

① Selected solutions to problem set 6

2. The solution is

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(x,t) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[e^{-(x-ct)^2} + e^{-(x+ct)^2} \right] \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} 1 \, ds \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \int_{x-ct+cs}^{x+ct-cs} (-r) \, dr \, ds \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[e^{-(x-ct)^2} + e^{-(x+ct)^2} \right] + t \\
 &- \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \frac{(x+ct-cs)^2 - (x-ct+cs)^2}{2} \, ds \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[e^{-(x-ct)^2} + e^{-(x+ct)^2} \right] + t \\
 &+ \frac{(x+ct-cs)^3}{12c^2} \Big|_0^t + \frac{(x-ct+cs)^3}{12c^2} \Big|_0^t \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[e^{-(x-ct)^2} + e^{-(x+ct)^2} \right] + t \\
 &+ \frac{x^3}{6c^2} + \frac{(x+ct)^3 + (x-ct)^3}{12c^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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3. The solution is

$$u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t \int_{x-ct+cs}^{x+ct-cs} r \, dr \, ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t [cx+ct-cs) - (x-ct+cs)] \, ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^t (2ct - 2cs) \, ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2c} \cdot [2ct s - cs^2] \Big|_0^t$$

$$= \frac{1}{2c} [2ct^2 - ct^2]$$

$$= \frac{t^2}{2}$$

③. The general solutions are.

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(nx) \cos(nct) + b_n \sin(nx) \sin(nct)$$

with

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin x \cdot \sin(nx) dx$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & , n \neq 1 \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{2} dx & , n=1 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & , n \neq 1 \\ 1 & , n=1 \end{cases}$$

So the solution is

$$u(x,t) = \sin x \cos(ct)$$

6. (1) For $x > 0$,

$$F(x) = f(x) \quad \text{or}$$

and because $-x < 0$,

$$F(-x) = f(-(-x)) = f(x) = F(x)$$

So F is even.

G is even by the same reason.

~~(2)~~ The derivative of an even function is always odd.

(2) ~~The~~ solution is

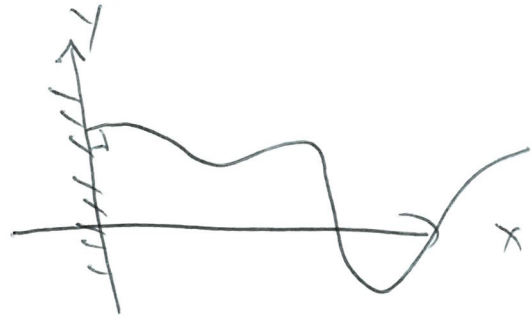
$$V(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} [F(x+ct) + F(x-ct)] + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} G(s) ds$$

$$(3) \quad V_x(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} [F'(x+ct) + F'(x-ct)] + \frac{1}{2c} G(x+ct) - \frac{1}{2c} G(x-ct)$$

$$(4) \quad V_x(0,t) = \frac{1}{2} [F'(ct) + F'(-ct)] + \frac{1}{2c} [G(ct) - G(-ct)] = 0$$

because F' is odd and G is even.

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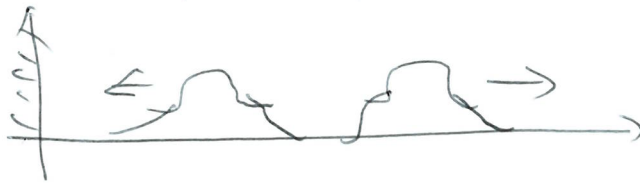


The string is allowed to move up and down, but always orthogonal to the y axis at the left end.

For an initial bump



it first separate into 2 bumps



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After some time the left bump hit the "wall" (y -axis) and is reflected. then both bumps are propagating to right



④ 8. • The Energy is

$$E[u](t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2} u_t^2 + \frac{1}{2} a^2 u_x^2 \right] dx$$

Multiply both sides of equation by u_t ,
we get

$$u_t \cdot u_{tt} - a^2 u_t u_{xx} - c^2 u_t^2 = 0$$

integrate get

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_t \cdot u_{tt} dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a^2 u_t u_{xx} dx - c^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_t^2 dx = 0$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{u_t^2}{2} dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a^2 u_t u_{xx} dx - c^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_t^2 dx = 0$$

By integration by part., we get

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(u_t^2)}{2} dx - a^2 u_t \cdot dx \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a^2 u_x dx - c^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_t^2 dx = 0$$

thus

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(u_t)^2}{2} dx - 0 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{a^2 (u_x)^2}{2} dx \\ - c \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_t^2 = 0.$$

Namely

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{u_t^2}{2} + \frac{a^2 u_x^2}{2} \right) dx = c \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_t^2 \\ \leq 0$$

So the energy is non-increasing

because $c < 0$.

- Suppose u_1, u_2 are two solutions to

$$\begin{cases} u_t t - a^2 u_{xx} - c u_t = f(x), & c < 0 \\ u(x, 0) = f(x), \quad u_t(x, 0) = g(x) \end{cases}$$

then $u = u_1 - u_2$ is a solution to

$$\begin{cases} u_t t - a^2 u_{xx} - c u_t = 0, & c < 0 \\ u(x, 0) = 0, \quad u_t(x, 0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

(6) We see ~~that~~ from the first part of the question that

$$\frac{d}{dt} E[u](t) = 0,$$

$$\text{But } E[u](0) = \int_0^2 f_0^2 dx = 0,$$

So $E[u](ct) \equiv 0$ for all t .

Namely $u_t \equiv 0, u_x \equiv 0$

and so $u \equiv 0$,

we must have $u_1 = u_2$

and the solution to

$$\begin{cases} u_t - a^2 u_{xx} - cu = \gamma(x), & c < 0 \\ u(x,0) = f(x), u_t(x,0) = g(x) \end{cases}$$

is unique.