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Closed book examination

Time: 2.5 hours

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[20] 1. Consider the equation

$$2x^2y'' - xy' + (1+x)y = 0$$

- (a) Find two values of r such that there are solutions of the form $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r}$.
- (b) Find the recurrence relation for a_n in terms of a_{n-1} for both values of r . (You may do both at the same time by not substituting values for r in the recurrence relation).
- (c) For the larger of the two values of r and for $a_0 = 1$ find a_1, a_2, a_3 .

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[15] 2. Solve the heat equation

$$u_t(x, t) = u_{xx}(x, t)$$

for $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $t \geq 0$ with non-homogeneous boundary conditions

$$u(0, t) = 1, \quad u(1, t) = 0, \quad \forall t > 0$$

and initial condition

$$u(x, 0) = 1 + x.$$

[15] 3. Consider the wave equation $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$ for $x \in \mathbf{R}$, $t > 0$, with the initial conditions $u(x, 0) = f(x)$, $u_t(x, 0) = g(x)$, where

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}, \quad g(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

(a) Solve the solution $u(x, t)$ using d'Alembert's formula. Simplify it as much as possible. Hint: draw the graph of $f'(x)$, where it exists.

(b) Plot $u(x, 0)$, $u(x, 1)$ and $u(x, 2)$ for $|x| \leq 4$.

[15] 4. Solve the equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}\right)u(x, y) = 0$$

for $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ and $0 \leq y \leq 1$ with boundary conditions

$$u(0, y) = \sin(\pi y), \quad u(\pi, y) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = \sin^3 x, \quad u(x, 1) = 0.$$

Hint: $\sin^3 x = \frac{3}{4} \sin x - \frac{1}{4} \sin(3x)$.

[20] 5. Consider the boundary value problem

$$x^2y'' + xy' + \lambda y = 0, \quad y'(1) = 0, \quad y'(e) = 0.$$

(a) Find all values of λ such that this problem has a non-zero solution $y(x)$. For each value of λ you find give a non-zero solution $y(x)$.

(b) Let $y_j(x)$, $y_k(x)$ be non-zero solutions corresponding to different values of λ in part (a). Is there an orthogonality relation satisfied by $y_j(x)$ and $y_k(x)$, and if so what is it? (This can be answered without answering part (a)).

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[15] 6. Consider the problem

$\Delta u + u = 0$ on the disc $0 < r < 1$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, $u(1, \theta) = f(\theta)$ on the boundary.

(a) Use the separation of variables method to find all solutions of the form $u(r, \theta) = R(r)\Theta(\theta)$, which are finite at the origin. Show your work.

(b) Find the solution if $f(\theta) = \sin 6\theta$.

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