

# *Self-similar solutions for classical heat-conduction mechanisms*

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# Outline

- **Motivation** (*infinite propagation speed with the diffusion/heat equation*)
- **A way-out** (*Cattaneo equ. OR using a hyperbolic first order PDE system*)
- **Derivation of a self-similar telegraph-type equation & analysing the properties**
- **Non-continuous solutions for the hyperbolic system for heat propagation**
- **Summary**

# Ordinary diffusion/heat conduction equation

$$\mathbf{q} = -k\nabla U(x, t), \quad \nabla \mathbf{q} = -\gamma \frac{\partial U(x, t)}{\partial t}$$

$U(x, t)$  temperature distribution  
Fourier law + conservation law

- $$\begin{cases} u_t(x, t) - ku_{xx}(x, t) = 0 & -\infty < x < \infty, \quad 0 < t < \infty \\ u(x, t = 0) = \delta(x) \end{cases}$$

parabolic PDA, no time-reversal sym.

- strong maximum principle ~ solution is smeared out in time

- the fundamental solution:

$$\Phi(x, t) = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi kt}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{4kt}\right)$$

- general solution is:

$$u(x, t) = \int \Phi(x - y, t) g(y) dy$$

$$u(x, 0) = g(x) \text{ for } -\infty < x < \infty \text{ and } 0 < t < \infty$$

- kernel is non compact = inf. prop. speed

- Problem from a long time ☹

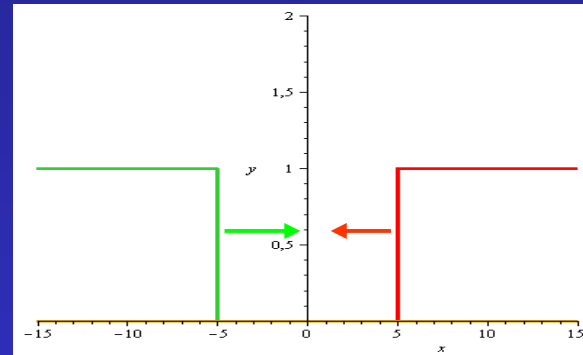
- But have self-similar solution ☺

$$u(x, t) = t^{-\alpha} f(x/t^\beta)$$

# Important kind of PDA solutions

- Travelling waves: arbitrary wave fronts

$$u(x,t) \sim g(x-ct), g(x+ct)$$



- Self-similar solutions

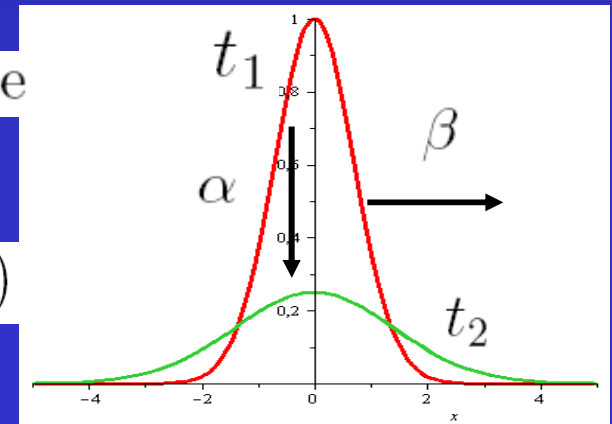
$$u(x,t) = t^{-\alpha} f(x/t^\beta) \quad \text{Sedov, Barenblatt, Zeldovich}$$

$\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are of primary physical importance

$\alpha$  represents the rate of decay

$\beta$  is the rate of spread (or contraction if  $\beta < 0$ )

$$t_1 < t_2$$



# Cattaneo heat conduction equ.

$$\tau \frac{\partial \mathbf{q}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{q} = -k \nabla T(x, t)$$

Cattaneo heat conduction law,  
new term  $\tau \frac{\partial \mathbf{q}}{\partial t}$

$$\nabla \mathbf{q} = -\gamma \frac{\partial T(x, t)}{\partial t}$$

Energy conservation law



$$\frac{\partial^2 T(x, t)}{\partial t^2} + \frac{1}{\tau} \frac{\partial T(x, t)}{\partial t} = c^2 \nabla^2 T(x, t)$$

$T(x, t)$  temperature distribution  
 $\mathbf{q}$  heat flux

$k$  effective heat conductivity

$\gamma$  heat capacity

$\tau$  relaxation time

**Telegraph equation (exists in Edyn.,  
Hydrodyn.)**

$c = \sqrt{k/\tau\gamma}$  is the sound of the transmitted heat wave.

