

A SIMPLE PROOF OF THE UNIFORM CONVERGENCE OF FOURIER SERIES IN SOLUTIONS TO THE WAVE EQUATION

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ABSTRACT. Using methods of [2], we show that the time dependent Fourier series of any $F \in C^\infty(0, L)$, solving the wave equation, with $F(0, t) = F(L, t) = 0$, converges uniformly to F , on $[0, L]$, and find an explicit formula for such series.

Definition 0.1. *We let;*

$$C^n([0, L]) = \{f \in C([0, L]) : f|_{(0,L)} \in C^n(0, L),$$

$$(\forall i \leq n) \exists r_i \in C[0, L], r_i|_{(0,L)} = f^{(i)}\}, \text{ } ^1$$

$$C_0^n([0, L]) = \{f \in C^n([0, L]) : f(0) = f(L) = 0\}$$

$$C^\infty([0, L]) = \{f \in C([0, L]) : f|_{(0,L)} \in C^\infty(0, L)$$

$$\forall (i \leq n) \exists r_i \in C([0, L]), r_i|_{(0,L)} = f^{(i)}\}$$

$$C_0^\infty([0, L]) = \{f \in C^\infty([0, L]) : f(0) = f(L) = 0\}$$

$$C^n([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) = \{F \in C([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) : F|_{(0,L) \times \mathcal{R}} \in C^n((0, L) \times$$

$$\mathcal{R}), (\forall i \leq n) \exists r_i \in C([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) r_i|_{(0,L) \times \mathcal{R}} = \frac{\partial^i F}{\partial x^i}\}$$

$$C_0^n([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) = \{F \in C^n([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) : (\forall t \in \mathcal{R}), F(0, t)$$

¹This definition is equivalent to, $(\forall i \leq n) \{f_+^{(i)}(0), f_-^{(i)}(L)\}$ exist, where, for $i \leq n$, $f_+^{(i)}(0)$ is defined inductively, by $f_+^{(i)}(0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{(i-1)}(s) - f_+^{(i-1)}(0)}{s}$, and, similarly, for $f_-^{(i)}(L)$. In order to see this, just observe that, for $i \leq n$, $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{(i-1)}(s) - f_+^{(i-1)}(0)}{s} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} f^{(i)}(s)$, by L'Hopital's Rule and the Intermediate Value Theorem.

$$= F(L, t) = 0\}$$

$$C^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) = \{F \in C([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) : F|_{(0,L) \times \mathcal{R}} \in C^\infty((0, L) \times \mathcal{R}), \forall (i \leq n) \exists r_i \in C([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) \ r_i|_{(0,L) \times \mathcal{R}} = \frac{\partial^i F}{\partial x^n}\}$$

$$C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) = \{F \in C^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R}) : (\forall t \in \mathcal{R}), F(0, t) = F(L, t) = 0\}$$

We let $\{T, M, L\}$ denote the tension, mass and length of a string, with $\mu = M/L$, the mass per unit length. The wave equation;

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial t^2} = \frac{T}{\mu} \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} \quad (*)$$

with boundary condition $F(0, t) = F(L, t) = 0$, for $t \in \mathcal{R}$, describes the motion of a vibrating string under tension, fixed at the endpoints, ⁽²⁾.

We say that $h \in C([-L, L])$ is symmetric, if $h(-x) = h(x)$, for $x \in [-L, L]$, (with endpoints identified). We say that $h \in C([-L, L])$ is asymmetric if $h(-x) = -h(x)$, for $x \in [-L, L]$, (with endpoints identified). We use the same notation as above for functions on $[-L, L]$, (with endpoints identified). We define;

$$C^n((-L, 0) \cup (0, L)) = \{f \in C((-L, 0) \cup (0, L)) : \exists (r_1 \in C^n([-L, 0]), r_2 \in C^n([0, L]), r_1|_{(-L, 0)} = f|_{(-L, 0)}, r_2|_{(0, L)} = f|_{(0, L)})\}$$

We require the following results;

Lemma 0.2. *Let $h \in C([-L, L])$ be asymmetric, with $h|_{(-L, 0) \cup (0, L)} \in C^1((-L, 0) \cup (0, L))$, $(*)$, then $h(0) = h(L) = h(-L) = 0$, $h'_+(-L) = h'_-(L)$, $h'_+(0) = h'_-(0)$, $h' \in C([-L, L])$, and h' is symmetric. Let $h \in C([-L, L])$ be symmetric, with $h|_{(-L, 0) \cup (0, L)} \in C^1((-L, 0) \cup (0, L))$, $(**)$, and $h'_+(-L) = h'_-(L) = 0$, $h'_+(0) = h'_-(0) = 0$, then $h' \in C([-L, L])$ is asymmetric.*

Proof. For the first part, we have, if h is asymmetric, satisfying $(*)$, then $h(L) = -h(-L) = -h(L)$ and $h(0) = -h(-0) = -h(0)$, so

²By a solution to the wave equation, we mean $F \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, satisfying the equation $(*)$ on $(0, L) \times \mathcal{R}$

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$h(0) = h(L) = h(-L) = 0$. We have that;

$$\begin{aligned} h'_+(-L) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-L+s) - h(-L)}{s} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-L+s)}{s} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h(L-s)}{s} \quad (\text{by asymmetry and } h(-L) = 0) \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(L) - h(L-s)}{s} = h'_-(L) \quad (\text{as } h(L) = 0) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $h'_+(0) = h'_-(0)$. By L'Hopital's rule, and the fact that $h|_{(-L,0) \cup (0,L)} \in C^1((-L, 0) \cup (0, L))$, we have that $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} h'(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(s) - h(0)}{s} = h'_+(0)$, and, similarly, $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} h'(-s) = h'_-(0)$, $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} h'(L-s) = h'_-(L)$, $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} h'(-L+s) = h'_-(L)$. Hence, $h' \in C([-L, L])$, and h' is symmetric by the fact that $h(x) = -h(-x)$, and, therefore, $h'(x) = h'(-x)$, for $x \in (-L, 0) \cup (0, L)$, and, automatically, $h'(L) = h'(-L)$, $h'(0) = h'(-0)$, as these points are fixed.

