

1.(33 pts.) (a) Show that the Fourier sine series of  $f(x) = x$  on the unit interval  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  is

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \sin(n\pi x)}{n}$$

(b) For which values of  $x$  in  $[0,1]$  does the Fourier sine series of  $f(x) = x$  converge pointwise to  $f(x)$ ? Justify your answer.

(c) Does the Fourier sine series of  $f(x) = x$  converge in the mean square sense on  $[0,1]$ ? Why?

(d) Does the Fourier sine series of  $f(x) = x$  converge uniformly on  $[0,1]$ ? Why?

(e) Apply Parseval's identity to find the sum of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ .

6 (a) 
$$b_n = \frac{\langle f, \sin(n\pi \cdot) \rangle}{\langle \sin(n\pi \cdot), \sin(n\pi \cdot) \rangle} = 2 \int_0^1 x \sin(n\pi x) dx = 2 \left( -\frac{x \cos(n\pi x)}{\pi} \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 -\frac{\cos(n\pi x)}{\pi} dx \right)$$

$$b_n = \frac{-2 \cos(n\pi)}{\pi} = \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{\pi} \quad \therefore \quad x \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^{n+1} \sin(n\pi x)}{\pi n}$$

7 (b)  $f(x) = x$  is continuous on  $[0,1]$  } Theorem 4(i) implies that the Fourier sine  
 $f'(x) = 1$  " " " " } series of  $f$  converges to  $f(x) = x$  for all  
 $x$  in  $(0,1)$ .

End points: If  $x=0$  then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^{n+1} \sin(n\pi \cdot 0)}{\pi n} = 0 = f(0)$ .

If  $x=1$  then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^{n+1} \sin(n\pi)}{\pi n} = 0 \neq 1 = f(1)$ .

The Fourier sine series of  $f(x) = x$  converges to  $f(x) = x$  for all  $x$  in  $[0,1)$ .

6 (c) Yes, by Theorem 3 the Fourier sine series converges to  $f(x) = x$  in the mean-square sense because  $\int_0^1 |f(x)|^2 dx = \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3} < \infty$ .

7 (d) No, the Fourier sine series does not converge to  $f(x) = x$  uniformly on  $[0,1]$  because the Fourier sine series of  $f(x) = x$  does not converge pointwise to  $f(x) = x$  at  $x=1$ .

7 (e)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |A_n|^2 \int_0^1 |\Sigma_n(x)|^2 dx = \int_0^1 |f(x)|^2 dx \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{\pi n} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$

$$\nabla^2 u = r^2$$

$$1 < r < 2$$

2.(33 pts.) Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  in the spherical shell  $1 < x^2 + y^2 + z^2 < 4$  with  $u$  vanishing on both the inner and outer boundaries.

Due to rotational invariance of the p.d.e., the region, and the b.c.'s, we assume that

$u = u(r, \theta, \phi) = u(r)$ , independent of the angles  $\theta$  and  $\phi$ . Thus

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \phi} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \phi} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = r^2$$

reduces to the o.d.e.  $\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) = r^2 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) = r^4 \Rightarrow r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{r^5}{5} + C_1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{r^3}{5} + C_1 r^{-2} \Rightarrow u = \frac{r^4}{20} - \frac{C_1}{r} + C_2 \quad 24 \text{ pts. to here.}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 0 = u(1) = \frac{1}{20} - C_1 + C_2 \\ 0 = u(2) = \frac{16}{20} - \frac{C_1}{2} + C_2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow 0 = \frac{15}{20} + \frac{C_1}{2} \Rightarrow C_1 = -\frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{31}{20}$$

$$\therefore u(r) = \frac{r^4}{20} + \frac{3}{2r} - \frac{31}{20} \quad 33 \text{ pts. to here.}$$

In rectangular cartesian coordinates the solution is

$$u(x, y, z) = \frac{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2}{20} + \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} - \frac{31}{20}$$

Note: A maximum principle argument shows that the above solution is the unique solution to the Poisson equation with Dirichlet boundary conditions.

3. (33 pts.) Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 0$  in the unit cube  $0 < x < 1$ ,  $0 < y < 1$ ,  $0 < z < 1$ , given that  $u(x, y, 1) = x \sin(2\pi y)$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ , and that  $u$  satisfies homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions on the other five faces of the cube.

$u(x, y, z) = X(x)Y(y)Z(z)$  in the homogeneous portion of the above problem leads to

$$-\frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = \frac{Y''(y)}{Y(y)} + \frac{Z''(z)}{Z(z)} = \lambda \quad \text{and} \quad -\frac{Y''(y)}{Y(y)} = \frac{Z''(z)}{Z(z)} - \lambda = \mu, \quad \text{and the b.c.'s}$$

$X(0) = 0 = X(1)$ ,  $Y(0) = 0 = Y(1)$ ,  $Z(0) = 0$ . Thus 18 pts. to here.

