

The method of characteristics:

$$a u_x + b u_y = c u + d \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

a, b, c, d are functions of $(x, y) \in \Omega$

Initial curve: $T_0: \gamma(x, y): x = x_0(s), y = y_0(s), 0 \leq s \leq 1$

$(x_0(s), y_0(s))$ given $\subset \Omega$

Given $u_0(s)$ the value of the solⁿ u on the initial curve.

$$\text{i.e. } u(s) = u(x_0(s), y_0(s)) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Note that $T_0 \subset \Omega$.

Problem: To find continuously differentiable fⁿ $u(x, y)$ defined in some nbhd of T_0 satisfying eqn (1) in Ω_0 and satisfying eqⁿ (2).

Theorem:

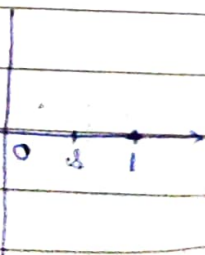
Let a, b, c, d be continuously differentiable on Ω . Let $x_0(s), y_0(s), u_0(s)$ $0 \leq s \leq 1$ be continuously differentiable in $[0, 1]$. Suppose further that the following transversality condition is satisfied $\forall s \in [0, 1]$,

$$a(x_0(s), y_0(s)) \frac{dx_0}{ds} - b(x_0(s), y_0(s)) \frac{dy_0}{ds} \neq 0$$

Then \exists a nbhd Ω_0 of T_0 and a unique solution $u(x, y)$ continuously differentiable in Ω_0 and satisfying (1) and (2).

Proof: (Sketch)

$$(3) \begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = a(x, y) & , x_0 = x_0(s) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = b(x, y) & , y_0 = y_0(s) \end{cases}$$



Continuously differentiable \rightarrow locally Lipschitz.

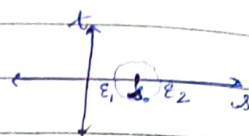
Choose a neighbourhood $D(x_0, y_0)$ st a, b, c, d are Lipschitz in $D(x_0, y_0)$.

Hence, the system (3) has a unique solution for every $(x, y) \in D(x_0, y_0)$.

If $(x_0, y_0) = (x_0(s), y_0(s))$ then denote the solution of (3) by $x(s, t), y(s, t)$ where $x(s, 0) = x_0(s)$

$$y(s, 0) = y_0(s)$$

where $(s, t) \in (E_1, E_2) \times (-E_0, E_0)$



Fact: Solutions of (3) as a function of (x_0, y_0) are continuously differentiable.

This implies $x(s, t)$ which is a composition of the solution of (3) with $x_0(s), y_0(s)$ is continuously differentiable in (s, t) .

The Jacobian of $(s, t) \rightarrow (x(s, t), y(s, t))$

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(s, t)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x(s, t)}{\partial s} & \frac{\partial x(s, t)}{\partial t} \\ \frac{\partial y(s, t)}{\partial s} & \frac{\partial y(s, t)}{\partial t} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{\partial x(s, t)}{\partial s} \frac{\partial y(s, t)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial x(s, t)}{\partial t} \frac{\partial y(s, t)}{\partial s}$$

~~At $t=0$~~

By transversality,

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(s, t)} \Big|_{t=0} = b(x_0(s), y_0(s)) \frac{dx_0}{ds} - a(x_0(s), y_0(s)) \frac{dy_0}{ds} \neq 0$$

By choosing a sufficiently small neighbourhood and $D(s, 0) \subset (E_1, E_2) \times (-E_0, E_0)$.

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(s, t)} \Big|_{t=0} \neq 0 \quad \forall (s, t) \in D(s, 0)$$

\Rightarrow By the inverse function theorem, we have the inverse map $f(x, y) = s(x, y), t(x, y)$; $(x, y) \in D(x, y)$

Recall: $\frac{d\pi(s, t)}{dt} = c(\pi(t), y(t)) \pi(t) + d(\pi(t), y(t))$
 $\pi(s, 0) = u_0(s)$

Define $u(x, y) := \bar{u}(s(x, y), t(x, y))$

Note that inverse function theorem, $s(x, y)$ and $t(x, y)$ are continuously differentiable and by hypothesis $\bar{u}(\cdot)$ is cont. differentiable $\Rightarrow u(x, y)$ is cont. differentiable.

$$\begin{aligned} & a(x, y) u_x(x, y) + b(x, y) u_y(x, y) \\ &= a(x(t), y(t)) u_x(x(t), y(t)) + b(x(t), y(t)) u_y(x(t), y(t)) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \bar{u}(s, t) = \frac{d}{dt} (\bar{u}(x(t), y(t))) = \frac{d}{dt} (\bar{v}(t)) \\ &= c(x(t), y(t)) \bar{v}(t) + d(x(t), y(t)) \end{aligned}$$

Note that from the definition, $u(x(t), y(t)) = \bar{u}(s, t)$. Since, $(x, y) = (x(t), y(t))$, we have (1).

