

MA 401 Final Exam Review

1.1 PDE Models

Determine if a PDE is linear/nonlinear, homogeneous/nonhomogeneous

Verify that u is a solution to a PDE

Ex. p. 9-10 #2,3,4,5, 8 (I wouldn't give you the hint!)

1.2 Conservation Laws

Apply the [Method of Characteristics](#)

Solve [Separable d.e.](#)

Solve [1st Order Linear d.e.](#)

Know what it means to be a Cauchy problem

Remember and be able to apply [Calc 3 Chain Rule](#)

Ex. p.25-26 #5,6,8

1.3 Diffusion

Types of Boundary Conditions (i.e., Dirichlet vs Neumann vs Robin, homogeneous/nonhomogeneous)

Steady state solutions (time independent solutions)

Ex. p. 36-37 #4, 6

1.9 Classifications of PDEs

[Classify a PDE](#) as hyperbolic, parabolic, or elliptic

Change variables & solve the PDE

Ex. p. 76-77 #1,2,3,5

2.1 Cauchy Problem for the Heat Equation

Solve the Cauchy Problem for the Heat Equation in terms of the erf function

Ex. p. 86 #1a

2.2 Cauchy Problem for the Wave Equation

Utilize d'Alembert's solution to solve the Cauchy wave equation

Ex. p.90-91 #2,6

2.6 Laplace Transforms

Use Laplace Transforms in our table to solve PDEs on semi-infinite domains

Solve $ay''+by'+cy=0$ and $ay''+by'+cy=f$ (See examples 1,2,3bc, and 4 on this [worksheet](#) if you need a refresher)

See the [Laplace Transform Worksheet](#)

Ex. p. 115 #6,7,8,9

2.7 Fourier Transforms

Use Fourier Transforms in our table to solve PDEs on infinite domains

Apply the definition of convolution

See the [Fourier Transform Worksheet](#)

Ex. p. 122-123 #1,9,10,12

**** Power Series Solutions**

Use a power series expansion about $x=0$ to find a general solution for an ODE

State the recurrence relation for the coefficients

Be able to find the requested amount of nonzero terms

Ex. From the Handouts section of our moodle page: p. 443-444 #11,13,19,25,27,29,31

3.1 Fourier Method

Apply the product-sum formulas to evaluate integrals

3.3 Classical Fourier Series

Find the Fourier series, the Fourier cosine series, and the Fourier sine series

Find and graph an even or odd extension of a series

Determine the sum of a series at specified values of x

See the [Fourier Series Worksheet](#) & the homework for more examples

Ex. p. 153 #3(not including the frequency spectrum),5

4.2 Sturm-Liouville Problems

Determine all the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of a SLP

Utilize hyperbolic trig functions when necessary

See the [Sturm-Liouville Worksheet](#) for more examples

Ex. p. 177-179 #2,3,6

4.1 Overview of Separation of Variables

Use the in-class solution of the heat equation with $u(0,t)=u(L,t)=0$, find a specific $u(x,t)$

Use the in-class solution of the wave equation with $u(0,t)=u(L,t)=0$, find a specific $u(x,t)$

Apply the Method of Separation of Variables to solve PDEs with bounded spatial domains

Ex. p. 166 #1,2,3a & the homework

4.3 Laplace's Equation

Ex. p. 195 #1,2,5

4.7 Sources on Bounded Domains

Solve PDEs where the source term is of the form $f(x)$ and/or the boundary conditions are constants

See the [Sources Worksheet](#) for more examples

Ex. p. 214 #4, 5,7,8,9