Let $h \in C([-L, L])$ be symmetric, satisfying (**). By L'Hopital's rule, and the fact that $h|_{(-L,0) \cup (0,L)} \in C^1((-L, 0) \cup (0, L))$, we have that $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} h'(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(s) - h(0)}{s} = h'_+(0) = 0 = h'_-(0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(0) - h(-s)}{s} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} h'(-s)$ and, similarly, $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} h'(L-s) = h'_-(L)$, $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} h'(-L+s) = h'_-(L)$. Hence, $h' \in C([-L, L])$, and h' is symmetric by the fact that $h(x) = h(-x)$, and, therefore, $h'(x) = -h'(-x)$, for $x \in (-L, 0) \cup (0, L)$, and, automatically, $h'(L) = h'(-L) = 0$, $h'(0) = h'(-0) = 0$, as these points are fixed.

□

Lemma 0.3. *Let $f \in C^2([0, L])$, such that $f(0) = f(L) = 0$ and $f'_+(0) = f'_+(L) = 0$, (*), then there exists $h \in C^2([-L, L])$, (with endpoints identified), such that $h|_{[0,L]} = f$, h is asymmetric about 0, and h' is symmetric about 0. Let $f \in C^2([0, L])$, such that $f(0) = f(L) = 0$ and $f'_+(0) = f'_-(L) = 0$, (**), then there exists $h \in C^2([-L, L])$, (with endpoints identified), such that $h|_{[0,L]} = f$, h is symmetric about 0, and h' is asymmetric about 0.*

Proof. Suppose that f satisfies (*) and let $h(x) = f(x)$, for $x \in [0, L]$, and $h(x) = -f(-x)$, for $x \in [-L, 0)$. Then clearly h is asymmetric about 0, $h(0) = h(L) = h(-L) = 0$, and $h \in C([-L, L])$. Moreover, $h|_{(-L,0) \cup (0,L)} \in C^1((-L, 0) \cup (0, L))$, as $f \in C^1([0, L])$. By Lemma 0.2, we have that $h' \in C([-L, L])$, and h' is symmetric. Moreover, $h'|_{(-L,0) \cup (0,L)} \in C^1((-L, 0) \cup (0, L))$, as $f \in C^2([0, L])$ and $f' \in$

$C^1([0, L])$. We have that;

$$\begin{aligned}
(h')'_+(-L) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h'(-L+s) - h'(-L)}{s} \\
&= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h'(L-s) - h'(L)}{s} \quad (\text{by asymmetry}) \\
&= -\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h'(L) - h'(L-s)}{s} \\
&= -\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(L) - f'(L-s)}{s} = -f''_+(L) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

and;

$$\begin{aligned}
(h')'_-(L) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h'(L) - h'(L-s)}{s} \\
&= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h'_-(L) - f'(L-s)}{s} \\
&= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'_-(L) - f'(L-s)}{s} \\
&= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(L) - f'(L-s)}{s} = f''_+(L) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $(h')'_+(0) = f''_+(0) = 0$, $(h')'_-(0) = -f''_+(0) = 0$

Applying Lemma 0.2 again, we obtain that $(h')' \in C[-L, L]$, hence $h \in C^2([-L, L])$.

Suppose that f satisfies $(**)$ and let $h(x) = f(x)$, for $x \in [0, L]$, $h(x) = f(-x)$, for $x \in [-L, 0)$. Then h is symmetric and $h|_{(-L, 0) \cup (0, L)} \in C^1((-L, 0) \cup (0, L))$. Moreover;

$$\begin{aligned}
h'_+(-L) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(-L+s) - h(-L)}{s} \\
&= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(L-s) - h(L)}{s} \\
&= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(L-s) - f(L)}{s} \\
&= -\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(L) - f(L-s)}{s} \\
&= -f'_-(L) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $h'_-(L) = f'_-(L) = 0$, $h'_+(0) = f'_+(0) = 0$, and $h'_-(0) = -f'_+(0) = 0$. Again, applying Lemma 0.2, we obtain that $h' \in C([-L, L])$

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is asymmetric. We have that $h'|_{(-L,0)\cup(0,L)} \in C^1((-L,0) \cup (0,L))$, as $f \in C^2([0,L])$ and $f' \in C^1([0,L])$. Applying Lemma 0.2, we obtain that $(h')' \in C[-L,L]$, hence $h \in C^2([-L,L])$. □

Lemma 0.4. *Let $f \in C^4([0,L])$, such that $f(0) = f(L) = 0$ and $f_+^{(2)}(0) = f_+^{(2)}(L) = 0$, $f_+^{(4)}(0) = f_+^{(4)}(L) = 0$, (*), then there exists $h \in C^4([-L,L])$, (with endpoints identified), such that $h|_{[0,L]} = f$, $\{h, h^{(2)}\}$ are asymmetric about 0, and $\{h^{(1)}, h^{(3)}\}$ are symmetric about 0. Let $f \in C^4([0,L])$, such that $f(0) = f(L) = 0$ and $f_+^{(1)}(0) = f_+^{(1)}(L) = 0$, $f_+^{(3)}(0) = f_+^{(3)}(L) = 0$, (**), then there exists $h \in C^4([-L,L])$, (with endpoints identified), such that $h|_{[0,L]} = f$, $\{h, h^{(2)}\}$ are symmetric about 0, and $\{h^{(1)}, h^{(3)}\}$ are asymmetric about 0.*

