

Problem 1 (4pt). Solve by Fourier method

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} = 0 \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad (1.1)$$

$$u|_{x=0} = -u|_{x=\pi}, \quad u_x|_{x=0} = -u_x|_{x=\pi}, \quad (1.2)$$

$$u|_{t=0} = 1, \quad u_t|_{t=0} = 0. \quad (1.3)$$

HINT: $\lambda_n \geq 0$. Also remember how solution looks like in the case of double eigenvalues.

Solution. Separation of variables leads to

$$X'' + \lambda X = 0, \quad (1.4)$$

$$X(0) = -X(\pi), \quad X'(0) = -X'(\pi), \quad (1.5)$$

$$T'' + \lambda T = 0 \quad (1.6)$$

We know that for this BVP $\lambda \geq 0$, obviously $\lambda = 0 \implies X = A + Bx$ and boundary conditions imply $A = 0, B = 0$.

Consider $\lambda = k^2 > 0$; then $X = A \cos(kx) + B \sin(kx)$. Then (1.2) implies

$$\begin{cases} A = -A \cos(k\pi) - B \sin(k\pi) \\ kB = kA \sin(k\pi) - kB \cos(k\pi) \end{cases} \implies \begin{cases} A(1 + \cos(k\pi)) + B \sin(k\pi) = 0 \\ -A \sin(k\pi) + B(1 + \cos(k\pi)) = 0 \end{cases}$$

with determinant $(1 + \cos(k\pi))^2 + \sin^2(k\pi)$ which is 0 iff $k\pi = (2n + 1)\pi$ with $n = 0, 1, \dots$, in which case we have two independent solutions $\cos((2n + 1)x)$ and $\sin((2n + 1)x)$.

Meanwhile (1.6) implies $T = A \cos((2n + 1)t) + B \sin((2n + 1)t)$ and taking into account Hint

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[(A_n \cos((2n + 1)t) + C_n \sin((2n + 1)t)) \cos((2n + 1)x) + (B_n \cos((2n + 1)t) + D_n \sin((2n + 1)t)) \sin((2n + 1)x) \right]$$

and initial conditions imply

$$u(0, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[A_n \cos((2n + 1)x) + C_n \sin((2n + 1)x) \right] = 1$$

$$u_t(0, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2n + 1) \left[B_n \cos((2n + 1)x) + D_n \sin((2n + 1)x) \right] = 0$$

and then $B_n = D_n = 0$,

$$A_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos((2n+1)x) dx = 0,$$
$$C_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos((2n+1)x) dx = \frac{4}{(2n+1)\pi}$$

and

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4}{(2n+1)\pi} \cos((2n+1)t) \sin((2n+1)x) \quad (1.7)$$

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Problem 2 (4pt). Solve

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0 \quad -\infty < x < \infty, \quad 0 < y < \infty, \quad (2.1)$$

$$u|_{y=0} = g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & |x| < 1, \\ 0 & |x| > 1 \end{cases} \quad (2.2)$$

$$\max |u| < \infty. \quad (2.3)$$

HINT: Use partial Fourier transform with respect to x . Write solution as a Fourier integral without calculating it.

Solution. After partial Fourier transform

$$-k^2 \hat{u} + \hat{u}_{yy} = 0 \quad 0 < y < \infty, \quad (2.4)$$

$$\hat{u}|_{y=0} = \hat{g}(k). \quad (2.5)$$

One can calculate easily $\hat{g}(k) = \frac{\sin(k)}{\pi k}$.

Solving (2.4) we get $\hat{u} = A(k)e^{-|k|y} + B(k)e^{|k|y}$ and $B(k) = 0$ due to (2.3) and $A(k) = \frac{\sin(k)}{\pi k}$,

$$\hat{u} = \frac{\sin(k)}{\pi k} e^{-|k|y}. \quad (2.6)$$

and

$$u(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(k)}{\pi k} e^{-|k|y + ikx} dk = 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin(k)}{\pi k} e^{-ky} \cos(kx) dk. \quad (2.7)$$

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Problem 3 (4pt). Using Fourier method find eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of Laplacian in the rectangle $\{0 < x < a, 0 < y < b\}$ with Neumann boundary conditions:

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = -\lambda u \quad 0 < x < a, 0 < y < b, \quad (3.1)$$

$$u_x|_{x=0} = u_x|_{x=a} = u_y|_{y=0} = u_y|_{y=b} = 0. \quad (3.2)$$

Solution. Separating variables $u = X(x)Y(y)$ we arrive to

$$\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} + \lambda = 0 \quad (3.3)$$