# General properties of the telegraph eq. solution

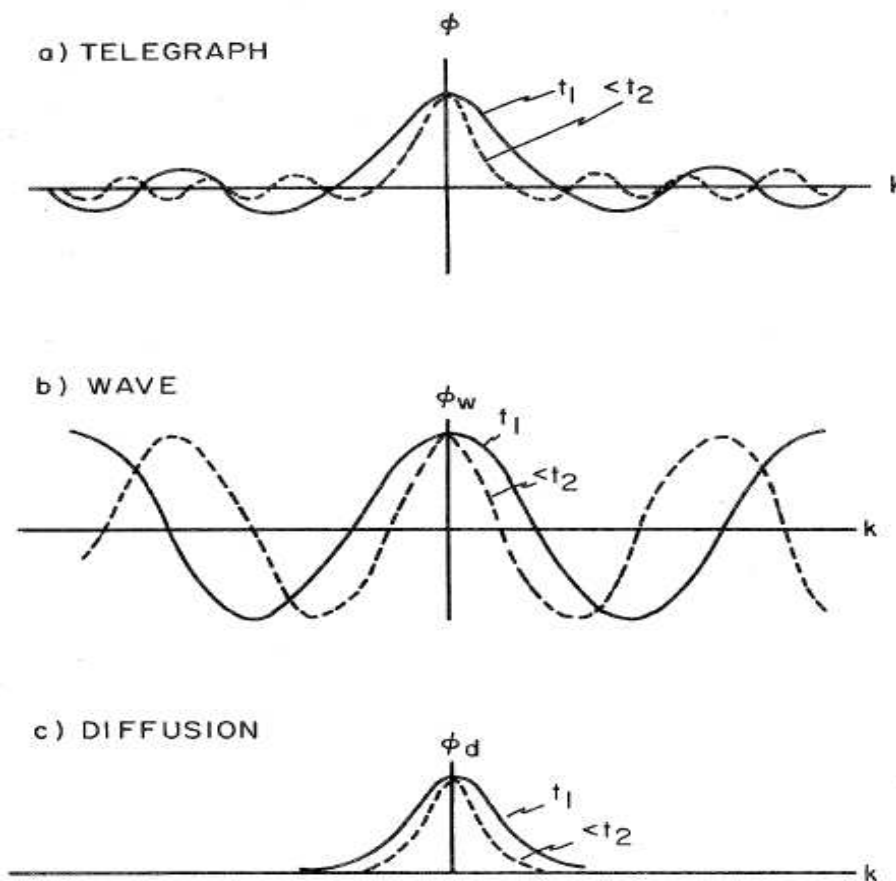


Figure 1. Behaviors in wavenumber space  
 a) Telegraph equation  
 b) Wave equation  
 c) Diffusion equation

decaying travelling waves

$$T(x, t) \propto e^{-\lambda t} f(x - ct)$$

$$T(x, t) = e^{-\lambda t} I_0 \left( \frac{\lambda}{2c} \sqrt{(c^2 t^2 - x^2)} \right)$$

Bessel function

Problem:

1) **no self-similar diffusive solutions**

$$T(x, t) = t^{-\alpha} f(\eta) \quad \eta = \frac{x}{t^\beta}$$

2) oscillations,  $T < 0$  ?  
 maybe not the best eq.

