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- **Books, notes (electronic or paper), cell phones, smart phones, and internet-connected devices are prohibited!** A scientific calculator is allowed—but it is not needed. If you use a calculator, you must write out the operations performed on the calculator to show that you know how to solve the problem. *Please do not replace precise answers with decimal approximations.*
- There are **six (6)** problems: maximum total score = 200.

1. (30) The differential equation $y'' + 2xy' - 2y = 0$ has analytic solutions of the form $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$.
- a. (15) Find a recursion formula for a_{n+2} in terms of a_n , $n \geq 0$.

- b. (10) The general solution has the form $y = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x)$ where $y_1(x)$ is a polynomial of odd degree, and $y_2(x)$ is not a polynomial. Find a suitable polynomial solution $y_1(x)$, showing why all the higher odd-indexed coefficients must be zero.

- c. (5) Choosing $a_0 = 1$ write out the first 3 nonzero terms of the non-polynomial power series solution $y_2(x)$.

2. (30) The equation $2xy'' - y' + 2y = 0$ has a regular singular point at $x = 0$. Using the method of Frobenius, there is a solution of the form $y = x^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$.

a. (10) Write the indicial equation.

b. (10) Find the allowable values of r in the indicial equation.

c. (10) Find the recursion formula for a_{n+1} in terms of a_n , n and r . You are *not* asked to find the general solution for this problem.

3. (30) Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < x \leq \pi \\ 0, & x = 0 \\ -1, & -\pi \leq x < 0. \end{cases}$

a. (20) Find all the Fourier coefficients in the expansion

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_1^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \quad (1)$$

b. (5) Calculate the (very easy) integral $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 dx$.

c. (5) By Eq. (1),

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 dx = \langle f, f \rangle = \left\langle a_0 + \sum_1^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx), a_0 + \sum_1^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \right\rangle. \quad \text{Use}$$

the orthogonality relations and the results of (a) and (b) to find the value of

$$\sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{1}{n^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{7^2} + \cdots$$

4. (40) The differential equation with *boundary conditions*

$$y'' + 4y' + (\lambda + 4)y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0 = y(1) \quad (2)$$

becomes a Sturm-Liouville problem (in self-adjoint form) with equation $(r(x)y')' + (q(x) + \lambda p(x))y = 0$ if you multiply both sides of the equation by e^{kx} for some k .

- a. (10) *Choose* the correct value of k and do the multiplication to *write* Eq. (2) in Sturm-Liouville (self-adjoint) format. *Find the weight function* $p(x)$.

- b. (15) Set $y = e^{rx}$ to solve the *original* Eq. (2) to find a *complete set of eigenvalues* λ_n and corresponding (real-valued) eigenfunctions $y_n(x)$ for the interval $[0, 1]$. (You will use Euler's formula here to evaluate $e^{(a+ib)x} = e^{ax}e^{ibx}$.)

- c. (10) Write the orthogonality relation $\langle y_n, y_m \rangle_p = 0$ if $m \neq n$ in the form of an integral vanishing if $m \neq n$. (You do not need to evaluate the resulting integral.)

- d. (5) If f is integrable on $[0, 1]$, it can be expanded in the form $f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} c_m y_m(x)$. Using what you know about orthogonal function expansions, express c_m in terms of $\|y_m\|$ and an integral involving both $f(x)$ and $y_m(x)$. (*Do not* evaluate the integral or the value of $\|y_m\|$ for this problem.)

5. (30) Consider the wave equation $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$ on $[0, 1]$ with the *boundary conditions* $u(0, t) = 0 = u(1, t)$, $t \geq 0$ and the *initial conditions* $u(x, 0) = \sin 2\pi x$, $u_t(x, 0) = \sin 3\pi x$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$.
- a. (15) Use the separation constant λ and find all eigenvalues λ_n with all corresponding split solutions $u_n(x, t) = F_n(x)G_n(t)$ satisfying the *boundary conditions*.
- b. (15) Write the general solution satisfying the *boundary conditions* as a sum of all the split solutions $u_n(x, t)$ (using the principle of superposition) and determine all the necessary coefficients so as to find the unique solution satisfying the *initial conditions* as well as the boundary conditions.

6. (40) Consider the wave equation $u_{tt} = u_{xx} + u_{yy}$ on the square $0 \leq x, y \leq \pi$ with the *boundary conditions* $u(0, y, t) = 0 = u(\pi, y, t)$ and $u(x, 0, t) = 0 = u(x, \pi, t)$ for all $t \geq 0$, and with the *initial conditions* $u(x, y, 0) = f(x, y)$ and $u_t(x, y, 0) = 0$. We will begin by finding all the split solutions $u(x, y, t) = F(x)G(y)H(t)$ as follows.

a. (10) Use the constant λ to separate the functions of x from the functions of y and t . (Time Saver: λ will be negative.) Determine all the eigenvalues λ_m and the corresponding eigenfunctions $F_m(x)$.

b. (10) Given λ_m as in part (a), use the constant μ to separate the functions of y from the functions of t . (Time Saver: μ will be negative.) Determine all the eigenvalues μ_n and the corresponding eigenfunctions $G_n(y)$.

c. (10) Given λ_m and μ_n from parts (a) and (b), Find the corresponding $H_{m,n}(t)$ and write out the general split solutions $u_{m,n}(x, y, t)$ satisfying the boundary conditions.

d. (10) Write out the general solution $u(x, y, t)$ as the sum of an infinite series satisfying all the boundary conditions. Now express all the coefficients as double integrals involving $f(x, y)$ to find the unique solution satisfying *both initial conditions* as well as the boundary conditions.

