

Solutions of partial differential equations:

Any relation between the dependent variable and the independent variables containing the same number of arbitrary constants as the number of independent variables which satisfies a pde involving these variables (dependent & independent both) is called a complete integral of the pde. For example,

suppose we have the dependent variable z as a function of x and y ;

$$z = z(x, y), \quad p = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, \quad q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$$

and the pde is $f(x, y, z, p, q) = 0$. ①

Then a function $F(x, y, z, a, b) = 0$, where a and b are arbitrary constants, satisfying ②

① is a complete integral of ①.

If we give some particular values to a & b w.r.t. some given conditions, then we have a particular integral. If $b = \phi(a)$, then it is called general integral.

Envelope of the surface given by ② is called the singular integral of ①. It is obtained by eliminating a & b from

$$F(x, y, z, a, b) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial a} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial b} = 0.$$

The method of Lagrange subsidiary equations for the Lagrange linear equations $Pp + Qq = R$ given by $\frac{dx}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{R}$ has already been discussed.

Some special type of equations:

Type I: Equations involving only p & q :

$$f(p, q) = 0$$

Complete integral is $z = ax + by + c$ where $f(a, b) = 0$, a and c are arbitrary constants. ③

As $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = p = a$ & $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = q = b$.

From ③ if $b = \phi(a)$, then

$$z = ax + \phi(ay) + c \rightarrow (4)$$

if $c = \psi(a)$, then $z = ax + \phi(ay) + \psi(a) \rightarrow (5)$

Diff (5) w.r.t. a , $0 = x + \phi'(ay) + \psi'(a) \rightarrow (6)$

Eliminating a between (5) & (6) gives general integral.

For singular integral, differentiate (4) partially w.r.t. a & c

$$0 = x + \phi'(ay)$$

$$0 = 1$$

So there is no singular integral.

Ex

$$(x^2 + y^2)(p^2 + q^2) = 1 \rightarrow (7)$$

Put $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$.

$$\Rightarrow r^2 = x^2 + y^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{r} = \cos \theta \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{r} = \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = -\frac{y}{r^2} = -\frac{\sin \theta}{r} \quad \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} = \frac{x}{r^2} = \frac{\cos \theta}{r}$$

$$dz = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy = P dx + Q dy \quad \text{where } P = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, \quad Q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$$

$$P = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} + (-\frac{\sin \theta}{r}) \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta}$$

$$Q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} = \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos \theta}{r} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta}$$

$$= P \sin \theta + Q \frac{\cos \theta}{r}$$

$$(7) \Rightarrow r^2 \left(P^2 \cos^2 \theta + \frac{Q^2}{r^2} \sin^2 \theta - 2PQ \cos \theta \sin \theta + P^2 \sin^2 \theta + \frac{Q^2}{r^2} \cos^2 \theta + \frac{2PQ}{r} \cos \theta \sin \theta \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2 (P^2 + \frac{Q^2}{r^2}) = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad r^2 P^2 + Q^2 = 1$$

Put $r = e^u \Rightarrow \frac{dr}{du} = r$

So $P = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$

$$\Rightarrow P_1 = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = rP \quad \Rightarrow P_1^2 + Q^2 = 1$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} z = au + b\theta + c \\ \text{where } a^2 + b^2 = 1 \end{array} \right\} \text{ complete integral.}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = au + \sqrt{1-a^2}\theta + c$$

$$= \cancel{a \ln r} = a \ln r + \sqrt{1-a^2} \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} + c$$

$$= \frac{a}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) + \sqrt{1-a^2} \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} + c.$$

$$c = \psi(a) \Rightarrow z = \frac{a}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) + \sqrt{1-a^2} \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} + \psi(a)$$

$$\text{Diff w.r.t. } a \left\{ \begin{array}{l} z = \frac{a}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) + \sqrt{1-a^2} \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} + \psi(a) \\ 0 = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-a^2}} (-a) \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} + \psi'(a) \end{array} \right.$$

Eliminating a gives general integral.

Type II: Equations having p, q and z .

$$f(p, q, z) = 0$$

Trial solution: $z = f(x + ay)$, a arbitrary

$$X = x + ay$$

$$z = f(X)$$

$$p = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{dz}{dX} \frac{\partial X}{\partial x} = \frac{dz}{dX}$$

$$\cancel{dz = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy}$$

$$q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{dz}{dX} \frac{\partial X}{\partial y} = a \frac{dz}{dX}$$

$$\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{dz}{dX}, a \frac{dz}{dX}, z\right) = 0 \quad \text{Integrate this.}$$

EX $q^2 y^2 = z(z - px)$.

