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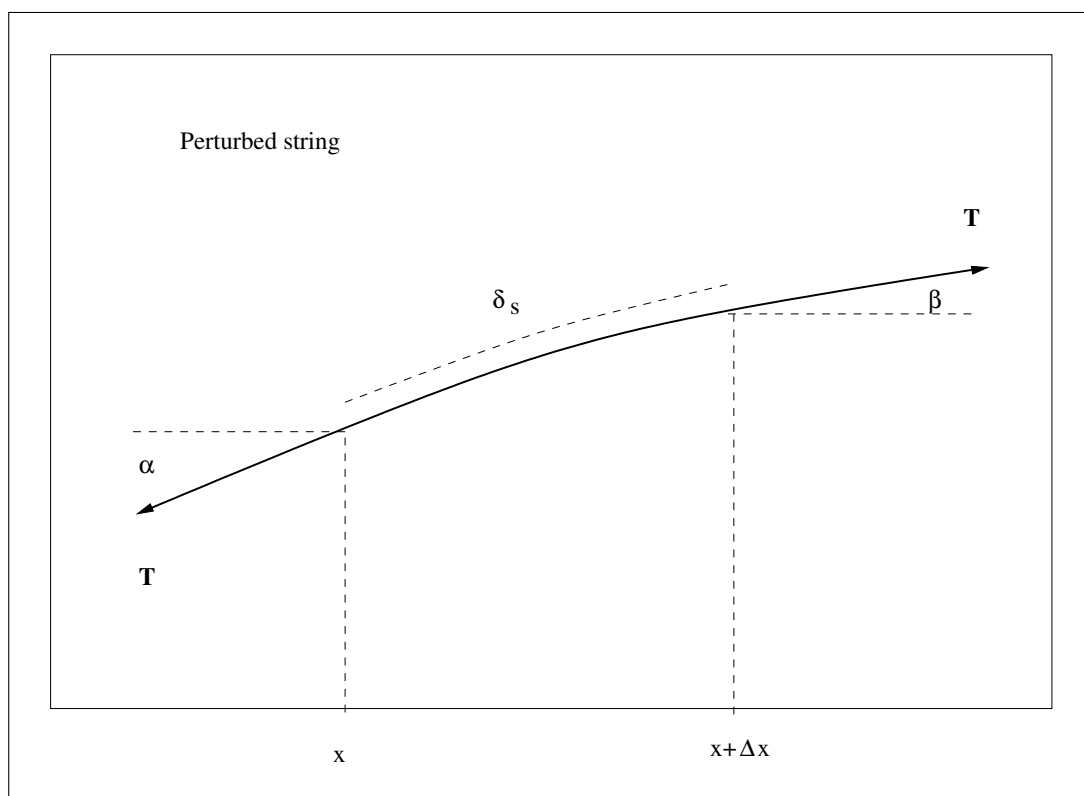
Models

Wave equations; Cauchy stress tensor; Navier equation of motion; Generalized Hooke's Law; Helmholtz Decomposition theorem

We assume the string is long, light, flexible and does not stretch:

- ① \Rightarrow tension force \mathbf{T} is constant
- ② \Rightarrow \mathbf{T} lies along direction of string

Consider an element of the perturbed string of length δs between x and $x + \Delta x$ as shown



- ① Since \mathbf{T} is constant, the total tension force acting on the element shown is

$$\begin{aligned}T(\sin \beta - \sin \alpha) &\approx T(\tan \beta - \tan \alpha) \\&= T(u_x(x + \Delta x, t) - u_x(x, t)) \\&\approx Tu_{xx}(x, t)\Delta x\end{aligned}$$

