

PDE: HOMEWORK 6

Due Friday, October 21st (at the start of the recitation)

- From the Strauss textbook: 1.6.2, 5.2.13, 6.1.13

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1.6.2

$$-(1+x)y^2 < x^2y^2 \quad \forall y \neq 0$$

(since  $-(1+x) < x^2$  is satisfied for all  $x$ )

Therefore the equation is hyperbolic everywhere except  $(x, 0)$ .

$$-(1+x)y^2 = x^2y^2 \text{ holds for } y = 0$$

Therefore, the equation is parabolic for  $(x, 0)$  except  $(-1, 0)$  where

$$(1+x) = 2xy = y^2 = 0$$

5.1.13 First we determine the series for  $e^{ix}$

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2\ell} \int_{-l}^l e^{ix} e^{-in\pi x/\ell} dx = \frac{-i\ell}{2\ell} \left. \frac{\exp(ix(\ell - \pi n)/\ell)}{\ell - \pi n} \right|_{x=-l}^l$$
$$= -\frac{i}{2} \frac{\exp(i(\ell - \pi n)) - \exp(-i(\ell - \pi n))}{\ell - \pi n}$$

Therefore

$$e^{ix} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} -\frac{i}{2(\ell - \pi n)} (e^{i(\ell - \pi n)} - e^{-i(\ell - \pi n)}) e^{in\pi x/\ell}$$
$$e^{-ix} = \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} e^{-in\pi x/\ell}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sin x &= \frac{e^{ix} - e^{-ix}}{2i} = -\frac{i}{4} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(l-\pi n)} \left( e^{i(l-\pi n)} - e^{-i(l-\pi n)} \right) \left( e^{i\pi n x/l} - e^{-i\pi n x/l} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(l-\pi n)} \sin(l-\pi n) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left( \frac{1}{l-\pi n} - \frac{1}{l+\pi n} \right) \sin l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \end{aligned}$$

6.1.13 (Following the proof of the max principle for harmonic functions) Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and let  $v(x) = u(x) + \epsilon|x|^2$

Then  $\Delta v = 4\epsilon > 0$ . Therefore,  $v$  has no interior maximum. Since  $v$  is continuous, it attains the maximum on the boundary.

Denote such point on the boundary by  $x_0$ . Then for all  $x \in D$

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &\leq v(x) \leq v(x_0) = u(x_0) + \epsilon|x_0|^2 \\ &\leq \max_{\text{bdy } D} u + \epsilon l^2 \end{aligned}$$

where  $l$  is the greatest distance from  $\text{bdy } D$  to the origin. Since this is true for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , we have

$$u(x) \leq \max_{\text{bdy } D} u \text{ for all } x \in D$$

Thus the maximum of  $u$  is attained on the boundary (3)