9 pts. to here.

$$\begin{cases} X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0, & X(0) = 0 = X(1) & \Rightarrow \lambda_l = (l\pi)^2, & X_l(x) = \sin(l\pi x) \quad (l=1, 2, \dots) \\ Y''(y) + \mu Y(y) = 0, & Y(0) = 0 = Y(1) & \Rightarrow \mu_m = (m\pi)^2, & Y_m(y) = \sin(m\pi y) \quad (m=1, 2, \dots) \\ Z''(z) - (\lambda + \mu)Z(z) = 0, & Z(0) = 0 & \Rightarrow Z_{l,m}(z) = \sinh(\pi z \sqrt{l^2 + m^2}) \end{cases}$$

27 pts. to here.

$$\therefore u(x, y, z) = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} c_{l,m} \sin(l\pi x) \sin(m\pi y) \sinh(\pi z \sqrt{l^2 + m^2}) \quad \text{is a formal solution}$$

to the homogeneous part of the problem. We want to choose the constants  $c_{l,m}$  in such a way that  $x \sin(2\pi y) = u(x, y, 1) = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} c_{l,m} \sinh(\pi \sqrt{l^2 + m^2}) \underbrace{\sin(l\pi x) \sin(m\pi y)}_{\sin(2\pi y)}$  for all  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ . By inspection, we

must have  $c_{l,2} \sinh(\pi \sqrt{l^2 + 4}) = b_l = l^{\text{th}}$  sine coefficient of  $f(x) = x$ , and all

other  $c_{l,m} = 0$ . By problem 1(a),  $c_{l,2} = \frac{b_l}{\sinh(\pi \sqrt{l^2 + 4})} = \frac{2(-1)^{l+1}}{\pi l \sinh(\pi \sqrt{l^2 + 4})}$ .

Therefore

$$u(x, y, z) = \sin(2\pi y) \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^{l+1} \sin(l\pi x) \sinh(\pi z \sqrt{l^2 + 4})}{\pi l \sinh(\pi \sqrt{l^2 + 4})}$$

33 pts. to here.

Note: A maximum principle argument shows that the solution above is the unique solution to  $\nabla^2 u = 0$  in the unit cube satisfying the Dirichlet boundary conditions.

Bonus (33 pts.): Let  $P = P(x, y, z)$  be a polynomial with real coefficients in the real variables  $x, y, z$  such that

- (1)  $\nabla^2 P = 0$  for all  $(x, y, z)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and
- (2) the polynomial  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  divides  $P(x, y, z)$ .

Show that  $P(x, y, z) = 0$  for all  $(x, y, z)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(General form of a polynomial in three variables.)

Write  $P(x, y, z) = \sum_{i, j, k} c_{i, j, k} x^i y^j z^k$  where the sum is over a finite number of nonnegative integers  $i, j$ , and  $k$ , and where each coefficient  $c_{i, j, k}$  is a real number. By hypothesis (2),

$$(*) \quad P(x, y, z) = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) Q(x, y, z) \quad \text{for all } x, y, \text{ and } z$$

where  $Q = Q(x, y, z)$  is a polynomial with real coefficients. Consider the differential operator  $P\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) = \sum_{i, j, k} c_{i, j, k} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^i \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)^j \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^k$  and similarly for  $Q\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)$ . Then using (\*) and (1) yields

$$\begin{aligned} (**) \quad P\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) P(x, y, z) &= \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}\right) Q\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) P(x, y, z) \\ &= Q\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) \left(\frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial z^2}\right) \\ &= 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y, \text{ and } z. \end{aligned}$$

Observe that  $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^l x^i = \begin{cases} \frac{i!}{(i-l)!} x^{i-l} & \text{if } 0 \leq l \leq i, \\ 0 & \text{if } i < l, \end{cases}$

$$so \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^l \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)^m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^n x^i y^j z^k = \begin{cases} \frac{i!}{(i-l)!} \frac{j!}{(j-m)!} \frac{k!}{(k-n)!} x^{i-l} y^{j-m} z^{k-n} & \text{if } 0 \leq l \leq i, 0 \leq m \leq j, \\ & \text{and } 0 \leq n \leq k, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Therefore

$$(***) \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^l \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)^m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)^n x^i y^j z^k \Big|_{(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 0)} = \begin{cases} i! j! k! & \text{if } (l, m, n) = (i, j, k), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Combining (\*\*) and (\*\*\*) , we see that

$$\sum_{i,j,k} i!j!k! c_{i,j,k}^2 = \left. P\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) P(x,y,z) \right|_{(x,y,z)=(0,0,0)} = 0.$$

Thus  $c_{i,j,k} = 0$  for all  $i, j$ , and  $k$ , and hence  $P(x,y,z) = 0$  for all  $x, y$ , and  $z$ .