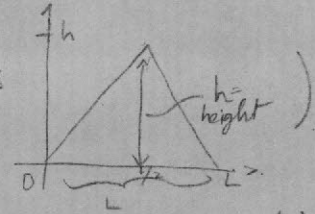


(5.1)

- (1) $u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = 0, c^2 = \frac{g_0}{\rho_0}, 0 < x < L, t > 0$
- (2) $u(x, 0) = f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2h}{L}x, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{L}{2} \\ 2h - \frac{2h}{L}x, & \frac{L}{2} < x \leq L \end{cases}$ (initial profile is )
- (3) $u_t(x, 0) = 0, 0 \leq x \leq L$ (since string is initially at rest.)
- (4) $u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0, t > 0$ (ends held fixed)

[P] Separation of variables: Let $U(x, t) = v(x)w(t)$ be a ^{nonzero} solution. (1) becomes

$$v(x)w''(t) - c^2 v''(x)w(t) = 0$$

$$v(x)w''(t) = c^2 v''(x)w(t)$$

$$\frac{w''(t)}{c^2 w(t)} = \frac{v''(x)}{v(x)} \quad (\text{when } v, w \neq 0)$$

Since this is true for all x, t , this equals a constant λ . Then

$$(5) \quad v''(x) - \lambda v(x) = 0, 0 \leq x \leq L$$

$$(6) \quad v(0) = v(L) = 0 \quad \text{since} \quad \begin{aligned} u(0, t) &= v(0)w(t) = 0 \\ u(L, t) &= v(L)w(t) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

If $\lambda > 0$ then $v(x) = Ae^{\sqrt{\lambda}x} + Be^{-\sqrt{\lambda}x}$, and (6) gives the linearly independent equations $A+B=0, Ae^{\sqrt{\lambda}L} + Be^{-\sqrt{\lambda}L} = 0$ so $A=B=0$ and $v(x)=0$. If $\lambda=0$ then $v=Ax+B$, and (6) forces $A=B=0$.

So the only meaningful solution is when $\lambda < 0$. Let $\lambda = -\mu^2$. Then

$v(x) = A \sin(\mu x) + B \cos(\mu x)$. Since we want $v(0)=v(L)=0$, we take $B=0$ and $\mu = \frac{\pi m}{L}, m \in \mathbb{N}$. We get the fundamental solutions

$$(7) \quad v(x) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L}x\right), m \in \mathbb{N}, \lambda_m = -\left(\frac{\pi m}{L}\right)^2$$

Then the corresponding solution w satisfies

$$w''(t) - \lambda_m w(t) = 0$$

$$(8) \Rightarrow w''(t) + \frac{c^2 \pi^2 m^2}{L^2} w(t) = 0$$

(5.1, cont.) so

$$w(t) = A \sin\left(\frac{c\pi m}{L} t\right) + B \cos\left(\frac{c\pi m}{L} t\right)$$

From (3), $v(x)w_t(0) = 0$ so $w_t(0) = 0$, giving $A \cdot \frac{c\pi m}{L} = 0$ and
 $w(t) = B \cos\left(\frac{c\pi m}{L} t\right)$.

Hence any function of the form

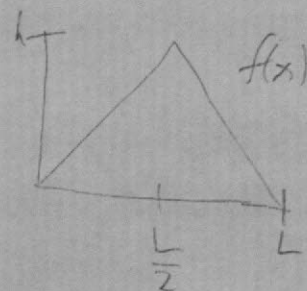
$$(9) \quad u(x,t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{B_m \cos\left(\frac{c\pi m}{L} t\right)}_{w_m(t)} \underbrace{\sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right)}_{v_m(t)}$$

solves (1), (3), and (4).