- ② if an external force f per unit length ($f\delta s \approx f\Delta x$) is acting on the element then the total force is given by

$$Tu_{xx}(x, t)\Delta x + F\rho\Delta x$$

where $F = f/\rho$

- ③ And by Newtons second law

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Total Force} &= \rho\delta su_{tt}(x, t) \\&\approx \rho\Delta xu_{tt}(x, t)\end{aligned}$$

$$u_{tt}(x, t) = c^2 u_{xx}(x, t) + F \quad \text{where } c^2 \equiv T/\rho$$

The general solution to the wave equation is

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

since

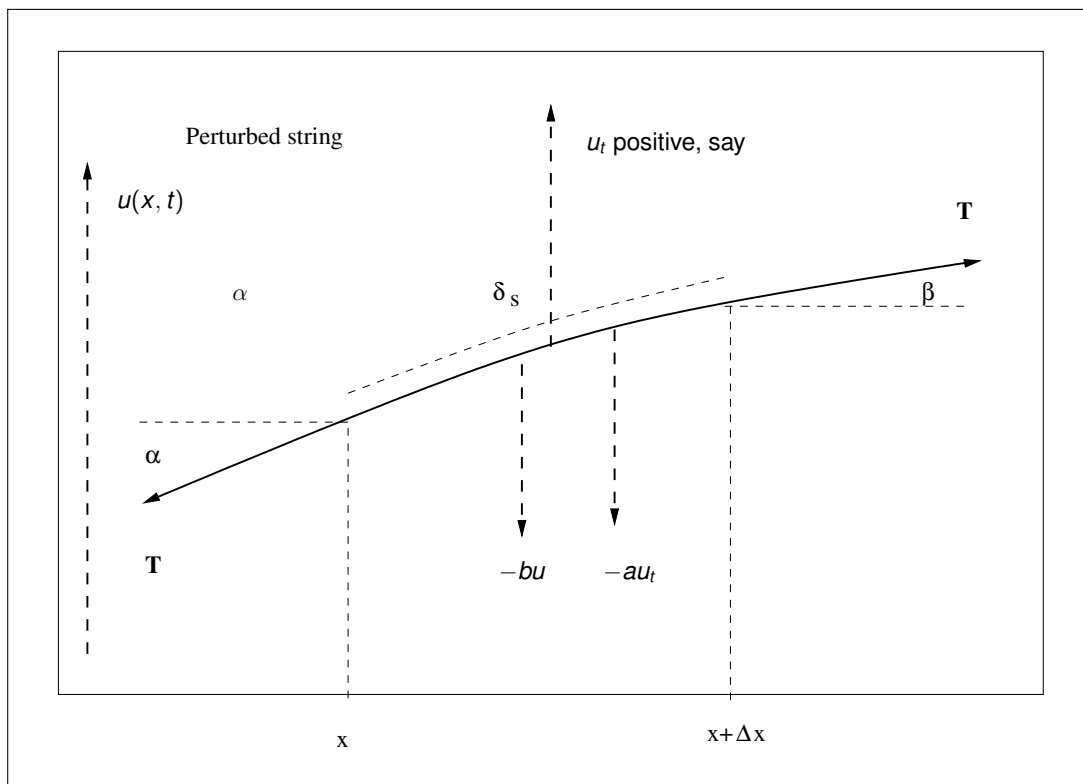
$$u_{xx} = F'' + G'' \quad u_{tt} = c^2 F'' + c^2 G''$$

and the general solution is the sum of any *waveform* F travelling to the right with speed c , and waveform G travelling to the left with speed c .

For a long, light, flexible string which does not stretch as in previous model for wave equation derivation in one dimension.

Assume that a damping force, per unit length, is present proportional to the velocity of the string's displacement with constant of proportionality a .

Assume also that a restoring force, per unit length, proportional to the displacement is present with constant of proportionality b .



