- N.B. : (1) All questions are compulsory.
  - (2) Figures to the right indicate marks.
- 1. (a) Attempt any One of the following:
  - (i) Prove that the elimination of arbitrary function  $\phi$  from the equation  $\phi(u, v) = 0$ , where u and v are functions of x, y and z (z is assumed to be a function of x and y), gives the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial(u,v)}{\partial(y,z)} * p + \frac{\partial(u,v)}{\partial(x,z)} * q = \frac{\partial(u,v)}{\partial(x,y)}$$

Solution: Given

$$\phi(u,v) = 0 \tag{1}$$

We treat z as a function of x and y. (x and y as independent variables and z as dependent variable).

So 
$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 0$$
 and  $\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = 0$   
Let  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = p$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = q$ .

Since  $\phi$  is a function of (u, v) and u, v are functions of x, y and z where z is a function of x and y, differentiating  $\phi(u, v) = 0$  partially with respect to x, we get

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

$$0 = \phi_u \left( u_x + 0 + u_z p \right) + \phi_v \left( v_x + 0 + v_z p \right) = 0$$

$$\phi_u (u_x + u_z p) = -\phi_v (v_x + v_z p)$$

$$\frac{\phi_u}{\phi_v} = -\frac{v_x + v_z p}{u_x + u_z p}$$
(2)

Similarly, differentiating 1 with resepct to y, we get

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial u} \left[ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right] + \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial v} \left[ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right] = 0$$
$$0 = \phi_u \left( 0 + u_y * 1 + u_z q \right) + \phi_v \left( 0 + v_y * 1 + v_z q \right) = 0$$

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$$\phi_u(u_y + u_z q) = -\phi_v(v_y + v_z q)$$

$$\frac{\phi_u}{\phi_v} = -\frac{v_y + v_z q}{u_y + u_z q}$$
(3)

Taking ratio of (2) and (3),

$$-\frac{v_x + v_z p}{u_x + u_z p} = -\frac{v_y + v_z q}{u_y + u_z q}$$

This implies

$$(v_x + v_z p)(u_y + u_z q) = (v_y + v_z q)(u_x + u_z p)$$

$$(u_y v_z - v_y u_z)p + (u_z v_x - u_x v_z)q + u_z v_z pq = u_x v_y - u_y v_x + u_z v_z qp$$

$$(u_y v_z - v_y u_z)p + (u_z v_x - u_x v_z)q = u_x v_y - u_y v_x$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} u_y & u_z \\ v_y & v_z \end{pmatrix} p + \det \begin{pmatrix} u_z & u_x \\ v_z & v_x \end{pmatrix} q = \det \begin{pmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(y, z)} * p + \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(z, x)} * q = \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)}$$
(4)

(ii) If z = F(x, y; a) is a one-parameter family of solutions of the partial differential equation f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0 where  $p = z_x = F_x$ ,  $q = z_y = F_y$ , prove that the envelope of this family, if it exists, is also a solution of f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0.

**Solution:** (Note: This is Lemma 1.3.1 from our syllabus.) z = F(x, y; a) is a one-parameter family of solutions of f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0. The envelope E of this family is obtained by eliminating a between

$$z = F(x, y; a), \tag{5}$$

$$0 = F_a(x, y; a). \tag{6}$$

The equation of E is found by solving  $F_a(x, y, a) = 0$  for a as a function of x and y, a = a(x, y) and then substituting into z = f(x, y; a).

Hence the envelope E will be of the form z = G(x, y) = F(x, y, a(x, y)). We want to show that z = F(x, y, a(x, y)) is a solution of f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0. It is sufficient to show that  $p = G_x, q = G_y$ . Now,  $G(x, y) = F(x, y, a(x, y)) \Longrightarrow G_x = F_x + F_a * a_x = F_x + 0 * a_x = F_x = p$ and  $G_y = F_y + F_a * a_y = F_x + 0 * a_y = F_y = q$  (as  $F_a = 0, F_b = 0$ ). Hence z = G(x, y) is also a solution of f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0

- (b) Attempt any Two of the following.
  - (i) Find a partial differential equation satisfied by  $z = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$  where f is real valued function on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ .

Solution: Let  $v = \frac{y}{x}$ . So  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{y}{x^2}, \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{x}$ . The partial differential is given by  $\frac{\partial(z,v)}{\partial(x,y)} = 0$ That is,  $v_y \ p - v_x \ q = 0$ Substituting we get,  $\frac{1}{x} \ p - \left(-\frac{y}{x^2} \ q\right) = 0$ . The p.d.e. is  $x \ p + y \ q = 0$ .

