

2nd Order Linear PDE's

$$a(x,y)u_{xx} + b(x,y)u_{xy} + c(x,y)u_{yy} + \text{lots} = 0$$

lots - lower order terms

We defined type

if  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$  hyperbolic

$b^2 - 4ac = 0$  parabolic

$b^2 - 4ac < 0$  elliptic

We introduced 3 PDE at the cornerstone  
of applied mathematics (in the variables  $x, y$ )

$u_{xx} - u_{yy} = 0$  wave eq<sup>n</sup> - hyperbolic

$u_{xx} - u_y = 0$  heat eq<sup>n</sup> - parabolic

$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  Laplace's eq<sup>n</sup> - elliptic

As an example we considered

$$u_{xx} - 2u_{xy} + u_{yy} = 0$$

$b^2 - 4ac = 0$   
so parabolic

and a change of variables

$$r = x+y \quad s = y$$

and we say this PDE transformed to

$$U_{ss} = 0$$

which had to  $u = f(r)s + g(r)$

and in terms of  $x, y$

$$u = f(x+y)y + g(x+y) \quad \text{the general soln}$$

Another example is

$$5u_{xx} - 6u_{xy} + 2u_{yy} = 0$$

$$\text{Here, } a=5, b=-6, c=2 \text{ so } b^2-4ac = 36-40 \\ = -4 < 0$$

so elliptic

Consider the change of variables

$$r = x+y \quad s = x+2y$$

$$\text{so } r_x = 1, r_y = 1 \quad r_{xx} = r_{xy} = r_{yy} = 0$$

$$s_x = 1, s_y = 2 \quad s_{xx} = s_{xy} = s_{yy} = 0$$

and the second order chain rules are

$$U_{xx} = U_{rr} + 2U_{rs} + U_{ss}$$

$$U_{xy} = U_{rr} + 3U_{rs} + 2U_{ss}$$

$$U_{yy} = U_{rr} + 4U_{rs} + 4U_{ss}$$

Ans.  $5U_{xx} - 6U_{xy} + 2U_{yy} = 0$  becomes

$$5U_{rr} + 10U_{rs} + 5U_{ss}$$

$$- 6U_{rr} - 18U_{rs} - 12U_{ss}$$

$$+ 2U_{rr} + 8U_{rs} + 8U_{ss} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow U_{rr} + U_{ss} = 0 \text{ Laplace's Eq"}$$

so can we always transform a certain type  
to one of the same types but simpler.

Let us introduce standard forms:

parabolic  $U_{ss} + l^2 r^2 = 0$

hyperbolic  $U_{rr} - U_{ss} + l^2 r^2 = 0$

elliptic  $U_{rr} + U_{ss} + l^2 r^2 = 0$

can we transform to one of these standard  
form?

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We saw in the 2 previous examples we could  
but how do we find the change of variables?  
So in the next few lectures we will forget  
each type

First we will assume a few things

(1) if  $r=r(x,y)$ ,  $s=s(x,y)$  is  
the change of variables that the  
Jacobian of the transformation  $\neq 0$

$$\text{i.e. } r_x s_y - r_y s_x \neq 0$$

This way we can go back and forth  
between variables  $(x,y) \leftrightarrow (r,s)$

Next we will assume that in the general  
case the type will not change. We

$$x^2 u_{xx} - 3xy u_{xy} + y^2 u_{yy} = 0$$

type  $b^2 - 4ac = 9x^2y^2 - 8x^2y^2 = xy^2 > 0$  if  $xy \neq 0$   
However, it is possible that  $x=0$  or  $y=0$ .

