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MATH 602, Differential Equations

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Some formulas that may or may not be useful:

$$\mathcal{F}[f] = F(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{i\omega x} dx$$

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}[F] = f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{-i\omega x} d\omega$$

$$\nabla^2 u = \partial_{xx} u + \partial_{yy} u \text{ (rectangular)}$$

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{1}{r} \partial_r (r \partial_r u) + \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_{\theta\theta} u \text{ (polar)}$$

$$\langle f, g \rangle \equiv (f, g) := \int_0^L f(x) g(x) dx$$

$$\|f\| \equiv \|f\|_{L^2} := \left( \int_0^L |f(x)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \equiv \sqrt{(f, f)}$$

$$\text{Convolution: } (f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) g(x - y) dy$$

$$\mathcal{F}(f * g) = \mathcal{F}(f)\mathcal{F}(g)$$

$$\text{Fourier Series for } f(x): A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right),$$

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx, \quad A_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx, \quad B_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta)$$

$$\text{Complex Fourier Series for } f(x): \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{in\pi x/L}, \quad c_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{in\pi x/L} dx$$

1. (8 points) Suppose that  $f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_5(x)$  are functions such that  $\langle f_i, f_j \rangle = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ . Suppose another function  $g(x)$  can be written as

$$g(x) = c_1 f_1(x) + c_2 f_2(x) + c_3 f_3(x) + c_4 f_4(x) + c_5 f_5(x)$$

for some coefficients  $c_1, \dots, c_5$ . Find  $c_2$  in terms of  $g$  and the  $f_i$  functions (you may not need to use all the  $f_i$  functions). Your expression should not involve any of the  $c_i$  coefficients.

Apply inner-product with  $f_2$  to both sides, and use linearity and orthogonality

$$\langle g, f_2 \rangle = c_1 \cancel{\langle f_1, f_2 \rangle} + c_2 \cancel{\langle f_2, f_2 \rangle} + c_3 \cancel{\langle f_3, f_2 \rangle} + c_4 \cancel{\langle f_4, f_2 \rangle} + c_5 \cancel{\langle f_5, f_2 \rangle} = 0$$

Thus,  $\langle g, f_2 \rangle = c_2 \cancel{\langle f_2, f_2 \rangle}$ , so  $c_2 = \frac{\langle g, f_2 \rangle}{\langle f_2, f_2 \rangle} = \frac{\langle g, f_2 \rangle}{\|f_2\|^2}$

2. (12 points)

- (a) Compute the Fourier series of  $f(x) = x$  on  $[-L, L]$ . [Hint: Using odd and even properties can simplify your work.]

$f(x) = x$  is odd, so  $A_0 = 0, A_n = 0$ . parts

$$B_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = -\frac{x}{n\pi} \left[ \frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right]_{-L}^L + \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{-1}{n\pi} \left( \cos(n\pi) + L \cos(n\pi) \right) = -\frac{2L}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) = -\frac{2L}{n\pi} (-1)^n = \frac{2L}{n\pi} (-1)^{n+1}$$

Thus, the series is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2L}{n\pi} (-1)^{n+1} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

- (b) Compute the complex Fourier coefficients of  $g(x)$  on  $[-L, L]$ , where  $g(x)$  is given by

$$g(x) := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } -L/2 \leq x \leq L/2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L g(x) e^{-\frac{inx}{L}} dx = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} 1 e^{-\frac{inx}{L}} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2L} \left. \frac{L}{-inx} e^{-\frac{inx}{L}} \right|_{-L/2}^{L/2} = \frac{-1}{n\pi} \frac{e^{\frac{i\pi n}{2}} - e^{-\frac{i\pi n}{2}}}{2i} = \frac{1}{n\pi} \frac{e^{\frac{i\pi n}{2}} - e^{-\frac{i\pi n}{2}}}{2i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

3. (12 points) Consider the heat equation  $u_t = ku_{xx}$  on the infinite line  $(-\infty, \infty)$ , with initial condition  $f(x)$ . Let  $\hat{u}(\omega, t)$  be the Fourier transform of  $u = u(x, t)$ .

(a) Find an expression for  $\hat{u}(\omega, t)$  in terms of  $k$ ,  $\omega$ , and  $\hat{f}(\omega)$ .

Note that  $(u_{xx})^\wedge = i\omega(u_x)^\wedge = (i\omega)^2 \hat{u} = -\omega^2 \hat{u}$ .

Taking the Fourier transform of both sides, and pulling out the time derivative, we have:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{u}_t = -k\omega^2 \hat{u} \\ \hat{u}(\omega, 0) = \hat{f}(\omega) \end{cases}$$

This is an ODE in time of the form  $\begin{cases} y' = cy \\ y(0) = y_0 \end{cases}$ .