Expand $f(x) = u(x,0)$ into sine Fourier series:

$$f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right)$$

$$a_m = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx$$



If m is even,

$$\begin{aligned} a_m &= \frac{2}{L} \left(\int_0^{L/2} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx + \int_{L/2}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{L} \left(\int_0^{L/2} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx + \int_{L/2}^L f(L-x) \cdot -\sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} (L-x)\right) dx \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{L} \left(\int_0^{L/2} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx + \int_{L/2}^0 f(y) \cdot -\sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} y\right) \cdot -dy \right) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$\downarrow$ since $\sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} (L-x)\right) = \sin\left(\pi m - \frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) = \sin\left(-\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right)$

If m is odd,

$$\begin{aligned} a_m &= \frac{2}{L} \left(\int_0^{L/2} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx + \int_{L/2}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{L} \left(\int_0^{L/2} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx + \int_{L/2}^L f(L-x) \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} (L-x)\right) dx \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{L} \left(\int_0^{L/2} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx + \int_{L/2}^0 f(y) \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} y\right) dy \right) \\ &= \frac{4}{L} \int_0^{L/2} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx \\ &= \frac{4}{L} \int_0^{L/2} \left(\frac{2x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx \\ &= \frac{8}{L^2} \left(\left[x \cdot -\frac{L}{\pi m} \cos\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) \right]_0^{L/2} - \int_0^{L/2} -\frac{L}{\pi m} \cos\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx \right) \end{aligned}$$

(Integration by parts, $u=x$, $dv=\sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx$)

1 (5.1, cont.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{8h}{L^2} \left(\frac{L}{\pi m} \int_0^{L/2} \cos\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) dx \right) \quad \left(\text{noting } \cos\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) = 0 \text{ for } x = \frac{L}{2}, 0 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \text{since } m \text{ odd} \right) \\
 &= \frac{8h}{L^2} \cdot \frac{L^2}{\pi^2 m^2} \left[\sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) \right]_0^{L/2} \\
 &= \frac{8h}{\pi^2 m^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{2}\right) = \frac{8h}{\pi^2 m^2} (-1)^{\frac{m-1}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$(10) \quad f(x) = \sum_{\substack{m \text{ odd} \\ m \geq 1}} \frac{8h}{\pi^2 m^2} (-1)^{\frac{m-1}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right)$$

Use initial conditions. Take $u(x, t)$ as in (9); to satisfy (2)

we need $u(x, 0) = f(x)$, or

$$f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} B_m \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right) = \sum_{\substack{m \text{ odd} \\ m \geq 1}} \frac{8h}{\pi^2 m^2} (-1)^{\frac{m-1}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow B_m = \begin{cases} 0, & m \text{ even} \\ \frac{8h}{\pi^2 m^2} (-1)^{\frac{m-1}{2}}, & m \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, t) = \sum_{\substack{m \geq 1 \\ m \text{ odd}}} \frac{8h}{\pi^2 m^2} (-1)^{\frac{m-1}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{c\pi m}{L} t\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{L} x\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{8h}{\pi^2 (2k+1)^2} (-1)^k \cos\left(\frac{c\pi (2k+1)}{L} t\right) \sin\left(\frac{c\pi (2k+1)}{L} x\right)$$

$$E(t) = E_{\text{kin}}(t) + E_{\text{pot}}(t) = E_{\text{kin}}(0) + E_{\text{pot}}(0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L u_t^2(x, 0) + \rho c^2 u_x^2(x, 0) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \rho c^2 u_x^2(x, 0) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \rho c^2 \left(\frac{2h}{L}\right)^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{2h^2 \rho c^2}{L} \text{ or } \frac{2h^2 \tau_0}{L}$$

(energy is constant)
since $u_H - c^2 u_{xx} = 0$
unconstant at endpoints.

$$2. (5,2) \quad (1) \begin{cases} u_{tt} - u_{xx} = 0, & 0 < x < 1, t > 0 \\ (2) \begin{cases} u(x,0) = u_t(x,0) = 0, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ (3) \begin{cases} u_x(0,t) = 1, u(1,t) = 0, & t \geq 0 \end{cases} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

u solves these equations iff $z = u - x + 1$ solves the following.

$$(1') \begin{cases} z_{tt} - z_{xx} = 0, & 0 < x < 1, t > 0 \\ (2') \begin{cases} z(x,0) = -x+1, z_t(x,0) = 0, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ (3') \begin{cases} z(0,t) = z(1,t) = 0, & t \geq 0. \end{cases} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

[Sep 1] Separation of variables: Let $z(x,t) = v(x)w(t)$ be a nonzero solution of (1'), (2'), & (3').

