

ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS - I

Unit - 3: Partial Differential Equations

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1 Problems on Lagrange's Linear Equation

Solve $(mz - ny)\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (nx - lz)\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = ly - mx$

The auxiliary equations are $\frac{dx}{mz-ny} = \frac{dy}{nx-lz} = \frac{dz}{ly-mx}$

Using multipliers x, y, z , we get

Each fraction



$$= \frac{x dx + y dy + z dz}{x(mz - ny) + y(nx - lz) + z(ly - mx)} = \frac{x dx + y dy + z dz}{0}$$

$$\implies x dx + y dy + z dz = 0$$

On integration, it gives

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = c_1 \quad (1)$$

Again using multipliers l, m, n , we get

Each fraction

$$= \frac{l dx + m dy + n dz}{l(mz - ny) + m(nx - lz) + n(ly - mx)} = \frac{l dx + m dy + n dz}{0}$$

$$\implies l dx + m dy + n dz = 0$$

Solve $(mz - ny)\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + (nx - lz)\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = ly - mx$ (contd.)



On integration, it gives

$$lx + my + nz = c_2 \quad (2)$$

Hence, from (1) and (2), the required general solution is

$$\phi(x^2 + y^2 + z^2, lx + my + nz) = 0$$

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

Solution. The auxiliary equations are

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

Using multipliers x, y, z , each fraction of (1) is equal to

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

$$\implies x dx + y dy + z dz = 0$$

On integration

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = C_1 \quad (2)$$



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

Again, (1) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{x(z^2 - y^2)} &= \frac{dy}{y(x^2 - z^2)} = \frac{dz}{z(y^2 - x^2)} \\&= \frac{\frac{dx}{x} + \frac{dy}{y} + \frac{dz}{z}}{(z^2 - y^2) + (x^2 - z^2) + (y^2 - x^2)} = \frac{\frac{dx}{x} + \frac{dy}{y} + \frac{dz}{z}}{0} \\&\implies \frac{dx}{x} + \frac{dy}{y} + \frac{dz}{z} = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\implies \log x + \log y + \log z = \log C_2$$

$$\implies \log xyz = \log C_2 \implies xyz = C_2 \quad (3)$$

From (2) and (3), the general solution is

$$\phi(x^2 + y^2 + z^2, xyz) = 0$$



$$\text{Solve } (y^2 + z^2)p - xyq + zx = 0$$

Solution:

Auxiliary equations are

$$\frac{dx}{y^2 + z^2} = \frac{dy}{-xy} = \frac{dz}{-zx}$$

From the 2nd and 3rd fractions,

$$\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{y}{z} = c_1$$

Choosing multipliers as x, y, z :

$$x dx + y dy + z dz = x(y^2 + z^2) + y(-xy) + z(-zx) = 0$$



Solve $(y^2 + z^2)p - xyq + zx = 0$ (contd.)



Integrating,

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = c_2$$

The general solution is

$$\phi\left(\frac{y}{z}, x^2 + y^2 + z^2\right) = 0$$

Solve $(x^2 - y^2 - z^2)p + 2xyq = 2xz$

Here the auxiliary equations are

$$\frac{dx}{x^2 - y^2 - z^2} = \frac{dy}{2xy} = \frac{dz}{2xz}$$



Taking the last two members, we have

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

which on integration gives

$$\log y = \log z + \log a$$

or

$$\log \frac{y}{z} = \log a \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{y}{z} = a \quad \dots (1)$$

Solve $(x^2 - y^2 - z^2)p + 2xyq = 2xz$ (contd.)

Using x, y, z as multipliers, we get

Each fraction

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

or

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

which on integration gives

$$\log(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) = \log z + \log b$$

or

$$\log\left(\frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{z}\right) = \log b \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{z} = b \quad \dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2), the general solution is

$$\phi\left(\frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{z}, \frac{y}{z}\right) = 0$$

