

Note that the given P.D.E is non-linear and of standard type I i.e. it is of form $f(p, q) = 0$. (5)

Hence, its complete solution is of the form

$$z = ax + by + c$$

such that $f(a, b) = 0$ equals $3a^2 - 2b^2 - 4ab$

$$\text{i.e. } b = \frac{-4a \pm \sqrt{16a^2 + 24a^2}}{4}$$

$$= a \left(\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{10}}{2} \right)$$

Hence, the desired complete solution is

$$z = a \left[x + y \left(\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{10}}{2} \right) \right] + c$$

Example 8

Solve $p^2 - q^2 = 1$

Solution

Here $f(p, q) \Rightarrow p^2 - q^2 - 1 = 0$ therefore

$$f(a, b) = a^2 - b^2 - 1 = 0 \text{ and } b^2 = a^2 - 1$$

which implies that

$$b = \pm (a^2 - 1)^{1/2}$$

Therefore, a complete solution (Taking $b = (a^2 - 1)^{1/2}$)

$$z = ax + [(a^2 - 1)^{1/2}]y + c$$

Note that must have taking $b = -(a^2 - 1)^{1/2}$ and obtained as a complete solution

$$z = ax - (a^2 - 1)^{1/2}y + c$$

Example 9

Solve $pv + pf + q = 0$

Solution

Solution Note that the given P.D.E is non-linear and is of the form $f(a, b) =$

$$\text{Also } f(a, b) = qb + a + b = 0$$

And: $(a+1)b + a = 0$; which implies that

$$b = \frac{-a}{a+1}$$

$$\text{Solve } p^2 + a^2 = q$$

Soln

$$f(p, a) \Rightarrow p^2 + a^2 - q = 0$$

$$\text{Also; } f(a, b) = a^2 + b^2 - q = 0$$

$$\text{which implies } b^2 + a^2 - q = 0 \quad b^2 = q - a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \pm \sqrt{q - a^2}$$

Therefore, Complete solution is

$$z = ax + (\sqrt{q - a^2})y + c \quad \text{or}$$

$$z = ax - (\sqrt{q - a^2})y + c$$

TYPE II

This type of equation is Analogous to the extended Clairaut's equation which is

$$z = ax + by + f(a, b) \quad \text{--- (14)}$$

(see (7) module 1)

In particular, a general form of this type of non-linear P.D.E.

$$z = px + ay + f(p, a) \quad \text{--- (15)}$$

whose complete solution is (14)

Example II

$$\text{Solve } z = px + py + p^2 a^2$$

Soln

Note that the given P.D.E is of the (type II) i.e. $z = px + ay + f(p, a)$

hence, a complete solution is

$$z = ax + by + a^2 b^2$$

Differentiating the above complete solution w.r.t a and b we obtain

$$0 = x + 2ab^2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$0 = y + 2a^2 b$$

from $0 = x + 2ab^2$ we obtain

$$-\frac{x}{2b^2} = a$$

which when combined with $0 = y + 2ab^2$ yields

$$0 = y + 2b \left(\frac{x^2}{4b^4} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2b^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{b^3} = \frac{-x^2}{2y}$$

$$\text{Therefore } b = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{x^2}{2y}}$$

Also;

from $0 = y + 2a^2b$, we have

$$\frac{-y}{2b^2} = a \quad (*)$$

Substituting $(*)$ into $0 = x + 2ab^2$ yields

$$0 = x + \frac{2ay^2}{4a^4}$$

$$\text{i.e. } 0 = x + \frac{y^2}{2a^3}$$

$$\text{i.e. } 0 = \frac{2a^3x + y^2}{2a^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 = \frac{-y^2}{2x}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{y^2}{2x}}$$

Hence

The singular solution is

$$z = -x^3 \sqrt{\frac{y^2}{2x}} - y^3 \sqrt{\frac{x^2}{2y}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{x^2 y^2}{16}}$$

Example 12

Obtain

(i) A complete solution and hence

(ii) The singular solution of the following non-linear P.D.E. of order 1

solution

$$z = px + qy + 3p^{1/3} q^{1/3}$$

To obtain the associated (Corresponding singular solution) we differentiate complete solution w.r.t a and b and obtain:

$$x + a^{-2/3} b^{1/3} = 0$$

And

$$y + a^{1/3} b^{-2/3} = 0 \text{ respectively}$$

Then,

$$ax + by = -2a^{1/3} b^{1/3},$$

$$xy = a^{1/3} b^{1/3}$$

And, substituting in the complete solution, we obtain the following singular solution

$$z = -2a^{1/3} b^{1/3} + 3a^{1/3} b^{1/3} = a^{1/3} b^{1/3} = \sqrt[3]{xy} \text{ or}$$

$$xy z = 1$$

Example 13

Solve $z = px + ay + p^2 + pa + a^2$

Solution

The given P.D.E is

i) Non-linear

ii) of order one

iii) of the type II [i.e. it is of the form $z = px + ay + f(p, a)$]

Hence, a complete solution of the P.D.E is;

$$z = ax + by + a^2 + ab + b^2$$

Now,

Differentiating the complete solution w.r.t a and b , we have

$$x + 2a + b = 0,$$

$$y + 2a + 2b = 0$$

Solving, to obtain $a = \frac{y-2x}{3}$; $b = \frac{(x-2y)}{3}$ and substituting into the

complete solution.

