

MATH 3310 Assignment 1
Due on February 5 before 6p.m.

1. Using integrating factor method solve:

(a)

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 10x^2 + 5x + 1, \quad x > 0$$

with condition $y(1) = c > 0$

(b)

$$-2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 3y = 15x^2 + 18x - 11$$

with condition $\frac{dy}{dx}(0) = 0, y(1) = 1$

2. Given a 2π -periodic function $f(x)$. Let a_0, a_1, \dots, a_N and b_1, \dots, b_N are chosen in such a way that it minimizes:

$$E(a_0, \dots, a_N, b_1, \dots, b_N) = \int_0^{2\pi} [f(x) - (\sum_{j=0}^N a_j \cos jx + \sum_{j=1}^N b_j \sin jx)]^2 dx$$

What are a_0, a_1, \dots, a_N and b_1, \dots, b_N ? Please show your answers with details.

3. In class, we saw that given $f(x)$ that is periodic over the interval $[0, 2\pi]$, we can compute the coefficients of its Fourier series by the following formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx \\ a_m &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos mx dx \\ b_m &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin mx dx \end{aligned}$$

By using integration with substitution, or otherwise, prove that if $f(x)$ is periodic over an interval $[-L, L]$, then the above formulas shall be replaced

by:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$$

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

$$b_m = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

Compute the Fourier series of $f(x) = c_1x + c_2|x|$, $-3 < x < 3$ with period 6.

4. Using the spectral method, solve the following problem:

$$u_t = 8u_{xx}, 0 < x < 4, t > 0$$

$$u(0, t) = u(4, t) = 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = 5 \sin(2\pi x) - 5 \sin(5\pi x) + 10 \sin(8\pi x)$$

5. Using the spectral method, solve the following problem:

$$u_t - u_{xx} = 2t \sin(nx) + t^2 \sin(mx), \quad 0 < x < 2\pi, \quad t > 0, \quad m > n > 0$$

$$u(0, t) = u(2\pi, t) = 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = 2 \sin(nx) + \sin(mx)$$

6. (a) Compute the Fourier transform of $f(x) = e^{-a|x|}$ for $a > 0$.
(b) Solve the PDE:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad x \in (-\infty, \infty), \quad t > 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = e^{-a|x|}, \text{ where } a > 0.$$

Please express your answer in terms of convolution. (**Hint:** You may use the fact without proof that the inverse Fourier transform of $\hat{\phi}(k, t) = e^{-k^2 t}$ is $\phi(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4t}}$.)