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Mathematics 257/316

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1. Consider the differential equation

$$6x^2y'' - xy' + 2(1+x)y = 0 \tag{1}$$

(a) Classify the points $0 \leq x < \infty$ as ordinary points, regular singular points, or irregular singular points.

(b) Find two values of r such that there are solutions of the form $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r}$.

(c) Use the series expansion in (b) to determine two independent solutions of (1). You only need to calculate the first three non-zero terms in each case.

[20 marks]

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2. Consider the following initial boundary value problem for the heat equation:

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= u_{xx} - u\ , \qquad 0 < x < 1\ , \qquad t > 0 \\ u(0,t) &= 0, \qquad u_x(1,t) = 1 \\ u(x,0) &= 1 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

(a) Determine a steady state solution to the boundary value problem. [4 marks]

(b) Use this steady state solution to determine the solution to the boundary value problem (2) by separation of variables.

HINT: The following integral may be useful:

$$\int_0^1 \sinh(x)\sin(\beta x)dx = \frac{1}{\beta^2+1}\left(\sin\beta\cosh 1 - \beta\cos\beta\sinh 1\right)$$

[8 marks]

(c) Briefly describe how you would use the method of finite differences to obtain an approximate solution this boundary value problem that is accurate to $O(\Delta x^2, \Delta t)$ terms. Use the notation $u_n^k \simeq u(x_n, t_k)$ to represent the nodal values on the finite difference mesh. Explain how you propose to approximate the boundary condition $u_x(1,t) = 1$ with $O(\Delta x^2)$ accuracy.

[8 marks]

[total 20 marks]

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3. Consider the following initial-boundary value problem:

$$\begin{aligned} u_{tt} + 2\gamma u_t &= c^2 u_{xx},\ 0 < x < 1,\ \ t > 0 \\ u(0,t) &= u(1,t) \,=\, 0 \\ u(x,0) &= f(x),\ u_t(x,0) \,=\, 0. \end{aligned}$$

(a) Assuming that $0 < \gamma < \pi c$, use separation of variables to determine the solution to this boundary value problem. [12 marks]

(b) If $\gamma = 0$, $c = 1$, and if the initial displacement $f(x) = \sin(4\pi x)$, sketch the shape of the string at time $t = 1/4$. [8 marks]

[total 20 marks]

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(a) Consider the eigenvalue problem

$$\begin{aligned} r^2R'' + rR' + \lambda R &= 0 \\ R(1) &= 0 = R(2) \end{aligned}$$

Reduce this problem to the form of a Sturm-Liouville eigenvalue problem. Determine the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenfunctions. [8 marks]

(b) Use the eigenfunctions in (a) to solve the following mixed boundary value problem for the annular region:

$$\begin{aligned} u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r + \frac{1}{r^2}u_{\theta\theta} &= 0, \quad 1 < r < 2, \quad 0 < \theta < \pi \\ u(r,0) &= 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}(r,\pi) = f(r) \\ u(1,\theta) &= 0 \quad \text{and} \quad u(2,\theta) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

[12 marks]

[total 20 marks]

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4. Solve the inhomogeneous heat conduction problem:

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= u_{xx} + e^{-t}(1-x),\ 0 < x < 1,\ t > 0 \\ u(0,t) &= 1,\ \text{and}\ u(1,t) \ = \ e^{-t} \\ u(x,0) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

[20 marks]

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