Proof. For the first part, let h be defined as in 0.3, then $h \in C^2([-L,L])$, (with endpoints identified), $h|_{[0,L]} = f$, h is asymmetric about 0 and $h^{(1)}$ is symmetric about 0. We have that $f^{(2)} \in C^2([0,L])$, $f_+^{(2)}(0) = f_+^{(2)}(L) = 0$, and $f_+^{(4)}(0) = f_+^{(4)}(L) = 0$, so $f^{(2)}$ satisfies the hypotheses of Lemma 0.3. Moreover, $h^{(2)}(x) = f^{(2)}(x)$, for $x \in [0,L]$, and $h^{(2)}(-x) = -f^{(2)}(-x)$, for $x \in [-L,0)$. Then, by the result of 0.3, we have that $h^{(2)} \in C^2([-L,L])$, (with endpoints identified), $h^{(2)}$ is asymmetric about 0 and $h^{(3)}$ is symmetric about 0. Hence $h \in C^4([-L,L])$, and the remaining claims are clear. The proof of the second part of the lemma follows the same strategy. □

Lemma 0.5. *Let $f \in C_0^\infty([0,L])$, then there exists $\{f_1, f_2\} \subset C_0^\infty([0,L])$, with $f'_{1,+}(0) = f'_{1,+}(L) = 0$, $f''_{2,+}(0) = f''_{2,+}(L) = 0$, such that $f = f_1 + f_2$.*

Proof. Consider the equations $g(0) = g(L) = 0$, $g'(0) = g'(L) = 0$, $g''(0) = f''_+(0)$ and $g''(L) = f''_+(L)$, (*) on the space $V_6 = \{g \in \mathcal{R}[x] : \deg(g) = 5\}$. Let $T : V_6 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^6$ be given by;

$$T(g) = (g(0), g(L), g'(0), g'(L), g''(0), g''(L))$$

We have that $\text{Ker}(T) = 0$, as if $T(g) = 0$, then, clearly $g(x) = dx^3 + ex^4 + fx^5$, with $\{d, e, f\} \subset \mathcal{R}$, then, $g'(x) = 3dx^2 + 4ex^3 + 5fx^4$, $g''(x) = 6dx + 12ex^2 + 20fx^3$, and we have that $g(L) = g'(L) = g''(L) = 0$, iff;

$$A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d \\ e \\ f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & L & L^2 \\ 3 & 4L & 5L^2 \\ 6 & 12L & 20L^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We have that $\det(A) = 2L^3 \neq 0$, hence, $d = e = f = 0$, as required. Then, T is onto, by the rank-nullity theorem, hence, we can find a solution to $(*)$, corresponding to $T(g) = v_1$, where $v_1 = (0, 0, 0, 0, f''(0), f''(L))$. Let f_1 be the unique polynomial in V_5 , satisfying these conditions, and let $f_2 = f - f_1$. It is now a simple calculation to see that $\{f_1, f_2\}$ satisfy the required conditions. \square

Lemma 0.6. *Let $f \in C_0^\infty([0, L])$, and $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$, then there exists $\{f_1, f_2\} \subset C_0^\infty([0, L])$, with $f_{1,+}^{(2j-1)}(0) = f_{1,-}^{(2j-1)}(L) = 0$, $f_{1,+}^{(2j)}(0) = f_{1,-}^{(2j)}(L) = 0$, for $1 \leq j \leq n$, such that $f = f_1 + f_2$.*

Proof. Consider the equations $g(0) = g(L) = 0$, $g^{(2j-1)}(0) = g^{(2j-1)}(L) = 0$, and $g^{(2j)}(0) = f_+^{(2j)}(0)$, $g^{(2j)}(L) = f_-^{(2j)}(L)$, for $1 \leq j \leq n$, $(*)$, on the space $V_{2(2n+1)} = \{g \in \mathcal{R}[x] : \deg(g) = 4n + 1\}$. Let $T : V_{2(2n+1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^{2(2n+1)}$ be given by;

$$(T(g))_1 = g(0)$$

$$(T(g))_2 = g(L)$$

$$(T(g))_{1+2j} = g^{(j)}(0)$$

$$(T(g))_{2+2j} = g^{(j)}(L) \quad (1 \leq j \leq 2n)$$

We have that $\text{Ker}(T) = 0$, as if $T(g) = 0$, then, using the fact that $g(0) = 0$, $g^{(j)}(0) = 0$, for $1 \leq j \leq 2n$, we have $g(x) = \sum_{i=2n+1}^{4n+1} a_i x^i$, with $a_i \in \mathcal{R}$, for $2n + 1 \leq i \leq 4n + 1$. Then, for $1 \leq j \leq 2n$;

$$g^{(j)}(x) = \sum_{i=2n+1}^{4n+1} \frac{i!}{(i-j)!} a_i x^{i-j}$$

and we have that $g(L) = 0$, $g^{(j)}(L) = 0$, for $1 \leq j \leq 2n$ iff;

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$$A \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a_{2n+1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{2n+i} \\ \vdots \\ a_{4n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdot & \cdot & L^{i-1} & \cdot & \cdot & L^{2n-1} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \frac{(2n+1)!}{(2n+2-j)!} & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{(2n+i)!L^{i-1}}{(2n+1+i-j)!} & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{(4n+1)!L^{2n-1}}{(4n+1-j)!} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \frac{(2n+1)!}{2!} & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{(2n+i)!L^{i-1}}{(i+1)!} & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{(4n)!L^{2n-1}}{(2n+1)!} \end{pmatrix}$$

for $1 \leq i, j \leq 2n$.

