

MSO 203B - PDE (Lecture 17: Wave Equation).

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} = 0 \quad \text{in } (x,t) \in \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty).$$

$$A = -1, B = 0, C = 1.$$

$$\underbrace{B^2 - 4AC > 0}_{\text{Char Eqn}} \quad \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A} = \frac{0 \pm \sqrt{0 + 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 1}}{2 \cdot (-1)} = \pm 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \pm x + C.$$

$$\text{Choose } \xi(x,t) = x+t.$$

$$\eta(x,t) = x-t.$$

Define $w(\xi, \eta) := u(x, y)$. The canonical form will look like

$$w_{\xi\eta} = 0 \Rightarrow w(\xi, \eta) = F(\xi) + G(\eta) \quad \text{where } F \text{ and } G \text{ are } C^2 \text{ fns.}$$

$$\therefore u(x,t) = w(\xi, \eta) = F(x+t) + G(x-t).$$

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} = 0$$

$$X(x)T(t)$$

$$X''T - XT'' = 0$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T''}{T} = \lambda$$

Canonical Form

$$(x, y) \mapsto (\xi, \eta)$$

$$w(\xi, \eta) = u(x, y)$$

$$w_{\xi\eta} + 1[w_{\xi\xi}, w_{\eta\eta}, w, \xi, \eta] = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} - u_{xx} = 0, & x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) & ; x \in \mathbb{R} \\ u_t(x, 0) = g(x) & ; x \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad (f \text{ and } g \text{ are smooth}).$$

$$u(x, t) = F(x+t) + G(x-t) \quad ; F \text{ and } G \text{ are } C^2.$$

$$\text{I.C. } f'(x) = u_x(x, 0) = F'(x) + G'(x). \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$g(x) = u_t(x, 0) = F'(x) - G'(x). \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$2f'(x) = f'(x) + g(x).$$

$$\Rightarrow F'(x) = \frac{1}{2} f'(x) + \frac{1}{2} g(x).$$

$$\Rightarrow F(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^x f'(\xi) d\xi + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^x g(\xi) d\xi = \frac{1}{2} [f(x) - f(0)] + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^x g(\xi) d\xi.$$

$$\text{and, } G(x) = f(x) - F(x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} f(x) + \frac{1}{2} f(0) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^x g(\xi) d\xi.$$

$$\text{Q: } f(x) = x \\ g(x) = 1.$$

$$u(x, t) = F(x+t) + G(x-t).$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [f(x+t) - f(0)] + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{x+t} g(\xi) d\xi.$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} [f(x-t) + f(0)] - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{x-t} g(\xi) d\xi.$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [f(x+t) + f(x-t)] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{x-t}^{x+t} g(\xi) d\xi.$$

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(x+t) + f(x-t)] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{x-t}^{x+t} g(\xi) d\xi.$$

D'Alembert Formulae



$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+ \times (0, \infty)$$

$$u = g; u_x = h \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R} \times \{t=0\}$$

$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } \{x=0\} \times (0, \infty)$$

$$g(0) = h(0) = 0$$

$$\tilde{u}(x, t) = \begin{cases} u(x, t); & x > 0, t > 0 \\ -u(-x, t) & x < 0, t > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{g}(x) = \begin{cases} g(x), & x > 0 \\ -g(-x), & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

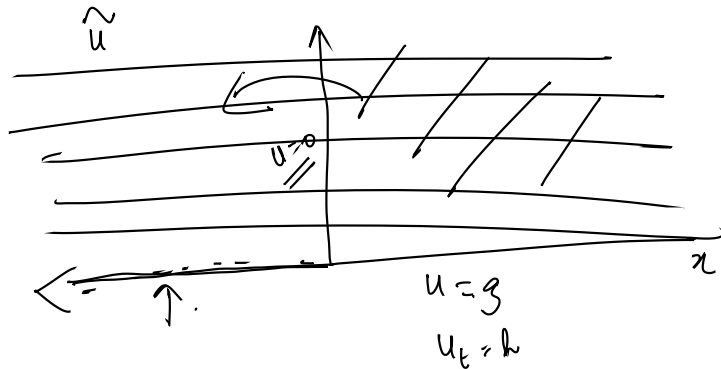
$$\tilde{h}(x) = \begin{cases} h(x), & x > 0 \\ -h(-x), & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

So, $\tilde{u}_{tt} - \tilde{u}_{xx} = 0$ in $\mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty)$

$$\tilde{u}_x = \tilde{g}, \tilde{u}_t = \tilde{h} \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R} \times \{t=0\}$$

$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } \{x=0\} \times (0, \infty)$$

$$\tilde{u}(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} [\tilde{g}(x+t) + \tilde{g}(x-t)] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{x-t}^{x+t} \tilde{h}(\xi) d\xi$$



$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= -f(-x) \\ x \rightarrow 0 \\ f(0) &= -f(0) \\ f(0) &= 0 \\ f(x) &= f(-x) \end{aligned}$$

$$x-t \geq 0$$

$$x+t \geq 0$$

$$u(x,t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} [g(x+t) + g(x-t)] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{x-t}^{x+t} h(\xi) d\xi & \text{if } x \geq t \geq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} [g(x+t) - g(t-x)] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{t-x}^{x+t} h(\xi) d\xi & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq t \end{cases}$$

$$- \int_{x-t}^0 h(-\xi) d\xi - \int_0^{x-t} h(\xi) d\xi$$