

Look at the final exam: Question 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

## Second Midterm Practice Exam, Math 412

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**SHOW ALL WORK!**

**Problem 1.** Solve the PDE

$$\partial_{tt}u - 9\partial_{xx}u = 0, \quad g(x) \quad -\infty < x < \infty, t \geq 0,$$

~~for~~  $u(x, 0) = \sin x + \cos \frac{x}{3}, \quad \partial_t u(x, 0) = 3 \cos x - \sin \frac{x}{3}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$

$$u = \frac{1}{2} f(x-ct) + \frac{1}{2} g(x+ct) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} 5 \cos \bar{x} - \sin \frac{\bar{x}}{3} d\bar{x}$$

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(x-3t) + \sin(x+3t)) + \frac{1}{2} \cos \left( \frac{x-3t}{3} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \cos \left( \frac{x+3t}{3} \right)$$
$$+ \frac{1}{6} \left( 3 \sin \bar{x} + 3 \cos \frac{\bar{x}}{3} \right) \Big|_{x-3t}^{x+3t} = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(x-3t) + \sin(x+3t)) + \frac{1}{2} (\sin(x+3t) + \cos(x+3t))$$
$$+ \frac{1}{6} \left( 3 \sin(x+3t) + 3 \cos \frac{x+3t}{3} \right) - \frac{1}{6} \left( 3 \sin(x-3t) + 3 \cos \frac{x-3t}{3} \right)$$

$$u(x, t) = \sin(x+3t) + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} \right) \cos \left( \frac{x+3t}{3} \right) = \sin(x+3t) + \cos \left( \frac{x+3t}{3} \right)$$

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$$\text{check: } u(x, 0) = f(x) \quad \text{and} \quad u_t(x, 0) = 3 \cos x - \sin \frac{x}{3} \quad \checkmark$$

**Problem 2.** Solve the PDE

$$\partial_{tt}u = \partial_{xx}u, \quad 0 < x < 2, t > 0,$$

$$u(0, t) = 0, \quad u(2, t) = 0, \quad t > 0,$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0, \quad \partial_t u(x, 0) = 2\pi \sin(2\pi x), \quad 0 < x < 2.$$

Observe that  $g(x) = \sin 2\pi x$  is a FS of  $j(x)$ !

1)  $\Rightarrow$  use D'Alembert's formula.

$$\sin 2\pi t + 3\sin 2\pi x \Big|_{t=0} = 0$$

$$g_+(x) = 2\pi \cos 2\pi t + 3\sin 2\pi x \Big|_{t=0} = 2\pi \sin 2\pi x$$

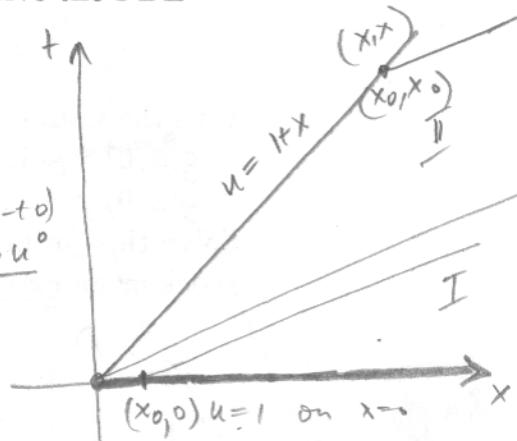
2)  $u(x, t) = \sin 2\pi t + g_+(x)$  (use Chapter 4 methods)

**Problem 3.** Let  $\Omega = \{(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \geq 0, x \geq t\}$ . Solve the PDE

$$\partial_t u + 3\partial_x u + 2u = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

given that  $u(x, 0) = 1$  and  $u(x, x) = 1+x$  for  $x \geq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx(s)}{ds} &= 3 \\ x - x_0 &= 3(t - t_0) \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{du(x(t_1), t)}{dt} = -2u \\ u(x(t_0), t_0) = u^0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{cases} u = e^{-2(t-t_0)} \cdot u^0 \\ u(x(t_1), t) = u^0 \end{cases}$$