We have that $\det(A) = cL^{n(2n-1)} \neq 0$, (work out c) hence, $a_i = 0$, for $2n+1 \leq i \leq 4n+1$, as required. Then, T is onto, by the rank-nullity theorem, hence, we can find a solution to $(*)$, corresponding to $T(g) = v_1$, where;

$$(v_1)_j = 0, 1 \leq j \leq 2$$

$$(v_1)_j = 0, (j = 4k - 1, j = 4k, 1 \leq k \leq n)$$

$$(v_1)_j = f_-^{(2k)}(0), (j = 4k + 1, 1 \leq k \leq n)$$

$$(v_1)_j = f_-^{(2k)}(L), (j = 4k + 2, 1 \leq k \leq n)$$

Let f_1 be the unique polynomial in $V_{2(2n+1)}$, satisfying these conditions, and let $f_2 = f - f_1$. It is now a simple calculation to see that $\{f_1, f_2\}$ satisfy the required conditions. \square

Lemma 0.7. *Let $f \in C_0^\infty([0, L])$, then, for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $g \in C^2([-L, L])$, such that;*

$$g|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon]} = f|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon]}.$$

Proof. By Lemma 0.5, we can find $\{f_1, f_2\} \subset C_0^\infty([0, L])$, with $f'_{1,+}(0) = f'_{1,+}(L) = 0$, $f''_{2,+}(0) = f''_{2,+}(L) = 0$, such that $f = f_1 + f_2$. By Lemma 0.3, we can find $\{g_1, g_2\} \subset C_0^2([0, L])$, with $g_1|_{[0, L]} = f_1$, $g_2|_{[0, L]} = f_2$ and g_1 symmetric, g_2 asymmetric. Let $g = g_1 + g_2$, then $g \in C_0^2([0, L])$, and $g|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon]} = f|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon]}$. \square

Lemma 0.8. *Let $f \in C_0^\infty([0, L])$, then, for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $g \in C^4([-L, L])$, such that;*

$$g|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon]} = f|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon]}.$$

Proof. By Lemma 0.6, we can find $\{f_1, f_2\} \subset C_0^\infty([0, L])$, with $f_{1,+}^{(1)}(0) = f_{1,-}^{(1)}(L) = 0$, $f_{1,+}^{(3)}(0) = f_{1,-}^{(3)}(L) = 0$, $f_{2,+}^{(2)}(0) = f_{2,-}^{(2)}(L) = 0$, $f_{2,+}^{(4)}(0) = f_{2,-}^{(4)}(L) = 0$ such that $f = f_1 + f_2$. By Lemma 0.4, we can find $\{g_1, g_2\} \subset C_0^4([-L, L])$, with $g_1|_{[0,L]} = f_1$, $g_2|_{[0,L]} = f_2$ and g_1 symmetric, g_2 asymmetric. Let $g = g_1 + g_2$, then $g \in C_0^4([-L, L])$, and $g|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon]} = f|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon]}$. \square

Lemma 0.9. *Let $F \in C^2([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, such that $F(0, t) = F(L, t) = 0$, for all $t \in \mathcal{R}$, and let $F_{t,+}''(0) = F_{t,+}''(L) = 0$, (*), then there exists $H \in C^2([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, (with endfaces identified), such that $H|_{[0,L] \times \mathcal{R}} = F$, H is asymmetric about 0, and $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}$ is symmetric about 0. Let $F \in C^2([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, such that $F(0) = F(L) = 0$ and $F_{t,+}'(0) = f_{t,-}'(L) = 0$, (**), then there exists $H \in C^2([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, (with endfaces identified), such that $H|_{[0,L] \times \mathcal{R}} = F$, H is symmetric about 0, and $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}$ is asymmetric about 0.*

Proof. Suppose that F satisfies (*) and let $H(x, t) = F(x, t)$, for $(x, t) \in [0, L] \times \mathcal{R}$, and $H(x, t) = -F(-x, t)$, for $(x, t) \in [-L, 0] \times \mathcal{R}$, (***)). Using the result of Lemma 0.3, we have, for $t \in \mathcal{R}$, that $H_t \in C^2([-L, L])$, (****), $H_t|_{[0,L]} = F_t$, (*****), H_t is asymmetric about 0, (†), and H_t' is symmetric about 0, (††). Let $r_2 \in C([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ be given, as in Definition 0.1, for F , so that $r_2|_{(0,L) \times \mathcal{R}} = \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2}|_{(0,L) \times \mathcal{R}}$, (*****), and let $r_{2,l} \in C([-L, 0] \times \mathcal{R})$ be given by $r_{2,l}(x, t) = -r_2(-x, t)$, for $(x, t) \in [-L, 0] \times \mathcal{R}$, so that $r_{2,l}|_{(-L,0) \times \mathcal{R}} = \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2}|_{(-L,0) \times \mathcal{R}}$, (*****). Let R_2 be defined by $R_2(x, t) = r_2(x, t)$, if $(x, t) \in [0, L] \times \mathcal{R}$, and $R_2(x, t) = r_{2,l}(x, t)$, if $(x, t) \in [-L, 0] \times \mathcal{R}$. Then $R_{2,t}|_{[-L,L]} = H_t$, hence, by (****), in fact, $R_2 \in C([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, and, by (**), (*****), (*****), $R_2|_{((-L,0) \cup (0,L)) \times \mathcal{R}} = \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2}$. It follows that $H \in C^2([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ (with endpoints identified). By (*****), we obtain immediately that $H|_{[0,L] \times \mathcal{R}} = F$. The fact that H is asymmetric about 0, is obvious, from (†). In order to see the final claim, let $r_1 \in C([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ be given, as above, $r_{1,l} \in C([-L, 0] \times \mathcal{R})$, be given by, $r_{1,l}(x, t) = r_1(-x, t)$, and $R_1 \in C([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ be defined by $R_1(x, t) = r_1(x, t)$, if $(x, t) \in [0, L] \times \mathcal{R}$, and $R_1(x, t) = r_{1,l}(x, t)$, if $(x, t) \in [-L, 0] \times \mathcal{R}$. It is easy to see, as above, that $R_1 \in C([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ and $R_1|_{(-L,L) \times \mathcal{R}} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}$. Then, for $t \in \mathcal{R}$, $R_{1,t}|_{(-L,L)} = (H_t)'$, so that, for $t \in \mathcal{R}$, $R_{1,t} = r_{1,t}$, (†††), where $r_{1,t}$ is given, as in Definition 0.1, for each H_t . Then, the fact that $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}$ is symmetric about 0, follows from the pointwise property (††), and,

