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Lagrange's Method :  $\rightarrow$  Great French analyst

The general solution of linear partial differential equation

$$Pp + Qq = R \quad \text{is}$$

$f(u, v) = 0$ , where  $f$  is an arbitrary function.

$$u = u(x, y, z) = c_1, \quad v = v(x, y, z) = c_2$$

are the solutions of Lagrange's

$$\text{auxiliary eqn. } \frac{dx}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{R}$$

Formation of Lagrange's Auxiliary equation:

Standard form of first order (linear) partial differential eqn is

$$Pp + Qq = R \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Let us two integrals be.

$$u = u(x, y, z) = c_1$$

$$v = v(x, y, z) = c_2$$

Differentiating  $u = c_1$ , we get

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} dz = 0$$

Differentiating  $v = c_2$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} dz = 0$$

solving for  $dx, dy, dz$ , we get

$$\frac{dx}{\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}} = \frac{dy}{\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}} = \frac{dz}{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{\frac{dx}{\frac{\partial(L, u)}{\partial(y, z)}}}{\frac{\partial(L, v)}{\partial(y, z)}} = \frac{\frac{dy}{\frac{\partial(L, v)}{\partial(y, z)}}}{\frac{\partial(L, u)}{\partial(y, z)}} = \frac{\frac{dz}{\frac{\partial(L, v)}{\partial(y, z)}}}{\frac{\partial(L, u)}{\partial(y, z)}}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dx}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{R}, \text{ which are}$$

called Lagrange's auxiliary  
(or subsidiary) equation.

Working procedure to solve  $Pp + Qq = R$

(1) change the partial differential equation in the form  $pP + qQ = R$ .

(2) Form the Lagrange's auxiliary eq<sup>n</sup>

$$\frac{dx}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{R}$$

(3) Find two integrals from

$$\frac{dx}{P} = \frac{dy}{Q} = \frac{dz}{R} \quad \text{as}$$

$$u = c_1 \quad \& \quad v = c_2$$

(4) The general integral of this equation  $Pp + Qq = R$  is obtained

by  $f(u, v) = 0$ , where  $f$  is an arbitrary function.

Example 1 -

① Solve  $(y^2 + z^2 - x^2) p - 2xyq + 2zxr = 0$

Sol<sup>n</sup>: This equation is in the form of  $(y^2 + z^2 - x^2) p - 2xyq = -2zxr$

$$\therefore P = y^2 + z^2 - x^2$$

$$Q = -2xy, \quad R = -2zx$$

$\therefore$  Lagrange's auxiliary eq<sup>n</sup> are

$$\frac{dx}{y^2 + z^2 - x^2} = \frac{dy}{-2xy} = \frac{dz}{-2zx}$$

From last eq<sup>n</sup>

$$\frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z}$$

$$\therefore \log y = \log z + \log C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{z} = C_1$$

Again using  $x, y, z$  as multipliers we get

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z} = \frac{2x dx + 2y dy + 2z dz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\therefore \log y = \log (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) - \log C_2$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{y} = C_2$$

so general sol<sup>n</sup> is

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = y \cdot f\left(\frac{y}{z}\right)$$

$$\text{or, } \phi\left(\frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{y}, \frac{y}{z}\right) = 0$$

$$\text{Q2) } z^2 p + yz q = xy$$

Sol:  $\rightarrow$  It is in the form  $Pp + Qq = R$

So Lagrange's A.E are

$$\frac{dx}{zx} = \frac{dy}{yz} = \frac{dz}{xy}$$

From 1st equations,

$$\frac{dx}{x} = \frac{dy}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log y = \log x + \log c_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = c_1$$

