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 3 \left[ A \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} + C \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \eta} \right] - 4 \left[ B \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} + D \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \eta} \right] &= x^2 \\ \Rightarrow (3A - 4B) \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} + (3C - 4D) \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \eta} &= x^2 \end{aligned}$$

"KNOCK OFF"  $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \eta}$ , FURTHER SIMPLIFYING THE P.D.E.

$$\begin{cases} A=1 & B=0 \\ C=4 & D=3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \xi = x \\ \eta = 4x + 3y \end{cases}$$

THE PDE NOW TRANSFORMS

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 3 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} &= x^2 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi} &= \frac{1}{3}x^2 \\ \Rightarrow \psi(\xi, \eta) &= \frac{1}{9}\xi^3 + f(\eta) \end{aligned}$$

REVERSING THE TRANSFORMATIONS

$$\Rightarrow \psi(x, y) = \frac{1}{9}x^3 + f(4x + 3y)$$

**Question 2**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = ax + by \quad \text{and} \quad v = cx + dy, \quad ad - bc \neq 0$$

in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation, showing further that this general solution is independent of the choice of values of the constants of  $a, b, c$  and  $d$ .

$$z = e^x F(x-y) \quad \text{or} \quad z = e^y G(x-y)$$

**SOLVING THE EQUATION WE OBTAIN**

$$z = (F(x-y))e^x$$

$$z = (G(x-y))e^y$$

WE KNOW TO SHOW FURTHER THAT THE SOLUTION IS INDEPENDENT OF  $a/b$  &  $c/d$ .  
THIS MEANS THAT THE ARBITRARY FUNCTION  $F$  &  $G$  ARE THE SAME.

$$\therefore z = F(x-y)e^x \text{ OR } z = G(x-y)e^y$$

MULTIPLY THE EQUATIONS

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = (x-y)\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}e^x + F(x-y)e^x$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = (x-y)\frac{\partial G}{\partial y}e^y + G(x-y)e^y$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = (x-y)\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}e^x + F(x-y)e^x + (x-y)\frac{\partial G}{\partial y}e^y + G(x-y)e^y$$

$$\therefore z_x + z_y = F(x-y)e^x + G(x-y)e^y$$

### Question 3

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z = x.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$\xi = Ax + By \quad \text{and} \quad \eta = Cx + Dy, \quad AD - BC \neq 0$$

with suitable values of  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = x - 1 + e^{-x} f(x - y)$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z = x$  (for  $z = z(x, y)$ )

Step 1: To use a similar transformation to "block" one of the partial derivatives so we can use an integrating factor.

- Let  $\begin{cases} \xi = Ax + By \\ \eta = Cx + Dy \end{cases}$  ( $AD - BC \neq 0$ )
- $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = A \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} + B \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta}$
- $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = C \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} + D \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta}$
- Sub into the P.D.E.  
 $A \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} + B \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} + C \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} + D \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} + z = x$
- We may pick these constants so we can "block" one of the partial derivatives and make the coefficients of the other partial derivative as simple as possible  
 $\begin{cases} \text{e.g. block } y \text{ off: } C=1 & \text{if } A=1 \\ & B=0 \end{cases}$
- So the transformation equations become  
 $\begin{cases} \xi = x \\ \eta = x - y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \xi - \eta = y \quad \text{and} \quad x = \xi$
- Hence the P.D.E. now becomes  
 $\frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} + z = \xi$  which can be solved by integrating factor  
 $1.F = e^{\int d\xi} = e^\xi$
- Thus  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi}(e^\xi) = \xi e^\xi$

$\Rightarrow z e^\xi = \int \xi e^\xi d\xi \quad \leftarrow \text{BY PARTS}$

$\Rightarrow z e^\xi = \xi e^\xi - \int e^\xi d\xi$

$\Rightarrow z e^\xi = \xi e^\xi - e^\xi + A(\xi)$

$\Rightarrow z = \xi - 1 + A(\xi) e^{-\xi}$

$\Rightarrow z = (x-1) + A(x-y) e^{-x}$

$\Rightarrow z = (x-1) + f(x-y) e^{-x}$

**check:**

If  $z = (x-1) + f(x-y) e^{-x}$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 1 + f'(x-y)e^{-x} - f(x-y)e^{-x}$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -f'(x-y)e^{-x}$

Sub into the P.D.E.

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z = [1 + f'(x-y)e^{-x}] + [-f'(x-y)e^{-x}] + [(x-1) + f(x-y)e^{-x}] = x$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z = x$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x - z$

(1)  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (1) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x - z$

↑  
P.D.E.  
↑  
 $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}(1) \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}(1)$

**• LAGRANGE'S ASSUMPTION** O.D.E. is the

$$\frac{dx}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{R}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dz}{dx}$$

**• Now**  $dx = dy$   
 $y = x + C$   
 $\text{or } \{y - x = C\}$   
 $\text{or } \{x - y = C\}$

**•**  $dx = \frac{d(x-z)}{dx} \Rightarrow x - z = \frac{dx}{dz}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dz} = x - z$   
 $\text{i.f.: } e^{\int dx/dz} = e^{x-z}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dz}(e^{x-z}) = e^{x-z}$   
 $\Rightarrow x e^{x-z} = \int e^{x-z} dz$   
 $\Rightarrow x e^{x-z} = x e^x - e^x + C$   
 $\Rightarrow z = x - 1 + C e^x$   
 $\Rightarrow (x - x + 1) e^x = C_1$

**•**  $\boxed{\text{This}} \quad u(3xy^2) = y - x$   
 $V(3xy^2) = e^x(y-x)$

SO THE GENERAL SOLUTION OF THE P.D.E. IS  $F(u) = 0$

LE  $F(y-x, e^x(y-x)) = 0$

$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = f(2x-2y) \quad \text{or} \quad e^x(2x-2y) = g(y-x)$   
 $2x-2y = e^{-x}g(y-x)$   
 $z = x - 1 + e^{-x}g(y-x)$

**Question 4**

It is given that  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = \sin x + \cos y.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = ax + by \quad \text{and} \quad v = cx + dy, \quad ad - bc \neq 0$$

with suitable values of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\boxed{\varphi(x, y) = F(x + y) - \cos x - \sin y}$$

The derivation shows the following steps:

- $u = ax + by$     $v = cx + dy$     $ad - bc \neq 0$
- $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = a, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = b$
- $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = c, \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = d$
- $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + c \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$
- $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = b \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + d \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$
- SUB INTO THE PDE  
 $(a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + c \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}) - (b \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + d \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}) = \sin x + \cos y$   
 $(a-b) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + (c-d) \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \sin x + \cos y$
- break off  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$  by  
 $b=0 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u=a \\ v=c y \end{array} \right.$

On the right, there are handwritten notes:

- This  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \sin u + \cos(v-u)$
- $\Phi(uv) = -wsu - \sin(v-u) + f(u+v)$
- This  $f(uv) = -wsx - \sin(u-v) + f(u+v)$
- $\Phi(vu) = f(uv) - wsx - \sin y$

**Question 5**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} - 2z + 4y^2 - 22y + 4x + 13 = 0.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = ax + by \quad \text{and} \quad v = cx + dy, \quad ad - bc \neq 0$$

with suitable values of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = 2y^2 + 2x - 5y + e^{2x} f(3x - y)$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} - 2z + 4y^2 - 22y + 4x + 13 = 0$

• Let  $u = ax + by$        $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = a, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = b$   
 $v = cx + dy$        $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = c, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = d$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = a \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + c \frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$   
 $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = b \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + d \frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$

• Sub. into PDE. O.D.E.  
 $a \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + 3b \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} + 3d \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} - 2z + 4y^2 - 22y + 4x + 13 = 0$

Let  
 $c=3$   
 $d=-1$   
 $b=0$   
 $a=1$

Thus  
 $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} - 2z + 4(3u-v)^2 - 22(3u-v) + 4u + 13 = 0$   
 $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v} - 2z = 22(3u-v) - 4(3u-v)^2 - 4u - 13$

By integrating factor  
 $e^{-\frac{1}{2}2z} dz = e^{2u}$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial u} (e^{-\frac{1}{2}2z}) = 22(3u-v)e^{2u} - 4(3u-v)^2 e^{2u} - (4u-13)e^{2u}$   
 $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} (e^{-\frac{1}{2}2z}) = e^{2u} [6u-2v-4v^2+24uv-3u^2-4u-13] e^{2u}$   
 $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} (e^{-\frac{1}{2}2z}) = e^{2u} [-5u^2+6u-5v^2-22v+4v^2-13] e^{2u}$

$ze^{-2u} = \int (-36u^2+62u+24uv-22v-4v^2-13) e^{-2u} du$

By parts  
 $-36u^2+62u+24uv-22v-4v^2-13 \quad | \quad -72u+62+24v$   
 $-\frac{1}{2}e^{2u} \quad | \quad e^{-2u}$

$\Rightarrow ze^{-2u} = -\frac{1}{2}e^{2u} [-36u^2+62u+24uv-22v-4v^2-13] + \int (-36u+31+12v)e^{-2u} du$

$\Rightarrow ze^{-2u} = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2u} [36u^2-62u-24uv+22v+4v^2+13] - \int \frac{1}{2}e^{-2u} [-36u+31+12v] du$

$\Rightarrow ze^{-2u} = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2u} [36u^2-62u-24uv+22v+4v^2+13] + \frac{1}{2}e^{-2u} [36u-31-12v] + 9 + A(v)e^{-2u}$

$\Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2}[36u^2-62u-24uv+22v+4v^2+13] + \frac{1}{2}[36u-31-12v] + 9 + A(v)e^{-2u}$

$\Rightarrow z = 18u^2-3u-12uv+11v+2v^2+\frac{13}{2}+18u-\frac{31}{2}-9v+A(v)e^{-2u}$

$\Rightarrow z = 18u^2+2v^2-13u-12uv+5v+A(v)e^{-2u}$

$\Rightarrow z = 18u^2+2(3u-v)^2-13u-12v(3u-v)+5(3u-v)+A(v)e^{-2u}$

$\Rightarrow z = 18u^2+18v^2-20v^2-32v-30v^2+12v+15u-5v+A(v)e^{-2u}$

$\Rightarrow z = 3v^2+2u-5v+A(3u-v)e^{-2u}$

**Question 6**

It is given that  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$2\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} + 6\varphi = 37 \sin y.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = Ax + By \quad \text{and} \quad v = Cx + Dy, \quad AD - BC \neq 0$$

with suitable values of  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\boxed{\varphi(x, y) = 6 \sin y - \cos y + e^{-3x} f(x - 2y) = 6 \sin y - \cos y + e^{-6y} g(x - 2y)}$$

$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = A + B\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = A + 2B$

$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = C + D\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = C + 2D$

$\therefore 2\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} + 6\varphi = 2A + 4B + C + 2D + 6\varphi = 37 \sin y$

Let  $u = Ax + By$  and  $v = Cx + Dy$

$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial u} = A + 2B$

$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v} = C + 2D$

$\therefore 2\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v} + 6\varphi = 37 \sin y$

SUB INTO THE P.D.E.