Thus, solution is just

$$\hat{u}(w, t) = e^{-kw^2 t} \hat{f}(w)$$

- (b) In class, we saw that  $g(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\beta}} e^{-x^2/4\beta}$  has a Fourier transform given by  $\hat{g}(\omega) = e^{-\beta\omega^2}$ .

Use this fact and your expression in part (a) to express  $u(x, t)$  as a convolution integral.

Let  $\beta = kt$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}\left[\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{kt}} e^{-x^2/4kt}\right] = e^{-kt w^2} = \hat{g}(w)$ . Thus, the expression in part (a) can be written  $\hat{u}(w, t) = \hat{g} \hat{f} = \mathcal{F}[g] \mathcal{F}[f]$ . Taking the inverse Fourier transform, we find  $= \mathcal{F}[fg]$  Convolution theorem

$$u = u(x, t) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\hat{u}) = g * f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{kt}} e^{-(x-y)^2/4kt} dy.$$

4. (10 points) Suppose  $g$  is a differentiable function. Using the limit definition of the derivative, show the following identity for the convolution:  $((f * g)(x))' = (f * g')(x)$  (you can assume any limits pass through the integral symbol).

$$\begin{aligned} (f * g)(x)' &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) g(x-y) dy \right) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) g(x-y+h) dy - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) g(x-y) dy}{h} \quad \text{by def. of derivative} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{g(x-y+h) - g(x-y)}{h} dy \quad \text{by linearity} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x-y+h) - g(x-y)}{h} dy \quad \text{passing limit inside (not always justified!)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) g'(x-y) dy = (f * g')(x) \end{aligned}$$

5. (16 points) Consider the following problem for the heat equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + x \\ u(x, 0) = f(x), \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) = 4, \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, t) = 7. \end{cases}$$

Note:

$$\int_0^L \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} dx = \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^L u dx \text{ if } u \text{ is smooth.}$$

Find  $\int_0^L u(x, t) dx$  in terms of  $f(x)$  without solving for  $u(x, t)$ . [Note: Solving for  $u(x, t)$  is not a good idea here, and it will use up your time.]

Integrate in  $x$ :

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^L u dx = \int_0^L u_{xx} dx + \int_0^L x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^L u dx = 3 + \frac{1}{2} L^2$$

Note: By fundamental theorem of calculus:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^L u_{xx} dx &= \int_0^L (u_x)_x dx = u_x(L) - u_x(0) \\ &= 7 - 4 = 3 \\ \boxed{\int_0^L x dx = \frac{1}{2} L^2} \end{aligned}$$

Integrate in time and use fundamental theorem of calculus:

$$\int_0^t \left( \frac{d}{ds} \int_0^L u(x, s) dx \right) ds = \left( 3 + \frac{1}{2} L^2 \right) +$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^L u(x, t) dx - \int_0^L u(x, 0) dx = \left( 3 + \frac{1}{2} L^2 \right) + \Rightarrow \int_0^L u(x, t) dx = \int_0^L f(x) dx + \left( 3 + \frac{1}{2} L^2 \right)$$

6. (12 points) Consider the "hyper-diffusive" heat equation with boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} u_t = -u_{xxxx} \\ u(0, t) = 0, \quad u(L, t) = 0, \quad u_{xx}(0, t) = 0, \quad u_{xx}(L, t) = 0. \end{cases}$$

(Initial conditions are not specified.) Show that the energy  $\frac{1}{2} \|u\|^2$  is non-increasing in time.

Energy method: Take inner-product of both sides with  $u$ :

$$\langle u_t, u \rangle = -\langle u_{xxxx}, u \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^L u_t u dx = - \int_0^L u_{xxxx} u dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} \|u\|^2 \right) = - \int_0^L u_{xxxx} u dx$$

Now, parts  $- \int_0^L u_{xxxx} u dx \stackrel{\text{parts}}{\leq} -u_{xxx} u|_0^L + \int_0^L u_{xxx} u_x dx = \int_0^L u_{xxx} u_x dx$

$$\stackrel{=} {u_{xxx} u_x|_0^L - \int_0^L u_{xx} u_{xx} dx} = - \int_0^L (u_{xx})^2 dx = - \|u_{xx}\|^2$$