Then

$$X'' + \mu X = 0, \quad (3.4)$$

$$X'(0) = X'(a) = 0 \quad (3.5)$$

and

$$Y'' + \nu Y = 0, \quad (3.6)$$

$$Y'(0) = Y'(b) = 0 \quad (3.7)$$

and

$$\lambda = \mu + \nu. \quad (3.8)$$

Next

$$\mu_m = \frac{\pi^2 m^2}{a^2}, \quad X_m = \cos\left(\frac{\pi m x}{a}\right), \quad m = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (3.9)$$

$$\nu_n = \frac{\pi^2 n^2}{b^2}, \quad Y_n = \cos\left(\frac{\pi n y}{b}\right), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (3.10)$$

and finally

$$\lambda_{mn} = \pi^2 \left(\frac{m^2}{a^2} + \frac{n^2}{b^2} \right), \quad u_{mn} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi m x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi n y}{b}\right), \quad m, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (3.11)$$

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Problem 4 (4pt). Consider Laplace equation in the sector

$$u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r + \frac{1}{r^2}u_{\theta\theta} = 0 \quad r < 8, 0 < \theta < \frac{3}{2}\pi \quad (4.1)$$

with the Dirichlet boundary conditions as $\theta = 0$ and $\theta = \frac{3}{2}\pi$

$$u|_{\theta=0} = u|_{\theta=\frac{3}{2}\pi} = 0 \quad (4.2)$$

and the Dirichlet boundary condition as $r = 8$

$$u|_{r=8} = 1. \quad (4.3)$$

Using separation of variables find solution as a series.

Solution. Separating variables $u(r, \theta) = R(r)\Theta(\theta)$ we get

$$\frac{r^2R'' + rR'}{R} + \frac{\Theta''}{\Theta} = 0$$

and therefore both terms are constant:

$$\Theta'' + \lambda\Theta = 0, \quad (4.4)$$

$$\Theta(0) = \Theta\left(\frac{3}{2}\pi\right) = 0 \quad (4.5)$$

and therefore $\lambda_n = \frac{4n^2}{9}$, $\Theta_n = \sin\left(\frac{2n\theta}{3}\right)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Then

$$r^2R'' + rR' - \frac{4n^2}{9}R = 0 \quad (4.6)$$

and $R = Ar^{2n/3} + Br^{-2n/3}$ where we drop the last term as it is singular at $r = 0$. So $u_n = A_n r^{2n/3} \sin\left(\frac{2n\theta}{3}\right)$ and

$$u = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n r^{2n/3} \sin\left(\frac{2n\theta}{3}\right). \quad (4.7)$$

Plugging into (4.3) we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n 2^{2n} \sin\left(\frac{2n\theta}{3}\right) = 1; \quad (4.8)$$

then

$$A_n = 2^{-2n} \frac{4}{3\pi} \int_0^{3\pi/2} \sin\left(\frac{2n\theta}{3}\right) d\theta = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 2m, \\ \frac{2^{2-2n}}{(2m+1)\pi} & n = 2m+1 \end{cases} \quad (4.9)$$

and

$$u = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2-4m}}{(2m+1)} r^{2(2m+1)/3} \sin\left(\frac{2}{3}(2m+1)\theta\right). \quad (4.10)$$

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Problem 5 (4pt). Find Fourier transforms of the functions

$$f_{\pm}(x) = e^{-\varepsilon|x|}\theta(\pm x) \tag{5.1}$$

and write these function as a Fourier integrals, where θ is a Heaviside function: $\theta(t) = 1$ for $t > 0$ and $\theta(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$.

BONUS (1pt). Write Fourier transforms of the functions $g(x) = f_+(x) + f_-(x)$ and $h(x) = f_+(x) - f_-(x)$.

Solution. The simplest:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_+(k) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-ikx} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ikx-\varepsilon x} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi(\varepsilon + ik)} = \frac{1}{2\pi i(k - i\varepsilon)}. \end{aligned}$$

Then since $f_-(x) = f_+(-x)$ we conclude that $\hat{f}_-(k) = \hat{f}_+(-k) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i(k+i\varepsilon)}$.
Conversely

$$f_{\pm}(x) = \pm \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi i(k \mp i\varepsilon)} e^{ikx} dk.$$

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Bonus Solution.

$$\hat{g}(k) = \hat{f}_+(k) + \hat{f}_-(k) = \frac{\varepsilon}{\pi(k^2 + \varepsilon^2)}, \tag{5.2}$$

$$\hat{h}(k) = \hat{f}_+(k) - \hat{f}_-(k) = \frac{k}{i\pi(k^2 + \varepsilon^2)}. \tag{5.3}$$

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