(1') gives

$$v(x)w''(t) - v''(x)w(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{w''(t)}{w(t)} = \frac{v''(x)}{v(x)}$$

Since this is true for all x, t , this equals a constant λ . Then

$$(4) \quad v''(x) - \lambda v(x) = 0, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

$$(5) \begin{cases} v_x(0) = 0, & \text{since } v_x(0)w(t) = 0 \text{ from (2')} \\ v(1) = 0, & \text{since } v(1)w(t) = 0 \text{ from (3')}. \end{cases}$$

If $\lambda = \mu^2 > 0$ then $v(x) = A e^{\mu x} + B e^{-\mu x}$ and the boundary conditions give the linearly independent equations $\mu(A-B)=0, Ae^{\mu} + Be^{-\mu} = 0$, so $A=B=0$ and $v=0$. If $\lambda = 0$ then $v(x) = A+B$ and (5) gives $A=0$ and $B=0$. Hence the only nonzero solutions arise when $\lambda = -\mu^2 < 0$. Then $v(x) = A \sin(\mu x) + B \cos(\mu x)$. (5) gives $\mu A = 0 \Rightarrow A=0$ and $B \cos(\mu) = 0$. Hence $\mu = \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2}, k \in \mathbb{N}$; giving the solution

$$v(x) = \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} x\right)$$

The corresponding solution w satisfies

$$w''(t) - \lambda w(t) = 0$$

$$w''(t) = \mu^2 w(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow w(t) = A \sin\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} t\right) + B \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} t\right)$$

From (2'), $v(x)w_t(0) = z_t(x,0) = 0$. Hence $w_t(0) = A \cdot \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow t=0$ and

(5.2, cont)

$$w(t) = B \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} t\right)$$

Hence any function of the form

$$(6) \quad z(x, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{B_k \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} t\right)}_{w_k(t)} \underbrace{\cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} x\right)}_{v_k(t)}$$

solves (1'), (2') (b), and (3')

Step 2] Expand $z(x, 0)$ in cosine Fourier series.

We expand $-x+1$ in cosine Fourier series on the interval $[0, 2]$.
 Note the average value of $-x+1$ on $[0, 2]$ is 0 so there is no constant term.

$$-x+1 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right)$$

$$a_m = \int_0^2 (-x+1) \cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) dx$$

$$= -\int_0^2 x \cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) dx \quad \left(\text{since } \int_0^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) dx = \left[\frac{2}{\pi k} \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) \right]_0^2 = 0 \right)$$

$$= -\left(\left[x \cdot \frac{2}{\pi k} \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) \right]_0^2 - \int_0^2 \frac{2}{\pi k} \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) dx \right) \quad \left(\text{integration by parts} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi k} \int_0^2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{4}{\pi^2 k^2} \left[-\cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) \right]_0^2$$

$$= \frac{4}{\pi^2 k^2} (1 - \cos(\pi k)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \\ \frac{8}{\pi^2 k^2} & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow (7) \quad -x+1 = \sum_{k \text{ odd}} \frac{8}{\pi^2 k^2} \cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} x\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi^2 (2k+1)^2} \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} x\right) \quad \left(\text{for } x \in [0, 2] \right)$$

Step 3] Use initial conditions. By (2')^(a), we need to equate (6) and (7) when $t=0$:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} B_k \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} x\right) = z(x, 0) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi^2 (2k+1)^2} \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} x\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow B_k = \frac{8}{\pi^2 (2k+1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow z(x, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi^2 (2k+1)^2} \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} t\right) \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} x\right)$$

(5.2, cont.)

