

HW5 (Heat equation)

Q1 Use separation of variables method to solve:

$$\begin{cases} u_t = 4u_{xx} & , \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad t > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = 2, & 0 < x < \pi. \\ u(0, t) = u_x(\pi, t) = 0, & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

Q2 Use Laplace transform to solve:

$$\begin{cases} u_t = u_{xx} & , \quad x > 0, \quad t > 0 \\ u(0, t) = 1, & t > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = 2 \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = 2. \end{cases}$$

Q3 problem ~~#~~ 11.5.2 from the text book.

HWS

Q1 Use separation of variables method to solve:

$$\begin{cases} u_t = 4u_{xx} & 0 < x < \pi, t > 0 & (1) \\ u(x, 0) = 2 & 0 < x < \pi & (2) \\ u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0, t > 0 & & (3) \end{cases}$$

Solution: Let $u = X(x)T(t)$. ($u \neq 0$)

From (1), $X T' = 4X'' T \Rightarrow \frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T'}{4T} = \lambda$
 $\Rightarrow X'' - \lambda X = 0, \quad T' - 4\lambda T = 0$

From (3), $u(0, t) = 0 \Rightarrow X(0) = 0$.
 $u(\pi, t) = 0 \Rightarrow X(\pi) = 0$.

Thus, we have the following BVP $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\begin{cases} X'' - \lambda X = 0 & (4) \\ X(0) = X(\pi) = 0 & (5) \end{cases} \quad T' - 4\lambda T = 0 \quad (6) \quad (3)$$

Case 1 $\lambda = 0$. $X = ax + b$. $X(0) = 0 \Rightarrow b = 0$. So, $X = ax$, $X' = a$
 $X'(\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$. Hence $X = 0$. we reject the case (1)

Case 2 $\lambda > 0$. check by your self that $X = 0$. (1)

Case 3 $\lambda < 0$. Let $\lambda = -k^2$. From (4), $X = A \cos(kx) + B \sin(kx)$

From (5), $X(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0$. So, $X = B \sin(kx)$. $\Rightarrow X' = k B \cos(kx)$.
 $X'(\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow k B \cos(k\pi) = 0$. Assume $B \neq 0$, we have

$\cos(k\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow k = k_n = \frac{n\pi}{2}$ for $n = 1, 3, 5, 7, \dots$

Thus, $X_n = B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2} x\right)$. From (6), (2)

$T_n' - 4\lambda_n T_n = 0 \Rightarrow T_n' + n^2 T_n = 0 \Rightarrow T_n = D_n e^{-n^2 t}$. (1)

$u_n = X_n T_n = E_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2} x\right) e^{-n^2 t}$ for $n = 1, 3, 5, 7, \dots$

are solutions of ~~(1) & (3)~~ the problem (1) & (3).

P.2

It is clear that ~~u_n~~ u_n does not satisfy the initial condition

$u_n(x, 0) = 2$. For this reason, we look for a solution of (1)-(3)

of the form

$$u = \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{\infty} E_n \sin\left(\frac{n x}{2}\right) e^{-n^2 t} \quad (1)$$

u satisfies ~~(1) & (3)~~ (1) & (3). We need to find E_n such that

u satisfies (2).

$$u(x, 0) = 2 \Rightarrow \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{\infty} E_n \sin\left(\frac{n x}{2}\right) = 2. \quad (1)$$

Recall that, the sine series expansion of 2 is on $(0, 2\pi)$ is:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n x}{2}\right) = 2. \quad \text{where } b_n = \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} 2 \sin\left(\frac{n x}{2}\right) dx$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{8}{n\pi} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Thus, $2 = \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{\infty} \frac{8}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n x}{2}\right)$

$\therefore E_n = \frac{8}{n\pi}$. Finally, $u = \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{\infty} \frac{8}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n x}{2}\right) e^{-n^2 t}$

Q2 :
$$\begin{cases} u_t = u_{xx} & x > 0, t > 0 \\ u(0, t) = 1, & t > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = 2, & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = 2. \end{cases}$$

solution let $U(x, s) = \mathcal{L}(u(x, t))$ be the Laplace transform of u w.r.t. t .