## Parabolic PDEs

Here we require that  $b^2 - 4ac = 0$

so for the general PDE

$$a u_{xx} + b u_{xy} + c u_{yy} + l \partial s = 0$$

we sub in our general 2<sup>nd</sup> order chain rules

$$a ( u_{rr} r_x^2 + 2 u_{rs} r_x s_x + u_{ss} s_x^2 + u_r r_{xx} + u_s s_{xx} )$$

$$b ( u_{rr} r_x r_y + u_{rs} (r_x s_y + r_y s_x) + u_{ss} s_x s_y + u_r r_{xy} + u_s s_{xy} )$$

$$c ( u_{rr} r_y^2 + 2 u_{rs} r_y s_y + u_{ss} s_y^2 + u_r r_{yy} + u_s s_{yy} ) + l \partial s = 0$$

and Negroup

$$(a r_x^2 + b r_x r_y + c r_y^2) u_{rr}$$

$$+ (2a r_x s_x + b (r_x s_y + r_y s_x) + 2c r_y s_y) u_{rs}$$

$$+ (a s_x^2 + b s_x s_y + c s_y^2) u_{ss} + l \partial s = 0$$

Now we choose to hit the parabolic target

$$u_{ss} + l \partial s = 0$$

This means choosing

$$ar_x^2 + br_xr_y + cr_y^2 = 0 \quad - (1)$$

$$\therefore 2ar_xs_x + b(r_xs_y + r_ys_x) + 2cr_ys_y = 0 \quad - (2)$$

These at first sight are nonlinear but

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

we will assume  $a \neq 0$  otherwise  $b = 0$

and the PDE is

$$cr_yy + lots = 0$$

and already is in standard form after dividing by  $c$

$$\text{so } c = \frac{b^2}{4a}$$

$$\therefore (1) \text{ becomes } ar_x^2 + br_xr_y + \frac{b^2}{4a} r_y^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow fa^2r_x^2 + fabr_xr_y + b^2r_y^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2ar_x + br_y)^2 = 0 \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{l} 2ar_x + br_y = 0 \\ \text{linear 1st order} \end{array}}$$

Further from (2)

$$2a r_x s_x + b r_x s_y + b r_y s_x + \frac{2 \cdot b^2}{4a} r_y s_y = 0$$

$$(2a r_x + b r_y) s_x + \frac{b}{2a} (2a r_x + b r_y) s_y = 0$$

$\parallel$   
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 $0$

so this is automatically satisfied!

So any  $s$  will work.

Ex  $u_{xx} - 2u_{xy} + u_{yy} = 0$  Previous dx

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0 \text{ as before}$$

Instead of remember the formula  $2ar_x + br_y = 0$   
It's easier to go to the PDE

$$u_{xx} - 2u_{xy} + u_{yy} = 0$$

$$\text{so } 1 \cdot r_x^2 - 2r_x r_y + r_y^2 = 0$$

↗  
this factors  
it always  
will!

$$(r_x - r_y)^2 = 0 \text{ a } r_x - r_y = 0$$

$$\text{Mot C} \quad \frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dy}{-1}; \quad dr = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = x+y \quad c_2 = r$$

so  $r = R(x+y)$   $s = S'(x+y)$  anything!

We picked  $r = x+y$ ,  $s = y$

More complicated choices will create lower order terms.

Do another example before this - see pg 12

$$\text{Ex} \quad x^2 u_{xx} + 4xy u_{xy} + 4y^2 u_{yy} = 0$$

$$a = x^2, \quad b = 4xy \quad c = 4y^2 \quad b^2 - 4ac = 16x^2y^2 - 16x^2y^2 = 0$$

so parabolic

$$x^2 r_x^2 + 4xy r_x r_y + 4y^2 r_y^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x r_x + 2y r_y = 0$$

$$\text{Mot C} \quad \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{dy}{2y}; \quad dr = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\ln x - \ln y = c_1 \quad r = c_2$$

$$\text{so } r = R(2\ln x - \ln y) \quad \text{OR} \quad r = R\left(\frac{x^2}{y}\right)$$

So which is better

#1 let  $r = 2\ln x - \ln y$   $s = y$  (again anything)

$$r_x = \frac{2}{x} \quad r_y = -\frac{1}{y} \quad r_{xx} = \frac{-2}{x^2} \quad r_{xy} = 0 \quad r_{yy} = \frac{1}{y^2}$$

$$s_x = 0 \quad s_y = 1 \quad s_{xx} = s_{xy} = s_{yy} = 0$$

$$\text{so } U_{xx} = \frac{4}{x^2} U_{rr} - \frac{2}{x^2} U_r$$

$$U_{xy} = -\frac{2}{xy} U_{rr} + \frac{2}{x} U_{rs}$$

$$U_{yy} = \frac{1}{y^2} U_{rr} - \frac{2}{y} U_{rs} + U_{ss} + \frac{U_r}{y^2}$$

