

MA221**FINAL EXAM Solutions
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Part I: Answer all questions

1. Find the general solution for the following differential equations

(a) (8 pts)

$$y' + \frac{4}{x}y = x^4$$

Solution:

The integrating factor is

$$e^{\int P dx} = e^{\int \frac{4}{x} dx} = x^4$$

Multiplying the DE by x^4 we get

$$x^4 y' + 4x^3 y = x^8$$

or

$$(x^4 y)' = x^8$$

Thus

$$x^4 y = \frac{x^9}{9} + C$$

So the solution is

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{9}x^5 + \frac{1}{x^4}C$$

(b) (9 pts)

$$y'' + 4y' + 4y = 0$$

Solution:

The characteristic equation is

$$r^2 + 4r + 4 = 0$$

or

$$(r + 2)^2 = 0$$

Thus -2 is a repeated root so the exact solution is:

$$y(x) = C_1 e^{-2x} + C_2 x e^{-2x}$$

(c) (8 pts)

$$(y^2 - xy)dx + x^2 dy = 0$$

Solution:

We rewrite the equation as

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$$x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - xy = -y^2$$

or

$$y' - \frac{1}{x}y = -\frac{y^2}{x^2}$$

This is a Bernoulli equation. to solve it we multiply both sides of the above equation by y^{-2} and get

$$y'y^{-2} - \frac{1}{x}y^{-1} = -\frac{1}{x^2}$$

Let $z = y^{-1}$. Then $z' = -y^{-2}y'$. The DE can now be written as

$$z' + \frac{1}{x}z = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

We multiply the DE by $e^{\int \frac{1}{x} dx} = x$ and get

$$(xz)' = \frac{1}{x}$$

Thus

$$xz = \frac{x}{y} = \ln x + C_1$$

and the exact solution is:

$$y(x) = \frac{x}{\ln x + C_1}$$

2. (a) (12 pts) Find the general solution of

$$y'' + 4y = x^2 - 1 + 2e^{-2x}.$$

Solution:

$$p(r) = r^2 + 4. \quad p(r) = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm 2i.$$

$$y_h = C_1 \sin 2x + C_2 \cos 2x$$

$$y_{p1} = Ax^2 + Bx + C$$

$$y'_{p1} = 2Ax + B, \quad y''_{p1} = 2A$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A + 4(Ax^2 + Bx + C) = x^2 - 1.$$

$$4Ax^2 = x^2 \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{4}. \quad B = 0$$

$$2A + 4C = \frac{1}{2} + 4C = -1 \Rightarrow C = -\frac{3}{8}$$

$$\text{Thus } y_{p1} = \frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{3}{8}$$

$$y_{p2} = \frac{2e^{-2x}}{p(-2)} = \frac{1}{4}e^{-2x}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$y_g = C_1 \sin 2x + C_2 \cos 2x + \frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{4}e^{-2x}$$

2(b) (13 pts) Given that $y_1 = x$ and $y_2 = x^4$ are linearly independent solutions for

$$x^2 y'' - 4xy' + 4y = 0,$$

use variation of parameters to find a particular solution of

$$y'' - \frac{4}{x}y' + \frac{4}{x^2}y = x^2 + x$$

, Exact solution is: $y(x) = \frac{1}{18}x^3(-2x - 9 + 6(\ln x)x) + C_1x + C_2x^4$

Solution:

Cauchy-Euler equation, so characteristic equation is

$$m^2 + (-4 - 1)m + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow m^2 - 5m + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow m = 1, 4.$$

$\Rightarrow y_h = C_1x + C_2x^4$. Use Variation of Parameters to find y_p .

$$\Rightarrow y_p = v_1y_1 + v_2y_2 = v_1x + v_2x^4.$$

$$W[y_1, y_2] = y_1y_2' - y_2y_1' = x(4x^3) - x^4(1) = 3x^4.$$

$$v_1 = -\int \frac{(x^4)(x^2 + x)}{(3x^4)} dx = -\frac{1}{3} \int (x^2 + x) dx = -\frac{1}{9}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^2.$$

$$v_2 = \int \frac{(x)(x^2 + x)}{(3x^4)} dx = \frac{1}{3} \int \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) dx = \frac{1}{3} \ln x - \frac{1}{3x}.$$

$$\Rightarrow y_p = \left(-\frac{1}{9}x^3 - \frac{1}{6}x^2 \right)x + \left(\frac{1}{3} \ln x - \frac{1}{3x} \right)x^4 = -\frac{1}{9}x^4 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{3}x^4 \ln x - \frac{1}{3}x^3$$

$$\Rightarrow y_g = C_1x + C_2x^4 - \frac{1}{9}x^4 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{3}x^4 \ln x.$$