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(†††). The second part of the lemma is the similar, following the proof above □

Lemma 0.10. *Let $F \in C^4([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, such that $F(0, t) = F(L, t) = 0$, for all $t \in \mathcal{R}$, and let $F_{t,+}^{(2)}(0) = F_{t,+}^{(2)}(L) = 0$, $F_{t,+}^{(4)}(0) = F_{t,+}^{(4)}(L) = 0$ (*), then there exists $H \in C^4([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, (with endfaces identified), such that $H|_{[0,L] \times \mathcal{R}} = F$, $H, \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2}$ are asymmetric about 0, and $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^3 H}{\partial x^3}$ are symmetric about 0. Let $F \in C^4([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, such that $F(0) = F(L) = 0$ and $F_{t,+}^{(1)}(0) = F_{t,-}^{(1)}(L) = 0$, $F_{t,+}^{(3)}(0) = F_{t,-}^{(3)}(L) = 0$ (**), then there exists $H \in C^4([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, (with endfaces identified), such that $H|_{[0,L] \times \mathcal{R}} = F$, $H, \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2}$ are symmetric about 0, and $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^3 H}{\partial x^3}$ are asymmetric about 0.*

Proof. For the first part, by Lemma 0.9, we can find $H \in C^2([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, with $H|_{[0,L] \times \mathcal{R}} = F$, H asymmetric about 0, and $\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}$ symmetric about 0. We have that $\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}$ satisfies the conditions of Lemma 0.9, as, by the assumptions, $\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} \in C^2([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, $\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}(0, t) = \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}(L, t) = 0$ and $(\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2})_{t,+}^{(2)}(0) = F_{t,+}^{(4)}(0) = F_{t,+}^{(4)}(L) = (\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2})_{t,-}^{(2)}(L) = 0$, for all $t \in \mathcal{R}$, (3). Moreover, by definition of H , we have that $\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2}(x', t) = \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}(x', t)$, for $(x', t) \in ([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, and $\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2}(x', t) = -\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}(-x', t)$, for $(x', t) \in ((-L, 0) \times \mathcal{R})$. Hence, by the conclusion of Lemma 0.9, we have that $\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2} \in C^2([-L, L])$, (with endfaces identified) $\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2}$ is symmetric about 0, and $\frac{\partial^3 H}{\partial x^3}$ is asymmetric about 0, as required. □

Lemma 0.11. *Let $F \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, then there exists $\{F_1, F_2\} \subset C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, with $F'_{1,t,+}(0) = F'_{1,t,-}(L) = 0$, $F''_{2,t,+}(0) = F''_{2,t,-}(L) = 0$, such that $F = F_1 + F_2$.*

Proof. This is just a uniform version of Lemma 0.5. Let;

$$v_{1,t} = (0, 0, 0, 0, F''_{t,+}(0), F''_{t,+}(L)), p_{1,t} = T^{-1}(v_{1,t})$$

Then;

$$p_{1,t} = \sum_{i=0}^5 d_i(t) x^i$$

where the coefficients $d_i(t) = \lambda_i F''_{t,+}(0) + \mu_i F''_{t,+}(L)$

³Here, we use the fact that, for $t \in \mathcal{R}$, $((\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2})_t)|_{(0,L)} = (F_t)^{(2)}|_{(0,L)}$, so $((\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2})_t)^{(2)}|_{(0,L)} = (F_t)^{(4)}|_{(0,L)}$, (*), and, using Definition ??, the limits $(\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2})_{t,+}^{(2)}(0) = F_{t,+}^{(4)}(0)$ are recovered uniquely from the relation (*)

for fixed constants $\{\lambda_i, \mu_i\} \subset \mathcal{R}$, $0 \leq i \leq 5$. Let $r_2 \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ be given, as in Definition 0.1, and $\phi_0(t) = r_2(t, 0)$, $\phi_L(t) = r_2(t, L)$, then, clearly, $\{\phi_0, \phi_L\} \subset C^\infty(\mathcal{R})$, so clearly, we have that;

$$p_{1,t} = \sum_{i=0}^5 (\lambda_i \phi_0(t) + \mu_i \phi_L(t)) x^i$$

and $p_{1,t} \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$. Letting $F_1 = p_{1,t}$, and $F_2 = F - F_1$, we obtain the result. \square

Lemma 0.12. *Let $F \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, then there exists $\{F_1, F_2\} \subset C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, with $F_{1,t,+}^{(2j-1)}(0) = F_{1,t,-}^{(2j-1)}(L) = 0$, $F_{2,t,+}^{(2j)}(0) = F_{2,t,-}^{(2j)}(L) = 0$, for $1 \leq j \leq n$, such that $F = F_1 + F_2$.*

Proof. This is just a uniform version of Lemma 0.6. Let $v_{1,t}$ be defined as in Lemma 0.6, replacing $\{f_+^{(2k)}(0), f_-^{(2k)}(L) : 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ by $\{F_{t,+}^{(2k)}(0), F_{t,-}^{(2k)}(L) : 1 \leq k \leq n\}$, and, let $p_{1,t} = T^{-1}(v_{1,t})$.

