

Dr. Z.'s Calc5 Cheatsheet

FINAL VERSION

[Note: This is the **only** sheet allowed in any of the quizzes and exams. No calculators of course!]

Version of Dec. 12 ,2011 (adding Euler's formula $e^{iz} = \cos z + i \sin z$ and $\cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}$, $\sin z = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}$).

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Calc(-1) Reminders: The roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ are $(-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac})/2a$.

Calc0 Reminders:

$$\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1 \quad , \quad \sin(x+y) = \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y \quad , \quad \cos(x+y) = \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y \quad ,$$

$$\cos 2x = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x \quad , \quad \sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x \quad , \quad \cos^2 x = \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} \quad , \quad \sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2} \quad .$$

$$\cos A \cos B = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A-B) + \cos(A+B)) \quad , \quad \sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B)) \quad .$$

If n is an integer:

$$\sin n\pi = 0 \quad , \quad \cos n\pi = (-1)^n \quad , \quad \sin(n + \frac{1}{2})\pi = (-1)^n \quad , \quad \cos(n + \frac{1}{2})\pi = 0 \quad .$$

Calc1 Reminders: $(fg)' = f'g + fg'$, $(\frac{f}{g})' = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}$, $(f(g(x)))' = f'(g(x))g'(x)$.

$$(x^n)' = nx^{n-1}, (e^x)' = e^x, (\sin x)' = \cos x, (\cos x)' = -\sin x, (\ln x)' = \frac{1}{x}.$$

Calc2 Reminders: $\int uv' = uv - \int u'v$, $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n$, $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n$, $\int e^{cx} dx = \frac{e^{cx}}{c} + C$ (if $c \neq 0$), $\int \sin(cx) dx = -\frac{\cos(cx)}{c} + C$, $\int \cos(cx) dx = \frac{\sin(cx)}{c} + C$, (if $c \neq 0$), $\int \frac{1}{x-a} dx = \ln|x-a| + C$.

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots \quad .$$

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \dots \quad .$$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots \quad .$$

$$(1+x)^a = 1 + ax + \frac{a(a-1)}{2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{a(a-1)\cdots(a-n+1)}{n!}x^n + \dots \quad .$$

$$\ln(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n} + \dots \quad .$$

$$\int x e^{cx} dx = \frac{(-1+cx)e^{cx}}{c^2} + C \quad .$$

$$\int x^2 e^{cx} dx = \frac{(2-2cx+x^2c^2)e^{cx}}{c^3} + C \quad .$$

$$\int x^n e^{cx} dx = \frac{x^n e^{cx}}{c} - \frac{n}{c} \int x^{n-1} e^{cx} dx \quad .$$

$$\int_0^\infty x^n e^{-x} dx = n! \quad (n \text{ positive integer}) \quad .$$

$$\int e^{bx} \sin(ax) dx = -a \frac{\cos(ax) e^{bx}}{b^2 + a^2} + b \frac{\sin(ax) e^{bx}}{b^2 + a^2} \quad .$$

$$\int e^{bx} \cos(ax) dx = \frac{b \cos(ax) e^{bx}}{b^2 + a^2} + a \frac{\sin(ax) e^{bx}}{b^2 + a^2} \quad .$$

$$\int x \cos(ax) dx = \frac{\cos(ax) + x \sin(ax) a}{a^2} \quad .$$

$$\int x \sin(ax) dx = \frac{\sin(ax) - x \cos(ax) a}{a^2} \quad .$$

$$\int x^n \sin(ax) dx = -\frac{x^n \cos ax}{a} + \frac{n}{a} \int x^{n-1} \cos ax dx \quad .$$

$$\int x^n \cos(ax) dx = \frac{x^n \sin ax}{a} - \frac{n}{a} \int x^{n-1} \sin ax dx \quad .$$

$$\int_0^\infty x^n e^{-x} dx = n! \quad .$$

Polar \rightarrow Rectangular: $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$; Rectangular \rightarrow Polar: $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$.

