

CAAM 336 · DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Homework 39 · Solutions

Posted Wednesday 13 November 2013. Due 5pm Wednesday 20 November 2013.

39. [25 points] Parts (a) and (c) of this question should be done by hand.

Let

$$f(x, t) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } x \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right), \\ 2 - 2x & \text{if } x \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right]. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Use the spectral method to obtain a series solution to the problem of finding the solution $\tilde{u}(x, t)$ to the heat equation

$$\tilde{u}_t(x, t) - \tilde{u}_{xx}(x, t) = f(x, t), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0$$

with Neumann boundary conditions

$$\tilde{u}_x(0, t) = \tilde{u}_x(1, t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

and initial condition

$$\tilde{u}(x, 0) = 0, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

- (b) Plot the approximations to $\tilde{u}(x, t)$ obtained by replacing the upper limit of the summation in your series solution with 20 for $t = 0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.5, 1, 2$.
- (c) By shifting the data and then using the spectral method, obtain a series solution to the problem of finding the solution $u(x, t)$ to the heat equation

$$u_t(x, t) - u_{xx}(x, t) = f(x, t), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0$$

with Neumann boundary conditions

$$u_x(0, t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

and

$$u_x(1, t) = 2, \quad t \geq 0$$

and initial condition

$$u(x, 0) = x^2, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

- (d) Plot the approximations to $u(x, t)$ obtained by replacing the upper limit of the summation in your series solution with 20 for $t = 0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.5, 1, 2$.

Solution.

- (a) [7 points] Let

$$\psi_0(x) = 1$$

and let

$$\psi_n(x) = \sqrt{2} \cos(n\pi x)$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$. The spectral method yields the series solution

$$\tilde{u}(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(t) \psi_n(x)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_0(t) &= \int_0^1 0 \, dx + \int_0^t \int_0^1 f(x, s) \psi_0(x) \, dx \, ds \\ &= \int_0^t \int_0^1 f(x, s) \psi_0(x) \, dx \, ds \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} a_n(t) &= \int_0^1 0 \, dx e^{-n^2 \pi^2 t} + \int_0^t e^{n^2 \pi^2 (s-t)} \int_0^1 f(x, s) \psi_n(x) \, dx \, ds \\ &= \int_0^t e^{n^2 \pi^2 (s-t)} \int_0^1 f(x, s) \psi_n(x) \, dx \, ds \end{aligned}$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 f(x, s) \psi_0(x) \, dx \\ &= \left(\int_0^{1/2} f(x, s) \, dx + \int_{1/2}^1 f(x, s) \, dx \right) \\ &= 2 \left(\int_0^{1/2} x \, dx + \int_{1/2}^1 1 - x \, dx \right) \\ &= 2 \left(\left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_0^{1/2} + \left[x - \frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_{1/2}^1 \right) \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{1}{8} - 0 + 1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} \right) \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{8}{8} - \frac{4}{8} - \frac{4}{8} + \frac{1}{8} \right) \\ &= \frac{4}{8} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} a_0(t) &= \int_0^t \int_0^1 f(x, s) \psi_0(x) \, dx \, ds \\ &= \int_0^t \frac{1}{2} \, ds \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{2} s \right]_{s=0}^{s=t} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} t. \end{aligned}$$

Also, for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 f(x, s) \psi_n(x) \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{2} \left(\int_0^{1/2} f(x, s) \cos(n\pi x) \, dx + \int_{1/2}^1 f(x, s) \cos(n\pi x) \, dx \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2\sqrt{2} \left(\int_0^{1/2} x \cos(n\pi x) dx + \int_{1/2}^1 (1-x) \cos(n\pi x) dx \right) \\
&= 2\sqrt{2} \left(\left[\frac{1}{n\pi} x \sin(n\pi x) \right]_0^{1/2} - \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_0^{1/2} \sin(n\pi x) dx + \left[\frac{1}{n\pi} (1-x) \sin(n\pi x) \right]_{1/2}^1 + \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_{1/2}^1 \sin(n\pi x) dx \right) \\
&= 2\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{1}{2n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_0^{1/2} \sin(n\pi x) dx - \frac{1}{2n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_{1/2}^1 \sin(n\pi x) dx \right) \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n\pi} \left(\int_{1/2}^1 \sin(n\pi x) dx - \int_0^{1/2} \sin(n\pi x) dx \right) \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n\pi} \left(\left[-\frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) \right]_{1/2}^1 - \left[-\frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) \right]_0^{1/2} \right) \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n\pi} \left(-\frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) + \frac{1}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{n\pi} \right) \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n^2\pi^2} \left(2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos(n\pi) - 1 \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