# *Our alternatives*

- Way 1
- Def. new kind of Cattaneo law (with physical background)
  - new telegraph-type equation
  - with self-similar and compact solutions 😊
- Way 2
  - instead of a 2<sup>nd</sup> order parabolic(?) PDA
  - use a first order hyperbolic PDA system with 2 Eqs.
  - these are not equivalent!!!
  - non-continuous solutions and also self-similar

# General derivation for heat conduction law (Way 1)

$$\tau \frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + q = -k \nabla T(x, t)$$

Cattaneo heat conduction law,  
there is a general way to derive

$$q = - \int_{-\infty}^t Q(t - t') \frac{\partial T(x, t')}{\partial x} dt'$$

$T(x, t)$  temperature distribution  
 $q$  heat flux

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$$Q(t - t') = \frac{k \tau^l}{(t - t' + \omega)^l}$$

the kernel can have  
microscopic interpretation

$$\epsilon \frac{\partial^2 T(x, t)}{\partial t^2} + \frac{a}{t} \frac{\partial T(x, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 T(x, t)}{\partial x^2}$$

telegraph-type **time dependent**  
eq. with self sim. solution

$$T(x, t) = t^{-\alpha} f(\eta) \text{ with } \eta = \frac{x}{t^\beta}$$



# Solutions

There are differential eqs. for  $f(\eta)$  only for  $\alpha = \beta = +1$   
or for  $\alpha = -2$  and  $\beta = +1$

$\alpha = \beta = +1$  a total difference = conserved quantity

$$\epsilon(\eta^2 f(\eta))''' - a(\eta f(\eta))' = f''(\eta)$$

$$\epsilon(\eta^2 f(\eta))' - a\eta f(\eta) = f'(\eta) + c_1$$

There are two different solutions:

$c_1 = 0$  physically relevant solution, compact support  
with vanishing derivatives at the borders

I.F. Barna and R. Kersner, <http://arxiv.org/abs/1002.099>  
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$c_1 \neq 0$ . Not so nice ☹

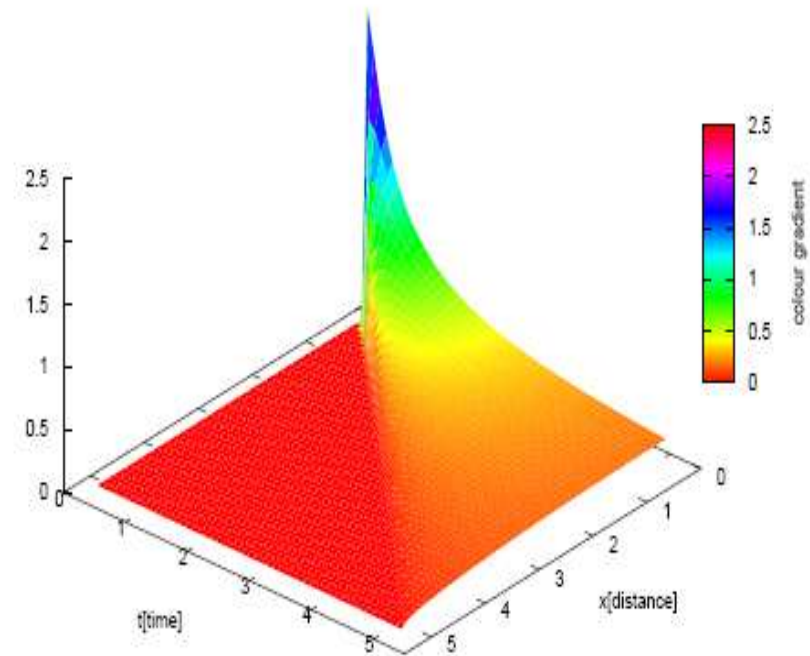
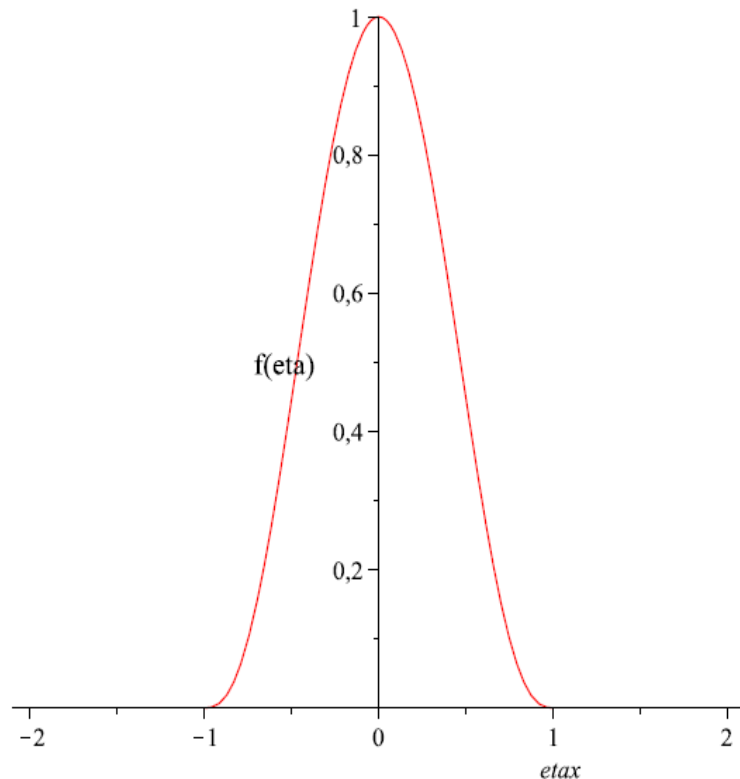
# Solutions

