

□ General setting for PDE's

in n -variables $x_1, \dots, x_n$

$$F\left(\frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}} u, x\right) = 0$$

instead of constant initial conditions like ODEs
solutions depend on functions of $n-1$ variables
(values of u on hypersurfaces)

e.g. initial value $u|_{t=t_0} = u_0(x)$

when $x_0 = t$ $(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})$ space variables

boundary value

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ domain for u & equation

$\partial\Omega$ boundary e.g. $u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$

mixed problem

some initial &

some boundary conditions

or $u|_{\partial\Omega} = \varphi$ some function

well posedness

- solutions exist (for given F from of the equation)
- solutions are unique w/ specified boundary/initial data
- dependence on data of eq. & ∂ in cond is continuous

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same PDE form F can have well posed & ill posed problems depending on data $\partial/\partial n$

• Linear PDE's

$$\mathcal{L} u = f$$

$f = f(x)$
assigned function

linear differential operators (coeff's are functions of x)

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{\substack{\alpha \\ \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \\ |\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n \\ (\text{several } \alpha_i \text{ can be } 0)}} a_{\alpha} \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}}$$

[in general u vector valued $\underline{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_M)$
 $u_i(x)$
(so these coeff's are matrix valued)]

• Elliptic / hyperbolic / parabolic

coefficients of highest order term

$\Rightarrow$ Matrix of principal coefficients A

e.g. second order equation

$$\mathcal{L} = a_{ij} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} + \text{lower order terms}$$

w/ $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$

$$A = (a_{ij})$$

[3] a change of variables $\underline{x} = \underline{x}(\underline{x}')$
 transforms A by conjugating w/
 the Jacobian matrix of the change of
 coord's

$\Rightarrow$ if A constant entries $\Rightarrow$ diagonalizable
 $\exists$ linear change of coordinates $(a_{ij} = a_{ji})$
 $\leadsto$ diag form

can absorb then the λ_j diagonal entries
 in a rescaling of the variables so
 diag. entries $\in \{\pm 1, 0\}$

case of order 2

$u_{xx} + u_{yy}$
 $u_{xx} - u_{yy}$
 u_{xx}

in terms of
 the quadratic
 form
 elliptic
 hyperbolic
 parabolic

Second order equations
 are usually most interesting
 due to relation to physical problems

Classification for higher dim

Differential operators

elliptic if matrix
 of principal coeff
 is invertible

$\mathbb{R}^n$

$\ni \zeta \mapsto$

$\sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha \zeta^\alpha \neq 0 \quad \forall \zeta \neq 0$

$\leftarrow$ order of diff op

$\zeta = \zeta_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots \zeta_n^{\alpha_n}$

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Something a uniform ellipticity condition also considered

order $m = 2k$

$$(-1)^k \sum_{|\alpha|=2k} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha > c \|\xi\|^2$$

Stronger than just invertibility

[Note: nonlinear can be elliptic if linearization (at a sol'n) is elliptic]

$$\xi \longmapsto \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha \xi^\alpha$$

principal symbol

associated to a lin. differential operator

$$L = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} a_\alpha \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}}$$

$\sigma(L)$

ellipticity = invertibility of principal symbol

Note: can also define a "total symbol"

$$\sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} a_\alpha \xi^\alpha$$

$$= \sigma_{\text{tot}}(L)$$

but principal symbol has better properties

transforms "well" under changes of coordinates
as a section of cotangent bundle $\text{Sym}^m(T^*X)$
symm. power of

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For hyperbolic/parabolic cases
the principal symbol has a kernel

$$\{ \xi \mid \sum_{\alpha=|m|} a_{\alpha} \xi^{\alpha} = 0 \} \neq \{0\}$$

these loci are the "characteristics"
of the corresponding PDE

What is a general form of the hyperbolic
condition?

- for 2D $u_{xx} - u_{yy} = 0$ case
signature $(+1, -1)$ in quadratic form

Wave equation

$$\sigma(\mathcal{L}): \xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2) \mapsto \xi_1^2 - \xi_2^2$$

2Dim
Minkowski
metric

$$= -g(\xi, \xi) \text{ for } ds^2 = -dx^2 + dy^2 = g_{\mu\nu}$$

- So Wave equation is
closely related (see more below) to Minkowski metric
still order 2 but dimension M

- generalize: normally hyperbolic diff op's

$$\mathcal{L} \text{ s.t. } \sigma(\mathcal{L})(\xi) = -g(\xi, \xi)$$

for a Lorentzian metric g signature $(-1, 1, \dots, 1)$

[6] Note: wave equation in n Dim is

$$\begin{aligned} & u_{tt} - \sum_i u_{x_i x_i} = 0 \quad \text{so again Minkowski metric} \\ & \parallel u_{tt} - \Delta u \\ & -g(\xi, \xi) = \xi_0^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \xi_i^2 \\ & = \xi_0^2 - \|\hat{\xi}\|^2 \quad \hat{\xi} = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m) \\ & \text{order 2 dimension M} \\ & \mathcal{L} = \sum_{i,j} g^{ij}(x) \partial_i \partial_j + \sum_i a^i(x) \partial_i + b(x) \end{aligned}$$

general idea: hyperbolic equations

one variable is time and describe wave propag.