(ii) Find the singular integral of  $f(x, y, z, p, q) = z - px - qy - p^2 - q^2 = 0$  using the three equations :  $f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0, f_p(x, y, z, p, q) = 0, f_q(x, y, z, p, q) = 0.$ 

Solution: We know that singular integral satisfies  $\begin{cases}
f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0, \\
f_p(x, y, z, p, q) = 0, \\
f_q(x, y, z, p, q) = 0.
\end{cases}$   $\begin{aligned}
z - px - qy - p^2 - q^2 = 0, \\
-x - 2p = 0, \\
-y - 2q = 0.
\end{aligned}$ This implies  $p = -\frac{x}{2}, q = -\frac{y}{2}.$  (12)

Hence the singular solution is

$$z - px - qy - p^2 - q^2 = 0$$
  

$$\implies z - x\frac{-x}{2} - y\frac{-y}{2} - \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 0$$
  

$$\implies z + \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 0$$
  

$$\implies 4z = -(x+y)^2$$

(iii) Solve the Lagrange's partial differential equation  $\tan x \ p + \tan y \ q = \tan z$ .

Solution: 
$$\tan x \ p + \tan y \ q = \tan z$$
  
Lagrange's auxiliary eqns are  
 $\frac{dx}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{R}$ .  
 $\frac{dx}{\tan x} = \frac{dy}{\tan y} = \frac{dz}{\tan z}$  (1).  
Taking the first two fractions, we get  
 $\frac{dx}{\tan x} = \frac{dy}{\tan y}$ .  
 $\frac{\sin x}{\sin y} = c_1$  (2)  
Taking the first and the last from (1).  
 $\frac{dx}{\tan x} = \frac{dz}{\tan x}$ .  
 $\frac{\sin x}{\sin z} = c_2$  (3)  
From (2) and (3), the required general  
solution is  
 $\phi\left(\frac{\sin x}{\sin y}, \frac{\sin x}{\sin z}\right) = 0$   
Another form of the general  
integral is  
 $\frac{\sin x}{\sin z} = \phi\left(\frac{\sin x}{\sin y}\right)$ 

2. (a) Attempt any One of the following:

(i) (I) If  $p = \phi(x, y, z)$  and  $q = \psi(x, y, z)$  are obtained by solving f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0, g(x, y, z, p, q) = 0 for p and q then state the necessary and sufficient condition for the equation  $dz = \phi(x, y, z) dx + \psi(x, y, z) dy$ 

(8)

to be integrable.

(II) Show that the first order partial differential equations p = M(x, y) and q = N(x, y) are compatible if and only if  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ .

Solution:  $[f,g] = \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} p + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} q = 0.$ p = M(x, y) and q = N(x, y)We write these equations in the form f = 0 and g = 0. Therefore the two equations are f = p - M(x, y) = 0 and g = q - N(x, y) = 00. First we will show that  $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + p \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + q \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} = N_x - M_y$  $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} = \left| \begin{array}{cc} f_x & f_p \\ g_x & g_p \end{array} \right|$  $= \left| \begin{array}{cc} M_x & 1 \\ -N_x & 0 \end{array} \right|$  $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} = \left| \begin{array}{cc} f_z & f_p \\ g_z & g_p \end{array} \right|$  $= \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right|$  $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} = \left| \begin{array}{cc} f_y & f_q \\ g_y & g_q \end{array} \right|$  $= \left| \begin{array}{cc} -M_y & 0\\ -N_y & 1 \end{array} \right|$ = -Mu $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} = \left| \begin{array}{cc} f_z & f_q \\ g_z & g_q \end{array} \right|$  $= \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right|$ = 0Hence  $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + p \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + q \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} = N_x + p * 0 - M_y + q * 0 = 0$ 

$$\begin{split} N_x - M_y & (*) \\ \text{Now, Suppose the first order partial differential equations } p = M(x,y) \text{ and } q = N(x,y) \text{ are compatible.} \\ \text{Therefore } f = p - M(x,y) = 0 \text{ and } g = q - N(x,y) = 0 \text{ are compatible.} \\ \text{Hence } \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + p \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + q \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} = 0 \\ \text{Hence } N_x - M_y = 0. \text{ Thus } N_x = M_y. \text{ That is, Hence } \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}. \\ \text{Conversely, suppose } \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}. \\ \text{To show that } f = p - M(x,y) = 0 \text{ and } g = q - N(x,y) = 0 \text{ are compatible.} \\ \bullet \text{ To show that } \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(p,q)} \neq 0. \\ \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(p,q)} = \begin{vmatrix} f_p & f_q \\ g_p & g_q \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 1 \neq 0 \text{ on any domain } D. \\ \bullet \text{ To show that } \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + p \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + q \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + p \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + q \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + p \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + q \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} = N_x - M_y \text{ from } * \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \\ &= 0 \\ \text{Hence } f = 0 \text{ and } g = 0 \text{ are compatible.} \\ \end{split}$$

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- (ii) State Charpit's Auxiliary equations and explain the Charpit's method to find a complete integral of a given partial differential equation f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0.

