

## On the Solvability of a Periodic Problem in an Infinite Stripe for Second Order Hyperbolic Equations

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In the infinite stripe  $D_T := \{(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2, x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < t < T\}$  of the plane of independent variables  $x, t$  we consider the problem of finding a regular solution  $u = u(x, t)$  of the hyperbolic equation

$$au_{tt} + 2bu_{tx} + cu_{xx} = f(x, t), \quad (x, t) \in D_T, \quad a, b, c := \text{const}, \quad a \neq 0, \quad (1)$$

satisfying the periodic boundary conditions with respect to the variable  $t$

$$u(x, 0) = u(x, T), \quad u_t(x, 0) = u_t(x, T), \quad x \in \mathbb{R} := (-\infty, +\infty). \quad (2)$$

For hyperbolic equations and systems time periodic problems have been the subject of research by many authors (see, for example, works [2-6] and the references therein), in which questions of existence, absence, uniqueness and representation of solutions are studied.

Assuming that

$$b^2 - ac > 0, \quad f \in C^1(\overline{D}_T), \quad (3)$$

the regular solution  $u \in C^2(\overline{D}_T)$  of the equation (1) can be represented in the form

$$u(x, t) = \frac{\lambda_2 \varphi(x - \lambda_1 t) - \lambda_1 \varphi(x - \lambda_2 t)}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} + \frac{1}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} \int_{x - \lambda_2 t}^{x - \lambda_1 t} \psi(\tau) d\tau + \frac{1}{a(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)} \int_{D_{x,t}} f(\xi, \tau) d\xi d\tau, \quad (4)$$

where  $\lambda_i, i = 1, 2$  by virtue (3) are the different real roots of the quadratic equation  $a\lambda^2 - 2b\lambda + c = 0$  and  $D_{x,t}$  is the triangular domain bounded by an axis  $Ox$  and characteristic lines of the equation (1) coming from the point  $(x, t) \in D_T$  and

$$\varphi(x) := u(x, 0), \quad \psi(x) := u_t(x, 0), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

By applying the representation (4), the problem (1),(2) is equivalently reduced to a system of functional equations

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & \psi(x) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} \left[ \lambda_1 \psi(x - \lambda_1 T) - \lambda_2 \psi(x - \lambda_2 T) + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \varphi'(x - \lambda_1 T) - \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \varphi'(x - \lambda_2 T) \right] \\ & = \frac{1}{a(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)} \int_0^T \left\{ -\lambda_1 f[x - \lambda_1(T - \tau), \tau] + \lambda_2 f[x - \lambda_2(T - \tau), \tau] \right\} d\tau, \\ & \varphi'(x) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} \left[ -\lambda_2 \varphi'(x - \lambda_1 T) + \lambda_1 \varphi'(x - \lambda_2 T) - \psi(x - \lambda_1 T) + \psi(x - \lambda_2 T) \right] \\ & = \frac{1}{a(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)} \int_0^T \left\{ f[x - \lambda_1(T - \tau), \tau] - f[x - \lambda_2(T - \tau), \tau] \right\} d\tau. \end{aligned} \right. \quad (5)$$

In the notation  $v := (\psi, \varphi')$  we write the system of equations (5) in the form

$$v(x) + \sum_{i=1}^2 A_i v(x - \lambda_i T) = F(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (6)$$

where

$$A_1 := \frac{1}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} \begin{vmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \\ -1 & -\lambda_2 \end{vmatrix}, \quad A_2 := \frac{1}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda_2 & -\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \\ 1 & \lambda_1 \end{vmatrix}, \quad (7)$$

and

$$F(x) := \frac{1}{a(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)} \left\| \begin{array}{l} \int_0^T \left\{ -\lambda_1 f[x - \lambda_1(T - \tau), \tau] + \lambda_2 f[x - \lambda_2(T - \tau), \tau] \right\} d\tau \\ \int_0^T \left\{ f[x - \lambda_1(T - \tau), \tau] - f[x - \lambda_2(T - \tau), \tau] \right\} d\tau \end{array} \right\|.$$