3. (a) (10 pts) Find

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{s+4}{s^2+4s+8} \right)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{s+4}{s^2+4s+8} \right) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{s+4}{(s+2)^2+4} \right) \\ &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{s+2}{(s+2)^2+4} + \frac{2}{(s+2)^2+4} \right) \\ &= e^{-2t} \cos 2t + e^{-2t} \sin 2t \end{aligned}$$

(b) (15 pts) Use Laplace Transforms to solve:

$$y'' - 3y' + 2y = e^{-x}, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad y'(0) = 1$$

Solution:

$$\mathcal{L}(y'' - 3y' + 2y) = \mathcal{L}(e^{-x}) = \frac{1}{s+1}$$

Thus

$$(s^2 - 3s + 2)\mathcal{L}(y) - sy(0) - y'(0) + 3y(0) = \frac{1}{s+1}$$

$$(s^2 - 3s + 2)\mathcal{L}(y) = \frac{1}{s+1} + s - 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(y) &= \frac{1}{(s+1)(s-1)(s-2)} + \frac{s}{(s-1)(s-2)} - \frac{2}{(s-1)(s-2)} \\ &= \frac{-1+s^2-s}{(s+1)(s-1)(s-2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{6(s+1)} + \frac{1}{2(s-1)} + \frac{1}{3(s-2)}\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^x + \frac{1}{3}e^{2x} + \frac{1}{6}e^{-x}$$

4. (a) (12 pts) Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions for the problem

$$y'' + \lambda y = 0; \quad y(0) = 0; \quad y'(\pi) = 0.$$

Be sure to consider the cases $\lambda > 0$, $\lambda = 0$, and $\lambda < 0$.

Solution:

Case I: $\lambda < 0$. Let $\lambda = -k^2$. Then $r^2 - k^2 = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm k$.

$$\text{So } y = C_1 e^{kx} + C_2 e^{-kx}. \quad y' = C_1 k e^{kx} - C_2 k e^{-kx}$$

$$y(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = -C_2.$$

$$y'(\pi) = C_1 k e^{k\pi} + C_1 k e^{-k\pi} = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0.$$

Case II: $\lambda = 0$. $y = C_1 x + C_2$. $y' = C_1 \Rightarrow y'(\pi) = C_1 = 0$.

$y(0) = 0$ implies that $C_2 = 0$, Thus $y = 0$, and 0 is not an eigenvalue.

Case III: $\lambda = k^2 > 0$. Then $y = C_1 \sin kx + C_2 \cos kx$.

$$y'(x) = C_1 k \cos kx - C_2 k \sin kx.$$

$$y(0) = C_2 k = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = 0.$$

$$y'(\pi) = C_1 k \cos k\pi = 0 \Rightarrow \text{if } C_1 \neq 0, \quad k\pi = (2n+1) * \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{2n+1}{2}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Therefore $y_n(x) = C_n \sin\left(\frac{2n+1}{2}x\right)$, $\lambda_n = \frac{(2n+1)^2}{4}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

4(b) (13 pts) Find the power series solution to

$$y'' - xy' + y = 0$$

near $x = 0$. Be sure to give the recurrence relation. Indicate the two linearly independent solutions and give the first four nonzero terms the solution.

