

ORD & PRTL DIFF EQUATIONS-MATH 353-FALL 2014-EXAM 2

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Section \_\_\_\_\_

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**No Calculators. No cellphones.**

**Closed book and notes. Can use formula sheet.**

**You may use the back of the pages.**

**Students' "no assistance" pledge**

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1. Find all the eigenfunction-eigenvalue pairs of the following eigenvalue problem.

$$\psi_{xx} + \lambda\psi = 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi,$$

$$\psi(0) = 0, \quad \psi'_x(\pi) = 0$$

Place your answers in a box.

**Case 1,**  $\lambda = 0$ :  $\psi = Ax + B$ ,  $\psi(0) = B = 0$ ,  $\psi'(\pi) = A = 0$ ; Thus,  $\psi \equiv 0$ , hence no zero e-value.

**Case 2,**  $\lambda \neq 0$ :

$$\psi(x) = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

$$\psi(0) = c_1 = 0, \quad \text{Thus,} \quad \psi(x) = c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x), \quad \psi'(x) = c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x), \quad c_2 \neq 0.$$

,

$$\psi'(\pi) = \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}\pi) = 0, \quad \lambda_n = (n - \frac{1}{2})^2; \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$\lambda_n = (n - \frac{1}{2})^2, \quad \psi_n(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) = \sin((n - \frac{1}{2})x), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
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2. (a) The function  $f(x) = x$ , defined on the interval  $0 < x < \pi$  is represented below as a series

$$x = c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \cos(nx).$$

Calculate the coefficients  $c_0, c_1, c_2 \dots$ . Show all work. Place your answer in a box.

The function  $f(x) = x$  is represented as a series of the orthogonal basis consisting of the functions,  $1, \cos(x), \cos(2x), \cos(3x), \dots$  in the interval  $0 < x < \pi$ . In order to calculate the coefficient  $c_k$  of the expansion for any value  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , we multiply both sides of the expansion by the corresponding basis function and integrate over the interval, distributing these operations through the series sum.

Calculation of  $c_0$  (basis function  $\psi_0 = 1$ )

$$\int_0^{\pi} x dx = c_0 \pi + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{\pi} c_n \cos(nx) dx = c_0 \pi; \quad c_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Calculation of  $c_k, k > 0$  (basis function  $\psi_k = \cos(kx)$ )

$$\int_0^{\pi} x \cos(kx) dx = c_0 \int_0^{\pi} \cos(kx) dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \int_0^{\pi} \cos(kx) \cos(nx) dx; \quad \int_0^{\pi} x \cos(kx) dx = c_k \int_0^{\pi} \cos^2(kx) dx.$$

(all integrals, except the one with coefficient  $c_k$ , are zero by the orthogonality).

We calculate

$$\int_0^{\pi} x \cos(kx) dx = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for even } k \\ -\frac{2}{k^2} & \text{for odd } k \end{cases}, \quad \int_0^{\pi} \cos^2(kx) dx = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad c_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad c_k = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for even } k > 0 \\ -\frac{4}{\pi k^2} & \text{for odd } k. \end{cases}$$

- (b) Write down a function  $u(x, y)$  that exhibits exponential growth/decay in the  $x$  direction, is oscillatory in the  $y$  direction and satisfies the Laplace equation

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0.$$

Place your answer in a box.  $u(x, y) = e^x \cos y$  (there are infinitely many more)

- (c) Find by inspection the solution of the following boundary value problem.

- $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  inside a circle in the  $(x, y)$  plane,
- At every point of the circle, the derivative of  $u$  in the direction perpendicular to the circle equals zero.

$$u(x, y) = 1$$

The solution you found is an element of the nullspace of what operator? Place your answers in a box.

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \text{ with Neumann boundary condition, in the context of the question}$$

(technically, any operator that annihilates the function  $u = 1$ )

3. Find the solution to the following initial-boundary value problem

$$u_{tt} = u_{xx} + xe^{-t}, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad t > 0$$

$$u_x(0, t) = 0, \quad u_x(\pi, t) = 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = 1, \quad u_t(x, 0) = 0$$

by the following step-by-step procedure:

- (a) Imagine the solution as a (infinite) linear combination of mutually orthogonal basis functions  $\psi_n(x)$  with coefficients  $b_n(t)$ .

$$u(x, t) = \sum_n b_n(t) \psi_n(x)$$

- (b) Choose the appropriate eigenfunction basis  $\psi_n(x)$  (it is OK to skip the calculation). Place the eigenfunctions in a box together with the corresponding eigenvalues  $\lambda_n$ .

$$\psi_0 = 1, \quad \psi_n = \cos(nx), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots; \quad \lambda_0 = 0, \quad \lambda_n = n^2, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

- (c) Express all terms of the PDE as well as the given initial data as linear combinations of the basis functions. Place your answers in a box.

$$u_{tt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \ddot{b}_n \psi_n \quad \left| \quad u_{xx} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-\lambda_n^2 b_n \psi_n) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-n^2 b_n \psi_n) \right|$$

$$e^{-t}x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n e^{-t} \psi_n; \quad c_n \text{ as calculated in problem 2} \quad \left| \quad u(x, 0) = 1 = \psi_0, \quad u_t(x, 0) = 0 \right|$$

- (d) Obtain an ODE for each coefficient  $b_n$ . Explain the reasoning behind your procedure in one or two sentences.

$$\text{We insert the above series expressions in the PDE and balance the coefficients of each basis function } \psi_n$$

- (e) Derive the initial conditions for the ODE.

