

Partial Differential Equations with three or more independent variables (Jacobi's method)

Let $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, p_1, p_2, p_3) = 0$ (1) where $p_i = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_i}$, $i=1, 2, 3$.

be the differential eqn where the dependent variable z does not appear in any term except in $p_i(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x_i})$.

Then the subsidiary equations are

$$-\frac{dx_1}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial p_1}} = \frac{dp_1}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}} = \frac{dx_2}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial p_2}} = \frac{dp_2}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}} = \frac{dx_3}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial p_3}} = \frac{dp_3}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3}} \quad (2)$$

Now, find two independent integrals $F_1 = a_1, dF_2 = a_2$ of eqns (2). If these satisfy the condition

$$(F_1, F_2) = \sum_{r=1}^3 \left(\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_r} \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial p_r} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial p_r} \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_r} \right) = 0 \quad (3)$$

and if p_1, p_2, p_3 can be found as functions of x_1, x_2, x_3 from $f=0$, $F_1=a_1$ & $F_2=a_2$ then substituting these values in $dz = p_1 dx_1 + p_2 dx_2 + p_3 dx_3$ and on integrating we get the complete integral.

Example: Apply Jacobi's method to find complete integral of $p_1^3 + p_2^2 + p_3 - 1 = 0$

Soln Here $f = p_1^3 + p_2^2 + p_3 - 1 = 0$

The subsidiary equations are

$$\frac{dx_1}{-3p_1^2} = \frac{dp_1}{0} = \frac{dx_2}{-2p_2} = \frac{dp_2}{0} = \frac{dx_3}{-1} = \frac{dp_3}{0}$$

We can take two equations $\frac{\partial p_1}{\partial x} = 0$ & $\frac{\partial p_2}{\partial x} = 0$
which on solving, we get $p_1 = a_1$, & $p_2 = a_2$

Hence we have $F_1 \equiv p_1 = a_1$, & $F_2 \equiv p_2 = a_2$

Clearly $(F_1, F_2) = \left(\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1} \cdot \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial p_1} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial p_1} \cdot \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_1} \right) + \left(\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_2} \cdot \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial p_2} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial p_2} \cdot \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_2} \right) + \left(\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_3} \cdot \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial p_3} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial p_3} \cdot \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_3} \right)$
 $= 0$.

Now we solve equations

$$p_1 = a_1$$

$$p_2 = a_2$$

$$\& p_1^2 + p_2^2 + p_3^2 - 1 = 0$$

We get $p_1 = a_1$, $p_2 = a_2$ & $p_3 = 1 - (a_1^2 + a_2^2)^{1/2}$

Putting these values in

$$dz = p_1 dx_1 + p_2 dx_2 + p_3 dx_3$$

We get $dz = a_1 dx_1 + a_2 dx_2 + (1 - a_1^2 - a_2^2)^{1/2} dx_3$

On integrating we get

$$z = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + (1 - a_1^2 - a_2^2)^{1/2} x_3 + a_3$$

which is the complete integral.

Ans

Ex Find the complete integral of
 $p_3 x_3 (p_1 + p_2) + x_1 + x_2 = 0.$

Soln Here $f \equiv p_3 x_3 (p_1 + p_2) + x_1 + x_2 = 0 \quad \dots \quad (1)$

The subsidiary equations are

$$\frac{dx_1}{-p_3 x_3} = \frac{dp_1}{1} = \frac{dx_2}{-p_3 x_3} = \frac{dp_2}{1} = \frac{dx_3}{-x_3(p_1 + p_2)} = \frac{dB}{p_3(p_1 + p_2)}$$

Taking 2nd & 4th members, we have

$$\begin{aligned} dp_1 &= dp_2 \\ \Rightarrow p_1 - p_2 &= a_1 \end{aligned}$$

i.e. $F_1 \equiv p_1 - p_2 = a_1 \quad \dots \quad (2)$

Taking 5th & 6th members, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx_3}{-x_3} &= \frac{dp_3}{p_3} \\ \text{i.e. } \frac{dp_3}{p_3} + \frac{dx_3}{x_3} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log p_3 + \log x_3 = \log a_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log p_3 x_3 = \log a_2$$

$$\Rightarrow p_3 x_3 = a_2$$

i.e. $F_2 \equiv p_3 x_3 = a_2 \quad \dots \quad (3)$

Here also $(F_1, F_2) = 0.$

Now solving (1), (2) and (3).

From $p_3 x_3 (p_1 + p_2) = -x_1 - x_2$

$$\Rightarrow a_2 (p_1 + p_2) = -x_1 - x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow p_1 + p_2 = -\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{a_2}\right) \quad \dots \quad (4)$$

Now, from ② 8 ④

$$P_1 + P_2 = - \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{a_2} \right)$$

$$P_1 - P_2 = a_1$$

$$\underline{2P_1 = a_1 - \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{a_2} \right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_1 = \frac{a_1}{2} - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2a_2} \quad \text{--- } ⑤$$

Putting in ② $P_1 - P_2 = a_1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_1}{2} - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2a_2} - P_2 = a_1$$

$$\Rightarrow P_2 = - \frac{a_1}{2} - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2a_2} \quad \text{--- } ⑥$$

and from ③ $P_3 = \frac{a_2}{x_3} \quad \text{--- } ⑦$

Substituting values of P_1 , P_2 & P_3 in

$$dz = P_1 dx_1 + P_2 dx_2 + P_3 dx_3$$

$$\Rightarrow dz = \left(\frac{a_1}{2} - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2a_2} \right) dx_1 + \left(-\frac{a_1}{2} - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2a_2} \right) dx_2 + \frac{a_2}{x_3} dx_3$$

$$\Rightarrow dz = \frac{a_1}{2} (dx_1 - dx_2) - \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2a_2} \right) (dx_1 + dx_2) + \frac{a_2}{x_3} dx_3$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{a_1}{2} (x_1 - x_2) - \frac{1}{4a_2} (x_1 + x_2)^2 + a_2 \log x_3 + a_3.$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a_2 z = 2a_1 a_2 (x_1 - x_2) - (x_1 + x_2)^2 + 4a_2^2 \log x_3 + 4a_2 a_3$$

which is the required complete integral.