Dynamics and exact solutions of linear PDEs

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The report presents a new method for constructing exact solutions of the classical linear equations of mathematical physics of parabolic, hyperbolic, elliptic and variable types. The method is a generalization of the theory of finite-dimensional dynamics proposed for evolutionary differential equations [1, 5]. The theory of finite-dimensional dynamics is a natural development of the theory of dynamical systems. Dynamics make it possible to find families that depends on a finite number of parameters among all solutions of PDEs (see [2, 3]).

Consider the following class of second order linear partial differential equations

$$u_{tt} + 2b(x)u_{tx} + c(x)u_{xx} + h(x)u_t + g(x)u_x + f(x) = 0,$$
(1)

where b, c, h, g, f are functions of the class C^{∞} . Such equations are equivalent to the following evolutionary systems

$$\begin{cases} u_t = v, \\ v_t = -2b(x)v_x - c(x)u_{xx} - h(x)v - g(x)u_x - f(y). \end{cases}$$
(2)

We call the system of ordinary differential equations of order k + 1

$$\begin{cases} y^{(k+1)} = Y\left(x, y, z, y', z' \dots, y^{(k)}, z^{(k)}\right), \\ z^{(k+1)} = Z\left(x, y, z, y', z' \dots, y^{(k)}, z^{(k)}\right) \end{cases}$$
(3)

a dynamics of equation (1) if the vector function

$$(\varphi,\psi) := (z_0, -2b(x)z_1 - c(x)y_2 - h(x)z_0 - g(x)y_1 - f(x))$$

is a generating function of infinitesimal characteristic symmetries of this system [4]. Here $x, y_0, z_0, y_1, z_1, y_2, z_2$ are canonical coordinates on the space of 2-jets $J^2(\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^2)$.

Theorem 1. The vector field on $J^k(\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^2)$

$$S = \varphi \frac{\partial}{\partial y_0} + \psi \frac{\partial}{\partial z_0} + \mathcal{D}(\varphi) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} + \mathcal{D}(\psi) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1} + \dots + \mathcal{D}^k(\varphi) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} + \mathcal{D}^k(\psi) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k}$$
(4)

is an infinitesimal characteristic symmetry of system (3) if the following conditions hold:

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{D}^{k+1}(\varphi) - S(Y) = 0, \\ \mathcal{D}^{k+1}(\psi) - S(Z) = 0. \end{cases}$$
(5)

Here

$$\mathcal{D} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial y_0} + z_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z_0} + \dots + y_k \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{k-1}} + z_k \frac{\partial}{\partial z_{k-1}} + Y \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} + Z \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k}$$

Let $\Gamma^k \subset J^2(\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^2)$ be a k-graph of some solution of system (3) and let Φ_t be the shift along the vector field S. Then the surface $\Phi_t(\Gamma^k)$ is a k-graph of a solution of system (2).

Example 2. Consider the telegraph equation

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} = au + bu_t + c,\tag{6}$$

where a, b, c are constants. This equation admits two types of dynamics:

$$\begin{cases} y_2 = \frac{y_1}{x + \alpha}, \\ z_2 = \frac{z_1}{x + \alpha} \end{cases}$$
(7)

and

$$\begin{cases} y_2 = \frac{2b\alpha - (x+\beta)\alpha^2}{4b^2 + 16a - \alpha^2(x+\beta)^2} \times y_1 - \frac{4\alpha}{4b^2 + 16a - \alpha^2(x+\beta)^2} \times z_1, \\ z_2 = -\frac{4a\alpha}{4b^2 + 16a - \alpha^2(x+\beta)^2} \times y_1 - \frac{2b\alpha + \alpha^2(x+\beta)}{4b^2 + 16a - \alpha^2(x+\beta)^2} \times z_1. \end{cases}$$
(8)

Here α, β are arbitrary constants. The general solution of equation (7) is

$$\begin{cases} y(x) = C_3 + C_4 (x + \alpha)^2, \\ z(x) = C_1 + C_2 (x + \alpha)^2, \end{cases}$$
(9)

and the general solution of equation (8) is

$$\begin{cases} y(x) = \frac{1}{2}C_2x^2 + C_3x + C_4, \\ z(x) = \frac{1}{8\alpha} \left(x(C_2\beta - C_3)(2\beta + x)\alpha^2 + (8C_1 + 2bx^2C_2 + 4bC_3x)\alpha - 32\left(a + \frac{b^2}{4}\right)C_2x \right). \end{cases}$$
(10)

Here C_1, \ldots, C_4 are arbitrary constants. Applying the shift transformations Φ_t to the obtained general solutions, we obtain particular solutions of equation (6). For example, the function

$$u(t,x) = -1 + \frac{1}{10} \left(\frac{5}{2} x^2 + 5 + (10x + 1 - t)\sqrt{5} \right) e^{-\frac{1}{2}(t\sqrt{5}-1)} + \frac{1}{10} \left(\frac{5}{2} x^2 + 5 + (-10x - 1 + t)\sqrt{5} \right) e^{\frac{1}{2}(t\sqrt{5}-1)}$$
(11)

is a solution of equation (6). It corresponds to solution (10) with a = b = c = 1, $\alpha = 1, \beta = 0$ and $C_1 = 0, C_2 = 1, C_3 = 0, C_4 = 0, C_5 = 0.$

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