Solution:

$$\text{Let } y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n. \quad y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}, \quad y'' = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2}.$$

Plugging in gives

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} - x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0.$$

$$\text{Let } k = n - 2$$

$$n = k + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+2)(k+1) a_{k+2} x^k - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k a_k x^k + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^k = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow (2)(1)a_2 + a_0 + (3)(2)a_3x + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [(k+2)(k+1)a_{k+2} - (k-1)a_k]x^k = 0. \\ &\Rightarrow a_2 = -\frac{a_0}{2}, \quad a_3 = 0 \text{ and the Recurrence relation: } a_{k+2} = \frac{a_k(k-1)}{(k+1)(k+2)}, \quad k = 2, 3, \dots \\ &k = 2 : a_4 = \frac{a_2}{3(4)} = -\frac{a_0}{24}. \quad k = 3 : a_5 = 0. \\ &\Rightarrow y = a_0 \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{24} + \dots \right) + a_1x. \end{aligned}$$

5. (a) (15 pts) Solve

$$y'' + y = \tan x$$

Solution: See Example 1 Page 215 of text.

The homogeneous solutions are $\cos x$ and $\sin x$. Thus

$$y_p = v_1(x) \cos x + v_2(x) \sin x$$

The two equations for v_1' and v_2' are

$$\begin{aligned} (\cos x)v_1' + (\sin x)v_2' &= 0 \\ (-\sin x)v_1' + (\cos x)v_2' &= \tan x \end{aligned}$$

Solving yields

$$\begin{aligned} v_1' &= -\tan x \sin x \\ v_2' &= \tan x \cos x = \sin x \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= -\int \tan x \sin x dx = \sin x - \ln|\sec x + \tan x| \\ v_2 &= \int \sin x dx = -\cos x \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$y_p = -(\cos x) \ln|\sec x + \tan x|$$

Finally

$$y = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x - (\cos x) \ln|\sec x + \tan x|$$

(b) (10 pts) Compute the Wronskian for the solutions to the differential equation

$$y'' - 2y' + y = 0$$

Solution:

$y'' - 2y' + y = 0$, Exact solution is: $y(x) = C_1 e^x + C_2 x e^x$. Let $y_1 = e^x$ and $y_2 = x e^x$

$$W[y_1, y_2] = \det \begin{bmatrix} e^x & x e^x \\ e^x & e^x + x e^x \end{bmatrix} = e^{2x}$$

6. (a) (10 pts) Use separation of variables, $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$, to find two ordinary differential

equations which $X(x)$ and $T(t)$ must satisfy to be a solution of

$$-3x^2t^4 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + (x-2)^4(t+6)^3 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = 0.$$

Note: Do **not** solve these ordinary differential equations.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} -3x^2t^4 X''(x)T(t) + (x-2)^4(t+6)^3 X(x)T''(t) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{-3x^2 X''}{(x-2)^4 X} &= -\frac{(t+6)^3 T''}{t^4 T} = k. \\ \Rightarrow 3x^2 X'' + k(x-2)^4 X &= 0 \text{ and } (t+6)^4 T'' + kt^4 T = 0. \end{aligned}$$

6(b) (15 pts) Use the method of separation of variables to solve

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xx} &= u_t \\ u(0,t) &= 0 \quad u_x(1,t) = 0 \\ u(x,0) &= -3 \sin \frac{\pi}{2}x + 12 \sin \frac{9\pi}{2}x \end{aligned}$$

You must derive the solution. Your solution should not have any arbitrary constants in it.

SOLUTION:

$$u(x,t) = X(x)T(t) \Rightarrow X''(x)T(t) = X(x)T'(t) \Rightarrow \frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T'}{T} = K$$

$$\begin{aligned} X'' - KX &= 0 \\ T' - KT &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now apply the BC's.

$$u(0,t) = X(0)T(t) = 0$$

$$u_x(1,t) = X'(1)T(t) = 0$$

We do not want the problem to be trivial, hence we shall assume $T(t) \neq 0$ and hereby shall obtain the two BC's for $X(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} X(0) &= 0 \\ X'(1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Consider the three cases for the values of K in $X'' - KX = 0$ with the above BC's.