If we introduce the notations

$$\omega_i := A_i v, \quad i = 1, 2, \quad (8)$$

by virtue of (7) and taking into account the facts that:  $A_1 A_2 = A_2 A_1 = O$  and  $A_i^2 := -A_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , from the equation (6) with respect to the unknown functions  $\omega_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , we get the following independent from each other equations

$$\omega_i(x) - A_i \omega_i(x - \lambda_i T) = A_i F(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad i = 1, 2. \quad (9)$$

For arbitrary  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  let's introduce the following spaces:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\alpha, \beta}(\mathbb{R}) &:= \left\{ v \in C(\mathbb{R}) : \sup_{x \in (-\infty, 0)} e^{-\alpha x} |v(x)| + \sup_{x \in (0, +\infty)} e^{-\beta x} |v(x)| < +\infty \right\}, \\ C_{\alpha, \beta}^2(\overline{D}_T) &:= \left\{ u \in C^2(\overline{D}_T) : \sup_{(x, t) \in (-\infty, 0) \times [0, T]} e^{-\alpha x} (|u(x, t)| + |u_t(x, t)|) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sup_{(x, t) \in (0, +\infty) \times [0, T]} e^{-\beta x} (|u(x, t)| + |u_t(x, t)|) < +\infty \right\}, \\ C_{\alpha, \beta}^1(\overline{D}_T) &:= \left\{ f \in C^1(\overline{D}_T), \sup_{x \in (-\infty, 0) \times [0, T]} e^{-\alpha x} |f(x, t)| + \sup_{x \in (0, +\infty) \times [0, T]} e^{-\beta x} |f(x, t)| < +\infty \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

and the notation

$$I_{\alpha, \beta} := [\min(\alpha, \beta), \max(\alpha, \beta)].$$

**Remark 1.** It is easy to check that from the equalities (8) the vector function  $v$  is uniquely determined if and only if

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \frac{c}{a} \neq 0. \quad (10)$$

Throughout Theorems 1–4 formulated below we will assume that the condition (10) is satisfied. Based on Bochner's results [1] regarding to the functional equation (9) in the space  $C_{\alpha, \beta}(\mathbb{R})$  there are proved the following:

**Theorem 1.** *If  $\alpha \beta > 0$ , then for any right-hand side  $f \in C_{\alpha, \beta}^1(\overline{D}_T)$  the problem (1), (2) has a unique solution in the space  $C_{\alpha, \beta}^2(\overline{D}_T)$ .*

**Theorem 2.** *If  $\alpha < 0$  and  $\beta > 0$ , then for any right-hand side  $f \in C_{\alpha, \beta}^1(\overline{D}_T)$  there exists a solution of the problem (1), (2) in the space  $C_{\alpha, \beta}^2(\overline{D}_T)$ , besides the corresponding homogeneous problem has an infinite number of linearly independent solutions in the same space.*

**Theorem 3.** If  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta < 0$ , then the problem (1), (2) in the space  $C_{\alpha,\beta}^2(\overline{D}_T)$  cannot have more than one solution and for its solvability it is necessary and sufficient that the function  $f \in C_{\alpha,\beta}^1(\overline{D}_T)$  satisfy the following condition

$$\Lambda_\gamma(f) = 0, \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $\Lambda_\gamma$  - is a well-defined linear functional on the space  $C_{\alpha,\beta}^1(\overline{D}_T)$ , depending on a real parameter  $\gamma$ .

**Theorem 4.** If  $\alpha\beta = 0$ , then the problem (1), (2) is not solvable even in the Hausdorff's sense in the space  $C_{\alpha,\beta}^2(\overline{D}_T)$ , when  $f \in C_{\alpha,\beta}^1(\overline{D}_T)$ , i.e. the set of functions  $f$  from the space  $C_{\alpha,\beta}^1(\overline{D}_T)$  for which the problem (1), (2) is solvable in the space  $C_{\alpha,\beta}^2(\overline{D}_T)$  is not closed in the space  $C_{\alpha,\beta}^1(\overline{D}_T)$ .

**Remark 2.** Note also that in the case, when the condition (10) is violated, i.e. when  $c = 0$ , to the necessary conditions for the solvability of the problem (1), (2) in space  $C_{\alpha,\beta}^2(\overline{D}_T)$  there will be added the following condition

$$\int_0^T f(x, \tau) d\tau = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R},$$

imposed on the function  $f \in C_{\alpha,\beta}^1(\overline{D}_T)$ .

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