→ will describe good geometric definition of hyperbolicity
Atiyah, Bott, Gårding (1970)

for parabolic case one considers
as model the heat equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \alpha \Delta u$$

so generally one assumes a similar form
one time variable t and x space variables

and $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = -\mathcal{L}$ with $\mathcal{L}$ elliptic

+ $\mathcal{L}$ (backward parabolic PDE)

↖ backward probl. ill posed in gen.

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1-dim Wave equation

consider a family of PDE's of form

$$a u_t + b u_x = 0$$

$$l = a \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + b \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$l = (a, b)$ vectn field $l = l(x, t)$

in the x, t -plane

$$l(u) = 0$$

(can assume l is normalized $\|l\| = 1$)

$$\frac{dt}{a} = \frac{dx}{b} \quad \text{integral curves of the vectn field } l$$

$$\text{in general } a = a(x, t) \quad b = b(x, t)$$

if constant $\leadsto$ integral curves straight lines
 $\frac{t}{a} - \frac{x}{b} = C$

$$\text{so } u(x, t) = \phi\left(\frac{t}{a} - \frac{x}{b}\right)$$

is a general solution of the equation

initial value condition

$$u|_{t=0} = f(x) \Rightarrow \phi\left(-\frac{x}{b}\right) = f(x)$$

$$\phi(x) = f(-bx)$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, t) = f(x - ct) \quad \text{for } c = b/a$$

$$\begin{cases} a u_t + b u_x = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) \end{cases}$$

Solution of IVP

8. Nonconstant coeff's case:

e.g. $u_t + tu_x = 0$

integral curves $dt = \frac{dx}{t}$ $t dt - dx = 0$

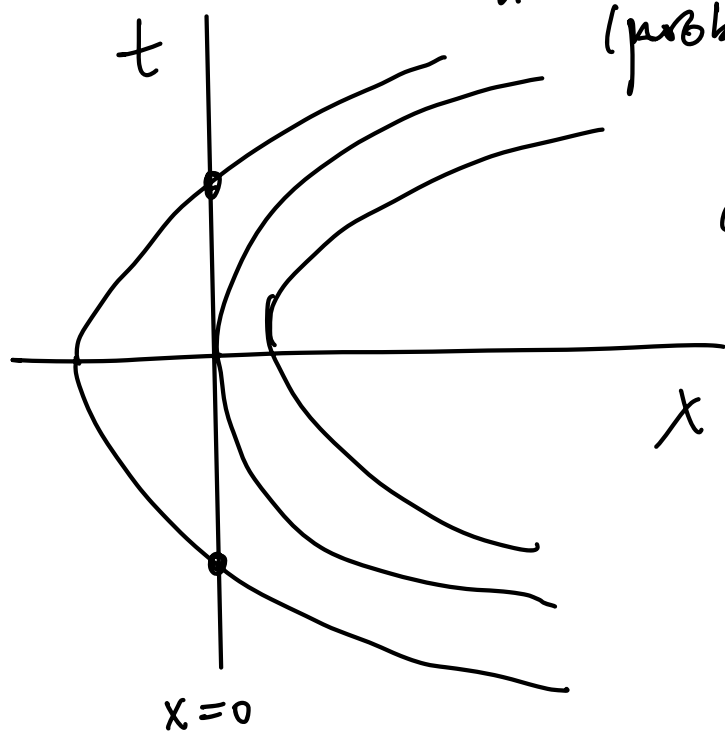
$$\Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{2}t^2 = C$$

$$u(x,t) = \phi\left(x - \frac{1}{2}t^2\right) \quad \text{general solution}$$

IVP: $u(0,t) = g(t)$ not a good problem:

- Some curves intersect $x=0$ line more than once

↪ if in different intes. pts
different initial values incompatible
(problem not solvable)
existence fails



also even if g has same
value at two pts
(e.g. g even function)

$u(x,t)$ not uniquely determined
curves that do not intersect
 $x=0$ line

So uniqueness fails

more general problem

$$a u_t + b u_x = f(x,t,u)$$

again consider curves

$$\frac{dt}{a} - \frac{dx}{b} = 0$$

(9) $du = u_t dt + u_x dx = (a u_t + b u_x) \frac{dt}{a} = f \frac{dt}{a}$

$\nwarrow$ using $\frac{dx}{b} = \frac{dt}{a}$ $\nearrow$

so get

$$\frac{dt}{a} = \frac{dx}{b} = \frac{du}{f}$$

Example: $u_t + u_x = x \quad dx = dt = \frac{du}{x}$

$$u - \frac{1}{2}x^2 = \phi(x-t) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x - t = C \\ u - \frac{1}{2}x^2 = D \end{array} \right. \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{constant} \\ \text{along integral} \\ \text{curves} \end{array}$$

