

(A). Solve the following elliptic partial differential equations using the Fourier transform technique

1. Dirichlet problem in the upper half plane  $y > 0$ .

Solve

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0, \quad -\infty < x < \infty, \quad y > 0$$

s.t.  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$ ,  $-\infty < x < \infty$ ;  
both  $u$  and  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$  vanish as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ ;  
and  $u$  is bounded as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ .  
( $u(x, y)$  is the potential function)

2. Neumann's problem in the upper half plane  $y > 0$ .

Solve

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0, \quad -\infty < x < \infty, \quad y > 0$$

s.t.  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, 0) = g(x)$ ,  $-\infty < x < \infty$ ;  
 $u$  is bounded  $y \rightarrow \infty$ ;  
both  $u$  and  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$  are bounded as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ .

3. Solve

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 0, \quad y > 0$$

s.t. both  $\phi(x, y)$  and  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}(x, y) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \rightarrow \infty$ ;

$$\phi(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0, & |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

(B). Solve the following parabolic partial differential equations

1. Solve the following heat conduction problem using the Laplace transform technique.  $u(x, t)$  denotes the temperature at the location  $x$  at any time  $t$ .

(a)  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ ,  $0 < x < \infty$ ,  $t > 0$   
subject to

- i.  $u(x, 0) = 0$ ,  $\forall x$
- ii.  $u(0, t) = u_0$ ,  $\forall t$
- iii.  $u$  is finite  $\forall x$  and  $\forall t$ .

(b)  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad 0 < x < \infty, \quad t > 0$   
subject to

i.  $u(x, 0) = 0, \quad \forall x$

ii.  $u(0, t) = 1, \quad \forall t$

iii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = 0, \quad \forall t.$

2. Solve 1-D heat conduction problem given by

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad 0 < x < \infty, \quad t > 0$$

subject to  $u(0, t) = 0, \quad \forall t; u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & x > 1 \end{cases};$

and  $u(x, t)$  is bounded  $\forall x$  and  $\forall t$

using the Fourier sine transformation technique.

3. Solve

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad 0 < x < \infty, \quad t > 0$$

subject to

(a)  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(0, t) = u_0, \quad \forall t$

(b)  $u(x, 0) = 0, \quad \forall x$

(c)  $u(x, t)$  is bounded  $\forall x$  and  $\forall t$

using the Fourier cosine transform technique.

4. Solve the 1-D heat conduction problem

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty, \quad t > 0$$

subject to

(a)  $u(x, 0) = f(x), \quad \forall x$

(b)  $u(x, t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

(c)  $u(x, t)$  is bounded  $\forall x$  and  $\forall t$

using the Fourier transform technique.

Take  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 1 \\ a, & x > 1 \end{cases}$  and obtain the particular solution.

©. Solve the following hyperbolic partial differential equations

1. Solve the 1-D wave propagation equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty, \quad t > 0$$

subject to

- (a)  $u(x, 0) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = 0, \quad \forall x;$
- (b)  $u(0, t) = f(t), \quad \forall t;$
- (c)  $u(x, t)$  is bounded  $\forall x$  and  $\forall t$

using the Laplace transform technique.

2. Solve the 1-D wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty, \quad t > 0$$

subject to

- (a)  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$  and  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = g(x), \quad \forall x;$
- (b) both  $u(x, t)$  and  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

using the Fourier transform technique.