



TMA4135 - MATEMATIKK 4D

Exercise #12

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Problem 1.

a)

The Riccati equation is non-linear in its original form because of the non-linear operation v^2 . Non-linear equations do not admit to superposition.

Problem 2.

a)

Burger's equation is nonlinear and inhomogeneous because of the non-linear operation $u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$.

b)

The Laplace equation in polar coordinates is linear and homogeneous because there are no nonlinear operations and no forcing.

c)

The Poisson equation is linear and inhomogeneous because of the $+2$ term.

d)

The convection-reaction is nonlinear because of the u^n term (unless n is 1). Also it is homogeneous.

e)

The one-dimensional heat equation with time-dependent heat source is linear, and inhomogeneous because of the time dependent heat source.

f) Bi-harmonic equation is linear and homogeneous.

Problem 3.

a) Given: $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}u - 2\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}u = 0$, BC $u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0$, and IC $u(x, 0) = x(x - \pi)$.
Now assume $u(x, t) = F(x)G(t)$. From this we know that

$$u(0, t) = F(0)G(t) = 0 \Rightarrow F(0) = 0$$

$$u(\pi, t) = F(\pi)G(t) = 0 \Rightarrow F(\pi) = 0 \quad , \quad (G(t) = 0 \text{ is trivial in both cases.})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} &= u_t = FG_t \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} &= u_{xx} = F_{xx}G \\ &\Rightarrow FG_t = 2F_{xx}G \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{F_{xx}}{F} = \frac{G_t}{2G} = c\end{aligned}$$

The last line is true, because if a function of space is equal to a function of time for all of space and time, they must be equal to a constant.

Now we can solve the ODE $F_{xx} = cF$. There are three cases to consider: $c = 0$, $c > 0$ and $c < 0$.

CASE I $c = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}F_{xx} &= 0 \\ F &= c_1x + c_2 \\ F(0) &= c_2 = 0 \\ F(\pi) &= c_1\pi = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = 0 \\ F &\equiv 0 \quad \text{Trivial solution.}\end{aligned}$$

CASE II $c > 0$:

Let $c = \lambda^2$

$$\begin{aligned}F_{xx} &= cF \\ F &= c_1e^{\lambda x} + c_2e^{-\lambda x} \\ F(0) &= c_1 + c_2 = 0 \Rightarrow c_2 = -c_1 \\ \Rightarrow F(\pi) &= c_1e^{\lambda\pi} - c_1e^{-\lambda\pi} \Rightarrow c_1(e^{\lambda\pi} - e^{-\lambda\pi}) \\ &\Rightarrow c_1 = 0 \\ F &\equiv 0 \quad \text{Trivial solution.}\end{aligned}$$

CASE III $c < 0$:

Let $c = -\lambda^2$

$$F_{xx} = cF$$

$$F = c_1 \cos \lambda x + c_2 \sin \lambda x$$

$$F(0) = c_1 \cos 0 + c_2 \sin 0 = 0$$

$$F(0) = c_1 = 0$$

$$F(\pi) = c_2 \sin \lambda \pi = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = n \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{F(x) = \alpha_n \sin nx \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots}$$

Now solve $G(t)$.

$$\frac{G_t}{G} = 2c = -2\lambda^2 = -2n^2$$

$$\ln G = -2n^2 t + \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{G(t) = \beta e^{-2n^2 t}}$$

Now finally we can express all solutions satisfying the heat equation with the boundary conditions:

$$u_n(x, t) = F(x)G(t) = B_n e^{-2n^2 t} \sin nx, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

B_n combines the constant terms. Since the heat equation is linear, we can write the superposition to capture all solutions.

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n e^{-2n^2 t} \sin nx$$

b)

Let $f(x) = u(x, 0) = x(x - \pi)$. Using this, we can find B_n uniquely, by finding the inner product with $\sin(kx)$. All these sine functions will be the basis for u . Note that \cos is not needed, because the inner product will be 0 with u anyway, since it contains $\sin(nx)$.

$$\langle u(x, 0), \sin(kx) \rangle = \langle f(x), \sin(nx) \rangle \quad (1)$$

$$\langle f(x), \sin(kx) \rangle = \int_0^\pi f(x) \sin(kx) dx \quad (2)$$

$$\langle u(x, 0), \sin(nx) \rangle = \int_0^\pi \sum_{n=0}^\pi B_n \sin(nx) \sin(kx) \quad (3)$$

In equation 3, the inner product will be 0 for all n except when $k = n$. This allows the expression to be simplified:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi \sum_{n=0}^\pi B_n \sin(nx) \sin(kx) &= B_n \int_0^\pi \sin(nx) \sin(nx) dx \\ &= B_n \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Using equation 1, we can find B_n :

$$\begin{aligned} B_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi f(x) \sin(kx) dx \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi x(x - \pi) \sin(kx) dx \end{aligned}$$
