

MATH323 FURTHER METHODS OF APPLIED MATHEMATICS

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1. Indicial equation

$$m^2 - 6m + 8 = 0 \Rightarrow (m - 2)(m - 4) = 0 \Rightarrow m = 2, 4.$$

So

$$y_{\text{CF}} = c_1 e^{2x} + c_2 e^{4x}.$$

Try

$$\begin{aligned} y &= L_1(x)e^{2x} + L_2(x)e^{4x} \\ \Rightarrow L_1' e^{2x} + L_2' e^{4x} &= 0 \\ 2L_1' e^{2x} + 4L_2' e^{4x} &= \frac{e^{6x}}{1 + e^{2x}} \\ \Rightarrow L_2' &= -L_1 e^{-2x} \Rightarrow L_1' = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{4x}}{1 + e^{2x}} \\ \Rightarrow L_1 &= -\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{e^{4x}}{1 + e^{2x}} dx \\ \text{Put } u &= e^{2x} \Rightarrow du = 2e^{2x} dx \Rightarrow L_1 = -\frac{1}{4} \int \frac{u}{1 + u} du \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} [u - \ln(1 + u)] + c_1 = -\frac{1}{4} [e^{2x} - \ln(1 + e^{2x})] + c_1 \\ L_2' &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{2x}}{1 + e^{2x}} \Rightarrow L_2 = \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{1 + u} du \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \ln(1 + e^{2x}) + c_2. \end{aligned}$$

So the general solution is

$$y = \left\{ -\frac{1}{4} [e^{2x} - \ln(1 + e^{2x})] + c_1 \right\} e^{2x} + \left\{ \frac{1}{4} \ln(1 + e^{2x}) + c_2 \right\} e^{4x}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) &= \frac{1}{2} \ln 2 \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} + c_1 + c_2 = \frac{1}{2} \ln 2 \\ y\left(\frac{1}{2} \ln 2\right) &= \frac{3}{2} \ln 3 \Rightarrow \left[-\frac{1}{4}(2 - \ln 3) + c_1\right] 2 + \left[\frac{1}{4} \ln 3 + c_2\right] 4 = \frac{3}{2} \ln 2 \\ &\Rightarrow 2c_1 + 4c_2 = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow c_1 = 0, \quad c_2 = \frac{1}{4} \\ \Rightarrow y &= \frac{1}{4} \ln(1 + e^{2x})(e^{2x} + e^{4x}). \end{aligned}$$

2. The Euler-Lagrange equation is

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0.$$

If F does not depend explicitly on x then

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} = \text{constant} = C.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + x^2 y' = C &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{C}{x^2} - 1 \\ &\Rightarrow y = -\frac{C}{x} - x + A \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(1) = 0 &\Rightarrow -C - 1 + A = 0, \quad y(2) = -\frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow -\frac{C}{2} - 2 + A = -\frac{3}{2} \\ &\Rightarrow A = 0, \quad C = -1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{x} - x, \quad y' = -\frac{1}{x^2} - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow I &= - \int_1^2 x^2 \left(\frac{1}{x^2} + 1 \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2x^2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_1^2 (1 + x^2) \left(1 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_1^2 \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right]_1^2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left[-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{7}{3} \right] = -\frac{11}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

The straight line joining $(1, 0)$ to $(2, -\frac{3}{2})$ is $y = -\frac{3}{2}(x - 1)$. So then

$$\begin{aligned} I[y] &= \int_1^2 x^2 \left(-\frac{3}{2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{3}{4} \right) dx = -\frac{3}{8} \int_1^2 x^2 dx \\ &= -\frac{3}{8} \left[\frac{1}{3}x^3 \right]_1^2 = -\frac{7}{8}. \end{aligned}$$

Now $-\frac{11}{12} < -\frac{7}{8}$ so the extremum is a minimum.

If $a = -1$ and $b = 2$ there is no extremal solution since there is a singularity in y at $x = 0$.

3. Define a new functional $I + \lambda J$ where λ is a Lagrange multiplier then apply the Euler-Lagrange equation to $F + \lambda G$. This determines y up to two arbitrary constants and λ which are found by the endpoint conditions and the constraint.