$$c_1 = 0$$

$$a = 4.1, \epsilon = 1$$

$$f(\eta) = (1 - \epsilon\eta^2)^{\frac{a}{2\epsilon} - 1}$$

$$T(x, t) = \frac{1}{t} \left(1 - \epsilon \frac{x^2}{t^2}\right)^{\frac{a}{2\epsilon} - 1}$$



*2 Important new feature: the solution is a product of 2 travelling wavefronts*

*if  $a > 4\epsilon$ ,  $f'(\eta) = 0$  no flux conservation problem*

$$T(x, t) \sim U(x - ct)U(x + ct)$$

# Solutions

$$c_1 \neq 0.$$

$$f(\eta) = (\epsilon\eta^2 - 1)^{\frac{a}{2\epsilon}-1} \left[ c_1 \{ \text{signum}(\epsilon\eta^2 - 1) \}^{\frac{a}{2\epsilon}-1} \{ -\text{signum}(\epsilon\eta^2 - 1) \}^{\frac{a}{2\epsilon}-1} \eta F(1/2, a/2/\epsilon; 3/2; \epsilon\eta^2) + c_2 \right]$$

- where  $F(a,b;c;z)$  is the hypergeometric function

$$F(a, b, c, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n z^n}{(c)_n n!} \quad a, b, c, z \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$(a)_n = \frac{\Gamma(a+n)}{\Gamma(a)} \quad (a)_0 = 1, \quad (a)_n = a(a+1)\cdots(a+n-1) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

- some elementary functions can be expressed via  $F$
- In our case if  $\frac{a}{2\epsilon}$  is Integer or Half-Integer are important the 4 basic cases:

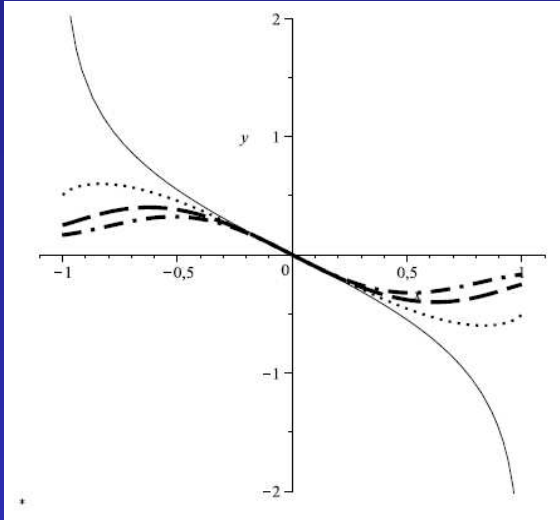
$$\frac{a}{2\epsilon} = 0, \quad F\left(0, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}; \epsilon\eta^2\right) = 1$$

