



Spring 2018 - Math 3435
Final Exam - April 30
Time Limit: 120 Minutes

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You are required to show your work on each problem on this exam.

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You may find the following identities useful in Question

5. The Laplace's equation in polar coordinates is

$$U_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}U_r + \frac{1}{r^2}U_{\theta\theta} = 0$$

and the general solution to this is

$$U(r, \theta) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n [A_n \cos(n\theta) + B_n \sin(n\theta)]$$

Also the following identity might be useful in the same question

$$\cos^3(\theta) = \frac{3}{4} \cos(\theta) + \frac{1}{4} \cos(3\theta).$$

Problem	Points	Score
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3	10	
4	10	
5	10	
6	10	
7	10	
8	10	
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1. (10 points) Use the method of characteristics to solve the first-order partial differential equation for $u = u(x, y)$

$$u_x - \frac{e^x}{1 + e^y} u_y = 0 \quad \text{for } -\infty < x < \infty, y > 0$$

satisfying the side condition $u(x, 0) = e^{2x}$.

2. Let $f(x)$ be given as

$$f(x) = x \quad \text{when} \quad 0 \leq x < 1.$$

(a) (2 points) Extend $f(x)$ into an odd periodic function with period of 2.

(b) (4 points) Find Fourier series $F(x)$ of the function you found in (a).

(c) (4 points) Using part (a)-(b), verify that

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1}.$$

3. (10 points) Solve the Poisson equation

$$\begin{cases} u_{xx} + u_{yy} = x^2 + y^2, & \text{when } x^2 + y^2 < 1, \\ u(x, y) = 0, & \text{when } x^2 + y^2 = 1. \end{cases}$$

using the polar coordinates. You may want to look for solutions of the form $u(x, y) = f(x^2 + y^2)$.

4. (10 points) Suppose that $u(x, t)$ is solution of the diffusion equation with variable dissipation

$$\begin{cases} u_t - ku_{xx} + h(t)u = 0 & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty. \end{cases}$$

and $g(t)$ is a solution to $g'(t) = h(t)g(t)$ with $g(0) = 1$. Then show that $v(x, t) = g(t)u(x, t)$ is a solution of

$$\begin{cases} v_t - kv_{xx} = 0 & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty, t > 0, \\ v(x, 0) = f(x) & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty. \end{cases}$$

5. Let $u(x, y)$ be the solution to the following Dirichlet problem

$$\begin{cases} u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0 & \text{when } x^2 + y^2 < 1, \\ u(x, y) = 4x^3 & \text{when } x^2 + y^2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

You may want to rewrite the Dirichlet problem in polar coordinates (including the boundary condition).

(a) (5 points) Find the solution $u(x, y)$. [See the cover page for the general solution and a hint].

(b) (2 points) Rewrite the solution you found in (a) in Cartesian coordinates, i.e. (x, y) , and verify that it is the solution of the Laplace equation satisfying the given boundary condition.

(c) (3 points) Find the maximum value of $u(x, y)$ in the disk of radius 1.

6. (10 points) Find the solution $u(x, t)$ to the following Wave equation

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} - a^2 u_{xx} = e^{-t} \cos(x) & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty, -\infty < t < \infty, \\ u(x, 0) = \sin(x) \text{ and } u_t(x, 0) = a \cos(x), & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty. \end{cases}$$

7. Let $u(x, t)$ be the solution to the following heat equation

$$\begin{cases} u_t - u_{xx} = \frac{1}{\pi}xe^t + t[2 - \frac{2}{\pi}x + \sin(x)] & \text{when } 0 \leq x \leq \pi, t \geq 0 \\ u(0, t) = t^2 \text{ and } u(\pi, t) = e^t & \text{when } t \geq 0, \\ u(x, 0) = \frac{x}{\pi} + \sin(2x) & \text{when } 0 \leq x \leq \pi. \end{cases}$$

(a) (3 points) Find a particular solution u_p and let $v(x, t) = u(x, t) - u_p(x, t)$ so that $v(x, t)$ satisfies the homogeneous boundary condition and solves the non-homogeneous heat equation.

(b) (3 points) Write the PDE for which $v(x, t)$ solves, the boundary conditions and the initial condition $v(x, t)$ satisfies.

(c) (4 points) Without solving the new equation corresponding to v describe how to solve it.

8. Assume that $u(x, t)$ satisfies the following diffusion equation

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} = u_{xx} & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) \text{ and } u_t(x, 0) = g(x) & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty \end{cases}$$

where $f, g \in C^2$. You can assume that $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ vanish when $|x|$ is big, say $|x| > 10^{3435}$. Define

$$F(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_x^2(x, t) dx \quad \text{and} \quad G(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_t^2(x, t) dx.$$

(a) (3 points) Show that $E(t) = F(t) + G(t)$ is constant for $t \geq 0$ (You may use $u_x(x, t) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$).

(b) (3 points) Compute $E(0)$. (You may use $u_x(x, 0) = f'(x)$.)

(c) (4 points) Suppose that $E(t) = 0$ for every $t \geq 0$. Show that $u(x, t) = \text{constant}$.

9. (10 points (bonus)) Use parts (a)-(c) in Question 8 to show that the Dirichlet problem in Question 8

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} = u_{xx} & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty, t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) \text{ and } u_t(x, 0) = g(x) & \text{when } -\infty < x < \infty \end{cases}$$

has at most one solution. Here $f, g \in C^2$ and $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ vanish when $|x|$ is big, say $|x| > 10^{3435}$.