

Lecture 6

Note from last class

$$C(x, \nabla\phi) = \sum_{|\alpha|=n} A_\alpha \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x_1} \right)^{\alpha_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x_n} \right)^{\alpha_n} \quad (1)$$

We would like to emphasize that

$$d\phi(x) \in T_x^*M \quad M - \text{manifold}$$

This indicates that C maps tangent bundle $T^*M \mapsto \mathbb{R}$

$$C(x, *) : T_x^*M$$

. The characteristic cone at x is defined by the set

$$\{\xi \in T_x^*M : C(x, \xi) = 0\}. \quad (2)$$

Lie's Viewpoint

Consider $f(x, y, u, u_x, u_y) = 0$ and some point $p = (x, y, z, t, w) \in \mathbb{R}^5$ then, $f(p) = 0$ is in fact a surface in \mathbb{R}^5 . This indicates that solving a PDE is essentially finding a function $u(x, y)$ that satisfies some surface conditions. In particular

$$J : u \mapsto (\text{graph } u, u_x, u_y) \quad (3)$$

$$S : f(p) = 0 \quad (4)$$

S and J are surfaces in \mathbb{R}^5 , where we solve for a function u such that

$$Ju \subset S \quad (5)$$

SemiLinear 1st Order equation

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an Open, Connected and Nonempty (i.e. let be a domain). Let $\alpha : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n$ define a vector field and $A := \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i(x) \partial_i$ define a differential operator. Then

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i(x) \partial_i \quad (6)$$

$$\beta : \Omega \times \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{Solve } Au = \beta(x, u) \quad (8)$$

Definition 1. Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an interval.

$$\gamma : I \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n$$

is called a Parameterized Characteristic Curve (PC-curve) if

$$\gamma'(t) = \alpha(\gamma(t)) \quad \forall t \in I$$

C-curve : $[\gamma] = \gamma(I)$ is the image of γ under I .

Lemma 1. Let $u : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable and let γ be a PC-curve, then

$$\frac{d u(\gamma(t))}{dt} = Au \Big|_{\gamma(t)} \quad t \in I$$

Proof.

$$\frac{du(\gamma(t))}{dt} = \sum_i \partial_i u(\gamma(t)) \gamma'_i(t) \tag{9}$$

$$= \sum_i \partial_i u(\gamma(t)) \alpha_i(\gamma(t)) \tag{10}$$

$$= (Au)(\gamma(t)) = Au \Big|_{\gamma} \tag{11}$$

□

Lemma 2. Let $\alpha \in C^1$ and u be differentiable.

$$Au = \beta(x, u) \Leftrightarrow \frac{du(\gamma(t))}{dt} = \beta(\gamma(t), u(\gamma(t)))$$

on every PC-curve.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) By previous Lemma

$$\frac{du(\gamma(t))}{dt} = (Au)(\gamma(t)) = \beta(\gamma(t), u(\gamma(t)))$$

(\Leftarrow)

Let $x \in \Omega$. γ PC-curve with $\gamma(0) = x$.

$$(Au)(x) = (Au)(\gamma(t)) \Big|_{t=0} \tag{12}$$

$$= \frac{du(\gamma(t))}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} \tag{13}$$

by hypothesis $\tag{14}$

$$= \beta(\gamma(t), u(\gamma(t))) \Big|_{t=0} \tag{15}$$

$$= \beta(x, u(x)) \tag{16}$$

□

Cauchy Problem

Consider $\Gamma \subset \Omega$ surface with a function $g : \Gamma \mapsto \mathbb{R}$. Find solution for (8) such that

$$u \Big|_{\Gamma} = g$$

To do this, start with $\xi \in \Gamma$ then solve for PC-curve such that $\gamma(0) = \xi$. Denote $v := u(\gamma(t))$ so v_ξ simply denoted the v which satisfies $\gamma_0 = \xi$. Now Solve for

$$\frac{dv_\xi}{dt} = \beta(\gamma(t), v_\xi(t)) \quad \text{By Lemma 1} \quad (17)$$

$$\text{with } v_\xi(0) = g(\xi) \quad (18)$$

So the solution for the ODE above $v_\xi(t)$ is a solution for PDE (8) along γ , so set

$$u(\gamma(t)) := v(t)$$

Assume $\alpha \in C^k$ $\beta \in C^k$. We conclude by elementary ODE theory that $\gamma \in C^k$ so

$$f(t, v) := \beta(\gamma(t), v) \quad f \in C^k$$

We know v is unique (also by elementary ode theory) so if u solves (8) then $u(\gamma(t)) = v_\xi(t)$ by uniqueness.

Assume $\forall \xi \in \Gamma$, $\alpha(\xi)$ is not tangent to Γ and suppose $\Sigma \subset \Gamma \times \mathbb{R}$

$$\underbrace{\varphi : \Sigma \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n}_{\text{suppose Injective}} \quad (19)$$

$$\varphi(\xi, t) = \gamma_\xi(t) \quad (20)$$

$\implies \varphi : \Sigma \mapsto \varphi(\Sigma)$ is bijective. Now suppose we know value of $u(x)$, we can solve for value at ξ by inversion; that is

$$\varphi^{-1}(x) =: (\xi(x), t(x))$$

provided the bijection above holds on a local subset then $u(x) = v_\xi(t(x))$ solves the PDE locally there.

Problem: Is u differentiable?

Inverse Mapping Theorem

Let

$$\varphi : A_{\mathbb{C}\mathbb{R}^n} \mapsto B_{\mathbb{C}\mathbb{R}^n}$$

$D\varphi(x)v := \sum_j v_j \partial_j \varphi(x)$ where D is said to be total differential operator. Suppose $\varphi \in C^k$ and $D\varphi(a)$ invertible

$$\implies \exists X \ni a \text{ nbhd s.t } \varphi : X \mapsto Y = \varphi(X) \in C^k$$

I.e we have diffeomorphism, that is,

$$\exists \varphi^{-1} : Y \mapsto X \text{ and } \varphi^{-1} \in C^k.$$

In addition, if φ is injective then $\varphi : A \mapsto B$ is C^k - diffeomorphism.

Let

$$\varphi(\xi, t) = \Phi^t(\xi) \quad \Phi^t : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\Phi^{t+s}(\xi) = \Phi^t(\Phi^s(\xi)) \quad (21)$$

$$(\Phi^t)^{-1} = \Phi^{-t} \quad (22)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} \Phi^{t+s}(\xi) = D\Phi^t(\Phi^s(\xi)) \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \Phi^s(\xi) \quad (23)$$

$$s = 0 : \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi^t(\xi) = D\Phi^t(\xi) \alpha(\xi) \quad (24)$$

$$D\Phi(\xi, t)(\dot{\xi}, \dot{t}) = (D\Phi^t(\xi) \dot{\xi}, D\Phi^t(\xi) \alpha(\xi) \dot{t}) \quad (25)$$

$\dot{\xi} \in T_\xi \Gamma, \alpha(\xi) \notin T_\xi \Gamma \implies D\varphi \text{ non-degenerated} \implies \text{invertible}$