Case I:  $x \geq 3t$

$$x - x_0 = 3t \quad u(x(t_1), t) = e^{-2t} \cdot u(x_0, 0) = e^{-2t}$$

Case II:  $3t > x \geq t$

$$\begin{aligned} x - x_0 &= 3(t - x_0) \\ 2x_0 &= 3t - x \\ x_0 &= \frac{3t-x}{2} \end{aligned} \quad \boxed{x - x_0 = 3(t - x_0)} \quad u(x(t_1), t) = e^{-2(t - \frac{3t-x}{2})} \left(1 + \frac{3t-x}{2}\right)$$

$$= e^{-2(\frac{x-t}{2})} \left(\frac{3t-x+2}{2}\right) = e^{(t-x)} \left(1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{3}{2}t\right)$$

Check:  $u(x_0, 0) = 1 \checkmark$ ,  $u(x_1, x) = 1+x \checkmark$

$$u(x_1, t) = \begin{cases} -2e^{-2t} & x \geq 3t \\ \dots & t \leq x < 3t \end{cases}$$

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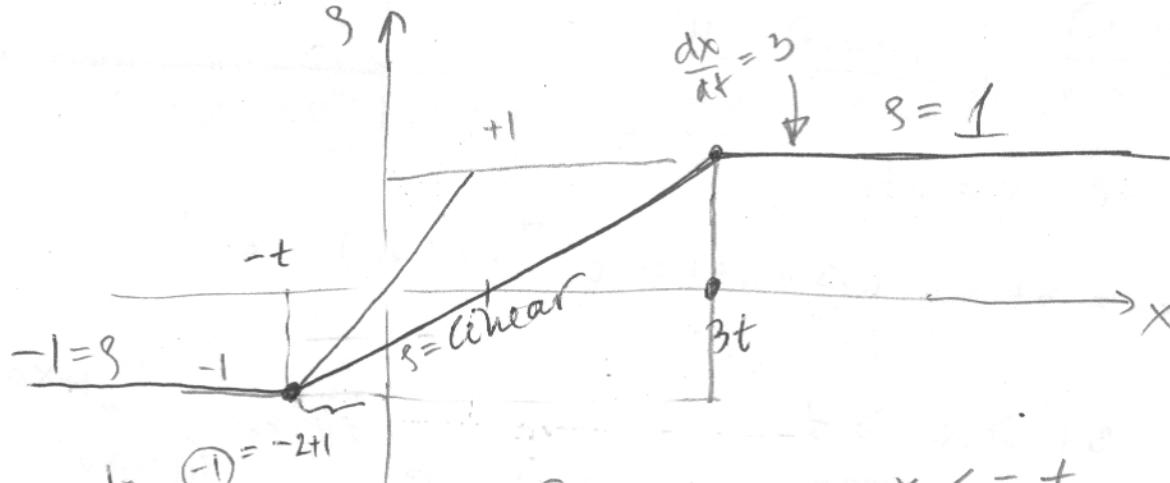
**Problem 4.** Consider the conservation equation

$$\partial_t \rho + \partial_x (\rho^2 + \rho) = 0, \quad x \in (-\infty, \infty), \quad t > 0$$

with the initial condition

$$\begin{aligned} g(x, 0) &= -1, \text{ if } x < 0, \\ g(x, 0) &= 1, \quad \text{if } x > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Solve this problem using the method of characteristics. Do we have a shock or an expansion wave here?



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -1 = -2t$$

$$g(x, t) = \begin{cases} -1 & x < -t \\ -1 + \frac{x+t}{2t} & -t < x < 3t \\ 1 & x > 3t \end{cases}$$