$u = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \phi(x-t)$ general solution

initial condition $u|_{t=0} = 0$ for instance

gives $\phi(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x^2$ hence

$$u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}(x-t)^2 = xt - \frac{1}{2}t^2$$

Example w/ a nonlinearity

$$u_t + x u_x = -u^2 \quad dt = \frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{du}{u^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{du}{u^2} = dt \Rightarrow \int u^{-1} = t + D \quad u(x,t) = (t + \phi(xe^{-t}))^{-1}$$

and $x = Ce^t \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} xe^{-t} = C \end{array} \right.$

[10] other nonlinearities (a, b depending on u)

$$\frac{dt}{a} = \frac{dx}{b} = \frac{du}{f}$$

example: Burgers equation
(gas dynamics)

$$u_t + u u_x = 0$$

$$\frac{dt}{1} = \frac{dx}{u} = \frac{du}{0}$$

$\swarrow$ $du=0$ on int. curves
 $\searrow$ ∞

$$\Rightarrow \underline{u = \text{constant}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x - ut = C} \quad (w/ u = \text{constant})$$

$$\text{IBVP: } \begin{cases} u_t + c u_x = 0 & x > 0, t > 0 \\ u|_{t=0} = f(x) & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

general solution $\phi(x - ct) = u$

$\rightarrow$ initial data: $\phi(x) = f(x) \quad x > 0$

So $u(x, t) = f(x - ct)$

f defined for $x > 0 \Rightarrow u$ defined for $x - ct > 0, \quad x > ct$

$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{If } c \leq 0 \text{ fills quadrant} \\ \text{(waves run to the left)} \end{array} \right.$

When $c > 0$ (waves to the right)

u not defined (as $x - ct < 0$)

need to define via a ∂ -condition:

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$$\text{IBVP: } \begin{cases} u_t + c u_x = 0 & x > 0, t > 0 \\ u|_{t=0} = f(x) & x > 0 \quad (\text{IV}) \\ u|_{x=0} = g(t) & t > 0 \quad (\text{BV}) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(-ct) = g(t) \quad t > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) = g(-\frac{1}{c}x) \quad x < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = g(-\frac{1}{c}(x - ct)) \quad x < ct$$

so get overall solution

$$u = \begin{cases} f(x-ct) & x > ct \\ g(t - \frac{1}{c}x) & x < ct \end{cases}$$

discontinuous at $x = ct$
unless $f(0) = g(0)$

not a classical solution (derivatives of u not def. at the discontinuity)
but weak solution (distributional sense)

A higher dimensional example

$$a u_t + \sum_{j=1}^n b_j u_{x_j} = f(x_1, \dots, x_n, t, u) \quad \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{possible} \\ \text{nonlinearity} \end{matrix}$$

↙ arb. function

e.g. for $a=1, b_j = \text{const}, f=0 \Rightarrow u = \phi(x_1 - b_1 t, \dots, x_n - b_n t)$ sol'n

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Example:

$$u_t + 2tu_x - xu_y = 0$$

$$\frac{dt}{1} = \frac{dx}{2t} = \frac{dy}{x} = \frac{du}{0}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{dt}{1} = \frac{dx}{2t}}_{\rightarrow x - t^2 = C} \rightarrow dy = x dt = (C + t^2) dt$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$y - Ct - \frac{t^3}{3} = D$$

$$D = y - (x - t^2)t - \frac{t^3}{3} = y - xt + \frac{2t^3}{3}$$

So get general solution

$$u(x, y, t) = \phi\left(x - t^2, y - xt + \frac{2t^3}{3}\right)$$

higher dim examples w/ nonlinearities

$$F(x, u, \nabla u) = 0$$

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad \nabla u = (u_{x_1}, \dots, u_{x_n})$$

$$(u_{x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} u) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{initial cond. } u|_{\Sigma} = g \\ \Sigma \text{ hypersurface} \end{array} \right.$$

char curves
transversal
to Σ

assume

$$\sum_i F_{p_i}(x, u, p) \Big|_{p=\nabla u} \cdot \gamma_j \neq 0$$

fn $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$ normal vector to Σ at pt. x

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$p = \nabla u$: characteristic curve in x -space
 $\frac{dx_j}{dt} = F_{p_j}$ $\nearrow$ n-dim

chain rule:

$$\frac{dp_j}{dt} = \sum_k p_{j,x_k} \frac{dx_k}{dt} = \sum_k u_{x_j x_k} \underline{F_{p_k}}$$

and $\frac{du}{dt} = \sum_k u_{x_k} \frac{dx_k}{dt} = \sum_k p_k F_{p_k}$

also from differentiating the equation get:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \partial_{x_j} (F(x, u, \nabla u)) = F_{x_j} + F_u u_{x_j} \\ &\quad + \sum_k F_{p_k} p_{k,x_j} = \\ &= F_{x_j} + F_u u_{x_j} + \sum_k F_{p_k} u_{x_k x_j} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$ this term is $-F_{x_j} - F_u u_{x_j}$