Case 1. $K = 0$. $r^2 = 0$; $r_{1,2} = 0 \Rightarrow y = C_1 + C_2x$

$$X(0) = C_1 = 0; \quad X'(1) = C_2 = 0, \text{ i.e., a trivial case.}$$

Case 2. $K > 0$. $K = b^2$.

$$r^2 = b^2, \quad r_{1,2} = \pm b.$$

$$X(x) = C_1 e^{bx} + C_2 e^{-bx}; \quad X' = bC_1 e^{bx} - bC_2 e^{-bx}$$

$$X(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = -C_2$$

$$X'(1) = bC_1e^b + bC_1e^{-b} = 0 = bC_1(e^b - e^{-b}) \Rightarrow C_1 = 0 = C_2, \text{ i.e., a trivial case again.}$$

Case 3. $K < 0$, $K = -\beta^2$.

$$r_{1,2} = \pm\beta i$$

$$X(x) = C_1 \cos \beta x + C_2 \sin \beta x$$

$$X(0) = 0 = C_1 \cos 0; \quad C_1 = 0 \Rightarrow X(x) = C_2 \sin \beta x.$$

$$X'(1) = C_2\beta \cos \beta = 0, \quad \beta = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow$$

$$K = -\beta^2 = -(2n+1)^2 \frac{\pi^2}{4}$$

$$X_n(x) = a_n \sin \left[(2n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} x \right]$$

$$n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Now $T' - KT = 0 \Leftrightarrow T' + (2n+1)^2 \frac{\pi^2}{4} T = 0 \Rightarrow$ after solving the 1st order DE

$$T_n(t) = C_n e^{-\frac{\pi^2}{4} t (2n+1)^2}$$

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$$

$$u_n(x, t) = a_n \sin \left[(2n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} x \right] \left[C_n e^{-\frac{\pi^2}{4} t (2n+1)^2} \right]$$

We include C_n into a_n , obtaining b_n .

$$u_n(x, t) = b_n e^{-\frac{\pi^2}{4} t (2n+1)^2} \sin \left[(2n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} x \right]$$

Thus

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n e^{-\frac{\pi^2}{4} t (2n+1)^2} \sin \left[(2n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} x \right]$$

Now, applying the IC,

$$u(x, 0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n \sin \left[(2n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} x \right].$$

>From the IC $\Rightarrow u(x, 0) = b_1 \sin \frac{\pi}{2} x + b_3 \sin \frac{9\pi}{2} x$, i.e., $b_0 = -3$ and $b_4 = 12$. All other b_i 's are equal to zero.

● Finally,

$$u(x, t) = -3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x\right)e^{-\frac{\pi^2}{4}t} + 12 \sin\left(9\frac{\pi}{2}x\right)e^{-\frac{81\pi^2}{4}t}$$

Part II: Choose any two (2) questions.

7. (a) (13 pts) Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \pi - x & \frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \pi \end{cases}$$

Write down the expression for the Fourier cosine series for this function. Give a formula for the coefficients in this expression with appropriate limits. DO NOT EVALUATE THE COEFFICIENTS.

Solution: $L = \pi$

$$f(x) = b_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos nx$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} (\pi - x) dx \right] \end{aligned}$$

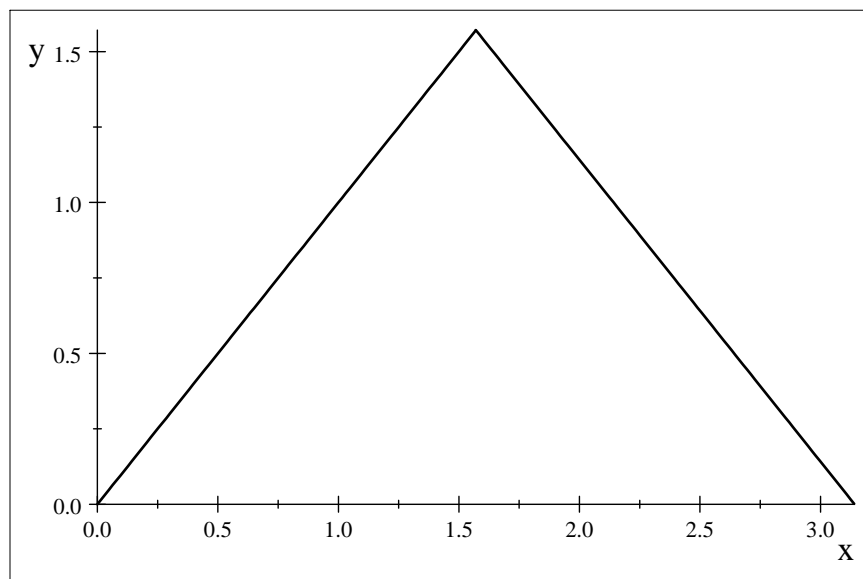
$$b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \cos nx dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} (\pi - x) \cos nx dx \right]$$

