

## 6. $\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( a e^{\lambda x} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) + f(w), \quad a > 0.$

This equation describes the propagation of nonlinear waves in an inhomogeneous medium. Functional separable solution:

$$w = w(z), \quad z = \left[4ke^{-\lambda x} - ak\lambda^2(t+C)^2\right]^{1/2}, \qquad k = \pm 1,$$

where C is an arbitrary constant and the function w = w(z) is determined by the autonomous ordinary differential equation  $ak\lambda^2 w_{zz}'' + f(w) = 0$ .

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