E-L gives

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}[2x^4y'] + 4x^2y &= \lambda x^2 \\ \Rightarrow x^4y'' + 4x^3y' + 2x^2y &= \frac{1}{2}\lambda x^2 \\ \Rightarrow x^2y'' + 4xy' + 2y &= \frac{1}{2}\lambda\end{aligned}$$

For the homogeneous equation try $y = x^n$, then

$$\begin{aligned}n(n-1) + 4n + 2 &= 0 \Rightarrow n^2 + 3n + 2 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow (n+1)(n+2) &= 0 \Rightarrow n = -1, n = -2\end{aligned}$$

So (with the obvious particular integral of $y = \frac{1}{4}\lambda$,

$$y = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{1}{4}\lambda.$$

We require

$$\begin{aligned}\int_1^2 x^2 \left(\frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{1}{4}\lambda \right) dx &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{2}x^2A + Bx + \frac{1}{12}\lambda x^3 \right]_1^2 &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2}A + B + \frac{7}{12}\lambda &= 2 \\ \text{Also } A + B + \frac{1}{4}\lambda &= -3, \\ \frac{1}{2}A + \frac{1}{4}B + \frac{1}{4}\lambda &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow A = 2, \quad B = -8, \quad \lambda &= 12. \\ \text{so } y &= \frac{2}{x} - \frac{8}{x^2} + 3.\end{aligned}$$

is the extremal curve.

4. The equations are of form

$$A\mathbf{u}_x + B\mathbf{u}_y = \mathbf{c}$$

where $\mathbf{u}_x = \begin{pmatrix} u_x \\ v_x \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u}_y = \begin{pmatrix} u_y \\ v_y \end{pmatrix}$, and

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -3x^2 \\ -3x^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(\lambda A - B) = \det \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 3x^2 \\ 3x^2 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 9x^4 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 3x^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 \Rightarrow y = x^3 + \text{const} \Rightarrow y - x^3 = \eta.$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -3x^2 \Rightarrow y = -x^3 + \text{const} \Rightarrow y + x^3 = \nu.$$

$$u_x = u_\eta(-3x^2) + u_\nu(3x^2), \quad u_y = u_\eta + u_\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2(u_\nu - u_\eta) - 3x^2(v_\eta + v_\nu) = 12x^2y$$

$$3x^2(v_\nu - v_\eta) - 3x^2(u_\eta + u_\nu) = -12x^5$$

$$u_\nu - u_\eta - v_\eta - v_\nu = 4y$$

$$v_\nu - v_\eta - u_\eta - u_\nu = -4x^3$$

$$\text{Add: } -2u_\eta - 2v_\eta = 4\eta$$

$$\text{Subtract: } 2u_\nu - 2v_\nu = 4\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow u + v = f(\nu) - \eta^2,$$

$$u - v = g(\eta) + \nu^2.$$

$$u(x, 0) = 2x^6, \quad v(x, 0) = -x^6$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 = f(x^3) - x^6, \quad 3x^6 = x^6 + g(-x^3)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 2x^2, \quad g(x) = 2x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \frac{1}{2}[f(\nu) + g(\eta)] + \frac{1}{2}(\nu^2 - \eta^2),$$

$$= [(y + x^3)^2 + (y - x^3)^2]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2}[(y + x^3)^2 - (y - x^3)^2]$$

$$= 2(y^2 + x^6) + 2yx^3.$$

Similarly

$$u = \frac{1}{2}[f(\nu) - g(\eta)] - \frac{1}{2}(\nu^2 + \eta^2),$$

$$= [(y + x^3)^2 - (y - x^3)^2]$$

$$- \frac{1}{2}[(y + x^3)^2 + (y - x^3)^2]$$

$$= 4yx^3 - (y^2 + x^6).$$

5. Associated quadratic

$$y\lambda^2 + (y-x)\lambda - x = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \lambda &= \frac{x-y \pm \sqrt{(x-y)^2 + 4xy}}{2y} \\ &= \frac{x-y \pm (x+y)}{2y} = \frac{x}{y} \text{ or } -1.\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \Rightarrow x-y = \text{constant} = \eta$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y} \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = \text{constant} = \nu$$