$$\mathcal{L}(u_t) = \mathcal{L}(u_{xx}) \Rightarrow sU - u(x, 0) = U_{xx} \Rightarrow$$

$$U_{xx} - sU = -2. \tag{2}$$

The general solution of this DE is $U = U_c + U_p$

where ~~the homogeneous solution is~~ $U_c = C_1 e^{\sqrt{s}x} + C_2 e^{-\sqrt{s}x}$. (1)

The form of U_p is:

$$U_p = A. \quad U_{p,xx} - sU_p = -2 \Rightarrow 0 - sA = -2 \Rightarrow A = \frac{2}{s}.$$

$$U = C_1 e^{\sqrt{s}x} + C_2 e^{-\sqrt{s}x} + \frac{2}{s}. \tag{*}$$
 (1)

~~from (*)~~ $u(0, t) = 1 \Rightarrow U(0, s) = \frac{1}{s}.$

From (*), $C_1 + C_2 + \frac{2}{s} = \frac{1}{s} \Rightarrow C_1 + C_2 = -\frac{1}{s}.$ (1)

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = 2 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} U(x, s) = \frac{2}{s}.$

From (*) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (C_1 e^{\sqrt{s}x} + C_2 e^{-\sqrt{s}x} + \frac{2}{s}) = \frac{2}{s}$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} C_1 e^{\sqrt{s}x} = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\sqrt{s}x} = 0$ this equality is valid iff $C_1 = 0$. (1)

Using $C_1 + C_2 = -\frac{1}{s} \Rightarrow C_2 = -\frac{1}{s}.$

Thus, $U = \frac{-e^{-\sqrt{s}x}}{s} + \frac{2}{s} = -\mathcal{L}(\text{erf}(\sqrt{\frac{x^2}{4t}})) + 2\mathcal{L}(1)$ (1)

Finally,

$$u = -\text{erf}\left(\sqrt{\frac{x^2}{4t}}\right) + 2. \tag{1}$$

Q3:
$$\begin{cases} u_t = a^2 u_{xx} & -\infty < x < \infty, t > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = e^{-b|x|} & , b > 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution: Let $u = X(x)T(t)$, ($u \neq 0$). (We are interested in finding a bounded solution)

$$u_t = a^2 u_{xx} \Rightarrow XT' = a^2 X''T \Rightarrow \frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T'}{a^2 T} = \lambda. \text{ so}$$

$$X'' - \lambda X = 0 \quad \& \quad T' - \lambda a^2 T = 0. \quad (2)$$

Case 1: $\lambda = 0$. $X = \alpha x + b$ & $T = c \Rightarrow u = \alpha XT = \alpha x + \beta$, As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $u \rightarrow \infty$ if $\alpha \neq 0$. so, we must choose $\alpha = 0$. Hence $u = \beta$. (this case is included in case 3)

Case 2 $\lambda > 0$. Let $\lambda = k^2$. so, $X = C_1 e^{kx} + C_2 e^{-kx}$, as $x \rightarrow \infty$, $X \rightarrow \infty$ if $C_1 \neq 0$ so, choose $C_1 = 0$. as $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $X = C_2 e^{-kx} \rightarrow \infty$. Because we want X to be bounded then, we choose $C_2 = 0$. $\therefore X \equiv 0$. we reject this choice of λ .

Case 3 $\lambda < 0$. Let $\lambda = -k^2$. so, $X = A \cos(kx) + B \sin(kx)$ & $T = Ce^{-a^2 k^2 t}$
 since we do not have any boundary conditions, we must include all possible values of k . Thus we sum all the products of X & T to

obtain u :

$$u = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [D(k) \cos(kx) + E(k) \sin(kx)] e^{-k^2 a^2 t} dk \quad (1)$$

using $u(x, 0) = e^{-b|x|}$, we get

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [D(k) \cos(kx) + E(k) \sin(kx)] dk = e^{-b|x|} \quad (1)$$

This is the Fourier integral of $e^{-b|x|}$. so,

splitting & integrating by parts twice, we find that
 $D(k) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-b|x|} \cos(kx) dx$ & $E(k) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-b|x|} \sin(kx) dx$

$D(k) = \frac{2b}{\pi(b^2 + k^2)}$. Since $e^{-b|x|} \sin(kx)$ is an odd function,

$$E(k) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot 0 = 0. \quad (2)$$

$$u = \frac{2b}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{b^2 + k^2} e^{-k^2 a^2 t} dk \quad \text{---} \quad \text{(you need to integrate by parts twice)}$$