

HW 2 #7

$$u_{tt} + 2u_t = u_{xx}, \quad x \in [-1, 1]$$

(IC) $u(x, 0) = 0$

$$u_t(x, 0) = \cos \pi x + 3 \sin 3\pi x$$

(BC) Periodic boundary conditions

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{that is, } u(-1) = u(1) \\ u'(-1) = u'(1) \end{array} \right)$$

We use separation of variables: $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$

$$u_{tt} + 2u_t = u_{xx}$$

$$XT'' + 2XT' = X''T$$

$$\frac{T''}{T} + \frac{2T'}{T} = \frac{X''}{X} = -\lambda$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} X'' + \lambda X = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} T'' + 2T' + \lambda T = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Using the (BC), we have the following eigenvalue problem for $X(x)$, $x \in [-1, 1]$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} X'' + \lambda X = 0 \\ X(-1) = X(1) \\ X'(-1) = X'(1) \end{array} \right.$$

By direct computation, or consulting Table 2.4.1 on p. 65 of Haberman, we have that the eigenvalues are

$$\lambda_n = (n\pi)^2, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

and the associated eigenfunctions are

$$X_n(x) = \cos n\pi x \quad \text{and} \quad Y_n(x) = \sin n\pi x.$$

Since $\lambda_n > 1$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$, the ODE for t , $T'' + 2T' + \lambda_n T = 0$ has assoc. polynomial $r^2 + 2r + \lambda_n = 0$, and its roots are:

$$r = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4\lambda_n}}{2} = -1 \pm (\sqrt{\lambda_n - 1})i$$

Thus, the solutions to this ODE are

$$T_n(t) = c_1 e^{-t} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n - 1}t) + c_2 e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n - 1}t)$$

To match the IC, we use:

$$u_1(x, t) = X_1(x) T_1(t) \quad (n=1)$$

$$= (\cos \pi x) \left(c_1 e^{-t} \cos(\sqrt{\pi^2 - 1}t) + c_2 e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{\pi^2 - 1}t) \right)$$

and

$$u_3(x, t) = Y_3(x) T_3(t) = (\sin 3\pi x) \left(c_1 e^{-t} \cos(\sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1}t) + c_2 e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1}t) \right) \quad (n=3)$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0$$

$$u_1(x, 0) = (\cos \pi x)(c_1 + 0) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{c_1 = 0 \text{ for } u_1(x, t)}$$

$$u_3(x, 0) = (\sin 3\pi x)(c_1 + 0) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{c_1 = 0 \text{ for } u_3(x, t)}$$

$$u_4(x, 0) = \cos \pi x + 3 \sin 3\pi x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t}(x, 0) &= (\cos \pi x) \left(-c_2 e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{\pi^2 - 1} t) + c_2 \sqrt{\pi^2 - 1} e^{-t} \cos(\sqrt{\pi^2 - 1} t) \right) \Big|_{t=0} \\ &= (\cos \pi x) (c_2 \sqrt{\pi^2 - 1}) \stackrel{!}{=} \cos \pi x \end{aligned}$$

So we choose $\boxed{c_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi^2 - 1}} \text{ for } u_1(x, t)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial t}(x, 0) &= (\sin 3\pi x) \left(-c_2 e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1} t) + c_2 \sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1} e^{-t} \cos(\sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1} t) \right) \Big|_{t=0} \\ &= (\sin 3\pi x) (c_2 \sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1}) \stackrel{!}{=} 3 \sin 3\pi x \end{aligned}$$

So we choose $\boxed{c_2 = \frac{3}{\sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1}} \text{ for } u_3(x, t)}$

Thus, the solution to our PDE is $u(x, t) = u_1(x, t) + u_3(x, t)$, i.e.

$$u(x, t) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi^2 - 1}} e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{\pi^2 - 1} t)}_{u_1(x, t)} (\cos \pi x) + \underbrace{\frac{3}{\sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1}} e^{-t} \sin(\sqrt{9\pi^2 - 1} t)}_{u_3(x, t)} \sin(3\pi x)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} n=1 & c_1=0 \\ \lambda=\pi^2 & c_2=\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi^2-1}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} n=3 & c_1=0 \\ \lambda=9\pi^2 & c_2=\frac{3}{\sqrt{9\pi^2-1}} \end{pmatrix}$$

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