$\Rightarrow$ obtain system

char. trajectory equations

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{dx_j}{dt} &= F_{p_j} \\ \frac{dp_j}{dt} &= -F_{x_j} - F_u p_j \\ \frac{du}{dt} &= \sum_{j'} F_{p_{j'}} p_{j'} \end{aligned} \right.$$

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So to solve $\begin{cases} F(x, u, \nabla u) = 0 \\ u|_{\Sigma} = g \end{cases}$ w/ transversality assumption

- $\nabla_{\Sigma} u = \nabla_{\Sigma} g$ gradient of u along Σ
(e.g. $\Sigma = \{x_1 = 0\} \Rightarrow \nabla_{\Sigma} u = (u_{x_2}, \dots, u_{x_n})$)

- normal components of ∇u at Σ from equation

$\leadsto \Sigma^* = \{(x, u, \nabla u) : x \in \Sigma\} \subset (2n+1)\text{-dim space}$
($n-1$)-dim

from each pt of Σ^* characteristic trajectory eq w/ this pt as initial condition

$\hookrightarrow \Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^{2n+1}$ (evolution of $(n-1)\text{-dim } \Sigma^*$)
 $n\text{-dim}$

special case: F indep of u (only dep on $x, p = \nabla u$)

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_j}{dt} = F_{p_j} \\ \frac{dp_j}{dt} = -F_{x_j} \\ \frac{du}{dt} = \sum_j p_j F_{p_j} \quad (*) \end{cases}$$

Hamiltonian system w/ Hamiltonian:

$F(x, p)$
 $\hookrightarrow u$ can be dropped and solve Hamilt. dyn for (x, p) then u from $(*)$ alone

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Homogeneous 1D wave equation

$$u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = 0$$

$$\underbrace{(\partial_t^2 - c^2 \partial_x^2)}_L u = 0$$

$$L = L_- \cdot L_+$$

$$L_- = \partial_t - c \partial_x \quad L_+ = \partial_t + c \partial_x$$

$$V = L_+ u = u_t + c u_x$$

$$W = L_- u = u_t - c u_x$$

$$\begin{cases} V_t - c V_x = 0 \\ W_t + c W_x = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$V = \underline{2c \tilde{\phi}(x+ct)}$$

$$W = -2c \tilde{\psi}(x-ct)$$

$\tilde{\phi}, \tilde{\psi}$ arb. functs

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \underline{u_t + c u_x = 2c \tilde{\phi}(x+ct)} & = \underline{2c \phi'(x+ct)} \\ \underline{u_t - c u_x = -2c \tilde{\psi}(x-ct)} & = \underline{-2c \psi'(x-ct)} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\partial_t + c \partial_x)(\phi(x+ct))$$

$$\text{So } (\partial_t + c \partial_x)(\underbrace{u - \phi(x+ct)}_{\text{funct of } x-ct}) = 0$$

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$$\Rightarrow u - \phi(x+ct) = \chi(x-ct)$$

then using

$$\text{get } \chi = \psi \quad (\text{up to const})$$

but IC in ϕ, ψ so same

$$\Rightarrow u = \phi(x+ct) + \psi(x-ct)$$

general solution

superposition of two waves traveling in opposite direction left $\leftrightarrow$ right w/ same speed

then IVP :

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = 0 \\ u|_{t=0} = g(x) \\ u_t|_{t=0} = h(x) \end{cases}$$

Cauchy problem

$$u = \phi(x+ct) + \psi(x-ct)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \phi(x) + \psi(x) = g(x) \\ c\phi'(x) - c\psi'(x) = h(x) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) - \psi(x) = \frac{1}{c} \int h(y) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \phi(x) = \frac{1}{2} g(x) + \frac{1}{2c} \int^x h(y) dy \\ \psi(x) = \frac{1}{2} g(x) - \frac{1}{2c} \int^x h(y) dy \end{cases}$$

$$\psi(x) = \frac{1}{2} g(x) - \frac{1}{2c} \int^x h(y) dy$$

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then get:

$$u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} g(x+ct) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} h(y) dy \\ + \frac{1}{2} g(x-ct) - \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x-ct} h(y) dy$$

$\Rightarrow$ D'Alembert:

$$u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} (g(x+ct) + g(x-ct)) \\ + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} h(y) dy \quad (*)$$

1D wave equation: characteristic coords

$x+ct = \text{const}$ $x-ct = \text{const}$
characteristic lines (or "characteristics")

char coordinates: $\begin{cases} \xi = x+ct \\ \eta = x-ct \end{cases}$

$$u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = -4c^2 u_{\xi\eta}$$

Since

$$x = \frac{1}{2}(\xi + \eta) \quad t = \frac{1}{2c}(\xi - \eta)$$

So eq.
 $u_{\xi\eta} = 0$

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$$u_{\xi\eta} = 0 \Rightarrow u_{\xi} = \phi'(\xi) \quad \text{i.e. } u_{\xi} \text{ does not depend on } \eta$$

$$\Rightarrow (u - \phi(\xi))_{\xi} = 0$$

↑ primitive of ϕ'

$$\Rightarrow u - \phi(\xi) = \psi(\eta) \Rightarrow u = \phi(\xi) + \psi(\eta)$$

