

M.Sc. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION AUGUST 2014**Second Semester**

Faculty of Science

Branch I (A)—Mathematics

MT 02 C09—PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Weight : 30

Part A

Answer any **five** questions.
Each question has weight 1.

1. Determine whether the equation $ydx + xdy + 2zdz = 0$ is integrable.
2. Eliminate the constants a and b from the equation $z = (x + a)(y + b)$.
3. Prove that along every characteristic strip of the equation $F(x, y, z, p, q) = 0$ the function $F(x, y, z, p, q)$ is a constant.
4. Find a complete integral of the equation $p^2 y (1 + x^2) = qx^2$.
5. Verify that the partial differential equation $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = \frac{2z}{x}$ is satisfied by $z = \frac{1}{x} \phi(y - x) + \phi'(y - x)$, where ϕ is an arbitrary function.
6. Solve the equation $r + s - 2t = e^{x+y}$.
7. What is interior Churchill problem.
8. Prove that $r \cos \theta$ satisfies Laplace's equation, where r, θ, ϕ are spherical polar co-ordinates

(5 × 1 = 5)

Part B

Answer any **five** questions.
Each question has weight 2.

9. Find the integral curves of $\frac{dx}{xz - y} = \frac{dy}{yz - x} = \frac{dz}{1 - z^2}$.

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10. Verify that the equation $z(z+y^2)dx + z(x+x^2)dy - xy(x+y)dz = 0$ is integrable and find its primitive.
11. Determine the characteristics of the equation $z = p^2 - q^2$ and find the integral surface which passes through the parabola $4z + x^2 = 0, y = 0$.
12. Find a complete integral of the equation $p^2x + qy = z$ and hence derive the equation of an integral surface of which the line $y = 1, x + z = 0$ is a generator.
13. Find the solution of the equation $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = x - y$.
14. Reduce the equation $(n-1)^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - y^{2n} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = ny^{2n-1} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ to canonical form, and find its general solution.
15. Show that the surfaces $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = cx^{3/2}$ can form a family of equipotential surfaces, and find the general form of the corresponding potential function.
16. By separating the variables, show that the one-dimensional wave equation $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2}$ has solution of the form $A \exp(\pm inx \pm inct)$ where A and n are constants.

(5 × 2 = 10)

Part C

Answer any **three** questions.
Each question has weight 5.

17. Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition that the Pfaffian differential equation $X \cdot dr = 0$ should be integrable is that $X \cdot \text{curl } X = 0$.
18. If u is a function of x, y and z which satisfies the partial differential equation $(y-z) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + (z-x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + (x-y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0$. Show that u contains x, y and z only in combinations $x + y + z$ and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$.

19. Explain Charpit's method of solving the partial differential equation $F(x, y, z, p, q) = 0$ and solve the equation $p^2 x + q^2 y = z$ by Charpit's method.
20. Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition that a surface be an integral surface of a partial differential equation is that at each point its tangent element should touch the elementary cone of the equation.
21. Obtain the solution, valid when $x, y > 0, x y > 1$, of the differential equation $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{1}{x + y}$ such that $z = 0, p = 2y / (x + y)$ on the hyperbola $xy = 1$.
22. (a) Solve the equation $pq = x(ps - qr)$.
- (b) If $p > 0$ and $\psi(r) = \int_V \frac{p(r') dr'}{|r - r'|}$, where V is the volume which is bounded, prove that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r \psi(r) = M, \text{ where } M = \int_V p(r') dr'.$$

(3 × 5 = 15)