

Partielle Differentialgleichungen

3. Übung Lösungsvorschlag

Gruppenübung

G 1 1. We use Schwarz' rule:

$$\begin{aligned}v_{tt} &= u_{xtt} + u_{ttt} \\ &= u_{xxx} + u_{txx} = v_{xx}.\end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}v_t &= 2u_x u_{xt} + 2u_t u_{tt} \\ v_{tt} &= 2u_{xt}^2 + 2u_x u_{xtt} + 2u_{tt}^2 + u_t u_{ttt} \\ v_x &= 2u_x u_{xx} + 2u_t u_{tx} \\ v_{xx} &= 2u_{xx}^2 + 2u_x u_{xxx} + 2u_{tx}^2 + 2u_t u_{txx}\end{aligned}$$

and so again $v_{tt} = v_{xx}$.

G 2 1. We have

$$u(t, x) = \hat{u}(\xi, \eta) = \hat{u}(\alpha x + \beta t, \gamma x + \delta t)$$

and so, using chain rule of differentiation

$$\begin{aligned}u_x &= \alpha \hat{u}_\xi + \gamma \hat{u}_\eta \\ u_{xx} &= \alpha^2 \hat{u}_{\xi\xi} + 2\alpha\gamma \hat{u}_{\xi\eta} + \gamma^2 \hat{u}_{\eta\eta} \\ u_{tt} &= \beta^2 \hat{u}_{\xi\xi} + 2\beta\delta \hat{u}_{\xi\eta} + \delta^2 \hat{u}_{\eta\eta}\end{aligned}$$

Plugging these into the wave equation we get

$$(c^2\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\hat{u}_{\xi\xi} + 2(c^2\alpha\gamma - \beta\delta)\hat{u}_{\xi\eta} + (c^2\gamma^2 - \delta^2)\hat{u}_{\eta\eta} = 0.$$

The coefficients of $\hat{u}_{\xi\xi}$ and $\hat{u}_{\eta\eta}$ should be equal to zero, while the ones with $\hat{u}_{\xi\eta}$ shouldn't vanish. Thus taking

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= 1, & \beta &= c \\ \gamma &= -1, & \delta &= c\end{aligned}$$

gives the desired transformation.

2. Transforming the equation with the coefficients found above, we get

$$-4c^2 \hat{u}_{\xi\eta}(\xi, \eta) = \hat{f}(\xi, \eta),$$

where $\hat{f}(\xi, \eta) = f(x, y)$ and so

$$\hat{u}_{\xi\eta} = -\frac{1}{4c^2} \hat{f}.$$

The solution to the homogeneous equation $\hat{u}_{\xi\eta} = 0$ is $\hat{u} = \phi(\xi) + \psi(\eta)$. Thus the solution to the inhomogeneous equation is

$$\hat{u}(\xi, \eta) = -\frac{1}{4c^2} \int_0^\xi \int_0^\eta \hat{f}(u, v) du dv + \phi(\xi) + \psi(\eta).$$

Next we proceed as in the script to obtain the d'Alambert formula

$$u(t, x) = \frac{1}{2}(u^0(x+ct) + u^0(x-ct)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} u^1(s) ds + \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \int_{x-c(t-t')}^{x+c(t-t')} f(t', x') dx' dt'.$$

G 3 1. We will first prove that $\hat{u} \in C^2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+)$. Computing the derivatives:

$$\hat{u}_x(t, x) = \begin{cases} u_x(t, x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \geq 0 \\ u_x(t, -x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \leq 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{u}_t(t, x) = \begin{cases} u_t(t, x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \geq 0 \\ -u_t(t, -x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

This means that the first derivatives are continuous. Now for the second derivatives:

$$\hat{u}_{xx}(t, x) = \begin{cases} u_{xx}(t, x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \geq 0 \\ -u_{xx}(t, -x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \leq 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{u}_{tx}(t, x) = \begin{cases} u_{tx}(t, x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \geq 0 \\ u_{tx}(t, -x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \leq 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{u}_{tt}(t, x) = \begin{cases} u_{tt}(t, x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \geq 0 \\ -u_{tt}(t, -x) & \text{for } t \geq 0, x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

The mixed derivative is continuous. Taking into consideration the condition

$$u(t, 0) = 0$$

and differentiating it twice with respect to time we get

$$u_{tt}(t, 0) = 0.$$

This means that \hat{u}_{tt} is continuous. From the wave equation we also have

$$u_{xx}(t, 0) = u_{tt}(t, 0) = 0$$

and so \hat{u}_{xx} is continuous also (the fact that $(u^0)''(0) = 0$ should be added to assumptions).

The fact that \hat{u} satisfies the wave equation with the given initial conditions is not difficult to check.

2. The d'Alembert formula for \hat{u} is

$$\hat{u}(t, x) = \frac{1}{2}(\hat{u}^0(x+ct) + \hat{u}^0(x-ct)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} \hat{u}^1(s) ds.$$

Therefore

$$u(t, x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(u^0(x+ct) + u^0(x-ct)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} u^1(s) ds & \text{for } x-ct \geq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}(u^0(x+ct) - u^0(ct-x)) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{ct-x}^{x+ct} u^1(s) ds & \text{for } x-ct \leq 0. \end{cases}$$