Using  $y, x, -2z$  as multipliers. we get

$$\frac{dx}{zx} = \frac{dy}{yz} = \frac{dz}{xy} = \frac{ydx + xdy - 2zdz}{0}$$

$$\therefore ydx + xdy - 2zdz = 0$$

$$\text{or, } d(xy) - 2zdz = 0$$

$$\therefore xy = z^2 + c_2^2$$

So general eq sol<sup>n</sup> is

$$xy - z^2 = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\text{or, } \phi(xy - z^2, \frac{y}{x}) = 0$$

$$\text{Q3) } (z^2 - 2yz - y^2)p + (xz + zx)q = xy - zx$$

→ It is of the form  $pP + qQ = R$

So, Lagrangian's auxiliary equation is

$$\frac{dx}{z^2 - 2yz - y^2} = \frac{dy}{xy + zx} = \frac{dz}{xy - zx}$$

using x, y, z as multipliers, we get

$$\frac{dx}{z^2 - 2yz - y^2} = \frac{dy}{xy + zx} = \frac{dz}{xy - zx} = \frac{xdx + ydy + zdz}{0}$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = c_1$$

From last equations,  $\frac{dy}{y+z} = \frac{dz}{y-z}$

$$\therefore y dy - z dy = y dz + z dz$$

$$\therefore 2y dy = 2d(y \cdot z) + 2z dz$$

$$\therefore 2yz + z^2 - y^2 = c_2$$

so general sol<sup>n</sup> is

$$\phi [2yz + z^2 - y^2, x^2 + y^2 + z^2] = 0$$

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(8)  $(mz - ny)P + (nx - lz)Q = dy - mx$

sol<sup>n</sup>: → Gts Lagrangian's A.E is

$$\frac{dx}{mz - ny} = \frac{dy}{nx - lz} = \frac{dz}{dy - mx}$$

using l, m, n as multipliers, we get

$$\therefore \text{each term} = \frac{l dx + m dy + n dz}{0}$$

integrating,  $dx + my + nz = c_1$

Again using  $x, y, z$  as multipliers, we get

$$\therefore \text{each term} = \frac{xdx + ydy + zdz}{0}$$

$\therefore$  integrating,  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = c_2$

so general sol<sup>n</sup> is  $\phi(x^2 + y^2 + z^2, dx + my + nz) = 0$

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(85)  $(x^2 - yz)p + (y^2 - zx)q = z^2 - xy$

sol<sup>n</sup>: Lagrange's A.E is

$$\frac{dx}{x^2 - yz} = \frac{dy}{y^2 - zx} = \frac{dz}{z^2 - xy}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dx - dy}{(x-y)(x+y+z)} = \frac{dy - dz}{(y-z)(y+z+x)} = \frac{dz - dx}{(z-x)(x+y+z)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx - dy}{x - y} = \frac{dy - dz}{y - z} = \frac{dz - dx}{z - x}$$

From 1st equations.

$$\frac{x - y}{y - z} = c_1$$

From last two,  $\frac{y - z}{z - x} = c_2$

so general sol<sup>n</sup> is

$$\phi\left[\frac{x - y}{y - z}, \frac{y - z}{z - x}\right] = 0$$

$$(86) \quad y^2 z p + x^2 z q = x y^2$$

sol<sup>n</sup>: → Lagrange's A.E is

$$\frac{dx}{y^2 z} = \frac{dy}{x^2 z} = \frac{dz}{x y^2}$$

From 1st & last we get

$$\frac{dx}{z} = \frac{dz}{x}$$

$$\therefore x dx - z dz = 0 \quad \therefore x^2 - z^2 = c_1$$

From 1st equations.

$$\frac{dx}{x y^2} = \frac{dy}{y^2}$$

$$\therefore x^2 dx = y^2 dy$$

$$\therefore x^3 - y^3 = c_2$$

so general sol<sup>n</sup> is  $\phi [x^3 - y^3, x^2 - z^2] = 0$

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$$(87) \quad z - x p - y q = a \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

sol<sup>n</sup>: → This equation can be written

as in Lagrange's form

$$x p + y q = z - a \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

so that Lagrange's A.E is

$$\frac{dx}{x} = \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z - a \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

From 1st two equations.

$$\log x = \log y + \log c_1$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{y} = c_1$$

Using  $x, y, z$  as multipliers we get

$$\frac{dx}{x} = \frac{dy}{y} = \frac{dz}{z - a\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}} = \frac{x dx + y dy + z dz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - a z \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