(b) (12 pts) Sketch the graph of the function represented by the Fourier cosine series in 7 (a) on $-\pi \leq x \leq 3\pi$.

$$\frac{\pi}{2} = 1.5708, \pi = 3.1416, \frac{3\pi}{2} = 4.7124, 2\pi = 6.2832, \frac{5\pi}{2} = 7.8540, 3\pi = 9.4248$$

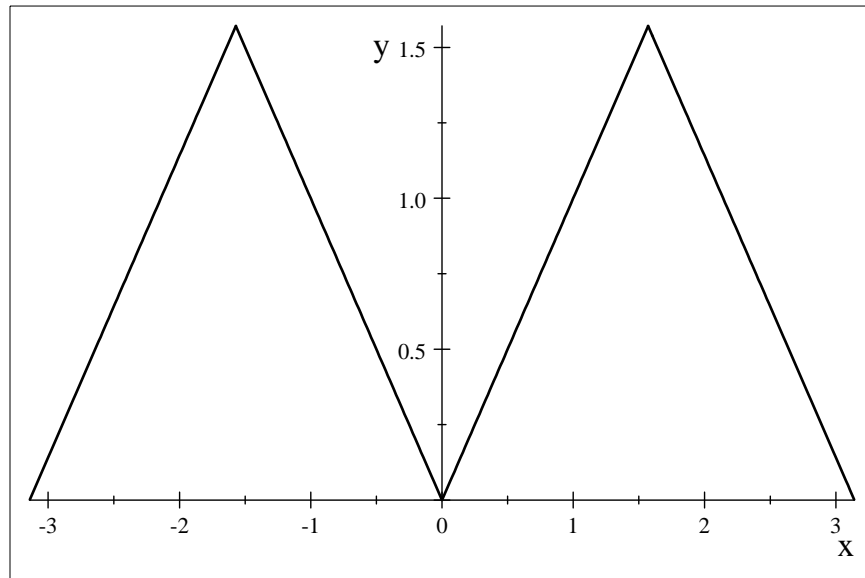
We first graph the function on $[0, \pi]$. The graph is shown below.

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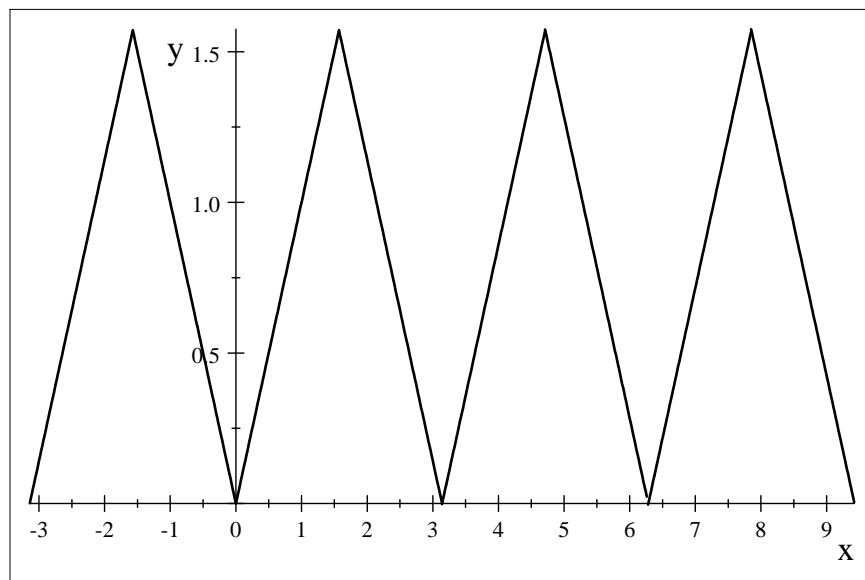


Since this is a Fourier cosine expansion, the function is extended to $[-\pi, 0]$ by simply reflecting it

across the y -axis. Thus the graph on $[-\pi, \pi]$ is
 $-x$



Since we now have the graph on $[-\pi, \pi]$ and the graph has period 2π , we simply "pick up" the graph and move it to the right to get what it looks like on $[\pi, 3\pi]$. Thus



8. (25 pts) Find the solution to the problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_{tt} &= 100u_{xx} \\
 u(0,t) &= u(\pi,t) = 0 \\
 u(x,0) &= x(\pi - x) \\
 u_t(x,0) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Your answer must display *all* coefficients.

