

Math 267 Midterm Exam I

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at Buchanan A104

Duration: **70 minutes**

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Problem 1. [10 points]

Recall that i is the imaginary number $i = \sqrt{-1}$.

(a) (2 points) Let $z = -1 + \sqrt{3}i$ and $w = 2i$. Compute $z^3 + (\bar{w})^{-3}$. (Here \bar{w} is the complex conjugate of w .)

(b) Let

$$f(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{100} \left[-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i \right]^k e^{ik\pi t}.$$

(i) (4 points) Calculate $\int_{-1}^1 f(t) e^{i30\pi t} dt$.

(ii) (4 points) Calculate $\int_{-1}^1 |f(t)|^2 dt$.

Solution:

(a): $z = -1 + \sqrt{3}i = 2\left[-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right] = 2e^{i2\pi/3}$ and $\bar{w} = -2i$. Thus,

$$z^3 + (\bar{w})^{-3} = 2^3 e^{i2\pi} + \left(\frac{1}{-2i}\right)^3 = 2^3 - \frac{i}{8} = 8 - \frac{i}{8}$$

(b):

(i) :

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-1}^1 \sum_{k=0}^{100} \left[-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i \right]^k e^{ik\pi t} e^{i30\pi t} dt \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{100} \left[-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i \right]^k \int_{-1}^1 e^{ik\pi t} e^{i30\pi t} dt \\ &= 0 \quad (\text{by orthogonality since } k \geq 0: \text{ no case of } k = -30.). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) : We use Parseval's relation

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 |f(t)|^2 dt = \sum_{k=0}^{100} \left| -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i \right|^{2k} = \sum_{k=0}^{100} |e^{i2\pi/3}|^{2k} = \sum_{k=0}^{100} 1 = 101.$$

Thus, the answer is 202.

Problem 2. [10 points]: Consider the following initial boundary value problem for the wave equation:

$$\begin{aligned} u_{tt}(x, t) &= u_{xx}(x, t), & \text{for } 0 < x < \pi, t > 0; \\ u(0, t) &= 0, \quad u_x(\pi, t) = 0, & \text{for } t > 0. \end{aligned}$$

(Note the derivative boundary condition $u_x(\pi, t) = 0$ at $x = \pi$.)

Find **all nontrivial** solutions $u(x, t)$ of the following type:

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$$

where $X(x)$ and $T(t)$ are functions of the variables x, t , respectively.

Solution: For $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$. From the PDE we get $X''(x)T(t) = X(x)T''(t)$. thus,

$$\frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = \frac{T''(t)}{T(t)} = \sigma$$

We get (considering also the boundary condition $X(0)T(t) = 0$ and $X'(\pi)T(t) = 0$.)

$$\begin{aligned} X'' &= \sigma X, \\ X(0) &= 0, \quad X'(\pi) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

and $T''(t) = \sigma T(t)$.

For the X problem:

Case: $\sigma = 0$: Then, $X'' = 0$, thus, $X(x) = Ax + B$. But, $X(0) = 0$, so $B = 0$. And $X'(\pi) = 0$, so $A = 0$. So, we get only **trivial solution**. Thus, we exclude this case.

Case: $\sigma \neq 0$: Then, $X'' = \sigma X$. Characteristic equation is $r^2 = \sigma$, and $r = \pm\sqrt{\sigma}$. Thus, the general solution is $X(x) = C_1 e^{\sqrt{\sigma}x} + C_2 e^{-\sqrt{\sigma}x}$. Now, use the boundary condition, $X(0) = 0$, so, $C_1 + C_2 = 0$. Thus, $X(x) = C_1 [e^{\sqrt{\sigma}x} - e^{-\sqrt{\sigma}x}]$. $X'(x) = C_1 [\sqrt{\sigma}e^{\sqrt{\sigma}x} + \sqrt{\sigma}e^{-\sqrt{\sigma}x}] = C_1 \sqrt{\sigma} [e^{\sqrt{\sigma}x} + e^{-\sqrt{\sigma}x}]$. Use the boundary condition $X'(\pi) = 0$, to get $C_1 \sqrt{\sigma} [e^{\sqrt{\sigma}\pi} + e^{-\sqrt{\sigma}\pi}] = 0$. Since $C_1 \neq 0$ (otherwise we have trivial solution) and $\sigma \neq 0$ (in the present case), we see $e^{\sqrt{\sigma}\pi} + e^{-\sqrt{\sigma}\pi} = 0$, i.e. $e^{2\sqrt{\sigma}\pi} = -1$. Since $-1 = e^{ik\pi}$, for odd k . We see that $2\sqrt{\sigma}\pi = ik\pi$, for odd k . Thus,

$$\sigma = -\frac{k^2}{4} \quad \text{odd } k$$

Therefore, $X(x) = C_1 [e^{i(kx/2)} - e^{-i(kx/2)}] = D \sin(kx/2)$, for odd $k = 1, 3, 5, \dots$.