Calc3 Reminders: $(f_x)_y = (f_y)_x$, $\text{grad } f = \langle f_x, f_y, f_z \rangle$, $\text{div } \langle F_1, F_2, F_3 \rangle = (F_1)_x + (F_2)_y + (F_3)_z$, $\text{curl } \langle F_1, F_2, F_3 \rangle = \langle (F_3)_y - (F_2)_z, (F_1)_z - (F_3)_x, (F_2)_x - (F_1)_y \rangle$.

Calc4 Reminders:

The general solution of $ay''(x) + by'(x) + cy(x) = 0$ (a, b, c real numbers) is $y(x) = Ae^{\alpha x} + Be^{\beta x}$ if α, β are roots of $ar^2 + br + c = 0$ and they are real and distinct. If $\alpha = \beta$ then the general solution

is $y(x) = Ae^{\alpha x} + Bxe^{\alpha x}$. If they are complex, $\mu \pm i\lambda$ then it is $y(x) = e^{\mu x}(A \cos \lambda x + B \sin \lambda x)$. In particular, the general solution of $y''(x) + \lambda^2 y(x) = 0$ is $y(x) = A \cos \lambda x + B \sin \lambda x$.

The general solution of $y''(x) - \lambda^2 y(x) = 0$ may be written either as $Ae^{\lambda x} + Be^{-\lambda x}$ or as $A \cosh \lambda x + B \sinh \lambda x$.

The **Cauchy-Euler** differential equation

$$r^2 R''(r) + rR'(r) - n^2 R(r) = 0 \quad ,$$

has the **general solution**

$$R(r) = C_1 r^n + C_2 r^{-n} \quad ,$$

when $n > 0$. When $n = 0$, the general solution is $R(r) = C_1 + C_2 \ln r$.

$$e^{iz} = \cos z + i \sin z, \quad \cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}, \quad \sin z = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}.$$

Laplace Transform

$$F(s) = \int_0^\infty f(t) e^{-ts} dt \quad ,$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{1\} = \frac{1}{s} \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{t^k\} = \frac{k!}{s^{k+1}} \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots) \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{e^{at}\} = \frac{1}{s-a} \quad ,$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sin kt\} = \frac{k}{s^2 + k^2} \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{\cos kt\} = \frac{s}{s^2 + k^2} \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{\sinh kt\} = \frac{k}{s^2 - k^2} \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{\cosh kt\} = \frac{s}{s^2 - k^2} \quad .$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s}\right\} = 1 \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^k}\right\} = \frac{t^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots) \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-a}\right\} = e^{at} \quad ,$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2 + k^2}\right\} = \frac{\sin kt}{k} \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2 + k^2}\right\} = \cos kt \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s^2 - k^2}\right\} = \frac{\sinh kt}{k} \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2 - k^2}\right\} = \cosh kt$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y(t)\} = Y(s) \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{y'(t)\} = sY(s) - y(0) \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{y''(t)\} = s(sY(s) - y(0)) - y'(0) = s^2 Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0) \quad \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{y^{(n)}(t)\} = s^n Y(s) - s^{n-1} y(0) - s^{n-2} y'(0) - \dots - y^{(n-1)}(0) \quad .$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{e^{at} f(t)\} = F(s-a) \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{F(s-a)\} = e^{at} f(t)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^k e^{at}\} = \frac{k!}{(s-a)^{k+1}} \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots) \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{e^{at} \sin kt\} = \frac{k}{(s-a)^2 + k^2} \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}\{e^{at} \cos kt\} = \frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 + k^2} \quad .$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s-a)^k}\right\} = \frac{t^{k-1} e^{at}}{(k-1)!} \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots) \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(s-a)^2 + k^2}\right\} = \frac{e^{at} \sin kt}{k} \quad , \quad \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{s-a}{(s-a)^2 + k^2}\right\} = e^{at} \cos kt$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t-a)\mathcal{U}(t-a)\} = e^{-as} F(s) \quad (if \ a > 0) \quad .$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-as} F(s)\} = f(t-a)\mathcal{U}(t-a) \quad (if \ a > 0) \quad .$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{t^n f(t)\} = (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n} F(s) \quad (n \text{ pos. integer}).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(f * g)(t) &= \int_0^t f(\tau)g(t - \tau) d\tau \quad . \\
\mathcal{L}\{f * g\} &= \mathcal{L}\{f(t)\}\mathcal{L}\{g(t)\} = F(s)G(s) \quad . \\
\mathcal{L}^{-1}(F(s)G(s)) &= (f * g)(t) \quad . \\
\mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau\right\} &= \frac{F(s)}{s} \quad , \\
\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{F(s)}{s}\right\} &= \int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau \\
\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t - t_0)\} &= e^{-st_0} \quad . \\
\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t)\} &= 1 \quad .
\end{aligned}$$

