

Fall 04
Math 4581

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Test 1

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- 1) The two extremities of a rod are kept at constant temperatures T_0 and T_1 while along its length it is in convective contact with a media at a temperature that varies linearly between T_0 and T_1 from 0 to a . This mean that the temperature of the rod is governed by the equation:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - h(u(x, t) - T(x)) \quad 0 \leq x \leq a \\ u(0, t) = T_0 \\ u(a, t) = T_1 \\ u(x, 0) = \frac{T_1 + T_0}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

where

$$T(x) = T_0 + \frac{T_1 - T_0}{a}x$$

and the initial temperature is assumed constant.

- a) Find the temperature of the rod $u(x, t)$ as a function of t , i.e. solve the above equation.
b) Compute

$$d(t)^2 = \int_0^a (u(x, t) - v(x))^2 dx$$

where $v(x)$ is the steady state solution. (**Hint:** use Parseval's identity.)

- c) Call "relaxation time" the time \bar{t} such that $d(\bar{t}) = d(0)/2$. Can you find an upper bound for \bar{t} ? How does the relaxation time depend on h ? (**Hint:** use that $-\lambda_n^2 t \leq -\lambda_1^2 t$ to estimate the exponentials in $d(t)$)

- 2) You hold the extremity of a semi-infinite string in your hand. The string is initially at rest. At time $t = 0$ you move it up at speed 1 for 0.25 seconds and then you move it down at speed 1 for 0.25 seconds. After time $t = 0.5$ second you hold it fixed at 0. This means that the string is governed by the equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \\ u(0, t) = h(t) \\ u(x, 0) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial u(x, 0)}{\partial t} = 0 \end{cases}$$

where

$$h(t) = \begin{cases} t & 0 < t < 0.25 \\ 0.5 - t & 0.25 < t < 0.5 \\ 0 & t > 0.5 \end{cases} .$$

We have assumed that the sound speed $c = 1$.

- Use D'Alembert scheme to write the solution for every time $t > 0$.
- Suppose now that the string has finite length $l = 2$. Write the solution for every time $t > 0$. (**Hint:** compute the state of the string at time $t = 0.5$ second and use it as initial condition to solve the wave equation with fixed extremities.)
- Write and sketch $u(x, t)$ for $t = 3.25$ and $t = 4.25$ seconds. You may be able to do this without solving the point b).

3) A string of length 1 satisfy the wave equation, *i.e.* its displacement $u(x, t)$ satisfies:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \\ u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial u(x, 0)}{\partial t} = \epsilon g(x) \end{cases}$$

where the initial conditions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are given by:

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b}x & x < b \\ \frac{1}{1-b}(1-x) & x > b \end{cases}$$

a) The energy $E(t)$ of the string is given by:

$$E(t) = \int_0^1 \left(\partial_t u(x, t)^2 + \partial_x u(x, t)^2 \right) dx$$

Compute the energy of the string $E(t)$ for all $t > 0$.

b) Compute the solution using Fourier series.

c) Suppose now that the string is subject to an harmonic restoring force, *i.e.* it satisfies the equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + \omega^2 u(x, t) \\ u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial u(x, 0)}{\partial t} = \epsilon g(x) \end{cases}$$

for a given ω . How will the previous solution change? (**Hint:** Use separation of variables and keep the ω term in the time equation. Differently you can write the solution $u(x, t)$ as sine Fourier series for every t and find an equation for the coefficients.)

d) **Bonus:** can you write an energy $E(t)$ for this new equation such that $\dot{E}(t) = 0$?

- 4) A rod of length a get a constant flux of heat Φ at one end and is in convective contact with a fluid at temperature T at the other end. Thus, the equation governing the temperature $u(x, t)$ inside the rod is:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial u(0, t)}{\partial x} = -\Phi \\ \frac{\partial u(a, t)}{\partial x} = T - u(a, t) \\ u(x, 0) = T \end{array} \right. \quad 0 \leq x \leq a$$

where we assumed that the convection constant $h = 1$ and that the initial temperature of the rod is constant and equal to T .

- Write the equation for the steady state $v(x)$ and solve it.
- Write the equation for the difference $w(x, t) = u(x, t) - v(x)$.
- Use separation of variables to find the general solution for $w(x, t)$. You should find an equation for the eigenvalues λ_n . Do not try to solve it! Pay attention to the boundary condition.
- Show that there are infinitely many eigenvalue λ_n and find an asymptotic value for them.
- Write an expression for coefficients for the solution that satisfies the initial condition.
- Bonus:** write the solution of the problem.