Note that $u(x_0(s), y_0(s)) = u(x(s, 0), y(s, 0)) = \bar{u}(s, 0) = u_0(s)$.

Uniqueness: Suppose $V(x, y)$ is another solution in $D(x_0, y_0)$ satisfying $V(x_0(s), y_0(s)) = u_0(s)$ $(x_0(s), y_0(s)) \in D(x_0, y_0)$

Define $\bar{V}(t) := V(x(t), y(t))$

$$\bar{V}(0) = u_0(s)$$

Then since V satisfies (1),

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{V}(t) = c(x(t), y(t)) \bar{V}(t) + d(x(t), y(t))$$

By uniqueness of solutions of ODE, $\bar{V}(t) = \bar{u}(t)$ $(s, t) \in D(s, 0)$

Suppose $(x, y) \in D(x_0, y_0)$

$$(x, y) = (x(t), y(t))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore V(x, y) &= V(x(t), y(t)) = \bar{V}(t) = \bar{u}(t) \\ &= u(x(t), y(t)) \\ &= u(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

Extension of u to $S_{T_0} \supset T_0$:

for each $s \in [0, 1]$, get a nbhd $D(s, 0)$ as above and a solⁿ

$u_s(x, y)$ in $D(x_0(s), y_0(s))$

Then $T_s \subset \bigcup_s D(x_0(s), y_0(s))$

By compactness, $T_0 \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m D(x_0(s_i), y_0(s_i)) =: \Omega_0$

Let $U_s \rightarrow U$

Let $U^i \rightarrow U^m$ be the corresponding solutions.

By uniqueness, if $D(x_0(s_i), y_0(s_i)) \cap D(x_0(s_j), y_0(s_j)) \neq \emptyset$
then $U^i = U^j$ on $D(x_0(s_i), y_0(s_i)) \cap D(x_0(s_j), y_0(s_j))$.

Define $U(x, y)$ on $\Omega_0 = \bigcup_{i=1}^m D(x_0(s_i), y_0(s_i))$

as $u(x, y) = u^i(x, y)$ if $(x, y) \in D(x_0(s_i), y_0(s_i))$

Then U is the unique solⁿ on Ω_0 .

Flows

Remark: Note that for each $(x, y) \in \Omega_0$, there is exactly one characteristic $(x(t), y(t))$ st. $(x, y) = (x(t), y(t))$.

This is because of the 'homeomorphism' property of the solutions as ^a function of the initial point s_0 .

and hence $x(s_1, t) = x(s_2, t)$, $y(s_1, t) = y(s_2, t)$, $s_1 \neq s_2$

not possible.
[as one-one]

Quasi-linear 1st order PDE.

$$a(x, y, u) u_x + b(x, y, u) u_y = c(x, y, u)$$

The main difference with the linear case is that the equation for the characteristic curves include x, y, u .

viz we have $\frac{dx}{dt} = a(x, y, \bar{u})$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = b(x, y, \bar{u})$$

$$\frac{d\bar{u}}{dt} = c(x, y, \bar{u})$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x(0) &= x_0(s) \\ y(0) &= y_0(s) \\ \bar{u}(0) &= u_0(s) \end{aligned} \right\} \Gamma_0$$

Burger's Equation: $(t, x) \ t > 0 \ x \in \mathbb{R}$

inviscid ~~Implicitly~~: $u_t + uu_x = 0$

viscosity: $u_t + uu_x = \nu u_{xx}$

Navier Stokes $u_t + uu_x = \nu u_{xx} + \partial p$

$$u_t + uu_x = 0$$

$$b(x, y, u) = 1$$

$$a(x, y, u) = u$$

$$c(x, y, u) = 0$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = u(t)$$

$$x(0) = s$$

$$y(0) = 0$$

$$u(0) = u_0(s)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 1 = \frac{dt}{dt}$$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = 0$$

$$\Gamma_0 = \{(x, t) : t = 0\}$$

$$\Gamma_0 = \{(s, 0) : s \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Given $u_0(s)$, $s \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = u(x(t), t)$$

$$y = t$$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = 0$$

$$u(x(t), t) = u(x_0(0), 0) = u_0(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow x(s, t) = u_0(s)t + s$$