$2\left[A\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial u} + C\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v}\right] + [2A\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial u} + 2C\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v}] + 6\varphi = 37 \sin y$

$(2A+2C)\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial u} + (2C+2A)\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v} + 6\varphi = 37 \sin y$

We may pick the constants so that we "cancel off" one of the partial derivatives and the term that makes the coefficients of the other as simple as possible

E.L.  $\begin{cases} C=1 \\ D=2 \end{cases}$  &  $\begin{cases} A=0 \\ B=1 \end{cases}$

So  $u = y$   $\Rightarrow$   $\begin{cases} y=u \\ v=-2u+y \end{cases}$

The P.D.E. now simplifies to

$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial u} + 6\varphi = 37 \sin y$

GENERAL SOLUTION:

$\begin{aligned} \varphi(u, v) &= f(v)e^{-6u} + G(u) \sin y - \cos y \\ f(v) &= f(v)e^{-6u} + (G(u) \sin y - \cos y) \\ f(v) &= f(v)e^{-6u} + G(u) \sin y - \cos y \end{aligned}$

$(P\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial u} + Q\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v}) + L(P\varphi_u + Q\varphi_v) = 37 \sin y$

$P + Qv = 37 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 3Q - Qv = 37 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 3Q = 37 \quad \Rightarrow \quad Q = \frac{37}{3}$

$P + Qv = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad P + \frac{37}{3}v = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad P = -\frac{37}{3}v$

$\therefore P.I. \Rightarrow \varphi = G(u) - \cos y$

$\begin{aligned} \text{GENERAL SOLUTION: } \varphi(u, v) &= f(v)e^{-6u} + G(u) \sin y - \cos y \\ f(v) &= f(v)e^{-6u} + (G(u) \sin y - \cos y) \\ f(v) &= f(v)e^{-6u} + G(u) \sin y - \cos y \end{aligned}$

OR

$\begin{aligned} \varphi(u, v) &= f(v)e^{-6u} \times e^{-6y} + G(u) \sin y - \cos y \\ \varphi(u, v) &= g(u-2v)e^{-6u} + G(u) \sin y - \cos y \end{aligned}$

**Question 7**

It is given that  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y, z)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = \varphi.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = a_1x + b_1y + c_1z, \quad v = a_2x + b_2y + c_2z \quad \text{and} \quad w = a_3x + b_3y + c_3z,$$

where  $\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0,$

in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\boxed{\varphi(x, y, z) = f[x - y, y - z]e^x}$$

Now /  $u = x$   
 $v = y - z$   
 $w = z - y$

$$\therefore \varphi(x, y, z) = f(y-z, z-y) x^{y-z}$$

# FIRST ORDER P.D.E.s

(by transformations)

$$A(x, y) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + B(x, y) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + C(x, y)z = G(x, y),$$
$$z = z(x, y)$$

**Question 1**

It is given that  $\psi = f(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} - xy \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} + y\psi = 0.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = u(x, y) \quad \text{and} \quad v = v(x, y),$$

for suitable functions  $u$  and  $v$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\psi(x, y) = e^{\frac{y}{2x}} g(xy)$$

$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + y\psi = 0$

From  $x^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} - xy \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} + y\psi = 0$

Let  $u = xy$   
 Pick a very simple non-constant function for  $v$   
 e.g.  $v(u) = u$

Get  $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \& \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}$  by differentiating

$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = y \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} + 1 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v} = y \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v}$

$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = x \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} + 0 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v} = x \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u}$

Solve into the P.D.E.  
 $x^2(y \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v}) - 2y(x \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u}) + y\psi = 0$   
 $y \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} + x^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v} - 2xy \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} + y\psi = 0$   
 $x^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v} + y\psi = 0$   
 $y \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} + y\psi = 0$   
 $y \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} = -y\psi$   
 $\int \frac{1}{\psi} d\psi = \int -\frac{y}{u} du$   
 $\ln|\psi| = \frac{y}{u} + f(u)$   
 $\psi = e^{\frac{y}{u} + f(u)}$   
 $\psi = g(u) e^{\frac{y}{u}}$  or  $\psi = g(v) e^{\frac{y}{v}}$

**Question 2**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - 7y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 5x^2 y.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = u(x, y) \quad \text{and} \quad v = v(x, y),$$

for suitable functions  $u$  and  $v$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, y) = f(yx^7) - yx^2$$

### Question 3

It is given that  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$2\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} + 6\varphi = 37 \sin y$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = u(x, y) \quad \text{and} \quad v = v(x, y)$$

for suitable functions  $u$  and  $v$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\varphi(x, y) = 6 \sin y - \cos y + e^{-3x} f(x - 2y) = 6 \sin y - \cos y + e^{-6y} g(x - 2y)$$

**NOTE THAT THIS 7.D.E HAS CONSTANT COEFFICIENTS A, B AND C AS SEEN IN OTHER METHODS!**

• **Firstly**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{B(x)y + C}{A(x)} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + C$$

$$2y - x = \text{constant}$$

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• **Sub into the D.E.**

$$2\left(\frac{\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{C}{A}}{\frac{B}{A}} + x^{-2}\right) + Cy = 37.5\sin y$$

$$\frac{\frac{dy}{dx}}{\frac{B}{A}} + \frac{C}{A} + x^{-2} + Cy = 37.5\sin y$$

$$\frac{\frac{dy}{dx}}{\frac{B}{A}} + 3y = \frac{37.5}{2}\sin y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = \frac{37.5}{2}\sin\left(\frac{y}{2}\right)$$

**REARRANGING FACTOR:**

$$e^{\int 3dx} = e^{3x}$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dx}\left[e^{3x}\frac{dy}{dx}\right] = \frac{37.5}{2}e^{3x}\sin\left(\frac{y}{2}\right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{37.5}{2}e^{-3x}\sin\left(\frac{y}{2}\right) 3x$$

**BY COMPLEX NUMBERS OR BY PARTS TWICE**

$$\int_{-1}^{20} \sin\left(\frac{y}{2}\right) dy = \frac{1}{2}\left[\sin\left(\frac{y}{2}\right)\right]_{-1}^{20} - \frac{1}{2}\int_{-1}^{20} \cos\left(\frac{y}{2}\right) dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\left[\sin\left(\frac{y}{2}\right)\right]_{-1}^{20} - \frac{1}{2}\int_{-1}^{20} \cos\left(\frac{y}{2}\right) dy$$

**BY PARTS AGAIN:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{3} e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \left[ \int e^{3y} \cos\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) dy - \int e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) dy \right] \\
 &\quad \text{[using } \int e^{ay} \cos(bx) dx = \frac{e^{ay}}{b} \cos(bx) + \frac{e^{ay}}{b^2} \sin(bx) \text{]} \\
 \text{Thus,} \\
 & \int e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) dy = -\frac{1}{3} e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{18} e^{3y} \cos\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{36} \int e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) dy \\
 & \frac{37}{36} \int e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) dy = -\frac{1}{3} e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{18} e^{3y} \cos\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) \\
 & \int e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) dy = \frac{10}{37} e^{3y} \sin\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) - \frac{2}{37} e^{3y} \cos\left(\frac{y-4}{2}\right) + C
 \end{aligned}$$

ALTERNATIVE METHOD USING A LINEAR TRANSFORMATION AS IT HAS CONSTANT COEFFICIENTS

2.  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + C u = 37 \sin y$

- Let  $u = Ax + By$        $(A - BC \neq 0)$        $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = A$ ,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = B$   
 $v = Cx + Dy$        $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = C$ ,  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = D$
- $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (A) = A \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$   
 $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (B) = B \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}$
- $\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (C) = C \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$   
 $\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (D) = D \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}$
- Sub into the P.D.E  
 $2 \left[ A \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + B \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right] + \left[ B \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + D \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right] + Cu = 37 \sin y$   
 $(2A+B) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + (2C+D) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + Cu = 37 \sin y$
- We may pick the constants so that we "cancel off" one of the partial derivatives and the same time make the coefficient of the other as small as possible.  
E.g.  $C=1$ ,  $B=0$   
 $D=2$ ,  $A=0$   
 $u=y$   
 $v=-2x+y$        $\Rightarrow$   $y=u$   
 $2u-v$
- The P.D.E. now simplifies to  
 $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 6u = 37 \sin y$
- First to solve by C.F + P.I.
- Aux equation  
 $\lambda^2 + 6 = 0$   
 $\lambda = \pm i\sqrt{6}$
- $C.F. = A \cos(\sqrt{6}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{6}x)$
- PARTICULAR INTEGRATE  
 $\phi = P(x) \cos(\sqrt{6}y) + Q(y) \sin(\sqrt{6}x)$   
 $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = P'(x) \cos(\sqrt{6}y) - Q(x) \sin(\sqrt{6}x)$
- SUB ING THE P.D.E

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (P_{\text{GSMU}} - Q_{\text{SMMU}}) + G(P_{\text{SMMU}} + Q_{\text{GSMU}}) = 375 \text{ MWh} \\
 & (P + GQ)_{\text{GSMU}} + (G - Q)_{\text{SMMU}} = 375 \text{ MWh} \\
 & \left. \begin{array}{l} GP - GQ = 375 \\ P + GQ = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 3GP - GQ = 5G \cdot 375 \\ P = 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 3GP = 5G \cdot 375 \\ [P=G] \end{array} \\
 & \boxed{G = 1} \\
 \therefore P, I \Rightarrow \phi = \text{GSMU} - \text{GSMU} \\
 & \text{General solution: } \phi(u_1) = f(1) e^{-6u} + G \sin u - \cos u \\
 & \quad \begin{array}{l} \phi(u_2) = f(2+3u) e^{6u} + G \sin u - \cos u \\ \phi(u_3) = f(2-3u) e^{6u} + G \sin u - \cos u \end{array} \\
 & \quad \begin{array}{l} \cancel{\phi(u_1)} \\ \cancel{\phi(u_2)} \\ \cancel{\phi(u_3)} \end{array} \\
 & \text{or} \quad \phi(u_1) = f(2-3u) e^{6u} \times e^{-6u} + G \sin u - \cos u
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 4**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$xy \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + yz = 3x^2 y.$$

Use the transformation equations

$$u = u(x, y) \quad \text{and} \quad v = v(x, y),$$

for suitable functions  $u$  and  $v$ , in order to determine a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, y) = x^2 + \frac{1}{x} f(x^2 + y^2)$$

The notes show the following steps:

- Left side:**  $xy \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + yz$
- Right side:**  $x^2 + \frac{1}{x} f(x^2 + y^2)$
- Equating:**  $x^2 + \frac{1}{x} f(x^2 + y^2) = xy \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + yz$
- Integrating factor:**  $\frac{1}{x}$
- Integration:**  $\int \frac{1}{x} dz = \ln x + C$
- Simplifying:**  $z = x^2 + \frac{1}{x} f(x^2 + y^2)$
- Final result:**  $\therefore z = x^2 + \frac{1}{x} f(x^2 + y^2)$

# FIRST ORDER P.D.E.S

(by Lagrange's method)

$$P(x, y, z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + Q(x, y, z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = R(x, y, z), \quad z = z(x, y)$$

**Question 1**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \cos(x+y).$$

Use Lagrange's method, to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = \frac{1}{2} \sin(x+y) + f(y-x)$$

The image shows handwritten mathematical work for solving the partial differential equation  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \cos(x+y)$ .

**ASSOCIATED O.D.E:**  $\frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dy}{1} = \frac{dz}{\cos(x+y)}$

**1. Case 1:**  $\frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dy}{1}$  gives  $x = y + C_1$  or  $y - x = C_1$ .

**2. Case 2:**  $\frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dz}{\cos(x+y)}$  gives  $\ln(\cos(x+y)) = \int 1 dx$  or  $\ln(\cos(x+y)) = x + k$ . Therefore,  $\cos(x+y) = e^{x+k} = e^x e^k$ , so  $\frac{1}{2} \sin(2x+k) = z + k$  or  $z = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x+k) - k$ .

**3. Using Lagrange's Method:**  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$  implies  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ . Therefore,  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x+k) - k$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2y+k) - k$ . Equating, we get  $\sin(2x+k) = \sin(2y+k)$ , so  $2x+k = 2y+k$  or  $x = y$ .

**Final Solution:**  $z = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x+k) - k$  or  $z = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x+y) - k$ .

**Question 2**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z = x.$$

Use Lagrange's method to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = x - 1 + e^{-x} f(x - y)$$

The image shows a handwritten derivation for solving the partial differential equation  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z = x$ .