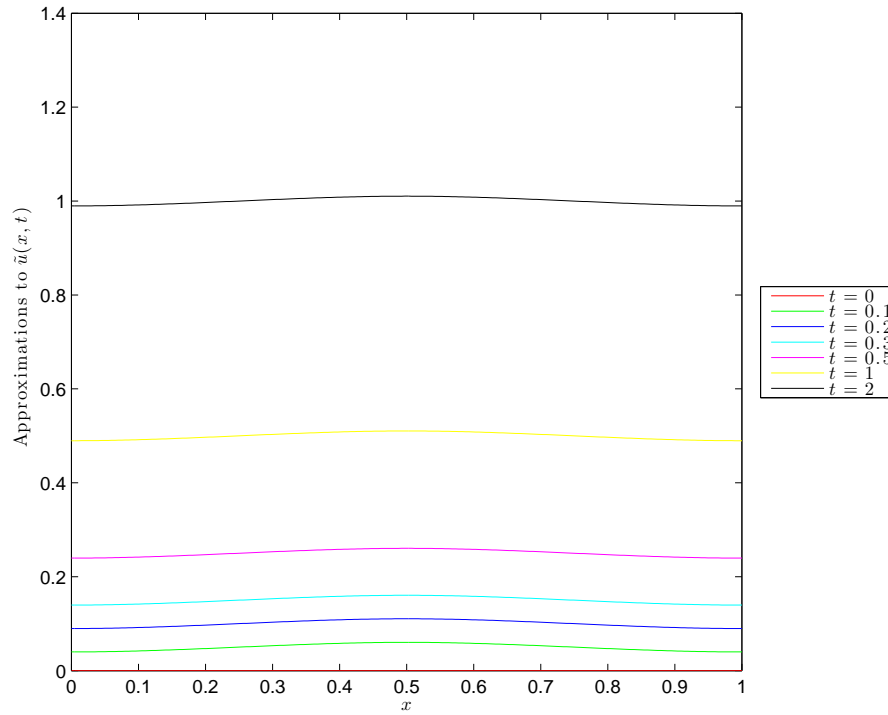
$$\begin{aligned}
a_n(t) &= \int_0^t e^{n^2\pi^2(s-t)} \int_0^1 f(x,s) \psi_n(x) dx ds \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n^2\pi^2} \left(2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos(n\pi) - 1 \right) \int_0^t e^{n^2\pi^2(s-t)} ds \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n^2\pi^2} \left(2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos(n\pi) - 1 \right) \left[\frac{1}{n^2\pi^2} e^{n^2\pi^2(s-t)} \right]_{s=0}^{s=t} \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n^2\pi^2} \left(2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos(n\pi) - 1 \right) \left(\frac{1}{n^2\pi^2} - \frac{1}{n^2\pi^2} e^{-n^2\pi^2 t} \right) \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n^4\pi^4} \left(2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos(n\pi) - 1 \right) \left(1 - e^{-n^2\pi^2 t} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Hence,

$$\tilde{u}(x,t) = \frac{1}{2}t + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^4\pi^4} \left(2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos(n\pi) - 1 \right) \left(1 - e^{-n^2\pi^2 t} \right) \cos(n\pi x).$$

(b) [5 points] The requested plot is below.



