

## Problem Set 12.12

No. 1

$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}$$

$$w(x, t) = \sin\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right) \quad \text{if } \frac{x}{c} < t < \frac{x}{c} + 2\pi$$

$$\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial t^3} = -\sin\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} = -\frac{1}{c^2} \sin\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial t^3} = c^2 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{c^2}\right) \sin\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right) = -\sin\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right)$$

$$\therefore w(x, t) = \sin\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right) \text{ is solution of } \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial t^3} = c^2 \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3}$$

No. 2

$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}, \quad c = 1.$$

$$w(0, t) = f(t), \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} w(x, t) = 0$$

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t; & 0 < t < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1-t; & \frac{1}{2} < t < 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w(x, t) &= f\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right) u\left(t - \frac{x}{c}\right) \\ &= f(t-x) u(t-x) \end{aligned}$$

$$w(x, t) = \begin{cases} (t - x) u(t - x) & ; \quad 0 < t < \frac{1}{2} \\ (1 - t + x) u(t - x) & ; \quad \frac{1}{2} < t < 1. \end{cases}$$

No. 3

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No. 4

$w = w(x, t)$ ,  $W = \mathcal{L}\{w(x, t)\} = W(x, s)$ . The subsidiary equation is

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial x} + x \mathcal{L}\{w_t(x, t)\} = \frac{\partial W}{\partial x} + x(sW - w(x, 0)) = x \mathcal{L}(1) = \frac{x}{s} \text{ and } w(x, 0) = 1.$$

By simplification,

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial x} + xsW = x + \frac{x}{s}.$$

By integration of this first-order ODE with respect to  $x$  we obtain

$$W = c(s)e^{-sx^2/2} + \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s}.$$

For  $x = 0$  we have  $w(0, t) = 1$  and

$$W(0, s) = \mathcal{L}\{w(0, t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s} = c(s) + \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s}.$$

Hence  $c(s) = -1/s^2$ , so that

$$W = -\frac{1}{s^2} e^{-sx^2/2} + \frac{1}{s^2} + \frac{1}{s}.$$

The inverse Laplace transform of this solution of the subsidiary equation is

$$w(x, t) = -(t - \frac{1}{2}x^2) u(t - \frac{1}{2}x^2) + t + 1 = \begin{cases} t + 1 & \text{if } t < \frac{1}{2}x^2 \\ \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 1 & \text{if } t > \frac{1}{2}x^2. \end{cases}$$

No. 5

$$x \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = x t$$

$$w(x, 0) = 0 \quad ; \quad x \geq 0 \quad ; \quad w(0, t) = 0 \quad ; \quad t \geq 0.$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\partial w}{\partial t}\right\} = s\mathcal{L}\{w\} - w(x, 0) = sW \quad (W = \mathcal{L}\{w\})$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right\} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathcal{L}\{w\} = \frac{\partial W}{\partial x}$$

$$x \frac{\partial W}{\partial x} + sW = x \frac{s^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial x} + \frac{s}{x} W = \frac{s^2}{2}$$

$$W = \frac{c(s)}{x^s} + \frac{x}{s^2(s+1)}$$

$$W(0, s) = \mathcal{L}\{w(0, t)\} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad c(s) = 0$$

$$W = \frac{x}{s^2(s+1)}$$

$$w(x, t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{W\} = x(t-1 + e^{-t})$$

No. 6

$$w(x, t) = 1/2 + 1/2t - 1/2 u(t - 2x^2) (-1 + t - 2x^2)$$

as obtained from

$$W(x, s) = \frac{s+1}{2s^2} + e^{-2x^2s} c(s)$$

$$\text{with } c(s) = (s-1)/(2s^2) \text{ as obtained from } w(0, t) = 1, W(0, s) = 1/s.$$

No. 7

$$w = f(x)g(t), x f' + \dot{g} = 2xt, \text{ take } f(x) = x \text{ to get } g = C_1 e^{-t} + 2t - 2 \text{ and } C_1 = 2$$

using the initial condition  $w(x, 0) = 0$ , i.e.,  $g(0) = 0$ .

No. 8

$W = \mathcal{L}\{w\}$ ,  $W_{xx} = (100s^2 + 100s + 25)W = (10s + 5)^2 W$ . The solution of this ODE is

$$W = c_1(s)e^{-(10s+5)x} + c_2(s)e^{(10s+5)x}$$

with  $c_2(s) = 0$ , so that the solution is bounded.  $c_1(s)$  follows from

$$W(0, s) = \mathcal{L}\{w(0, t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{\sin t\} = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} = c_1(s).$$

Hence

$$W = \frac{1}{s^2 + 1} e^{-(10s+5)x}.$$

The inverse Laplace transform (the solution of our problem) is

$$w = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{W\} = e^{-5x} u(t - 10x) \sin(t - 10x),$$

a traveling wave decaying with  $x$ . Here  $u$  is the unit step function (the Heaviside function).

No. 9

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \quad ; \quad w(x, t) \Big|_{x \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow 0, \quad w(0, t) = f(t)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_t \mathcal{L}_x \{w(x, t)\} = W(x, s)$$

$$\mathcal{L} \left\{ \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \right\} = c^2 \mathcal{L} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right\}$$

$$sW - 0 = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 W}{\partial x^2}$$

$$sW = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 W}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 W}{\partial x^2} - \frac{s}{c^2} W = 0$$

$$W = A(s)e^{-\frac{\sqrt{s}}{c}x} + B(s)e^{+\frac{\sqrt{s}}{c}x}$$

$$\text{At } x \rightarrow \infty : w(x, t) \rightarrow 0 \quad W(x, s) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B(s) = 0$$

$$W(x, s) = A(s)e^{-\frac{\sqrt{s}}{c}x}$$

$$\text{I.C.: } w(0, s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = F(s) = A(s)$$

$$\therefore W(x, s) = F(s)e^{-\frac{\sqrt{s}}{c}x}$$

No. 10

From  $W = F(s)e^{-(x/c)\sqrt{s}}$  and the convolution theorem we have

$$w = f * \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-k\sqrt{s}}\}, \quad k = \frac{x}{c}.$$

From this and formula 39 in Sec. 6.9 we get, as asserted,

$$w = \int_0^t f(t-\tau) \frac{k}{2\sqrt{\pi\tau^3}} e^{-k^2/(4\tau)} d\tau.$$

No. 11

$$\text{Setting } \frac{x^2}{4c^2t} = z^2 \quad \therefore t = \frac{x^2}{4c^2z^2}$$

$$dt = -\frac{x^2}{2c^2} z^{-3} dz$$

$$w(x, t) = \frac{x}{2c\sqrt{x}} \int_{\infty}^{\frac{x}{2c\sqrt{x}}} \frac{8c^2z}{x^3} \cdot \frac{-x^2}{2c^2} z^3 e^{-z^2} dz$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} \int_{\infty}^{\frac{x}{2c\sqrt{x}}} e^{-z^2} dz$$

$$= -\operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{x}{2c\sqrt{x}}\right) + \operatorname{erf}(\infty)$$

$$= 1 - \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{x}{2c\sqrt{x}}\right)$$

No. 12

$W_0(x, s) = s^{-1}e^{-\sqrt{sx}/c}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}\{u(t)\} = 1/s$ , and since  $w(x, 0) = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} W(x, s) &= F(s)sW_0(x, s) \\ &= F(s)[sW_0(x, s) - w(x, 0)] \\ &= F(s)\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\partial w_0}{\partial t}\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now apply the convolution theorem.