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FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER
MAIN EXAMINATION

**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION AND
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)**

COURSE CODE: MAT 421

COURSE TITLE: PDE I

DATE: 15/12/17

TIME: 8 AM -10 AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE (30 Mks)

- (a) Define the terms:
(i) linear, (ii) semi-linear, and (iii) quasi-linear partial differential equation of first order (3Mks)
- (b) Obtain the solution of the first order linear partial differential equation
 $y \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - x \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + xu = 0$ satisfying the condition $u = y$ when $x^2 + 2y^2 = 4$ (8Mks)
- (c) If $Z = Z(x, y)$ is a function of x and y , eliminate the arbitrary function f from the equation (i) $Z = x + f(x^2 - y^2)$ (2Mks)
(ii) $Z = e^{\frac{y}{x}} f(xy)$ (3Mks)
- (d) Distinguish Pfaffian differential form and a Pfaffian differential equation (2Mks)
- (e) Obtain the integral curves of the equations $\frac{dx}{x^2} = \frac{dy}{y^2} = \frac{dz}{(x+y)z}$ (6Mks)
- (f) Use the Jacobi's method to find the complete integral of the first order partial differential equation $p^2 - q^2 = z$ where $p = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$, $q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ (6Mks)

QUESTION TWO (20 Mks)

Given a surface by the parametric equations

$$x = u + v$$

$$y = u - v$$

$$z = 4uv$$

Where u and v are real values

- (a) Show that the above equation represents a surface of jacobians. (10Mks)
- (b) Find (a) above by eliminating u and v (10Mks)

QUESTION THREE (20 Mks)

- (a) Verify that the Pfaffian differential equation
 $yzdx + (x^2y - xz)dy + (x^2z - xy)dz = 0$ is integrable. (8Mks)
- (b) Find the general solution and obtain the particular solution satisfying the condition: $z = y$ when $x = 1$ (5Mks)
- (c) Use Chapit's method of solving non-linear first order partial differential equations to find the complete integral of the equation $Z^2 = pqxy$ (7Mks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 Mks)

- (a) Using the fact that coefficients of the differential equation $(y^2 + z^2)dx + xydy + xzdz = 0$ are homogeneous functions in x, y and z of the same degree obtain the general solution. (6Mks)
- (b) Show that the first order partial differential equation $xp - yq = x, x^2 p + q = xz$, are compatible. (7Mk)
- (c) Hence obtain the general solution of the given simultaneous equations and find the solution passing through the point $(1,1,3)$ (7Mks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 Mks)

- (a) Consider the Lagrange's partial differential equation $x(y - z)p + y(z - x)q = z(x - y)dz$ where $p = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ write the corresponding Lagrange's auxiliary equations and hence find its integral surface that passes through the curve $z = 1, y = x$. (13Mks)
- (b) Find the equation of the tangent plane to the hyperboloid $4x^2 - 9y^2 - 9z^2 - 36 = 0$ at the point $(3\sqrt{3}, 2, 2)$ (7Mks)