Solut	ion:						
dx	$\underline{dy}$	$\_$ $dz$ $\_$	$\_dp$	<i>dq</i>	dz	$\underline{dg}$	(7)
$f_p$	$f_q$	$- \frac{1}{pf_p + qf_q} -$	$\overline{f_x + pf_z}$	$-\frac{1}{f_y+qf_z}$	$pf_p + qf_q$	0	( <b>1</b> )
Since	any	of the integrals	of 7 will s	atisfy ??, we	will find an	integra	al of

7 which involves  $p \mbox{ or } q \mbox{ or both}.$  Thus we will get the required equation g(x,y,z,p,q)=0

The equation 7 is called **Charpit's Auxiliary equations**. Note that we want the functions  $p = \phi$  and  $q = \psi$ . We can find  $p = \phi$  (or  $q = \psi$ ) from the Charpit's Auxiliary equations and then substitute the value of  $p = \phi$  (or  $q = \psi$ ) in f = 0 to get  $q = \psi$  (or  $p = \phi$ ). Working Rules while using Charpit's Method

- **STEP 1** Write the given partial differential equation in the form f = 0.
- **STEP 2** Find all the values required in Charpit's Auxiliary equation.
- **STEP 3** Write the Charpits' Auxiliary equation using the above values.
- **STEP 4** Select two proper fractions so that we can easily find the integral g = 0 involving at least one of p and q.
- **STEP 5** Solve the equations f = 0 and g = 0 for p and q and get the functions  $p = \phi$  and  $q = \psi$ .

**STEP 6** Write the Pfaffian differential equation  $dz = \phi \ dx + \psi \ dy$ .

**STEP 7** Integral of this equation is our required complete integral of f = 0.

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- (b) Attempt any Two of the following.
  - (i) Solve the compatible partial differential equations xp yq = x and  $x^2p + q = xz$ and find a common solution.

## Solution:

**STEP 1** Solve the two equations for p and q. Here xp = x + yq substitue in  $x^2p + q = xz \Longrightarrow x(x+yq) + q = xz \Longrightarrow$   $x^2 + xyq + q = xz$ . This means q(xy+1) = x(z-x). So,  $q = \frac{x(z-x)}{xy+1}$ . This implies  $xp = x + \frac{xy(z-x)}{xy+1} \Longrightarrow p = 1 + \frac{y(z-x)}{xy+1} \Longrightarrow p = \frac{1+zy}{1+xy}$  **STEP 2** Construct the Pfaffian differential equation  $dz = \phi \, dx + \psi \, dy$ . That is,  $dz = \frac{1+zy}{1+xy} \, dx + \frac{x(z-x)}{1+xy} \, dy \Longrightarrow z \, dz = d(xy) \Longrightarrow z^2 =$  2xy + c

$$(1+xy) dz = (1+zy) dx + x(z-x) dy$$

$$(1+xy) dz = dx + zy dx + xz dy - x^{2} dy$$

$$(1+xy) dz - z(y dx + z dy) = dx - x^{2} dy$$

$$(1+xy) dz - z(y dx + z dy) = dx - x^{2} dy$$

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

$$d\left(\frac{z}{(1+xy)}\right) = \frac{\frac{1}{x^{2}}dx - dy}{(\frac{1}{x}+y)^{2}}$$

$$d\left(\frac{z}{(1+xy)}\right) = -\frac{-\frac{1}{x^{2}}dx + dy}{(\frac{1}{x}+y)^{2}}$$

$$d\left(\frac{z}{(1+xy)}\right) = d\left(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}+y}\right)$$
On integrating, we get,
$$\frac{z}{(1+xy)} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}+y} + c.$$

$$\frac{z}{(1+xy)} = \frac{x}{1+xy} + c.$$
STEP 3  $\frac{z}{(1+xy)} = \frac{x}{1+xy} + c$  is the required solution.

