

Solution Key for Assignment 2, 412, Applied PDE

2.2.2 (a)

$$\begin{aligned}L(c_1u_1 + c_2u_2) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[K_0(x)\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(c_1u_1 + c_2u_2)] \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[c_1K_0(x)\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} + c_2K_0(x)\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x}] \\ &= c_1L(u_1) + c_2L(u_2)\end{aligned}$$

2.2.2(b)

$$\begin{aligned}L(c_1u_1 + c_2u_2) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[K_0(x, c_1u_1 + c_2u_2)\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(c_1u_1 + c_2u_2)] \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[c_1K_0(x, c_1u_1 + c_2u_2)\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} + c_2K_0(x, c_1u_1 + c_2u_2)\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x}] \\ &= c_1\frac{\partial}{\partial x}[K_0(x, c_1u_1 + c_2u_2)\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x}] + c_2\frac{\partial}{\partial x}[K_0(x, c_1u_1 + c_2u_2)\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x}] \\ &\neq c_1L(u_1) + c_2L(u_2)\end{aligned}$$

2.3.2(a)

(i) if $\lambda > 0$, $\phi = c_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda}x + c_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}x$;
 $\phi(0) = 0$ implies $c_1 = 0$, while $\phi(\pi) = 0$ implies $c_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}\pi = 0$;

Thus $\sqrt{\lambda}\pi = n\pi$, $n = \lambda^2$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$;

(ii) if $\lambda = 0$, $\phi = c_1 + c_2x$;

$\phi(0) = 0$ implies $c_1 = 0$;

$\phi\pi = 0$ implies $c_2 = 0$;

There are no eigenvalues with $\lambda = 0$.

(iii) if $\lambda < 0$, $\phi = c_1e^{\sqrt{-\lambda}x} + c_2e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda}x}$;

$\phi(0) = 0$ implies $c_1 = -c_2$;

$\phi\pi = 0$ implies $c_1e^{\sqrt{-\lambda}\pi} + c_2e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda}\pi} = 0$,

which means there are no eigenvalues with $\lambda < 0$.

2.3.2(c)

(i) if $\lambda > 0$, $\phi = c_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda}x + c_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}x$;

$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(0) = 0$ implies $c_2 = 0$;

$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(L) = 0$ implies $\sqrt{\lambda}L = k\pi$, i.e. $\lambda = \frac{k^2\pi^2}{L^2}$

(ii) if $\lambda = 0$, $\phi = c_1 + c_2x$;

$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(0) = 0$ and $\frac{d\phi}{dx}(L) = 0$ implies $c_2 = 0$;

$\phi = c_1$.

(iii) if $\lambda < 0$, $\phi = c_1e^{\sqrt{-\lambda}x} + c_2e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda}x}$;

$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(0) = 0$ implies $c_1 = c_2$;

$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(L) = 0$ implies $\sqrt{\lambda} = 0$

there are no eigenvalues with $\lambda < 0$.

2.3.3(a)

$u(x, t) = \phi(x)G(t)$,

we have $\frac{1}{G}\frac{dG}{dt} = k\frac{1}{\phi}\frac{d^2\phi}{dx^2} = -\lambda$, it implies $G(t) = c_1e^{-\lambda t}$;

$k\frac{d^2\phi}{dx^2} + \lambda\phi = 0$; if $\lambda > 0$, $\phi(x) = c_1 \cos \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}}x + c_2 \sin \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}}x$;

$\phi(0) = c_1 = 0$ and $\phi(L) = c_2 \sin \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}}L = 0$, thus $\lambda = k(\frac{n\pi}{L})^2$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Hence $u(x, t) = c_1e^{-\lambda t}c_2 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$, from $u(x, 0) = 6 \sin \frac{9\pi x}{L}$ we get $c_1c_2 = 6$ and $n = 9$;

and $\lambda = k(\frac{9\pi}{L})^2, n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$u(x, t) = 6 \sin \frac{9\pi x}{L} e^{-k(\frac{9\pi}{L})^2 t}$$

2.3.3(b)

From 2.3.3(a), we have $u(x, 0) = 3 \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} - \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L}$, $\phi(x) = c_2 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$, $G(t) = c_1 e^{-\lambda t}$; so that $u(x, t) = c_1 c_2 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} e^{-\lambda t}$, since $u(x, 0) = c_1 c_2 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} = 3 \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} - \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L}$, we get $u(x, t) = 3 \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} e^{-(\frac{\pi}{L})^2 t} - \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L} e^{-(\frac{3\pi}{L})^2 t}$

2.3.5

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^L \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx &= \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos \frac{(n-m)\pi x}{L} - \cos \frac{(n+m)\pi x}{L} \right] dx \\ &\quad (n \neq m) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{L}{(n-m)\pi} \sin(n-m)\pi - \frac{1}{2} \frac{L}{(n+m)\pi} \sin(n+m)\pi \\ &= 0; \\ &\quad (n = m) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} L - \frac{1}{2} \frac{L}{(n+m)\pi} \sin(n+m)\pi \\ &= \frac{L}{2} \end{aligned}$$

2.4.3

(i) if $\lambda > 0$, $\phi(x) = c_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda}x + c_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}x$,

by the given conditions, we have $\lambda = k^2$,

hence, $\phi(x) = c_1 \cos kx + c_2 \sin kx$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$

(ii) if $\lambda = 0$, it is not an eigenvalue;

(iii) if $\lambda < 0$, it is not an eigenvalue.

2.4.4

Assume $\lambda < 0$, then $\phi(x) = c_1 e^{\sqrt{-\lambda}x} + c_2 e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda}x}$;

by the given conditions we have $\sqrt{-\lambda}L = -\sqrt{-\lambda}L$;

Also, $\lambda = 0$ is not the eigenvalue either.

2.4.6

(a) By the given condition, $u(x) = c_1 x + c_2$, since $c_1 = 0$, $u(x) = c_2$. as $t \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\int_{-L}^L u(x) dx = 2Lc_2, \quad c_2 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx.$$

(b) As $t \rightarrow \infty$, $f(x) = a_0$, $2La_0 = \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$, thus $a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$.