

MAE502 2011 Homework #5

Prob 1 (3 points)

For $u(x,t)$ defined on $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $t \geq 0$, solve the nonhomogeneous PDE

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \cos(\pi x)e^{-2t} + \cos(3\pi x)e^{-t},$$

with boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(I)} \quad u_x(0, t) &= 0 & \text{(II)} \quad u_x(1, t) &= 0 & (u_x \text{ is } \partial u / \partial x) \\ \text{(III)} \quad u(x, 0) &= 5 \cos(2\pi x) + 2 \cos(3\pi x). \end{aligned}$$

Use the solution to evaluate $u(x,t)$ at $(x,t) = (0.6, 0.1)$ and $(0.6, 0.3)$.

Prob 2 (4 points)

(a) For $u(x,t)$ defined on the infinite domain, $-\infty < x < \infty$, and $t \geq 0$, use Fourier transform method to solve the nonhomogeneous PDE

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -0.05 \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial x^4} + q(x, t),$$

with boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(I)} \quad u(x, t) \text{ and all its partial derivatives in } x &\text{ vanish as } x \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } x \rightarrow -\infty. \\ \text{(II)} \quad u(x, 0) &= P(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$q(x,t) \equiv R(x)S(t),$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(x) &= -1 \quad \text{if } -2 \leq x \leq -1 \\ &= 0 \quad \text{otherwise,} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S(t) &= 1 \quad \text{if } t \leq 1 \\ &= 0 \quad \text{if } t > 1, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= 1 \quad \text{if } 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ &= 0 \quad \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Evaluate and plot your solution as a function of x for $t = 0.3, 0.6, 1.0, 1.2$, and 1.5 . (This part is important and will account for at least 50% of the score.)