

1. (30 pts.) Consider the operator $T = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ on $V = \{\varphi \in C^2[0,1] : \varphi'(0) = 0, \varphi(1) = 0\}$.

- (a) Show that T is a symmetric operator on V ; i.e. show that $\langle Tf, g \rangle = \langle f, Tg \rangle$ for all f and g in V .
 (b) Are the eigenvalues of T on V real? Justify your answer.
 (c) Are the eigenfunctions of T on V corresponding to distinct eigenvalues orthogonal on $(0,1)$? Justify your answer.
 (d) Are the eigenvalues of T on V nonnegative? Justify your answer.

(a) Let f and g belong to V . Integrating by parts twice gives

$$\langle Tf, g \rangle \stackrel{(1)}{=} \int_0^1 -f''(x) \overline{g(x)} dx \stackrel{(4)}{=} \left[-\overline{g(x)} f'(x) + \overline{g'(x)} f(x) \right] \Big|_{x=0}^1 - \int_0^1 f(x) \overline{g''(x)} dx. \text{ But}$$

$g(1) = 0, f(1) = 0, g'(0) = 0,$ and $f'(0) = 0$ so the boundary terms all evaluate to zero. Thus $\langle Tf, g \rangle \stackrel{(2)}{=} \langle f, Tg \rangle$.

- (b) Since $T: V \rightarrow C[0,1]$ is a symmetric operator, Theorem 2 in Section 5.3 shows that the eigenvalues of T are real.
 (c) Since $T: V \rightarrow C[0,1]$ is a symmetric operator, Theorem 1 in Section 5.3 shows that the eigenfunctions of T corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal on $(0,1)$.

(d) Let λ be an (necessarily real) eigenvalue of $T: V \rightarrow C[0,1]$ and let $\varphi \in V$ be an eigenfunction of T corresponding to λ . Then

$$\lambda \langle \varphi, \varphi \rangle \stackrel{(1)}{=} \langle \lambda \varphi, \varphi \rangle \stackrel{(1)}{=} \langle T\varphi, \varphi \rangle \stackrel{(1)}{=} \int_0^1 -\varphi''(x) \overline{\varphi(x)} dx.$$

Integrating by parts yields

$$\lambda \langle \varphi, \varphi \rangle \stackrel{(2)}{=} -\overline{\varphi(x)} \varphi'(x) \Big|_{x=0}^1 + \int_0^1 \varphi'(x) \overline{\varphi'(x)} dx.$$

But $\varphi(1) = 0 = \varphi'(0)$ since $\varphi \in V$ so the boundary terms vanish and so

$$\lambda \langle \varphi, \varphi \rangle = \int_0^1 |\varphi'(x)|^2 dx.$$

But $\langle \varphi, \varphi \rangle > 0$ and $\int_0^1 |\varphi'(x)|^2 dx \geq 0$ so $\lambda \geq 0$. That is, the eigenvalues of T are nonnegative.

2.(35 pts.) On this problem, you may assume that the set of functions

$$\Phi = \{ \varphi_n(x) = \cos((2n+1)\pi x/2) : n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \}$$

is orthogonal on the interval $[0, 1]$. The identity $\cos^2(A) = (1 + \cos(2A))/2$ may also prove useful.

(a) Show that the Fourier series of the function $f(x) = 1 - x^2$ with respect to Φ on the interval $[0, 1]$ is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{32(-1)^n \cos((2n+1)\pi x/2)}{(2n+1)^3 \pi^3}.$$

(b) Does the Fourier series of f with respect to Φ converge uniformly to f on $[0, 1]$? Justify your answer.

(c) Does the Fourier series of f with respect to Φ converge pointwise to f on $[0, 1]$? Justify your answer.

(d) Does the Fourier series of f with respect to Φ converge in the L^2 -sense to f on $[0, 1]$? Justify your answer.

(e) Find the sum of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^3}$.

(f) Find the sum of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^6}$.

