
Math 322: Midterm Exam

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Instructions:

- This exam consists of 8 pages, including this one. If pages are missing, let the examiner know right away.
- **Do not unstaple the pages.**
- Attempt all THREE (3) questions.
- **Show all relevant work.**
- Answer each question on its own page, turning the page over if you need more space.
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QUESTION 1

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Find the separated solutions $u(x, t)$ of the heat equation $u_t = ku_{xx}$ in the region $0 < x < L, t > 0$ that satisfy the boundary conditions $u(0, t) = 0, u_x(L, t) = 0$. (Justify the possible signs of the eigenvalues.)

ANSWER

$$u_t = ku_{xx} \quad u(x, t) = \phi(x)h(t) \quad \text{separated form}$$

$$\phi h' = k\phi''h \quad h' + \lambda kh = 0 \rightarrow h(t) = e^{-\lambda kt}$$

$$\frac{h'}{kh} = \frac{\phi''}{\phi} = -\lambda \Rightarrow \phi'' + \lambda \phi = 0, \quad \phi(0) = 0, \quad \phi'(L) = 0$$

$$\underline{\lambda = 0}: \quad \phi'' = 0 \Rightarrow \phi = A + Bx. \quad \phi(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0 \quad \underline{\text{trivial}}$$

$$\phi'(L) = B = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$$

$$\underline{\lambda < 0}: \quad \text{Let } \lambda = -\mu^2. \quad \phi'' - \mu^2 \phi = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) = A \cosh(\mu x) + B \sinh(\mu x)$$

$$\phi(0) = A = 0$$

$$\phi'(L) = B\mu \cosh(\mu L) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0 \quad \text{since } \cosh x \neq 0 \text{ for all } x.$$

$$\underline{\lambda > 0}: \quad \text{Let } \lambda = +\mu^2: \quad \phi'' + \mu^2 \phi = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) = A \cos(\mu x) + B \sin(\mu x). \quad \phi(0) = A = 0$$

$$\phi'(L) = B\mu \cos(\mu L) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu L = (n + \frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Conclude: separated solutions are of the form

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$$u(x, t) \sim e^{-\mu_n^2 ht} \cos(\mu_n x)$$

$$\mu_n = (n + \frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

QUESTION 2

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(a) Show by direct integration the orthogonality relation

$$\int_{-L}^L \cos(m\pi x/L) \cos(n\pi x/L) dx = C_m \delta_{mn}$$

where $m \geq 0$ and $n \geq 0$ are integers. Find the value of the constant C_m . Justify all your steps.

Hint: You may use the trig identity $\cos a \cos b = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(a+b) + \cos(a-b))$.

(b) Find the coefficients of the Fourier series of the function $f(x) = \cos(\pi x/(2L))$, $-L \leq x \leq L$.

(c) What value does the Fourier series in (b) converge to at $x = L$? Justify your answer.

ANSWER

$$(a) \underline{m=0}: \int_{-L}^L \cos(0) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \cancel{\int_{-L}^L} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)}{(n\pi/L)} \Big|_{-L}^L = 0, \quad n \neq 0$$

$$= \int_{-L}^L 1 \cdot dx = 2L, \quad n=0.$$

$$= C_0 \delta_{0n}, \quad C_0 = 2L.$$

$$\underline{m \neq 0}: \int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L [\cos\left(\frac{(m+n)\pi x}{L}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{(m-n)\pi x}{L}\right)] dx$$

$$= \frac{\sin\left(\frac{(m+n)\pi x}{L}\right)}{2(m+n)\pi/L} \Big|_{-L}^L + \frac{\sin\left(\frac{(m-n)\pi x}{L}\right)}{2(m-n)\pi/L} \Big|_{-L}^L = 0, \quad n \neq m$$

$$= 0 + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L 1 \cdot dx = L, \quad n=m$$

$$= C_m \delta_{mn} \Rightarrow C_m = L$$

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$$(b) f(x) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right), -L \leq x \leq L$$

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$\hookrightarrow 0$ (f is even)

$$\int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx = C_m A_m + 0$$

(using (a)) (integral of odd-even)

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{C_0} \int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{2L} \left[\frac{\sin(\pi x/2L)}{(\pi/2L)} \right]_{-L}^L$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \boxed{\frac{2}{\pi}}$$

$$A_m = \frac{1}{C_m} \int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

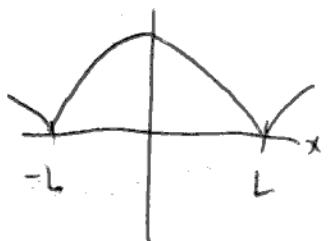
$$= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L \left[\cos\left((m+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + \cos\left((m-\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \right] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2L} \left[\frac{\sin((m+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi x}{L})}{(m+\frac{1}{2})\pi/L} + \frac{\sin((m-\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi x}{L})}{(m-\frac{1}{2})\pi/L} \right]_{-L}^L$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sin(m+\frac{1}{2})\pi}{m+\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{\sin(m-\frac{1}{2})\pi}{m-\frac{1}{2}} \right] = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{(-1)^m}{m+\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{(-1)^m}{m-\frac{1}{2}} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2 - \frac{1}{4}}$$

(c)



Since $f(L) = f(-L)$, $\tilde{f}(x)$ (periodic extension) is continuous. So series converges to $f(L) = 0$.

$$\psi'' - \lambda_n \psi = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_n = A \cosh(\sqrt{\lambda_n} y) + B \sinh(\sqrt{\lambda_n} y)$$

$\lambda_n > 0$

$$\psi_n(0) = A = 0.$$

Summing over separated solutions:

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

Find the A 's by applying BC at $y = H$:

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

$$\text{Let } f(x) \sim a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad n \geq 1$$

$$\text{Then } A_0 = \frac{a_0}{H}, \quad A_n = \frac{a_n}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right)}$$

$$\boxed{u(x, y) = \frac{a_0 y}{H} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \frac{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right)} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)}$$