

MTH-632 PDEs
Assignment (2): Classification and Canonical
Forms

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2.2.2

a.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= B^2 - 4AC \\ &= 5^2 - 4(4 * 1) \\ &= 25 - 16 \\ &= 9 > 0\end{aligned}$$

\implies The problem is hyperbolic.

b.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= B^2 - 4AC \\ &= 1^2 - 4(1 * 1) \\ &= 1 - 4 \\ &= -3 < 0\end{aligned}$$

\implies The problem is elliptic.

c.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= B^2 - 4AC \\ &= 10^2 - 4(3 * 3) \\ &= 100 - 36 \\ &= 64 > 0\end{aligned}$$

\implies The problem is hyperbolic.

d.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= B^2 - 4AC \\ &= 2^2 - 4(1 * 3) \\ &= 4 - 12 \\ &= -8 < 0\end{aligned}$$

\implies The problem is elliptic.

e.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= B^2 - 4AC \\ &= (-4)^2 - 4(2 * 2) \\ &= 16 - 16 \\ &= 0 \\ \implies &\text{The problem is parabolic.}\end{aligned}$$

f.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= B^2 - 4AC \\ &= 5^2 - 4(1 * 4) \\ &= 25 - 16 \\ &= 9 > 0 \\ \implies &\text{The problem is hyperbolic.}\end{aligned}$$

2.3.1

a.

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

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= B^2 - 4AC \\ &= 0 - 4(x * 1) \\ &= -4x \\ \implies &x < 0 \text{ then hyperbolic} \\ &x = 0 \text{ then parabolic} \\ &x > 0 \text{ then elliptic.}\end{aligned}$$

1. $x < 0$ (hyperbolic):

Characteristic Equation:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{B^2 \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A} \\ &= \frac{0^2 \pm \sqrt{0 - 4x}}{2x} \\ &= \pm \frac{2\sqrt{-x}}{2x} \\ &= \mp (x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\end{aligned}$$

Characteristic Curves:

$$\xi = \phi_1(x, y) = y + 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} = C_1$$

$$\eta = \phi_2(x, y) = y - 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} = C_2$$

Canonical Form:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \xi_x = x^{-\frac{1}{2}} & \xi_y = 1 & \xi_{xy} = 0 & \xi_{xx} = -\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{3}{2}} & \xi_{yy} = 0 \\ \eta_x = -x^{-\frac{1}{2}} & \eta_y = 1 & \eta_{xy} = 0 & \eta_{xx} = \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{3}{2}} & \eta_{yy} = 0 \end{array}$$

$$A^* = C^* = 0$$

$$B^* =$$