

**Problem 1.**

- (a) This is linear and homogenous. Consider the operator  $\mathcal{L} = \partial_t + t^2 \partial_x$ . This is a linear operator, and we have that  $\mathcal{L}u = 0$  is our desired PDE.
- (b) This is a nonlinear PDE, since we have a term with  $uu_x$ . It is not fully nonlinear since it is linear in  $u_{xxx}$ .
- (c) This is inhomogenous linear PDE, since it is of the form  $Lu = g$ , where  $L = \partial_t^2 + \partial_x$ ,  $g = t^2$ .
- (d) This is a totally nonlinear PDE. It is nonlinear in each of the partial derivatives.

**Problem 2.**

(a) Integrating  $u_x$  by  $x$ , we get that

$$\int u_x dx = \sin(xy) + \frac{A}{2}x^2y + F(y) \quad (1),$$

for some arbitrary function  $F(y)$ . Similarly, for  $u_y$  we compute that

$$\int u_y dy = \sin(xy) + 3x^2y + \arctan(y) + G(x). \quad (2)$$

Thus we must have that  $A = 6$  for this PDE to have a solution.

(b) Given that  $u(0,0) = B$ , using our expressions from a) we get that

$$B = u(0,0) = F(0) = G(0).$$

By differentiating expression 2 with respect to  $x$ , we get that  $G_x = 0$ . So  $G = B$ . Therefore we have that  $u(x,y) = \sin(xy) + 3x^2y + \arctan(y) + B$  is the solution to the PDE.

(c) We claim that a necessary condition on  $f$  is  $f_{1y} = f_{2x}$ . Suppose that  $u$  solves  $\nabla u = f$ . Then on any closed curve  $\gamma$  with interior  $D$ , we have that

$$0 = \int_{\gamma} \nabla u = \int_{\gamma} f = \int_D (f_{1y} - f_{2x}) dy dx$$

Since this holds for all  $\gamma, D$ , we have that  $f_{1y} = f_{2x}$ .

**Problem 3.**

Maxwells Equations tells us that  $\frac{1}{c}E_t = \nabla \times B$ . Applying  $\partial_t$  we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{c}E_{tt} &= \partial_t(\nabla \times B) \\
 &= \nabla \times B_t && \text{(since derivatives commute)} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{c}\nabla \times (\nabla \times E) && \text{(Maxwells Equations)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{c}(E_{xx}, E_{yy}, E_{zz}). && \text{(Vector Calc identity for } \nabla \cdot E = 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for B we compute that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{c}B_{tt} &= -\partial_t(\nabla \times E) \\
 &= -\nabla \times E_t && \text{(since derivatives commute)} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{c}\nabla \times (\nabla \times B) && \text{(Maxwells Equations)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{c}(B_{xx}, B_{yy}, B_{zz}) && \text{(Vector calc identity for } \nabla \cdot B = 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore every component of E, B satisfy the wave equation.

**Problem 4.**

We wish to show that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \nabla \cdot F(x) dx = 0$ . Let  $B(r)$  be the ball of radius  $r$ . We have by the divergence theorem, that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \nabla \cdot F(x) dx \right| &= \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_{B(r)} (F(x) \cdot n(x)) dx \right| && \text{(Divergence theorem on } \mathbb{R}^n \text{)} \\
 &\leq \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B(r)} |F(x)| \cdot |n(x)| dx && \text{(Integral inequality + Cauchy-Schwartz)} \\
 &\leq \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B(r)} |F(x)| dx && \text{(since } |n(x)| = 1 \text{)} \\
 &\leq \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B(r)} C|x|^{-n} dx && \text{(upper bound on } |F(x)| \text{)} \\
 &\leq \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} C|r|^{-n} \cdot \sigma(S^{n-1})|r|^{n-1} && \text{(since } \int_{B(r)} 1 dx = \sigma(S^{n-1})r^{n-1}, \text{ where } \sigma(S^{n-1}) = \int_{S^{n-1}} 1 dx \text{)} \\
 &= \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{C\sigma(S^{n-1})}{r} \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \nabla \cdot F(x) dx = 0$ .

**Problem 5.**

- (a) We claim that  $\int_D f = \int_{\partial D} g$  is necessary. Observe that if  $u$  is a solution to this PDE, then by the divergence theorem we have that

$$\int_D f = \int_D \Delta u = \int_D \nabla \cdot \nabla u = \int_{\partial D} \nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n}(x) = \int_{\partial D} g.$$

Thus  $\int_D f = \int_{\partial D} g$  is a necessary condition.

- (b) Suppose that  $u$  solves this PDE. Then for any constant  $c$  we also have that

$$\Delta(u + c) = \Delta u = f, \quad \frac{\partial(u + c)}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}} + \frac{\partial c}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = g$$