

There are four problems totalling 100 points. You may write on the back sides of the pages if you need more room.

1.

(20 points) Consider the wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2},$$

for $0 < x < 1$, $t > 0$, subject to the boundary conditions

$$u(0, t) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad u(1, t) = 0 \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

and the initial conditions

$$u(x, 0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = g(x) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Give a series for the solution $u(x, t)$ of the problem. (You do not have to explain where the series comes from.) Include formulas for the coefficients in the series, in terms of the given data.

Separated solutions $u(x, t) = \phi(x)G(t)$ satisfy $\phi'' + \lambda\phi = 0$ and $G'' + c^2\lambda G = 0$, with $\phi(0) = 0$ and $\phi(1) = 0$ from the boundary conditions. So eigenvalues are $\lambda = -n^2\pi^2$ and $\phi(x) = \sin(n\pi x)$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, and $G(t) = \cos(cn\pi t)$ or $G(t) = \sin(cn\pi t)$. (8)

Take $u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi x) (A_n \cos(n\pi ct) + B_n \sin(n\pi ct))$

Putting $t=0$ gives $0 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin(n\pi x)$, so $A_n = 0$ for all n , (4)

and $u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(n\pi x) \sin(n\pi ct)$

So $u_t(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n\pi c B_n \sin(n\pi x) \cos(n\pi ct)$. (2)

Putting $t=0$ gives $g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n\pi c B_n \sin(n\pi x)$, so (2)

$$B_n = \frac{1}{n\pi c} \cdot \frac{2}{i} \int_0^1 g(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx \quad (4)$$

2. (40 points) Consider Laplace's equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0,$$

for $0 < x < L$ and $0 < y < H$, subject to the boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, y) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, y) = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 \leq y \leq H, \text{ and}$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, H) = f(x) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq L.$$

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a) Find all the separated solutions $u(x, y) = \phi(x)h(y)$ of Laplace's equation with the three homogeneous boundary conditions. (You do not have to give all the details, if they repeat results we've already done in class. But be careful to find *all* separated solutions.)

The boundary conditions imply $\phi'(0) = 0$ and $\phi'(L) = 0$, so

$$\phi'' + \lambda\phi = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(x) = 1 \quad \text{or} \\ \lambda = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(x) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), \quad (n=1, 2, 3, \dots) \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Then $h'' - \lambda h = 0$ and $h(0) = 0$, so

* if $\lambda = 0$, then $h(y) = A + By$, so $0 = A$ and $h(y) = By$ (5)

* if $\lambda = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2$, ($n=1, 2, 3, \dots$)

Then $h(y) = A \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right) + B \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$, and $0 = A$, so $h(y) = B \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$. (5)

Thus separated solutions are $u(x, y) = 1 \cdot y$ or $u(x, y) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$ (5)

[20] b) Write out the solution $u(x, y)$ of Laplace's equation with all four boundary conditions. Include formulas for any coefficients which appear, in terms of the given data. (5)

Put $u(x, y) = A_0 y + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$, (5)

Then $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cdot \frac{n\pi}{L} \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$ (5)

Putting $y=H$ gives

$f(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \frac{n\pi}{L} \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right)$, and so (4)

$A_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx$ and $A_n = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right) \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right)} \cdot \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$ (3) (3)

($n=1, 2, 3, \dots$)

3. (20 points) Consider Laplace's equation for a function $u(r, \theta)$ defined outside a disc of radius 2 ($r > 2$), subject to the boundary condition

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(2, \theta) = f(\theta) \quad \text{for } -\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

and the condition that $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} u(r, \theta)$ is not infinite.

- a) In class we found the following separated solutions of Laplace's equation in polar coordinates:

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$$r^n \cos(n\theta), \quad r^n \sin(n\theta), \quad r^{-n} \cos(n\theta), \quad r^{-n} \sin(n\theta),$$

for $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Which of these solutions satisfy the condition that $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} u(r, \theta)$ is not infinite?

When $n=0$, these solutions are either trivial or 1, and

$u=1$ does satisfy the condition.

For $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$, only $r^{-n} \cos(n\theta)$ and $r^{-n} \sin(n\theta)$ satisfy the condition.

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- b) Using your answer to part a), give a series for the solution $u(r, \theta)$ of the above problem. Include formulas for any coefficients which appear, in terms of the given data.