The singular solution is $3z = xy - x^2 - y^2$ (student should verify this)

TYPE III

This is a non-linear P.D.E of the form $f(z, p, q) = 0$.

A typical example is

$$z = p^2 + q^2 \quad (x \text{ and } y \text{ do not appear explicitly})$$

Let us assume that $z = G(x+ay) = G(u)$

where a is an arbitrary constant

$$\text{Then; } p = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{dz}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{dz}{du}; \text{ and}$$

$$q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{dz}{du} \frac{du}{dy} = a \frac{dz}{du}$$

When these are substituted into the given differential equation, we obtain a ordinary differential equation of first-order -

$$f(z), \frac{dz}{du}, a \frac{dz}{du} = 0$$

whose solution is the required complete solution

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Solve $1 + p^2 = a^2 z$

solution

Note that the given non-linear P.D.E is of type III (x and y do not appear explicitly)

Hence, we assume $z = G(x+ay) = G(u)$

$$\text{Then, } \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{dz}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{dz}{du}; \text{ and}$$

$$p = \frac{dz}{du}; \quad q = a \frac{dz}{du}, \text{ And the given equation becomes}$$

$$\left(\frac{dz}{du} \right)^2 - a^2 z \left(\frac{dz}{du} \right) + 1 = 0$$

or

$$\frac{dz}{dz} - \sqrt{a^2 z^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{z} du$$

Rationalizing the left member of the latter equation, we obtain

whose solution is (Student should show these as an assignment)

$$\frac{1}{2}az^2 + \frac{1}{2}a \left[\frac{az}{2} \sqrt{a^2z^2-4} - 2 \ln(az + \sqrt{a^2z^2-4}) \right] = 2(u+b)$$

* Complete solution is then,

$$a^2z^2 + az\sqrt{a^2z^2-4} - 4 \ln(az + \sqrt{a^2z^2-4}) = 4a(x+ay+b)$$

Note that

$$a^2z^2 + az\sqrt{a^2z^2-4} + 4 \ln(az + \sqrt{a^2z^2-4}) = 4a(x+ay+b) \text{ is obtained}$$

from $\frac{dz}{az} + \sqrt{a^2z^2-4} = \frac{1}{2} du$ is also a complete solution

Example 15

Solve

$$4(1+z^3) = 9z^4 p^2$$

Solution

Again the given non-linear P.D.E is of type (Type III).

Hence we assume $z = q(x+ay) = q(u)$ then,

$$p = \frac{dz}{du}, \quad q = a \frac{dz}{du}$$

And the given equation becomes

$$4(1+z^3) = 9a^2z^4 \left(\frac{dz}{du} \right)^2 \quad \text{or}$$

$$\frac{3\sqrt{9z^2 dz}}{\sqrt{1+z^3}} = 2 du$$

Integrating, we have

$$\sqrt{a(1+z^3)} = u+b$$

And, a complete solution is

$$a(1+z^3) = (x+ay+b)^2$$

Using the results of differentiating these w.r.t a and b, we have;

$$1+z^3 = 2(x+ay+b)y \quad \text{and,}$$

$2(x+ay+b) = 0$ and the singular solution is

$$z^3 + 1 = 0$$

TYPE IV

(21)

The equations in this class are of the form $f(x, p) = f_2(y, q)$ is Non-linear P.D.E involving only x, y, p and q explicitly (But not z).

In such a way that they (x, y, p, q) are separated, so that x and p are together in one group while y and q form the other group - thus P.D.E's are used by putting $f_1(x, p) = f_2(y, q) = a$ (arbitrary constant) - these eqn (17) give p and q .

In particular, solving (17) we obtain $p = G_1(x, a)$ & $q = G_2(y, a)$ -

Since z is a $f(x, y)$ we have

$\frac{dz}{dx} = q$ and $\frac{dz}{dy} = p$, which in view of (18) yields

$$dz = G_1(x, a) dx + G_2(y, a) dy \quad (19)$$

hence;

Integrating (19) we have

$$z = \int G_1(x, a) dx + \int G_2(y, a) dy + b \quad (20)$$

containing two arbitrary constants and this is the required complete solution.

