

3.3.1

Solve
$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_t - k u_{xx} &= f(x, t) \\ u(x, 0) &= \phi(x) \\ u(0, t) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} x &> 0 \\ t &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

Dir bdy $\Rightarrow$ can use odd reflection. So equivalent to solving

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_t - k u_{xx} &= \begin{cases} f(x, t) & x > 0 \\ -f(-x, t) & x < 0 \end{cases} \\ u(x, 0) &= \begin{cases} \phi(x) & x > 0 \\ -\phi(-x) & x < 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} t &> 0 \\ x &\in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

and restricting to $x > 0$.

We know soln is

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= \int_0^\infty S(x-y, t) \phi(y) dy + \int_{-\infty}^0 S(x-y, t) (-\phi(-y)) dy \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \left(\int_0^\infty S(x-y, t-s) f(y, s) dy + \int_{-\infty}^0 S(x-y, t-s) (-f(-y, s)) dy \right) ds \\ &= \int_0^\infty (S(x-y, t) - S(x+y, t)) \phi(y) dy \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \int_0^\infty (S(x-y, t-s) - S(x+y, t-s)) f(y, s) dy ds \end{aligned}$$

by making change of var $y \mapsto -y$ in $\int_{-\infty}^0$ integrals.

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$$\left. \begin{aligned} w_t - kw_{xx} &= 0 \\ w(x, 0) &= \phi(x) \\ w_x(0, t) &= h(t) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} x &> 0 \\ t &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

The book suggests setting $u(x, t) = w(x, t) - h(t)x$

so that

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} u_t - ku_{xx} &= w_t - kw_{xx} - h'(t)x = -h'(t)x \\ u(x, 0) &= w(x, 0) - h(0)x = \phi(x) - h(0)x \\ u_x(0, t) &= h(t) - h(t) = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} x &> 0, t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

We can do this by even reflection, so solving on $\mathbb{R}$

$$u_t - ku_{xx} = \begin{cases} -h'(t)x \\ h'(t)x \end{cases}$$

$$u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} \phi(x) - h(0)x \\ \phi(-x) + h(0)x \end{cases}$$

which has solution

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= \int_0^\infty (S(x-y, t) + S(x+y, t)) \phi(y) dy \\ &+ \int_0^\infty S(x-y, t) (-h(0)y) dy + \int_{-\infty}^0 S(x-y, t) h(0)y dy \\ &+ \int_0^t \left(\int_0^\infty S(x-y, s) (-h'(s)y) dy ds + \int_{-\infty}^0 S(x-y, s) (h'(s)y) dy ds \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now it is obviously useful to compute

$$-\int_0^\infty S(x-y, s) y dy + \int_{-\infty}^0 S(x-y, s) y dy$$

~~substituting y = x - z~~ Putting $z = x - y$ so $y = x - z$ we can rewrite this as

$$= -\int_{-\infty}^x S(z, s) (x-z) dz + \int_x^\infty S(z, s) (x-z) dz$$

$$= x \left(\int_x^\infty S(z, s) dz - \int_{-\infty}^x S(z, s) dz \right) + \int_{-\infty}^x z S(z, s) dz - \int_x^\infty z S(z, s) dz$$

Now $\int_x^\infty S(z,s) dz - \int_{-\infty}^x S(z,s) dz = 2 \int_x^\infty S(z,s) dz - \int_{-\infty}^\infty S(z,s) dz$

and putting $p = \frac{z}{\sqrt{4ks}}$ $= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{\frac{x}{\sqrt{4ks}}}^\infty e^{-p^2} dp - 1$

$= -\text{Erf}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{4ks}}\right)$

And $\int_{-\infty}^x z S(z,s) dz - \int_x^\infty z S(z,s) dz$ can be transformed putting $q = \frac{z^2}{4ks}$, so $dq = \frac{z dz}{2ks}$

$= \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{x^2}{4ks}} \frac{2kt}{\sqrt{4ks\pi}} e^{-q} dq - \int_{\frac{x^2}{4ks}}^\infty \frac{2kt}{\sqrt{4ks\pi}} e^{-q} dq$ and ~~the~~ z endpt is just $q = \frac{x^2}{4ks}$

$= \frac{4kt}{\sqrt{4ks\pi}} \int_{\frac{x^2}{4ks}}^\infty e^{-q} dq$

$= \sqrt{\frac{4ks}{\pi}} \left[-e^{-q} \right]_{\frac{x^2}{4ks}}^\infty = \sqrt{\frac{4ks}{\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4ks}}$

Thus, substituting into soln for $u(x,t)$ we arrive at

$w(x,t) =$

$u(x,t) + xh(t) = \int_0^\infty (S(x-y,t) + S(x+y,t)) \phi(y) dy$

$+ h(0) \left(x \left(\text{Erf}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{4kt}}\right) - 1 \right) \right) + h(0) \sqrt{\frac{4kt}{\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4kt}}$

$+ \int_0^t \left(h'(s) x \left(\text{Erf}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{4ks}}\right) - 1 \right) + h'(s) \sqrt{\frac{4ks}{\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4ks}} \right) ds + xh(t)$

We could, perhaps, integ by parts in the second integral to simplify further, but I am not sure it would achieve much.