$$\frac{a}{2\epsilon} = 1, \quad F\left(1, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}; \epsilon\eta^2\right) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\epsilon\eta}} \ln\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{\epsilon\eta}}{1-\sqrt{\epsilon\eta}}\right)$$

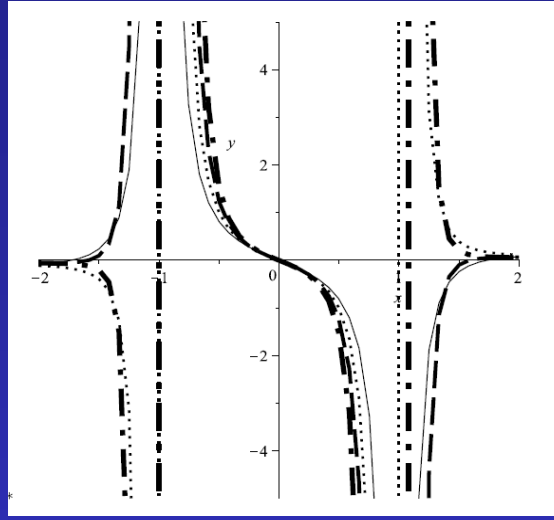
$$\frac{a}{2\epsilon} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad F\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}; \epsilon\eta^2\right) = \frac{\arccos(\sqrt{\epsilon\eta})}{\sqrt{\epsilon\eta}}$$

$$\frac{a}{2\epsilon} = \frac{3}{2}, \quad F\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}; \epsilon\eta^2\right) = \frac{1}{(1-\epsilon\eta^2)}$$

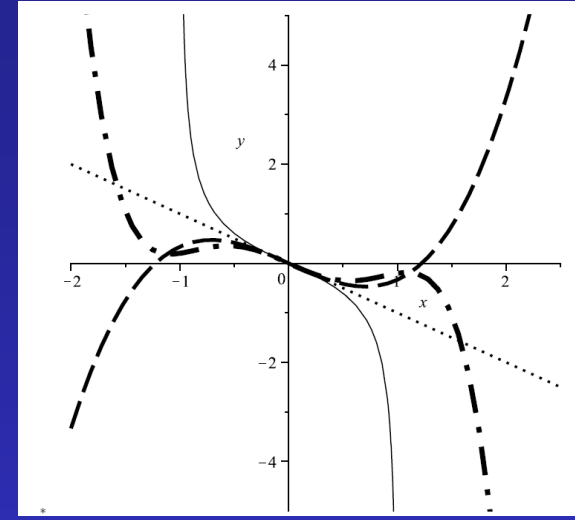
# Solutions



negative integer  $a/2\epsilon$  values.



positive integer  $a/2\epsilon$  values.



positive half-integer  $a/2\epsilon$  values.

**not-so-nice solutions, non-compact no-finite derivatives  
just have a rich mathematical structure**

**I.F. Barna and R. Kersner <http://arxiv.org/abs/1009.6085>  
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# Self-similar, non-continous shock-wave behaviour for heat-propagation (Way 2)

$$\frac{\partial q(r,t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{q}{\tau} - \frac{\kappa}{\tau} \frac{\partial T(r,t)}{\partial r}$$

$$c_0 \frac{\partial T(r,t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial q(r,t)}{\partial r} - \frac{q(r,t)}{r}$$

general Cattaneo heat conduction law,  
+ cylindrically symmetric conservation law

$\kappa = \kappa(T) = \kappa_0 T^\omega$  heat conduction coefficient temperature dependent (e.g. plasmas)