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Note:

$$\int u^2 \sin au \, du = \frac{1}{a^3} (-a^2 u^2 \cos au + 2 \cos au + 2au \sin au) + C$$

$$\int u \sin au \, du = \frac{1}{a^2} (\sin au - au \cos au) + C$$

Solution:

Assume

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$$

The the PDE implies

$$\frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T''}{100T} = k$$

Since the left hand side is a function of x only, and the right hand side is a function of t only.

Thus we have two ODEs

$$X'' - kX = 0$$

$$T'' - 100kT = 0$$

The BCs imply

$$X(0) = X(\pi) = 0$$

and

$$T'(0) = 0$$

The solution to the BVP for X is

$$X_n(x) = c_n \sin n\pi x$$

with

$$k = -n^2 \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

The solution to the equation for T that satisfies the initial condition $T'(0) = 0$ is

$$T_n(t) = d_n \cos 10nt$$

Hence

$$u_n(x, t) = A_n \sin nx \cos 10nt \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Thus

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin nx \cos 10nt$$

The last condition to be satisfied is

$$u(x, 0) = x(\pi - x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin nx$$

Thus the A_n 's are the Fourier sine coefficients of this expansion and

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi x(\pi - x) \sin nx dx \\
 &= -\left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right) \left(\frac{2 \cos \pi n - 2}{n^3}\right) \\
 &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \text{ even} \\ \frac{8}{\pi n^3} & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

where the given formulas have been used to evaluate the integrals. Thus

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos 10nt (\sin nx)$$

where

$$A_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \text{ even} \\ \frac{8}{\pi n^3} & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

9. (a) (12 pts) Find the Laplace transform of

$$f(x) = x \cos \sqrt{7} x$$

Solution: From the table

$$\mathcal{L}(xf(x)) = -\frac{d}{ds} \hat{f}(s)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\cos(\sqrt{7} t)) = \frac{s}{s^2 + 7}$$

$$\frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{s}{s^2 + 7} \right) = -\frac{s^2 - 7}{(s^2 + 7)^2}$$

$$\text{Thus } \mathcal{L}(x \cos \sqrt{7} x) = \frac{s^2 - 7}{(s^2 + 7)^2}$$

(b) (12 pts) Show that the equation

$$\left(\frac{y^2}{2} + 2ye^x \right) dx + (y + e^x) dy = 0$$

is *not* exact and then find an integrating factor for this equation. Do *not* solve the equation.

Solution:

$$\frac{y^2}{2} + 2ye^x + (y + e^x)y' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{y^2}{2} + 2ye^x \right) dx + (y + e^x) dy = 0$$

$$M_y = y + 2e^x \quad N_x = e^x \quad \text{therefore not exact.}$$

$$u \left(\frac{y^2}{2} + 2ye^x \right) dx + u(y + e^x) dy = 0$$

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$$u_y \left(\frac{y^2}{2} + 2ye^x \right) dx + u(y + e^x) dy = u_x(y + e^x) + u(e^x)$$

$$u_y = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad u(y + e^x) = u_x(y + e^x)$$

$$u = u_x \quad \Rightarrow \quad u = e^x$$

$$\left(e^x \frac{y^2}{2} + 2ye^{2x} \right) dx + (ye^x + e^{2x}) dy = 0$$

$$M_y = ye^x + 2e^{2x}$$

$$N_x = ye^x + 2e^{2x}$$

Table of Laplace Transforms

$f(t)$	$\hat{f}(s)$	
$\frac{t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$	$\frac{1}{s^n}$	$n \geq 1 \quad s > 0$
$\sin ax$	$\frac{a}{s^2 + a^2}$	$s > a$
$\cos ax$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + a^2}$	$s > a$
$e^{-bt}f(t)$	$\hat{f}(s+b)$	
$t^n f(t)$	$(-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n} \hat{f}(s)$	