

# Classification of PDEs

Consider 3 independent variables  
 $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$

Second Order PDE

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 a_{ij}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i^0 \cdot \partial x_j^0} = R(x_1, x_2, x_3, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_2}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_3})$$

e.g.  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$

LHS  $\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^3 \left( a_{i1}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i^0 \cdot \partial x_1} + a_{i2}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i^0 \cdot \partial x_2} + a_{i3}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i^0 \cdot \partial x_3} \right)$

*we only look at the second order derivatives for type analysis*

$$= \left( a_{11}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1^0 \cdot \partial x_1} + a_{12}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1^0 \cdot \partial x_2} + a_{13}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1^0 \cdot \partial x_3} \right)$$

(substitute  $i$ 's accordingly)

$$+ \left( a_{21}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_2^0 \cdot \partial x_1} + a_{22}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_2^0 \cdot \partial x_2} + a_{23}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_2^0 \cdot \partial x_3} \right)$$

$$+ \left( a_{31}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_3^0 \cdot \partial x_1} + a_{32}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_3^0 \cdot \partial x_2} + a_{33}^0 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_3^0 \cdot \partial x_3} \right)$$



$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|\mathcal{A} - \lambda \mathbb{I}| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \lambda)^3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 1 \rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 1$$

$\therefore$  elliptical PDE.

### ③ Example 2

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

not second-order term  
 $\therefore$  ignore.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x_1 \\ y &= x_2 \\ t &= x_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{A} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 1, 1, 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Parabolic.

#### ④ Example 3

\* 2nd order terms always appear in the mat.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\therefore A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$|A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)(1-\lambda)(-1-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = -1$$

$\Rightarrow$  Hyperbolic PDE.

Shortcut method.

⑤ Two independent variables & one dependent variable  $\rightsquigarrow$  (having 2nd order terms).

Rewrite the PDE as  $\rightarrow$

$$A \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 2 \cdot B \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \cdot \partial y} + C \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

$$= f\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}, u\right)$$

$$B^2 - A \cdot C > 0 \Rightarrow \text{Hyperbolic}$$

$$B^2 - A \cdot C = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Parabolic}$$

$$B^2 - A \cdot C < 0 \Rightarrow \text{Elliptical}$$

e.g.  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$

$$A = 1, B = 0, C = \alpha$$

$$\alpha > 0 \Rightarrow \text{Hyperbolic}$$

$$\alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Parabolic}$$

$$\alpha < 0 \Rightarrow \text{Elliptical}$$

Ex 4:  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} + x \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial z} - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$

$x = x_1, y = x_2, z = x_3$

$= a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + f(x, y, z)$

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$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_2^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} + x \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1 \partial x_3} - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_3^2} = R$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_2^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} + \frac{x}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1 \partial x_3} + \frac{x}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_3 \partial x_1} - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_3^2} = R$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{x}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{x}{2} & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{Symmetric Matrix (real valued)}$$

D<sub>2</sub> eigenvalues of "A"  $\Rightarrow \lambda = \lambda(x)$   
 Depending on values of x  $\Rightarrow$  Classify PDE



Matrices are

also operators:  $\therefore L u = 0$ ,

$$L u = 0,$$

$$\text{where } L = \nabla^2 \text{ (Laplacian)}$$

⑦ Linear Operator  $\leadsto$  advantages  
 $\because$  we can use

$$L(\alpha \cdot u + \beta \cdot v) \quad \text{Linear Superpos'}$$

$$= \alpha \cdot L(u) + \beta \cdot L(v) \quad \text{to solve PDEs.}$$

$$- L = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

$$- L = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \nabla^2$$

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⑧ Resolving  
N-H using  
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For linear operator, one can use principle of linear superposition.

Principle of linear superposition  $\rightarrow \text{Lu} = x$

Consider,  $\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = x$  (Non-homogeneous  
2<sup>nd</sup> order, ODE)

$$B.C. \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} u(x=0) = 5^{\vee} \\ u(x=1) = 10^{\vee} \end{array} \right\} D.B.C. / \text{Non-Hom.}$$

Three Sources of non-homogeneities.

$$u(x) = \underline{y}(x) + \underline{v}(x) + \underline{\omega}(x)$$

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## Governing Equation of y:

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$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0 \quad \text{Subject to at } x=0, y=5 \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad x=1, y=0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = c_1 \Rightarrow y = c_1 x + c_2$$

$$y = c_1 x + 5 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 0 = c_1 + 5 \quad \Rightarrow \quad c_1 = -5$$

$$f(x) = 5 - 5x$$

## Governing Equation of $v$ :

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 0 \quad \text{Subs. to at } x=0, y=0 \\ \text{at } x=1, y=10$$

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$$v(x) = c_1 x + c_2 \Rightarrow c_2 = 0$$

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$$v(x) = 10x$$

Governing Equation of  $\omega(x)$ :

$$\frac{d^2w}{dx^2} = x$$

Subj to, at  $X=0$ ,  $W=0$   
 at  $X=1$ ,  $W=0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\omega}{dx} = \frac{x^2}{2} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow W(x) = \frac{x^3}{6} + Cx + C_2$$

$$\Rightarrow W(x) = \frac{x^5}{6} + c_1 x + c_2$$

$$w_0 = c_2 ;$$

$$0 = -\frac{1}{6} + 4$$

$$\text{RE VIDEOS}(x) = \frac{x^3}{6} - \frac{x}{6}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 u(x) &= y(x) + v(x) + w(x) \\
 &= 5 - 5x + 10x + \frac{x^3}{6} - \frac{x}{6} \\
 &= \frac{x^3}{6} + 5x - \frac{x}{6} + 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$u(x) = \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{29}{6}x + 5 \quad \checkmark$$

Original Problem:

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = x^2;$$

$$u(x=0) = 5, \\ u(x=1) = 10$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = x^2 c_2 + c_1$$

$$u(x) = \frac{x^3}{3} + c_1 x + c_2 = \frac{x^3}{6} + c_1 x + c_2$$

$$c_2 = 5$$

$$u(x) = \frac{x^3}{6} + c_1 x + 5 \\ 10 = \frac{1}{6} + c_1 + 5 \Rightarrow c_1 = 5 - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{29}{6}$$

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In this case the prob was a simple ODE, but the same logic can be used for PDEs as well.