

Solutions to HW#3

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1 (a) $2u_{xy} + u_{yy} = 0$ (6 pts)

$$2\partial_x\partial_y + \partial_y^2 = (\partial_y + \partial_x)^2 - \partial_x^2$$

Let $\begin{cases} \partial_z = \partial_y + \partial_x \\ \partial_\eta = \partial_x \end{cases}$ then $\begin{cases} \partial_x = \partial_\eta \\ \partial_y = \partial_z - \partial_\eta \end{cases}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_z \\ \partial_\eta \end{pmatrix}$$

So under the change of variable

$$\begin{pmatrix} z \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

the equation becomes

$$u_{zz} - u_{\eta\eta} = 0$$

(6 pts)

(b) $\partial_x^2 - 6\partial_x\partial_y + 10\partial_y^2 + \partial_y$

$$= (\partial_x - 3\partial_y)^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_y$$

Let $\begin{cases} \partial_z = \partial_x - 3\partial_y \\ \partial_\eta = \partial_y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_z \\ \partial_\eta \end{pmatrix}$

So under the change of variable

$$\begin{pmatrix} z \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

the equation becomes $u_{zz} + 2u_{\eta\eta} + u_\eta = 0$

$$(c) \quad \partial_x^2 - 4\partial_x\partial_y + 4\partial_y^2 - 2\partial_x + 3\partial_y \quad (8 \text{ pts})$$

$$= (\partial_x - 2\partial_y)^2 - (2\partial_x - 3\partial_y)$$

$$\text{Let } \begin{cases} \partial_\xi = \partial_x - 2\partial_y \\ \partial_\eta = 2\partial_x - 3\partial_y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \partial_x = 2\partial_\eta - 3\partial_\xi \\ \partial_y = \partial_\eta - 2\partial_\xi \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_\xi \\ \partial_\eta \end{pmatrix}$$

So under the change of variable

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

the equation becomes

$$u_{\xi\xi} - u_\eta = 0$$

2. By d'Alembert's Formula

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} [\phi(x-ct) + \phi(x+ct)] + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} \psi(s) ds$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \int_{x-c(t-s)}^{x+c(t-s)} f(y, s) dy ds$$

Here $\phi = x^2$, $\psi = 1+x$, $f = xt$

So

$$u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} [(x-ct)^2 + (x+ct)^2] + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} (t+s) ds$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \left(\int_{x-c(t-s)}^{x+c(t-s)} y dy \right) s ds$$

$$= x^2 + c^2 t^2 + \frac{1}{2c} [2ct + \frac{1}{2} ((x+ct)^2 - (x-ct)^2)]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t s \frac{1}{2} [(x+c(t-s))^2 - (x-c(t-s))^2] ds$$

$$= x^2 + c^2 t^2 + t + \cancel{t}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{6} x t^3$$

Problem 3. (a). The well-posedness means:

- 1) Existence: Given $\phi(x)$, there exists a solution
- 2) Uniqueness: Given $\phi(x)$, the solution is unique
- 3) Stability: Suppose ϕ is small in some norm
Then u is also small

(b). First we check that $u(x,t)$ satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u_t + k u_{xx} = 0, t > 0, -\infty < x < \infty \\ u(x,0) = \frac{1}{n} \sin nx \end{cases}$$

We note that

$$\begin{aligned} \max |\phi(x)| &= \max |u(x, 0)| \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \max |\sin nx| \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

while for $0 \leq t \leq T$

$$\begin{aligned} \max |u(x, t)| &= \frac{1}{n} e^{n^2 k T} \max |\sin nx| \\ &= \frac{1}{n} e^{n^2 k T} \end{aligned}$$

As $n \rightarrow +\infty$, $\max |\phi(x)| \rightarrow 0$ but $\max_{0 \leq t \leq T} |u(x, t)| \rightarrow +\infty$

So this violates the stability criteria.

The problem is not well-posed

Problem 4. (a) Following the wave equation, we decompose the operator into two first order operators

$$2 \partial_t^2 + 5 \partial_t \partial_x - 3 \partial_x^2 = (2 \partial_t - \partial_x)(\partial_t + 3 \partial_x)$$

$$\text{Let } \begin{cases} \partial_3 = 2 \partial_t - \partial_x \\ \partial_\eta = \partial_t + 3 \partial_x \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \partial_t = \frac{3}{7} \partial_3 + \frac{1}{7} \partial_\eta \\ \partial_x = \frac{2}{7} \partial_\eta - \frac{1}{7} \partial_3 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial_t \\ \partial_x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{7} & \frac{1}{7} \\ -\frac{1}{7} & \frac{2}{7} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_3 \\ \partial_\eta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{7} & -\frac{1}{7} \\ \frac{1}{7} & \frac{2}{7} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3t-x}{7} \\ \frac{t+2x}{7} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } 2u_{tt} + 5u_{tx} - 3u_{xx} \\ = u_{\xi\eta} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Similar to wave equation the general solution is

$$\begin{aligned} u &= f(\xi) + g(\eta) \\ &= f\left(\frac{3t-x}{7}\right) + g\left(\frac{t+2x}{7}\right) \\ &= f\left(-\frac{1}{7}(x-3t)\right) + g\left(\frac{2}{7}\left(x+\frac{1}{2}t\right)\right) \\ &= \tilde{f}(x-3t) + \tilde{g}\left(x+\frac{1}{2}t\right) \end{aligned}$$

for any function \tilde{f}, \tilde{g}

~~(a)~~ (b) Now we find the particular solution

$$u(x,0) = \phi(x) \Rightarrow \tilde{f}(x) + \tilde{g}(x) = \phi(x) \quad \text{---(1)}$$

$$u_x(x,0) = \psi(x) \Rightarrow -3\tilde{f}'(x) + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{g}'(x) = \psi(x) \quad \text{---(2)}$$

$$\text{From (2)} \Rightarrow -3\tilde{f}(x) + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{g}(x) = \int_0^x \psi(x) dx + A \quad \text{---(3)}$$

From (1) and (3) we have

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \frac{1}{7} \left(\phi(x) - 2 \int_0^x \psi(x) dx - 2A \right)$$

$$\tilde{g}(x) = \frac{2}{7} \left(3\phi(x) + \int_0^x \psi(x) dx + A \right)$$

(6)

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= \frac{1}{7} \left(\phi(x-3t) - 2 \int_0^{x-3t} \psi - 2A \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{2}{7} \left(3\phi\left(x+\frac{1}{2}t\right) + \int_0^{x+\frac{1}{2}t} \psi + A \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{7} \left(\phi(x-3t) + 6\phi\left(x+\frac{1}{2}t\right) \right) + \frac{2}{7} \int_{x-3t}^{x+\frac{1}{2}t} \psi(s) ds
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) $\phi = \sin x$, $\psi = \cos x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= \frac{1}{7} \left(\sin(x-3t) + 6 \sin\left(x+\frac{1}{2}t\right) \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{2}{7} \int_{x-3t}^{x+\frac{1}{2}t} \cos s ds \\
 &= \frac{1}{7} \left(\sin(x-3t) + 6 \sin\left(x+\frac{1}{2}t\right) \right) + \frac{2}{7} \left(\sin\left(x+\frac{1}{2}t\right) - \sin(x-3t) \right) \\
 &= -\frac{1}{7} \sin(x-3t) + \frac{8}{7} \sin\left(x+\frac{1}{2}t\right)
 \end{aligned}$$