Then;

$$p_{1,t} = \sum_{i=0}^{4n+1} d_i(t) x^i$$

$$\text{where the coefficients } d_i(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n (\lambda_{ik} F_{t,+}^{(2k)}(0) + \mu_{ik} F_{t,-}^{(2k)}(L))$$

for fixed constants $\{\lambda_{ik}, \mu_{ik} : 0 \leq i \leq 4n+1, 1 \leq k \leq n\} \subset \mathcal{R}$. Let $\{r_{2k} : 1 \leq k \leq n\} \subset C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ be given, as in Definition 0.1, and $\phi_{0,k}(t) = r_{2k}(t, 0)$, $\phi_{L,k}(t) = r_{2k}(t, L)$, then, $\{\phi_{0,k}, \phi_{L,k} : 1 \leq k \leq n\} \subset$

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$C^\infty(\mathcal{R})$, ⁽⁴⁾. We have that;

$$p_{1,t} = \sum_{i=0}^{4n+1} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n (\lambda_{ik} \phi_{0,k}(t) + \mu_{ik} \phi_{L,k}) \right) x^i$$

and $p_{1,t} \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$. Letting $F_1 = p_{1,t}$, and $F_2 = F - F_1$, we obtain the result. □

Lemma 0.13. *Let $F \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, then, there exist $\{G_1, G_2, G\} \subset C^2([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, such that, for all $\epsilon > 0$;*

(i). $G|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon] \times \mathcal{R}} = F|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon] \times \mathcal{R}}$.

(ii). G_1 is asymmetric and $\frac{\partial G_1}{\partial x}$ is symmetric about 0.

(iii). G_2 is symmetric and $\frac{\partial G_2}{\partial x}$ is asymmetric about 0.

Proof. By Lemma 0.11, we can find $\{F_1, F_2\} \subset C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, with $F'_{1,+}(0) = F'_{1,+}(L) = 0$, $F''_{2,+}(0) = F''_{2,+}(L) = 0$, such that $F = F_1 + F_2$. By Lemma 0.9, we can find $\{G_1, G_2\} \subset C_0^2([-L, L])$, with $G_1|_{[0,L]} = G_1$, G_1 asymmetric and $\frac{\partial G_1}{\partial x}$ symmetric about 0, and with $G_2|_{[0,L]} = G_2$, G_2

⁴We have that;

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{r_{2k}(L, t+h) - r_{2k}(L, t)}{h} \right) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow L} \left(\frac{r_{2k}(x, t+h) - r_{2k}(x, t)}{h} \right) \right), (*)$$

As $r_{2k} \in C([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, for fixed $h \neq 0$;

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow L} \frac{r_{2k}(x, t+h) - r_{2k}(x, t)}{h} = \frac{r_{2k}(L, t+h) - r_{2k}(L, t)}{h}$$

For fixed $x' \neq L$;

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{r_{2k}(x', t+h) - r_{2k}(x', t)}{h} = \frac{\partial^{2k+1} F}{\partial x^{2k+1}}(x', t)$$

and, moreover, the convergence is uniform for $x' \in (0, L)$, as $\frac{\partial^{2k+1} F}{\partial x^{2k+1}}$ is bounded on $(0, L) \times (t - \epsilon, t + \epsilon)$, for any $\epsilon > 0$. It follows that we can interchange the limits in (*), to obtain that;

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{r_{2k}(L, t+h) - r_{2k}(L, t)}{h} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow L} \left(\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{r_{2k}(x, t+h) - r_{2k}(x, t)}{h} \right) \right) \\ &= \lim_{x' \rightarrow L} \frac{\partial^{2k+1} F}{\partial x^{2k+1}}(x', t) = r_{2k+1}(L, t) \end{aligned}$$

symmetric and $\frac{\partial G_2}{\partial x}$ asymmetric about 0. Let $G = G_1 + G_2$, then $G \in C_0^2([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, and $G|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon] \times \mathcal{R}} = F|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon] \times \mathcal{R}}$, as required. \square

Lemma 0.14. *Let $F \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, then, there exist $\{G_1, G_2, G\} \subset C^4([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, such that, for all $0 \leq \epsilon < \frac{L}{2}$;*

$$(i). G|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon] \times \mathcal{R}} = F|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon] \times \mathcal{R}}.$$

$$(ii). G_1, \frac{\partial^2 G_1}{\partial x^2} \text{ are asymmetric and } \frac{\partial G_1}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^3 G_1}{\partial x^3} \text{ are symmetric about 0.}$$

$$(iii). G_2, \frac{\partial^2 G_2}{\partial x^2} \text{ are symmetric and } \frac{\partial G_2}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^3 G_2}{\partial x^3} \text{ are asymmetric about 0.}$$

Proof. By Lemma 0.12, we can find $\{F_1, F_2\} \subset C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, with $F_{1,+}^{(1)}(0) = F_{1,-}^{(1)}(L) = 0$, $F_{1,+}^{(3)}(0) = F_{1,-}^{(3)}(L) = 0$, $F_{2,+}^{(2)}(0) = F_{2,-}^{(2)}(L) = 0$, $F_{2,+}^{(4)}(0) = F_{2,-}^{(4)}(L) = 0$, such that $F = F_1 + F_2$. By Lemma 0.10, we can find $\{G_1, G_2\} \subset C_0^4([-L, L])$, with $G_1|_{[0, L]} = F_1$, $G_1, \frac{\partial^2 G_1}{\partial x^2}$ asymmetric and $\frac{\partial G_1}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^3 G_1}{\partial x^3}$ symmetric about 0, $G_2|_{[0, L]} = F_2$, $G_2, \frac{\partial^2 G_2}{\partial x^2}$ symmetric and $\frac{\partial G_2}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^3 G_2}{\partial x^3}$ asymmetric about 0. Let $G = G_1 + G_2$, then $G \in C_0^4([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, and $G|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon] \times \mathcal{R}} = F|_{[\epsilon, L-\epsilon] \times \mathcal{R}}$, as required. \square

