

## Last Time

Some properties of the Fourier Transform on  $\mathbb{R}$ :

i) Differentiation  $\longleftrightarrow$  multiplicative factor

$$\widehat{\frac{df}{dx}}(\omega) = i\omega \hat{f}(\omega)$$

$$\widehat{(x \cdot f)} \rightarrow \widehat{id \cdot f}(\omega) = i \frac{d}{d\omega} \hat{f}(\omega)$$

$$id(x) = x$$

ii) Convolution  $\longleftrightarrow$  multiplication

$$(f * g)(x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x-y) g(y) dy$$

$$\widehat{f * g}(\omega) = \sqrt{2\pi} \hat{f}(\omega) \hat{g}(\omega)$$

$$\widehat{fg}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} (\hat{f} * \hat{g})(\omega)$$

iii) ~~FF~~ Translation (shift)  $\longleftrightarrow$  exponential factor

$$\widehat{f(\cdot + a)}(\omega) = e^{ia\omega} \hat{f}(\omega)$$

$$\widehat{e^{ia\cdot} f(\cdot)}(\omega) = \hat{f}(\omega - a)$$

iv) Parseval's Identity

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f|^2 dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\hat{f}|^2 d\omega$$

## Discrete Fourier Transform

$$\underline{f} = (f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{N-1}) \quad x_k = \frac{2\pi k}{N} \text{ sampling points}$$

$$\underline{\hat{f}} = \underline{F}_N \underline{f} \quad \underline{\hat{f}} = \underline{F}_N \underline{f}$$

$\hat{f}_m = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} f_k e^{-2\pi i m k / N}$  matrix

Inverse:  $\underline{\underline{F_N^{-1}}} = \frac{1}{N} \overline{F_N}$   $\nwarrow$  complex conjugate

Turning a  $O(N^3)$  problem  $\rightarrow O(N \log(N))$

Divide & conquer:

strategy involves  
splitting the problem into  $N$  pieces at lowest level

takes  $N$  steps

$\log_2(N)$   
levels

$\downarrow$   
recombine by pairs

solve  $N/2$  problems  $\rightarrow$  take  $N$  steps

$\rightarrow$  total  $N \log_2(N)$

"Fast Fourier Transform"

# Lecture XI

## WAVE EQUATION :

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}.$$

evolution equations

$$u_0 \longrightarrow u(t, x)$$

Most PDEs cannot be solved analytically / explicitly

Yes  
then  
"well-  
-posed"

- i) Existence: given an (a class of) initial condition(s) / boundary data, is there a solution (up to some finite time  $T$ )?
- ii) Uniqueness: given ~~an~~ initial data, if a solution exists, is it unique?
- iii) Continuous dependence: if an initial condition changes a little (as measured by some distance), does the solution change just a little?
- iv) Asymptotic Behaviour: is there a steady state?  
chaotic behaviour?  
asymptote "blow-up"  $\rightarrow \infty$ ?
- v) Symmetries, Special solutions / phenomena:  
Are there self-similar behaviour  
Solitary wave (solitons)  
Conserved quantities  
multiple-scales

PDEs can be thought of as infinite-dimensional

versions of ODEs

WAVE EQUATION:

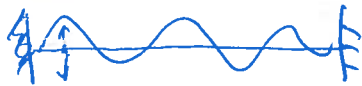
$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

models small deviations  $u(t, x)$  from a straight line  
of a mildly elastic cord under the  
effects of tension

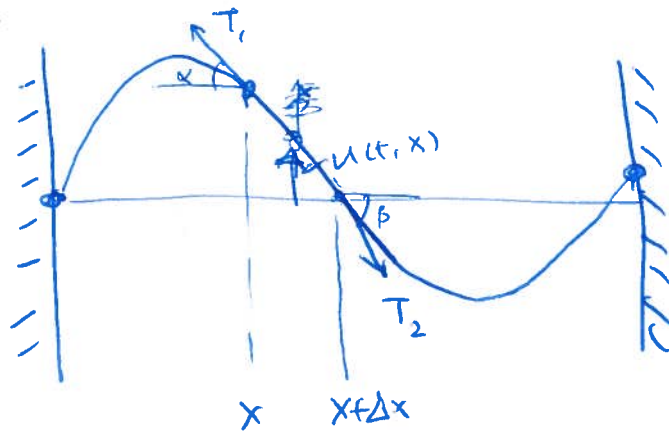
Assumptions 

- (i) The cord is a perfect cord — does not resist bending.  
- is uniform linear density  $\lambda$   
(unit mass / unit length)  
- zero cross section

- (ii) each infinitesimal segment of the cord only moves  
transversely in the plane. — fixed at both ends



- (iii) the cord is perfectly straight at rest, of rest length  $L$ .



$$\begin{aligned} T_1 \cos(\alpha) \\ &= T_2 \cos(\beta) \\ &=: T \end{aligned}$$

Net vertical force ~~acceleration~~ = acceleration  $\times$  mass

Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law  $F = ma$

$$m = \lambda \cdot \Delta x, \quad \text{acceleration} = \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\frac{\lambda \cdot \Delta x}{T} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \frac{(T_2 \sin(\beta) - T_1 \sin(\alpha))}{T}$$

$$\tan(\alpha) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_x \quad \tan(\beta) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_{x+\Delta x}$$

$$\frac{\lambda}{T} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_{x+\Delta x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_x \right)$$
$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

Constant  $\frac{\lambda}{T}$  is never negative by construction.

denote ~~it~~ it by  $c^2$

$$[T] = \text{mass} \times \frac{\text{distance}}{(\text{time})^2}$$

$$[\lambda] = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{distance}}$$

$$[c^2] = \frac{(\text{speed})^2}{}$$

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

$c$  - wave speed

$$(i) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u(t, 0) = 0, \quad u(t, L) = 0 \quad \text{--- boundary conditions} \\ u(0, x) = f(x) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(0, x) = g(x) \quad \text{--- initial conditions} \end{array} \right.$$

$f$  &  $g$  are continuous, defined over  $[0, L]$

CAUCHY PROBLEM for the wave equation.

