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- **Organize your work**, in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.
- **Mysterious or unsupported answers will not receive full credit.**
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Problem	Points	Score
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1. (10 points) Find the solution to the system

$$\begin{aligned}x + 3y - 2z &= -7 \\4x + y + 3z &= 5 \\2x - 5y + 7z &= 19.\end{aligned}$$

Ans:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & -7 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & -5 & 7 & 19 \end{bmatrix}$$

reduces to

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus letting  $z$  be the free variable, the general solution is  $[2 - z, z - 3, z]$ .

2. (10 points) Find the determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ b + c & a + c & a + b \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $a, b, c$  are some constants. (There are easier ways to answer this question than expanding using the determinant rule. Expansion still works if you keep your arithmetic right).

Ans: Replacing R3 with the sum of R2 and R3 does not change the determinant. On the other hand,

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a & b & c \\ a + b + c & a + b + c & a + b + c \end{bmatrix}$$

has determinant  $\det(A') = 0$  because R1 and R3 are dependent. Thus the original determinant is also 0.

3. (10 points) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Ans: The equation  $(4 - \lambda)(-5 - \lambda) = 0$  has solutions  $\lambda = 4, -5$ . These are the eigenvalues. If  $\lambda = 4$ ,  $A - \lambda I$  is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 8 \\ 0 & -9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus an eigenvector is  $[1, 0]^T$ . If  $\lambda = -5$ ,  $A - \lambda I$  is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus an eigenvector is  $[-8, 9]^T$ .

4. (10 points) Solve the following initial value problem for  $y(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} y'' + 4y &= \cos(2t), \\ y(0) &= 1, y'(0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Taking Laplace transform gives

$$s^2 Y(s) - s + 4Y(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + 4}.$$

Thus

$$Y(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} + \frac{s}{(s^2 + 4)^2}.$$

The derivative of  $\frac{2}{s^2+4}$  is  $-\frac{4s}{(s^2+4)^2}$ . Thus

$$y(t) = \cos(2t) + \frac{1}{4}t \sin(2t).$$

5. (10 points) Solving the following Volterra integral equation for  $f(t)$ :

$$f(t) + \int_0^t (t-s)f(s)ds = 1.$$

Ans: Taking Laplace transform gives

$$F(s) + \frac{F(s)}{s^2} = \frac{1}{s}.$$

Thus

$$F(s) = \frac{s}{s^2 + 1}.$$

That is  $f(t) = \cos(t)$ .

6. (10 points) Find a particular solution to the equation:

$$y'' + 4y = f(t),$$

where  $f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & , 0 < x < \pi/2 \\ -1 & , \pi/2 < x < \pi \end{cases}$  and  $f(t)$  is periodic with period  $2\pi$ . Does resonance happen in this problem?

Ans: The sine half-range expansion of  $f(t)$  is  $f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(nt)$  where

$$\begin{aligned} B_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin(nt) dt - \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \sin(nt) dt \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{n\pi} \left[ \sin\left(n\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - (\sin(n\pi) - \sin\left(n\frac{\pi}{2}\right)) \right] \\ &= \frac{4 \sin\left(n\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{n\pi}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $y(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n(t)$ , where  $y_n(t) = A_n \sin(nt)$ ,  $n \neq 2$  and plug in we have

$$A_n(4 - n^2) = B_n, n \neq 2.$$

Thus

$$A_n = \frac{B_n}{4 - n^2}, n \neq 2.$$

For  $n = 2$ , we have

$$y_2(t) = -\frac{B_2}{4} t \cos t.$$

Resonance happens in this problem.

7. Consider the set  $V$  of continuous functions on defined on  $[0, 1]$  with the property that

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx = 0$$

for any  $f$  in  $V$ .

- (a) (5 points) Give an example of a member of  $V$  (note that the function must be continuous).

Ans:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} - x$ .

- (b) (5 points) Is  $V$  a vector space? Explain.

Ans:  $V$  is a vector space: The function  $f(x) = 0$  is in  $V$ , it is close under addition and constant multiplication.

8. (10 points) Solve the following heat equation

$$u_t = u_{xx}, t > 0, 0 < x < \pi$$

with initial condition

$$u(0, x) = \begin{cases} 1 & , 0 < x < \pi/2 \\ 0 & , \pi/2 < x < \pi \end{cases}$$

and non-homogeneous Dirichlet condition

$$u(t, 0) = 0, u(t, \pi) = 1.$$

(Explicit Fourier coefficient is required).