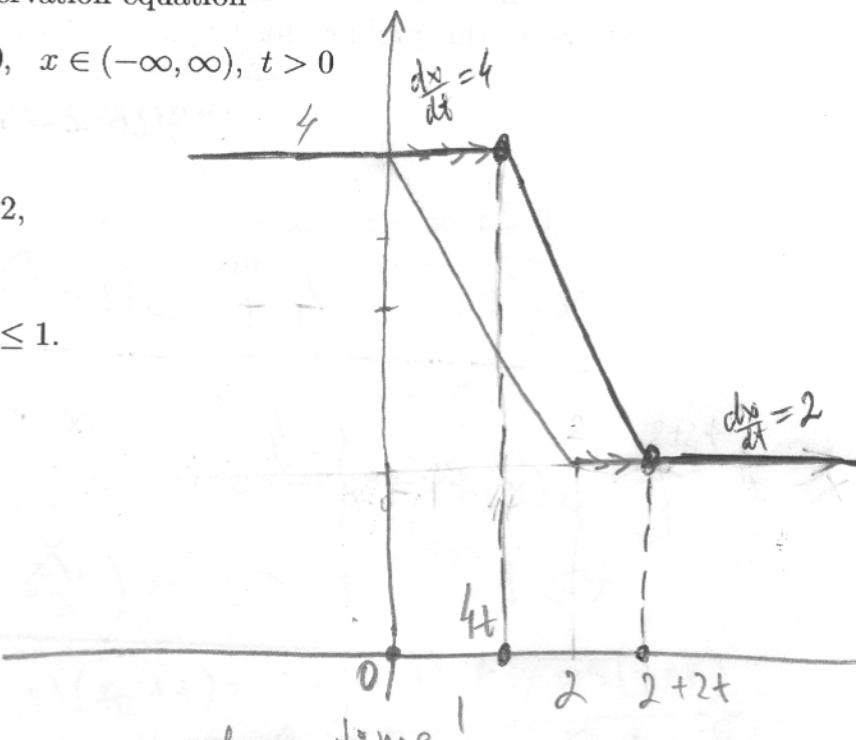
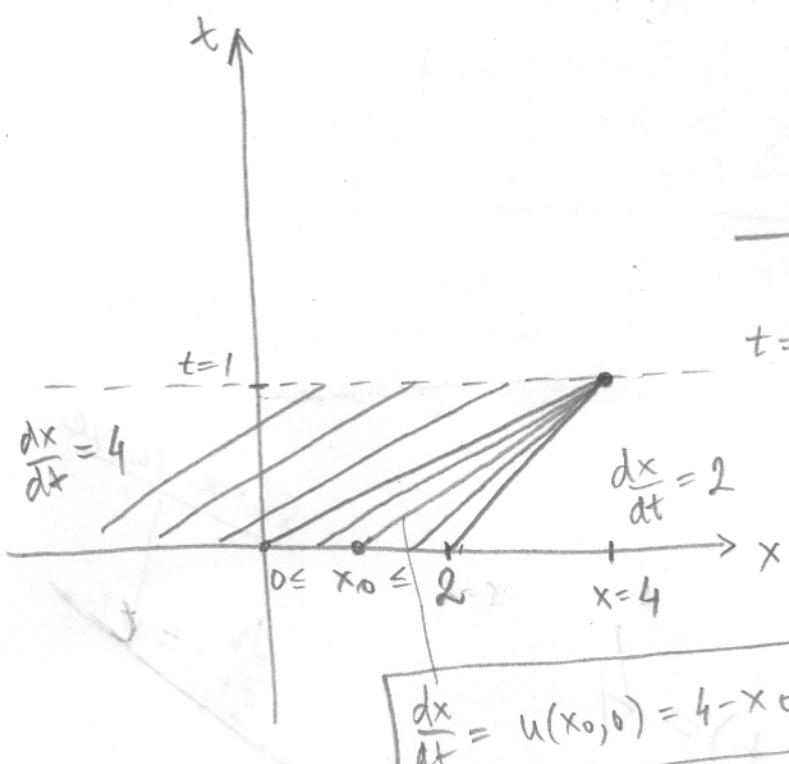
**Problem 5.** Consider the conservation equation

$$\partial_t u + u \partial_x u = 0, \quad x \in (-\infty, \infty), \quad t > 0$$

with the initial condition

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, 0) &= 4, & \text{if } x < 0, \\ u(x, 0) &= 4 - x, & \text{if } 0 < x < 2, \\ u(x, 0) &= 2, & \text{if } x > 2. \end{aligned}$$

(i) Solve this problem for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .



$$u(x_1, t) = \begin{cases} 4 & x < 4t \\ \text{linear} & 4t < x < 2+2t \\ 2 & x > 2+2t \end{cases}$$

0 \leq t \leq 1

Note  $\circled{t=1} \rightarrow u(x_1, 1) = \begin{cases} 4 & x < 4 \\ 2 & x > 4 \end{cases} = \underline{\text{show}}$

(ii) At  $t = 1$ , we have  $u(x, 1) = 4$  if  $x < 4$ , and  $u(x, 1) = 2$ , if  $x > 4$ .  
 Solve this problem for  $t > 1$ .

Shock speed  $\frac{dx_s}{dt} = \frac{2+4}{2} = \frac{[f]}{[u]}$

$x_s(t) = 4 + 3(t-1) = 3t + 1 = \text{shock location}$

$u(x, t) = \begin{cases} 4 & x < x_s(t) \\ 2 & x > x_s(t) \end{cases}$

Picture!

