

MATH 3150-1, MIDTERM EXAM 2  
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**Problem 1 (30 pts)** The goal of this problem is to solve the Heat Equation with *mixed boundary conditions*

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} u_t = u_{xx} & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \text{ and } t > 0 \\ u(0, t) = 0 & \text{for } t > 0 \\ u_x(1, t) = 0 & \text{for } t > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \end{cases}$$

(a) Use separation of variables to show that a general solution to (1) is

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n \sin(\lambda_n x) \exp[-\lambda_n^2 t], \quad \text{where } \lambda_n = \frac{2n+1}{2} \pi.$$

We use ansatz  $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$  in (1).

$$XT' = X'T \Rightarrow \frac{X'}{X} = \frac{T'}{T} = -\lambda^2 < 0 \quad \text{in order to have physically meaningful decaying solutions}$$

$$\begin{cases} X'' + \lambda^2 X = 0 \\ X(0) = X'(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} T' + \lambda^2 T = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$X(x) = a \cos \lambda x + b \sin \lambda x$$

$$X'(x) = -a \lambda \sin \lambda x + b \lambda \cos \lambda x$$

$$X(0) = a = 0$$

$$X'(1) = +b \lambda \cos \lambda = 0$$

•  $b=0$  gives trivial sol

•  $\lambda=0 \Rightarrow X(x) = \text{const} = X(0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \lambda_n = \frac{2n+1}{2} \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow X_n(x) = \sin \lambda_n x, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$T_n(t) = b_n \exp[-\lambda_n^2 t]$$

Product solutions  $u_n(x, t) = X_n(x)T_n(t)$  satisfy (1) thus:

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n \sin(\lambda_n x) \exp[-\lambda_n^2 t]$$

- (b) Consider the inner product  $(u, v) = \int_0^1 u(x)v(x)dx$ . Given the orthogonality relations valid for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$(\sin(\lambda_n x), \sin(\lambda_m x)) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } n = m \\ 0 & \text{if } n \neq m, \end{cases}$$

show that

$$b_n = 2 \int_0^1 \sin(\lambda_n x) f(x) dx, \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$f(x) = u(x, 0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sin(\lambda_n x)$$

$$(f(x), \sin \lambda_n x) = (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sin \lambda_n x, \sin \lambda_n x) b_n$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{b_n = \frac{(f, \sin \lambda_n x)}{(\sin \lambda_n x, \sin \lambda_n x)} = 2 \int_0^1 \sin \lambda_n x f(x) dx}$$

- (c) Solve problem (1) with  $f(x) = \sin(\pi x/2)$ .

$$\text{Here } b_n = 2 \int_0^1 \sin \lambda_n x \sin \lambda_1 x = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 \\ 0 & \text{if } n \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

therefore.

$$\boxed{u(x, t) = \sin\left[\frac{\pi x}{2}\right] \exp\left[-\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 t\right]}$$

**Problem 2 (30 pts)** Consider the 2D heat equation below, which models the temperature distribution of a square plate with all the edges dipped in an ice bath.

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} u_t = u_{xx} + u_{yy}, & \text{for } 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \text{ and } t > 0 \\ u(0, y, t) = u(1, y, t) = 0 & \text{for } 0 < y < 1 \text{ and } t > 0 \quad \textcircled{1} \\ u(x, 0, t) = u(x, 1, t) = 0 & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \text{ and } t > 0 \quad \textcircled{2} \\ u(x, y, 0) = f(x, y) & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \text{ and } 0 < y < 1. \end{cases}$$

(a) Show that if we assume  $u(x, y, t) = X(x)Y(y)T(t)$ , then separation of variables gives

$$\begin{aligned} X'' + \mu^2 X &= 0, & X(0) &= 0, & X(1) &= 0, \\ Y'' + \nu^2 Y &= 0, & Y(0) &= 0, & Y(1) &= 0, \\ T' + (\mu^2 + \nu^2)T &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Note:** You do not need to justify the sign of the constants for each ODE.

Plugging ansatz into (2) gives:

$$XYT' = X''YT + XY''T \Rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{T'}{T}}_{\text{depend } t} = \underbrace{\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y}}_{\text{depend } (x, y)} = -\lambda^2 \quad (\text{to get exp decay})$$

Then again use separation of variables:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{X''}{X} + \lambda^2 &= -\frac{Y''}{Y} = +\nu^2 = \text{const} > 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{X''}{X} &= \nu^2 - \lambda^2 = -\mu^2 < 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{cases} Y'' + \nu^2 Y = 0 \\ Y(0) = Y(1) = 0 \end{cases}} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{\begin{cases} X'' + \mu^2 X = 0 \\ X(0) = X(1) = 0 \end{cases}}$$

B.C. come from  $\textcircled{2}$  since

$$\text{e.g. } X(x)Y(0) = 0 \quad \forall x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Y(0) = 0$$

B.C. coming from  $\textcircled{1}$ .

and

$$\boxed{T' + \lambda^2 T = 0}$$

(b) Obtain the product solutions

$$u_{mn}(x, y, t) = B_{mn} \exp[-((m\pi)^2 + (n\pi)^2)t] \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y).$$

Note: the ODEs for  $X$  and  $Y$  are very similar, so solving one of them in detail and stating the result for the other one is enough.

