

**MA20103 Partial Differential Equations  
Assignment 5**

1. Determine the region in which the given PDE is hyperbolic, parabolic, or elliptic, and transform the equation in the respective region to canonical form

- (a)  $xu_{xx} + u_{yy} = x^2$
- (b)  $x^2u_{xx} - 2xyu_{xy} + y^2u_{yy} = e^x$
- (c)  $e^xu_{xx} + e^yu_{yy} = u$

Answers:

- (a)  $x < 0$ , hyperbolic with  $u_{\xi\eta} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\xi-\eta^4}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\xi-\eta} (u_\xi - u_\eta)$ ,  
 $x = 0$ , parabolic; and the given equation would then be in canonical form already.  
 $x > 0$ , elliptic and the canonical form is  $u_{\alpha\alpha} + u_{\beta\beta} = \frac{1}{\beta}u_\beta + \frac{\beta^4}{16}$ .
- (b) Parabolic everywhere with  $u_{\eta\eta} = \frac{2\xi}{\eta^2}u_\xi + \frac{1}{\eta^2}e^{\frac{\xi}{\eta}}$ .
- (c) Elliptic everywhere for finite values of  $x$  and  $y$  with

$$u_{\alpha\alpha} + u_{\beta\beta} = u - \frac{1}{\alpha}u_\alpha - \frac{1}{\beta}u_\beta$$

2. Find the characteristics and reduce the following equations to canonical form:

- (a)  $u_{xx} - 2 \sin xu_{xy} - \cos^2 xu_{yy} - \cos xu_y = 0$ .  
 Answer:  $u_{\xi\eta} = 0$
- (b)  $u_{xx} + 2u_{xy} + 3u_{yy} + 4u_x + 5u_y + u = e^x$ .  
 Answer:  $u_{\alpha\alpha} + u_{\beta\beta} = -\frac{1}{2}u_\alpha - 2\sqrt{2}u_\beta - \frac{1}{2}u + \frac{1}{2} \exp(\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}})$
- (c)  $u_{xx} + 5u_{xy} + 4u_{yy} + 7u_y = \sin x$   
 Answer:  $u_{\xi\eta} = \frac{7}{9}(u_\xi + u_\eta) - \frac{1}{9} \sin [\frac{(\xi-\eta)}{3}]$
- (d)  $x^2u_{xx} - y^2u_{yy} - u_x = 1 + 2y^2$   
 Answer: Hyperbolic with  $u_{\xi\eta} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{\eta}{\xi}})u_\eta - \frac{1}{4}\frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi\eta}} - \frac{1}{4\xi\eta} - \frac{1}{2}$
- (e)  $u_{xx} + yu_{yy} + \frac{1}{2}u_y + 4yu_x = 0$   
 Answer:  $y > 0$ , Elliptic with  $u_{\alpha\alpha} + u_{\beta\beta} = \alpha^2u_\beta$   
 $y = 0$ , Parabolic with  $u_{xx} + \frac{1}{2}u_y = 0$   
 $y < 0$ , Hyperbolic with  $u_{\xi\eta} = \frac{1}{16}(\xi + \eta)^2(u_\eta - u_\xi)$
- (f)  $y^2u_{xx} - x^2u_{yy} = 0$   
 Answer:  $2(\xi^2 - \eta^2)u_{\xi\eta} - \eta u_\xi + \xi u_\eta = 0$  except when  $x = 0$  or  $y = 0$ .

3. Classify each of the following equations and reduce it to canonical form

- (a)  $u_{xx} - (\operatorname{sech}^4 x)u_{yy} = 0$   
 Answer:  $u_{\xi\eta} = [4 - (\xi - \eta)^2]^{-1}(\eta - \xi)(u_\xi - u_\eta)$  in the domain  $(\eta - \xi)^2 < 4$
- (b)  $y^2u_{xx} + 2xyu_{xy} + 2x^2u_{yy} + xu_x = 0$   
 Answer:  $u_{\alpha\alpha} + u_{\beta\beta} = [2\beta(\alpha + \beta)]^{-1}[\alpha u_\alpha - (\alpha + 2\beta)u_\beta]$

4. Change the PDE

$$yu_{xx} + (x + y)u_{xy} + xu_{yy} = 0$$

into canonical form and integrate to obtain general solution.

Answer:  $\eta u_{\xi\eta} + u_{\xi} = 0$ ,  $u(x, y) = f(y - x) + \frac{1}{y-x}g(y^2 - x^2)$  where  $f$  and  $g$  are arbitrary functions.

5. Classify the second order PDE

$$\frac{3}{4}u_{xx} - 2yu_{xy} + y^2u_{yy} + \frac{1}{2}u_x = 0$$

depending on the domain. Reduce it to canonical form and integrate to obtain the general solution.

Answer:  $2u_{\xi\eta} + u_{\eta} = 0$ , for  $y \neq 0$ ;  $\frac{3}{2}u_{xx} + u_x = 0$ , for  $y = 0$ .

6. Find the general solution of the following PDEs:

(a)  $yu_{xx} + 3yu_{xy} + 3u_x = 0$ ;  $y \neq 0$

(b)  $u_{xx} - 2u_{xy} + u_{yy} = 135\sin(3x + 2y)$

(c)  $3u_{xx} - 2u_{xy} - 5u_{yy} = 3x + y + e^{x-y}$

\*\*\*\*Good Luck\*\*\*\*