$= 0$  since  $u_{xx}(0, t) = 0$  and  $u_{xx}(L, t) = 0$

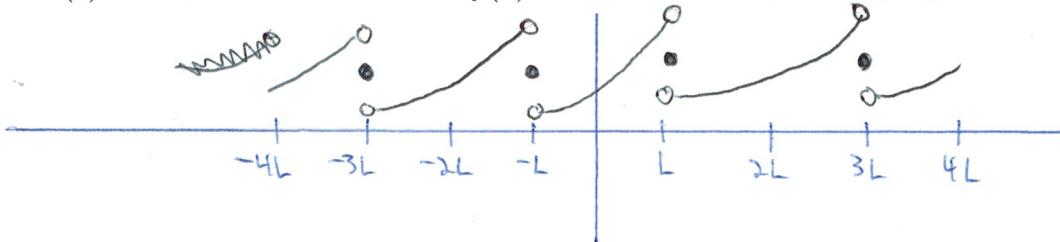
Note:  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{1}{2} u^2 \right) = u_t u$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^L u_t u dx &= \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{1}{2} u^2 \right) dx = \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} u^2 dx \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} \|u\|^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} \|u\|^2 \right) = - \|u_{xx}\|^2 \leq 0$ , so energy is non-increasing

7. (10 points)

(a) Sketch the Fourier series of  $f(x) = e^x$  on the interval  $-4L \leq x \leq 4L$ .

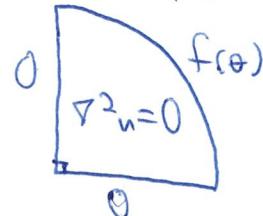


(b) Write down the value of Fourier series of  $f(x) = e^x$  at  $x = L$ .

$$\frac{e^L + e^{-L}}{2} \quad (\text{At } x = L, \text{ we get the average of left & right limits})$$

8. (20 points) Solve Laplace's  $\nabla^2 u = 0$  inside the quarter-circle of radius 1 ( $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq 1$ ), subject to the boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}(r, 0) = 0, \quad u(r, \frac{\pi}{2}) = 0, \quad u(1, \theta) = f(\theta).$$



Separate variables:  $u(r, \theta) = \phi(\theta) G(r)$ .

Then:

$$0 = \frac{1}{r} \partial_r (r \partial_r (\phi(\theta) G(r))) + \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_{\theta\theta} (\phi(\theta) G(r)) = \phi(\theta) \frac{1}{r} \partial_r (r \partial_r G(r)) + \frac{1}{r^2} G(r) \phi''_{\theta\theta}(\theta)$$

$$\text{Divide by } \frac{1}{r^2} \phi(\theta) G(r): \quad \frac{1}{G} r \partial_r (r \partial_r G) = - \frac{\phi''_{\theta\theta}}{\phi} = \lambda \quad (\text{some constant})$$

Two equations with Boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} r(G')' = \lambda G \\ |G(0)| < \infty \end{cases}$$

$\lambda \geq 0$ , so two cases:

$$\begin{cases} \lambda = 0 \\ r(G')' = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow r G' = c_1$$

$$\Rightarrow G' = \frac{c_1}{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow G' = c_2 + c_3 \ln r$$

$$|G(0)| < \infty \Rightarrow c_1 = 0$$

ANSWER:  $G(r) = c_3 \ln r$

$$\begin{cases} \lambda > 0 \\ r(G')' = \lambda G \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2 G'' + r G' - \lambda G = 0$$

Guess  $G = r^p$ . Then plug in:

$$r^2(p(p-1)r^{p-2}) + r(pr^{p-1}) - \lambda r^p = 0$$

divide by  $r^p$ :

$$p(p-1) + p - \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow p = \pm \sqrt{\lambda} = \pm (2n+1)$$

Solution

$$u(r, \theta) = c_2 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^{2n+1} \cos((2n+1)\theta)$$

Initial cond:

$$u(r=1, \theta=0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_{2n+1} \cos((2n+1)\theta)$$

$$\begin{cases} \phi'' = -\lambda \phi \\ \phi(0) = 0 \\ \phi(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Standard solution shows  $\phi(\theta) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} \theta)$   
B.C.'s  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda} = 2n+1 \Rightarrow \phi(\theta) = \sin((2n+1)\theta)$

$$\|\phi'\|^2 = \lambda \|\phi\|^2 \Rightarrow \lambda \geq 0.$$

$$G(r) = c_3 r^{2n+1} + c_4 r^{-(2n+1)}$$

$$|G(0)| < \infty \Rightarrow c_4 = 0$$

$$\text{Product solutions: } r^{2n+1} \cos((2n+1)\theta)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Boundary } u(r, \theta=0) &= 0 \Rightarrow c_2 = 0 \\ \text{thus } u(r, \theta) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_{2n+1} r^{2n+1} \cos((2n+1)\theta) \\ \text{where } A_{2n+1} &= \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} f(r) r \cos((2n+1)\theta) d\theta \end{aligned}$$