Same 2 traveling waves

D'Alembert formula

first for $g=h=0$

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = f(x,t) \\ u|_{t=0} = g(x) \\ u_t|_{t=0} = h(x) \end{cases}$$

↙

$$u_{\xi\eta} = -\frac{1}{4c^2} \tilde{f}(\xi, \eta) \quad \leftarrow \text{after change of coords}$$

$$u_{\xi} = -\frac{1}{4c^2} \int \tilde{f}(\xi, \eta') d\eta' = -\frac{1}{4c^2} \int_{\xi}^{\eta} \tilde{f}(\xi, \eta') d\eta' + \phi'(\xi)$$

at $t=0$ $u_t, u_x = 0$ so $\phi'(\xi) = 0$

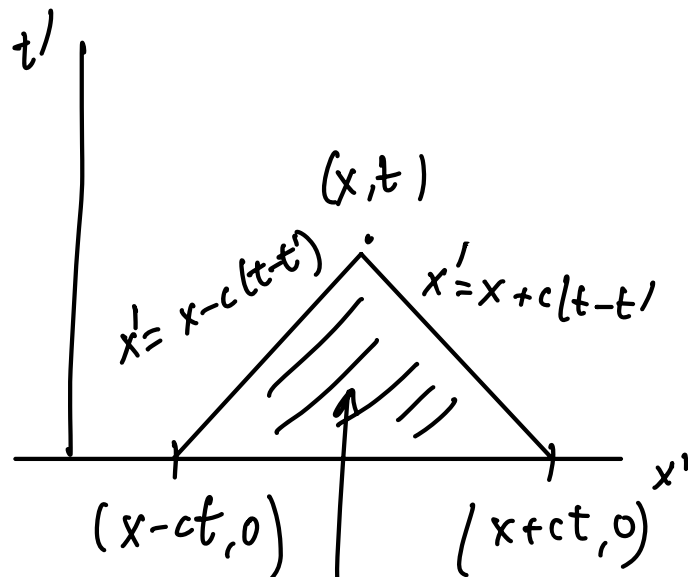
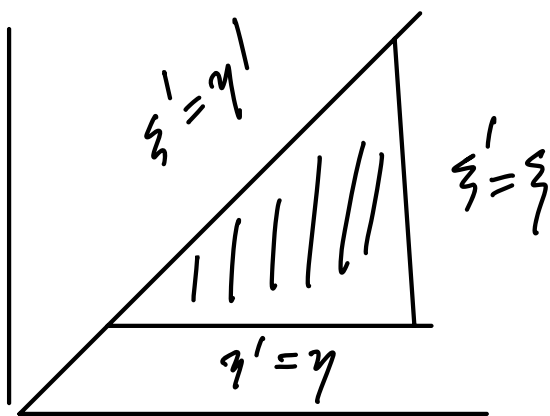
$$u_{\xi} = \frac{1}{4c^2} \int_{\eta}^{\xi} \tilde{f}(\xi, \eta') d\eta'$$

integrate w.r.t ξ

$$u = \frac{1}{4c^2} \int_{\eta}^{\xi} \int_{\eta}^{\xi'} \tilde{f}(\xi', \eta') d\eta' d\xi' + \cancel{\psi(\eta)}$$

for $u=0$ at $t=0$
($\xi=\eta$)

19) $\Rightarrow u(\xi, \eta) = \frac{1}{4c^2} \int_{\eta}^{\xi} \int_{\eta}^{\xi'} \tilde{f}(\xi', \eta') d\eta' d\xi'$



$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int_{\Delta(x, t)} f(x', t') dx' dt'$$

$\Delta(x, t)$ region

factor changed by Jacobian of change of coord's

when f, g, h nonzero

linear eq $\leadsto$ superposition $\leadsto u = u_1 + u_2$

(u_1) sol'n of prob. w/
 $f \equiv 0$ g, h nonzero

(u_2) sol'n of prob.
with $f \neq 0$
 $g, h \equiv 0$

u_1 from and u_2 from (*)