(ii) Show that  $dz = \phi(x, y, z) \ dx + \psi(x, y, z) \ dy$  is integrable if and only if

$$-\phi \ \psi_z + \psi \ \phi_z - \psi_x + \phi_y = 0.$$

**Solution:** where  $\overline{\mathbf{X}} = (\phi(x, y, z), \psi(x, y, z), -1).$  $\operatorname{curl} \overline{\mathbf{X}} = \operatorname{det} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{J} & \mathbf{-} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ P & Q & R \end{pmatrix}$  $= \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{\hat{i}} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$  $= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} (-1) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \psi\right) \mathbf{\hat{i}} - \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-1) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \phi\right) \mathbf{\hat{j}} + \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi - \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \phi\right) \mathbf{\hat{k}}$  $= -\psi_z \,\,\mathbf{\hat{i}} + \phi_z \,\,\mathbf{\hat{j}} + (\psi_x - \phi_y) \,\,\mathbf{\hat{k}}$  $= (-\psi_z, \phi_z, \psi_x - \phi_y)$  $\overline{\mathbf{X}} \cdot \operatorname{curl} \overline{\mathbf{X}} = (\phi, \psi, -1) \cdot (-\psi_z, \phi_z, \psi_x - \phi_y)$  $= -\phi \ \psi_z + \psi \ \phi_z - \psi_x + \phi_y$ Hence  $dz = \phi(x, y, z) \, dx + \psi(x, y, z) \, dy$  is integrable if and only if  $-\phi \, \psi_z + \psi \, \phi_z - \psi_x + \phi_y = 0.$ 

(iii) Find a complete integral of  $x^2p^2 + y^2q^2 - 4 = 0$ .

**Solution:** We find all the values required in Charpit's Auxiliary equation. Charpit's Auxiliary equations are

$$\frac{dx}{f_p} = \frac{dy}{f_q} = \frac{dz}{(p \ f_p + q \ f_q)} = -\frac{dp}{(f_x + pf_z)} = -\frac{dq}{(f_y + qf_z)}$$

$f_p$	$f_q$	$pf_p + qf_q$	$f_x + pf_z$	$f_y + qf_z$
$2x^2p$ $2x^2p$	$2y^2q$ $2y^2q$	$p(2x^2p) + q(2y^2q)$ $2x^2p^2 + 2y^2q^2$	$2xp^2 + p(0)$ $2xp^2$	$2yq^2 + q(0)$ $2yq^2$

$$\frac{dx}{2x^2p} = \frac{dy}{2y^2q} = \frac{dz}{2(x^2p^2 + y^2q^2)} = -\frac{dp}{2xp^2} = -\frac{dq}{2yq^2}$$

Consider first and fourth ratio.

$$\frac{dx}{2x^2p} = -\frac{dp}{2xp^2}$$
$$\frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{dp}{p}$$

Integrating both sides, we get,  $\ln x = -\ln p + \ln a$ . This means xp = a. That is,  $p = \frac{a}{r}$ .

Substituting this in  $f = x^2 p^2 + y^2 q^2 - 4 = 0$ , we get,  $x^2 \frac{a^2}{x^2} + y^2 q^2 - 4 = 0$ .  $x^2 \frac{a^2}{x^2} + y^2 q^2 - 4 = 0$   $a^2 + y^2 q^2 = 4$  $q = \frac{\sqrt{4-a^2}}{y}$ 

Consider the Pfaffian differential equation  $dz = p \ dx + q \ dy$ .

$$dz = \frac{a}{x} dx + \frac{\sqrt{4 - a^2}}{y} dy$$
$$\implies z = a \ln x + \sqrt{4 - a^2} \ln y + b$$

 $z = F(x, y; a, b) = a \ln x + \sqrt{4 - a^2} \ln y + b$  is a complete integral of  $f = x^2 p^2 + y^2 q^2 - 4 = 0$  **Note**: If we consider second and fourth ratio, that is,  $\frac{dy}{2y^2 q} = -\frac{dq}{2yq^2}$  then we get  $z = c \ln y + \sqrt{4 - c^2} \ln x + d$  as a complete integral. So,  $z = a \ln x + \sqrt{4 - a^2} \ln y + b$ and  $z = c \ln y + \sqrt{4 - c^2} \ln x + d$ are complete integrals of  $f = x^2 p^2 + y^2 q^2 - 4 = 0$ .