Now sub

$$\begin{aligned} & x^2 \left( \frac{4}{x^2} U_{rr} - \frac{2}{x^2} U_r \right) \\ & + 4xy \left( -\frac{2}{xy} U_{rr} + \frac{2}{x} U_{rs} \right) \\ & + 4y^2 \left( \frac{U_{rr}}{y^2} - \frac{2}{y} U_{rs} + U_{ss} + \frac{U_r}{y^2} \right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (4 - \cancel{8} + 4) U_{rr} + (\cancel{8y} - \cancel{8y}) U_{rs} + 4y^2 U_{ss} \\ - 2U_r + 4U_r = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 U_{SS} + 2U_r = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow U_{SS} + \frac{U_r}{2y^2} = 0$$

$$\boxed{\Rightarrow U_{SS} + \frac{U_r}{2s^2} = 0 \quad \therefore y = s}$$

#2 Let  $r = 2\ln x - \ln y, s = \ln y$

New eq<sup>n</sup> is

$$U_{SS} + \frac{1}{2} U_r - U_s = 0$$

#3  $r = x^2/y \quad s = y$

$$r_x = \frac{2x}{y} \quad r_y = -\frac{x^2}{y^2} \quad R_{xx} = \frac{2}{y} \quad R_{xy} = -\frac{2x}{y^2} \quad R_{yy} = \frac{2x^2}{y^3}$$

$$S_x = 0 \quad S_y = 1 \quad S_{xx} = S_{xy} = S_{yy} = 0$$

$$U_{xx} = \frac{4x^2}{y^2} U_{rr} - \frac{4x^3}{y^3} + \frac{2U_r}{y}$$

$$U_{xy} = -\frac{2x^3}{y^3} U_{rr} + \frac{2x}{y} U_{rs} - \frac{2x}{y^2} U_r$$

$$U_{yy} = \frac{x^4}{y^4} U_{rr} - \frac{2x^2}{y^2} U_{rs} + U_{ss} + \frac{2x^2}{y^3} U_r$$

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and sub & simplifying gives

$$2y^3 USS + x^2 Ur = 0$$

From original tx.  $r = \frac{x^2}{y}$ ,  $y = s$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = rs, y = s$$

$$\Rightarrow 2s^3 USS + rs Ur = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow USS + \frac{r Ur}{2s^2} = 0$$

$$\underline{Ex^2} \quad 4u_{xx} + 12u_{xy} + 9u_{yy} = 0$$

$$4r_x^2 + 12r_x r_y + 9r_y^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2r_x + 3r_y = 0$$

$$Mofc \quad \frac{dx}{2} = \frac{dy}{3}; \quad dr = 0$$

$$r = R(3x - 2y) \quad s - \text{anything}$$

$$PICK \quad r = 3x - 2y \quad s = y$$

$$\text{so} \quad r_x = 3 \quad r_y = -2 \quad v_{xx} = r_{xy} = r_{yy} = 0 \\ s_x = 0 \quad s_y = 1 \quad s_{xx} = s_{xy} = s_{yy} = 0$$

$$v_{xx} = 9u_{rr}$$

$$u_{xy} = -6u_{rr} + 3u_{rs}$$

$$v_{yy} = 4u_{rr} = 4u_{rs} + u_{ss}$$

$$Sub \quad 36u_{rr}$$

$$- 72u_{rr} + 36u_{rs}$$

$$36u_{rr} - 36u_{rs} + u_{ss} = 0 \Rightarrow u_{ss} = 0$$

$$u = f(r)s + g(r) \quad \text{so} \quad u = f(3x - 2y)y + g(3x - 2y)$$