

Homework #7

Due: Wednesday, April 12

1. Use the Monotonicity theorem to obtain a lower and an upper bound on the lowest eigenvalue, λ_1 , of the problem (Sturm-Liouville EVP)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left((1+x^2) \frac{d\varphi}{dx} \right) + \lambda (1+x^2) \varphi = 0 \quad 0 < x < 1$$
$$\varphi(0) = 0 = \varphi(1)$$

2. Work through the details of getting a series representation of the solution to the following (slightly revised) problem from class:

$$\begin{cases} u_t = u_{xx} + e^{-t} \sin(3x) & 0 < x < \pi, t > 0 \\ u(0,t) = A(t), u(\pi,t) = 0 \\ u(x,0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$A(t)$ is a continuous, differentiable function with $A(0) = 0$.

3. Solve the following forced, damped, wave equation:

$$u_{tt} = u_{xx} - \beta u_t + q_0 \cos(\omega t) \quad 0 < x < 1, t > 0$$

$$u(0,t) = 0 = u(1,t)$$

$$u(x,0) = 0, u_t(x,0) = 0$$

ω, q_0, β are positive constants with $\beta < 2\pi$.