- 3. (a) Attempt any One of the following.
  - (i) Consider the quasi-linear equation P(x, y, z) p + Q(x, y, z) q = R(x, y, z) where P, Q and R are continuously differentiable functions on a domain  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ . If S : z = u(x, y) is the surface obtained by taking the union of characteristic curves of the given p.d.e. where u(x, y) is a continuously differentiable function then prove that S is the integral surface of the p.d.e.

**Solution:** We want to show that S is an integral surface. Let  $A(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0))$  be any point on S. We want to show that A satisfies the PDE P(x, y, z) p + Q(x, y, z) q = R(x, y, z). This means we want to show that  $P(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0)) u_x(x_0, y_0) + Q(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0)) u_y(x_0, y_0) = R(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0))$ . Since S is a union of characteristic curves, there is a characteristic curve  $\gamma_A$ passing through A that lies on S (curve is lying on S). Since normal to S at A is in the direction  $(u_x(x_0, y_0), u_y(x_0, y_0), -1)$  and the tangent to the curve  $\gamma_A$  at A is in the direction  $(P(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0)), Q(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0)), R(x_0, y_0))$ .

$$\left(u_x(x_0, y_0), u_y(x_0, y_0), -1\right) \cdot \left(P(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0)), Q(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0)), R(x_0, y_0| u(x_0, y_0))\right)$$

Thus

 $P(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0))u_x(x_0, y_0) + Q(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0))u_y(x_0, y_0) + R(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0))(-1) = 0.$ 

Hence  $A(x_0, y_0, u(x_0, y_0))$  satisfies the PDE P(x, y, z) p + Q(x, y, z) q = Rwhere  $p = z_x = u_x, q = z_y = u_y$ .

(ii) Write a short note on the characteristic strip and characteristic curve for a non linear first order partial differential equation f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0.

**Solution:** The characteristic differential equations related to the p.d.e. f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0 are  $\frac{dx}{dt} = f_p,$   $\frac{dy}{dt} = f_q,$   $\frac{dz}{dt} = pf_p + qf_q,$   $\frac{dp}{dt} = -f_x - f_z * p,$   $\frac{dq}{dt} = -f_y - f_z * q,$  12 of 22 (8)

A solution (x(t), y(t), z(t), p(t), q(t)) of the above system of ordinary differential equations can be interpreted as a strip. The first three functions (x(t), y(t), z(t)) determine a space curve. At each point of this space curve, p(t) and q(t) define a tangent plane with (p, q, -1) as the normal vector. The curve along with these tangent planes at each point is called a characteristic strip and the curve is called the characteristic curve.



Figure 1: Characteristic strip

Any set of five functions x(t), y(t), z(t), p(t) and q(t) of the above system can be interpreted as a strip only if the following condition called the **strip** condition

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = p(t)\frac{dx}{dt} + q(t)\frac{dy}{dt}$$
(8)

is satisfied.

- (b) Attempt any Two of the following.
  - (i) Find the solution of the initial value problem for the quasi-linear equation  $p-z \ q = -z$  for all y and x > 0 with the initial data curve  $C: x_0(s) = 0, y_0(s) = s, z_0(s) = -2s, -\infty < s < \infty.$

**Solution:** Here P(x, y, z) = 1, Q(x, y, z) = -z, R(x, y, z) = -z and  $x_0(s) = 0$ ,  $y_0(s) = s$ ,  $z_0(s) = -2s$ . We will show that  $\frac{dy_0}{ds} P\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) - \frac{dx_0}{ds} Q\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) \neq 0$  on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ . (12)

$$\frac{dy_0}{ds} P\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) - \frac{dx_0}{ds} Q\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) = (1)(1) - (0)\Big(2s\Big)$$
$$= 1 \neq 0 \quad \text{for } -\infty < s < \infty.$$

Now we will solve the following system  $\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = 1\\ \frac{dy}{dt} = -z\\ \frac{dz}{dt} = -z. \end{cases}$  with initial conditions, x(s,0) = 0, y(s,0) = 0. The family of characteristic

with initial conditions, x(s,0) = 0, y(s,0) = s, z(s,0) = -2s at t = 0. The family of characteristic curves through the initial data curve is

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 1 \Longrightarrow x = t + c_1 \Longrightarrow x(s, o) = 0 + c_1 \Longrightarrow c_1 = 0$$

 $\implies x = t$  (1)