Lemma 0.15. *Let $F \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ be a solution to the wave equation, then, for all $t \in \mathcal{R}$*

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}|_{(\epsilon, t)} = 0$$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}(L - \epsilon, t) = 0$$

Proof. Let $\{G_1, G_2, G\}$ be given as in Lemma 0.14. Then, for all $t \in \mathcal{R}$, $G_t \in C^4([-L, L])$, and, using [2], the Fourier series expansion $\sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} c_m(t) e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}}$ of G_t converges uniformly to G_t on $[-L, L]$, ⁽⁵⁾. Similarly, as $G_t^{(n)} \in C^2([-L, L])$, for $0 \leq n \leq 2$, the Fourier series expansion $\sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} c_m(t) (\frac{\pi i m}{L})^n e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}}$ of $G_t^{(n)}$, converges uniformly to $G_t^{(n)}$ on $[-L, L]$, for $0 \leq n \leq 2$, (*). We have that;

$$c_m(t) = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L G(x, t) e^{-\frac{\pi i x m}{L}} dx$$

Hence, as, for $0 \leq n \leq 4$, $t_0 \in \mathcal{R}$, $\frac{\partial^n G}{\partial x^n}$ is bounded on $[-L, L] \times (t_0 - \delta, t_0 + \delta)$, by the DCT, we have that $c_{\epsilon, m} \in C^4(\mathcal{R})$. Moreover, we have,

⁵In fact, we only require that $G_t \in C^2([-L, L])$, see also [3]

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for $0 \leq n \leq 4$;

$$c_m^{(n)}(t) = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L \frac{\partial^n G_\epsilon}{\partial t^n}(x, t) e^{-\frac{\pi i x m}{L}} dx$$

Hence, again, as $\frac{\partial^n G_{\epsilon, t}}{\partial t^n} \in C^2([-L, L])$, for $0 \leq n \leq 2$, the Fourier series expansion $\sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} c_m^{(n)}(t) e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}}$ of $\frac{\partial^n G_t}{\partial t^n}$ converges uniformly to $\frac{\partial^n G_t}{\partial t^n}$ on $[-L, L]$, for $0 \leq n \leq 2$. Then;

$$\frac{\partial^2 G_t}{\partial t^2} = \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} c_m''(t) e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 G_t}{\partial x^2} = \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} c_m(t) \left(\frac{\pi i m}{L}\right)^2 e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}} = - \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} c_m(t) \left(\frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2}\right) e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}}$$

Using the facts that $\frac{\partial^2 G_t}{\partial t^2} = \frac{T}{\mu} \frac{\partial^2 G_t}{\partial x^2}$, on $(0, L)$, the series $\sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} [c_m''(t) + c_m(t) \left(\frac{\pi^2 m^2 T}{\mu L^2}\right)] e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}}$ is analytic on $[-L, L]$, and $\{e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}} : m \in \mathcal{Z}\}$ are orthogonal on $[-L, L]$, we obtain that;

$$c_m''(t) + c_m(t) \left(\frac{\pi^2 m^2 T}{\mu L^2}\right) = 0 \quad (t \in \mathcal{R})$$

$$c_m(t) = A_m e^{\frac{i \pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}} + B_m e^{-\frac{i \pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}}$$

with $\{A_m, B_m\} \subset \mathcal{C}$, $A_m = a_m + i a'_m$, $B_m = b_m + i b'_m$ and;

$$G = \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} A_m e^{\frac{i \pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}} e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}} + \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} B_m e^{-\frac{i \pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}} e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} &= - \left[\sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} A_m \frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2} e^{\frac{i \pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}} e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}} + \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} B_m \frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2} e^{-\frac{i \pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}} e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}} \right] \\ &= - \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z} \neq 0} (a_m + b_m) \frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x m}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}\right) + \theta(x, t) = S_t \end{aligned}$$

where $\theta(0, 0) = \theta(L, 0) = 0$

We have that;

$$\begin{aligned} |(a_m + b_m)| &= \frac{1}{2L} \left| \int_{-L}^L G_0(x) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x m}{L}\right) dx \right| \\ &\leq \frac{L^{n-1}}{2\pi^n m^n} \int_{-L}^L |G_0^{(n)}| dx \leq \frac{C_{0,n}}{m^n}, \text{ for } 0 \leq n \leq 4 \end{aligned}$$

where $C_{0,n} = \frac{L^{n-1} \|G_0^{(n)}\|_{L^1(-L, L)}}{2\pi^n}$.

Then;

$$\begin{aligned}
|\frac{\partial^2 G_0}{\partial x^2}|(0) &= S_0 \leq \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z} \neq 0} |a_m + b_m| (\frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2}) \\
&\leq \sum_{1 \leq |m| \leq k-1} |a_m + b_m| (\frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2}) + \sum_{|m| \geq k} \frac{C_{0,n}}{m^n} (\frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2}) \\
&= \sum_{1 \leq |m| \leq k-1} |a_m + b_m| (\frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2}) + \sum_{|m| \geq k} \frac{L^{n-3} \|G_0^{(n)}\|_{L^1(-L,L)}}{2\pi^{n-2} m^{n-2}}
\end{aligned}$$

Taking $n = 4$, we obtain;

$$\begin{aligned}
S_0 &\leq \sum_{1 \leq |m| \leq k-1} |a_m + b_m| (\frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2}) + \sum_{|m| \geq k} \frac{L}{2\pi^2 m^2} \|G_0^{(4)}\|_{L^1(-L,L)} \\
&\leq \sum_{1 \leq |m| \leq k-1} |a_m + b_m| (\frac{\pi^2 m^2}{L^2}) + \frac{L}{2\pi^2(k-1)} \|G_0^{(4)}\|_{L^1(-L,L)}, (**).
\end{aligned}$$

