

27. Let  $u$  be a solution of the wave equation  $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx}$ . Show the following:
- Let  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $v$  with  $v(x, t) = u(x - y, t)$  solves the wave equation.
  - $u_x$ ,  $u_t$ , and  $u_{xx}$  solve the wave equation (provided  $u$  is often enough differentiable).
  - Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $v$  with  $v(x, t) = u(ax, at)$  solves the wave equation.
28. Solve the wave equation  $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx}$ , together with the initial conditions
- $u(x, 0) = e^x$  and  $u_t(x, 0) = \sin x$ ;
  - $u(x, 0) = \log(1 + x^2)$  and  $u_t(x, 0) = 4 + x$ ;
  - $u(x, 0) = \tanh x$  and  $u_t(x, 0) = 0$ .
29. If both  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are even functions of  $x$ , show that the solution of the initial value problem given in Theorem 2.2 is also even in  $x$  for all times  $t$ .
30. Use a method similar to the methods from Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.2 (i.e., “factor” the operator) to find the solutions to the following initial value problems:
- $u_{xx} - 3u_{xt} - 4u_{tt} = 0$ ,  $u(x, 0) = x^2$ ,  $u_t(x, 0) = e^x$ ;
  - $u_{xx} + 2u_{xt} - 3u_{tt} = 0$ ,  $u(x, 0) = \sin x$ ,  $u_t(x, 0) = x$ ;
  - $u_{xx} - u_{xt} - 2u_{tt} = 0$ ,  $u(x, 0) = x^2$ ,  $u_t(x, 0) = x$ .
31. Find the general solution of the so-called spherical wave equation  $u_{tt} = c^2 (u_{rr} + \frac{2}{r}u_r)$  by changing variables  $v = ur$ . Also, find the solution of the spherical wave equation that satisfies  $u(r, 0) = \phi(r)$  and  $u_t(r, 0) = \psi(r)$ , where  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are differentiable.
32. Let  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a strictly decreasing function. Determine the solution of the so-called Goursat problem, namely of  $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx}$ ,  $u(x, \frac{x}{c}) = \phi(x)$ ,  $u(x, h(x)) = \psi(x)$ .
33. Suppose  $u$  solves the equation (with a given function  $h$  and  $c > 0$ )  $u_{tt} + 2cu_{xt} + c^2 u_{xx} = h(x - ct)$ . Introduce  $v = u_t + cu_x$  and calculate  $v_t + cv_x$  to obtain a PDE of first order for  $v$ . Solve this PDE using the geometric method. Thus obtain a PDE of first order for  $u$ . Solve this PDE using the geometric method. Finally, solve the problem  $u_{tt} + 2cu_{xt} + c^2 u_{xx} = h(x - ct)$ ,  $u(x, 0) = \phi(x)$ ,  $u_t(x, 0) = \psi(x)$ .
34. Find the general solution of the nonhomogeneous wave equation  $u_{tt} - c^2 u_{xx} = h(x, t)$ . Then, determine the solution of this equation that satisfies the initial conditions  $u(x, 0) = \phi(x)$  and  $u_t(x, 0) = \psi(x)$ .
35. Prove that the total energy for the wave equation  $E(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^l \{ \frac{1}{c^2} u_t^2(x, t) + u_x^2(x, t) \} dx$  is conserved when having Neumann boundary conditions.