 $\frac{dz}{dt} = -z \Longrightarrow \ln z = -t + \ln c_2 \Longrightarrow e^{-t} = \frac{z}{c_2} \Longrightarrow e^0 = \frac{-2s}{c_2} \Longrightarrow c_2 = -2s$ 

$$\implies z = -2se^{-t} \tag{2}$$

 $\frac{dy}{dt} = -z \Longrightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = 2se^{-t} \Longrightarrow y = -2se^{-t} + c_3 \Longrightarrow y(s, o) = -2s + c_3 \Longrightarrow c_3 = s + 2s = 3$ 

$$\implies y = -2se^{-t} + 3s \tag{3}$$

We we will solve(1) and (3) for s and t in terms of x and y.

$$x = t \Longrightarrow y = -2se^{-x} + 3s \Longrightarrow y = s(-2e^{-x} + 3) \Longrightarrow s = \frac{y}{3 - 2e^{-x}}$$

Now, we will substitute these values in  $z = -2se^{-t} = -\frac{2ye^{-x}}{3-2e^{-x}} = \frac{2y}{2-3e^x}.$ The solution breaks down at  $e^x = \frac{2}{3}$  that is, the solution breaks down at  $x = \ln \frac{2}{3}.$ 

(ii) Find the initial strip for  $z = \frac{1}{2}(p^2 + q^2) + (p - x)(q - y)$  passing through the *x*-axis.

**Solution:** Solution is passing through the x-axis. Hence the initial data curve is  $x = x_0(s) = s, y = y_0(s) = 0, z = z_0(s) = 0$ .

Initial strip condition is

$$\frac{dz_0}{ds} = p_0 \frac{dx_0}{ds} + q_0 \frac{dy_0}{ds}$$
$$\implies 0 = p_0 * 1 + q_0 * 0$$

$$\implies p_0 = 0$$

Substitute  $x = x_0(s) = s, y = y_0(s) = 0, z = z_0(s) = 0, p_0 = 0$  in the given equation.

$$0 = \frac{1}{2}(0 + q_0^2) + (0 - s)(q_0 - 0)$$
  

$$\implies \frac{q_0^2}{2} - q_0 * s = 0$$
  

$$\implies q_0^2 - 2q_0 * s = 0$$
  

$$\implies q_0(q_0 - 2s) = 0$$
  

$$\implies q_0 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad q_0 = 2s$$
  
Therefore there are two initial strips:  
Case 1:  $x = x_0(s) = s, y = y_0(s) = 0, z = z_0(s) = 0, p = p_0(s) = 0, q = q_0(s) = 0$  and

- Case 2:  $x = x_0(s) = s, y = y_0(s) = 0, z = z_0(s) = 0, p = p_0(s) = 0, q = q_0(s) = 2s$ .
- (iii) Find the characteristics differential equations and the characteristic strips of pq = xy.

## Solution:

We find the characteristic differential equations.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y, z, p, q) &= 0 \Longrightarrow pq - xy = 0 \\ &\implies f(x, y, z, p, q) = pq - xy \\ &\frac{dx}{dt} = f_p = q \\ &\frac{dy}{dt} = f_p = q \\ &\frac{dy}{dt} = f_q = p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{dz}{dt} = pf_p + qf_q = 2pq \\ &\frac{dp}{dt} = -f_x - f_x * p = y \\ &\frac{dq}{dt} = -f_y - f_z * q = x \end{aligned}$$
We find the characteristic strips. We consider  $\frac{dx}{dt} = q$  and  $\frac{dq}{dt} = x$ .  
We write as  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0 * x + 1 * q$  and  $\frac{dq}{dt} = 1 * x + 0 * q$ .  
Auxiliary equation for the system  $\frac{dx}{dt} = a_1x + b_1y$  and  $\frac{dy}{dt} = a_2x + b_2y$  is  $m^2 - (a_1 + b_2)m + a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 = m^2 - 0.m - 1 = 0$ .  
This means  $m^2 = 1$  and hence  $m = \pm 1$ .  
If  $m = 1, x = A_1e^4, q = B_1e^4$ .  
To find values of  $A$  and  $B$ .  
 $(a_1 - m)A_1 + b_1B_1 = 0 \Longrightarrow (0 - 1)A_1 + 1 * B_1 = 0$ .  
That is,  $A_1 = B_1$ . Hence we choose  $A_1 = B_1 = 1$ .  
One solution is  $x = e^i, q = e^{-i}$ .  
If  $m = -1, x = A_2e^{-i}, q = B_2e^{-i}$ .  
To find values of  $A$  and  $B_2$ .  
 $(a_1 - m)A_2 + b_1B_2 = 0 \Longrightarrow (0 + 1)A_2 + 1 * B_2 = 0$ .  
That is,  $A_2 = -B_2$ . Hence we choose  $A_2 = 1, B_2 = -1$ .  
Second independent solution is  $x = e^{-i}, q = Ae^{i} - Be^{-i}$ .  
Hence general solution  $x = Ae^i + Be^{-i}, q = Ae^i - Be^{-i}$ .  
Similarly, We consider  $\frac{dy}{dt} = p$  and  $\frac{dp}{dt} = y \Longrightarrow y = Ce^i + De^{-i}, p = Ce^i - De^{-i}.$ 

