

Midterm Examination for MATH400-201

Total: 100 points

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1. (10pts) Solve the following first order PDE:

$$xu_x + (y + x)u_y = (u + x), \quad u(x, 2x) = 0, \quad -\infty < x < +\infty$$

2. (20pts) Find the general solutions to the following first order PDE

$$u_x + (2x)u_y = yu$$

3. (30pts) Consider the traffic flow problem

$$\rho_t + (1 - 2\rho)\rho_x = 0, \quad t > 0$$

Solve for $\rho(x, t)$ with the following initial conditions

$$\rho(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{when } x < 0; \\ 0, & \text{when } x > 0 \end{cases}$$
$$\rho(0-, t) = 2, \quad t > 0$$

4. (20pts) Solve the following second order PDE:

$$u_{tt} - 3u_{tx} = 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0, \quad u_t(x, 0) = x$$

5. (20pts) Solve the following wave equation:

$$u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx} + x, \quad -\infty < x < +\infty, \quad t > 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = \sin x, \quad u_t(x, 0) = e^x$$

List of Formulas

(1) First Order Fully Nonlinear PDE

$$F(x, y, u, u_x, u_y) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{ds} = F_p, x(0) = x_0(\xi), \\ \frac{dy}{ds} = F_q, y(0) = y_0(\xi), \\ \frac{dp}{ds} = -F_x - pF_u, p(0) = p_0(\xi) \\ \frac{dq}{ds} = -F_y - qF_u, q(0) = q_0(\xi) \\ \frac{du}{ds} = pF_p + qF_q, u(0) = u_0(\xi) \end{cases}$$

$$F(x_0, y_0, u_0, p_0, q_0) = 0, u'_0 = p_0x'_0 + q_0y'_0$$

(2) General solutions of first order $au_x + bu_y = c$:

$$x' = x, y' = \xi = \xi(x, y)$$

$$aU_{x'} = c$$

(3) Consider quasi-linear first order PDE

$$u_t + c(u)u_x = 0, \quad Q(u) = \int_0^u c(u)du$$

Equation for shock curve: $x = s(t)$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{Q(u^+) - Q(u^-)}{u^+ - u^-}$$

Equation for expansion fan: $u = U\left(\frac{x}{t}\right)$

$$c(U) = \frac{x}{t}$$

(4) Change of Variables

$$\partial_t = b_{11}\partial_\xi + b_{12}\partial_\eta$$

$$\partial_x = b_{21}\partial_\xi + b_{22}\partial_\eta$$

Then

$$\xi = b_{11}t + b_{21}x$$

$$\eta = b_{12}t + b_{22}x$$

(5) d'Alembert's formula:

$$u_{tt} = c^2u_{xx} + f(x, t)$$

$$u(x, 0) = \phi(x), u_t(x, 0) = \psi(x)$$

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2}[\phi(x-ct) + \phi(x+ct)] + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} \psi(s)ds + \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \int_{x-c(t-s)}^{x+c(t-s)} f(y, s)dyds$$