The resultant equation is

$$u_{tt}(x, t) = c^2 u_{xx}(x, t) - \hat{a} u_t(x, t) - \hat{b} u(x, t)$$

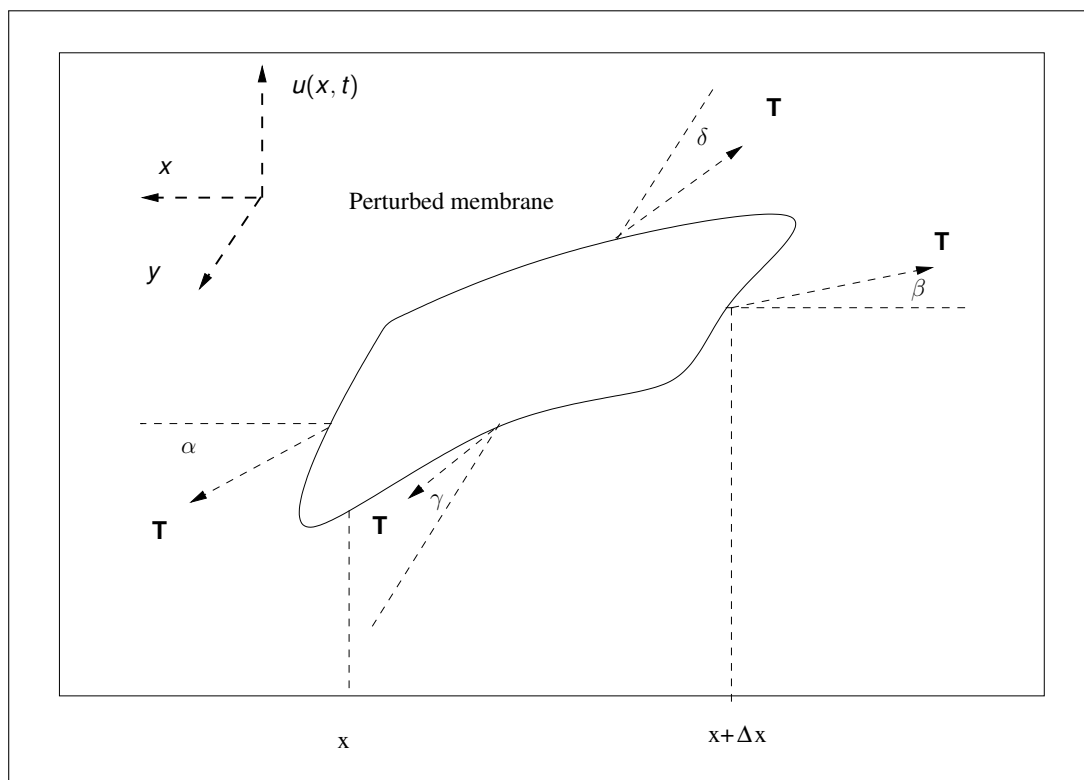
with $\hat{a} = a/\rho$ and $\hat{b} = b/\rho$.

Two-dimensional wave equation

Assuming a membrane which has long dimensions, is light, flexible and does not stretch, and undergoes small deflections.

Consider a small section of the membrane under a small deflection such that the lengths of the edges may be approximated with length Δx and Δy .

The tension force pulling on the edge of the section of length Δl is given by $T\Delta l$ (pulling outwards).



Two-dimensional wave equation

- ① The total tension force on the section of membrane in the positive vertical direction is

$$\begin{aligned} & T(\sin \beta - \sin \alpha)\Delta y + T(\sin \delta - \sin \gamma)\Delta x \\ & \approx T(\tan \beta - \tan \alpha)\Delta y + T(\tan \delta - \tan \gamma)\Delta x \\ & = T(u_x(x + \Delta x, y, t) - u_x(x, y, t))\Delta y \\ & \quad + T(u_y(x, y + \Delta y, t) - u_y(x, y, t))\Delta x \\ & \approx Tu_{xx}(x, y, t)\Delta x\Delta y + Tu_{yy}(x, y, t)\Delta y\Delta x \\ & = T\Delta A(u_{xx} + u_{yy}) \end{aligned}$$