Substituting in  $\frac{dz}{dt}$ , we get

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = 2pq = 2(Ce^{t} - De^{-t})(Ae^{t} - Be^{-t})$$
  
= 2(Ce^{t} - De^{-t})(Ae^{t} - Be^{-t})  
= 2(ACe^{2t} + BDe^{-2t} - BC - AD)  
z = ACe^{2t} - BDe^{-2t} - 2(BC + AD)t + C

Hence the characteristic strips are

$$\begin{aligned} x &= Ae^t + Be^{-t}, \\ y &= Ce^t + De^{-t}, \\ p &= Ce^t - De^{-t}, \\ q &= Ae^t - Be^{-t}, \\ z &= ACe^{2t} - BDe^{-2t} - 2(BC + AD)t + C \end{aligned}$$

4. Attempt any Three of the following.

(a) Find a partial differential equation satisfied by  $z = f(x^2 + y^2)$ .

**Solution:** Let  $v = x^2 + y^2$ . So  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = 2x$ ,  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 2y$ . The partial differential is given by

$$\frac{\partial(z,v)}{\partial(x,y)} = 0$$

That is,  $v_y p - v_x q = 0$ Substituting we get, (2y) p - (2x) q = 0. The p.d.e. is y p - x q = 0

(b) Show that  $(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 + z^2 = 1$  is a solution of  $z^2(1+p^2+q^2) = 1$ .

Solution:

$$(x-a)^{2} + (y-b)^{2} + z^{2} = 1$$

Differentiation partially with respect to x and y we get

(15)

$$2(x - a) + 2zz_x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow zz_x = -(x - a)$$

$$\Rightarrow zp = -(x - a)$$

$$\Rightarrow z^2p^2 = (x - a)^2$$

$$2(y - b) + 2zz_y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow zz_y = -(y - b)$$

$$\Rightarrow z^2q^2 = (y - b)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow z^2q^2 = (y - b)^2$$

$$z^2(1 + p^2 + q^2) = z^2 + z^2p^2 + z^2q^2$$

$$= z^2 + (x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2$$

$$= 1$$
Hence  $(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 + z^2 = 1$  is a solution of (1).

(c) Show that the partial differential equations xp = yq and z(xp + yq) = 2xy are compatible.

## Solution:

• To show that 
$$\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(p,q)} \neq 0$$
.  
 $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(p,q)} = \begin{vmatrix} f_p & f_q \\ g_p & g_q \end{vmatrix}$ 

$$= \begin{vmatrix} x & -y \\ zx & zy \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2xyz \neq 0 \text{ on } D = \{(x,y,z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : xyz \neq 0\}$$
• To show that  $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + p \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + q \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} = 0$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} &= \left| \begin{array}{c} f_x & f_p \\ g_x & g_p \end{array} \right| \\ &= \left| \begin{array}{c} p & x \\ zp - 2y & zx \end{array} \right| \\ &= zpx - zpx + 2xy = 2xy \\ \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} &= \left| \begin{array}{c} f_z & f_p \\ g_z & g_p \end{array} \right| \\ &= \left| \begin{array}{c} 0 & x \\ xp + yq & zx \end{array} \right| \\ &= -x^2p - xyq \\ \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} &= \left| \begin{array}{c} f_y & f_q \\ g_y & g_q \end{array} \right| \\ &= \left| \begin{array}{c} -q & -y \\ zq - 2x & zy \end{array} \right| \\ &= -2xy \\ \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} &= \left| \begin{array}{c} f_z & f_q \\ g_z & g_q \end{array} \right| \\ &= \left| \begin{array}{c} 0 & -y \\ (xp + yq) & zy \end{array} \right| \\ &= y(xp + yq) \end{aligned}$$
Hence  $\frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(x,p)} + p \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,p)} + \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(y,q)} + q \frac{\partial(f,g)}{\partial(z,q)} \\ &= 2xy + p * (-x^2p - xyq) - 2xy + q * y(xp + yq) \end{aligned}$ 

Hence the two equations are compatible.