Orthogonal Functions

Two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ defined on an interval $[a, b]$ are **orthogonal** with respect to the **weight function** $w(x)$ if

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) w(x)dx = 0 \quad .$$

A set of functions $\phi_1(x), \phi_2(x), \phi_3(x), \dots$ is an **orthogonal set** over $[a, b]$ with respect to the **weight function** $w(x)$ if the ϕ_i 's are all orthogonal to each other, with respect to $w(x)$. In other words

$$\int_a^b \phi_m(x)\phi_n(x) w(x)dx = 0 \quad \text{whenever} \quad m \neq n \quad .$$

The **inner-product** of two functions $(f(x), g(x))$ over $[a, b]$ with respect to the weight function $w(x)$ is

$$(f, g)_w = \int_a^b f(x)g(x) w(x)dx \quad .$$

The **norm-squared** of a function $f(x)$ on an interval $[a, b]$ with respect to the weight-function $w(x)$ is

$$||f||_w^2 = (f, f)_w = \int_a^b f(x)^2 w(x)dx \quad .$$

A set of functions $\phi_1(x), \phi_2(x), \phi_3(x), \dots$ is **orthonormal** over $[a, b]$ with respect to the weight-function $w(x)$ if it is orthogonal and the norms are all equal to 1.

Fourier Series (over $(-\pi, \pi)$)

If a function $f(x)$ is defined over the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$, then its **Fourier series** is

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx \quad ,$$

where the number a_0 is given

$$a_0 := \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx \quad ,$$

and the numbers a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots and b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots are given by:

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx \quad ,$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx \quad .$$

Fourier Series (over $(-L, L)$) find the function $g(x) = f(xL/\pi)$, that is defined over $(-\pi, \pi)$, and then go back using $f(x) = g(x\pi/L)$.

A function $f(x)$ is **even** if

$$f(-x) = f(x) \quad .$$

A function $f(x)$ is **odd** if

$$f(-x) = -f(x) \quad .$$

If $f(x)$ is even then $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx$.

If $f(x)$ is odd then $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 0$.

Fourier Cosine Series (for Even Functions)

The Fourier series of an **even** function $f(x)$ on the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$ is the **cosine series** (no sines show up!)

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx \quad ,$$

where

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx \quad ,$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx \quad .$$

Fourier Sine Series (for Odd Functions) The Fourier series of an **odd** function $f(x)$ on the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$ is the **sine series** (no cosines show up!)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx \quad ,$$

where

$$b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx \quad .$$

Half Range Expansion If a function $f(x)$ is only defined on $(0, \pi)$, then we can extend it to $(-\pi, \pi)$ to either get an even function, and find its **cosine series**, or to an odd function and get its **sine series**. Both of them are supposed to converge to $f(x)$ in $(0, \pi)$.

The **complex Fourier series** of a function f defined on the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$ is given by

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx} \quad ,$$

where

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx \quad , \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \quad .$$

The **complex Fourier series** of a function f defined on a general interval $(-p, p)$ is given by

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{in\pi x/p} \quad ,$$

where

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2p} \int_{-p}^p f(x) e^{-in\pi x/p} dx \quad , \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \quad .$$

Sturm-Liouville Problem

A **Regular Sturm-Liouville Problem** on an interval $[a, b]$ is a **differential equation** of the form

$$\frac{d}{dx}[r(x)y'] + (q(x) + \lambda p(x))y = 0 \quad ,$$

subject to the **boundary conditions**

$$A_1 y(a) + B_1 y'(a) = 0 \quad ,$$

$$A_2 y(b) + B_2 y'(b) = 0 \quad .$$

Here p, q, r are continuous functions, and in addition $r'(x)$ should also be continuous. Also we need $r(x) > 0$ and $p(x) > 0$ on the interval $[a, b]$.