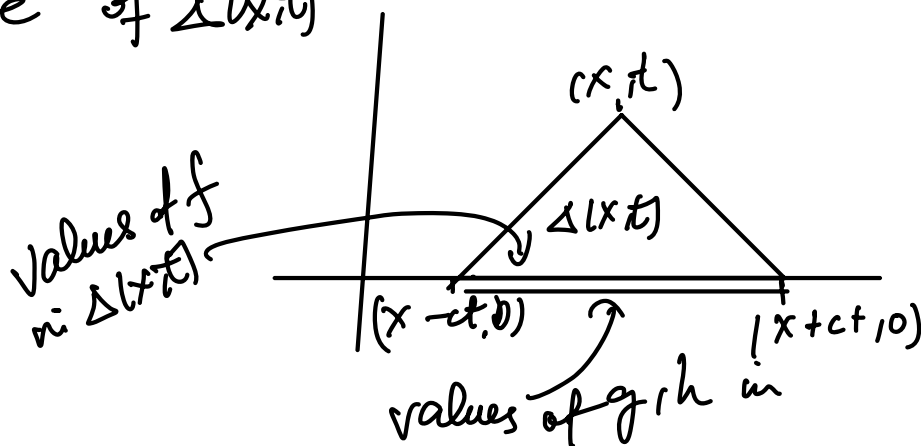
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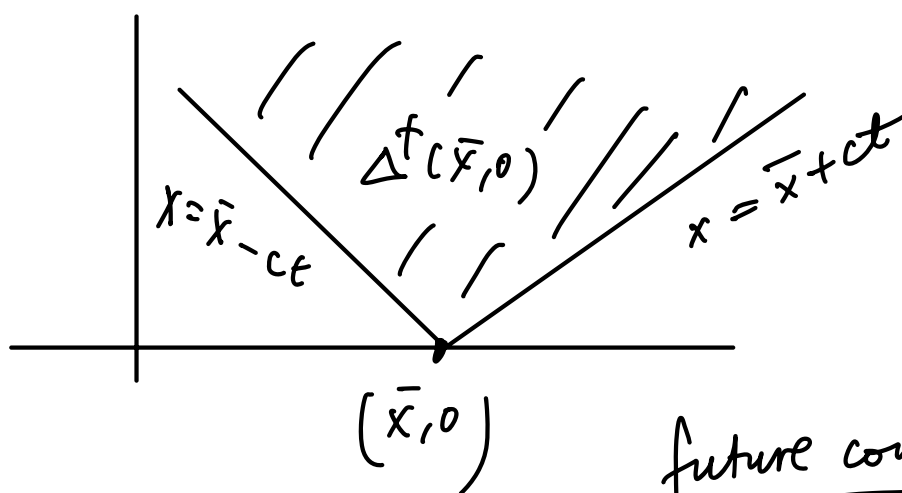
$$u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} (g(x+ct) + g(x-ct)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} h(x') dx' + \frac{1}{2c} \iint_{\Delta(x,t)} f(x',t') dx' dt'$$

value $u(x,t)$ at pt (x,t) depends only on f through values in region $\Delta(x,t)$ and on initial data g, h values on bottom base of $\Delta(x,t)$

region of dependence



- if change datum g, h at some pt $(\bar{x}, 0)$
 $\Rightarrow u(x,t)$ can change only in region $\Delta^+(\bar{x}, 0)$



future cone of $(\bar{x}, 0)$
region of influence

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for 3D wave eq'n

$$u_{tt} - c^2(u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz}) = f$$

backward / forward light cones
in Minkowski metric

(if c not constant but variable $\rightarrow$ "conoids" future/past)

solutions propagate at speed not exceeding c
(as stays inside the cone of influence)

higher dim wave eq.

$$u_{tt} - c^2 \Delta u = 0$$

$$\left(\Delta u = \sum_i u_{x_i x_i} \right) \quad \nabla \cdot \nabla u$$

mult. by u_t & get

$$u_t u_{tt} - c^2 u_t \nabla^2 u =$$

$$\partial_t \left(\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 \right) + \nabla \cdot (-c^2 u_t \nabla u)$$

$$+ c^2 \nabla u_t \cdot \nabla u$$

$$= \partial_t \left(\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 + \frac{1}{2} c^2 |\nabla u|^2 \right) + \nabla \cdot (-c^2 u_t \nabla u)$$

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$$\partial_t \left(\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 + \frac{1}{2} c^2 |\nabla u|^2 \right) + \nabla \cdot (-c^2 u_t \nabla u) = 0$$

Energy conservation law

$$\mathcal{E} = \left(\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 + \frac{1}{2} c^2 |\nabla u|^2 \right)$$

energy density

$$\mathcal{S} = -c^2 u_t \nabla u \quad \text{energy flow}$$

fix a region of fin. volume V (n -dim)

$$E_V(t) = \int_V \left(\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 + \frac{1}{2} c^2 |\nabla u|^2 \right) dV$$

$$E_V(t_2) - E_V(t_1) + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int_{\Sigma} \mathcal{S} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, d\sigma = 0$$

$\Sigma = \partial V$ (w/)-boundary

$\mathbf{n}$ = normal vector to Σ (outward pointing)

[23] Heat equation in 1D:

$$\textcircled{*} \quad u_t = k u_{xx} \quad \text{diffusion equation}$$

(IVP) $t > 0 \quad -\infty < x < \infty$

$$u_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}(x, t) := \gamma u(\alpha x, \beta t) \quad \text{Scaling properties}$$

(self-similar solutions)

if u satisfies $\textcircled{*}$

then $u_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}$ also satisfies $\textcircled{*}$ whenever $\beta = \alpha^2$

assume:

finite energy condition

$$I(t) := \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} u(x, t) dx \quad \text{total energy of the solution}$$

- $I(t) < \infty$ and
- independent of t (energy conservation)

then note that

$$\int_{-b}^{+b} u_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}(x, t) dx = \gamma |\alpha| \int_{-b}^{+b} u dx$$

so same I if $\gamma = |\alpha|$ (in fact assume $\alpha > 0$ so just α)