- ② if an external force f per unit area is acting on the is acting on the element then the total force is given by

$$T\Delta A(u_{xx} + u_{yy}) + F\sigma\Delta A$$

with $F = f/\sigma$

- ③ And by Newtons second law

$$\text{Total Force} \approx \sigma\delta Au_{tt}(x, t, t)$$

$$u_{tt}(x, y, t) = c^2\nabla^2 u(x, y, t) + F \quad \text{where } c^2 \equiv T/\sigma$$

In continuum mechanics, the Cauchy stress tensor $\boldsymbol{\tau}$ defines the stress at a point inside a material. The stress vector \mathbf{T} , acting on a surface element with normal outward unit vector $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$, is obtained via

$$\mathbf{T} = \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_{xx} & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yx} & \tau_{yy} & \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{zx} & \tau_{zy} & \tau_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$

Conservation of angular momentum requires that $\boldsymbol{\tau}$ is symmetric.

By considering a small volume element $\Delta V = \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$ of mass density ρ , undergoing displacement $\mathbf{u} = (u, v, w)$, the equations of motion are easily shown to follow

$$\rho u_{tt} = \tau_{xx,x} + \tau_{xy,y} + \tau_{xz,z}$$

$$\rho v_{tt} = \tau_{yx,x} + \tau_{yy,y} + \tau_{yz,z}$$

$$\rho w_{tt} = \tau_{zx,x} + \tau_{zy,y} + \tau_{zz,z}$$

or

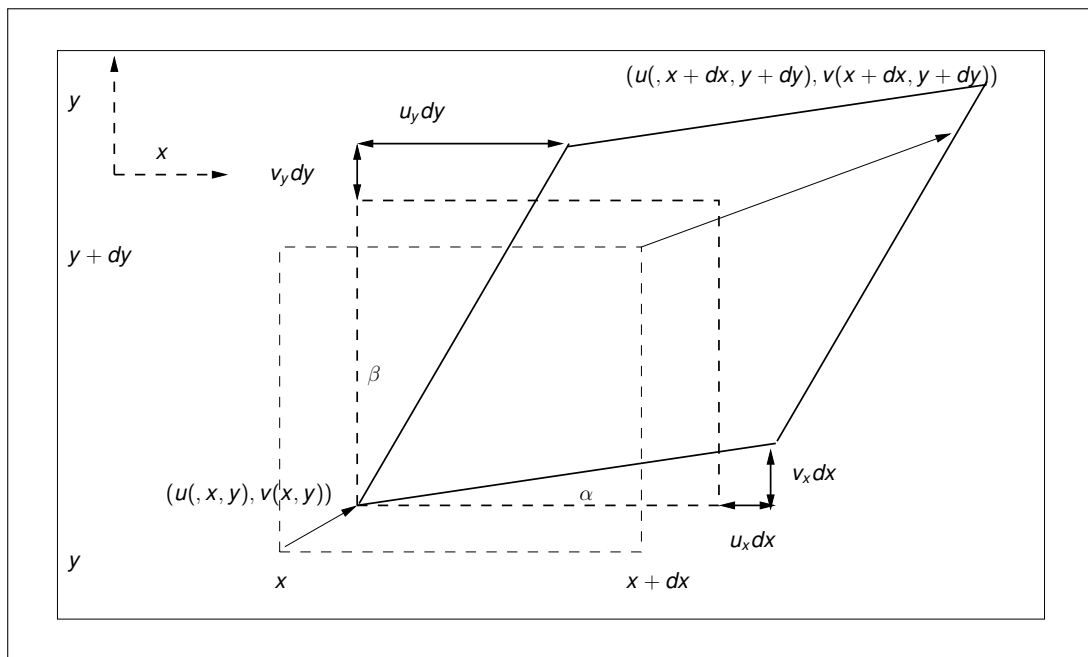
$$\rho \mathbf{u}_{tt} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}$$

An infinitesimal volume element $dV = dx dy dz$ at $t = 0$ is deformed into a parallelepiped with vertices at $\mathbf{u}(x, y, z, t)$, $\mathbf{u}(x + dx, y, z, t)$, $\mathbf{u}(x + dx, y + dy, z, t)$, etc. We assume small displacements.

