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§ 01 前言

故事要從把 1834 年 8 月的某一天說起，蘇格蘭造船工程師 John.Scott Russell 沿著愛丁堡運河策馬前進。發現波浪在行進中保持穩定的速度與形狀，它不會散裂成水面上漂動的浮沫，也不會分流成許多更小的波，不會失去其能量，而只是向前奔流。

KdV 方程指的是荷蘭數學家 Joannes Korteweg 與 Gustav de Vries 於 1895 年在推導淺水波方程(shallow water wave)的過程中共同發現的一種偏微分方程。

以下摘自[\[孤立波淺談\]](#)，並參考 Rudy Lee Horne 的[\[孤粒子簡介\]](#)，只是把細節補充一下。

§ 02 推導

The KdV equation :

$$\begin{cases} u_t + 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = 0 \\ u(x,0) = f(x) \end{cases}, -\infty < x < \infty, 0 \leq t < \infty \quad (1)$$

用以描述淺水波的演進，其中 $6uu_x$ 是非線性的部分， u_{xxx} 是相散的部分 (dispersive term) 。

Let $\xi = x - ct$ (c represents the wave speed)

Let $u(x,t) = f(x-ct)$, $u_t = \frac{df}{d\xi} \frac{d\xi}{dt} = -c \frac{df}{d\xi}$ then $-cf' + 6ff' + f''' = 0 \dots (2)$

(2) 積分一次得 $-cf + 3f^2 + f'' = A$ 將 f' 視為積分因子(即兩邊同乘以 f')

$$f' f'' = Af' + cff' - 3f^2 f'$$

$[\frac{1}{2}(f')^2]' = (Af)' + (\frac{c}{2} f^2)' - (f^3)'$ 再積分得

$$(f')^2 = 2Af + cf^2 - 2f^3 + B$$

考慮邊界值 $f, f', f'' \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ then $A=B=0$

$$(f')^2 = cf^2 - 2f^3 = f^2(c - 2f) , \text{ 其中 } c - 2f > 0$$

$$\int \frac{df}{f(c-2f)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \pm \int d\xi \quad , \text{ let } f = \frac{c}{2} \operatorname{sech}^2 \theta \text{ then } c-2f = \dots = c \tanh^2 \theta$$

其中

$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}, \sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}, \cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x = 1 \quad , \quad \frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{sech} x = -\tanh x \operatorname{sech} x$$

$$f' = \frac{df}{d\xi}, \xi = x - ct \quad , \quad df = c \operatorname{sech} \theta (-\tanh \theta \operatorname{sech} \theta) d\theta$$

$$\int \frac{df}{f(c-2f)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \dots = \frac{-2\theta}{\sqrt{c}} = \pm(\xi + k) = \pm(x - ct + x_0) \quad , \quad \theta = \frac{\sqrt{c}}{2}(x - ct + x_0)$$

$$u(x, t) = f(x - ct) = \frac{c}{2} \operatorname{sech}^2 \theta \quad , \quad \text{where } \theta = \frac{\sqrt{c}}{2}(x - ct + x_0)$$

§ 03 Proposition (Miura)

If v is a solution to the modified KdV equation $v_t - 6v^2 v_x + v_{xxx} = 0$ then $u = v^2 + v_x$

solves the KdV equation $u_t - 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = 0$.

$$u_t = 2vv_t + v_{xt} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 2v\right)v_t$$

$$u_x = 2vv_x + v_{xx}$$

$$u_{xx} = 2v_x^2 + 2vv_{xx} + v_{xxx}$$

$$u_{xxx} = 4v_x v_{xx} + 2v_x v_{xx} + 2vv_{xxx} + v_{xxxx} = 6v_x v_{xx} + \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 2v\right)(v_{xxx})$$

$-6uu_x = -6(v^2 + v_x)(2vv_x + v_{xx})$ 展開，其中 $-6v_x v_{xx}$ 與上式中的 $6v_x v_{xx}$ 抵銷

$$-6(2v^3 v_x + v^2 v_{xx} + 2vv_x^2) = -6\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 2v\right)(v^2 v_x)$$

$$\text{We have } \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 2v\right)(v_t - 6v^2 v_x + v_{xxx}) = 0$$

若 u 是已知，則 $u = v^2 + v_x$ 是 v 的 [Riccati equation](#) .

