

436 PDE FINAL EXAM
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1. Derive the series solution of the homogeneous damped - wave equation

$$U_{tt} + 2 U_t - C^2 U_{xx} = 0 \quad , \quad t \geq 0 \\ 0 \leq x \leq L$$

With the following boundary conditions
 $u(0, t) = 0 \quad , \quad u(L, t) = 0 \quad , \quad t \geq 0$

and initial conditions be given in the form
 $u(x, 0) = 1 \quad , \quad u_t(x, 0) = x$

2. Denote

$$L(f(x)) = F(s) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-isx} dx$$

$$L^{-1}(F(s)) = f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s) e^{isx} ds.$$

(a) Show that

$$L(f(x-a) \cdot H(x-a)) = e^{-as} F(s)$$

and

$$L^{-1}(e^{-as} F(s)) = f(x-a) \cdot H(x-a)$$

where $H(x-a)$ is the Heaviside unit step function

$$H(x-a) = \begin{cases} 0 & , x-a < 0 \\ 1 & , x-a > 0 \end{cases}$$

(b) Use (a) to calculate Laplace transform $F(s)$ for the following function $f(x)$:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , x-4 < 0 \\ x-3 & , x-4 > 0 \end{cases}$$

3. Let B be the circular region
 $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$.

On B find in terms of the Poisson integral the unique solution of the Dirichlet problem:

$$U_{xx} + U_{yy} = 0$$

$$U(x,y) = 2 + 2x \quad \text{on the boundary } x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

4. Use Laplace transforms to solve the following problem

$$U_t = C^2 U_{xx} \quad ; \quad t \geq 0$$
$$0 \leq x \leq L$$

$$U(0,t) = 0$$

$$U(L,t) = 0$$

$$U(x,0) = 5x$$

5. Use d'Alembert's formula to solve the wave equation
 $U_{tt} = C^2 U_{xx}$
with the initial conditions

$$y(x;0) = 0 \quad , \quad y_t(x;0) = 2 \cos x + 3 \sin 2x$$