$$u(x, 0) = 1: \quad b_0(0) = 1, \quad b_n(0) = 0, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots;$$

$$u_t(x, 0) = 0: \quad \dot{b}_n(0) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots;$$

- (f) Place the ODEs for each  $b_n$  and the corresponding initial conditions in a box.

$$\ddot{b}_0 = c_0 e^{-t}; \quad b_0(0) = 1, \quad \dot{b}_0(0) = 0 \quad \left| \quad \text{For } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots: \quad \ddot{b}_n = -n^2 b_n + c_n e^{-t}; \quad b_n(0) = 0, \quad \dot{b}_n(0) = 0 \right|$$

- (g) Solve the initial value problem for the ODEs. Place the expression(s) for the coefficients  $b_n(t)$  in a box.

$$\ddot{b}_0 = c_0 e^{-t}, \quad \dot{b}_0 = -c_0 e^{-t} + A_0, \quad b_0 = c_0 e^{-t} + A_0 t + B_0,$$

Using initial conditions obtains

$$b_0 = c_0(e^{-t} + t - 1) + 1.$$

$$\ddot{b}_n = -n^2 b_n + c_n e^{-t}, \quad n > 0.$$

Particular solution of [NH]:  $b_n = \frac{c_n}{1+n^2} e^{-t}$

General solution of [H]:  $b_n = A_n \cos(nt) + B_n \sin(nt)$ .

General solution of [NH]:

$$b_n = A_n \cos(nt) + B_n \sin(nt) + \frac{c_n}{1+n^2} e^{-t}, \quad \dot{b}_n = -n A_n \sin(nt) + n B_n \cos(nt) - \frac{c_n}{1+n^2} e^{-t}.$$

Implementing initial conditions:  $A_n = -\frac{c_n}{1+n^2}, \quad B_n = -\frac{c_n}{n(1+n^2)}.$

$$b_n(t) = -\frac{c_n}{1+n^2} \cos(nt) - \frac{c_n}{n(1+n^2)} \sin(nt) + \frac{c_n}{1+n^2} e^{-t}; \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

4. Find the solution to the Laplace equation

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0; \quad 0 < x < \infty, \quad 0 < y < \pi.$$

You are given the following conditions :

- (a)  $u_y = 0$  along the positive  $x$  semi-axis and along the horizontal half-line  $y = \pi$ ,  $x > 0$ .
- (b)  $u = \cos 3y$  on the interval  $0 < y < \pi$  of the  $y$  axis.
- (c)  $u$  remains bounded as  $x$  tends to infinity.

Hint: Can be done with little calculation. Begin by sketching the region of validity of the PDE.

Generally, we would seek a solution of the form

$$u(x, y) = \sum_n b_n(x) \psi_n(y)$$

We recognize that, with the Neumann boundary conditions at  $x = 0$  and  $x = \pi$ , the basis functions are  $1, \cos x, \cos(2x), \dots$ . The given boundary condition at  $y = 0$  is exactly one of the basis functions, namely  $\cos(3x)$ . The coefficient for this function in the expansion will, thus, be the only nonzero coefficient. We let

$$u = b(x) \cos(3y).$$

This obviously satisfies the boundary conditions  $u_y = 0$  along the positive  $x$  semi-axis and along the horizontal half-line  $y = \pi$ ,  $x > 0$ .

Insert the expression for  $u$  into the PDE.

$$b_{xx} \cos(3y) - 9b \cos(3y) = 0, \quad (b_{xx} - 9b) \cos(3x) = 0, \quad b_{xx} - 9b = 0.$$

Solution of the ODE is

$$b = c_1 e^{-3x} + c_2 e^{3x}$$

For  $u$  to remain bounded:  $c_2 = 0$ , thus,  $u(x, y) = c_1 e^{-3x} \cos(3y)$

Letting  $x = 0$ , we obtain  $u(0, y) = c_1 \cos(3y)$ , hence  $c_1 = 1$  from the given condition.

$u(x, y) = e^{-3x} \cos(3y)$

5. (a) What does it mean for an operator  $\mathbb{L}$  to be self-adjoint?

$$(\mathbb{L}u, v) = (u, \mathbb{L}v), \text{ for all } u, v \text{ in the domain of the operator (i.e., } u, v \text{ satisfy the BC)}$$

- (b) Verify that the second order linear differential operator  $\mathbb{L} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$  over an interval  $a < x < b$  with homogeneous boundary conditions  $u(a) = 0, u_x(b) = 0$  is self-adjoint.

The definition of inner product and integration by parts obtain,

$$(f', g) = \int_a^b f' \bar{g} dx = - \int_a^b f \bar{g}' dx + f(b) \bar{g}(b) - f(a) \bar{g}(a) = -(f, g') + f(b) \bar{g}(b) - f(a) \bar{g}(a).$$

Thus, we have the formula

$$(f', g) = -(f, g') + f(b) \bar{g}(b) - f(a) \bar{g}(a).$$

- Using this formula with  $f = u'$  and  $g = v$ , we obtain,

$$(u'', v) = -(u', v') + u'(b) \bar{v}(b) - u'(a) \bar{v}(a) = -(u', v'), \quad \text{since } u'(b) = 0 \text{ and } v(a) = 0$$

- Using the formula with  $f = u$  and  $g = v'$ , we obtain,

$$(u', v') = -(u, v'') + u(b) \bar{v}'(b) - u(a) \bar{v}'(a) = -(u, v''), \quad \text{since } v'(b) = 0 \text{ and } u(a) = 0$$

Putting the two results together, we obtain  $(u'', v) = (u, v'')$ .