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WAVE EQN IN $n(=3)$ dimensions.

LAST TIME: A synopsis

$$M_u(x, r) = \frac{1}{\omega_n} \int_{|\eta|=1} u(x+r\eta) dS_\eta$$

$$\omega_n = \text{Area of } S^{n-1} = \int_{|\eta|=1} dS_\eta$$

$$u_{tt} = c^2 \Delta u \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 M_u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 M_u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{n-1}{r} \frac{\partial M_u}{\partial r} \right) *$$

$$u(x, 0) = \phi$$

$$u_t(x, 0) = \psi$$

$$M_u(x, r, 0) = M_\phi(x, r)$$

$$\frac{\partial M_u}{\partial t}(x, r, 0) = M_\psi(x, r)$$

IN $n=3$ * is equivalent to

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} (r M_u) = c^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} (r M_u)$$

$$V = r M_u$$

$$V_{tt} = c^2 V_{rr}$$

$$V(r, x, 0) = r M_\phi = G \leftarrow \text{ODD FUNCTIONS}$$

$$V_t(r, x, 0) = r M_\psi = H$$

$$V = \frac{G(r+ct) + G(r-ct)}{2} + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{r-ct}^{r+ct} H(p) dp$$

(assume $ct > r$)

$$r M_u = \frac{G(r+ct) - G(ct-r)}{2} + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{ct-r}^{ct+r} H(p) dp$$

$$M_u = \frac{G(r+ct) - G(ct-r)}{2r} + \frac{1}{2cr} \int_{ct-r}^{ct+r} H(\rho) d\rho.$$

as $r \rightarrow 0$

$$u(x,z) = M_u(x,0) = \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} \Big|_{t=ct} + H(ct)$$

BUT $G(r) = r M_\phi(x,r)$ $\omega_3 = 4\pi$
 $H(r) = r M_\psi(x,r)$

$$u = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(t \int_{|\xi|=1} \phi(x+c\tau\xi) dS_\xi \right) + \frac{\tau}{4\pi} \int_{|\xi|=1} \psi(x+c\tau\xi) dS_\xi$$

OBSERVATION: If $\phi \in C^3$, $\psi \in C^2$ Then u defined by above is C^2 . Loss of 1 Derivative.

NOTE THE LOSS OF REGULARITY: A solution which has initial data that is C^3 is only C^2 at later times. This is part of guaranteed to be

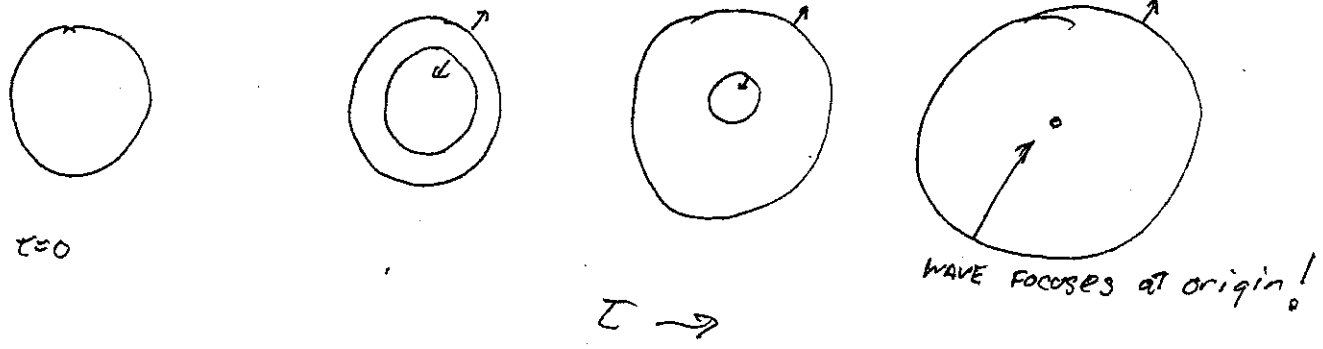
The geometry of the wave equation in higher dimensions.

CONTRAST w/ D'ALEMBERT

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \left(\phi(x+ct) + \phi(x-ct) \right) + \frac{1}{2c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} \psi(\rho) d\rho.$$

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Pictures: Focusing of WAVEFRONTS:



• SHARP PROPAGATION OF SIGNALS

u at time T and position x depends ONLY on what happens on sphere centered on point x with radius CT .

Again CONTRAST with D'Alembert

Depends	only	on	ϕ	only	on	sphere
u	"	ϕ	on	whole	ball	$ x \leq CT$

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WAVE EQN in $d=2$. SAME TRICK FAILS

$$\frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial M}{\partial r} \right)$$

$$V = r^{\frac{1}{2}} M$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial r^2} = r^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r^{\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{\partial M}{\partial r} - \frac{1}{4} r^{-\frac{3}{2}} M$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial r^2} = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{r^2} V$$

no good!

~~WAVE EQN~~ IDEA! $2 < 3!$

$$u_{tt} = c^2 (u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz}) \quad u(\vec{x}, 0) = \phi(x, y)$$
$$u_t(\vec{x}, 0) = \psi(x, y)$$

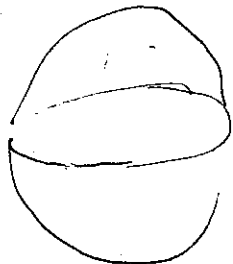
u solves 2-D WAVE EQUATION!

$$u = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(t \int_{|\xi|=1} \phi(x + c t \xi_1, y + c t \xi_2) dS_\xi \right)$$

$$\psi(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \xi_3 = \sqrt{1 - \xi_1^2 - \xi_2^2}$$

Surface MEASURE

$$dS_\xi = \sqrt{1 + (\psi_{\xi_1})^2 + (\psi_{\xi_2})^2} d\xi_1 d\xi_2 = \frac{d\xi_1 d\xi_2}{\sqrt{1 - \xi_1^2 - \xi_2^2}}$$



DON'T FORGET 2!

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$$u(x_1, x_2, z) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(2z \int_{\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2 < 1} \frac{\phi(x_1 + cT\xi_1, x_2 + cT\xi_2)}{\sqrt{1 - \xi_1^2 - \xi_2^2}} d\xi_1 d\xi_2 \right) + \frac{2z}{4\pi} \int_{\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2 < 1} \frac{h(x_1 + cT\xi_1, x_2 + cT\xi_2)}{\sqrt{1 - \xi_1^2 - \xi_2^2}} d\xi_1 d\xi_2$$