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HW 20

CASE 1. $\alpha_2\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta_2 + \beta_1\beta_2 \neq 0$

Given the problem:

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \text{PDE} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + f(x, t) & 0 < x < 1, & 0 < t < \infty \\
 \text{BC} & g_1(t) = \alpha_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) + \beta_1 u(0, t) & & 0 < t < \infty \\
 & g_2(t) = \alpha_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(1, t) + \beta_2 u(1, t) & \alpha_1^2 + \beta_1^2 \neq 0 & \alpha_2^2 + \beta_2^2 \neq 0 \\
 \text{IC} & u(x, 0) = \phi(x) & 0 < x < 1 &
 \end{array}$$

Introduce the change of variables

$$\bullet u(x, t) = w(x, t) + a(t)x + b(t)(1 - x)$$

where $a(t), b(t)$ are to be determined so that $w(x, t)$ satisfies the homogeneous BC:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{BC} & \alpha_1 \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(0, t) + \beta_1 w(0, t) = 0 \\
 & \alpha_2 \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(1, t) + \beta_2 w(1, t) = 0
 \end{array}
 \quad 0 < t < \infty$$

- (a) Assuming $a(t), b(t)$ can be found so that $w(x, t)$ satisfies homogeneous BC, give the resulting PDE and IC for $w(x, t)$. (State it in terms of $a(t), b(t)$ - solving for them is done next.)

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{PDE} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + f(x, t) \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < t < \infty \\
 & \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (w(x, t) + a(t)x + b(t)(1 - x)) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (w(x, t) + a(t)x + b(t)(1 - x)) + f(x, t) \\
 & \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + x \frac{da}{dt} + (1 - x) \frac{db}{dt} = \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (a(t)x)}_{\rightarrow 0} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (b(t)(1 - x))}_{\rightarrow 0} + f(x, t) \\
 & \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + x \frac{da}{dt} + (1 - x) \frac{db}{dt} = \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + f(x, t) \\
 \text{IC} & u(x, 0) = \phi(x) \quad 0 < x < 1 \\
 & \phi(x) = w(x, 0) + a(0)x + b(0)(1 - x)
 \end{array}$$

- (b) Show that homogeneous BC for $w(x, t)$ can be achieved (that is, a solution for $a(t), b(t)$ can be found) for *arbitrary* functions $g_1(t), g_2(t)$ in the original problem if and only if $\alpha_2\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta_2 + \beta_1\beta_2 \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_1(t) &= \alpha_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) + \beta_1 u(0, t) \\
 g_2(t) &= \alpha_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(1, t) + \beta_2 u(1, t) \\
 g_1(t) &= \alpha_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (w(0, t) + a(t) \cdot 0 + b(t)(1 - 0)) + \beta_1 (w(0, t) + a(t) \cdot 0 + b(t)(1 - 0)) \\
 &= \alpha_1 \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(0, t) + \beta_1 w(0, t) + \beta_1 b(t) \\
 g_1(t) - \beta_1 b(t) &= \alpha_1 \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(0, t) + \beta_1 w(0, t) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
g_2(t) &= \alpha_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (w(1, t) + a(t) \cdot 1 + b(t)(1 - 1)) + \beta_2 (w(1, t) + a(t) \cdot 1 + b(t)(1 - 1)) \\
&= \alpha_2 \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(1, t) + \beta_2 w(1, t) + \beta_2 a(t) \\
g_2(t) - \beta_2 a(t) &= \alpha_2 \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(1, t) + \beta_2 w(1, t) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

(c) Assuming $\alpha_2\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta_2 + \beta_1\beta_2 \neq 0$, give the solution for $a(t), b(t)$ in terms of $g_1(t), g_2(t)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
g_1(t) &= \beta_1 b(t) \\
\frac{1}{\beta_1} g_1(t) &= b(t) \\
g_2(t) &= \beta_2 a(t) \\
\frac{1}{\beta_2} g_2(t) &= a(t)
\end{aligned}$$