Singular Sturm-Liouville Problem on an interval $[a, b]$ is a **differential equation** of the above form but the condition that $r(x) > 0$ in $[a, b]$ is not always true, but then you only use some of the boundary conditions.

For most λ 's there is **no solution** (except for the “trivial solution” $y(x) = 0$). Those lucky ones for which there is a non-zero solution are called **eigenvalues** and the corresponding solutions are called **eigenfunctions**.

Sturm-Liouville Theorem: 1. For a regular Sturm-Liouville problem there exist an infinite number of eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \lambda_3 < \dots$$

such that $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$.

2. Each **eigenvalue** λ_i has just one corresponding eigenfunction $y_i(x)$ (up to a constant multiple)
3. All the eigenfunctions are **linearly independent**. In other words, there is no way that you can express one of them as a linear combination of other ones.
4. The eigenfunctions $\{y_i(x)\}$ are **orthogonal** over $[a, b]$ with respect to the **weight-function** $p(x)$.

Fourier-Legendre Series

The Legendre polynomials $\{P_n(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ are defined by the **generating function**

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x)t^n = (1 - 2xt + t^2)^{-1/2} \quad .$$

Another way to define them is via the **recurrence**

$$P_n(x) = \frac{2n-1}{n}xP_{n-1}(x) - \frac{n-1}{n}P_{n-2}(x) \quad ,$$

subject to the **initial values**:

$$P_0(x) = 1 \quad P_1(x) = x \quad .$$

The **Fourier-Legendre series** of a function $f(x)$ defined on the interval $(-1, 1)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n P_n(x) \quad ,$$

where

$$c_n = \frac{2n+1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) P_n(x) dx \quad .$$

Heat Equation

1. Both ends are at temperature 0:

The solution of

$$k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \quad , \quad 0 < x < L \quad , \quad t > 0$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} u(0, t) &= 0 \quad , \quad u(L, t) = 0 \quad , \quad t > 0 \\ u(x, 0) &= f(x) \quad , \quad 0 < x < L \quad , \end{aligned}$$

is

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{-k(n^2\pi^2/L^2)t} \sin \frac{n\pi}{L} x \quad ,$$

where

$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi}{L} x dx \quad .$$

2. Both ends are insulated

The solution of

$$k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \quad , \quad 0 < x < L \quad , \quad t > 0$$

subject to

$$u_x(0, t) = 0 \quad , \quad u_x(L, t) = 0 \quad , \quad t > 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) \quad , \quad 0 < x < L \quad ,$$

is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{A_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{-k(n^2 \pi^2 / L^2)t} \cos \frac{n\pi}{L} x \quad ,$$

where

$$A_0 = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx \quad , \quad A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi}{L} x dx \quad .$$

Wave Equation (Special case: $L = \pi$)

The solution of the boundary value wave equation

$$a^2 u_{xx} = u_{tt} \quad , \quad 0 < x < \pi \quad , \quad t > 0 \quad ;$$

$$u(0, t) = 0 \quad , \quad u(\pi, t) = 0 \quad , \quad t > 0 \quad ;$$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) \quad , \quad u_t(x, 0) = g(x) \quad , \quad 0 < x < \pi \quad .$$

is

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cos(nat) + B_n \sin(nat)) \sin(nx) \quad ,$$

where the numbers A_n and B_n are given by the formulas

$$A_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx \quad ,$$

$$B_n = \frac{2}{n\pi a} \int_0^{\pi} g(x) \sin nx dx.$$

Wave Equation (General Case)

