

Partial Diff Eqns and BVP

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Partial Diff Eqn is a relation involving partial derivatives of the unknown (with one or more independent variables). For example

$$F(u_{xx}, u_{xy}, u_{yy}, u_x, u_y, u) = 0$$

is a partial D.E involving at most second order partial differential derivative.

For Linear PDE's $F(\alpha u + \beta v) = \alpha F(u) + \beta F(v)$

A linear partial diff eq of second order in $u = u(x, y)$ has the form

$$A u_{xx} + B u_{xy} + C u_{yy} + D u_x + E u_y + F u = G$$

where the letters A to G are either constants or functions of the independent variables x and y only.

The D.E

$$x^2 u_{xx} + y^2 u_{yy} = f(x, y)$$

is ~~not~~ linear but $u u_{xx} + u_{yy} = f(x, y)$

is non linear.

Boundary Conditions: u or any of its first derivatives prescribed on boundary.

For example

Dirichlet conditions prescribe u on boundary

Neumann " " normal derivative on boundary.

Robin Condition: $ku + \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}$ is given on the boundary.

A BVP is linear if its PDE and all of its boundary conditions are linear.

A linear PDE n B.C in u is homogeneous if each of its terms, is of first degree in the function u and its derivatives.

Homogeneous PDE

$$u_{xx}(x,y) = \frac{1}{c^2} u_{tt}$$

Homogeneous B.C.

$$u(0,y) = u_x(0,y)$$

Non-homogeneous PDE

$$Au_{xx} + B u_{xy} + C u_{yy} = G \quad (G \neq 0)$$

Non homogeneous B.C.

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

Classification

Properly Posed Problems

- 1- Does a solution exist
- 2- Is the solution unique
- 3- Is the solution stable.

(continuous dependence on data)

Classification.

$$Au_{xx} + B u_{xy} + C u_{yy} + D u_x + E u_y + F u = G$$

$$B^2 - 4AC > 0$$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0$$

$$B^2 - 4AC < 0$$

Hyperbolic

Parabolic

Elliptic.

① $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ (Laplace Eqn) (3)

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

$B^2 - 4AC = -4 < 0$ Elliptic

② $u_{xx} = \frac{1}{c^2} u_{tt}$, c const. (Wave Equation)

$A=1, B=0, C = -\frac{1}{c^2}$

$B^2 - 4AC = \frac{4}{c^2} > 0$ Hyperbolic

③ $u_{xx} + \cancel{u_{yy}} = \frac{1}{a^2} u_t$ Heat Eqn

$A=1, B=C=0$

$B^2 - 4AC = \cancel{0} = 0$

Parabolic.

④ $u_{xx} - x u_{yy} + u = 0$

$B^2 - 4AC = 4x$

Hyperbolic in half plane $x > 0$

elliptic " " $x < 0$

Parabolic on y -axis ($x=0$)

General Solution for Constant Coeff Eqs

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$$A u_{xx} + B u_{xy} + C u_{yy} = 0$$

A, B, C constants.

$$\text{Put } r = ax + by$$

$$, ad - bc \neq 0$$

$$s = cx + dy$$

a, b, c are constants to be determined

From chain rule

$$u_x = u_r r_x + u_s s_x = a u_r + c u_s$$

$$u_y = u_r r_y + u_s s_y = b u_r + d u_s$$

$$u_{xx} = r_x^2 u_{rr} + 2 r_x s_x u_{rs} + s_x^2 u_{ss} + r_{xx} u_r + s_{xx} u_s$$

$$= a^2 u_{rr} + 2ac u_{rs} + c^2 u_{ss}$$

$$u_{xy} = ab u_{rr} + (ad + bc) u_{rs} + cd u_{ss}$$

$$u_{yy} = b^2 u_{rr} + 2bd u_{rs} + d^2 u_{ss}$$

PDE \Rightarrow

$$A(a^2 + B a b + C b^2) u_{rr} + (A c^2 + B c d + C d^2) u_{ss} \\ + [2Aac + B(ad + bc) + 2Cbd] u_{rs} = 0$$

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and $b=d=1$ and take a, c to be solutions of $A m^2 + B m + C = 0$

$$a = m_1 = \frac{-B + \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$$

$$c = m_2 = \frac{-B - \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$$

Then we get

$$[2Am_1m_2 + B(m_1 + m_2) + 2C] u_{rs} = 0$$

But

$$m_1 + m_2 = -\frac{B}{A}, \quad m_1 m_2 = \frac{C}{A} \quad \text{so}$$

$$\frac{1}{A} (4AC - B^2) u_{rs} = 0$$

$\begin{matrix} \text{Hyperbolic} & \text{if } > 0 \\ \text{Elliptic} & \text{if } < 0 \end{matrix}$