Put $x = e^x$ and $y = e^y$

$$\frac{dx}{dx} = e^x = x \quad \frac{dy}{dy} = e^y = y$$

$$dz = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy = P dx + Q dy \quad P = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$$

$$Q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$$

$$p = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = P \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow P = xp$$

$$q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{1}{y} \Rightarrow Q = yq$$

$$\Rightarrow Q^2 = z(z-P) \quad \Rightarrow z^2 - zP = Q^2$$

$$U = x + ay$$

$$P = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{dz}{du}$$

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{du} = \frac{-z \pm \sqrt{z^2 + 4a^2 z^2}}{2a^2} = \lambda z \quad \text{where}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1+4a^2}}{2a^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{z} = \lambda du$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d \ln z}{\lambda} = \lambda u + b \quad u + \ln b$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{z^\lambda}{\lambda} = \cancel{\lambda u} + \cancel{b} \quad \frac{1}{\lambda} \ln z = x + ay + \ln b$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln z = \ln x + a \ln y + \ln b$$

$$\ln z^{1/\lambda} = \ln x y^a b$$

$$\Rightarrow z^{1/\lambda} = x y^a b, \quad a, b \text{ arbitrary.}$$

Type III: Equations of the type $f(x, p) = F(y, z)$.

Put $f(x, p) = F(y, z) = a$ \rightarrow (1)

This is a trial solution. \rightarrow arbitrary constant.

(1) $\Rightarrow p = f_1(x, a)$ & $z = f_2(y, a)$

$$dz = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy = p dx + z dy$$
$$= f_1(x, a) dx + f_2(y, a) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \int f_1(x, a) dx + \int f_2(y, a) dy + b$$

where b is arbitrary constant.

Ex $z^2(p^2 + z^2) = x^2 + y^2$

Put $U = \frac{z^2}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{dU}{dz} = z$

$$P = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = \frac{dU}{dz} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = zp \quad \& \quad Q = \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = \frac{dU}{dz} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = z^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P^2 + Q^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow -x^2 + P^2 = y^2 - Q^2 = a$$

So $P = \sqrt{a+x^2}$ and $Q = \sqrt{y^2-a}$

$$dU = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} dy$$
$$= P dx + Q dy$$
$$= \sqrt{a+x^2} dx + \sqrt{y^2-a} dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{z^2}{2} = U = \int \sqrt{a+x^2} dx + \int \sqrt{y^2-a} dy$$

$$= \frac{x}{2} \sqrt{a+x^2} + \frac{a}{2} \ln(x + \sqrt{a+x^2})$$

$$+ \frac{y}{2} \sqrt{y^2-a} - \frac{a}{2} \ln(y + \sqrt{y^2-a}) + \frac{b}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow z^2 = x\sqrt{a+x^2} + y\sqrt{y^2-a} - a \ln\left(\frac{x + \sqrt{a+x^2}}{y + \sqrt{y^2-a}}\right) + b$$

Type IV: Equations of the type $z = px + qy + f(p, q)$
This is analogous to Clairaut's Form.

The complete integral is

$$z = ax + by + f(a, b)$$

for general integral, put $b = f(a)$ and eliminate a from

$$F = z - ax - by - f(a, b) = 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial a} = 0$$

for singular integral eliminate a & b from

$$F = z - ax - by - f(a, b) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial a} = -x - \frac{\partial f}{\partial a} = 0$$

$$\& \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial b} = -y - \frac{\partial f}{\partial b} = 0,$$

Ex $z = px + qy - 2\sqrt{pq}$
complete integral is $z = ax + by - 2\sqrt{ab}$

$\Rightarrow F = z - ax - by + 2\sqrt{ab} = 0$
for singular solution

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial a} = -x + \frac{z b}{2\sqrt{ab}} = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{b} - \sqrt{a} x = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = -y + \frac{z a}{2\sqrt{ab}} = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b} y = 0$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\sqrt{b} x = \sqrt{b}}{\Rightarrow ax = \sqrt{b}} \quad \frac{2\sqrt{b} y = \sqrt{a}}{\Rightarrow by = \sqrt{ab}}$$

$$\Rightarrow F = z - \sqrt{ab} - \sqrt{ab} + 2\sqrt{ab} = 0$$

$$\& \quad \sqrt{b} xy = \sqrt{b} \Rightarrow xy = 1$$

This is the singular integral.

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Ex $z = px + qy + \ln pq$

Complete integral $z = ax + by + \ln ab$

$$F = z - ax - by - \ln ab = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial a} = -x - \frac{1}{ab} b = 0 \Rightarrow a = -\frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial b} = -y - \frac{1}{ab} a = 0 \Rightarrow b = -\frac{1}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow F = z + 1 + 1 - \ln \frac{1}{xy} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow z + 2 + \ln xy = 0 \rightarrow \text{Singular integral}$$