The above plot was produced using the following MATLAB code.

```
clear
clc
col = 'rgbcmyk';
x = linspace(0,1,200);
tvec=[0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.5 1 2];
figure(1)
clf
for j=1:length(tvec)
    U = zeros(size(x));
    t=tvec(j);
    U=U+t/2;
    for n=1:20
        U=U + 4*(2*cos(n*pi/2)-cos(n*pi)-1)*(1-exp(-n^2*pi^2*t))*cos(n*pi*x)/(n^4*pi^4);
    end
    legendStr{j}=['$t=' num2str(t) '$'];
    plot(x,U,col(j))
    hold on
end
legend(legendStr,'interpreter','latex','location','eastoutside')
xlabel('$x$', 'interpreter','latex')
ylabel('Approximations to $\tilde{u}(x,t)$', 'interpreter','latex')
saveas(figure(1), 'hw39b.eps', 'eps')
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(c) [8 points] Let

$$w(x) = x^2$$

so that

$$w'(0) = 0$$

and

$$w'(1) = 2.$$

Moreover, let $\hat{u}(x, t)$ be such that

$$\hat{u}_t(x, t) - \hat{u}_{xx}(x, t) = f(x, t) + w''(x) = f(x, t) + 2, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0;$$

$$\hat{u}(0, t) = \hat{u}(1, t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0;$$

and

$$\hat{u}(x, 0) = x^2 - x^2 = 0, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

Then $u(x, t) = w(x) + \hat{u}(x, t)$ will be such that

$$u_t(x, t) - u_{xx}(x, t) = \hat{u}_t(x, t) - w''(x) - \hat{u}_{xx}(x, t) = f(x, t) + 2 - 2 = f(x, t), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0;$$

$$u_x(0, t) = w'(0) + \hat{u}_x(0, t) = 0 + 0 = 0, \quad t \geq 0;$$

$$u_x(1, t) = w'(1) + \hat{u}_x(1, t) = 2 + 0 = 2, \quad t \geq 0;$$

and

$$u(x, 0) = w(x) + \hat{u}(x, 0) = x^2 + 0 = x^2, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

The spectral method yields that

$$\hat{u}(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{a}_n(t) \psi_n(x)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}_0(t) &= \int_0^1 0 \, dx + \int_0^t \int_0^1 (f(x, s) + 2) \psi_0(x) \, dx \, ds \\ &= \int_0^t \int_0^1 (f(x, s) + 2) \psi_0(x) \, dx \, ds \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}_n(t) &= \int_0^1 0 \, dx e^{-n^2 \pi^2 t} + \int_0^t e^{n^2 \pi^2 (s-t)} \int_0^1 (f(x, s) + 2) \psi_n(x) \, dx \, ds \\ &= \int_0^t e^{n^2 \pi^2 (s-t)} \int_0^1 (f(x, s) + 2) \psi_n(x) \, dx \, ds \end{aligned}$$

for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Now,

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and in part (a) we computed that

$$\int_0^t \int_0^1 f(x, s) \psi_0(x) \, dx \, ds = \frac{1}{2}t$$

and so, for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$,

$$\int_0^t \int_0^1 (f(x, s) + 2) \psi_0(x) \, dx \, ds = \frac{1}{2}t + \int_0^t 2 \, ds = \frac{1}{2}t + [2s]_{s=0}^{s=t} = \frac{1}{2}t + 2t = \frac{1}{2}t + \frac{4}{2}t = \frac{5}{2}t.$$

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Also, for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$,

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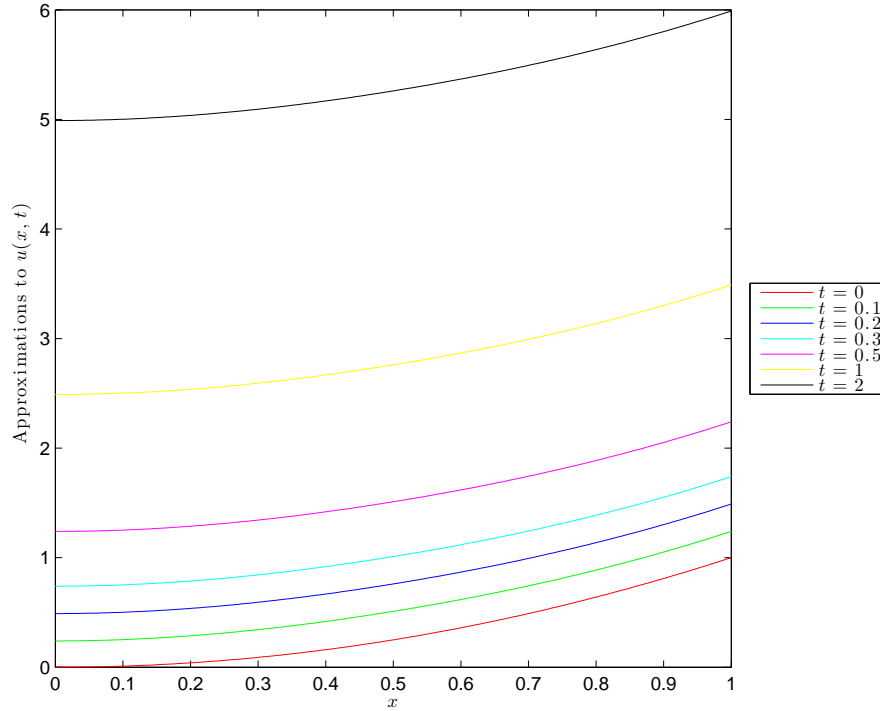
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Hence,

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