$v = u_x + u^2$ 稱為 Miura(三浦)transformation

§ 04 薛丁格方程

Let $v = \frac{\psi'}{\psi}$, then (3) 變成 $\psi_{xx} - u\psi = 0$ here $\psi' = \frac{d\psi}{dx}$

可把此式改寫成

$$\psi_{xx} + (\lambda - u)\psi = 0 \quad \text{Schrödinger equation}$$

Where $u(x,t)$ plays the role of a potential and λ is an eigenvalue of $\psi(x,t)$

§ 05 Scattering and Inverse Scattering

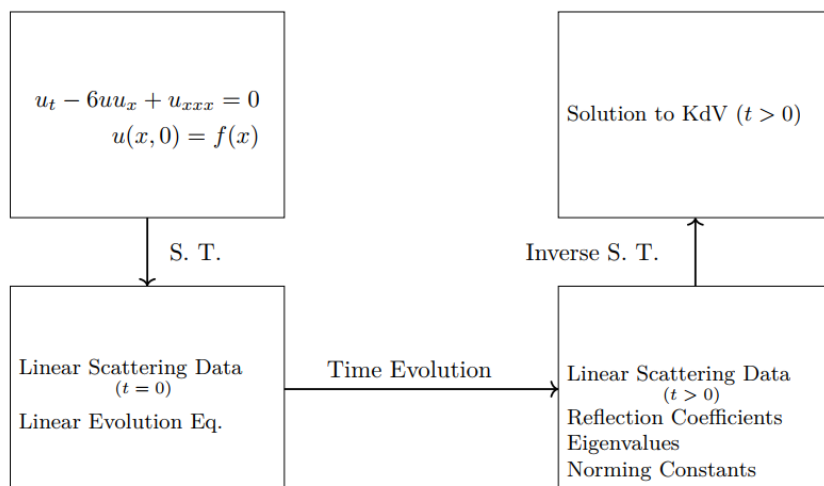


Figure 1: Idea of Scattering and Inverse Scattering

A process similar to the Fourier transform ◦

Inverse scattering transform(逆散射變換)理論 for KdV

1967 年 Gardner Greene [Martin Kruskal](#) Robert Miura

$u_t + 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = 0$ 的 Fourier transform 為

$$\hat{u}(k, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x, t) e^{-ikx} dx$$

1974 年把此方法推廣 稱 AKNS scheme 首先解了 sine-Gordon 方程 ◦

If one is given a linear pde with some initial condition, then the solution of the linear pde can be determine using the following steps:

- take the Fourier transform of the linear pde which results in a linear ordinary differential equation (ode) in the Fourier space
- take the Fourier transform of the initial condition (usually not too difficult)
- solve the resulting ode with its initial condition in Fourier space
- transform back to physical space and obtain the solution in the original variables.

$$u_t = u_{xx}, u(x, 0) = f(x), -\infty < x < \infty$$

Where $u=u(x,t)$ and $f(x)$ has a Fourier transform ◦

$$\text{Define Fourier transform } F(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

and inverse Fourier transform $f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(k)e^{ikx} dk$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_t e^{-ikx} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (ue^{-ikx}) dx = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ue^{-ikx} dx = \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}$$

of $u(x,t)$

在線性的時候，逆散射變換就是富氏變換。

§ 06 Galilean invariant

Galilean transformation :

A uniform motion $(x,t) \rightarrow (x+tv,t)$

A translation $(x,t) \rightarrow (x+a,t+s)$

A rotation $(x,t) \rightarrow (Rx,t)$

The transformation which describes Galilean invariance is given by :

$$x = x' + \lambda t', t = t', u = u' - \lambda, -\infty < \lambda < \infty \dots (*)$$

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$$\tilde{u}_t + \tilde{u} \tilde{u}_x + \tilde{u}_{xxx} = 0$$

The KdV equation is invariant under the transformation given by (*) .

