Partial Differential Equations: Theory of Water Waves

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Course Description:

In these lectures we will start first with the theory of linear waves. Techniques of 19th century mathematics can be brought to bear with the linear waves. Then we will continue with the 20th century nonlinear water waves in which we will look at KdV, Burgers, NLS, flood and nerve waves problems. We will conclude by using the modern techniques of Inverse scattering, Hirotha method, singularity and Painlevé analysis. These techniques will be applied to interesting nonlinear models.

Prerequisites: ODEs, PDEs, Special Functions

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