$\tau = \tau(T) = \tau_0 T^\epsilon$  relaxation time also temperature dependent (e.g. plasmas)

using the first order PDA system (not second order)  
looking for self-similar solutions in the form

$$T(r,t) = t^{-\alpha} f\left(\frac{r}{t^\beta}\right), \quad q(r,t) = t^{-\delta} g\left(\frac{r}{t^\gamma}\right)$$

$$\delta g(\eta) + \beta \eta g'(\eta) = f^{-\epsilon}(\eta) g(\eta) + f^{\omega-\epsilon}(\eta) f'(\eta)$$

$$c_0 [\alpha f(\eta) + \beta \eta f'(\eta)] = g'(\eta) + g(\eta)/\eta$$

Parameters are fixed,  
coupled system of ODE  
but Eq. 2. can be integrated  
→ only one ODE

# Properties of the model

originally there are 5 independent parameters, exponents  $\alpha, \beta, \delta, \epsilon, \omega$  only one remained independent, we fixed omega

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\omega - 1}, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2(\omega - 1)}, \quad \delta = \frac{\omega - 1/2}{\omega - 1}, \quad \epsilon = 1 - \omega.$$

the parameter dependence of the solutions is now dictated

$$T(x, t) = t^{-\alpha} f\left(\frac{r}{t^\beta}\right) = t^{\frac{-1}{\omega-1}} f\left(\frac{r}{t^{\frac{1}{2(\omega-1)}}}\right), \quad q(x, t) = t^{-\delta} g\left(\frac{r}{t^\beta}\right) = t^{\frac{\omega-1/2}{\omega-1}} g\left(\frac{r}{t^{\frac{1}{2(\omega-1)}}}\right)$$

heat conduction and relaxation time terms are also known

$$\kappa = \kappa_0 \cdot T(x, t)^\omega = \kappa_0 t^{\frac{-\omega}{\omega-1}} f^\omega\left(\frac{r}{t^{\frac{1}{2(\omega-1)}}}\right), \quad \tau = \tau_0 \cdot T(x, t)^\epsilon = \kappa_0 t^{\frac{1-\omega}{\omega-1}} f^{1-\omega}\left(\frac{r}{t^{\frac{1}{2(\omega-1)}}}\right)$$

# Properties of the solution

$$f' \left[ \frac{1}{2(\omega-1)} \eta^2 - 2a(\omega-1)f^{2\omega-1} \right] + \eta f \left[ \frac{2\omega}{2(\omega-1)} - \frac{f^{\omega-1}}{\tau_0} \right] = 0$$

first order non-linear ODE (no analytic solution) **BUT**

-Variable transformations,  $y = \eta^2$  and  $x(y) = f(\eta)$  and considering the inverse of the first derivative  $\longrightarrow$  linear inhomogeneous ODE

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x[bx^{\omega-1} - \omega]} - \frac{4a(\omega-1)^2 x^{2\omega-2}}{bx^{\omega-1} - \omega}$$

$$a = \frac{\kappa_0}{\tau_0 c_0}$$

$$b = (2\omega - 1)/\tau_0$$



can be integrated

$$y = 4a(\omega-1)^2 \left[ x^{-\frac{1}{\omega-1}} (-2\omega x^\omega + x^\omega + x\omega)^{\frac{1}{\omega(\omega-1)}} \right] \left( \int x^{\frac{2\omega^2-3\omega+2}{\omega-1}} (-2\omega x^\omega + x^{\omega+x\omega})^{\frac{-\omega^2+\omega-1}{\omega(\omega-1)}} dx + c \right)$$

general solution of the homogeneous equation times the particular solution of the inhomogeneous one, there is only one parameter dependence

# Properties of the inverse solution

it is not singular for  $2(\omega - 1)x^{\omega-1} - \omega \neq 0$  so for  $f(\omega) = \left(\frac{\omega}{2\omega - 1}\right)^{\frac{1}{\omega-1}}$   $0 < \omega \leq 1/2$   
 different  $\omega$  means different kind of solutions

