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Lecture 13

Pick up: Practice Set 3

Homework 3 to be posted TODAY

- Opt. Reading
- { Kevorkian 2.1-2.5
 - { Debnath 1.6
 - { Evans 2.1-2.4

Theme: PDE(s) \rightarrow ODE(s)

I. Directly:

Characteristics, separation of variables

traveling waves

similarity solutions (later on) } "guess"

④ Legendre transformation: view derivatives of unknown functions as independent variables

II. For nonlinear PDE

convert nonlinear PDE to linear PDE first

- ① Transformation $u \rightarrow w = \phi(u)$
- ② Potential functions
- ③ Hodograph transform (switch independent and dependent variables)

Example: $(1 + u_y^2) u_{xx} + 2u_x u_y u_{xy} + (1 + u_x^2) u_{yy} = 0$
 cubic term

but the eq. is QL, 2nd order, no explicit dependence on x, y .
 • the derivatives differ by one and only two orders appear.

\Rightarrow View u_x and u_y as independent variables

{ $p = u_x(x, y)$ definition
 { $s = u_y(x, y)$

$(x, y) \rightarrow (p, s)$ assuming mapping is 1-1 and invertible

Condition: $\begin{vmatrix} u_{xx} & u_{xy} \\ u_{xy} & u_{yy} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} x = x(p, s) \\ y = y(p, s) \end{cases}$

① Define: Legendre transform of u is function of p, s that has a 1-1 relation with $u(x, y)$

$$v(p, s) = px + sy - u(x, y) = pX(p, s) + sY(p, s) - u(x(p, s), y(p, s))$$

② Find a PDE for v with independent variables p, s

→ we need to find the second derivatives only

Exercise: $u_{xx} = \mathcal{L} v_{ss}$, $u_{xy} = -\mathcal{L} v_{ps}$, $u_{yy} = \mathcal{L} v_{ss}$

(find)

where

$$\mathcal{L} = \begin{vmatrix} u_{xx} & u_{xy} \\ u_{xy} & u_{yy} \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{assuming } u_{xy} = u_{yx} \text{ (Hessian)}$$

→ assumes $\mathcal{L} \neq 0$

Replace in the PDE for $u(x, y)$:

$$(1+s^2) v_{ss} + 2ps v_{ps} + (1+p^2) v_{pp} = 0$$

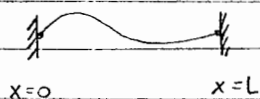
LINEAR PDE!

Method I

Anatomy of separation of variables (I)

"Natural frequencies" or eigenvalue problem

Example: Vibrating string



$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = 0 & x \in (0, L), t > 0 \\ u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0 & \text{Boundary conditions} \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) & \text{Initial conditions} \\ u_t(x, 0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

① go to a system but you will get stuck because of the BC.
→ separation of variables

what are the variables: x, t

② Try $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t) \Rightarrow XT''(t) - c^2 T X''(x) = 0$

$$\frac{T''(t)}{T} - c^2 \frac{X''(x)}{X} = 0$$

only on t only on x

③ Get ODE's $\frac{T''}{T} = -\lambda$, $\frac{X''}{X} = -\lambda/c^2$ say $\lambda > 0$

$$\frac{T'}{T} = -\lambda^2 \Rightarrow T(t) = A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}t) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}t) \quad \sqrt{\lambda} = \omega \text{ frequencies}$$

$$\frac{x''}{x} = -\frac{\lambda}{c^2} \Rightarrow x(x) = C \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{c}x\right) + D \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{c}x\right) \quad \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{c} = k \text{ wave number}$$

(2.3) ④ Apply HOMOGENEOUS BC.