The solution of the boundary value wave equation

$$a^2 u_{xx} = u_{tt} \quad , \quad 0 < x < L \quad , \quad t > 0 \quad ;$$

$$u(0, t) = 0 \quad , \quad u(L, t) = 0 \quad , \quad t > 0 \quad ;$$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) \quad , \quad u_t(x, 0) = g(x) \quad , \quad 0 < x < L \quad .$$

is

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi a}{L}t\right) + B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi a}{L}t\right) \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) ,$$

where the numbers A_n and B_n are given by the formulas

$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi}{L} x \, dx ,$$

$$B_n = \frac{2}{n\pi a} \int_0^L g(x) \sin \frac{n\pi}{L} x \, dx.$$

Boundary Superposition Principle for the 2D Laplace's Equation

If you have a complicated so-called *Dirichlet* boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xx} + u_{yy} &= 0 \quad , \quad 0 < x < a \quad , \quad 0 < y < b \quad , \\ u(0, y) &= F(y) \quad , \quad u(a, y) = G(y) \quad , \quad 0 < y < b \quad . \\ u(x, 0) &= f(x) \quad , \quad u(x, b) = g(x) \quad , \quad 0 < x < a \quad . \end{aligned}$$

You **break-it up** into two problems as follows.

First Problem: Find the solution, let's call it $u_1(x, y)$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} (u_1)_{xx} + (u_1)_{yy} &= 0 \quad , \quad 0 < x < a \quad , \quad 0 < y < b \quad , \\ u_1(0, y) &= 0 \quad , \quad u_1(a, y) = 0 \quad , \quad 0 < y < b \quad , \\ u_1(x, 0) &= f(x) \quad , \quad u_1(x, b) = g(x) \quad , \quad 0 < x < a \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Second Problem: Find the solution, let's call it $u_2(x, y)$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} (u_2)_{xx} + (u_2)_{yy} &= 0 \quad , \quad 0 < x < a \quad , \quad 0 < y < b \quad , \\ u_2(0, y) &= F(y) \quad , \quad u_2(a, y) = G(y) \quad , \quad 0 < y < b \quad , \\ u_2(x, 0) &= 0 \quad , \quad u_2(x, b) = 0 \quad , \quad 0 < x < a \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Once you solved these (already complicated!) two problems, the **final** solution, to the original problem, is simply

$$u(x, y) = u_1(x, y) + u_2(x, y) \quad .$$

In other words, just add them up!

Laplace's Equation in Polar Coordinates

The Laplacian Equation in two dimensions

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) u(x, y) = 0 \quad ,$$

phrased in the usual **rectangular coordinates** (x, y) , becomes, in **polar coordinates** (r, θ) ,

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \right) u(r, \theta) = 0 \quad .$$

Laplace Transform for 2D PDEs:

If $\mathcal{L}\{u(x, t)\} = U(x, s)$, then

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}\right\} = sU(x, s) - u(x, 0) \quad ,$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}\right\} = s^2 U(x, s) - su(x, 0) - u_t(x, 0) \quad .$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right\} = \frac{\partial U(x, s)}{\partial x}$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}\right\} = \frac{\partial^2 U(x, s)}{\partial x^2}$$

Fourier Integral

The **Fourier Integral** of a function $f(x)$ defined on the real line $(-\infty, \infty)$ is given by

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty [A(\alpha) \cos \alpha x + B(\alpha) \sin \alpha x] d\alpha \quad ,$$

where

$$A(\alpha) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) \cos \alpha x \, dx$$

$$B(\alpha) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) \sin \alpha x \, dx$$

Fourier Transform:

$$\mathcal{F}\{f(x)\} = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) e^{i\alpha x} dx = F(\alpha) \quad .$$

Inverse Fourier Transform:

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{F(\alpha)\} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty F(\alpha) e^{-i\alpha x} d\alpha = f(x) \quad .$$

Fourier Sine Transform:

$$\mathcal{F}_s\{f(x)\} = \int_0^\infty f(x) \sin \alpha x \, dx = F(\alpha) \quad .$$

Inverse Fourier Sine Transform:

$$\mathcal{F}_s^{-1}\{F(\alpha)\} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty F(\alpha) \sin \alpha x \, d\alpha = f(x) \quad .$$

