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**MAE 105 Homework #6**  
**Due: Tuesday, 05/12/09**

**PROBLEM 1 (5 Points):**

Consider the diffusion equation in a rectangular region,

$$\frac{\partial u(x, y, t)}{\partial t} - \nabla^2 u(x, y, t) = 0, \quad 0 < x < L, \quad 0 < y < H, \quad t > 0, \quad (1)$$

with boundary conditions

$$u(x, 0, t) = 0, \quad u(x, H, t) + \alpha \frac{\partial u(x, H, t)}{\partial y} = 0, \quad u(0, y, t) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, y, t) = 0,$$

where  $\alpha$  is a constant, and the initial condition,

$$u(x, y, 0) = \beta(x, y).$$

- (a) (0.5 Point) Set  $u(x, y, t) = h(t) \phi(x, y)$ . Find the ODE for  $h(t)$  and the PDE for  $\phi(x, y)$ .
- (b) (0.5 Point) Find the general solution for  $h(t)$  which decays in time.
- (c) (1 Point) Set  $\phi(x, y) = f(x) g(y)$ . Find the ODE's for  $f(x)$  and  $g(y)$ , and the boundary conditions for each of these functions.
- (d) (0.5 Point) For part (d) only, set  $\alpha = -1$ . Sketch how to find the eigenvalues for  $g(y)$  graphically.

**For the remaining part of this PROBLEM (parts (e) to (i)), set  $\alpha = 0$ .**

- (e) (0.5 Point) Apply the B.C.'s and find the general solution for  $f(x)$ .
- (f) (0.5 Point) Apply the B.C.'s and find the general solution for  $g(y)$ .
- (g) (0.5 Point) Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions associated with  $\phi(x, y)$ .
- (h) (0.5 Point) Write out the infinite series solution for  $u(x, y, t)$ .
- (i) (0.5 Point) Use the following expression for the initial condition to find the constants in the infinite series solution:

$$\beta(x, y) = 3 \sin(3 \pi y/H) \sin(2.5 \pi x/L).$$

**PROBLEM 2 (3 Points):**

Consider the following ODE:

$$y' + \alpha y = 0, \quad x > 0, \quad (*)$$

where prime denotes differentiation with respect  $x$ , and  $\alpha$  is a given constant. Consider a series solution of the form

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n.$$

- (a) Substitute the infinite series into the ODE and find all the  $a_n$ 's. Write down the final series solution.

- (b) Directly integrate the original ODE (\*) and find a closed-form solution.
- (c) Are the two solutions the same?

**PROBLEM 3 (3 Points):**

Consider the following ODE:

$$x y' + \alpha y = 0, \quad x > 0, \tag{**}$$

where prime denotes differentiation with respect  $x$ , and  $\alpha$  and  $A_0$  are given constants. Consider a series solution of the form

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n.$$

- (a) Substitute the infinite series into the ODE and try to find all the  $a_n$ 's, in the same manner as in Problem 1. What do you get, now?
- (b) Directly integrate the original ODE (\*\*) and find a closed-form solution.
- (c) Consider now the following series solution:

$$y = x^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n.$$

Substitute the infinite series into the ODE (\*\*) and show that the solution is now given by  $y = A_0 x^{-\alpha}$ , where  $A_0$  is a constant. [You must show what happens to all  $a_n$ 's!]

**PROBLEM 4 (3 Points):**

Consider the following ODE:

$$x^2 y' + \alpha y = 0, \quad x > 0, \tag{***}$$

where prime denotes differentiation with respect  $x$ , and  $\alpha$  and  $A_0$  are given constants. Consider a series solution of the form

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{-n}.$$

- (a) Substitute the infinite series into the ODE and find all the  $a_n$ 's. Write down the final series solution.
- (b) Directly integrate the original ODE (\*\*\*) and find a closed-form solution.
- (c) Are the two solutions the same?

**Note 1:** To receive full credit, *all steps must be neatly shown*. Writing down the final results will receive no credit.

**Note 2:** Homeworks must be turned in at the start of due-date class. Late homeworks will be graded but *will receive zero credit*.