**Lagrange's Method:**

- Given PDE:  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z = x$
- Assume solution of the form:  $z = x - 1 + e^{-x} f(x - y)$
- Find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ :
$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 1 - e^{-x} f(x - y) + e^{-x} (-f'(x - y))$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = e^{-x} (-f'(x - y))$$
- Equate to the PDE:
$$1 - e^{-x} f(x - y) + e^{-x} (-f'(x - y)) + x - 1 + e^{-x} f(x - y) = x$$

$$1 - f'(x - y) + x - 1 + f'(x - y) = x$$
- Simplify to find  $f'(x - y)$ :
$$x = x$$

**Integration:**

- Integrate both sides with respect to  $x - y$ :
$$x = x - 1 + \int e^x dx$$

$$x = x - 1 + e^x + C$$
- Substitute back into the assumed solution:
$$z = x - 1 + e^{-x} (e^x + C)$$

$$z = x - 1 + e^x + C$$

**Final Answer:**

$$z = x - 1 + e^x f(x - y)$$

**Question 3**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}.$$

Use Lagrange's method, to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\boxed{z = f(xy)}$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$  for  $z = z(x, y)$

• By Lagrange's method  
Rewrite it in the usual form  
 $x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$   
 $P \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + Q \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = R \rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{P} = \frac{\partial z}{Q} \leftarrow \text{Associated ODE}$   
 $\rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{x} = \frac{\partial z}{y} = \frac{\partial z}{0}$

• Take  $\frac{\partial z}{0}$  to get any function  $\frac{\partial z}{0} = C_1$   

- $\frac{\partial z}{x} = \frac{\partial z}{y}$   
 $\ln xz = -\ln y + \ln A$   
 $\ln xz = \ln \frac{A}{y}$   
 $\boxed{xy = C_2}$
- This  $\sqrt{xy} = C_2$   
 $\sqrt{(xy)^2} = xy$   
 Check the solution if  $F(xy) = 0$   
 $\therefore z = f(xy)$

**Question 4**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

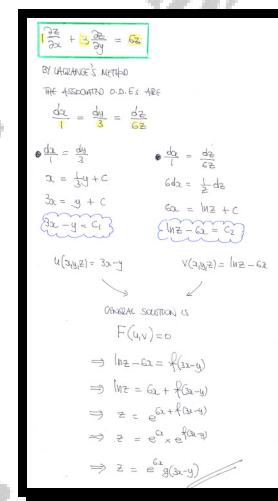
$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 6z.$$

Use Lagrange's method to show that the general solution of the above partial differential equation can be written as

$$z(x, y) = e^{6x} g(3x - y),$$

where  $g$  is an arbitrary function of  $3x - y$ .

proof



**Question 5**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z^2.$$

Use Lagrange's method to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = \frac{x}{1 + x f\left(\frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{x}\right)}$$

$x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z^2$

$(x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}) - z^2 = 0$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$

$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$

Lagrange's associated O.D.E are

$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{du}{dy} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$

$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{du}{dy} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$

$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{du}{dy}$

$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{y} + C$

$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{x} + C$

$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x} = C_1$

$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{y} = C_2$

$u(2, 3) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}$

$u(3, 2) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$

General solution is  $F(u, v) = 0$

$F\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{y}\right) = 0$

$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x} = A\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{y}\right) \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x} = A\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x}\right)$

$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{x} + A\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x}\right)$

$x = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + A\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x}\right)}$

$x = \frac{x}{1 + 2A\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x}\right)}$

**Question 6**

It is given that  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \sec x + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = \cot y.$$

Use Lagrange's method, to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\boxed{\varphi(x, y) = \ln|\sin y| + f(y - \sin x)}$$

The handwritten solution shows the steps for solving the partial differential equation using Lagrange's method:

- Given:**  $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \sec x + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = \cot y$ . Here,  $P = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x}$ ,  $Q = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y}$ .
- Using Lagrange's Method:**  $P \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} + Q \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} = 0$  where  $L = P - \frac{P}{Q}$ .
- Find:**  $\frac{dx}{\sec x} = \frac{dy}{1} = \frac{dp}{\cot y}$  (labeled ①, ②, ③).
- Integrate:** From ①:  $\int \frac{dx}{\sec x} = \int dy \Rightarrow g = \sin x + C_1$ . From ③:  $\int \frac{dp}{\cot y} = \int dy \Rightarrow \ln|\sin y| = p + C_2$ .
- General Solution:**  $\phi - \ln|\sin y| = f(g)$  or  $\phi = \ln|\sin y| + f(\sin x)$ .

**Question 7**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \sec x + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \cos y .$$

Use Lagrange's method, to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, y) = \sin y + f(y - \sin x)$$

The image shows handwritten mathematical work for solving the partial differential equation  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \sec x + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \cos y$ .

1. By (Lagrange's) method the associated ODEs are:

$$\frac{dx}{\sec x} = \frac{dy}{1} = \frac{dz}{\cos y}$$

2. Solving the first ODE:

$$\frac{dx}{\sec x} = dy \Rightarrow dy = \cos x dx \Rightarrow y = \sin x + C_1 \Rightarrow y - \sin x = C_1$$

3. Solving the second ODE:

$$\frac{dz}{\cos y} = dy \Rightarrow dz = \cos y dy \Rightarrow z = \sin y + C_2 \Rightarrow z - \sin y = C_2$$

4. General solution:

$$F(y - \sin x) = 0 \Rightarrow z - \sin y = f(y - \sin x) \Rightarrow z = \sin y + f(y - \sin x)$$

**Question 8**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \tanh(x+y).$$

Use Lagrange's method to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, y) = f(2x - y) + \frac{1}{3} \ln [\cosh(x+y)]$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \tanh(x+y)$

By Lagrange's method the associated ODEs are

$$\frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dy}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \Rightarrow \tanh(x+y) = 2x + C_1$$

$$\frac{dz}{1} = \frac{dy}{2} \Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2}y + C_2 \Rightarrow 2x - y = C_1$$

$$\frac{dz}{1} = \frac{dx}{\tanh(x+y)} \Rightarrow \tanh(x+y) dz = dx$$

$$\tanh(x+(x-C_1)) dz = dx \Rightarrow \tanh(2x-C_1) dz = 1 dx$$

$$\int \tanh(2x-C_1) dz = \int 1 dx \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \ln [\cosh(2x-C_1)] = z + C_3$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2} \ln [\cosh(2x-C_1)] + C_3 \Rightarrow z - \frac{1}{2} \ln [\cosh(2x-(2x-C_1))] = C_3 \Rightarrow z - \frac{1}{2} \ln [\cosh(x+C_1)] = C_3$$

General solution is  $F(u_1) = 0$

$$\text{where } u_1(x,y,z) = 2x-y$$

$$V(u_1, z) = z - \frac{1}{2} \ln [\cosh(x+y)]$$

THU  $z - \frac{1}{2} \ln [\cosh(x+y)] = F(2x-y)$

$$z = F(2x-y) + \frac{1}{2} \ln [\cosh(x+y)]$$

**Question 9**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$xz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + x^2 + y^2 = 0.$$

Use Lagrange's method to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$\boxed{z^2 = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - x^2 - y^2}$$

Given PDE:  $xz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + x^2 + y^2 = 0$

Lagrange's method:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{P} &= \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{R} \\ \frac{dx}{x} &= \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\ln x = \ln y + C$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = C$$

$$\boxed{\frac{y}{x} = C_1}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial z}{x^2+y^2}, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial z}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial z}{x^2+y^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{x^2+y^2} = -\frac{\partial z}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{x^2+y^2} = -\frac{\partial z}{(1+C_1)x^2}$$

$$(1+C_1)x^2 dz = -x^2 dy$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(1+C_1)x^2 = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + C$$

$$(1+C_1)x^2 = -x^2 + C$$

$$(1+\frac{C_1}{2})x^2 = -x^2 + C$$

$$\boxed{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = C_2}$$

Thus  $V(x,y,z) = \frac{1}{2}(x^2+y^2+z^2)$

General solution is  $F(V) = 0$

$$F\left[\frac{1}{2}(x^2+y^2+z^2)\right] = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(x^2+y^2+z^2) = C$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = C$$

**Question 10**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = y - x.$$

Use Lagrange's method, to determine the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z^2 = 2x(y - x) + f(x - y)$$

The handwritten work shows the following steps:

- ① Rewrite the P.D.E as  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{y-x}{z}$ .
- ② Use LAGRANGE'S METHOD.  $P \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + Q \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = R$ , with associated O.D.Es  $\frac{dz}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dx}{R}$ .
- Here  $\frac{dz}{1} = \frac{dy}{y-x} = \frac{dx}{z}$ .
- ③ If ②:  $dz = dy$       ④ If ③:  $dz = \frac{z}{y-x} dz$   
 $\frac{dz}{z} = \frac{dy}{y-x}$   
 $-c_1 dz = z dz$   
 $-c_1 z = \frac{1}{2} z^2 + c_2$   
 $\frac{1}{2} z^2 + c_2 = c_2$   
 $\frac{1}{2} z^2 + (c_2 - c_1) z = c_2$   
 $\frac{1}{2} z^2 + 2z(c_2 - c_1) = c_2$   
 $z^2 + 2z(c_2 - c_1) = c_2$
- ∴  $U(z, x) = z - y$   
 $\sqrt{U(z, x)} = \pm \sqrt{z^2 + 2z(c_2 - c_1)}$
- ∴ General Solution  $F(U) = 0$
- ∴  $z^2 + 2z(c_2 - c_1) = f(z - y)$   
 $z^2 = 2z(c_2 - c_1) + f(z - y)$

**Question 11**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$(y-x)\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (y+x)\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{z}.$$

Use Lagrange's Multipliers method for derivatives, to find the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z^2 = y^2 - x^2 + f[2y^2 - (x+y)^2]$$

The handwritten solution shows the following steps:

- Start with the PDE:  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{z}$ .
- By LAGRANGE'S METHOD:  $\frac{dx}{y-x} = \frac{dy}{y+x} = \frac{dz}{x^2 + y^2}$ .
- We could solve  $\frac{dx}{y-x} = \frac{dy}{y+x}$  by some substitution - but it is easier to get a first solution of the form  $y = f(x)$  to substitute into the third.
- $\frac{dx}{y-x} = \frac{dy}{y+x}$
- $\frac{dx}{(y-x)(y+x)} = \frac{dy}{y+x}$
- $\frac{dx}{y^2-x^2} = \frac{dy}{y+x}$
- $(y+x) dy = x dx$
- $\frac{1}{2}(y^2-x^2) dy = x^2 + C$
- $(y^2-x^2) dy = 2x^2 + C$
- $\therefore (y^2-x^2) = 2x^2 + C$
- So the general solution is  $F(y^2-x^2) = 0$
- $V(x,y) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - y^2 + C$
- $\therefore x^2 - y^2 + C = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - y^2) - (y^2 - x^2)$
- $x^2 - y^2 + C = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - y^2) - (y^2 - x^2)$

**Question 12**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x(y-z)\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y(z-x)\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z(x-y).$$

Use Lagrange's Multipliers method for derivatives, to find the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$x+y+z = f(xyz) \quad \text{or} \quad xyz = g(x+y+z)$$

$\Delta(y-z)\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \Delta(z-x)\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z(x-y)$

PG(x,y) Q(x,y) R(x,y)

THE ASSOCIATED ODE IN LAGRANGE'S FORM IS:

$$\frac{dy}{p} = \frac{dx}{q} = \frac{dz}{r} \Rightarrow \frac{dz}{y-z} = \frac{dy}{y-x} = \frac{dx}{x-y} \leftarrow \text{CIRCULAR SYMMETRY}$$