Example 16

Solve $q = 2yp^2$

Solution

The given non-linear P.D.E of order one can be re-written as $p^2 = \frac{qx}{2y}$ and this is of the form

$$f_1(x, p) = f_2(y, q)$$

putting $f_1(x, p) = p^2 = a^2$ (say) and

$$f_2(y, q) = q = a$$

Solving these eqns we have;

$$p^2 = a^2 \text{ and hence } p = \frac{dz}{dx} = a, \text{ so that}$$

$$z = ax + c$$

And when $q = \frac{dz}{dy} = 2a^2y$, we have

$$z = a^2y^2 + c$$

Hence; a complete integral is

$$z = ax + a^2y^2 + b \text{ (where } b \text{ is an arbitrary constant)}$$

$$f_1(x, p) = p - x^2 = a \quad \text{and}$$

$$f_2(y, q) = q + y^2 = a$$

Hence we have

$$p = a + x^2$$

$$q = a - y^2$$

Integrating $dz = p dx + q dy = (a + x^2) dx + (a - y^2) dy$

Therefore required complete solution is

$$z = \frac{ax + x^3}{3} + ay - \frac{y^3}{3} + b$$

Example 18

Solve $\sqrt{p} - \sqrt{q} + 3x = 0$

Solution

Set $\sqrt{p} + 3x = a$ and $\sqrt{q} = 0$, then we have

$$p = (a - 3x)^2 \quad \text{and}$$

$$q = a^2$$

a complete solution is $z = \int p dx + \int q dy + b = \int (a - 3x)^2 dx + a^2 \int dy + b$

$$\text{i.e. } z = -\frac{1}{9}(a - 3x)^3 + a^2 y + b$$

Example 19:

Solve $q = -px + p^2$

Solution

Set $p^2 - px = a$ and $q = a$ then

$$p = \frac{1}{2}(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 4a})$$

a complete solution is

$$z = \frac{1}{2} \int (x + \sqrt{x^2 + 4a}) dx + a \int dy + b$$

or

$$z = \frac{1}{4} [(x^2 + x\sqrt{x^2 + 4a}) + a \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 4a}) + ay + b]$$

CHARPIT'S METHOD

Consider the non-linear partial differential equation

$$f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0 \quad \text{--- (21)}$$

firstly, note that (21) is not one of the four types discussed above.

Also since z depends both x and y , we have

$$dz = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy = p dx + q dy \quad \text{--- (22)}$$

forming Charpit's auxiliary equation (proof omitted)

$$\frac{dp}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + p \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}} = \frac{dq}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + q \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}} = \frac{dz}{-p \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} - q \frac{\partial f}{\partial q}} = \frac{dx}{-\frac{\partial f}{\partial p}} = \frac{dy}{-\frac{\partial f}{\partial q}}$$

We may obtain a relation

$$f(p, q) = 0 \quad \text{--- (24)}$$

between p and q . Equations (21) and (24) will yield p and q which when substituted in (22) give the required solution.

Example 21

$$\text{Solve } 2zx - px^2 - 2qxy + pq = 0$$

Soln

Charpit's auxiliary equations are

$$\frac{dp}{2z - 2qx} = \frac{dq}{p^2 + 2xy - 2pq} = \frac{dz}{x^2 - q} = \frac{dx}{2x - p} = \frac{dy}{2x - p}$$

Hence $dq = 0$ gives $q = a$ (constant).

$$\text{Putting } q = a \text{ in the given p.d.e we have } p = \frac{2x(z - ay)}{x^2 - a}$$

Now substituting value of p and q in $dz = p dx + q dy$ we have

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

Or

$$\frac{dz - a dy}{z - ay} = \frac{2x}{x^2 - a} dx$$

Which gives on Integrating

$$z - ay = c(x^2 - a)$$

$$\text{i.e. } z = ay + c(x^2 - a)$$

Example 22

$$\text{Solve } q = -xp + p^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = p, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = -p, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + q \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad -\left(p \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} + q \frac{\partial f}{\partial q}\right) = 2p^2 + xp + av.$$

Hence Charpit's auxiliary equations are $\frac{dp}{-p} = \frac{dy}{1}$, we have $\ln p = -y \ln a$ or $p = a e^{-y}$

Using the given differential equation:

$$ax = -xp + p^2 = -a x e^{-y} + a^2 e^{-2y}$$

Then $dz = p dx + q dy$ becomes:

$$dz = a e^{-y} dx + (-a x e^{-y} + a^2 e^{-2y}) dy$$

Integration yields

$$z = a x e^{-y} - \frac{1}{2} a^2 e^{-2y} + b$$

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CLASSIFICATION OF P.D.E. REDUCTION TO CANONICAL OR NORMAL FORM

RIEMANN METHOD

3.1 Classification of Partial differential equations of second order

Consider a general partial differential equation of second order in function of two independent variables x and y in the form $R_r + S_s + T_t + f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0$

where R, S, T are continuous functions of x and y only possessing partial derivatives defined in domain D on the x - y plane.

Note again that $r = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}$, $s = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y}$ and $t = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}$.

Then (1) is said to be:

- i) hyperbolic at a point (x, y) in domain D if $S^2 - 4RT > 0$
- ii) parabolic at a point (x, y) in domain D if $S^2 - 4RT = 0$
- iii) elliptic at a point (x, y) in domain D if $S^2 - 4RT < 0$

Observe that the type of (1) is determined solely by its principal part $(R_r + S_s + T_t)$ which involves the highest order derivatives of z .