

Worksheet 13

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1. Determine the solutions, if any, to the boundary value problem

a) $y'' + y = 0, 0 < x < 2\pi, y(0) = 0, y(2\pi) = 1.$

b) $y'' + y = 0, 0 < x < 2\pi, y(0) = 1, y(2\pi) = 1.$

2. Determine the values of λ for which the given problem has a nontrivial solution. Also determine the corresponding nontrivial solutions.

a) $y'' + \lambda y = 0, 0 < x < \pi, y(0) = 0, y'(\pi) = 0.$

b) $y'' + \lambda y = 0, 0 < x < \pi, y(0) - y'(0) = 0, y(\pi) = 0.$

3. Solve the heat-flow problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) = \beta \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t), & 0 < x < L, t > 0 \\ u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0, & t > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = f(x), & 0 < x < L. \end{cases}$$

with $\beta = 3, L = \pi$ and

a) $f(x) = \sin(x) - 6 \sin(4x).$

b) $f(x) = \sin(x) - 7 \sin(3x) + \sin(5x).$

4. Solve the vibrating string problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(x, t) = \alpha^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t), & 0 < x < L, t > 0 \\ u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0, & t \geq 0 \\ u(x, 0) = f(x), & 0 \leq x \leq L, \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = g(x), & 0 \leq x \leq L. \end{cases}$$

with $\alpha = 3, L = \pi$ and

a) $f(x) = 3 \sin(2x) + 12 \sin(13x), g(x) \equiv 0.$

b) $f(x) = 6 \sin(2x) + 2 \sin(6x), g(x) = 11 \sin(9x) - 14 \sin(15x).$

5. Compute the Fourier series

$$f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{T}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{T}\right) \right\},$$

for the given interval and function $f(x)$.

a) $f(x) = |x|, -\pi < x < \pi.$

b) $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & -2 < x < 0 \\ x, & 0 < x < 2 \end{cases}.$