(a) $f(x) \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \varphi_n(x)$ where $c_n = \frac{\langle f, \varphi_n \rangle}{\langle \varphi_n, \varphi_n \rangle}$ for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ In

our case, $\langle \varphi_n, \varphi_n \rangle = \int_0^1 \cos^2((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (1 + \cos(2(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x)) dx = \left[\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\sin(2(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x)}{2(2n+1)\pi} \right]_0^1$

$\stackrel{D}{=} \frac{1}{2}$. Integrating by parts twice we find that

$$\langle f, \varphi_n \rangle = \int_0^1 (1-x^2) \cos((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x) dx = \frac{(1-x^2) \sin((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x)}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi} \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 (-2x) \frac{\sin((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x)}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi} dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi} \int_0^1 x \sin((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x) dx = \frac{2}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi} \left[\frac{-x \cos((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x)}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi} \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{-\cos((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x)}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi^2} \left(\frac{\sin((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x)}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi} \Big|_0^1 \right) = \frac{2 \sin((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi)}{(n+\frac{1}{2})^3 \pi^3} = \frac{2(-1)^n}{(n+\frac{1}{2})^3 \pi^3} \cdot \frac{2}{2^3} = \frac{16(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^3 \pi^3} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Therefore $c_n = \frac{16(-1)^n / (2n+1)^3 \pi^3}{1/2} = \frac{32(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^3 \pi^3}$ if $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ so

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{32(-1)^n \cos((2n+1)\pi x/2)}{(2n+1)^3 \pi^3}.$$

(b) Note that if $\varphi_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{2}\right)$ then $-\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\varphi_n(x) = \frac{(2n+1)^2\pi^2}{2^2}\varphi_n(x)$ and $\varphi_n(1) = 0$ and $\varphi_n'(0) = 0$, so $\Phi = \{\varphi_n : n=0,1,2,\dots\}$ is an orthogonal set of eigenfunctions for the operator $T = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ on $V = \{\varphi \in C^2[0,1] : \varphi(0)=0=\varphi(1)\}$.

(In problem 3 we will see that Φ a complete orthogonal set of eigenfunctions for T ; we will assume this for now.) Observe that $f(x) = 1-x^2$, $f'(x) = -2x$, and $f''(x) = -2$ and these functions are continuous on $[0,1]$. Furthermore $f(1) = 0$ and $f'(0) = 0$ so f satisfies the boundary conditions in V that generated the set of eigenfunctions Φ . By the Uniform Convergence Theorem 2 of Sec. 5.4, it follows that the Fourier series of f with respect to Φ converges uniformly to f on $[0,1]$.

(c) Because uniform convergence implies pointwise convergence, it follows from part (b) that the Fourier series of f with respect to Φ converges pointwise to f on $[0,1]$.

(d) Because uniform convergence implies L^2 -convergence, it follows from part (b) that the Fourier series of f with respect to Φ converges in the L^2 -sense to f on $[0,1]$.

(e) By part (c), $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{32(-1)^n \cos((2n+1)\pi x/2)}{(2n+1)^3 \pi^3}$ for all $0 \leq x \leq 1$. Taking

$x=0$ in this identity gives $1 = f(0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{32(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^3 \pi^3}$ so $\frac{\pi^3}{32} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^3}$

(f) By Parseval's identity, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{32(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^3 \pi^3} \right|^2 \int_0^1 \cos^2\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{2}\right) dx = \int_0^1 (1-x^2)^2 dx$ and routine calculations then yield

$$\frac{(32)^2}{\pi^6} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^6} = \frac{8}{15} \text{ so } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^6} = \frac{\pi^6}{960}$$

3. (35 pts.) Solve $u_{tt} - u_{xx} = 0$ on $0 < x < 1$, $0 < t < \infty$, subject to $u_x(0, t) = 0 = u_x(1, t)$ if $t \geq 0$ and $u(x, 0) = 1 - x^2$, $u_t(x, 0) = 0$ if $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

We use the separation of variables method. We seek nontrivial solutions to the homogeneous portion of the problem, (1)-(3)-(5), of the form

$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$. Substituting in (1) gives $X(x)T''(t) - X''(x)T(t) = 0$ so $-\frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = \frac{T''(t)}{T(t)} = \text{constant} = \lambda$. Substituting in (2) yields $X'(0)T(t) = 0$

if $t \geq 0$, and nontriviality of $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$ implies $X'(0) = 0$. Arguing similarly with (3) and (5) leads to $X(1) = 0$ and $T'(0) = 0$. Thus we have the system of coupled ODEs and boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0, & X'(0) = 0 = X(1), \\ T''(t) + \lambda T(t) = 0, & T'(0) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Note that (6)-(7)-(8) is the eigenvalue problem for the symmetric operator $T = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ on $V = \{\varphi \in C^2[0, 1] : \varphi'(0) = 0 = \varphi(1)\}$. According to problem 1, the eigenvalues are real and nonnegative.

Case $\lambda = 0$: The general solution of (6) in this case, $X''(x) = 0$, is $X(x) = c_1 x + c_2$. Then $0 = X'(0) = c_1$ and $0 = X(1) = c_1 + c_2$ so $c_1 = 0 = c_2$. That is, all solutions to (6)-(7)-(8) in this case are trivial so 0 is not an eigenvalue.