Solving for  $X(x) = a \cos \mu x + b \sin \mu x$

$$X(0) = a = 0$$

$$X(1) = b \sin \mu = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu = \mu_m = m\pi, \quad m=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

( $b \neq 0$ )  
(otherwise trivial)

$$\Rightarrow \quad \boxed{X_m(x) = \sin(m\pi x)} \quad \text{and similarly} \quad \boxed{Y_n(y) = \sin(n\pi y)}$$

$$\text{And: } \boxed{T_{mn}(t) = \exp[-((m\pi)^2 + (n\pi)^2)t]}$$

Thus the product solutions are:

$$\begin{aligned} u_{mn}(x, y, t) &= X_m(x) Y_n(y) T_{mn}(t) \\ &= B_{mn} \exp[-((m\pi)^2 + (n\pi)^2)t] \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y) \end{aligned}$$

(c) Write down the general form of a solution  $u(x, y, t)$  to (2), and use the formulas at the end of the exam to express  $B_{mn}$  in terms of  $f(x, y)$ .

$$u(x, y, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_{mn} \exp[-((m\pi)^2 + (n\pi)^2)t] \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y)$$

$$u(x, y, 0) = f(x, y) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_{mn} \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (f \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y)) = B_{mn} (\sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y), \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y))$$

$$\Rightarrow B_{mn} = 4 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y) dx dy$$

where we use orthogonality relations for such functions.

(d) Using the formulas at end of this exam and that

$$\int_0^1 x(1-x) \sin(m\pi x) dx = \frac{2((-1)^m - 1)}{\pi^3 m^3},$$

find the coefficients  $B_{mn}$  in the double sine series

$$x(1-x)y(1-y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} B_{mn} \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y).$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_{mn} &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x(1-x)y(1-y) \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y) dx dy = \left[ \int_0^1 x(1-x) \sin(m\pi x) dx \right] \times \\ &\quad \times \left[ \int_0^1 y(1-y) \sin(n\pi y) dy \right] \\ &= \frac{4((-1)^n - 1)((-1)^m - 1)}{\pi^6 m^3 n^3} \end{aligned}$$

(e) Solve the 2D heat equation (2) with  $f(x, y) = x(1-x)y(1-y)$ .

$$u(x, y, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_{mn} \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y) \exp[-(m\pi)^2 + (n\pi)^2 t]$$

where  $B_{mn}$  is given as above.

**Problem 3 (30 pts)** Consider a circular membrane of radius 2 with radially symmetric initial shape  $f(r)$  and zero initial velocity. Then the displacement from equilibrium satisfies the 2D Wave equation

$$(3) \quad \begin{cases} u_{tt} = \Delta u, & \text{for } 0 < r < 2 \text{ and } t > 0 \\ u(r, 0) = f(r), & \text{for } 0 < r < 2 \\ u_t(r, 0) = 0, & \text{for } 0 < r < 2 \\ u(2, t) = 0, & \text{for } t > 0. \end{cases}$$

Carrying out the method of separation of variables gives that a general solution to (3) has the form

$$u(r, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) \cos\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} t\right),$$

with  $\alpha_n$  being the  $n$ -th positive zero of the first kind zeroth order Bessel function  $J_0(r)$ .

(a) Use the initial conditions and the orthogonality relations for Bessel functions (see end of this exam) to show that

$$A_n = \frac{1}{2J_1^2(\alpha_n)} \int_0^2 f(r) J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) r dr.$$

Using B.C. :  $u(r, 0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) = f(r)$

Thus  $A_n \left( J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right), J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) \right) = \left( f(r), J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) \right)$

$$A_n \left( \frac{4}{2} J_1^2(\alpha_n) \right) = \int_0^2 f(r) J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) r dr$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A_n = \frac{1}{2 J_1^2(\alpha_n)} \int_0^2 r f(r) J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) dr}$$

(b) Solve (3) with  $f(r) = 4 - r^2$ . Hint: Use the last integration formula in §0.3.

From §0.3:

$$\int_0^2 (4-r^2) r J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) dr = \frac{2 \cdot 2^4}{\alpha_n^2} J_2(\alpha_n)$$

$$\text{Then } \boxed{A_n = \frac{1}{2 J_1^2(\alpha_n)} \frac{2 \cdot 2^4}{\alpha_n^2} J_2(\alpha_n) = \frac{16 J_2(\alpha_n)}{\alpha_n^2 J_1^2(\alpha_n)}}$$

where  $\alpha_n = \alpha_{0n} = n$ th pos zero of Bessel fun.

$$\text{Thus: } \boxed{f(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n J_0\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} r\right) \cos\left(\frac{\alpha_n}{2} t\right)}$$

**Problem 4 (10 pts)** Recall that the Laplacian in polar coordinates is:

$$\Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2}$$

Determine whether the function  $f(x, y) = \ln(x^2 + y^2)$  satisfies Laplace's equation  $\Delta u = 0$ .

$$f(x, y) = \ln r^2 = 2 \ln r \quad f \text{ does not depend on } \theta$$

$$\Delta f = -\frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\text{Using } (\ln r)' = \frac{1}{r}$$

$$(\ln r)' = \frac{2}{r}$$

Thus  $f$  solves Laplace eq.