- BY LAGRANGE'S MULTIPLIERS APPROX

$$\frac{dy+dx+dz}{(y-x)+(x-y)+(z-y)} = \frac{dz}{x-y} \leftarrow \text{IN FACT ANY OF THE THREE ORIGINAL EQUATIONS}$$

$$\frac{dy+dx+dz}{z} = \frac{dz}{x-y}$$

To be "minimised" the ratio must be  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + dy + dz = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x+y+z = C$$

- INTO ANOTHER EQUATION

$$\frac{y(y-x)+2xz}{y(y-x)+(x-y)} = \frac{dz}{x-y} \leftarrow \frac{y \frac{dy}{dx} + 2z}{y \frac{dy}{dx} + x-y} = \frac{dz}{x-y}$$

$$\frac{y \frac{dy}{dx} + 2z}{2y-y^2+x-y} = \frac{dz}{x-y} \leftarrow \ln x + \ln y = -\ln z + D$$

$$\frac{y \frac{dy}{dx} + 2z}{2y(y-x)} = \frac{dz}{x-y} \leftarrow \ln(z) = \ln(\frac{x}{y})$$

$$\boxed{xyz = E}$$

- THE  $(u,v,p)$  =  $x(yz)$   $v(yz) = xyz$   $\Rightarrow$  GENERAL SOLUTION IS  $F(u,v) = 0$   
 $\ln u = \ln(x) \Leftrightarrow v = g(u)$   
 $\Rightarrow x(yz) - k(yz)$

**Question 13**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x(y^2 - z^2) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y(z^2 - x^2) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z(x^2 - y^2).$$

Use Lagrange's Multipliers method for derivatives, to find the general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$xyz = f(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = g(xyz)$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{y(z^2 - x^2)}{x(y^2 - z^2)}$

BY LAGRANGE'S MULTIPLIERS, THE ASSOCIATED O.D.E. ARE

$$\frac{dx}{2(y^2 - z^2)} = \frac{dy}{y(z^2 - x^2)} = \frac{dz}{z(x^2 - y^2)}$$

$$\frac{dx}{xy^2 - xz^2} = \frac{dy}{yz^2 - yx^2} = \frac{dz}{zx^2 - zy^2}$$

$$\frac{x \, dz}{xy^2 - xz^2} = \frac{y \, dy}{yz^2 - yx^2} = \frac{z \, dx}{zx^2 - zy^2}$$

THIS

$$\frac{xdz + ydy + zdz}{xy^2 - xz^2 - yz^2 + x^2} = \frac{z \, dz}{xy^2 - xz^2}$$

$$x \, dz + ydy + zdz = \frac{z \, dz}{xy^2 - xz^2}$$

IF THE RATIO IS TO BE ANHARMONIC, THE DENOMINATOR MUST ALSO BE ZERO

THIS

$$x \, dz + ydy + zdz = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = C$$

NEXT, STARTING AGAIN FROM THE EXPRESSION IN THE BOX

$$\frac{\frac{1}{x} \, dx}{y^2 - z^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{y} \, dy}{z^2 - x^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{z} \, dz}{x^2 - y^2}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{x} \, dx + \frac{1}{y} \, dy + \frac{1}{z} \, dz}{y^2 - z^2 + z^2 - x^2 + x^2 - y^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{x} \, dz}{x^2 - y^2}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{x} \, dx + \frac{1}{y} \, dy + \frac{1}{z} \, dz}{0} = \frac{\frac{1}{x} \, dz}{x^2 - y^2}$$

IS THERE EVER ANHARMONIC RATIO  $\frac{1}{x} \, dx + \frac{1}{y} \, dy + \frac{1}{z} \, dz = 0$

$$(x \, dz + ydy + zdz) = C$$

$$\ln(xyz) = C$$

$$xyz = C$$

GENERAL SOLUTION

$$F(u, v) = 0$$

WHERE  $u(xyz) = x^2y^2z^2$

$$v(xyz) = xyz$$

Thus  $xyz = f(x^2y^2z^2)$

**Question 14**

The surface  $S$  has Cartesian equation

$$z = f(x, y).$$

The tangent plane at any point on  $S$  passes through the point  $(0, 0, -1)$ .

- a) Show that

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} - z = 1.$$

- b) Hence find the general expression for an equation for  $S$ .

$$z = -1 + xG\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$$

a)  $Z = f(x, y)$

- $\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- NORMAL AT A POINT  $(x_0, y_0, z_0) = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} & 1 \\ \hline x_0 & y_0 & z_0 \end{array} \right]$
- EQUATION OF THE TANGENT PLANE
$$Z - Z_0 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(y - y_0)$$
- BUT THE TANGENT PLANE PASSES THROUGH  $(0, 0, -1) = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$
$$-1 - Z_0 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(y - y_0)$$
- DROPING SUBSCRIPTS & NOTING  $Z = f(x, y)$
$$-1 - Z = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(y)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - 1 = 0$$

b) TO SOLVE THE P.D.E. ARE LAGRANGE'S METHOD

ASSUMING  $A, B, C$  ARE CONSTANTS

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$$

$$\text{①} \quad \text{②} \quad \text{③}$$

$$\text{①} \& \text{②} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Rightarrow \ln a = \ln x + \ln k$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = kx$$

$$\text{②} \& \text{③} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$$

$$\text{④} \quad \text{⑤} \quad \text{⑥}$$

$$\text{④} \& \text{⑤} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \ln b = \ln |y| + \ln c$$

$$\Rightarrow z = C_1(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = C_1(y)$$

THIS  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = C_1(y)$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{ONE SOLUTION IS } F(x, y) = 0 \\ \text{SO SURFACE CAN BE WRITTEN AS} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = G\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ 2x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = yG'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ z = -1 + xG\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \end{array} \right\}$$

# FIRST ORDER P.D.E.s

(Boundary Value Problems)

$$P(x, y, z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + Q(x, y, z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = R(x, y, z), \quad z = z(x, y)$$

**Question 1**

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \cos x .$$

Solve the above partial differential equation given that  $z = z(x, t)$  and further satisfies the initial condition  $z(x, 0) = 0$ .

$$z(x, y) = \sin x - \sin(x - 2t)$$

**Method of Characteristics:**

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \cos x \quad \text{SUBTRACT 10}$$

$$z(0, 0) = 0$$

From  $\frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dt}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{dz}{\cos x}$

①  $\frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dt}{\frac{1}{2}}$       ②  $\frac{dt}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{dz}{\cos x}$

• ① & ②  $\Rightarrow dx = 2dt$       • ① & ③  $\Rightarrow dz = \frac{dx}{\cos x}$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2t + C$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2t = C_1$$

•  $x - 2t = C_1$

General solution:  $F(C_1) = 0$ , where  $F(x-2t) = x-2t$

$$F(x-2t) = x-2t$$

∴ General solution:  $z = \sin(x-2t) = f(x-2t)$

• Apply condition:  $z(0, 0) = 0$

$$0 = \sin 0 + f(0)$$

$$f(0) = -\sin 0$$

• Let  $u = x$

$$f(u) = -\sin u$$

$$f(u-2t) = -\sin(u-2t)$$

$$\therefore z = \sin x - \sin(x-2t)$$

**Question 2**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2z(x+y).$$

- a) Use the transformation equations

$$u = x + y \quad \text{and} \quad v = x - y,$$

to find a general solution for the above partial differential equation.

- b) Given further that when  $z(x, y) = x^2$  at  $x + y = 1$ , find the value of  $z(1, 0)$ .

$$\boxed{\quad}, \boxed{z(x, y) = g(x-y)e^{\frac{1}{2}(x+y)^2}}, \boxed{z(1, 0) = 1}$$

a) **SOLVE BY PERFORMING THE PARTIALS BY THE CHAIN RULE:**

$$\begin{aligned} u &= x+y & v &= x-y \\ \bullet \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \cdot 1 + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \cdot 1 = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \\ \bullet \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \cdot 1 + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \cdot (-1) = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \end{aligned}$$

**THE P.D.E. NOW BECOMES:**

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} &= 2z(x+y) \\ \rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v}\right) + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} - \frac{\partial z}{\partial v}\right) &= 2zu \\ \rightarrow 2\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} &= 2zu \\ \rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} &= zu \end{aligned}$$

**SOLVE BY SEPARATING VARIABLES –  $v$  IS TREATED AS A CONSTANT:**

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \frac{1}{u} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} &= u \cdot du \\ \rightarrow \ln|z| &= \frac{1}{2}u^2 + A(v) \\ \rightarrow z &= e^{\frac{1}{2}u^2 + A(v)} = e^{\frac{1}{2}u^2} \times e^{A(v)} = B(v) e^{\frac{1}{2}u^2} \\ \rightarrow z(x, y) &= f(x-y) e^{\frac{1}{2}(x+y)^2} \end{aligned}$$

b) **APPLYING THE BOUNDARY CONDITION:**

$$\text{WITH } x+y=1 \quad z(x,y)=x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow z(x,y) &= f(x-y) e^{\frac{1}{2}(x+y)^2} \\ \rightarrow x^2 &= f(x-y) e^{\frac{1}{2}(1)^2} \\ \rightarrow x^2 &= f(x-y) e^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

**NOW LET  $v = 2x-1 \iff x = \frac{1}{2}(v+1)$ :**

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4}(v+1)^2 &= f(v) e^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow f(v) &= \frac{1}{4}e^{-\frac{1}{2}}(v+1)^2 \\ \Rightarrow f(x-y) &= \frac{1}{4}e^{-\frac{1}{2}}(x-y+1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

**HENCE THE SPECIFIC SOLUTION IS:**

$$\boxed{z(x,y) = \frac{1}{4}(x-y+1)^2 e^{\frac{1}{2}(x+y)^2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore z(1,0) &= \frac{1}{4}(1-0+1)^2 e^{\frac{1}{2}(1+0)^2} \\ z(1,0) &= e^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ z(1,0) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z.$$

Given further that  $z = y$  at  $x = 1$  for all  $y$ , find the solution of the above partial differential equation.

 , 
$$z(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(3 - 3x + 2y)e^{\frac{1}{2}(x-1)}$$

Solve the P.D.E. by "LAGRANGE'S METHOD"

$$2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{P} = \frac{\partial z}{Q} + \frac{\partial z}{Z} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\frac{\partial z}{P}} = \frac{\partial z}{\frac{\partial z}{Q}} = \frac{\partial z}{Z}$$

Solving ① = ②

$$\frac{\partial z}{Z} = \frac{\partial z}{\frac{\partial z}{P}}$$

$$\rightarrow 2 \frac{\partial z}{Z} = \frac{\partial z}{P}$$

$$\rightarrow 2 \frac{\partial z}{Z} = 2 \frac{\partial y}{P}$$

$$\rightarrow 3 \frac{\partial z}{Z} = 2y + C$$

$$\rightarrow 3z - 2y = C$$

$$\underline{U(2y, z) = 3z - 2y}$$

Solving ① = ③

$$\frac{\partial z}{Z} = \frac{\partial z}{\frac{\partial z}{Q}}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}z = \ln z + D$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}z = h(Az)$$

$$\rightarrow z^{\frac{1}{2}} = A z$$

$$\rightarrow z^{\frac{1}{2}} = B$$

$$\rightarrow z = B^2$$

$$\rightarrow v(y, z) = z^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

THE GENERAL SOLUTION IS

$$f(u, v) = 0$$

$$u = f(v) \quad \text{or} \quad v = g(u)$$

$$\underline{z^{\frac{1}{2}} = g(2y - z)}$$

APPLY THE BOUNDARY CONDITION  $z(1, y) = y$

$$\rightarrow y e^{\frac{1}{2}} = g(3 - 2y)$$

LET  $w = 3 - 2y$

$$2y = 3 - w$$

$$y = \frac{3-w}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \left(\frac{3-w}{2}\right) e^{\frac{1}{2}} = g(w)$$

$$\rightarrow g(3 - 2y) = \frac{3 - (3 - 2y)}{2} e^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\rightarrow g(3 - 2y) = \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{1}{2}} (3 - 3y + 2y)$$

FINAL SOLUTION

$$\rightarrow z e^{\frac{1}{2}} = g(3 - 2y)$$

$$\rightarrow z e^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{1}{2}} (3 - 3y + 2y)$$

$$\rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}} (3 - 3y + 2y)$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{z(y, z) = \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{1}{2}} (3 - 3y + 2y)}$$

**Question 4**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z.$$

Given further that  $z(x, 0) = \cos x$ , find the solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, y) = e^y \cos(x - y)$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z \quad \text{SUBST ID } z(0,0) = \cos 0$

BY LAGRANGE METHOD  
 $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial z}$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$   
 $z = y + C_1$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial z}$   
 $z = \ln z + C$

$\ln z = z + C$   
 $z = e^{z+C} = e^z \cdot e^C$   
 $z = C_2 e^z$

$\frac{z}{e^z} = C_2$

$z(u, v) = x - y$   
 $v(u, y, z) = \frac{z}{e^z}$

Given solution is  $F(u, v) = 0$   
 $u = v = G(u)$   
 $\frac{z}{e^z} = G(x-y)$   
 $z = e^x G(x-y)$

NOW, CONSIDER,  
 $z(0,0) = \cos 0 \Rightarrow \cos 0 = e^0 G(0) \Rightarrow G(0) = 1$   
 $G(u) = e^u$

LET  $u = x-y$   
 $z(u, u) = e^{-u} G(u) \Rightarrow G(u) = e^u z(u, u)$

### Question 5

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z^2 = 0.$$

The plane with equation  $z = 1$  meets  $S$  on the curve with equation  $xy = x + y$ .