It is now clear to see the meaning of $B^2 - 4AC \leq 0$

For hyperbolic/elliptic $B^2 - 4AC \neq 0$

$$\text{so } u_{rs} = 0$$

$$\text{or } u(r, s) = F(r) + G(s)$$

Thus $u(x, y) = F(m_1 x + y) + G(m_2 x + y)$

In parabolic case $B^2 - 4AC = 0$, so we get.

$$0 = 0, \quad \underline{m_1 = m_2 = m}$$

$$\text{so } r = s \quad \text{or } ad - bc = 0$$

In this case we may try:

$$\left. \begin{matrix} r = mx + y \\ s = x \end{matrix} \right\} \text{ not proportional}$$

$a=m, b=1, c=1, d=0$ so that

$$u_{,s} = 0 \quad (A \neq 0)$$

$$u(r,s) = F(r) + s G(r)$$

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$$u(x,y) = F(mx+y) + x G(mx+y)$$

Examples = $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$

① $B^2 - 4AC = -4$.

$Am^2 + Bm + C = 0$ gives

$$m^2 + 1 = 0, \quad m_1 = i, \quad m_2 = -i$$

$$u(x,y) = F(y+ix) + G(y-ix)$$

A B C

② $u_{xx} - 2u_{xy} + u_{yy} = 0$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0$$

$$m^2 - 2m + 1 = 0 \quad (a=m, b=1, c=1, d=1)$$

$$m_1 = m_2 = 1. \quad a$$

$$u(x,y) = F(x+y) + x G(x+y)$$

D'Alembert Solution of Wave Equation

One dimensional wave equation

$$u_{xx} - c^2 u_{tt} = 0$$

$$u(x,0) = f(x), \quad u_t(x,0) = g(x) \quad (\text{Cauchy problem})$$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 4c^2 > 0$$

$$m_1 = -m_2 = c \quad \text{so}$$

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

Regarding

$$x+ct = v$$

$$x-ct = w$$

$$u(x,t) = F(v) + G(w)$$

Using Chain Rule and boundary conditions

$$u(x,0) = f(x) \Rightarrow F(x) + G(x) = f(x) \quad \text{--- (a) } \quad (7)$$

$$u_t(x,0) = 0 \Rightarrow a F'(x) - a G'(x) = 0 \quad \text{--- (b)}$$

From (b) $G'(x) = F'(x)$

so $G(x) = F(x) + C$, C constant

From (a) $2F(x) = f(x) - C$

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{2} [f(x) - C]$$

$$G(x) = \frac{1}{2} [f(x) + C]$$

Hence $u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(x+at) + f(x-at)]$

This is called d'Alembert's solution of the wave equation.

Problems: 1. Use direct integration to solve

(a) $u_{xx} = 6xy$, $0 < x < 1$, $-\infty < y < \infty$

$u(0,y) = y$, $u_x(1,y) = 0$

(b) $u_{xy}(x,y) = 2x$, $x > 0$, $y > 0$

$u(0,y) = 0$, $u(x,0) = x^2$

2) Follow above procedure (d'Alembert solution)

to solve

$$u_{tt} = a^2 u_{xx}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$t > 0$$

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

$$u_t(x,0) = g(x)$$

Separation of Variables :

The method is based upon the assumption that the solution of a homogeneous PDE can be written as product of two functions, each being function of one variable — and product of more functions if there are more independent variables.

We shall thus assume

$$u(x, y) = F(x) G(y).$$

The full extent of the method will be developed with the help of Fourier series, but we consider the basic idea here.

