



**Problem # 1.** (8 marks) Find the function  $u(x, y, z)$  that solves the problem

$$\begin{aligned}u_x + xu_y - u_z &= u, \\u(x, y, 0) &= x + y\end{aligned}$$

**Problem # 2.** (10 marks) Use the characteristic method to find the solution of

$$u_x^2 + yu_y = u, \quad u(x, 1) = 1 + \frac{x^2}{4}$$

**Problem # 3.** (11 marks) Let

$$u_{xx} + 3u_{xy} - 4u_{yy} + u_x + 4u_y = 0$$

a. By an appropriate change of variable, reduce it to the canonical form

$$w_\eta - 5w_{\xi\eta} = 0$$

b. Find the general solution  $u(x, y)$ .

**Problem # 4.** (6 marks) Given the coupled problem

$$(S) \begin{cases} u_t - v_x = 0 \\ v_t - 4u_x = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = x, \quad v(x, 0) = 1 \end{cases}$$

a. verify that (S) can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_t \\ v_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_x \\ v_x \end{pmatrix}$$

b. find the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and a matrix  $P$  such that

$$P^{-1}AP = D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

c. Let  $\begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \psi \end{pmatrix} = P^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$ . Show that we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_t \\ \psi_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_x \\ \psi_x \end{pmatrix} \tag{0.1}$$

d. Solve the decoupled system (0.1) and find the solution of (S)