The change in the length of a face with a dimension in the x -direction is given by $u_x dx$. The **normal strain** in the x -direction ϵ_{xx} is defined as the proportional change in this length,

$$\epsilon_{xx} = U_x \quad \epsilon_{yy} = V_y \quad \epsilon_{zz} = W_z$$

Orthogonal edge elements of the parallelepiped will be deformed by angles α , β (say) with respect to their original (coordinate) directions.



For the illustrated case, it is clear that

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{v_x dx}{dx + u_x dx} = \frac{v_x}{1 + u_x} \quad \tan \beta = \frac{u_y}{1 + v_y}$$

or, given displacements are small,

$$\alpha \approx v_x \quad \beta \approx u_y$$

and finally, the **shear strain** tensor component ϵ_{xy} , for an area element in the $x - y$ plane, is defined as the *average* of these angles

$$\epsilon_{xy} = \frac{u_y + v_x}{2} \quad \epsilon_{yz} = \frac{v_z + w_y}{2} \quad \epsilon_{xz} = \frac{u_z + w_x}{2}$$

Hence, we have in matrix form

$$\epsilon = \begin{pmatrix} u_x & \frac{u_y + v_x}{2} & \frac{u_z + w_x}{2} \\ \frac{u_y + v_x}{2} & v_y & \frac{v_z + w_y}{2} \\ \frac{u_z + w_x}{2} & \frac{v_z + w_y}{2} & w_z \end{pmatrix}$$

Recall simple form of Hooke's Law states that the restoring force on a normal displacement in one dimension is proportional to the magnitude of the displacement, or,

$$\tau_{xx} = \kappa \epsilon_{xx}$$

for some constant κ which is intrinsic to the material.

The generalised form of Hook's Law may be written in tensor notation as

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{\kappa} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

or, in component form,

$$\tau_{ij} = \kappa_{ijkl} \epsilon_{kl}$$

where κ is the elasticity tensor whose components are intrinsic.

For an isotropic, homogeneous medium

$$\kappa_{ijkl} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk})$$

where λ and μ are the first and second Lamé parameters.

Exercise: Write the Generalized Hooke's Law for an isotropic, homogeneous medium:

- ① in matrix form;
- ② in tensor form in terms of the dilation $\theta \equiv \text{tr}(\epsilon) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$.

Infinitesimal strain tensor for an isotropic, homogeneous medium

Recall

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{\kappa} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

with

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon} = \begin{pmatrix} u_x & \frac{u_y + v_x}{2} & \frac{u_z + w_x}{2} \\ \frac{u_y + v_x}{2} & v_y & \frac{v_z + w_y}{2} \\ \frac{u_z + w_x}{2} & \frac{v_z + w_y}{2} & w_z \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\kappa_{ijkl} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk})$$

Hence

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \lambda \theta \mathbf{I} + 2\mu \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

or in matrix form

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda\theta + 2\mu u_x & \mu(u_y + v_x) & \mu(u_z + w_x) \\ \mu(u_y + v_x) & \lambda\theta + 2\mu v_y & \mu(v_z + w_y) \\ \mu(u_z + w_x) & \mu(v_z + w_y) & \lambda\theta + 2\mu w_z \end{pmatrix}$$

Recall

$$\rho \mathbf{u}_{tt} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}$$

Show the Navier equation of motion may be obtained directly

$$\rho \mathbf{u}_{tt} = (\lambda + \mu) \nabla \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}$$

For an *incompressible material*, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$, and the Navier equation becomes

$$\mathbf{u}_{tt} = c_T^2 \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} \quad c_T^2 \equiv \mu / \rho$$

For an *irrotational material*, $\nabla \times \mathbf{u} = 0$, show $\nabla \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}$, and hence

$$\mathbf{u}_{tt} = c_L^2 \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} \quad c_L^2 \equiv (\lambda + 2\mu) / \rho$$

Any continuous vector field \mathbf{u} can be decomposed into a gradient component $\nabla\phi$ and a curl component $\nabla \times \psi$.