↑
because
order 1 in t
but order 2 in x

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$\Rightarrow$ so get scaling just by

$$u_\alpha(x,t) = \alpha u(\alpha x, \alpha^2 t) \quad \leftarrow \text{similarity transformation}$$

$\Rightarrow$ self-similar solution if

$$u(x,t) = \alpha u(\alpha x, \alpha^2 t) \quad \forall \alpha > 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \\ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\leadsto$ suggests relation to consider between the variables x, t

$$\text{take } \alpha = t^{-1/2}$$

$$u(x,t) = t^{-1/2} u(t^{-1/2} x, 1) = t^{-1/2} \phi(t^{-1/2} x)$$

$$\phi(x) := u(x, 1)$$

$\swarrow$ substituting back into eq.

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= -\frac{1}{2} t^{-3/2} \phi(t^{-1/2} x) + t^{-1/2} \phi'(t^{-1/2} x) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2} t^{-3/2} x\right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} t^{-3/2} \left(\phi(t^{-1/2} x) + t^{-1/2} x \phi'(t^{-1/2} x) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$u_x = t^{-1} \phi'(t^{-1/2} x)$$

$$u_{xx} = t^{-3/2} \phi''(t^{-1/2} x)$$

$$\text{taking } u_t = k u_{xx} \quad \left(\text{mult by } t^{3/2} \text{ and take } \eta = t^{-1/2} x \right)$$

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$$-\frac{1}{2}(\phi(\xi) + \xi \phi'(\xi)) = k \phi''(\xi) \quad \text{ODE}$$

and

$$\phi(\xi) + \xi \phi'(\xi) = (\xi \phi(\xi))' \quad \text{so integrating get}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \xi \phi(\xi) = k \phi'(\xi)$$

(take integration constant $C=0$ to have decay at ∞)

separate variables

$$\frac{d\phi}{\phi} = -\frac{1}{2k} \xi d\xi \Rightarrow \log \phi = -\frac{1}{4k} \xi^2 + \log(c)$$

$$\phi(\xi) = c e^{-\frac{1}{4k} \xi^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi kt}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4kt}}$$

normalization factor

$$c = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi kt}}$$

so that $\int(t) = 1$

normalization of total energy

What is the initial condition?

$$u(x,t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0^+ \text{ with } x \neq 0$$

$$u(x,t) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0^+ \text{ with } x = 0$$

$$\text{but with } \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} u(x,t) dx = 1 \quad (!)$$

(26) in fact correct way to interpret this initial condition is as δ -function
i.e. as distribution rather than function

→ solution by distributing

take
$$U(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^x u(x,t) dt$$

$U(x,t)$ also satisfies $(*)$ and

$$U(x, 0^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} U(x,t) = \Theta(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ 1 & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Heaviside function

in fact:

$u = U_x$ in eq. gives $(U_t - k U_{xx})_x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow U_t - k U_{xx} = \phi(t)$$

at $x \rightarrow -\infty$ U is decaying to zero
 w/ all derivatives

$$\Rightarrow \phi(t) \equiv 0 \quad \text{so } U \text{ sol'n of } (*)$$

$$U(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{4kt}}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi k t}} \int_{-\infty}^{x/\sqrt{4kt}} e^{-z^2} dz$$

$$\operatorname{erf}(z) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^z e^{-x^2} dx \quad \text{and lim gives Heaviside}$$

(27) given $g(x)$ smooth with $g(-\infty) = 0$

$$g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Theta(x-y) g'(y) dy$$

$$\uparrow \text{ as } = \int_{-\infty}^x g'(y) dy = g(x) - g(-\infty)$$

note $U(x-y, 0^+) = \Theta(x-y)$ initial cond of $U(x-y, t)$ sol'n

$$\left[\text{so } u(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} U(x-y, t) g'(y) dy \text{ solution w/ initial cond.} \right.$$

$$u(x, 0^+) = g(x)$$

integrate by parts in y :

$$u(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} U_x(x-y, t) g(y) dy$$

$$u(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} G(x-y, t) g(y) dy$$

$$G(x-y, t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{k\pi t}} e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{4kt}}$$

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formula for solution of

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \kappa u_{xx} \\ u|_{t=0} = g(x) \end{cases} \quad -\infty < x < +\infty \quad t > 0$$

Inhomogeneous problem

(**) $\begin{cases} u_t = \kappa u_{xx} + f(x,t) \\ u|_{t=0} = g(x) \end{cases} \quad -\infty < x < +\infty \quad t > 0$

same argument as above shows that f contributes to sol'n through

$$\int_0^t \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} G(x-y, t-\tau) f(y, \tau) dy d\tau$$

$\Rightarrow$ solution of (**):

$$u(x,t) = \int_0^t \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} G(x-y, t-\tau) f(y, \tau) dy d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} G(x-y, t) g(y) dy$$

sol'n w/f and $u|_{t=0} = 0$

sol'n without f and w/ $u_t|_{t=0} = g$

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note that this $\uparrow$ does not mean
 solution is unique in fact it is not
 $\exists$ other solutions not decaying but
 rapidly oscillating at ∞

