

Answer on Question #66335 – Math – Differential Equations

Question

Solve the following equation by Jacobi's method

$$x^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)^2 = 0$$

Solution

$$x^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)^2 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$f(x, z, u_x, u_z) = x^2 u_x - u_x^2 - u_z^2$$

$$f_{u_x} = x^2 - 2u_x,$$

$$f_{u_z} = -2u_z,$$

$$f_x = 2xu_x,$$

$$f_z = 0.$$

$$\frac{dx}{f_{u_x}} = \frac{dz}{f_{u_z}} = \frac{du_x}{-f_x} = \frac{du_z}{-f_z}$$

$$\frac{dx}{x^2 - 2u_x} = \frac{dz}{-2u_z} = \frac{du_x}{-2xu_x} = \frac{du_z}{0}.$$

Now

$$\frac{dz}{-2u_z} = \frac{du_z}{0},$$

$$-2u_z du_z = 0,$$

$$du_z^2 = 0,$$

$$u_z^2 = C_1,$$

$$u_z = C,$$

hence

$$u = Cz + \varphi(x) \quad (2)$$

$$u_x = \varphi'(x),$$

$$u_z = \mathcal{C}.$$

Now

$$\frac{dx}{x^2 - 2u_x} = \frac{du_x}{-2xu_x},$$

$$\frac{2xdx}{x^2 - 2u_x} = \frac{du_x}{-u_x},$$

$$\frac{dx^2}{x^2 - 2u_x} = -\frac{du_x}{u_x},$$

$$x^2 = s$$

$$\frac{ds}{s - 2u_x} = -\frac{du_x}{u_x}$$

$$\frac{u_x}{2u_x - s} = \frac{du_x}{ds}$$

$$u_x = s \cdot t(s),$$

$$\frac{du_x}{ds} = t(s) + st'(s),$$

$$\frac{st(s)}{2st(s) - s} = t(s) + st'(s),$$

$$\frac{t(s)}{2t(s) - 1} = t(s) + st'(s),$$

$$\frac{t(s) - 2t^2(s) + t(s)}{2t(s) - 1} = st'(s),$$

$$\frac{2t-1}{2t-2t^2} dt = \frac{ds}{s},$$

$$\frac{2t-1}{2t(1-t)} dt = \frac{ds}{s},$$

$$\frac{1-2t}{2t(t-1)} dt = \frac{ds}{s},$$

$$\int \frac{1-2t}{2t(t-1)} dt = \int \frac{ds}{s}$$

$$\int \left(-\frac{1}{2t} - \frac{1}{2(t-1)} \right) dt = \int \frac{ds}{s}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \ln|t| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|t-1| = \ln|s| - \ln C_2$$

$$s = \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{t(t-1)}},$$

$$t^2 - t + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{C_2^2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{4},$$

$$t - \frac{1}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{C_2^2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{4}} \text{ or } t - \frac{1}{2} = -\sqrt{\frac{C_2^2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{4}},$$

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{C_2^2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{4}} + \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } t = -\sqrt{\frac{C_2^2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{4}} + \frac{1}{2},$$

$$u_x = ts = \sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{s^2}{4}} + \frac{s}{2} = \sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{x^4}{4}} + \frac{x^2}{2} \text{ or } u_x = ts = -\sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{x^4}{4}} + \frac{x^2}{2}$$

$$u = \int \sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{x^4}{4}} dx + \frac{x^3}{6} + \mu(z) \text{ or } u = -\int \sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{x^4}{4}} dx + \frac{x^3}{6} + \mu(z) \quad (3)$$

Comparing (2) and (3) one gets

$$u = \int \sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{x^4}{4}} dx + \frac{x^3}{6} + Cz \text{ or } u = -\int \sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{x^4}{4}} dx + \frac{x^3}{6} + Cz$$

Check the case of $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = u_x = 0$. It follows from equation (1) that $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z}\right)^2 = 0$, hence $\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0$. One got $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0$ simultaneously, hence $u = C_1$.

Answer:

$$u = \int \sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{x^4}{4}} dx + \frac{x^3}{6} + Cz; \quad u = -\int \sqrt{C_2^2 + \frac{x^4}{4}} dx + \frac{x^3}{6} + Cz; \quad u = C_1.$$