Proof

1 Define

$$\mathbf{a} = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} dV'$$

with $\mathbf{u} \rightarrow 0$ assumed faster than $1/r^2$

2 Then

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 a_i &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int u_i(\mathbf{r}') \nabla_r^2 \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} dV' \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int u_i(\mathbf{r}') (-4\pi \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')) dV' \\ &= u_i(\mathbf{r}) \end{aligned}$$

3 Using

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{a} = \nabla \nabla \cdot \mathbf{a} - \nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{a})$$

(Show this!)

4

$$\mathbf{u} = -\nabla\phi + \nabla \times \psi$$

for

$$\phi = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{a} \quad \psi = -\nabla \times \mathbf{a} \quad \square$$

Decomposition of Navier equations of motion

Using Helmholtz's Decomposition theorem, we write

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_T + \mathbf{u}_L$$

with $\nabla \times \mathbf{u}_L = 0$ and $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_T = 0$.

Hence by inserting \mathbf{u} into the Navier equation, and taking the div and curl, show that

$$\mathbf{u}_{L\,tt} = c_L^2 \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}_L \quad \mathbf{u}_{T\,tt} = c_T^2 \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}_T$$

Assume time-harmonic solutions in the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_L \\ \mathbf{u}_T \end{bmatrix} = e^{i\omega t} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}_L(x, y, z) \\ \mathbf{U}_T(x, y, z) \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence derive the Helmholtz equations

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{U}_L + k_L^2 \mathbf{U}_L = 0 \quad k_L^2 \equiv \omega^2 / c_L^2$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{U}_T + k_T^2 \mathbf{U}_T = 0 \quad k_T^2 \equiv \omega^2 / c_T^2$$

Maxwell's equations in a charge free vacuum are:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

Hence derive the wave equations.

Aside: Gauss' Divergence Theorem

Gauss' Theorem: For a vector field \mathbf{v} defined in a volume V bounded by a closed surface S

$$\int_S \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} dV$$

where $d\mathbf{S}$ is directed in the outward sense.

Prove this from first principles by considering a volume element

$$dV = dx dy dz.$$

Fourier's Law for velocity (\mathbf{v}) of heat flow (u) in a body with thermal conductivity K

$$\mathbf{v} = -K\nabla u$$

By Gauss, the total flux of heat leaving a volume bounded by S is

$$\int_S \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} dV = -K \int_V \nabla^2 u dV$$

If the specific heat of the material is assumed to be σ , then this flux must also equal

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \sigma \rho u dV = - \int_V \sigma \rho u_t dV$$

hence, we arrive at the **heat equation**

$$u_t = \kappa \nabla^2 u$$

where $\kappa = K/\sigma\rho$ is the thermal coefficient of the material.

Gravitational potential

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = - \int_{\text{allspace}} \frac{G\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d^3\mathbf{r}'$$

Gravitational force is given by $\mathbf{F} = -\nabla V$

Gauss' Law of Gravity

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 V &= -\nabla_r^2 \left(\int_{\text{allspace}} \frac{G\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d^3\mathbf{r}' \right) \\ &= - \left(\int_{\text{allspace}} G\rho(\mathbf{r}') \nabla_r^2 \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d^3\mathbf{r}' \right) \\ &= - \int_{\text{allspace}} G\rho(\mathbf{r}') (-4\pi\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')) d^3\mathbf{r}' \\ &= 4\pi G\rho\end{aligned}$$

Poisson equation for $\rho \neq 0$: $\nabla^2 V = 4\pi G\rho$

Laplace equation for $\rho = 0$: $\nabla^2 V = 0$

Consider density of physical quantity given by $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t)$ and associated flux $\mathbf{q}(\mathbf{r}, t)$

If the quantity ρ is **conserved**, and we consider a volume V bounded by a surface S , we must have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \rho dV = - \int_S \mathbf{q} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

where the area element $d\mathbf{S}$ is directed in the **outward** sense.