Find a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , in the form  $z = f(x, y)$ .

,  $z = \frac{1}{2}(3 - 3x + 2y)e^{\frac{1}{2}(x-1)}$

$x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z^2 = 0, \quad z=1 \text{ at } xy=x+y$

BY UNIVERSE'S METHOD

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -z^2$$

$\uparrow$  P.D.E.  $\uparrow$  A.P.D.E.  $\uparrow$  2 O.D.E.s

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{x} = \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{z^2} = \frac{dy}{yz} = \frac{dx}{xz}$$

SOLVING TWO SIMPLE O.D.E.S.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \frac{dz}{z^2} = \frac{dy}{yz} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{z} = -\frac{1}{y} + C \end{array} \right\| \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \frac{dz}{z^2} = \frac{dx}{xz} \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{x} + k \end{array} \right\| \quad \Rightarrow \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + C$$

SETTING UP A GRAPHIC SOLUTION

$$F(uv) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad v = f(u) \quad \text{or} \quad u = g(v)$$

$$\frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{x} = f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{z} = -\frac{1}{x} + f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

APPLY THE BOUNDARY CONDITION  $Z=1$  AT  $XY=X+Y$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z} = -\frac{1}{x} + f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1} = -\frac{1}{x} + f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = -\frac{1}{x} + f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{x} = 1 - f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

LET  $U = \frac{1}{x}$

$$4U = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$x = \frac{2}{4U}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{4U+1}{2}$$

$$-\frac{1}{x} = -\frac{4U+1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = -\frac{4U+1}{2} + f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{4U+1}{2} = f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4U+3}{2} = f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = \frac{4U+3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = \frac{1}{2}(4U+3) + \frac{3}{2}$$

FINALLY WE OBTAIN

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z} = -\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{y} - \frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2} = -\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2x} - \frac{3}{2y} + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z} = \frac{2}{2x} - \frac{3}{2y} - \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z} = \frac{3(2y-3x)}{2xy}$$

$$\therefore z = \frac{2xy}{3(2y-3x)}$$

**Question 6**

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$xz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + xy = 0.$$

$S$  contains the curve with equation

$$xy = 1, \quad z = x, \quad \forall x.$$

Find a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , in the form  $z = f(x, y)$ .

$$z(x, y) = \frac{x}{y} - xy + 1$$

SOLVE THE P.D.E.  $\Rightarrow$  USE MONGE'S METHOD

$$xz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -xy$$

$$\frac{dz}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dx}{R}$$

$$\frac{dz}{x} = \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{-xy}$$

$$\text{SOLVING } \frac{dz}{x} = \frac{dy}{y} \quad \text{SOLVING } \frac{dz}{x} = \frac{dx}{-xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{-xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln x + \ln A$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln(xA)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = Ax$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = C_1$$

$$\text{SOLVING } \frac{dz}{x} = \frac{dx}{-xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{x} = \frac{dx}{-xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{x} = -\frac{dx}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow y dz = -x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 dz = -x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}x^2 + C_2 = -\frac{1}{2}y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}x^2 + C_2 = -\frac{1}{2}y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}xy + C_2 = -\frac{1}{2}y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow -xy + C_2 = y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow xy - C_2 = y^2$$

THE GENERAL SOLUTION IS GIVEN BY

$$F(uv) = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad u(z, y) = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$v(z, y) = x^2 + xy$$

$$\therefore u = f(v) \quad \text{or} \quad v = g(u)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + xy = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - xy$$

APPLY BOUNDARY CONDITION NEXT:  $xy = 1 \rightarrow x = \frac{1}{y}, \forall y$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) - xy$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 = f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} + 1 = f(u)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(u) = \frac{1}{u} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{y}} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = \frac{y}{1} + 1$$

HENCE WE NOW HAVE

$$x^2 = \frac{y}{1} + 1 - xy$$

**Question 7**

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$(x^2 + 1) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 2xy \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} - xy = 0.$$

$S$  contains the curve with equation

$$z(x, 1) = (x^2 + 1)^2, \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3}.$$

Find a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , in the form  $z^2 = f(x, y)$ .

$$z^2 = \frac{y^5}{(x^2 + 1)^4}$$

Now using  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = f\left(\frac{y}{x^2+1}\right)$

$$z = (x^2+1)^2 \quad \text{AT } y=1 \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

BY LAGRANGE'S METHOD THE ASSOCIATED ODES ARE

$$\frac{dy}{dx+1} = \frac{dy}{2xy} = \frac{dx}{x^2+1}$$

•  $\frac{dy}{2xy} = \frac{dx}{x^2+1}$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{x^2+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln x^2 + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = 2 \ln x + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln(x^2) + \ln A$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln(Ax^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = Ax^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x^2} = C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \frac{y}{x^2}$$

•  $\frac{dx}{x^2+1} = \frac{dy}{2xy}$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dx}{x^2+1} = \frac{dy}{2x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(x^2+1) dx = \frac{1}{y} dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(x^2+1) = \ln|y| + \ln A$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(x^2+1) = \ln|Ay|$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2+1 = Ay$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x^2+1} = C_2$$

$$\Rightarrow v(x, y, z) = \frac{y}{x^2+1}$$

GRADIENT-SOLUTION  
 $F(u, v) = 0$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} = \frac{1}{u^2+1} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial v} = \frac{1}{v^2+1}$$

NOW USING  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = f\left(\frac{y}{x^2+1}\right)$

$$z = (x^2+1)^2 \quad \text{AT } y=1 \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

•  $\frac{1}{(x^2+1)^4} = f\left(\frac{1}{x^2+1}\right) \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3}$

$$\text{LET } u = \frac{1}{x^2+1} \rightarrow x^2+1 = \frac{1}{u} \rightarrow -\frac{9}{13} \leq u \leq \frac{4}{9}$$

$$f(u) = -\frac{1}{u^4} \quad \frac{1}{13} \leq u \leq \frac{4}{9}$$

• LET  $u = \frac{y}{x^2+1}$

$$f\left(\frac{y}{x^2+1}\right) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{y}{x^2+1}\right)^4} = \frac{(x^2+1)^4}{y^4} \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

THUS  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{(x^2+1)^4}{y^4} \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3}$

$$2^4(x^2+1)^3 = y^5 \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

$$z^2 = \frac{y^5}{(x^2+1)^4} \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

**Question 8**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2z(x+y).$$

Given further that when  $z(x, y) = x^2$  at  $x+y=1$ , find the solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}(x-y+1)^2 \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}(x+y+1)(x+y-1)\right]$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2z(x+y)$

BY LAGRANGE'S METHOD THE ASSOCIATED O.D.E.S ARE

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{dz}{dy} = \frac{2z(x+y)}{2z(x+y)}$$

$\bullet \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{dy}{dx}$

$$y = ux + C_1$$

$\bullet \frac{dz}{dy} = \frac{dz}{dx}$

$$2(x+y) dx = \frac{1}{2} dz$$

$$2(2x+2y) dx = \frac{1}{2} dz$$

$$(4x+2y) dx = \frac{1}{2} dz$$

$$2x^2 + 2xy = \ln z + C$$

$$\ln z = 2x^2 + 2xy + C$$

$$z = e^{2x^2 + 2xy + C}$$

$$z = C_2 e^{2x^2 + 2xy} \quad (C_2 > 0)$$

$$z = C_2 e^{2xy}$$

**Graphical Solution**

$\bullet F(u, v) = 0$

WHERE  $u(x, y) = y - x$

$$\nabla F(u, v) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial v} \hat{j}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (y-x) = 1$$

NOW APPLY THE BOUNDARY CONDITION  $z(x, y) = x^2$  AT  $x+y=1$

THUS

$$z(x, y) = \frac{2xy}{x^2 + 2xy + 2} f(1-x-y)$$

$$x^2 = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 2xy + 2} f(1-x-y)$$

$$x^2 = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 2x^2} f(1-x-y)$$

$$f(1-x-y) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 2x^2}$$

LET  $u = 1-x-y \iff x = \frac{1-u}{2}$

$$f(u) = \frac{(1-\frac{1-u}{2})^2}{(\frac{1-u}{2})^2 + 2(\frac{1-u}{2})^2}$$

$$f(u) = \frac{(1-u)^2}{4(1-\frac{1-u}{2})^2 + 2(1-\frac{1-u}{2})^2}$$

$$f(u) = \frac{(1-u)^2}{4e^{\frac{1-u}{2}} + 2e^{\frac{1-u}{2}}}$$

$$f(u) = \frac{1}{4}(1-u)^2 e^{\frac{1-u}{2}}$$

LET  $u = g-x$

$$f(g-x) = \frac{1}{4}(1-g+x)^2 e^{\frac{1}{2}(g^2-2gx+x^2-1)}$$

$$\therefore z(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}(1-g+x)^2 e^{\frac{1}{2}(g^2-2gx+x^2-1)} e^{-2xy}$$

$$z(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}(g-x)^2 e^{\frac{1}{2}(g^2-2gx+x^2-1)}$$

$$z(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}(2y+1)^2 e^{\frac{1}{2}(2y^2+2xy+x^2-1)}$$

**Question 9**

It is given that  $z = z(x, t)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$e^x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = 0, \quad z(x, 0) = \tanh x.$$

Find the solution of the above partial differential equation, in the form  $z = f(x, t)$ .

$$\boxed{\quad}, \quad z(x, y) = -\tanh \left[ \ln \left( t + e^{-x} \right) \right]$$

SOLVE THE P.D.E. BY "LAGRANGE'S METHOD"

$$e^x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 1 \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\frac{P}{e^x} = \frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}{1} \quad \frac{Q}{1} = \frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial t}}{1}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}{P} = \frac{dt}{Q} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}{e^x} = \frac{dt}{1} \quad \text{③}$$

EQUATION ① & ② YIELDS

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{e^x} = \frac{dt}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int e^x dz = \int 1 dt$$

$$\Rightarrow -e^{-x} = t + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow t + e^{-x} = C \quad \therefore u(x, t) = t + e^{-x}$$