$$\Rightarrow u_x = u_\eta + 2xu_\nu \quad u_y = -u_\eta + 2yu_\nu$$

$$u_{xx} = u_{\eta\eta} + 4xu_{\eta\nu} + 2u_\nu + 4x^2u_{\nu\nu}$$

$$u_{xy} = -u_{\eta\eta} + 2yu_{\eta\nu} - 2xu_{\eta\nu} + 4xyu_{\nu\nu}$$

$$u_{yy} = u_{\eta\eta} - 4yu_{\eta\nu} + 4y^2u_{\nu\nu} + 2u_\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow [y - (y-x) - x]u_{\eta\eta}$$

$$+ [4x^2y + 4xy(y-x) - 4xy^2]u_{\nu\nu}$$

$$+ [4xy + 2(y-x)^2 + 4xy]u_{\eta\nu}$$

$$+ 2(y-x)u_\nu + \frac{x-y}{x+y}(u_x + u_y) = 2(x+y)^2(x^2 + y^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{\eta\nu} = \nu$$

$$\Rightarrow u_\eta = \frac{1}{2}\nu^2 + \tilde{f}(\eta)$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \frac{1}{2}\nu^2\eta + f(\eta) + g(\nu)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2)^2(x-y) + f(x-y) + g(x^2 + y^2).$$

6. (i) Clearly $\Phi(x) = 6x - 2$.

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} w = \cos z &= \frac{1}{2} (e^{ix-y} + e^{-ix+y}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [e^{-y}(\cos x + i \sin x) + e^y(\cos x - i \sin x)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \cos x \cosh y, \quad v = -\sin x \sinh y.$$

So $x = \frac{1}{2}$ gets transformed to $u = \cos \frac{1}{2} \cosh y$, $v = -\sin \frac{1}{2} \sinh y$, which satisfy

$$\frac{u^2}{\cos^2 \frac{1}{2}} - \frac{v^2}{\sin^2 \frac{1}{2}} = 1$$

which is the hyperbola H_1 . Similarly

$$\frac{u^2}{\cos^2 1} - \frac{v^2}{\sin^2 1} = 1$$

is the hyperbola H_2 .

(iii) Since $\Phi(x)$ is harmonic in the region between $x = \frac{1}{2}$ and $x = 1$, $\Phi(u, v) = \Phi(x) = 6x(u, v) - 1$ is harmonic between H_1 and H_2 . u, v are related to x by

$$\frac{u^2}{\cos^2 x} - \frac{v^2}{\sin^2 x} = 1.$$

(iv) For $u^2 = \frac{27}{4}$, $v^2 = 2$, we have (writing $\cos^2 x = C$)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{27}{4}(1 - C) - 2C &= C(1 - C) \\ \Rightarrow 4C^2 - 39C + 27 &= 0 \\ (C - 9)(4C - 3) &= 0 \Rightarrow C = 9 \text{ or } C = \frac{3}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

Must take $C = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{6}$ (since $\frac{1}{2} < \frac{\pi}{6} < 1$), and so $\Phi(u, v) = \pi - 2$.

7.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(f'(x); \omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f' e^{-i\omega x} dx \\
 &= [f e^{-i\omega x}]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + i\omega \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f e^{-i\omega x} dx \\
 &= i\omega \bar{f}(\omega).
 \end{aligned}$$

If $g(x) = e^{-a|x|}$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{g}(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{ax-i\omega x} dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax-i\omega x} dx \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{a-i\omega} \right]_{-\infty}^0 + \left[-\frac{1}{a+i\omega} \right]_0^{\infty} \\
 &= \frac{1}{a-i\omega} + \frac{1}{a+i\omega} = \frac{2a}{a^2 + \omega^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Fourier transform the PDE $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \bar{u} &= -\omega^2 c^2 \bar{u} \\
 \Rightarrow \bar{u} &= e^{-\omega^2 c^2 t} \bar{u}(\omega, 0) \\
 \Rightarrow u(x, t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\omega^2 c^2 t + i\omega x} \bar{u}(\omega, 0) d\omega \\
 \Rightarrow g(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega x} \bar{u}(\omega, 0) d\omega \\
 \Rightarrow \bar{u}(\omega, 0) &= \bar{g}(\omega) \\
 \Rightarrow u(x, t) &= \frac{a}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\omega^2 c^2 t + i\omega x}}{a^2 + \omega^2} d\omega \\
 &= F^{-1} \left(e^{-\omega^2 c^2 t} \bar{g}(\omega) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2c\sqrt{\pi t}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-a|x-z| - \frac{z^2}{4c^2 t}} dz.
 \end{aligned}$$