• $u(0,t) = u(L,t) = 0 \Rightarrow x(0) = x(L) = 0$

1) $\Rightarrow C = 0$

2) $\Rightarrow D \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{c}L\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{c} = n\pi, n = 1, 2, \dots$
↑ trivial

$$\lambda = \left(\frac{n\pi c}{L}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \omega_n = \frac{n\pi c}{L}$$

• $u_x(x,0) = 0 \Rightarrow T'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$

Solution:

$$u(x,t) = D \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi c t}{L}\right) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

So far we solved the eigenvalue problem: Find non-zero solutions of the PDE satisfying homogeneous conditions. This gave us discrete values for (ω, k)

$\omega = \omega_n$ are called "natural frequencies" of the system, arise naturally in separation of variables

⑤ Apply the remaining condition

Superimpose over all possible solutions:

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi c t}{L}\right)$$

$$u(x,0) = f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \Rightarrow D_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L dx \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) f(x)$$

Fourier series

Observations:

apply only → "Linear" problems: the operator of the PDE is linear
 (we multiply the solution by const, satisfies same PDE)
 2nd order case

Homogeneous conditions \Rightarrow we end up with an ODE

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[p(x) \frac{d}{dx} \right] \psi(x) + [q(x) + \mu s(x)] \psi(x) = 0 \quad a < x < b$$

Sturm-Liouville problem

+ homogeneous BC at $x = a, b$ where $p, s > 0, q \leq 0$

The Sturm-Liouville problem has discrete set of solutions $\{\psi_n\}$ corresponding to $\{\mu = \mu_n\}$.

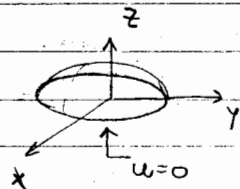
Under some restrictions, the set $\{\psi_n\}$ is complete which means that any arbitrary function can be expanded over this set $\{\psi_n\}$

$$f(x) = \sum_n c_n \psi_n(x)$$

The set can be orthogonal $\int_a^b dx \underbrace{s(x)}_a \psi_n(x) \psi_m(x) = 0$ if $m \neq n$

$$\Rightarrow c_n = \frac{\int_a^b dx s(x) \psi_n(x) f(x)}{\int_a^b dx s(x) \psi_n(x)^2}$$

Example: Vibrating membrane



$u(x, y, t)$
circular
membrane $r=a$

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} - c^2 \nabla^2 u = 0 \\ u(r=a, \phi, t) = 0 \\ u(r, \phi, t=0) = f(r, \phi) \\ u_t(r, \phi, t=0) = 0 \quad \text{"zero" velocity} \end{cases}$$

Polar coordinates: (r, ϕ) + time t

Try separation of variables: $u(r, \phi, t) = \Lambda(r, \phi) T(t)$

Apply the PDE:

$$\frac{T''}{T} - c^2 \frac{\nabla^2 \Lambda}{\Lambda} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{T''}{T} = -\lambda \\ c^2 \frac{\nabla^2 \Lambda}{\Lambda} = -\lambda \end{cases}$$

What is the sign of $(-\lambda)$?

$\Lambda|_{\text{boundary}} = 0$ (use this) $\Rightarrow c^2 \nabla^2 \Lambda = -\lambda \Lambda$
 $c^2 \Lambda \nabla^2 \Lambda = -\lambda \Lambda^2$

$$\int_{\text{disk}} c^2 \Lambda \nabla^2 \Lambda = \int_{\text{disk}} -\lambda \Lambda^2$$

$$\int_{\partial \text{disk}} c^2 \Lambda \nabla \Lambda \cdot \underline{n} - c^2 \int_{\text{disk}} |\nabla \Lambda|^2 ds = -\lambda \int_{\text{disk}} \Lambda^2 ds \quad (\text{because of homogeneous BC's})$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 \int_{\text{disk}} ds |\nabla \Lambda|^2 = \lambda \int_{\text{disk}} \Lambda^2 ds \quad \Rightarrow \lambda > 0$$

variational
formula for λ

$$\lambda = c^2 \frac{\int ds |\nabla \Lambda|^2}{\int ds \Lambda^2} > 0$$