

3. Now let's consider solutions to the wave equation with only one boundary, at $x = 0$.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(x, t) = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t), \quad (x, t > 0) \\ u(0, t) = 0, \quad (t > 0) \\ u(x, 0) = f(x), \quad (x > 0) \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = g(x), \quad (x > 0) \end{array} \right.$$

Start with the function $v(x, t) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) + c \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t)$.

What PDE does $v(x, t)$ solve?

Show that $v(x, t) = g(x + ct) + cf'(x + ct)$ for all $x, t \geq 0$.

4 and 5. Now solve the first-order PDE
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) + c \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t) = v(x, t), \quad (x, t > 0) \\ u(0, t) = 0, \quad (t > 0) \\ u(x, 0) = f(x), \quad (x > 0) \end{array} \right.$$

Note: The solution formula is different depending on whether $x > ct$ or $x < ct$.
Treat these two cases separately.