Take
$$u(r, \theta) = A_0 \cdot 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{-n} (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta) \quad (4)$$

Then
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = 0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-n) r^{-n-1} (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta), \quad (4)$$

so putting $r=2$ gives

$$f(\theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-n}{2^{n+1}} (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta). \quad (2) \quad (-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi)$$

This does not give a formula for A_0 (in fact, A_0 is not determined by the boundary condition). But we do get

$$A_n = \frac{2^{n+1}}{(-n)} \cdot \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \cos n\theta d\theta \quad \text{and} \quad (5)$$

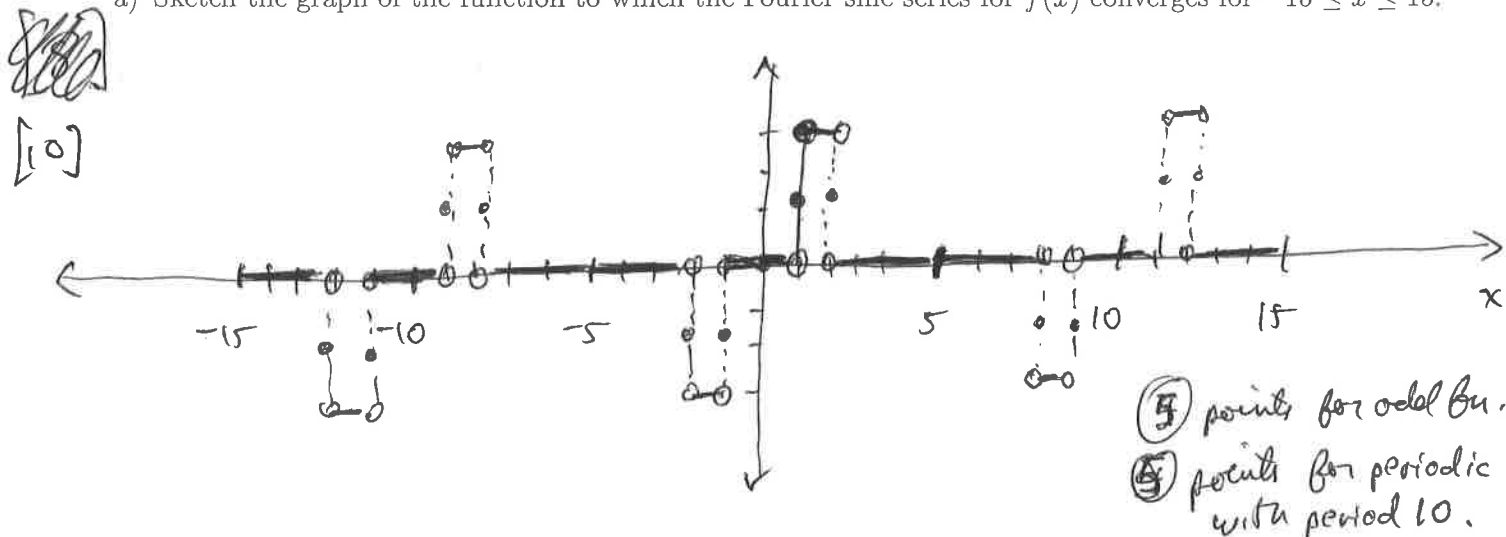
$$B_n = \frac{2^{n+1}}{(-n)} \cdot \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \sin n\theta d\theta$$

for $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$

4. (20 points) For the function $f(x)$ defined for $0 \leq x \leq 5$ by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 3 & \text{if } 1 < x < 2 \\ 0 & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 5, \end{cases}$$

a) Sketch the graph of the function to which the Fourier sine series for $f(x)$ converges for $-15 \leq x \leq 15$.



b) Compute the coefficients of the Fourier sine series for $f(x)$ on $[0, 5]$. You need not evaluate the trig functions which appear in your answer.

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$$B_n = \frac{2}{5} \int_0^5 f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{5}\right) dx \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} \int_1^2 3 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{5}\right) dx \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{6}{5} \left[-\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{5}\right) \right]_{x=1}^{x=2} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{6}{n\pi} \left[\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{5}\right) - \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{5}\right) \right]$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$