

Serie 13

1. Solve the following equation by the method of characteristics:

$$x^2 u_x - (y^2 + 1) u_y = u x^3, \quad u(1, y) = 2, x > 1$$

2. Let $D = \{x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$. Prove the solution of the following problem

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta u &= 0 & (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus D \\ u(x, y) &= 1 & (x, y) \in \partial D \end{aligned}$$

is not unique.

Remark. This result does not contradict the Theorem 7.14 on p. 183 in [PR], since the domain $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus D$ is unbounded.

3. Let $D = \{x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ and $Q_T = [0, T] \times D$. Assume that $u : Q_T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a C^2 solution of the parabolic equation

$$u_t = k\Delta + y u_x - x^3 u_y.$$

The parabolic boundary of Q_T is

$$\partial_P Q_T = \{0\} \times D \cup [0, T] \times \partial D$$

Prove that u achieves its maximum on $\partial_P Q_T$.

Hint. Refer to the proof of Theorem 7.15, the maximum principle for the heat equation, in [PR].

4. Find the weak solution of the following Cauchy problem with a discontinuous initial condition

$$\begin{aligned} u_t + u^2 u &= 0, & t \leq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}, \\ u(0, x) &= 3, & x < 0, \\ u(0, x) &= 1, & x > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hint. Rewrite the equation in the form

$$u_t + \partial_x F(u) = 0$$

and use the Rankine-Hugoniot condition, equation (2.62) on p. 47 in [PR].

Remark. The Serie 4 is recommended for reviewing the topic conservation law.

References

- [PR] Y. Pinchover, J. Rubinstein, An introduction to Partial Differential Equations, Cambridge University Press(12. Mai 2005).