Fourier Cosine Transform:

$$\mathcal{F}_c\{f(x)\} = \int_0^\infty f(x) \cos \alpha x \, dx = F(\alpha) \quad .$$

Inverse Fourier Cosine Transform:

$$\mathcal{F}_c^{-1}\{F(\alpha)\} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty F(\alpha) \cos \alpha x \, d\alpha = f(x) \quad .$$

If $\mathcal{F}\{f(x)\} = F(\alpha)$ then for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\mathcal{F}\{f^{(n)}(x)\} = (-i\alpha)^n F(\alpha) \quad .$$

If $\mathcal{F}_s\{f(x)\} = F(\alpha)$ then

$$\mathcal{F}_s\{f''(x)\} = -\alpha^2 F(\alpha) + \alpha f(0) \quad .$$

If $\mathcal{F}_c\{f(x)\} = F(\alpha)$ then

$$\mathcal{F}_c\{f''(x)\} = -\alpha^2 F(\alpha) - f'(0) \quad .$$

Euler's method for Numerically solving a first-order ode

For the **initial value problem**

$$y' = f(x, y) \quad , \quad y(x_0) = y_0 \quad ,$$

with **mesh-size** h , you define

$$x_n = x_0 + nh \quad , \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad ,$$

and compute, **one-step-at-a-time**

$$y_n = y_{n-1} + hf(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) \quad , \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

y_n is an **approximation** for $y(x_n)$. The smaller h , the better the approximation.

The Improved Euler method for Numerically solving a first-order ode

To solve the **initial value problem**

$$y' = f(x, y) \quad , \quad y(x_0) = y_0$$

with **mesh-size** h , you define

$$x_n = x_0 + nh \quad , \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad ,$$

and compute, **one-step-at-a-time**

$$\begin{aligned} y_n^* &= y_{n-1} + hf(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) \quad , \\ y_n &= y_{n-1} + h \frac{f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) + f(x_n, y_n^*)}{2} \quad , \quad n = 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Then y_n is an **approximation** for $y(x_n)$. The smaller h , the better the approximation.

Fourth-Order Runge-Kutta (RK4)

To approximate solutions of

$$y' = f(x, y) \quad , \quad y(x_0) = y_0 \quad ,$$

at $x_1 = x_0 + h, x_2 = x_0 + 2h, \dots, x_n = x_0 + nh$ do the following, starting at y_0 , for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} k_1 &= f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) \\ k_2 &= f(x_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2}hk_1) \\ k_3 &= f(x_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2}hk_2) \\ k_4 &= f(x_{n-1} + h, y_{n-1} + hk_3) \quad , \end{aligned}$$

and finally

$$y_n = y_{n-1} + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) \quad .$$

Discretization of PDEs

The **discrete approximations** of the second derivatives with **mesh-size** h are:

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xx} &\approx \frac{1}{h^2}[u(x+h, y) - 2u(x, y) + u(x-h, y)] \quad , \\ u_{yy} &\approx \frac{1}{h^2}[u(x, y+h) - 2u(x, y) + u(x, y-h)] \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Numerical Solution of 2D Laplacian Dirichlet problems

The **five-point approximation** of the Laplacian $u_{xx} + u_{yy}$ (in 2D) is

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} \approx \frac{1}{h^2} [u(x+h, y) + u(x, y+h) + u(x-h, y) + u(x, y-h) - 4u(x, y)]$$

To **numerically** (approximately) solve the **Dirichlet** problem $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ in a region D with **boundary condition** $u(x, y) = F(x, y)$ along the boundary with mesh-size h , you set $u_{i,j} = u(ih, jh)$ and set-up a system of linear equation as follows.

For each (ih, jh) **inside** the region, you have an equation

$$u_{i+1,j} + u_{i,j+1} + u_{i-1,j} + u_{i,j-1} - 4u_{i,j} = 0 \quad ,$$

and for every **boundary point**

$$u_{i,j} = F(ih, jh) \quad .$$

Then do the linear algebra, and the solutions, $\{u_{i,j}\}$ would give you approximations for the values of the “real thing” at the interior points $\{(ih, jh)\}$.