Given (x, t) , we have $x = u_0(s)t + s = x(t)$

$$u(x, t) = u_0(s)$$

Obtain $s = s(x, t)$

$$u(x, t) = u_0(s(x, t))$$

$$F(x, t, s) = x - u_0(s)t - s$$

$$F_s(x, t, s) = -u'_0(s)t - 1 \neq 0$$

• Wave Eqⁿ

• Heat Eqⁿ

• Laplace Eqⁿ

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Remarks on system of ODEs:

$$y' = Ay$$

$$y' = \begin{pmatrix} y_1' \\ \vdots \\ y_n' \end{pmatrix} \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$y': [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

A is $n \times n$ matrix

example: $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$

$$z = y'$$

$$z' = -p(x)z - q(x)y$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -p(x) & -q(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$y' = Ay$$

$$y(x_0) = y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ y_n(x) \end{pmatrix} = e^A(y_0)$$

where $e^A := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^n}{n!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^m \frac{A^n}{n!}$

$$\|A\| = \max_{i,j} |a_{ij}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\| \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{A^k}{k!} \right\| \xrightarrow{k, m \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Wave equation:Initial position: $y_0 = f(x)$ 
 $y(x, t) = \text{position of string at time } t.$

Wave eqⁿ: $a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}$

Boundary conditions: $y(0, t) = y(\pi, t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0.$

Initial condition: $y_0 = f(x) = y(x, 0)$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, t)}{\partial t} \bigg|_{t=0} = 0$$

Method of Separation of variables:

We assume that $y(x, t) = u(x)v(t)$

$$a^2 (u'(x)v'(t)) = (u(x)v''(t))$$

$$a^2 \frac{u''(x)}{u(x)} = \frac{v''(t)}{v(t)} = -\lambda$$

$$\lambda > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{u''(x)}{u(x)} = -\lambda \quad \frac{v''(t)}{v(t)} = -\lambda$$

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$$\Rightarrow u''(x) + \lambda u(x) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\cancel{v''(t) + \lambda v(t) = 0}$$

$$v''(t) + \lambda a^2 v(t) = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &= \sin(rx) \\ u'(x) &= r \cos(rx) \\ u''(x) &= -r^2 \sin(rx) \\ u''(x) &= -r^2 u(x) \end{aligned}$$

Refer Lecture-10
 $\lambda > 0$ say $y(0, t) = y(\pi, t)$
 for $\lambda < 0$, (1) has at most one solution.

General solⁿ of (1): $u(x) = C_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x) + C_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} x)$

$$u(0) = 0 = C_2 = 0$$

$$\cancel{0 = u(\pi) = C_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} \pi) = 0} \quad \therefore \text{boundary con.}$$

$$\therefore \cancel{u(x) = C_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x)}$$

$$u(\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} \pi) = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda} \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \lambda = n^2 \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{General sol}^n \text{ of (2)} = v(t) &= C_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} a^2 t) + C_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} a^2 t) \\ &= C_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} n^2 t) + C_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} n^2 t) \\ v'(t) &= C_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} n^2 t) (\sqrt{\lambda} n) + C_2 (-\sin(\sqrt{\lambda} n^2 t)) (\sqrt{\lambda} n) \\ v'(0) &= C_1 \sqrt{\lambda} n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} n^2 \cdot 0) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow C_1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(x, t) &= C_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x) C_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} n^2 t) \\ &= C_1 \sin(n x) C_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} n^2 t) \\ &= C \sin(n x) \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} n^2 t) = C \sin(n x) \cos(n a t) \end{aligned}$$

Linearity, (i.e. if y_1 and y_2 are solⁿs $\Rightarrow y_1 + y_2$ is also a solⁿ of wave eqⁿ)

$$\Rightarrow y(x, t) = \sum_{k=1}^m b_k \sin(k x) \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} k^2 t)$$

$$y(x, 0) = f(x) \Rightarrow f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^m b_k \sin k x \cos(k \sqrt{\lambda} t)$$

Since f is arbitrary, m cannot be finite

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \sin k x$$

$$y(x, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \sin k x \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} k^2 t)$$

$$b_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin k x \, dx$$

From Fourier analysis

since $\{\sin k x, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ form an orthogonal family in $[0, \pi]$.

$$\int_0^{\pi} \sin k x \sin l x \, dx = \delta_{kl} C_k$$

Ex: find C_k .

Remark: If f has finite no. of discontinuities, i.e. $f(x+) \neq f(x-)$ and a finite no. of maxima and minima, f bounded, $f: [-\pi, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ then $\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx = \frac{f(x+) + f(x-)}{2}$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx \quad b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx \quad (5)$$

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