Put  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \theta^2$

$\therefore x dx + y dy + z dz = \theta d\theta$

$\therefore$  above eqn is,  $\frac{dz}{z - a\theta} = \frac{\theta d\theta}{\theta^2 - a\theta z}$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dz}{z - a\theta} = \frac{d\theta}{\theta - az} = \frac{\cancel{\theta} dz + d\theta}{(1-a)(z+\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{dy}{y}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{1-a}\right) \log(z+\theta) = \log c_2 x$$

$$\therefore (z+\theta) = (c_2 x)^{(1-a)}$$

$\therefore$  general sol<sup>n</sup> is

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} + z = \left[ f\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) \cdot x \right]^{(1-a)}$$

Q8 solve  $p \cos(x+y) + q \sin(x+y) = z$

Sol<sup>n</sup>: This is Lagrange's form so its A.E is are

$$\frac{dx}{\cos(x+y)} = \frac{dy}{\sin(x+y)} = \frac{dz}{z}$$

$$\text{Here, } \frac{dx+dy}{\cos(x+y)+\sin(x+y)} = \frac{dx-dy}{\cos(x+y)-\sin(x+y)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{[-\sin(x+y)+\cos(x+y)]d(x+y)}{\cos(x+y)+\sin(x+y)} = dx-dy$$

integrating,

$$\log[\cos(x+y)+\sin(x+y)] = (x-y) + \log c_1$$

$$\therefore \cos(x+y)+\sin(x+y) = c_1 e^{x-y}$$

Also,

$$\frac{dx+dy}{\cos(x+y)+\sin(x+y)} = \frac{dz}{z}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(dx+dy)}{\sin(x+y+\frac{\pi}{4})} = \frac{dz}{z}$$

$$\therefore \frac{d(x+y+\frac{\pi}{4})}{\sin(x+y+\frac{\pi}{4})} = \sqrt{2} \frac{dz}{z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \log \tan \frac{4(x+y)+\pi}{8} &= \sqrt{2} \log z + \log c_2 \\ &= \log z^{\sqrt{2}} \cdot c_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \tan \frac{4(x+y)+\pi}{8} = z^{\sqrt{2}} c_2$$

So general sol<sup>n</sup> is

$$\tan \frac{4(x+y)+\pi}{8} = z^{\sqrt{2}} \phi \left( \frac{\cos(x+y)+\sin(x+y)}{e^{x-y}} \right)$$

Q9) solve:  $zxp - yzq = r(y^2 - x^2)$

Sol<sup>n</sup>:  $\rightarrow$  It is in the Lagrange's form.

So its A.E is

$$\frac{dx}{zx} = \frac{dy}{-yz} = \frac{dz}{y^2 - x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx - dy}{z(x+y)} = \frac{dz}{(y+x)(y-x)}$$

$$\therefore (x-y)d(x-y) + z dz = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-y)^2 + z^2 = c_1$$

Again using  $x, y, z$  as multipliers we get

$$\frac{dx}{zx} = \frac{dy}{-zx} = \frac{x dx + y dy + z dz}{0}$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = c_2$$

So general sol<sup>n</sup> is  $\phi(x^2 + y^2 + z^2, (x-y)^2 + z^2) = 0$

Q10)  $\frac{y-z}{yz} p + \left(\frac{z-x}{zx}\right) q = \frac{x-y}{xy}$

$\Rightarrow$  multiplying both sides by  $xyz$ .

$$\Rightarrow x(y-z)p + y(z-x)q = z(x-y) \quad \text{is}$$

the form  $Pp + Qq = R$

So Lagrange's A.E is

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

using 1, 1, 1 as multipliers, we get

$$\therefore \text{each term} = \frac{x dx + y dy + dz}{0}$$

$$\therefore dx + dy + dz = 0$$

$$\therefore x + y + z = c_1$$

Again, using  $\frac{1}{x}$ ,  $\frac{1}{y}$ ,  $\frac{1}{z}$  as multipliers,

we get.

$$\frac{1}{x} dx + \frac{1}{y} dy + \frac{1}{z} dz = 0$$

$$\therefore xyz = c_2$$

$\therefore$  general sol<sup>n</sup> is  $\phi(x, y, z; x+y+z) = 0$