

### Solutions for Math 436 2016 Final

Question 1: The pde is

$$u_t - u_{xx} - u_x + au = 0.$$

To compute the stability index we assume a plane wave solution in the form

$$u = A \exp(ikx + \lambda t) + c.c..$$

Substitution into the pde yields

$$\lambda = -k^2 - a + ik \implies \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) = -k^2 - a.$$

Thus,

$$\Omega = \limsup_k [\operatorname{Re}(\lambda)] = -a.$$

Hence, if  $a > 0$ , the pde is *strictly stable*, if  $a = 0$ , the pde is *neutrally stable* and if  $a < 0$ , the pde is *unstable*.

Question 2a: The Fourier Series is defined as

$$\varphi(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\varphi, \varphi_k) \varphi_k(x).$$

Question 2b: The  $n^{th}$  partial sum is given by

$$\psi_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k) \varphi_k(x).$$

To show Bessel's Inequality, we begin with

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \|\varphi(x) - \psi_n(x)\|^2 = (\varphi - \psi_n, \varphi - \psi_n) = (\varphi, \varphi) - 2(\varphi, \psi_n) + (\psi_n, \psi_n) \\ &= (\varphi, \varphi) - 2 \left( \varphi, \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k) \varphi_k(x) \right) + \left( \sum_{m=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_m) \varphi_m(x), \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k) \varphi_k(x) \right) \\ &= (\varphi, \varphi) - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k) (\varphi, \varphi_k) + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k) (\varphi, \varphi_m) (\varphi_m, \varphi_k) \\ &= (\varphi, \varphi) - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2 = (\varphi, \varphi) - \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2 \\ &\implies \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2 \leq (\varphi, \varphi). \end{aligned}$$

Since the right-hand-side of this expression is independent of  $n$ , this inequality must hold for all  $n$  regardless of large it is, and thus in the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2 \leq (\varphi, \varphi).$$

*Question 2c:* Mean square convergence is defined as

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi(x) - \psi_n(x)\| = 0.$$

*Question 2d:* We must show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi(x) - \psi_n(x)\| = 0 \iff \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2 = (\varphi, \varphi).$$

From Question 2b, we have

$$\|\varphi(x) - \psi_n(x)\|^2 = (\varphi, \varphi) - \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2.$$

Thus, provided the limit exists,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi(x) - \psi_n(x)\|^2 = (\varphi, \varphi) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2.$$

Hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi(x) - \psi_n(x)\|^2 = 0 \implies \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2 = (\varphi, \varphi),$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\varphi, \varphi_k)^2 = (\varphi, \varphi) \implies \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi(x) - \psi_n(x)\|^2 = 0.$$

*Question 3:* Assume two solutions exist to the problem denoted by  $u_1(x, t)$  and  $u_2(x, t)$ , respectively, i.e.,

$$\partial_{tt}u_1 + \mathcal{L}u_1 = F(x, t), \quad x \in G, \quad t > 0,$$

$$u_1(x, 0) = f(x), \quad \partial_t u_1(x, 0) = g(x) \quad \text{for } x \in G,$$

$$\text{and } \alpha u_1 + \beta \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial n} = B(x, t) \quad \text{for } x \in \partial G, \quad t > 0,$$

and

$$\partial_{tt}u_2 + \mathcal{L}u_2 = F(x, t), \quad x \in G, \quad t > 0,$$

$$u_2(x, 0) = f(x), \quad \partial_t u_2(x, 0) = g(x) \quad \text{for } x \in G,$$

$$\text{and } \alpha u_2 + \beta \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial n} = B(x, t) \quad \text{for } x \in \partial G, \quad t > 0.$$

Define the difference  $w = u_1 - u_2$ , it follows that  $w$  satisfies

$$w_{tt} + \mathcal{L}w = 0, \quad x \in G, \quad t > 0,$$

$$w(x, 0) = 0, \quad w_t(x, 0) = 0 \text{ for } x \in G,$$

$$\text{and } \alpha w + \beta \frac{\partial w}{\partial n} = 0 \text{ for } x \in \partial G, \quad t > 0.$$