Ans: Let  $u(t, x) = v(t, x) + \phi(x)$  where  $v(t, x)$  solves

$$\begin{aligned} v_t &= v_{xx}, t > 0, 0 < x < \pi \\ v(0, x) &= u(0, x) - \phi(x) \\ v(t, 0) &= v(t, \pi) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then we see that  $\phi(x)$  satisfies

$$\phi''(x) = 0, \phi(0) = 0, \phi(\pi) = 1.$$

Thus  $\phi(x) = \frac{x}{\pi}$ . Now

$$v(t, x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n e^{-n^2 t} \sin(nx),$$

where

$$B_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (u(0, x) - \frac{x}{\pi}) \sin(nx) dx.$$

We have

$$\int_0^{\pi} (u(0, x) \sin(nx) dx = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin(nx) dx = \frac{1 - \cos(\frac{n\pi}{2})}{n}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\int_0^{\pi} x \sin(nx) dx = -\frac{\cos(nx)}{n} x \Big|_0^{\pi} + \int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx) dx = -\frac{\pi \cos(n\pi)}{n}.$$

9. (10 points) Solve the following non-homogeneous wave equation

$$u_{tt} = u_{xx} - g, t > 0, 0 < x < \pi$$

where  $g$  is the gravitation constant with initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned} u(0, x) &= \begin{cases} 1 & , 0 < x < \pi/2 \\ 0 & , \pi/2 < x < \pi \end{cases} \\ u_t(0, x) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

and homogenous Dirichlet condition

$$u(t, 0) = u(t, \pi) = 0.$$

(Explicit Fourier coefficient is required).

Ans: Let  $u(t, x) = v(t, x) + \phi(x)$  where  $v(t, x)$  solves

$$\begin{aligned}v_{tt} &= v_{xx}, t > 0, 0 < x < \pi \\v(0, x) &= u(0, x) - \phi(x) \\v_t(0, x) &= 0 \\v(t, 0) &= v(t, \pi) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Then we see that  $\phi(x)$  satisfies

$$\phi''(x) = g, \phi(0) = 0, \phi(\pi) = 0.$$

Thus  $\phi(x) = \frac{g}{2}x(\pi - x)$ . Now

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

where  $B_n = 0$  because  $v_t(0, x) = 0$ . Thus

$$A_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (u(0, x) - \frac{g}{2}x(\pi - x)) \sin(nx) dx.$$

We computed  $\int_0^{\pi} u(0, x) \sin(nx) dx$  and  $\int_0^{\pi} x \sin(nx) dx$  in the previous problem. It remains to compute

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\pi} x^2 \sin(nx) dx &= -\frac{x^2}{n} \cos(nx) \Big|_0^{\pi} + \frac{2}{n} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos(nx) dx \\ &= -\frac{\pi^2}{n} \cos(n\pi) + \frac{2}{n} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos(nx) dx.\end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\pi} x \cos(nx) dx &= \frac{x}{n} \sin(nx) \Big|_0^{\pi} - \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} (1 - \cos(n\pi)).\end{aligned}$$

10. (10 points) Solve the following Laplace equation

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0, 0 < x < \pi, 0 < y < \pi$$

with non-homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}u(x, 0) &= u(\pi, y) = 0 \\ u(x, \pi) &= u(0, y) = 1.\end{aligned}$$

(Explicit Fourier coefficient is required).

Ans:  $u(x, y) = u^1(x, y) + u^2(x, y)$  where  $u_1(x, y)$  solves

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xx}^1 + u_{yy}^1 &= 0, 0 < x < \pi, 0 < y < \pi \\ u^1(x, 0) = u^1(0, y) &= 0 \\ u^1(x, \pi) = 0, u^1(\pi, y) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

and  $u_2(x, y)$  solves

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xx}^2 + u_{yy}^2 &= 0, 0 < x < \pi, 0 < y < \pi \\ u^2(x, 0) = u^2(0, y) &= 0 \\ u^2(x, \pi) = 1, u^2(\pi, y) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$u^2(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sinh(ny) \sin(nx)$$

where

$$A_n = \frac{2}{\sinh(n\pi)} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx) dx = \frac{2(1 - (-1)^n)}{\sinh(n\pi)}.$$

By symmetry between  $x, y$  we have

$$u^1(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sinh(nx) \sin(ny)$$

where

$$B_n = \frac{2}{\sinh(n\pi)} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(ny) dy = \frac{2(1 - (-1)^n)}{\sinh(n\pi)}.$$

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