EQUATION ③ DIVIDES, DIVISION BY TWO

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dt} = 0 \quad (\text{CONSIDER THE ZERO IN DENOMINATORS})$$

$$\Rightarrow z = C_2 \quad \therefore v(z) = 2$$

FROM EQUATION ④, WE HAVE A CONSISTENT SOLUTION  $F(u, v) = 0$

$$\therefore v = f(u) \quad \text{OR} \quad u = g(v)$$

$$\therefore z = f(t + e^{-x})$$

APPLY THE INITIAL CONDITION,  $t=0, z=\tanh x$

$$\Rightarrow \tanh x = f(x)$$

$$\text{LET } w = e^{-x}$$

$$\frac{1}{w} = e^x$$

$$z = \ln \frac{1}{w}$$

$$z = -\ln w$$

$$\Rightarrow \tanh(-\ln w) = f(w)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(w) = \tanh(-\ln w)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(w) = -\tanh(\ln w)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t + e^{-x}) = -\tanh \left[ \ln(t + e^{-x}) \right]$$

FINALLY WE OBTAIN

$$z = -\tanh \left[ \ln(t + e^{-x}) \right]$$

**Question 10**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - z \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = y - x, \quad z(1, y) = y^2.$$

Find the solution of the above partial differential equation, in the form  $z^2 = f(x, y)$ .

$$\boxed{z^2 = 2xy + (x+y-1)^4 - 2(x+y-1)}$$

BY LAGRANGE'S METHOD THE ASSOCIATED ODE IS

$$\frac{dz}{P} = \frac{dx}{P} + \frac{dy}{Q} \quad \text{IF } \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y-2}$$

- $\frac{dx}{P} = -dy$
- $\frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{y-2}$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -y + C_1 \\ 2x+y &= C_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (y-2)dy &= dz \\ (C_1-2x)dx &= dz \\ C_2-2x^2 &= \frac{1}{2}y^2+C_2 \\ 2C_2-2x^2 &= z^2+C_2 \\ z^2-2C_2x+2x^2 &= C_2 \\ z^2-2(C_2x+2x^2) &= C_2 \\ z^2-2C_2x &= C_2 \end{aligned}$$

THE GENERAL SOLUTION IS

$$F(uv) = 0 \quad \text{WHERE} \quad u(2x,y) = 2xy, \quad v(x,y,z) = z^2-2C_2x$$

∴ THE GENERAL SOLUTION IS

$$\boxed{z^2-2xy = F(2xy)}$$

• NEED CONDITIONS

$$\boxed{z(1,y) = y^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow z^2-2x+y = f(x,y)$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2-2y = f(1,y)$$

- LET  $u=1+y \Rightarrow y=u-1$
- $f(u) = (u-1)^4 - 2(u-1)$
- LET  $u=2xy$

$$f(2xy) = (2xy-1)^4 - 2(2xy-1)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{z^2 = 2xy + (2xy-1)^4 - 2(2xy-1)}$$

**Question 11**

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - 3y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x^2 y.$$

- a) Use the transformation equations

$$\xi(x, y) = \ln x \quad \text{and} \quad \eta(x, y) = \ln y,$$

to transform the above partial differential equation into one with constant coefficients.

- b) Given further that  $z(1, y) = y$ , find a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , giving the answer in the form  $z = f(x, y)$ .

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = e^{2\xi+\eta}}, \quad \boxed{z(x, y) = 2x^3 y + x^2 y}$$

**a)**

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2xy$

$\xi = \ln x \Rightarrow x = e^\xi$

$y = \ln y \Rightarrow y = e^\eta$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{x} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi}$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{y} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi}$

The P.D.E. now becomes

$x \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} \right) - 3y \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} \right) = e^{\xi+\eta}$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial \xi} - 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} = e^{\xi+\eta}$

**b)** By Lagrange's method the associated O.D.E.s are

$\frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dy}{-3} = \frac{dz}{e^{\xi+\eta}}$

$\bullet \quad 3 \frac{dx}{1} = -dy$

$3x = -y + C_1$

$\boxed{3x + y = C_1}$

$\boxed{u(\xi, \eta, z) = 3\xi + \eta}$

$\bullet \quad dz = \frac{dx}{e^{\xi+\eta}}$

$e^{\xi+\eta} dz = dx$

$dz = -e^{\xi+\eta} d\xi$

$z = -e^{\xi+\eta} + C_2$

$z + e^{\xi+\eta} = C_2$

$\boxed{z + e^{\xi+\eta} = C_2}$

$\boxed{v(\xi, \eta, z) = z + e^{\xi+\eta}}$

GENERAL SOLUTION IS  $F(u, v) = 0$  OR  $v = g(u)$

i.e.  $z + e^{\xi+\eta} = G(3\xi + \eta)$

$z + e^{\xi+\eta} = G(3\ln x + \ln y)$

$z + e^{\xi+\eta} = G[\ln(x^3 y)]$

$z + x^3 y = G[\ln(x^3 y)]$

$z = f(x^3 y) - x^3 y$

**Now apply condition  $z(1, y) = y$**

$y = f(y) - y$

$f(y) = 2y \Rightarrow y$

• LET  $y = u$

$f(u) = 2u$

• IN PARTICULAR LET  $u = x^3 y \Rightarrow f(x^3 y) = 2x^3 y$

$\therefore z(x, y) = 2x^3 y - x^3 y$

**Question 12**

It is given that  $u = u(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$3y^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - xy^2 u = 0.$$

It is further given that when  $x = y + y^3$ ,  $u(x) = x e^{\frac{1}{6}x^2}$ .

Find a simplified expression for  $u = u(x, y)$ , in the form  $u(x, y) = f(x, y) e^{\frac{1}{6}x^2}$ , where  $f$  is a function to be determined,

$$u(x, y) = \left[ (y^3 - x) + (y^3 - x)^3 \right] e^{\frac{1}{6}x^2}$$

**SUBJECT TO**  
with  $2x + y^3$   
 $u(x) = x e^{\frac{1}{6}x^2}$

• Rewrite the P.D.E. as follows  
 $3 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = xu$

• Using Lagrange's method we obtain  
 $\frac{dx}{3} = \frac{dy}{y^3} = \frac{du}{xu}$

• Scaling the above associated O.D.E.s

$\textcircled{1} = \textcircled{2}$ $\rightarrow \frac{dy}{y^3} = y^3 dy$ $\rightarrow \int dy = \int y^3 dy$ $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}x^2 = \frac{1}{4}y^4 + C_1$ $\rightarrow x = y^3 + C_1$ $\rightarrow x - y^3 = C_1$	$\textcircled{2} = \textcircled{3}$ $\rightarrow y^3 dy = \frac{du}{xu}$ $\rightarrow \int y^3 dy = \int \frac{du}{xu}$ $\rightarrow (\frac{1}{4}y^4 + C_2) y^3 dy = \int \frac{du}{xu}$ $\rightarrow \int \frac{du}{xu} = \int y^3 + C_2 y^3 dy$ $\rightarrow \ln u = \frac{1}{x}u^2 + \frac{1}{2}C_2 y^4 + C$ $\rightarrow \ln u = \frac{1}{x}(x - y^3)^2 + \frac{1}{2}C_2(y^3 - x)^2 + C$ $\Rightarrow \ln u = \frac{1}{x}x^2 - \frac{1}{x}y^6 + \frac{1}{2}C_2(y^3 - x)^2 + C$
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• General solution is  
 $u(x, y) = f(x - y^3) e^{\frac{1}{6}x^2}$

• After condition given,  $u(x) = x e^{\frac{1}{6}x^2}$  means  $x = y + y^3$   
 $2xe^{\frac{1}{6}x^2} = f((y+y^3)-y^3)e^{\frac{1}{6}x^2}$   
 $\rightarrow f(y) = 2 = y + y^3$   
 Let  $v = y \Leftrightarrow y = v - v^3$   
 $\rightarrow f(v) = -(v - v^3)$   
 $\rightarrow f(v) = -v + v^3$   
 $\therefore f(x-y) = -(x-y) - (x-y)^3$   
 $\therefore u(x, y) = [(y^3-x) + (y^3-x)^3] e^{\frac{1}{6}x^2}$

### Question 13

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$2\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 3\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z \ldots$$

It is further given that

$$z(x,0) = \tan 3x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

Find a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , in the form  $z = f(x, y)$ , further describing the relation of  $S$  to the  $x$ - $y$  plane.

$$z(x,y) = \frac{1}{6}(5e^x + 1)\tan(3x - y), \quad 3x - 3 \leq y \leq 3x$$

BY LAGRANGE'S METHOD, THE ASSOCIATED O.D.E.S ARE

$$\frac{dx_1}{x_1} = \frac{dx_2}{x_2} = \frac{dy}{6x + 6w(y-3x)}$$

$\bullet dx_1 = \frac{1}{3} dy$

$x_1 = \frac{1}{3} y + C_1$

$3x_1 = y + C$

$y - 3x_1 = C_1$

$\bullet dx_2 = \frac{dx_2}{6x + 6w(y-3x)}$

$x_2 = \frac{dx_2}{6x + 6w(y-3x)}$

$x_2 = \frac{dx_2}{6x + 6wC_1}$

$x_2 = \frac{dx_2}{6x + 6w}$

$x_2 = \frac{1}{6} w(6x + 6w) + C$

$x_2 = \ln(6x + 6w) + C$

$x_2 - \ln(6x + 6w) - \ln(6x + 6w(y-3x)) = C_2$

THE FINAL SOLUTION IS GIVEN BY

$F(y, v) = 0$  WHERE  $v(x,y) = x_2 - \ln(6x + 6w(y-3x))$

THIS

- $x_2 - \ln(6x + 6w(y-3x)) = g(y-3x)$
- $6x + 6w(y-3x) = h(y-3x)$
- $6x + 6w(y-3x) = e^{g(y-3x)} + 6w(y-3x)$
- $6x + 6w(y-3x) = e^{g(y-3x)} + 6w^2(y-3x)$
- $6x = e^{g(y-3x)} - 6w^2(y-3x)$
- $x = e^{g(y-3x)} - \frac{1}{6} 6w^2(y-3x)$

Now The Boundary Condition  $x(3y) = \tan 3x$ ,  $0 \leq 2 \leq 1$

$tan 3x = e^{g(y-3x)} - \frac{1}{6} 6w^2(y-3x)$   $0 \leq x \leq 1$

$tan 3x = e^{g(y-3x)} + \frac{1}{6} 6w^2(y-3x)$   $0 \leq x \leq 1$

$\frac{1}{6} 6w^2(y-3x) = e^{g(y-3x)}$   $0 \leq x \leq 1$

$f(y) = (\frac{1}{6} 6w^2(y-3x))e^{g(y-3x)}$   $0 \leq x \leq 1$

(Let  $u = -3x$   $\rightarrow -3 \leq u \leq 0$ )

$f(u) = \frac{1}{6} e^{-6(u)} \tan(u)$   $-3 \leq u \leq 0$

$f(u) = \frac{1}{6} e^{-2u} \tan(u)$   $-3 \leq u \leq 0$

$\therefore f(y-3x) = -\frac{1}{6} e^{2(y-3x)} \tan(y-3x)$   $-3 \leq y-3x \leq 0$

$\therefore F(y) = -\frac{1}{6} e^{2(y-3x)} \tan(y-3x) - \frac{1}{6} \tan(y-3x)$   $-3 \leq y-3x \leq 0$

$\therefore F(y) = -\frac{1}{6} \tan(y-3x) \left[ e^{2(y-3x)} + 1 \right]$   $-3 \leq y-3x \leq 0$

$\text{(or } F(y) = \frac{1}{6} \left[ \tan(y-3x) + (y-3x) \right] \text{)}$

The part of surface which lies above the yellow region in the graph

**Question 14**

The function  $f$ , with equation  $z = f(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$(y-z)\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (z-x)\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x-y.$$

It is further given that

$$f(x, y) = 0, \text{ when } y = 2x.$$

Find a Cartesian equation of  $f$ , giving the answer in the form  $z = f(x, y)$ .

