

**M.Sc. 3rd Semester Examination, 2019**

**MATHEMATICS**

*( Partial Differential Equations and  
Generalized Functions )*

PAPER—MITM-301

*Full Marks : 50*

*Time : 2 hours*

**Answer all questions**

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their  
own words as far as practicable*

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary*

Notations and Symbols have their usual meanings

1. Answer any *four* questions from the following : 2 × 4  
(a) State the basic existence theorem for Cauchy  
problem.

- (b) Find the solution of  $p^2 + q^2 = x + y$ .
- (c) Show by using weak maximum and weak minimum principle that the Dirichlet problem for the Poisson's equation has unique solution.
- (d) Define characteristic curve and base characteristics of a first order quasi linear PDE.
- (e) Give an example of a harmonic function in a domain  $D$  which has neither a maximum value nor a minimum value in  $D$ .
- (f) Find the adjoint of the differential operator of  $L(u) = 5u_{xx} + 8u_{tt} - 2u_x$ .
- (g) Define the domain of dependence of the Cauchy problem for the wave equation.
- (h) Solve the following :

$$(D^2 + 6DD' + D'^2)z = 0$$

$$\text{where } D \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \text{ and } D' \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

- (i) Show that  $\delta(-t) = \delta(t)$  where  $\delta$  is the Dirac delta function.

2. Answer any *four* questions from the following : 4 × 4

- (a) Let  $u(x, y)$  be an integral surface of the equation  $a(x, y) u_x + b(x, y) u_y + u = 0$ , where  $a(x, y)$  and  $b(x, y)$  are positive differentiable functions in the entire plane. Let the domain  $D$  is defined' as  $D = \{(x, y) : |x| < 1, |y| < 1\}$ .

- (i) Show that if  $u$  be positive on the boundary of  $D$ , then it is positive at every point in  $D$ .

- (ii) Suppose that  $u$  attains a local minimum (maximum) at a point  $(x_0, y_0) \in D$ . Find  $u(x_0, y_0)$ . 2 + 2

- (b) Show that the type of a linear second order partial differential equation is invariant under a change of coordinates. 4

- (c) Let  $u \in C^2(D)$  be a function satisfying the mean value property in  $D$ . Show that  $u$  is harmonic in  $D$ . 4

(d) Solve the problem d'Alembert's formula : 4

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} = xt, \quad -\infty < x < \infty, t \geq 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$u_t(x, 0) = e^x, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

(e) Find a formal solution of the problem : 4

$$u_{tt} = u_{xx}, \quad 0 < x < \pi, t \geq 0,$$

$$u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0,$$

$$u(x, 0) = \sin^3 x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi,$$

$$u_t(x, 0) = \sin^2 x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi.$$

(f) Prove that every non-negative harmonic function in the disk of radius  $a$  satisfies the following : 4

$$\frac{a-r}{a+r} u(0,0) \leq u(r,\theta) \leq \frac{a+r}{a-r} u(0,0).$$

(g) Solve : 4

$$(x^2 D^2 - 2xy DD' + y^2 D'^2 - xD + 3yD')u = 8 \frac{y}{x}.$$

(h) Solve the equation  $\Delta u = 0$  in the disc  $D = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 < a^2\}$  with the boundary condition  $u = 1 + 3 \sin \theta$  on the circle  $r = a$ . 4

3. Answer any *two* questions from the following :  $8 \times 2$

(a) (i) Find the derivative of the Heaviside unit step function. 2

(ii) Establish the d'Alembert's formula of the Cauchy problem for the non-homogeneous wave equation. 6

(b) (i) State and prove the strong maximum principle for elliptic pole. 5

(ii) Transform the Laplace equation in polar coordinates from cartesian coordinates. 3

(c) (i) Prove that  $\delta(at) = \frac{1}{a} \delta(t)$ . 3

(ii) Solve the following problem : 5

$$u_t = u_{xx} - u, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t \geq 0$$

$$u(0, t) = u_x(1, t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = x(2 - x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

(d) Consider the equation

$$u_{xx} - 2u_{xy} + 4e^y = 0, \quad y > 0.$$

- (i) Find the canonical form of the above equation. 4
- (ii) Find the general solution  $u(x, y)$  of the equation. 2
- (iii) Find the solution  $u(x, y)$  which satisfies  $u(0, y) = f(y)$  and  $u_x(0, y) = g(y)$ . 2

[ *Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks ]

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