3.4.3

$$u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx} + \cos x$$

$$u(x, 0) = \sin x$$

$$u_t(x, 0) = 1 + x$$

Inhomog wave eqn on $\mathbb{R}$. Soln is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2}(u(x+ct, 0) + u(x-ct, 0)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} u_t(y, 0) dy$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \int_{x-c(t-s)}^{x+c(t-s)} \cos y dy ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(x+ct) + \sin(x-ct)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} (1+y) dy$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \left[\sin(x+c(t-s)) - \sin(x-c(t-s)) \right] ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(x+ct) + \sin(x-ct)) + \frac{1}{2c} \left(x+ct + \frac{1}{2}(x+ct)^2 - (x-ct) - \frac{1}{2}(x-ct)^2 \right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} \sin p \frac{dp}{-c} - \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^x \sin q \frac{dq}{c}$$

(by putting $p = x+c(t-s)$, $dp = -cds$
 $q = x-c(t-s)$, $dq = cds$)

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\sin(x+ct) + \sin(x-ct)) + t + xt + \frac{1}{2c^2} \left(\cos x - \cos(x+ct) + \cos x - \cos(x-ct) \right)$$

One may simplify using $\sin(a+b) + \sin(a-b) = 2\sin a \cos b$
 and $\cos(a+b) + \cos(a-b) = 2\cos a \cos b$

to get $= \sin x \cos ct + t + xt + \frac{1}{2c^2}(\cos x)(1 - \cos ct)$

but this step is not essential.

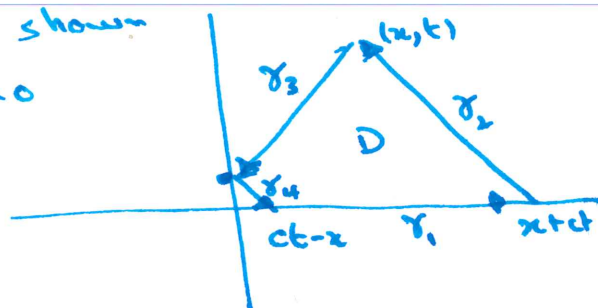
3.4.10

Problem is

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = f(x,t) \\ u(x,0) = 0 \\ u_t(x,0) = 0 \\ u(0,t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad x > 0 \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = f(x,t) \\ u(x,0) = 0 \\ u_t(x,0) = 0 \\ u(0,t) = 0 \end{array}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{for} \\ t > 0 \end{array}$$

Asked to verify that $u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D f(y,s) dy ds$ satisfies this, where

D is region shown when $x-ct < 0$ and $t > 0$



(The labels $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \gamma_4$ are for later; they are directed curves)

Evidently D is empty if $t=0$, so that $u(x,0)=0$. Also the area of D grows as t^2 for t near 0 so $u_t(x,0)=0$. More precisely, $\left| \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D f \right| \leq M \frac{\text{Area}(D)}{2c}$ if $|f| \leq M$

and $\text{Area}(D) \leq \frac{1}{2} t (2ct)$ because it is contained in a triangle of base $2ct$ and height t

so $M \frac{\text{Area}(D)}{2c} \leq \frac{1}{2} t^2$, whereupon

$$\left| \frac{u(x,t) - u(x,0)}{t} \right| = \left| \frac{u(x,t)}{t} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} t \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u_t(x,0) = 0.$$

~~When~~ When $x=0$ the triangle D is empty, so again

~~$\frac{1}{2c} \iint_D f = 0$~~ in this case, showing $u(0,t)=0$.

Finally we must show that for $u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D f$ we have $u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = f$.

One option is to follow the book in noting that by Green's

$$\text{then } \iint_D u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = - \int_{\partial D} u_t dx + c^2 u_x dt = \sum_{j=1}^4 \int_{\gamma_j} (-u_t dx + c^2 u_x dt) \quad (*)$$

Now recall (from multivar calc) that what this means is that we should param each curve as $(x(s), t(s))$ at which point $\int u_t dx + c^2 u_x dt$ means $\int (u_t \frac{dx}{ds} + c^2 u_x \frac{dt}{ds}) ds$.