We have, by conditions (i), (ii) of Lemma 0.14 and the FTC, that, for all $0 < \epsilon < L$;

$$\begin{aligned}
|a_m + b_m| &\leq \frac{1}{L} \int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} |G_0(x)| dx + \int_{L-\epsilon}^{-L+\epsilon} |G_0(x)| dx \\
&\leq \frac{1}{L} (|G_0(\epsilon)| + |G_0(-\epsilon)| + |G_0(L-\epsilon)| + |G_0(-L+\epsilon)|) \\
&= \frac{1}{L} (|F_0(\epsilon)| + |G_{1,0}(-\epsilon)| + |G_{2,0}(-\epsilon)| + |F_0(L-\epsilon)| + |G_{1,0}(-L+\epsilon)| \\
&\quad + |G_{2,0}(-L+\epsilon)|) \\
&\leq \frac{2L^2}{\pi^2(k-1)} (\frac{\delta'}{2})
\end{aligned}$$

for sufficiently small $\epsilon(k, \delta')$, as $F_0 \in C_0([0, L])$ and $\{G_{1,0}, G_{2,0}\} \subset C_0([-L, L])$. Taking $k \geq \frac{4L \|G_0^{(4)}\|_{L^1(-L,L)} + 1}{\pi^2 \delta'}$, we then have that $|S_0| < \delta'$. Then, using condition (i) of Lemma 0.14, and the fact that $\frac{\partial^2 G_0}{\partial x^2}$ is continuous at 0, we obtain that $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 F_0}{\partial x^2}(\epsilon) = 0$ as required. In a similar way, using an expansion around an arbitrary $t_0 \in \mathcal{R}$, we obtain that $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 F_{t_0}}{\partial x^2}(\epsilon) = 0$, as required. By exactly the same method, we obtain that $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 F_{t_0}}{\partial x^2}(L-\epsilon) = 0$. \square

Lemma 0.16. *Let $F \in C_0^\infty([0, L] \times \mathcal{R})$ be a solution to the wave equation. Then, the Fourier series expansion of F is given by;*

$$\sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}_{>0}} K_m \cos(\frac{\pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}) \sin(\frac{\pi x m}{L}) + L_m \sin(\frac{\pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}) \sin(\frac{\pi x m}{L})$$

which converges uniformly to F on $[0, L]$.

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Proof. By Lemma 0.15, we have that, for $t \in \mathcal{R}$, $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 F_t}{x^2}(\epsilon) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 F_t}{x^2}(L - \epsilon) = 0$. Using the fact;

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 G_{1,t}}{x^2}(\epsilon) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 G_{1,t}}{x^2}(L - \epsilon) = 0$$

from Lemma 0.14, we obtain that;

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 G_{2,t}}{x^2}(\epsilon) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 G_{2,t}}{x^2}(L - \epsilon) = 0$$

Using Lemma 0.3 of [1], we obtain that;

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^4 G_{2,t}}{x^4}(\epsilon) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^4 G_{2,t}}{x^4}(L - \epsilon) = 0$$

Hence, by Definition of G_2 in 0.12,0.14, we obtain that $G_2 = 0$. It follows that there exists $G_1 \in C_0^4([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, with G_1 asymmetric about 0, such that $G_1|_{[0,L]} = F$.

Let $h \in C_0^4([-L, L])$ be an asymmetric function, and let;

$$h(x) = \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} \hat{h}(m) e^{\frac{\pi i x m}{L}} \text{ be the Fourier series expansion of } h, \text{ with;}$$

$$\hat{h}(m) = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L h(x) e^{-\frac{\pi i x m}{L}}, \text{ for } m \in \mathcal{Z}$$

We have that;

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{h}(m) &= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L h(x) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x m}{L}\right) dx - \frac{i}{2L} \int_{-L}^L h(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x m}{L}\right) dx \\ &= \frac{-i}{2L} \int_{-L}^L h(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x m}{L}\right) dx = \frac{-i}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x m}{L}\right) dx = i e_m \end{aligned}$$

with $e_m = -e_{-m}$, for $m \geq 0$, so $e_0 = 0$. Then;

$$h(x) = - \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}_{>0}} 2e_m \sin\left(\frac{\pi x m}{L}\right)$$

Then writing;

$$G_1(t, x) = \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}_{>0}} f_m(t) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x m}{L}\right)$$

and substituting into (*) of Definition 0.1, justified by the method of Lemma 0.15 and the fact that $G_1 \in C^4([-L, L] \times \mathcal{R})$, we have that;

$$\sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}_{>0}} f_m''(t) \sin\left(\frac{\pi xm}{L}\right) = -\frac{T}{\mu} \left(\sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}} f_m(t) \left(\frac{\pi m}{L}\right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi xm}{L}\right) \right)$$

$$\text{Hence, } f_m''(t) = -\frac{T}{\mu} f_m(t) \left(\frac{\pi m^2}{L}\right) = -\frac{\pi^2 m^2 T}{L^2 \mu} f_m(t)$$

$$f_m(t) = K_m \cos\left(\frac{\pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}\right) + L_m \sin\left(\frac{\pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}\right)$$

giving;

$$G_1(t, x) = \sum_{m \in \mathcal{Z}_{>0}} K_m \cos\left(\frac{\pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi xm}{L}\right) + L_m \sin\left(\frac{\pi m \sqrt{T} t}{L \sqrt{\mu}}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi xm}{L}\right)$$

where the convergence is uniform on $[-L, L]$. Using the fact that $G_1|_{[0, L]} = F$, by Lemma 0.11, we obtain that the series converges uniformly to F on $[0, L]$ as required. \square

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