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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

SMA 2371: PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SERIES: APRIL 2015

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Mathematical tables*
- *Scientific Calculator*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

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Question One (Compulsory)

$$2z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2}$$

a) Find the equation **(5 marks)**

$$\phi(x + y + z, x^2 + y^2 - z^2) = 0$$

b) Eliminate the arbitrary function ϕ from the equation **(6 marks)**

$$y^2 p - xyq = x(z - 2y)$$

c) Find the general solution of the partial differential equation **(5 marks)**

$$x^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + z^2 = 0$$

d) Find the integral surface of $xy = x + y, z = 1$ which passes through the hyperbola **(5 marks)**

$$xz^3 dx - z dy + 2y dz = 0$$

- e) Test for integrability of the equation and hence solve it (5 marks)

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + z = 0$$

- f) Solve given that $x = 0$, $z = e^y$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 1$ (4 marks)

Question Two

$$U_{xx} + 2U_{xy} - 3U_{yy} = 0$$

- a) Find the characteristics of the equation (5 marks)
 b) Reduce the equation to the appropriate canonical form (13 marks)
 c) Obtain its general solution (2 marks)

Question Three

- a) Using Charpits auxiliary equations, find the complete integral of the differential equation $(p^2 + q^2)y = qz$ (15 marks)

$$z = ax^3 + bx^2y + cxy^2 + \frac{dy^4}{x}$$

- b) Eliminate a, b, c and d from (5 marks)

Question Four

- a) Find the orthogonal trajectories on the conicoid $(x + y)z = 1$ of the conics in which its cut by the system of planes $x - y + z = k$ where K is a parameter (12 marks)

$$x^2 p^2 + y^2 q^2 = z^2$$

- b) Solve (5 marks)
- $$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} - 6 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}$$

- c) Solve (3 marks)

Question Five

$$\frac{dx}{x^2(y^3 - z^3)} = \frac{dy}{y^2(z^3 - x^3)} = \frac{dz}{z^2(x^3 - y^3)}$$

- a) Find the integral curve of the equation (8 marks)

- b) A rod whose surface is measured has a length of 3 units. The end of the rod is kept at 0°C and its initial temperature at any point x , $0 < x < 3$ is given by $u(x, 0) = 5 \sin 4\pi x - 3 \sin 8\pi x + 2 \sin 10\pi x$. Find the temperature at any given time t (12 marks)