# X1.2 Solving the Equation

## separation of variables

ansatz:  $u(t, x) = \underbrace{F(x)} \underbrace{G(t)}$

insert  $F(x) G(t)$  into the equation:

$$F \frac{d^2 G}{dt^2} = c^2 \frac{d^2 F}{dx^2} G$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{G} \frac{d^2 G}{dt^2}}_{\text{purely a function of } t} = c^2 \underbrace{\frac{1}{F} \frac{d^2 F}{dx^2}}_{\text{purely a function of } x} = k$$

we must conclude

purely a function of  $t$

purely a function of  $x$

$$0 = \frac{d^2 G}{dt^2} - k G$$

$$0 = \frac{d^2 F}{dx^2} - \left(\frac{k}{c^2}\right) F$$

consider boundary conditions:

$$u(t, 0) = 0, \quad u(t, L) = 0$$

either  $F(0), F(L) = 0$



if  $k > 0$

$$F(x) = A e^{-\sqrt{k}x} + B e^{\sqrt{k}x} \rightarrow \text{also trivial solutions}$$

$$\rightarrow k \leq 0$$

$k$  is an eigenvalue

$$\frac{d^2 F}{dx^2} = \left(\frac{k}{c^2}\right) F$$

box:  $[0, L] \rightarrow$  forces  $k = -p^2$  to take discrete values.

$k \leq 0$

$$\rightarrow F(x) = A \cos(px) + B \sin(px)$$

$$F(0) = 0 \rightarrow A = 0 \quad F(L) = 0 \rightarrow \left\{ p = \frac{n\pi}{L} \right\}$$

SPECTRUM  
NORMAL MODES.

$$u(t, x) = F(x) G(t)$$

$$0 = \frac{d^2 G}{dt^2} - \underbrace{-2k}_{-k} G \quad 0 = \frac{d^2 F}{dx^2} - \frac{k}{\rho} F$$

$$\downarrow \text{ using } k = -p^2 = -\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2}$$

$$G_n(t) = C_n^* \cos\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) + D_n^* \sin\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right)$$

$$u(t, x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} F_n(x) \cdot G_n(t) \\ = \sum_{n \geq 0} \left[ C_n \cos\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) \right] \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right)$$

$$\underline{C_n} = B_n C_n^* \quad , \quad \underline{D_n} = B_n D_n^*$$

it remains to match initial & boundary conditions to find  $\{C_n, D_n\}$ .

Condition  $u(0, x) = f(x)$ , on  $[0, L]$ ,

$$\rightarrow f(x) = \sum_{n > 0} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) \quad \& \quad \text{SINE SERIES!}$$

$$\rightarrow C_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) dx$$

ODD EXTENSION:  $f_-(x) = \sum_{n > 0} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) = f(x)$  on  $[0, L]$

$\partial_t u(0, x) = g(x)$  on  $[0, L]$  :

$$\partial_t u(t, x) = \sum_{n > 0} \frac{cn\pi}{L} \left( -C_n \sin\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) + D_n \cos\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right)$$

Set  $t=0$

$$g(x) = \sum_{n > 0} \frac{cn\pi}{L} D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) \quad \& \quad \text{SINE SERIES! AGAIN!}$$

$$\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L}\right) D_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) dx$$

$$D_n = \frac{2}{cn\pi} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) dx$$

$$u(t, x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \left( C_n \cos\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right)$$



Trigonometric identities:

$$u(t, x) = \sum_{n > 0} \frac{C_n}{2} \left( \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} (x+ct)\right) + \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} (x-ct)\right) \right) + \frac{D_n}{2} \left( \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} (x-ct)\right) - \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} (x+ct)\right) \right)$$

Observe:

~~$$\sum_{n > 0} \left( C_n \cos\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{cn\pi}{L} t\right) \right)$$~~

$$\sum_{n > 0} \frac{C_n}{2} \left( \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} (x+ct)\right) + \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} (x-ct)\right) \right)$$

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

if  $x+ct$  is constant

$x-ct$  is constant

$$\sum_{n > 0} \frac{D_n}{2} \left( \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} (x-ct)\right) - \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} (x+ct)\right) \right) = -\frac{1}{2c} \int_{x+ct}^{x-ct} g(r) dr$$

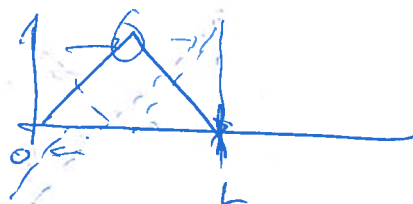
$$u(t, x) = \frac{1}{2} \left( f_-(x+ct) - f_-(x-ct) \right) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} g(r) dr$$

if  $f$  is twice continuously differentiable

if  $g$  is once continuously differentiable

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

"generalized solutions"





(i) Existence ✓

(ii) Uniqueness ?

(iii) if  $f$  &  $g$  changes a little  $m$ , say, do:

$f^\varepsilon, g^\varepsilon, \sup_{[a, b]} |f^\varepsilon - f| < \varepsilon \rightarrow$  solution also changes little

Continuous dependence ✓

(iv) asymptotics ✓