$1/2 < \omega$  blow up solution at  $x = \left(\frac{\omega}{2\omega-1}\right)^{\frac{1}{\omega-1}}$  •

$\omega \neq 1$  forbidden value

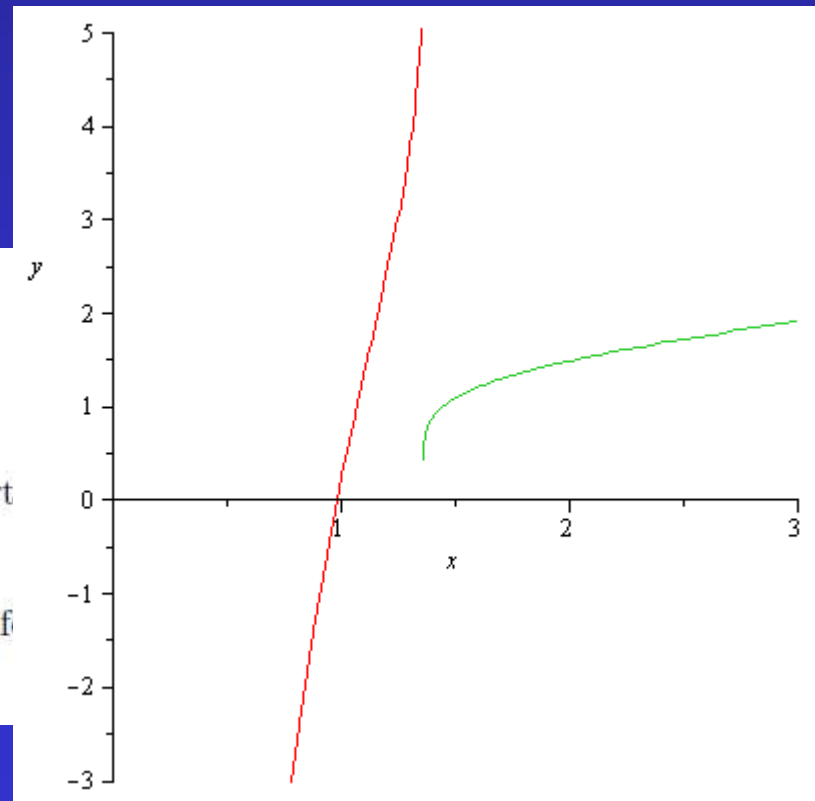
$\omega = 1/2$  solution:  $y(x) = 1 + c/x^2$