Then, by divergence theorem, we obtain the **conservation law** for ρ

$$\rho_t + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = 0$$

Second-order PDEs

Classification; Characteristics; Canonical Form; General Solution

Linear second-order PDE in two variables

We consider

$$Au_{xx} + Bu_{xy} + Cu_{yy} + Du_x + Eu_y + Fu = G$$

where coefficients A etc. are functions in x and y .

Assume a change of variables from (x, y) to (ξ, η) such that

$$J \equiv \begin{vmatrix} \xi_x & \xi_y \\ \eta_x & \eta_y \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

and that under the new coordinate variables, the coefficients of $u_{\xi\xi}$ and $u_{\eta\eta}$ in the second order PDE above vanish identically.

Hence, for ζ equal to either ξ , or η ,

$$A\zeta_x^2 + B\zeta_x\zeta_y + C\zeta_y^2 = 0$$

Show this.

Dividing across by ζ_y^2 :

$$A \left(\frac{\zeta_x}{\zeta_y} \right)^2 + B \left(\frac{\zeta_x}{\zeta_y} \right) + C = 0$$

Along a curve of constant ζ , have

$$d\zeta = \zeta_x dx + \zeta_y dy = 0$$

or equivalently,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\zeta_x}{\zeta_y}$$

and

$$A \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 - B \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) + C = 0$$

The curves defined in this way have the property that $\xi = \text{constant}$ and $\eta = \text{constant}$, these are the *characteristic curves*.

The roots of the above quadratic equation in dy/dx are:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$$

- If $B^2 - 4AC > 0$ there are two distinct real roots and therefore two real sets of characteristics: **hyperbolic**.
- If $B^2 - 4AC = 0$ there is only one real root and therefore one real characteristic: **parabolic**.
- If $B^2 - 4AC < 0$ there are no real roots and therefore no real characteristics: **elliptic**.

Making the transformation to $\xi(x, y)$ and $\eta(x, y)$ converts the second order linear PDE to **canonical form** for hyperbolic and parabolic equations.

For elliptic equations, the transformation variables required are

$$\alpha(x, y) = (\xi(x, y) + \eta(x, y))/2 \text{ and}$$

$$\beta(x, y) = (\xi(x, y) - \eta(x, y))/2i.$$

This is achieved by considering the characteristic equations.

Classify and convert to canonical form:

① $y^2 u_{xx} - x^2 u_{yy} = 0$

② $x^2 u_{xx} + 2xy u_{xy} + y^2 u_{yy} = 0$

③ $u_{xx} + x^2 u_{yy} = 0$

Special case of constant coefficients: straight-line characteristics

The roots of the above quadratic equation in dy/dx are:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A} \equiv \lambda_{1,2} \quad (\text{constants})$$

with straight-line solutions

$$y = \lambda_1 x + c_1 \quad y = \lambda_2 x + c_2$$

Hence, the characteristic coordinates are

$$\xi = y - \lambda_1 x \quad \eta = y - \lambda_2 x$$

Classify and convert to canonical form:

① $4u_{xx} + 5u_{xy} + u_{yy} + u_x + u_y = 2$

② $u_{xx} + u_{xy} + u_{yy} + u_x = 0$

③ $u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = 0 \quad (c \text{ constant})$

The characteristic coordinates are used to obtain the canonical form.

If the canonical form may be integrated, the **general solution** is obtained.

Find the general solution to:

① $x^2 u_{xx} + 2xy u_{xy} + y^2 u_{yy} = 0$

② $4u_{xx} + 5u_{xy} + u_{yy} + u_x + u_y = 2$

③ $3u_{xx} + 10u_{xy} + 3u_{yy} = 0$