Other kinds of conditions example

$u|_{x=0} = 0$
 $\nearrow$
 Dirichlet ∂ -cond

problem on the
 half-line
 $x > 0$
 $t > 0$

or $u_x|_{x=0} = 0$
 $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \vee$ Neumann ∂ -cond

$$u(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} G(x,y,t) g(y) dy$$

$$G(x,y,t) = G_0(x-y,t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{k\pi t}} e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{4kt}}$$

continuation:

coeff's indep of x

equation only even order ∂ in x

Continuation

even N

odd D

so obtain again sol'n of
 this form but w/ different G

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$$G_D(x, y, t) = G_0(x-y, t) - G_0(x+y, t)$$

$$G_N(x, y, t) = G_0(x-y, t) + G_0(x+y, t)$$

$$G_D|_{x=0} = 0 \quad \int_0^\infty G_D(x, y, t) dy \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} 1$$

$$G_N x|_{x=0} = 0 \quad \int_0^\infty G_N(x, y, t) dx = 1$$

$$G_{N/D}(x, y, t) = G_{N/D}(y, x, t)$$

instead of D/N vanishing ∂ -condition
can take inhomogeneous ∂ -cond

$$u_D|_{x=0} = p(t) \quad \text{Dirichlet } \underline{\text{or}}$$

$$u_N x|_{x=0} = q(t) \quad \text{Neumann}$$

$$\text{take } \Pi = \Pi_\varepsilon = \{x > 0, 0 < \tau < t - \varepsilon\}$$

have:

$$0 = \int_\Pi G(x, y, t - \tau) (-u_\tau|_{y, \tau} + K u_{yy}|_{y, \tau}) d\tau dy$$

then integrate by parts in τ in first term
& integrate twice in y in second term

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$$0 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(-G_t(x, y, t-\tau) + k G_{yy}(x, y, t-\tau) \right) u(y, \tau) d\tau dy \\ - \int_0^{\infty} G(x, y, \varepsilon) u(y, t-\varepsilon) dy + \int_0^{\infty} G(x, y, t) u(y, 0) dy \\ + k \int_0^{t-\varepsilon} \left(-G(x, y, t-\tau) u_y(y, \tau) + G_y(x, y, t-\tau) u(y, \tau) \right) d\tau \Big|_{y=0}$$

the funct $G(x, y, t)$ satisfies $u_t = k u_{xx}$
in both (x, t) and (y, t) variables
(since $G(x, y, t) = G(y, x, t)$)

so $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

then when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ second term $\rightarrow -u(x, t)$
as $G(x, y, \varepsilon) \rightarrow \delta(x-y)$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, t) = \int_0^{\infty} G(x, y, t) \underbrace{u(y, 0)}_{=g(y) \text{ datum}} dy$$

$$+ k \int_0^t \left(-G(x, y, t-\tau) u_y(y, \tau) + G_y(x, y, t-\tau) u(y, \tau) \right) d\tau \Big|_{y=0}$$

solution of IBVP with 0 boundary condition

for Dirichlet ∂ -cond

$$G(x, y, t) \Big|_{y=0} \equiv 0 \quad \text{so get}$$

$$k \int_0^t G_y(x, 0, t-\tau) u(0, \tau) d\tau$$

" $p(\tau)$ datum

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for Neumann ∂ -cond

$$G_y(x, y, t) \big|_{y=0} \equiv 0 \quad \text{so get}$$

$$-k \int_0^t G(\tau, 0, t-\tau) \underbrace{u(0, \tau)}_{=q(\tau)} d\tau$$

$$u_D(x, t) = \int_0^\infty G_D(x, y, t) g(y) dy + k \int_0^t G_{Dy}(x, 0, t-\tau) p(\tau) d\tau$$

$$u_N(x, t) = \int_0^\infty G_N(x, y, t) g(y) dy - k \int_0^t G_N(x, 0, t-\tau) q(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\underline{u_t - k u_{xx} = f(x, t)} \quad \text{inhomog. case}$$

$$u(x, t) = \int_0^t \int_0^\infty G(x, y, t-\tau) f(y, \tau) dy d\tau \\ + \int_0^\infty G(x, y, t) g(y) dy$$

where $G(x, y, t)$ is G_D or G_N

$$G_D(x, y, t) = G_0(x-y, t) - G_0(x+y, t)$$

$$G_N(x, y, t) = G_0(x-y, t) + G_0(x+y, t)$$

$$G_0(x, t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{k\pi t}} e^{-x^2/4kt} \quad \text{as before}$$

Multidimensional heat equation

$$u_t = k \Delta u \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$G_n(x, x', t) = (4\pi kt)^{-n/2} e^{-\|x-x'\|^2/4kt}$$

satisfies the n -dim heat equations

with $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} G_n(x, x', t) = \delta(x-x')$ as distrib.

rotational symmetry in radial dir. (spheres around x')
(as heat eq. for diffusion in isotropic medium
 $k = \text{constant}$)