Now, from $T''(t) = \sigma T(t)$, with $\sigma = -k^2/4$, odd k , we get

$$T(t) = A_k \cos(kt/2) + B_k \sin(kt/2), \quad k = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

Therefore, we have

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t) = \sin(kx/2) \left[\alpha_k \cos(kt/2) + \beta_k \sin(kt/2) \right], \quad k = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

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Problem 3. [10 points]: Consider the following heat conduction problem on a rod of length 1:

$$\begin{aligned} u_t(x, t) &= u_{xx}(x, t), & \text{for } 0 < x < 1, t > 0; \\ u(0, t) &= u(1, t) = 0, & \text{for } t > 0; \\ u(x, 0) &= f(x), & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

- (a) (3 points) Find the solution $u(x, t)$ for $f(x) = 3 \sin(\pi x) + 2 \sin(5\pi x)$.
(You **do not** have to explain the method of separation of variables.)
- (b) (5 points) Find the solution $u(x, t)$ for $f(x) = 1$.
(You **do not** have to explain the method of separation of variables.)
- (c) (2 points) What is the limit of $u(x, t)$ in part (b) as $t \rightarrow \infty$?

Solution:

The solution is of the form $u(x, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k e^{-k^2 \pi^2 t} \sin(k\pi x)$.

(a): Use the initial condition

$$3 \sin(\pi x) + 2 \sin(5\pi x) = u(x, 0) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \sin(k\pi x)$$

Comparing both sides, we see $b_1 = 3, b_5 = 2, b_k = 0$ for $k \neq 1, 5$. Thus,

$$\underline{u(x, t) = 3e^{-\pi^2 t} \sin(\pi x) + 2e^{-5^2 \pi^2 t} \sin(5\pi x)}$$

(b): Use the initial condition $1 = u(x, 0) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \sin(k\pi x)$.

Compute,

$$\begin{aligned} b_k &= 2 \int_0^1 1 \cdot \sin(k\pi x) dx \\ &= 2 \left[\frac{-\cos(k\pi x)}{k\pi} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{2}{k\pi} \left[-(-1)^k + 1 \right] \\ &= \begin{cases} 0, & k \text{ even,} \\ \frac{4}{k\pi}, & k \text{ odd.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$\underline{u(x, t) = \sum_{k=1,3,5,\dots} \frac{4}{k\pi} e^{-k^2 \pi^2 t} \sin(k\pi x)}$$

(c): As $t \rightarrow \infty$, $e^{-k^2 \pi^2 t} \rightarrow 0$ for $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Thus, $\underline{u(x, t) \rightarrow 0}$.

Problem 4 [10 points]. Let $f(t)$ be the **4-periodic** (i.e. the period = 4) function defined by

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } -2 \leq t < 0; \\ 2, & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 2. \end{cases}$$

- (a) (2 points) Sketch the graph of $f(t)$ (show at least three periods). Is $f(t)$ odd or even?
- (b) (6 points) Find the **complex Fourier series** of $f(t)$.
- (c) (2 point) What is the value of **the complex Fourier series** in part (b) at $t = 4$? (Give the numerical value!)

Solution:

(a). The graph is omitted. The function is neither even nor odd.

(b): Compute

$$\begin{aligned} c_k &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{-2}^2 f(t) e^{-ik\pi t/2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\int_{-2}^0 f(t) e^{-ik\pi t/2} dt + \int_0^2 f(t) e^{-ik\pi t/2} dt \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\int_{-2}^0 1 e^{-ik\pi t/2} dt + \int_0^2 2 e^{-ik\pi t/2} dt \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \left[\frac{e^{-ik\pi t/2}}{-ik\pi/2} \right]_{-2}^0 + 2 \left[\frac{e^{-ik\pi t/2}}{-ik\pi/2} \right]_0^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Case $k = 0$: Then, $c_0 = \frac{1}{4} \left[\int_{-2}^0 1 dt + \int_0^2 2 dt \right] = 3/2$.

Case $k \neq 0$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} c_k &= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \left[\frac{e^{-ik\pi t/2}}{-ik\pi/2} \right]_{-2}^0 + 2 \left[\frac{e^{-ik\pi t/2}}{-ik\pi/2} \right]_0^2 \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \left[\frac{1 - e^{ik\pi}}{-ik\pi/2} \right] + 2 \left[\frac{e^{-ik\pi} - 1}{-ik\pi/2} \right] \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \left[\frac{1 - (-1)^k}{-ik\pi/2} \right] + 2 \left[\frac{(-1)^k - 1}{-ik\pi/2} \right] \right\} \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{ik\pi} & k \text{ odd,} \\ 0 & k \text{ even.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the complex Fourier series is

$$f(t) = 3/2 + \sum_{k=\pm 1, \pm 3, \dots} \frac{1}{ik\pi} e^{ik\pi t/2}$$

(c): Notice that at $t = 4$, the function has jump discontinuity. Thus, the value of the Fourier series is $\frac{f(4^-) + f(4^+)}{2} = (1 + 2)/2 = 3/2$.

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