Example : $y u_x - x u_y = 0$

Put $u(x, y) = F(x) G(y)$

then PDE $\Rightarrow y F'(x) G(y) - x F(x) G'(y) = 0$

or $y F'(x) G(y) = x F(x) G'(y)$

Divide by $F(x) G(y)$ both sides

$$y \frac{F'(x)}{F(x)} = x \frac{G'(y)}{G(y)}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{x} \frac{F'(x)}{F(x)} = \frac{1}{y} \frac{G'(y)}{G(y)}$$

As L.H.S is a function of one variable (x) alone and R.H.S is a function of y alone, both sides can be equal if both are constant. so

$$\frac{1}{x} \frac{F'(x)}{F(x)} = \frac{1}{y} \frac{G'(y)}{G(y)} = \lambda \text{ (constant)}$$

This gives two ordinary differential equations

$$\frac{F'(x)}{F(x)} = \lambda x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\frac{G'(y)}{G(y)} = \lambda y \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

The solutions to (1) and (2) can be easily found to be $F(x) = A e^{\lambda x^2}$ and $G(y) = B e^{\lambda y^2}$

so that $u(x, y) = C e^{\lambda(x^2 + y^2)}$, C arbitrary constant.

Examples: (a) $u_x - y u_y = 0$

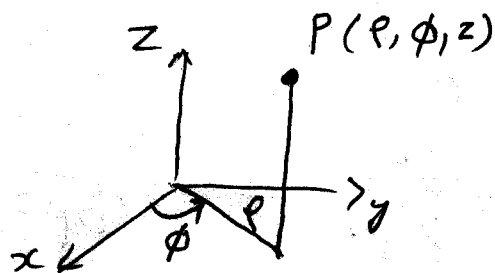
(b) $u_{xy} - u = 0$

Other Coordinate Systems

In many practical problems, the physical situation demands use of cylindrical or spherical coordinates

Cylindrical coordinates:

$$\begin{array}{l|l} x = \rho \cos \phi & \rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \\ y = \rho \sin \phi & \phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ z = z & z = z \end{array}$$



(Book notation has been followed here)

In other literature (r, θ, z) is used.

By chain Rule

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \\ &= \frac{x}{\rho} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} - \frac{y}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \cos \phi \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} - \frac{\sin \phi}{\rho} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi}$$

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Repeating this

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \cos \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\sin \phi}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)$$

Which yields

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \cos^2 \phi \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \rho^2} - \frac{2 \sin \phi \cos \phi}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \phi \partial \rho}$$

$$+ \frac{\sin^2 \phi}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\sin^2 \phi}{\rho} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} + \frac{2 \sin \phi \cos \phi}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi}$$

Similarly

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \sin^2 \phi \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \rho^2} + \frac{2 \sin \phi \cos \phi}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \phi \partial \rho}$$

$$+ \frac{\cos^2 \phi}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \phi}{\rho} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} - \frac{2 \sin \phi \cos \phi}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi}$$

Hence

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \rho^2} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \phi^2}$$

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

$$= \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \rho^2} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\boxed{\nabla^2 u = \frac{1}{\rho} (\rho u)_{\rho} + \frac{1}{\rho^2} u_{\phi\phi} + u_{zz}}$$

In two dimensions

$$\rho^2 u_{\rho\rho} + \rho u_{\rho} + u_{\phi\phi} = 0$$

Laplace Eqn

$$u_t = k \left(u_{\rho\rho} + \frac{1}{\rho} u_{\rho} \right)$$

Heat Equation

with polar symmetry.

$$u_{tt} = c^2 \left(u_{\rho\rho} + \frac{1}{\rho} u_{\rho} \right)$$

Wave Equation
with polar symmetry

In case of polar symmetry, u is independent of angle ϕ and so $u(\rho, t)$ only.

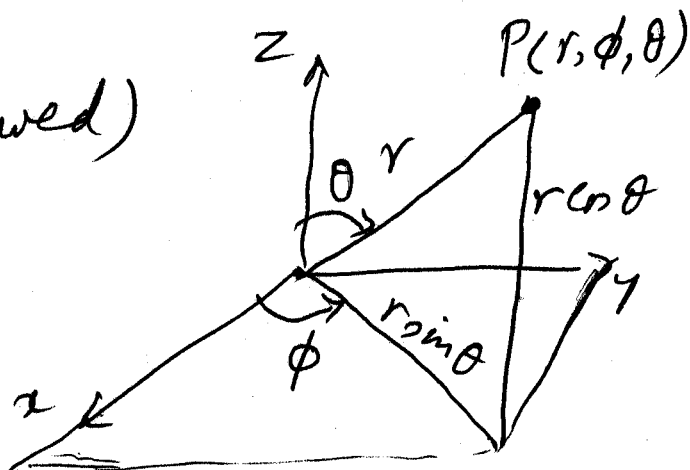
Spherical coordinates

(Notation of Book followed)

$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi$$

$$y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

$$z = r \cos \theta$$



We can check!

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\cot \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$

See the relevant section of the text book also.