(d) Find a complete integral of the partial differential equation z = px + qy + pq.

**Solution:** If the given partial differential equation is of the form z = xp + yq + h(p,q) then z = ax + by + h(a,b) is its complete integral. hence here z = ax + by + ab.

(e) For the partial differential equation  $x^3 p + y(3x^2 + y) q = z(2x^2 + y)$  and the initial

data curve  $x_0(s) = 1, y_0(s) = s, z_0(s) = s^2 + s$ , find the value of

$$\frac{dy_0}{ds} P\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) - \frac{dx_0}{ds} Q\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big)$$
  
where  $x^3 p + y(3x^2 + y) q = z(2x^2 + y)$  is compared with  $P(x, y, z) p + Q(x, y, z) q = R(x, y, z)$ .

Solution: Here 
$$P = x^3, Q = y(3x^2 + y), R = z(2x^2 + y)$$
  
 $x = x_0(s) = 1, y = y_0(s) = s, z = z_0(s) = s^2 + s.$   
We will show that  

$$\frac{dy_0}{ds} P\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) - \frac{dx_0}{ds} Q\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) \neq 0 \text{ on } I.$$

$$\frac{dy_0}{ds} P\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) - \frac{dx_0}{ds} Q\Big(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\Big) = (1)P(1, s, s^2 + s) - (0) * Q(1, s, s^2 + s) = 1(1)^3 = 1 \neq 0$$

(f) Show that the characteristic curves of  $z \ p+q=0$  containing the initial data curve  $C: x_0(s) = s, y = y_0(s) = 0, z_0(s) = f(s)$  where  $f(s) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s \le 0, \\ 1-s & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } s \ge 1. \end{cases}$ 

are straight lines given by x = y f(s) + s.

Solution: Here 
$$P(x, y, z) = z, Q(x, y, z) = 1, R(x, y, z) = 0$$
 and  $x_0(s) = s, y_0(s) = 0, z_0(s) = f(s)$ .  
We will show that
$$\frac{dy_0}{ds} P\left(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\right) - \frac{dx_0}{ds} Q\left(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\right) \neq 0 \text{ on } I.$$

$$\frac{dy_0}{ds} P\left(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\right) - \frac{dx_0}{ds} Q\left(x_0(s), y_0(s), z_0(s)\right) = (0) P\left(s, 0, f(s)\right) - (1)\left(1\right)$$

$$= -1 \neq 0$$
Now we will solve the following system
$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = z \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = 1 \\ \frac{dz}{dt} = 0. \end{cases}$$

with initial conditions, x(s,0) = s, y(s,0) = 0, z(s,0) = f(s) at t = 0. The family of characteristic curves through the initial data curve is

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 1 \Longrightarrow y = t + c_1 \Longrightarrow y(s, o) = 0 + c_1 \Longrightarrow c_1 = 0$$
$$\Longrightarrow y = t \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = 0 \Longrightarrow z = c_2 \Longrightarrow z(s, o) = c_2 \Longrightarrow c_2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s \le 0, \\ 1 - s & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } s \ge 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\implies z = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s \le 0, \\ 1 - s & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } s \ge 1. \end{cases}$$
(2)

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = z \Longrightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s \le 0, \\ 1 - s & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } s \ge 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\implies x = \begin{cases} t + c_2 & \text{if } s \le 0, \\ t - st + c_3 & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1, \\ 0 + c_4 & \text{if } s \ge 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\implies x(s,0) = s = \begin{cases} 0 + c_2 & \text{if } s \le 0, \\ 0 + c_3 & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1, \\ 0 + c_4 & \text{if } s \ge 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\implies x = \begin{cases} t+s & \text{if } s \le 0, \\ t-st+s & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1, \\ s & \text{if } s \ge 1. \end{cases}$$
(3)

We will show that x = yf(s) + s.  $yf(s) + s = \begin{cases} y(1) + s & \text{if } s \le 0, \\ y(1-s) + s & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1, \end{cases}$ 

$$\begin{cases} y(1-s)+s \\ y(0)+s \end{cases} & \text{if } 0 \le s \le 1 \\ y(0)+s & \text{if } 1 \le s \end{cases}$$

Since y = t from (1), we get,  $yf(s) + s = \begin{cases} t+s & \text{if } s \leq 0, \\ t(1-s) + s & \text{if } 0 \leq s \leq 1, \\ s & \text{if } 1 \leq s. \end{cases}$ Hence yf(s) + s = x. Hence the characteristic curves are straight lines intersecting the x- axis at (s, 0).

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