

**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS  
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS  
MATH 647 - Spring 2016 - Sample Midterm**

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

On this exam, you may use a calculator and a page of notes.

It is not sufficient to just write down the answers. You must explain how you arrived at your answers and how you know they are correct.

1	(100)	_____
2	(100)	_____
3	(100)	_____
4	(100)	_____
Total	(400)	_____

- (1) Consider the linear transport equation

$$u_t + (1 + x^2)u_x = 0$$

Find and sketch the characteristic curves, write a formula for the general solutions and find the solution to the initial value problem  $u(x, 0) = 1 - e^{-x^2}$

- (2) Use D'Alembert's formula to solve the one dimensional wave equation

$$u_{tt} = 4u_{xx},$$

subject to initial conditions

$$u(x, 0) = e^{-x^2}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = \sin x$$

- (3) Solve problem 4.2.9 from the book by P. Olver.

- (4) Solve the non-homogeneous boundary value problem for the one dimensional heat equation on a bar with unit length and  $c = 1$ , for the following data:

$$u(0, t) = 100, u(1, t) = 50, u(x, 0) = x.$$