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Problem 1 (20 pts)

Solve the following initial boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned}u_{xx} - 3u_{xt} - 4u_{tt} &= 0, \\u(x, 0) &= x^2, \\u_t(x, 0) &= e^x.\end{aligned}$$

Solution (Problem 1):

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Problem 2 (20 pts)

Part a. [10 pts] Solve the following second-order ODE boundary-value problem:

$$\begin{aligned}u'' + \frac{1}{x}u' &= x^2, & 1 \leq x \leq 2, \\u(1) &= 1, \\u(2) &= 1.\end{aligned}$$

Part b. [5 pts] Denote by r the radial variable in polar coordinates ($x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$; notice that $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$). Using the chain rule, show that for radial functions the Laplace operator in 2D, $\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy}$, is given in polar coordinates by

$$\Delta u = \frac{1}{r}(ru_r)_r = u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r.$$

Part c. [5 pts] Find a solution to the boundary value problem:

$$\begin{aligned}u_{xx} + u_{yy} &= x^2 + y^2, & 1 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 4, \\u(x, y) &= 1 \text{ on } x^2 + y^2 = 1, \\u(x, y) &= 1 \text{ on } x^2 + y^2 = 4.\end{aligned}$$

Hint: Use polar coordinates and look for solutions $u(r, \theta) = u(r)$, i.e., independent of θ (thus, $u_\theta = 0$). You might use parts a) and b).

Part d. (Extra credit: Optional) [5 pts] Show that the BVP in part c) has a unique solution. Thus, the solution in part c) is *the* solution.

Hint: You might need to use the integration by parts formula

$$\int_D u(x, y)\Delta u(x, y)dxdy = - \int_D |\nabla u(x, y)|^2dxdy + \int_{\partial D} u(s)\vec{n}(s) \cdot \nabla u(s)ds,$$

where D is a bounded domain, ∂D its boundary and \vec{n} the outward normal vector.

Solution (Problem 2):

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Problem 3 (20 pts)

Solve

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(y)u_x + 2u_y + u &= 1, \\ u(0, y) &= \cos(y),\end{aligned}$$

and find the region of the xy plane in which the solution is uniquely determined.

Solution (Problem 3):

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Problem 4 (20 pts)

Consider the diffusion equation $u_t = u_{xx}$ in $0 \leq x \leq 1, t \geq 0$ with $u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0$ and $u(x, 0) = 4x(1 - x)$.

Part a. [5 pts] Show that $0 < u(x, t) < 1$ for all $t > 0$ and $0 < x < 1$.

Part b. [7] Show that $u(x, t) = u(1 - x, t)$ for all $t \geq 0$ and $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

Part c. [8 pts] Use the energy method to show that $\int_0^1 (u(x, t))^2 dx$ is a *strictly* decreasing function of t .

Solution (Problem 4):

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Problem 5 (15 pts)

Suppose $u(x, t)$ satisfies the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned}u_t &= u_{xx} - 3u, & \text{for } 0 < x < 1, t > 0, \\u(x, 0) &= x(1 - x), & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \\u(0, t) &= u(1, t) = 0, & \text{for } t > 0.\end{aligned}$$

Define the total heat energy by

$$E(t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 u^2(x, t) dx.$$

Part a. [7.5] Show that $E(t)$ is a non-increasing function of t .

Part b. [7.5] Show that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} E(t) = 0.$$

(*Hint for part (b)*: Show that $\frac{dE}{dt} \leq -6E$, then solve this differential inequality).

Solution (Problem 5):

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Problem 6 (5 pts) Choose only one of the following three questions (if you do a second one, it will count as extra credit. A third one would be disregarded)

Option 1. [5 pts] Give a proof of the weak maximum principle for the Laplace equation on a rectangle:

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq a, \quad 0 \leq y \leq b.$$

The weak maximum principle here says: if $u(x, y)$ is a solution, then the maximum of $u(x, y)$ on the whole rectangle $0 \leq x \leq a, 0 \leq y \leq b$ is equal to the maximum of $u(x, y)$ on the boundaries (i.e., on $x = 0$ or $x = a$ or $y = 0$ or $y = b$).

Hint: Proceed as in the heat equation, by defining an auxiliary function $v(x, y) = u(x, y) + \varepsilon|x|^2 = u(x, y) + \varepsilon(x^2 + y^2)$ ($\varepsilon > 0$).

Option 2. [5 pts] Consider a fluid flowing along an horizontal pipe of fixed cross section in the positive x direction, with *variable velocity* $c(x)$. If a substance is suspended in the water, with $u(x, t)$ its concentration at time t , deduce from the physical principle of mass conservation the partial differential equation that models the evolution of $u(x, t)$.

Option 3. [5 pts] Solve the Burger's equations $u_t + uu_x = 0$ with initial data

$$u(x, 0) = \phi(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x < 0, \\ 2 & \text{if } x > 0. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Where is your solution uniquely defined?

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