But it is not Lorentz-invariant .

在場論中與孤立子連結的問題中，最複雜的當屬相對不變量(relativistic invariants)的發現。所謂相對不變是指經過羅倫茲變換之後保持原形式。

Lorentz transformation

$$t' = \gamma(t - \frac{vx}{c^2}), x' = \gamma(x - vt), y' = y, z' = z$$

Where c is the speed of light , and $\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$

§ 07 The conservation law KdV 有各種守恆律

Consider $u(x,t)$, $T=f(u)$, $X=g(u)$, and u satisfies the equation $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial X}{\partial x} = 0$.

This is a conservation law with density T and flux X .

We have $\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} T dx = -X \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = 0$ If $X \rightarrow 0$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

Then $\frac{d}{dt} (\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} T dx) = 0$, implies that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} T dx = \text{constant}$.

$$0 = u_t + 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(-3u^2 + u_{xx}) = 0$$

$T = u, X = u_{xx} - 3u^2$ then $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x,t) dx = \text{constant}$, where we have taken $u, u_x, u_{xx} \rightarrow 0$

as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

$$0 = u(u_t - 6uu_x + u_{xxx}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{2} u^2 \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(-2u^3 + uu_{xx} - \frac{1}{2} u_x^2 \right)$$

Take $T = \frac{1}{2} u^2, X = -2u^3 + uu_{xx} - \frac{1}{2} u_x^2$

So $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u^2 = \text{constant}$

We define w such that $u = w + \varepsilon w_x + \varepsilon^2 w^2$, where w satisfies the KdV equation and ε is any real number.

We can then obtain Gardner equation

$$w_t - 6(w + \varepsilon^2 w^2)w_x + w_{xxx} = 0 \quad \text{which has a conservation law}$$

$$w_t + (-3w^2 - 3\varepsilon^2 w^3 + w_{xx})_x = 0$$

§ 08 [KdV soliton](#) 動画

The soliton solution of KdV equation is $u(x) = -u_0 \operatorname{sech}^2(x)$

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \tau} + \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\frac{g}{h}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left(\frac{1}{2} \eta^2 + \frac{2}{3} \alpha \eta + \frac{1}{3} \sigma \frac{\partial^2 \eta}{\partial \xi^2} \right) = 0$$

η is the surface elevation (of the wave) above the equilibrium level h , α a constant related to the uniform motion of the liquid, g is the gravitational acceleration and

$$\sigma := \frac{1}{3} h^3 - \frac{Th}{\rho g} \quad \text{with } T \text{ denoting the surface tension and } \rho \text{ the (liquid) density.}$$

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$$u_t + 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = 0$$

[[Chaotic dynamics](#) in wave motion]

In scaled variables and a fixed reference frame KdV takes the following form

$$\eta_t + \eta_x + \frac{3}{2}\alpha\eta\eta_x + \frac{1}{6}\beta\eta_{xxx} = 0 \quad \text{where } \alpha = \frac{A}{H}, \beta = \left(\frac{H}{L}\right)^2$$

Where $\eta(x,t)$ represents the wave profile , A is wave amplitude , L its average wavelength and H is water depth .

KdV2 : extended KdV equation

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_t + \eta_x + \frac{3}{2}\alpha\eta\eta_x + \frac{1}{6}\beta\eta_{xxx} - \frac{3}{8}\alpha^2\eta^2\eta_x \\ + \alpha\beta \left(\frac{23}{24}\eta_x\eta_{xx} + \frac{5}{12}\eta\eta_{xxx} \right) + \frac{19}{360}\beta^2\eta_{xxxx} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Soliton solution of KdV2

$$\eta(x,t) = A \operatorname{sech}[B(x-vt)]$$