

MATH3705B — Test 4: 14:35–15:25, March 21

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Total: 15 points. No partial marks for Questions 1-2.

Closed book! Non-programmer calculators are allowed!

1. (2 points) The solution of the wave equation $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx}$, $0 < x < L, t > 0$, subject to $u(0, t) = 0, u(L, t) = 0, u(x, 0) = f(x), u_t(x, 0) = g(x)$ is given by

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{L}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi ct}{L}\right) \right] \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right),$$

where $b_n =$

- (a) $\frac{2}{n\pi c} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$ (b) $\frac{2}{n\pi c} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$ (c) $\frac{1}{n\pi c} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$
(d) $\frac{1}{n\pi c} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$ (e) $\frac{2}{n\pi c} \int_0^L g(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$

Solution: (a).

2. (2 points) Let $u(x, y)$ be the polynomial solution of $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$, $0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1$, subject to $u(x, 0) = x - 1, u(x, 1) = 4x - 1, u(0, y) = -1, u(1, y) = 3y$. Find $u(0.1, 0.1)$.

- (a) -0.73 (b) -1.3 (c) -0.3 (d) -0.15 (e) -0.87

Solution: (e).

Let $u(x, y) = ax + by + cxy + d$.

By $u(x, 0) = x - 1 = ax + d$, we imply that $a = 1, d = -1 \Rightarrow u(x, y) = x + by + cxy - 1$;

By $u(0, y) = -1 = by - 1, \Rightarrow b = 0, \Rightarrow u(x, y) = x + cxy - 1$;

By $u(1, y) = 3y = 1 + cy, \Rightarrow c = 3, \Rightarrow$

$u(x, y) = x + 3xy - 1. \Rightarrow u(0.1, 0.1) = 0.1 + 0.03 - 1 = -0.87$

3. (2 points) Use "separation of variables" to write the PDE $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx}$ as several ODEs (do not solve them).

Solution: Let $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$ and substitute it into the equation $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx}$, to obtain:

$$X(x)T''(t) = c^2 X''(x)T(t), \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{T''(t)}{c^2 T(t)} = \frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = \text{constant say, } \lambda.$$

Thus

$$X''(x) - \lambda X(x) = 0,$$

$$T''(t) - \lambda c^2 T(t) = 0.$$

4. (4 points) The bounded solution of the Laplace equation $u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r + \frac{1}{r^2}u_{\theta\theta} = 0$ outside the circle $r = 2$ is given by

$$u(r, \theta) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{-n} [a_n \cos(n\theta) + b_n \sin(n\theta)].$$

Given the boundary condition $u(2, \theta) = 2 \cos^2(\theta) + \sin(3\theta)$, find a_0 , a_n and b_n .

Solution: The solution of the PDE above is

$$u(r, \theta) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{-n} [a_n \cos(n\theta) + b_n \sin(n\theta)].$$

Note that $2 \cos^2(\theta) = 1 + \cos(2\theta)$. Thus

$$u(2, \theta) = 1 + \cos(2\theta) + \sin(3\theta) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} [a_n \cos(n\theta) + b_n \sin(n\theta)],$$

which implies that

$$a_0 = 2, 1 = 2^{-2}a_2, a_n = 0 \text{ for } n \neq 0, 2;$$

1 point

$$1 = 2^{-3}b_3, b_n = 0 \text{ for } n \neq 3.$$

1 point

Thus,

$$a_0 = 2, a_2 = 4, a_n = 0 \text{ for } n \neq 0, 2;$$

1 point

$b_3 = 8, b_n = 0$ for $n \neq 3$.

1 point

5. (5 points) The solution of the wave equation $u_{tt} = 4u_{xx}$, $0 < x < 2$, $t > 0$ subject to $u(0, t) = u(2, t) = 0$, $u(x, 0) = 3 \sin(2\pi x)$, $u_t(x, 0) = 16 \sin(4\pi x)$ is given by

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n \cos(n\pi t) + b_n \sin(n\pi t)] \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right).$$

Find all a_n and b_n , and the detail solution $u(x, t)$.

Solution: From

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n \cos(n\pi t) + b_n \sin(n\pi t)] \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right)$$

we imply that

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, 0) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) = 3 \sin(2\pi x) \Rightarrow \\ a_4 &= 3, \quad a_n = 0 \quad (n \neq 4). \end{aligned}$$

2 points

Note that

$$u_t(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [-n\pi a_n \sin(n\pi t) + n\pi b_n \cos(n\pi t)] \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right). \Rightarrow$$

$$u_t(x, 0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n\pi b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) = 3 \sin(4\pi x). \Rightarrow$$

$$8\pi b_8 = 16, \quad b_n = 0 \quad (n \neq 8). \Rightarrow b_8 = \frac{2}{\pi}.$$

2 points

Thus

$$u(x, t) = 3 \cos(4\pi t) \sin(2\pi x) + \frac{2}{\pi} \sin(8\pi t) \sin(4\pi x).$$

1 point