Case $\lambda > 0$, say $\lambda = \alpha^2$ where $\alpha > 0$. The general solution of (6) in this case,

$X''(x) + \alpha^2 X(x) = 0$, is $X(x) = c_1 \cos(\alpha x) + c_2 \sin(\alpha x)$. Then $X'(x) = -\alpha c_1 \sin(\alpha x) + \alpha c_2 \cos(\alpha x)$ so $0 = X'(0) = \alpha c_2$ implies $c_2 = 0$. Also $0 = X(1) = c_1 \cos(\alpha) + c_2 \sin(\alpha) = c_1 \cos(\alpha)$ so the condition for a nontrivial solution is $\cos(\alpha) = 0$. Hence

$\alpha = \alpha_n = \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). Consequently the eigenvalues and eigenfunction of (6)-(7)-(8) are, respectively,

$$\lambda_n = \alpha_n^2 = \frac{(2n+1)^2 \pi^2}{4} \quad \text{and} \quad X_n(x) = \cos(\alpha_n x) = \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{2}\right) \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

Substituting $\lambda = \lambda_n = \frac{(2n+1)^2 \pi^2}{4}$ in (9) gives $T_n''(t) + \frac{(2n+1)^2 \pi^2}{4} T_n(t) = 0$, which has general solution $T_n(t) = c_1 \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi t}{2}\right) + c_2 \sin\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi t}{2}\right)$. Then

(10) gives $0 = T_n'(0) = \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2} c_2$ so $c_2 = 0$. That is, $T_n(t) = \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi t}{2}\right)$

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up to a constant factor.

(2) Observe that $u_n(x,t) = X_n(x)T_n(t) = \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi t}{2}\right)$ solves (1)-(2)-(3)-(5) and consequently a formal solution to (1)-(2)-(3)-(5) is

(4) (11)
$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi t}{2}\right)$$

where c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots are arbitrary constants. To solve (4) as well, we need

(1) (12)
$$1-x^2 = u(x,0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{2}\right) \quad \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

If we choose ^{the} c_n 's to be the Fourier coefficients of $f(x) = 1-x^2$ with

(2) respect to $\Phi = \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{2}\right) \right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ on $[0,1]$, then problem 2 shows that

(2) holds. Thus

(2)
$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{32(-1)^n \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi t}{2}\right)}{(2n+1)^3 \pi^3}$$

solves (1)-(2)-(3)-(4)-(5).

Note: Energy methods can be used to show that this solution is unique.

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Convergence Theorems

Consider the eigenvalue problem

$$(1) \quad X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0 \text{ in } a < x < b \text{ with any symmetric boundary conditions}$$

and let $\Phi = \{X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots\}$ be a complete orthogonal set of eigenfunctions for (1). Let f be any absolutely integrable function defined on $a \leq x \leq b$. Consider the Fourier series for f with respect to Φ :

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n X_n(x)$$

where

$$A_n = \frac{\langle f, X_n \rangle}{\langle X_n, X_n \rangle} \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots).$$

Theorem 2. (Uniform Convergence) If

(i) $f(x)$, $f'(x)$, and $f''(x)$ exist and are continuous for $a \leq x \leq b$ and

(ii) f satisfies the given symmetric boundary conditions,

then the Fourier series of f converges uniformly to f on $[a, b]$.

Theorem 3. (L^2 -Convergence) If

$$\int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty$$

then the Fourier series of f converges to f in the mean-square sense in (a, b) .

Theorem 4. (Pointwise Convergence of Classical Fourier Series)

(i) If f is a continuous function on $a \leq x \leq b$ and f' is piecewise continuous on $a \leq x \leq b$, then the classical Fourier series (full, sine, or cosine) at x converges pointwise to $f(x)$ in the open interval $a < x < b$.

(ii) If f is a piecewise continuous function on $a \leq x \leq b$ and f' is piecewise continuous on $a \leq x \leq b$, then the classical Fourier series (full, sine, or cosine) converges pointwise at every point x in $(-\infty, \infty)$. The sum of the Fourier series is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n X_n(x) = \frac{f(x^+) + f(x^-)}{2}$$

for all x in the open interval (a, b) .

Theorem 4 ∞ . If f is a function of period $2l$ on the real line for which f and f' are piecewise continuous, then the classical full Fourier series converges to $\frac{f(x^+) + f(x^-)}{2}$ for every real x .

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$$n = 32$$

$$\text{median} = 65.5$$

$$\text{mean} = 67.0$$

$$\text{standard deviation} = 22.1$$

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