We form the energy equation

$$w_t w_{tt} + w_t \mathcal{L}w = 0 \implies \partial_t \|w_t\|^2 + 2(w_t, \mathcal{L}w) = 0,$$

and since  $\mathcal{L}$  is a *self-adjoint operator* it follows that  $(w_t, \mathcal{L}w) = (w, \mathcal{L}w_t)$ , so that the energy equation can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \|w_t\|^2 + (w_t, \mathcal{L}w) + (w, \mathcal{L}w_t) &= 0 \implies \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [\|w_t\|^2 + (w, \mathcal{L}w)] = 0 \\ \implies \|w_t\|^2 + (w, \mathcal{L}w) &= [\|w_t\|^2 + (w, \mathcal{L}w)]_{t=0} = 0 \\ \implies \|w_t\|^2 &= -(w, \mathcal{L}w) \leq 0, \end{aligned}$$

since  $\mathcal{L}$  is a *positive operator*, i.e.,  $(w, \mathcal{L}w) \geq 0$ . Hence

$$\|w_t\| = 0 \implies w_t = 0 \implies w(x, t) = w(x, 0) = 0.$$

*Question 3a:* The result follows from direct substitution upon noting that

$$u_{\phi\phi} + \cot(\phi) u_{\phi} = -2 \cos(\phi) v(r, t).$$

*Question 3b:* From the Useful Formulae sheet, we have

$$j_1(\lambda) = 0 = \frac{\sin(\lambda)}{\lambda^2} - \frac{\cos(\lambda)}{\lambda} \implies \tan(\lambda) = \lambda.$$

*Question 3c:* To show the orthogonality relationship we begin with the pair of equations

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dj_1(\lambda_n r)}{dr} \right) + (\lambda_n^2 r^2 - 2) j_1(\lambda_n r) = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dj_1(\lambda_m r)}{dr} \right) + (\lambda_m^2 r^2 - 2) j_1(\lambda_m r) = 0. \quad (2)$$

Multiplying (1) by  $j_1(\lambda_m r)$  and (2)  $j_1(\lambda_n r)$  and subtracting, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &(\lambda_m^2 - \lambda_n^2) r^2 j_1(\lambda_n r) j_1(\lambda_m r) \\ &= j_1(\lambda_m r) \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dj_1(\lambda_n r)}{dr} \right) - j_1(\lambda_n r) \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dj_1(\lambda_m r)}{dr} \right), \end{aligned}$$

which if we integrate with respect to  $r$  over the interval  $(0, 1)$ , yields

$$\begin{aligned}
& (\lambda_m^2 - \lambda_n^2) \int_0^1 r^2 j_1(\lambda_n r) j_1(\lambda_m r) dr \\
&= \left[ r^2 \left( j_1(\lambda_m r) \frac{dj_1(\lambda_n r)}{dr} - j_1(\lambda_n r) \frac{dj_1(\lambda_m r)}{dr} \right) \right]_0^1 = 0 \\
&\implies \int_0^1 r^2 j_1(\lambda_n r) j_1(\lambda_m r) dr = 0 \text{ if } \lambda_m \neq \lambda_n, \text{ i.e., } n \neq m.
\end{aligned}$$

*Question 3d:* To show this relationship, we use the formula

$$j_1(x) = -\frac{d}{dx} j_0(x).$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^1 r^2 j_1^2(\lambda_n r) dr = -\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^1 r^2 j_1(\lambda_n r) \frac{d}{dr} j_0(\lambda_n r) dr \\
&= -\frac{1}{\lambda_n} [r^2 j_1(\lambda_n r) j_0(\lambda_n r)]_0^1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^1 j_0(\lambda_n r) \frac{d}{dr} [r^2 j_1(\lambda_n r)] dr \\
&= \frac{1}{\lambda_n^3} \int_0^1 \frac{\sin(\lambda_n r)}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left[ \frac{\sin(\lambda_n r)}{\lambda_n} - r \cos(\lambda_n r) \right] dr \\
&= \frac{1}{\lambda_n^3} \int_0^1 \frac{\sin(\lambda_n r)}{r} [\cos(\lambda_n r) - \cos(\lambda_n r) + r \lambda_n \sin(\lambda_n r)] dr \\
&= \frac{1}{\lambda_n^2} \int_0^1 \sin^2(\lambda_n r) dr = \frac{1}{2\lambda_n^2} \int_0^1 1 - \cos(2\lambda_n r) dr \\
&= \frac{2\lambda_n - \sin(2\lambda_n)}{4\lambda_n^3} = \frac{\lambda_n - \sin(\lambda_n) \cos(\lambda_n)}{2\lambda_n^3} = \frac{\sin^2(\lambda_n)}{2\lambda_n^2} = \frac{1}{2} j_0^2(\lambda_n).
\end{aligned}$$