$$\boxed{z(x, y) = -x - y + \frac{3}{5}\sqrt{5x^2 + 5y^2 + 5z^2}}$$

$(y-z)\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (z-x)\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x-y$

By IFFORD'S METHOD, THE ASSOCIATED O.D.E. IS  $\frac{dy}{y-z} = \frac{dz}{z-x} = \frac{dx}{x-y}$

ADDING THEM GIVES:  $\frac{dy+dz+dx}{0} = \dots$  "SUM OF THE THREE RATIOS"

FOR THE RATIO TO BE NUNMINICAL, THE NUMERATOR MUST BE ZERO  
 $dx+dy+dz=0$ , AND BY INTEGRATING w.r.t.  $x$ , OBTAIN  
 $x+y+z=C_1$

BY A SIMILAR APPROX  
 $\frac{2z}{2y-2z} = \frac{y}{y-2z} = \frac{z}{2z-y}$

ADDING THEM  $\Rightarrow \frac{2z+2y+2z}{0} = \dots$  "SUM OF THE 3 RATIOS"

FOR THE RATIO TO BE NUNMINICAL, THE NUMERATOR MUST BE ZERO  
 $\Rightarrow 2z+2y+2z=0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}z^2 + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{2}z^2 = \text{constant}$   
 $\Rightarrow z^2+y^2+z^2=C_2$

A GENERAL SOLUTION IS  $F(u, v)=0$  WHERE  $u(y, z)=2y+z$   
 $v(y, z)=x^2+y^2+z^2$

$\therefore u=f(v)$   
 $\therefore v=g(u)$       i.e.  $2y+z=f(x^2+y^2+z^2)$   
 $\qquad \qquad \qquad x^2+y^2+z^2=g(x+y+z)$

i.e.  $z = f(x^2+y^2+z^2) - x - y$

$\boxed{z^2 = g(2y+z) - x^2 - y^2}$

APPLY BOUNDARY CONDITION  
 $z(2, 22) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 0 = f(x^2+y^2+z^2) - x - y$   
 $\Rightarrow f(x^2) = 3x$

LET  $u=x^2$   
 $\Rightarrow u=\frac{1}{3}z^2$   
 $\Rightarrow z=\sqrt{\frac{3}{u}}$

$\Rightarrow f(u) = 3\left(\frac{1}{3}u\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$   
 $\Rightarrow f(u) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}}u^{\frac{1}{2}}$   
 $\Rightarrow f(u) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}}\sqrt{u}$

$\therefore f(x^2+y^2+z^2) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}}\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}$   
 $\therefore f(x^2+y^2+z^2) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}}\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}$

Hence  
 $z = f(x^2+y^2+z^2) - x - y$   
 $\therefore z = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}}\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2} - x - y$

**Question 15**

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$xz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = xy.$$

The plane with equation  $z = 1$  intersects  $S$  along the curve with equation

$$y = 2x^2, -1 < x < 1.$$

Determine a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , giving the answer in the form  $z^2 = f(x, y)$ , sketching the projection of  $S$  on the  $x$ - $y$  plane.

$$z(x, y) = xy + 1 - \frac{y^3}{4x^3}$$

BY UNBALANCING METHODS THE ASSOCIATED ODE IS  $\frac{\partial z}{P} = \frac{\partial z}{Q} = \frac{\partial z}{R}$ .  
 Thus  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$   
 •  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$   
 $\Rightarrow \ln|z| = \ln|y| + \ln A$   
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{z}{y} = C_1}$   
 •  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$   
 $\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$   
 $\Rightarrow y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial z^2}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z^2}{\partial y} = z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z^2}{\partial y} = z^2 + B$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z^2}{\partial y} = z^2 + C_1$   
 $\Rightarrow z^2 = z^2 + C_1 + C_2$   
 $\Rightarrow z^2 = 2xy + C_2$   
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{z^2 - 2xy = C_2}$

N.B. (particular solution) is  $F(u_{yy}) = 0$  where  $u_{yy}(x,y) = \left(\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}\right)_{yy} = z^2 - 2xy$   
 $\therefore z^2 - 2xy = f(y)$

$\Rightarrow z^2 = 2xy + f(y)$   
 NOW APPLY THE BOUNDARY CONDITION  $z=1$ , WITHIN  $g = 2x^2, -1 < x < 1$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 = 2(2x^2) + f\left(\frac{2x^2}{2x^2}\right) \quad -1 < x < 1$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 = 2x^2 + f\left(\frac{2x^2}{2x^2}\right) \quad -1 < x < 1$   
 $\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{2x^2}{2x^2}\right) = 1 - 2x^2 \quad -1 < x < 1$   
 Let  $u = \frac{2x^2}{2x^2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2u} \quad -1 < \frac{1}{2u} < 1$   
 $\Rightarrow f(u) = 1 - 2\left(\frac{1}{2u}\right)^2 \quad -1 < \frac{1}{2u} < 1$   
 $\Rightarrow f(u) = 1 - 2\left(\frac{1}{4u^2}\right) \quad -1 < \frac{1}{2u} < 1$   
 $\Rightarrow f(u) = 1 - \frac{1}{2u^2} \quad -1 < \frac{1}{2u} < 1$   
 IN PARTICULAR, WHEN  $u = \frac{2x^2}{2x^2}$   
 $\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{2x^2}{2x^2}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2\left(\frac{2x^2}{2x^2}\right)^2} \quad -1 < \frac{1}{2\left(\frac{2x^2}{2x^2}\right)} < 1$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{2\left(\frac{2x^2}{2x^2}\right)^2} \quad -2 < \frac{2x^2}{2x^2} < 2$   
 $16 \cdot 2x^2 < 2x^2$   
 $16 > -2x^2$   
 $\therefore z^2 = 2xy + 1 - \frac{y^3}{4x^3}$

**Question 16**

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - xz \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = xy.$$

- a) Find a general solution of the partial differential equation.

The plane with equation  $y = 0$  intersects  $S$  along the curve with equation

$$z = \sin x, \quad 1 < x < 2.$$

- b) Find a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , giving the answer in the form  $z^2 = f(x, y)$ , sketching the projection of  $S$  on the  $x$ - $y$  plane.
- c) Show that the characteristic curves of the partial differential equation are the intersections of the families of two circular cylinders.

$$z(x, y) = \frac{x}{y} - xy + 1$$

**a)**  $yz \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - xz \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = xy$

• BY LAGRANGE'S METHOD THE ASSOCIATED O.D.E ARE  $\frac{dz}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dx}{R}$

$$\frac{dz}{y} = \frac{dy}{-xz} = \frac{dx}{xy}$$

$$\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dx}{x} \quad \frac{dz}{y} = -\frac{dx}{x}$$

$$x dy + y dx = 0 \quad x dz = -y dx$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 = \frac{1}{2}y^2 + C \quad \frac{1}{2}x^2 = -\frac{1}{2}y^2 + C$$

$$x^2 - y^2 = C_1 \quad x^2 + y^2 = C_2$$

$$u(x,y,z) = x^2 - y^2$$

$$V(u(x,y,z)) = x^2y^2$$

GENERAL SOLUTION:  $f(u(x,y,z)) = 0$

$$x^2 - y^2 = f(x^2 + y^2)$$

$$x^2 - y^2 + f(x^2 + y^2) = 0$$

**b)** APPLY CONDITION:  $z(x,0) = \sin x, \quad 1 < x < 2$

THE

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 x &= x^2 + f(x^2) & 1 < x < 2 \\ f(x^2) &= \sin^2 x - x^2 & 1 < x < 2 \end{aligned}$$

LET  $u = x^2 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{u}$

$$f(u) = (\sin \sqrt{u})^2 - u \quad 1 < u < 4$$

IN PARTICULAR, LET  $u = x^2 - y^2$

$$f(x^2 - y^2) = (\sin \sqrt{x^2 - y^2})^2 - (x^2 - y^2) \quad 1 < x^2 - y^2 < 4$$

**c)**  $z^2 = x^2 + f(x^2 + y^2)$

$$z^2 = x^2 + (\sin \sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 - (x^2 + y^2)$$

$$z^2 = \sin^2(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) - y^2$$

$$1 < x^2 + y^2 < 4$$

**THE CHARACTERISTICS**

$$\begin{cases} y^2 + z^2 = C_1 \\ x^2 - z^2 = C_2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} y^2 = C_1 - z^2 \\ x^2 = C_2 + z^2 \end{cases}$$

**GEOMETRICALLY ARE:**

$$\begin{cases} y^2 + z^2 = C_1 \\ y^2 + z^2 = C_2 \\ x^2 - z^2 = C_2 \end{cases}$$

IF (1) & (2) ARE ORTHOGONAL

**Question 17**

It is given that  $z = z(x, t)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (t-1) \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = 0.$$

It is further given that

$$z(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1-x^2 & |x| < 1 \\ 0 & |x| \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Solve the above partial differential equation, and hence evaluate  $z\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$  and  $z\left(3, \frac{1}{3}\right)$ .

$$z\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{15}{16}, \quad z\left(3, \frac{1}{3}\right) = 0$$

$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (t-1) \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = 0, \quad z = z(x, t), \quad z(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1-x^2 & |x| < 1 \\ 0 & |x| \geq 1 \end{cases}$

BY LAGRANGE  
 $\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$

- ACCORDING TO EDS CAN ONLY HAVE A MULTIPLE IF  $dz = 0$   
 $\therefore \frac{dz}{dt} = C_1$
- $\frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{dt}{t-1} + C_2$   
 $\ln z = (t-1) + C_2$   
 $\ln\left(\frac{z}{C_2}\right) = \ln(t-1)$   
 $\frac{z}{C_2} = C_3$

$\therefore$  SOLUTION  $z(t, x) = 0$  when  $z(x, t) = 0$   
 $\sqrt{C_2(C_3)} = \frac{2}{t-1}$

SOLUTION  $z = f\left(\frac{x}{t-1}\right)$

ANY INITIAL CONDITION  
 $z(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1-x^2 & |x| < 1 \\ 0 & |x| \geq 1 \end{cases}$

$f(-x) = \begin{cases} 1-x^2 & |x| < 1 \\ 0 & |x| \geq 1 \end{cases}$

TOO CARE TO CONSIDER IF  $|x| < 1$  &  $|x| \geq 1$

LET  $t = -\infty \Rightarrow x = -u$

- IF  $|u| < 1$   
 $\frac{f(-x)}{f(u)} = 1-u^2$   
 $\frac{f(u)}{f(-x)} = 1-u^2$   
 $|u| < 1$
- IF  $|u| \geq 1$   
 $\frac{f(-x)}{f(u)} = 0$   
 $|u| \geq 1$

$\therefore f\left(\frac{x}{t-1}\right) = \begin{cases} 1-\left(\frac{x}{t-1}\right)^2 & \left|\frac{x}{t-1}\right| < 1 \\ 0 & \left|\frac{x}{t-1}\right| \geq 1 \end{cases}$

$\therefore z(x, t) = \begin{cases} 1-\left(\frac{x}{t-1}\right)^2 & \left|\frac{x}{t-1}\right| < 1 \\ 0 & \left|\frac{x}{t-1}\right| \geq 1 \end{cases}$

HENCE  
•  $z\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$   
• FEEDY  
 $\left|\frac{1}{6}\right| = \left|\frac{1}{3}\right| = \frac{1}{3} < 1$   
• FEEDY  
 $\left|\frac{3}{8}\right| = \left|\frac{3}{8}\right| = \frac{3}{8} > 1$   
•  $z\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right) = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 = \frac{15}{16}$   
•  $z\left(3, \frac{1}{3}\right) = 0$

**Question 18**

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , satisfies the partial differential equation

$$2\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 3\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z.$$

It is further given that the plane with equation  $x=1$  meets  $S$  along the straight line with equation  $z=y$ ,  $-1 \leq y \leq 1$ .

