

1. (25 points)

a) Solve the following Cauchy problem to find  $u(x,t)$  :

$$\frac{t}{2}u_x + xu_t = xu + xe^t, \quad x \in \mathfrak{R}, x > 0$$

$$u(x,0) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in \mathfrak{R}, x > 0$$

b) Is the PDE in part a) linear or nonlinear? If applicable, is it homogeneous or nonhomogeneous?

2. (15 points) Find the general solution  $u(x,t)$  in terms of two arbitrary functions to the PDE given by  $u_{xt} - 3u_x = 0$

3. (15 points) Use  $-5u_{xx} + 4u_{xt} + u_{tt} = 0$  to answer the following :

- Classify this PDE as hyperbolic, parabolic, or elliptic
- Find its general solution in terms of two arbitrary functions by making a change of variables

4. (30 points) Use  $4u_{xx} - 4u_{xt} + u_{tt} + u_t = 0$  to answer the following :

- Classify this PDE as hyperbolic, parabolic, or elliptic
- Make a change of variables and write this PDE in its canonical form (Do not solve it).  
Be sure to show *all* of your work and clearly label your partial derivatives.

5. (15 points) In 2D, suppose  $u = u(r,\theta)$  satisfies Laplace's equation  $\Delta u = 0$  in the disk  $0 \leq r < 3$  and on the boundary satisfies  $u(3,\theta) = e^{2\theta}$  where  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

- What is the value of  $u$  at the origin?

# MA 401 T1 Solutions

1. (25 points)

$$a) \quad \frac{t}{2x} u_x + u_t = u + e^t$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{t}{2x}$$

$$\int 2x dx = \int t dt$$

$$x^2 = \frac{1}{2}t^2 + C$$

$$\xi = x^2 - \frac{1}{2}t^2, \quad \tau = t$$

$$u_\xi = u + e^\tau$$

$$u_\xi - u = e^\tau$$

$$\mu = e^{\int -1 d\xi} = e^{-\xi}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} [e^{-\xi} u] = e^\tau$$

$$e^{-\xi} u = \tau + g\left(\frac{\xi}{\tau}\right)$$

$$u = e^\xi \tau + e^\xi g\left(\frac{\xi}{\tau}\right)$$

$$u(x,t) = e^t t + e^t g\left(x^2 - \frac{t^2}{2}\right)$$

$$u(x,0) = \frac{1}{x} = g(x^2) \rightarrow g(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$u(x,t) = te^t + e^t \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - t^2/2}} \right)$$

b) linear, nonhomogeneous

2. (15 points)

$$V = U_x$$

$$V_t - 3V = 0$$

$$V_t = 3V$$

$$\int \frac{dV}{V} = \int 3 dt$$

$$\ln|V| = 3t + g(x)$$

$$|V| = e^{3t + g(x)}$$

$$V = H(x)e^{3t}$$

$$U_x = H(x)e^{3t}$$

$$u(x,t) = u = h(x)e^{3t} + f(t)$$

3. (15 points)

a)  $D = B^2 - 4AC = 16 - 4(-5) \cdot 1 = 36 > 0$

hyperbolic

b)  $\xi = x + \left(\frac{-4+6}{2}\right)t = x+t$

$$\zeta = x - 5t$$

$$u(x,t) = g(x+t) + h(x-5t)$$

$$u_{\xi\zeta} = 0$$

$$u_{\xi} = G(\xi)$$

$$u = g(\xi) + h(\zeta)$$

4. (30 points)

a)  $D = B^2 - 4AC = 16 - 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 1 = 0$  parabolic

b)  $\xi = x \quad \zeta = x - \frac{B}{2C}t = x + \frac{4}{2}t = x + 2t$

$$u_x = u_\xi \xi_x + u_\zeta \zeta_x$$

$$= u_\xi \cdot 1 + u_\zeta \cdot 1$$

$$u_{xx} = [u_\xi + u_\zeta]_\xi \cdot 1 + [u_\xi + u_\zeta]_\zeta \cdot 1$$

$$= u_{\xi\xi} + u_{\zeta\xi} + u_{\xi\zeta} + u_{\zeta\zeta}$$

$$u_t = u_\xi \xi_t + u_\zeta \zeta_t$$

$$= u_\xi \cdot 0 + u_\zeta \cdot (2)$$

$$= 2u_\zeta$$

$$u_{tt} = [2u_\zeta]_\zeta \cdot 2 = 4u_{\zeta\zeta}$$

$$u_{xt} = [u_\xi + u_\zeta]_\zeta \cdot 2 = 2u_{\xi\zeta} + 2u_{\zeta\zeta}$$

$$4u_{xx} - 4u_{xt} + u_{tt} + u_t = 0$$

$$4u_{\xi\xi} + \cancel{8u_{\xi\zeta}} + \cancel{4u_{\zeta\zeta}} - \cancel{8u_{\xi\zeta}} - \cancel{8u_{\zeta\zeta}} + \cancel{4u_{\zeta\zeta}} + 2u_\zeta = 0$$

$$\boxed{4u_{\xi\xi} + 2u_\zeta = 0}$$

$$\boxed{u_{\xi\xi} + \frac{1}{2}u_\zeta = 0}$$

5. (15 points)

$$a) u(0,0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{2\theta} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2} e^{2\theta} \Big|_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} [e^{4\pi} - 1]$$