$0 < \omega < 1/2$  non-compact solution with a maxima, can be inverted

$\omega = 0$  solution:  $(-4Ei(1, -x) + x)e^{-x}$  no positive domain

$-1 < \omega < 0$  singular in origin, have a max and can be inverted f

$\omega \leq -1$  two distinct solutions with a cut in between •





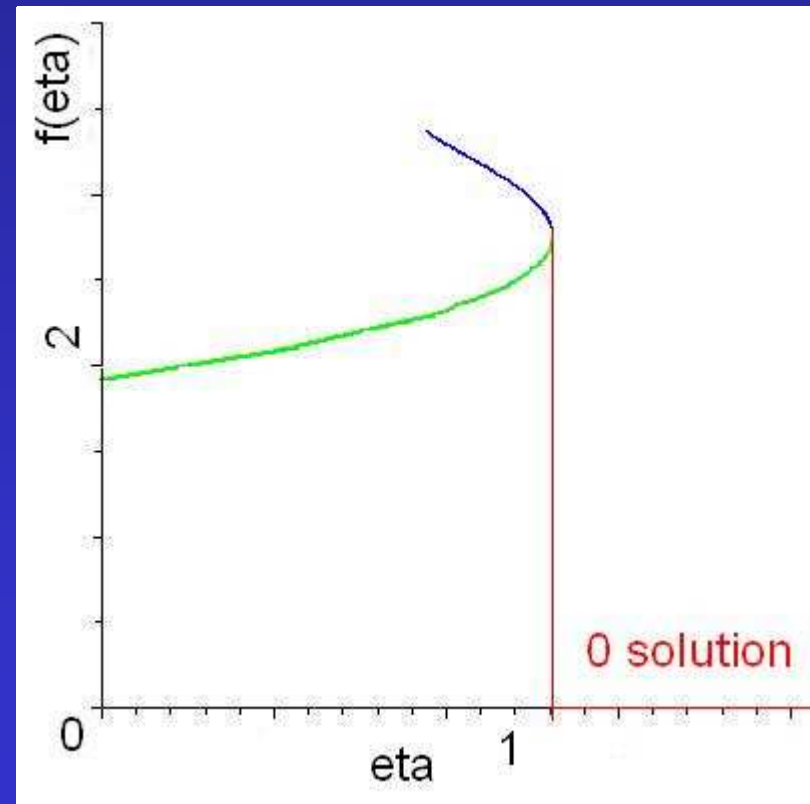
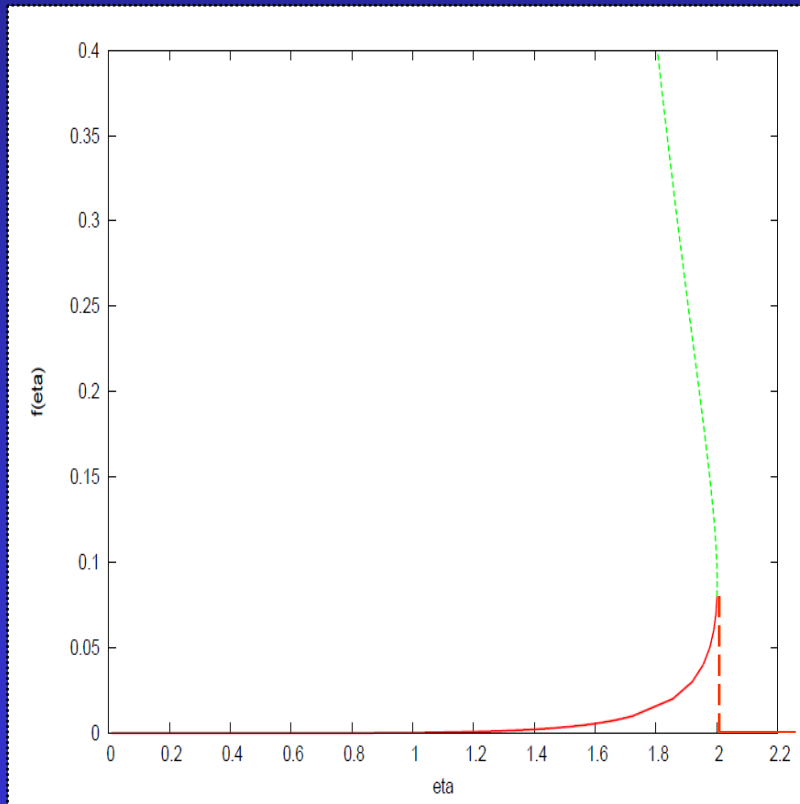
# Non-continuous solutions of PDE

applying the back-transformation (inversion + square root)

$0 < \omega < 1/2$  non-compact solution with a maxima, can be inverted  $[0..∞]$

$-1 < \omega < 0$  singular in origin, have a maxima and can be inverted in positive x domain

principal value  
have to be fixed!!



we may define zero solutions outside this eta domain

# *Summary and Outlook*

*we presented the problem of the heat conduction eq. defined two possible way-outs*

*As a new feature we presented a new telegraph-type equation with self-similar solutions  
It has both **parabolic** and **hyperbolic** properties*

*As a second point we use a hyperbolic system to investigate heat conduction, can have non-continuous solutions*

**Thank you for**



**your attention!**

*Questions, Remarks, Comments?...*