Find a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , in the form  $z = f(x, y)$ , further describing the relation of  $S$  to the  $x$ - $y$  plane.

$$z(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(3 - 3x + 2y)e^{\frac{1}{2}(x-1)}, \quad \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{5}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$

subject to  $z(1, y) = y$ ,  $-1 \leq y \leq 1$

• By LAGRANGE'S METHOD :  $\frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}{P} = \frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}}{Q} = \frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}{P} - 1$ , i.e.  $\frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}} = \frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}}{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}$

$\text{Q}=0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}x = \frac{1}{2}y + C_1$   
 $\Rightarrow 2y = 2x + C_1$   
 $\Rightarrow 3x - 2y = C$   
 $\Rightarrow (3x - 2y) = 3x - 2y$

$\text{Q}=0 \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}{P} = \frac{\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}}{P}$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{1}{2}x + C_2$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 2e^{2z}$   
 $\Rightarrow 2e^{2z} = 4$   
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{2e^{2z}} = \sqrt{e^{2z}}$

• GENERAL SOLUTION  
 $E(C_{10}) = 0$   
i.e.  $v(x, y) = 0$   
 $ze^{\frac{1}{2}x} = \frac{1}{2}(3x - 2y)$

• ADDITIONAL CONDITION  $z(1, y) = y$ ,  $-1 \leq y \leq 1$   
 $ye^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}(3 - 2y)$        $-1 \leq y \leq 1$   
 $w = 3 - 2y$        $1 \leq w \leq 5$   
 $g = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{w}{2}$        $1 \leq g \leq 5$   
 $f(w) = (\frac{1}{2} - \frac{w}{2})e^{\frac{1}{2}}$        $1 \leq w \leq 5$   
 $f(3 - 2y) = (\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3 - 2y}{2})e^{\frac{1}{2}}$        $-1 \leq y \leq 1$   
 $f(3x - 2y) = \frac{1}{2}(3 - 2x + 2y)e^{\frac{1}{2}}$        $1 \leq 3x - 2y \leq 5$   
 $\therefore z = \frac{1}{2}e^{\frac{1}{2}(3 - 2x + 2y)}$        $1 \leq 3x - 2y \leq 5$   
 $\therefore z = \frac{1}{2}e^{\frac{1}{2}(3 - 2x + 2y)}$        $1 \leq 3x - 2y \leq 5$

(i) THE PART OF THE SURFACE WHICH LIES ABOVE THE LINE  
 $1 \leq 3x - 2y \leq 5$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 \leq 3x - 2y \leq 5$   
 $\Rightarrow 2 \leq 3x - 2y \leq 6$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 \leq x - \frac{2}{3}y \leq 2$   
 $\Rightarrow y \geq \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}$   
 $y \leq \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{5}{2}$

**Question 19**

The surface  $S$ , with equation  $z = z(x, y)$ , is orthogonal to the sphere with Cartesian equation

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2x.$$

It is further given that  $S$  passes through the plane with equation  $y = x$  at  $z = \frac{1}{2}$ .

$$z(x, 0) = \tan 3x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Find a Cartesian equation of  $S$ , in the form  $z = f(x, y)$ .

$$z(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + y - x)$$

$z = f(x, y)$        $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2x$   
 Let       $\nabla z = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial z} \hat{k}$   
 $\phi(x, y, z) = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - 1$        $\nabla^2 z = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2z = 0$   
 $\nabla \phi = \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \right)$        $\nabla^2 \psi = \left( \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}, \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial z^2} \right)$   
 $\nabla^2 \phi = \left( \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2}, \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2} \right) = 1$        $\nabla^2 \psi = (2x, 2y, 2z)$

If orthogonal:

$$\nabla \phi \cdot \nabla \psi = 0$$

$$(2x-2) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 2y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} - 2z = 0$$

$$(x-1) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + y \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} - z = 0$$

$$(x-1) \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + y \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 2$$

But  $z = f(x, y)$

$$\therefore (x-1) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2$$

By divergence method, the associated O.D.E.s are:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \quad \text{if } \frac{\partial z}{\partial x-1} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$$

$\bullet \frac{\partial z}{\partial x-1} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$   
 $\ln|z| = \ln|y| + \ln A$   
 $\ln\left(\frac{x-1}{y}\right) = \ln A$   
 $\boxed{\frac{x-1}{y} = C_1}$

$\bullet \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$   
 $\ln|z| = \ln|x| + \ln B$   
 $\ln\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \ln B$   
 $\boxed{\frac{y}{x} = C_2}$

$\bullet$  general solution is  $F(u, v) = 0$  where  $u(z, y) = \frac{x-1}{y}$   
 $v(z, y) = \frac{y}{x}$

$\bullet$  hence the general solution can be written as  
 $\boxed{z = y f\left(\frac{x-1}{y}\right)}$

$\bullet$  new boundary condition:  $z = x \Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = y f\left(\frac{x-1}{y}\right)$        $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} = y f\left(\frac{x-1}{y}\right) = \frac{1-x}{2} \\ \Rightarrow f\left(\frac{x-1}{y}\right) = \frac{y-x}{2y} \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} \text{cancel } y \\ \text{cancel } y \end{array}$   
 $\Rightarrow y = y^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 = y \cdot y^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow y = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{x}$   
 $\therefore z = y \left( \frac{1-x}{2x} \right)$   
 $\therefore z = \frac{1-x}{2x}$   
 $\therefore \boxed{f\left(\frac{x-1}{y}\right) = \frac{1-x}{2x}}$   
 $\therefore \boxed{z = \frac{1-x}{2x}}$   
 $\text{when } y = x \Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{2}$

# SECOND ORDER P.D.E.s

$$P \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + Q \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + R \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0, \quad z = z(x, y)$$

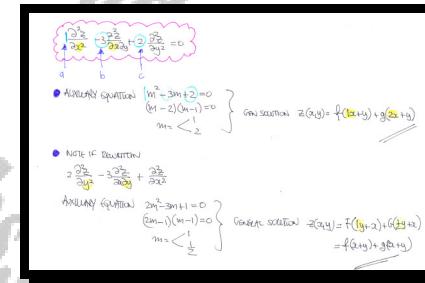
**Question 1**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - 3 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

Find a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = f(x+y) + g(2x+y)$$

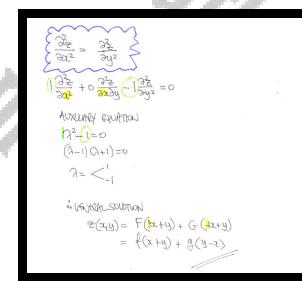
**Question 2**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}.$$

Find a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = f(y+x) + g(y-x)$$



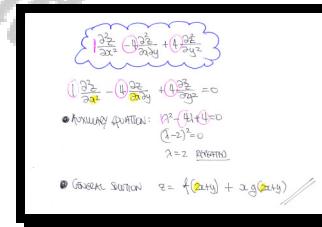
**Question 3**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - 4 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + 4 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

Find a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = f(2x+y) + x g(2x+y)$$

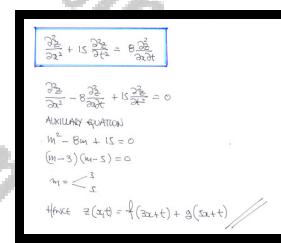
**Question 4**

It is given that  $z = z(x, t)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 15 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = 8 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial t}.$$

Find a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, t) = f(3x+t) + g(5x+t)$$



**Question 5**

It is given that  $\varphi = \varphi(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\nabla^2 \varphi = 2 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x \partial y}.$$

Find a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z = f(x+y) + x g(x+y)$$

$\nabla^2 \varphi = 2 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x \partial y}$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} = 2 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x \partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

- AUXILIARY EQUATION  
 $M_y - 2N_x = 0$   
 $(m-2)^2 = 0$   
 $m=2$  (REPEAT)
- CHAR. EQUATION  
 $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0$
- GEN. SOLUTION  
 $z(x,y) = f(x+y) + xg(x+y)$

**Question 6**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 5 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + 6 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 2e^{x-y}.$$

Find a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x,y) = f(y-2x) + g(y-3x) + e^{x-y}$$

$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 5 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + 6 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 2e^{x-y}$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 5 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + 6 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

- AUXILIARY EQUATION  
 $M_y - 5N_x + 6 = 0$   
 $(m+2)(m-3) = 0$   
 $m=-2, 3$
- CHAR. EQUATION  
 $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 5 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + 6 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0$
- GEN. SOLUTION  
 $z(y,x) = f(y-2x) + g(y-3x)$
- PART. SOLUTION  
 $z = Pe^{x-y}$
- SUB INTO THE P.D.E.  
 $P e^{x-y} - 5P e^{x-y} + 6P e^{x-y} = 2e^{x-y}$   
 $2Pe^{x-y} = 2e^{x-y}$   
 $P=1$
- GEN. SOLUTION  
 $z(y,x) = f(y-2x) + g(y-3x) + e^{x-y}$

**Question 7**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - 4 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + 4 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 48(x^2 + y^2).$$

Find a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, y) = f(2x + y) + xg(2x + y) + 4x^4 + y^4$$

**Auxiliary equation:**  $\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 = 0$   
 $(\lambda - 2)^2 = 0$   
 $\lambda = 2$  (repeated)

**Complementary function:**  $z_1(y) = f(2x+y) + xg(2x+y)$

**Particular integral:**  $z_2 = \frac{A}{2}x^2 + \frac{B}{2}y^2$

Let us try & simplify P.I., such as  $z = Ax^2 + By^2$  and if needed we shall adjust it as we go along.

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2Ax$	}	SUB INTO THE P.D.E.	$12Ax^2 - 4Ax + 4(2By^2) = 48x^2 + 4y^2$
$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2By$			$A=4$
$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = 12A$			$B=1$
$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 4B$			

**General solution:**  $z(x, y) = f(2x+y) + xg(2x+y) + 4x^2 + y^2$

**Question 8**

It is given that  $z = z(x, y)$  satisfies the partial differential equation

$$x^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

Find a general solution of the above partial differential equation.

$$z(x, y) = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + x f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$x^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0$

THIS LOOKS LIKE A "CAUCHY-EULER TYPE" IN TWO VARIABLES  
SO TRY  $z = x^\lambda y^\mu$  AS THE SOLUTION

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} &= \lambda x^{\lambda-1} y^\mu \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} &= \mu x^\lambda y^{\mu-1} \\ \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} &= \lambda(\lambda-1)x^{\lambda-2} y^\mu \end{aligned}$$

SUB INTO THE PDE

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(\lambda-1)x^{\lambda-2} y^\mu + 2\lambda x^{\lambda-1} y^\mu + \mu(\mu-1)x^\lambda y^{\mu-2} &= 0 \\ (\lambda^2 - \lambda + 2\lambda + \mu^2 - \mu) x^{\lambda-2} y^\mu &= 0 \\ (\lambda^2 + 2\lambda + \mu^2) - (\lambda + \mu) &= 0 \\ (\lambda + \mu)^2 - (\lambda + \mu) &= 0 \\ (\lambda + \mu)[\lambda + \mu - 1] &= 0 \\ \lambda + \mu &\equiv 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad \lambda + \mu - 1 = 0 \\ \lambda = -\mu &\quad \text{OR} \quad \lambda = 1 - \mu \\ \therefore z_1 &= x^{-\mu} y^\mu = x^{-\mu} y^\mu = \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^\mu \\ z_2 &= x^\lambda y^\mu = x^{1-\mu} y^\mu = \frac{y^\mu}{x^{\mu-1}} = \frac{y^\mu}{x^{\lambda+1}} = x\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^\mu \\ \therefore \text{GENERAL SOLUTION} \quad z(x, y) &= f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + x f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \end{aligned}$$