We param γ_1 as $(s, 0)$ for s from $ct-x$ to $x+ct$

so $\frac{dx}{ds} = 1$, $\frac{dt}{ds} = 0$ and

$$-\int_{\gamma_1} u_t dx + c^2 u_x dt = -\int_{ct-x}^{ct+x} u_t(s, 0) ds$$

Param γ_2 as $(x + c(t-s), s)$ from $s=0$ to $s=t$

so $\frac{dx}{ds} = -c$, $\frac{dt}{ds} = 1$ and

$$-\int_{\gamma_2} u_t dx + c^2 u_x dt = -\int_0^t (-cu_t + c^2 u_x) ds$$

Now we recognize this as in the form $(\frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dt}{ds}) \cdot \nabla u$ so we can apply the fund thm on line integrals. this also applies to the integrals on γ_3 and γ_4 . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} -\int_{\gamma_2} u_t dx + c^2 u_x dt &= c \int_0^t (c, -1) \cdot \nabla u \, ds \\ &= c(u(x, t) - u(x+ct, 0)) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly param γ_3 as $(x - c(t-s), s)$ from $s=t$ to $s=t-\frac{x}{c}$

so $\frac{dx}{ds} = c$, $\frac{dt}{ds} = 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} -\int_{\gamma_3} u_t dx + c^2 u_x dt &= -\int_t^{t-\frac{x}{c}} (cu_t + c^2 u_x) ds = -c \int_t^{t-\frac{x}{c}} (c, 1) \cdot \nabla u \, ds \\ &= -c(u(0, t-\frac{x}{c}) - u(x, t)) = c(u(x, t) - u(0, t-\frac{x}{c})) \end{aligned}$$

And param γ_4 as $(c(t-s)-x, s)$ from $s=t-\frac{x}{c}$ to $s=0$

so $\frac{dx}{ds} = -c$, $\frac{dt}{ds} = 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} -\int_{\gamma_4} u_t dx + c^2 u_x dt &= \int_{t-\frac{x}{c}}^0 (-cu_t + c^2 u_x) ds = c \int_{t-\frac{x}{c}}^0 (-c, 1) \cdot \nabla u \, ds \\ &= c(u(ct-x, 0) - u(0, t-\frac{x}{c})) \end{aligned}$$

Putting these together we have from (*)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} &= \frac{1}{2c} \int_{ct-x}^{ct+x} u_t(y,0) dy + \frac{c}{2c} (u(x,t) - u(x+ct,0)) \\ &\quad + \frac{c}{2c} (u(x,t) - u(0, t - \frac{x}{c})) + \frac{c}{2c} (u(ct-x, 0) - u(0, t - \frac{x}{c})) \\ &= u(x,t) - \frac{1}{2} (u(x+ct,0) - u(ct-x,0)) - u(0, t - \frac{x}{c}) - \frac{1}{2c} \int_{ct-x}^{ct+x} u_t(y,0) dy \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned} u(x,t) &= \frac{1}{2} (u(x+ct,0) - u(ct-x,0)) + u(0, t - \frac{x}{c}) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{ct-x}^{ct+x} u_t(y,0) dy \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} \end{aligned}$$

but we ~~assumed~~ were given $u(x+ct,0) = u(ct-x,0) = 0$
and $u_t(y,0) = 0$
and $u(0, t - \frac{x}{c}) = 0$

so $u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx}$ and thus

$$u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D f \Leftrightarrow u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = f.$$

We showed this for D as in diagram under the assumption $x-ct < 0$ i.e. $ct > x$. If $x < ct$ then the domain is the usual light cone and the computation is in the back.

3.4.12

Find general
soln for $t > 0$
for ~~the~~ system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v_{tt} - c^2 v_{xx} = f(x, t) \\ v(x, 0) = \phi(x) \\ v_t(x, 0) = \psi(x) \\ v(0, t) = h(t) \end{array} \right\} \quad x > 0$$

by integrating over domain of dependence using Green's thm.

This is actually what we did in 3.4.10 where we found

that

$$v(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} (v(x+ct) + v(ct-x)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{ct-x}^{ct+x} v_t(y, 0) dy + \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D v_{tt} - c^2 v_{xx}$$

$$+ v(0, t - \frac{x}{c}) .$$

Substituting our boundary data we get (for $ct > x$)

$$v(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} (\phi(x+ct) + \phi(ct-x)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{ct-x}^{x+ct} \psi(y) dy + \frac{1}{2c} \iint_D f(y, s) dy ds$$

$$+ h(t - \frac{x}{c}) .$$

3.4.13

Solve

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx} \\ u(x, 0) = x \\ u_t(x, 0) = 0 \\ u(0, t) = t^2 \end{array} \right\} \quad x > 0$$

By previous problem soln for $ct > x$ is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} (x+ct - (ct-x)) + (t - \frac{x}{c})^2$$

$$= x + (t - \frac{x}{c})^2$$

while for $ct \leq x$ it is the usual wave soln on $\mathbb{R}$

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} ((x+ct) + (x-ct)) = x$$

So

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