Unit 7

LOS 1. Solve the heat equation using Fourier analysis

Problem:

$$u_t = u_{xx}$$

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

$$u(\pi,t) = k(t)$$

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

Method 1 (Fourier Analysis):

• Assume *u* is a solution and takes the form of the generic solution for periodic case:

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(t) f_n(x)$$
$$f_n = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0\\ \sin(nx) & n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$
$$u_t(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} v_n(t) f_n(x)$$
$$u_{xx}(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} w_n(t) f_n(x)$$

- All derivatives are square-integrable ($\in L_2$) and therefore have unique Fourier expansion. Assuming solution is smooth ($\in L_2$), the Fourier expansions above converge pointwise
- Evaluate v_n (assume we can interchange differentiation and integration):

 $u_t(x,t) = \sum (f_n, u_t) f_n$

$$\therefore v_n(t) = (f_n, u_t) = \int \bar{f}_n u_t dx$$

$$v_0 = \int_0^\pi u_t(x, t) \frac{dx}{\pi} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^\pi u(x, t) \frac{dx}{\pi}$$

$$v_n = \int_0^\pi \sin(nx) u_t(x, t) \frac{2dx}{\pi} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^\pi \sin(nx) u(x, t) \frac{2dx}{\pi}$$

$$\therefore v_n = \frac{d}{dt} u_n = u'_n(t)$$

• Evaluate w_n using integration by parts:

$$\frac{\pi}{2}w_n = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx)u(x,t)dx = \int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx)u_{xx}(x,t)dx$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2}w_n = \underbrace{\sin(nx)u_x(t)|_0^{\pi}}_{0} - n \int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx)u_x(x,t)dx$$

$$= -n \left[\cos(nx)u_x(t)|_0^{\pi}\right] - n^2 \int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx)u_x(x,t)dx$$

$$= -n[(-1)^n k(t) - h(t)] - n^2 \frac{\pi}{2}u_n(t)$$

• Establish that $w_n = u'_n(t)$:

$$v_n(t) = \frac{d}{dx}u_n(t) = u_t = u'_n(t)$$

$$w_n(t) = \frac{d^2}{dx^2}u_n(t) = u_x x$$

$$u_t = u_{xx}$$

$$v_n = w_n$$

$$u'_n(t) = w_n$$

$$\therefore u'_n(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(-n[(-1)^n k(t) - h(t)] - n^2 \frac{\pi}{2} u_n(t) \right)$$

$$u'_n(t) = -\frac{2n}{\pi} [(-1)^n k(t) - h(t)] - n^2 u_n(t)$$
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• Solve for (1) using ODE approach:

$$u'_n(t) + n^2 u_n(t) = -\frac{2n}{\pi} [(-1)^n k(t) - h(t)]$$

$$g' + n^2 g = H$$

• Solve homogeneous and then use Duhamel's principle:

$$g' = -n^{2}g$$

$$S(g)(t) = e^{-tn^{2}}g(0)$$

$$S(\phi)(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{\phi}_{n} f_{n} = u(x, 0)$$

$$u(x, 0) = \phi = 0$$

$$g(t) = \int_{0}^{t} S(t - s)H(s)ds + S(\phi)(t)^{-0}$$

$$u_{n}(t) = \frac{2n}{\pi} \int_{0}^{t} e^{-(t - s)n^{2}} [h(s) - (-1)^{n}k(s)]ds$$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_{n}(t)f_{n}(x)$$

$$u(x, t) = u_{0}(t)f_{0}(x) + \sum_{n>1}^{\infty} u_{n}(t)\sin(nx)$$

- LOS 2. Solve the heat equation using transformation onto a source equation
- LOS 3. Solve homogeneous heat equation in higher dimensions using Fourier analysis
- LOS 4. Solve nonhomogeneous heat equation in higher dimensions using Fourier analysis
- LOS 5. Understand the polar coordinates in higher dimensions
- LOS 6. Determine solution of wave equation using Fourier transforms
- LOS 7. Determine solution of wave equation using polar coordinates
- LOS 8. Find the solution of wave equation using spherical means method
- LOS 9. Understand the concept of special relativity
- LOS 10. Solve the Schrödinger equation
- LOS 11. Understand the idea of self-adjoint operator for the Laplace operator
- LOS 12. Understand the divergence theorem and Green's Identity
- LOS 13. Understand the method of separation of variables for heat and wave equation