Solutions

1.

a. $a_{n+2} = -\frac{2(n-1)a_n}{(n+2)(n+1)}$

b. $y_1(x) = x$ or any nonzero constant multiple thereof. The recursion formula shows that $a_3 = 0$ and the same for all higher odd-indexed coefficients.

c. (5) $y_2(x) = 1 + x^2 - \frac{1}{6}x^4 - \dots$

2.

a. $2r^2 - 3r = 0$.

b. $r_1 = \frac{3}{2}$ and $r_2 = 0$.

c. $a_{n+1} = \frac{-2a_n}{(n+r+1)(2(n+r)-1)}$.

3.

a. $a_n = 0$ for all n since f is an odd function. $b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin nx \, dx = 0$ if n is even, but $b_n = \frac{4}{\pi n}$ for each odd value of n . It helps to avoid errors if one remembers that the product of two odd functions is even, simplifying the domain of integration as shown above.

b. $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 1 \, dx = 2\pi$

c. $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 \, dx = 2\pi = \left\langle \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{4}{\pi n} \sin nx, \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{4}{\pi n} \sin nx \right\rangle = \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{16}{\pi^2 n^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin^2 nx \, dx$ and
 $\sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{1}{(n)^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$.

4.

a. $k = 4$: The differential equation is rewritten as $(e^{4x}y')' + (e^{4x} + \lambda e^{4x})y = 0$. This has the Sturm-Liouville (self-adjoint) format, with the weight function $p(x) = e^{4x}$.

b. $\lambda_n = n^2\pi^2$ and $y_n(x) = e^{-2x} \sin n\pi x$ for all $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

c. $\langle y_n, y_m \rangle_p = 0 = \int_0^1 e^{-2x} \sin m\pi x e^{-2x} \sin n\pi x e^{4x} \, dx = \int_0^1 \sin m\pi x \sin n\pi x \, dx = 0$ if $m \neq n$. Remember that the p -scalar product includes the weight function $p(x)$!

d. $c_m = \frac{1}{\|y_m\|^2} \int_0^1 f(x) e^{-2x} \sin m\pi x e^{4x} \, dx = \frac{1}{\|y_m\|^2} \int_0^1 f(x) e^{2x} \sin m\pi x \, dx$. Remember that the p -scalar product includes the weight function $p(x)$!

5. It is important to know that $\sin n\pi x$ is orthogonal to $\sin m\pi x$ on $[0, 1]$ when the positive integers m and n are different. Thus the Fourier coefficients are unique which makes $a_m = 0$ unless $m = 2$ and $b_n = 0$ unless $n = 3$. There was a WebAssign problem similar to this, so I did not anticipate that this question would cause so much difficulty! Several students erred with the sign of the eigenvalues thereby producing the wrong equation for G_n resulting in G_n being incorrectly identified as a hyperbolic function. This should be recognized as impossible because we are dealing with the wave equation for an oscillation!

a. $\lambda_n = -n^2\pi^2$ and $u_n(x, t) = (a_n \cos n\pi t + b_n \sin n\pi t) \sin n\pi x$, $n \geq 1$.

b. The general solution satisfying the *boundary conditions* is $u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos n\pi t + b_n \sin n\pi t) \sin n\pi x$ and the unique solution satisfying the *initial conditions* as well as the boundary conditions is $u(x, t) = \cos 2\pi t \sin 2\pi x + \frac{1}{3\pi} \sin 3\pi t \sin 3\pi x$.

6. Several students erred in this problem as well with the sign of the eigenvalues thereby producing the wrong equation for G_n resulting in G_n being incorrectly identified as a hyperbolic function. This should be recognized as impossible because we are dealing with the wave equation for an oscillation!

- a. $\lambda_m = -m^2$ and the corresponding eigenfunctions $F_m(x) = \sin mx$, $m \geq 1$.
- b. $\mu_n = -n^2$ and the corresponding eigenfunctions $G_n(y) = \sin ny$, $n \geq 1$.
- c. $H_{m,n}(t) = a_{m,n} \cos \sqrt{m^2 + n^2}t + b_{m,n} \sin \sqrt{m^2 + n^2}t$ and
 $u_{m,n}(x, y, t) = (a_{m,n} \cos \sqrt{m^2 + n^2}t + b_{m,n} \sin \sqrt{m^2 + n^2}t) \sin mx \sin ny$
- d. $u(x, y, t) = \sum_{m,n \geq 1} (a_{m,n} \cos \sqrt{m^2 + n^2}t + b_{m,n} \sin \sqrt{m^2 + n^2}t) \sin mx \sin ny$ where all $b_{m,n} = 0$ and
 $a_{m,n} = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi f(x, y) \sin mx \sin ny \, dx dy$.

Class Statistics

% Grade	Test#1	Test#2	Test#3	Final Exam	Final Grade
90-100 (A)	14	10	9	6	13
80-89 (B)	2	3	7	8	2
70-79 (C)	2	1	1	2	3
60-69 (D)	0	4	0	1	0
0-59 (F)	1	0	1	1	0
Test Avg	88.8%	86.8%	87.6%	85.7%	90.5%
HW Avg	93.6%	92.27%	96.27%	96.27%	96.27%
HW/Test Correl.	-	0.71	0.65	0.45	0.45
Absences/Test Correl.	-	-	-	-	-0.44

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