



(Knowledge for Development)

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FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER
MAIN EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION AND
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: MAT 421

COURSE TITLE: PDE I

DATE: 21/07/2021

TIME: 2 PM - 4 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Form a partial differential equation associated with the primitive $z = f(x^2 + y^2)$.
(4 marks)
- b) Solve the Lagrange's Linear Equation $(x^2 - yz)p + (y^2 - zx)q = z^2 - xy$. (7 marks)
- c) By direct integration, solve $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = z$; $y = 0$ then $z = e^x$, $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = e^{-x}$ (6 marks)
- d) Solve the linear homogeneous partial differential equation
$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \sin x \cos 2y$$
 (8 marks)
- e) Solve the non-linear partial differential equation of the form $x^2 p^2 + y^2 q^2 = z^2$. (5 mks)

QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- (a) A Lagrange's Linear Partial differential equation is of the form

$Pp + Qq = R$, where P, Q and R are functions of x, y, z and $p = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$, $q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$. Show that its solution is given by $f(u, v) = 0$. (12 marks)

- (b) Using the method of Multipliers, find the complete solution of the differential equation

$$x(z^2 - y^2) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y(x^2 - z^2) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z(y^2 - x^2) \quad (8 \text{ marks})$$

QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]

- (a) Find a complete integral of the partial differential equation $p(q^2 + 1) + (b - z)q = 0$ by Charpit's method. (10 marks)

- (b) Find the complete solution for the equation $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \cos x \cos 2y$. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR [20 MARKS]

(a) Classify the partial differential equation $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + x \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$. (6 marks)

(b) Using the method of separation of variables, solve;

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u, \text{ when } u(x, 0) = 6e^{-3x}. \quad (14 \text{ marks})$$

QUESTION FIVE [20 MARKS]

(a) Obtain solution for the wave equation $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$ such that $y = P_0 \cos pt$, (P_0 is a constant) when $x = l$ and $y = 0$ when $x = 0$. (14 marks)

(b) Solve $(w + y + z) \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + (w + x + z) \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + (w + x + y) \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = x + y + z$ (6 marks)