[Step 4] Finish:

$$u(x, t) = z(x, t) + x - 1$$

$$= (x-1) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi^2 (2k+1)^2} \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} t\right) \cos\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2} x\right)$$

(Notice that the initial condition for u_x is satisfied in the L^2 sense)

3. Assume $u(x, t) = v(x)w(t)$, then

$$\begin{cases} v w'' - v'' w = g(t) \sin x & (1) \\ w(0) = w'(0) = 0 & (2) \\ v(0) = v(\pi) = 0 & (3) \end{cases}$$

$$(1)(3) \Rightarrow v = a \sin x$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} w'' + w = g(t)/a & (4) \\ w(0) = w'(0) = 0 & (5) \end{cases}$$

Two solutions to $w'' + w = 0$ are $\sin t$ and $\cos t$.

Let $w = w_1 \sin t + w_2 \cos t$, then (4)(5) are equivalent to

$$\begin{cases} (w_1' \sin t + w_2' \cos t)' + w_1' \cos t - w_2' \sin t = g(t)/a \\ w_2(0) = 0, w_1(0) + w_2'(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

We let

$$\begin{cases} w_1' \sin t + w_2' \cos t = 0 \\ w_1' \cos t - w_2' \sin t = g(t)/a \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\begin{cases} w_1' = \frac{1}{a} g(t) \cos t \\ w_2' = -\frac{1}{a} g(t) \sin t \end{cases}$$

Using $w_1(0) = w_2(0) = 0$, we get $\Rightarrow w_2'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow w_1(0) = 0$

$$\begin{cases} w_1 = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^t g(\tau) \cos \tau d\tau \\ w_2 = -\frac{1}{a} \int_0^t g(\tau) \sin \tau d\tau \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Thus } w(t) = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^t (g(\tau) \cos \tau \sin t - g(\tau) \sin \tau \cos t) d\tau = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^t g(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$\text{Hence } u(x, t) = \sin x \int_0^t g(t-\tau) \sin \tau d\tau$$

4. (5.4) Let $u = u(x, t)$ be the solution of the global Cauchy problem for the equation $u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = 0$, with initial data $u(x, 0) = g(x)$, $u_t(x, 0) = h(x)$. Assume that g and h are smooth functions with compact support contained in the interval (a, b) . Show that there exists T such that for $t \geq T$,

$$E_{cin}(t) = E_{pot}(t).$$

Proof. From the d'Alembert formula, we know that

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} [g(x + ct) + g(x - ct)] + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} h(y) dy.$$

We can write the potential and kinetic energies as

$$E_{pot} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \tau_0 u_x^2 dx \quad E_{cin} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \rho_0 u_t^2 dx$$

where $c^2 = \frac{\tau_0}{\rho_0}$. Without loss of generality, we may set $\rho_0 = 1$ so $\tau_0 = c^2$.

We can write the d'Alembert formula as $u(x, t) = F(x + ct) + G(x - ct)$ where

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{2} g(z) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^z h(y) dy \quad G(z) = \frac{1}{2} g(z) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_z^0 h(y) dy$$

So we can write the kinetic and potential energies as

$$\begin{aligned} E_{pot} &= \frac{c^2}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (F' + G')^2 dx \\ E_{cin} &= \frac{c^2}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (F' - G')^2 dx \end{aligned}$$

So $E_{pot}(t) = E_{cin}(t)$ if and only if

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} F'(x + ct) G'(x - ct) dx = 0$$

Now, we know that $\text{Supp}(F')$ and $\text{Supp}(G')$ are contained in $\text{Supp}(g) \cup \text{Supp}(h) \subseteq (a, b)$. Moreover, for each $z \notin (a, b)$, $F'(z) = G'(z) = 0$. So consider $t > \frac{b-a}{2c}$. Then for any $x \in (a, b)$, exactly one of $x + ct$ and $x - ct$ is outside the interval (a, b) . Thus, for $t > T = \frac{b-a}{2c}$, we know that $F'(x + ct) G'(x - ct) = 0$. So for $t > T$, we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} F'(x + ct) G'(x - ct) dx = 0$$

and we conclude that $E_{cin} = E_{pot}$. □