

SOLUTION SHEET 4

Homog. eq:  $y'' = 0 \Rightarrow y = ax + b, \quad p(x) = 1$

Green's fn: (a)  $G(x,t) = \begin{cases} A(t)x + B(t), & 0 \leq x \leq t, \\ C(t)x + D(t), & t \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

(b)  $y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow G(0,t) = B = 0$   
 $y(1) + y'(1) = 0 \Rightarrow G(1,t) + G_x(1,t) = (C+D) + C = 0 \Rightarrow D = -2C$

$\therefore G(x,t) = \begin{cases} A(t)x, & 0 \leq x \leq t, \\ C(t)(x-2), & t \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

(c)  $G$  continuous at  $x=t$ :  $At = C(t-2)$

(d)  $\frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=t+0} - \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=t-0} = -\frac{1}{1} \Rightarrow C - A = -1$

} solve  $A = 1 - \frac{1}{2}t$   
 $C = -\frac{1}{2}t$

$\therefore G(x,t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(2-t)x, & 0 \leq x \leq t, \\ \frac{1}{2}t(2-x), & t \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

Solution:  $y(x) = \int_0^1 G(x,t) f(t) dt$

$f(t) = t \Rightarrow y(x) = \int_0^x \left\{ \frac{1}{2}t(2-x) \right\} t dt + \int_x^1 \left\{ \frac{1}{2}t(2-t) \right\} t dt$

$= \frac{1}{2}(2-x) \int_0^x t^2 dt + \frac{1}{2}x \int_x^1 (2t - t^2) dt$

$= \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{6}x^3$

Homog. eq:  $y'' + k^2 y = 0, \quad y_1 = \cos kx, \quad y_2 = \sin kx, \quad p(x) = 1$

Uniqueness:  $\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} y_1'(0) & y_2'(0) \\ y_1(1) & y_2(1) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & k \\ \cos k & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -k \cos k$

$\therefore \Delta \neq 0$  if  $\cos k \neq 0$ , i.e.  $k \neq (n + \frac{1}{2})\pi$

Green's fn: (a)  $G(x,t) = \begin{cases} A(t) \cos kx + B(t) \sin kx, & 0 \leq x \leq t, \\ C(t) \cos kx + D(t) \sin kx, & t \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases}$

(b) b.c.s  $y'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow G_x(0,t) = kB = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$   
 $y(1) = 0 \Rightarrow G(1,t) = C \cos k + D \sin k \Rightarrow D = -C \cot k$

$\therefore G(x,t) = \begin{cases} A(t) \cos kx, & 0 \leq x \leq t, \\ \frac{D(t) \sin k(1-x)}{\sin k}, & t \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

Symmetry:  $G(x,t) = \begin{cases} K \sin k(1-t) \cos kx, & 0 \leq x \leq t, \\ K \cos kt \sin k(1-x), & t \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$   
 ( $K$  constant)

(c)  $G$  continuous at  $x=t$ : satisfied

(d)  $\frac{\partial G}{\partial x}$  discts at  $x=t$ :  $-K \cos kt \cos k(1-t) + K \sin k(1-t) \sin kt = -\frac{1}{1}$   
 $\therefore K = \sec k$

$\therefore G(x,t) = \begin{cases} \sec k \sin k(1-t) \cos kx, & 0 \leq x \leq t, \\ \sec k \cos kt \sin k(1-x), & t \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

(iii) Solution:  $y(x) = \int_0^1 G(x,t) \cdot 1 dt$

$= \frac{\sin k(1-x)}{\cos k} \int_0^x \cos kt dt + \frac{\cos kx}{\cos k} \int_x^1 \sin k(1-t) dt$

$= \frac{\cos kx}{k \cos k} - \frac{1}{k}$

3. Homog. eq:  $xy'' + y' = 0 \Rightarrow (xy')' = 0 \Rightarrow xy' = A \Rightarrow y = A \ln x + B$

Self-adjoint form:  $(xy')' = -f(x) \Rightarrow p(x) = x$

Green's function: (a)  $G(x,t) = \begin{cases} A(t) \ln x + B(t), & 1 \leq x \leq t, \\ C(t) \ln x + D(t), & t \leq x \leq 2. \end{cases}$

(b) b.c.s  $y(1) - y'(1) = 0 \Rightarrow (A \ln 1 + B) - \frac{A}{1} = 0 \Rightarrow B = A$   
 $y'(2) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{C}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$

$\therefore G(x,t) = \begin{cases} A \ln x + A, & 1 \leq x \leq t, \\ D, & t \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases}$

(c)  $G$  continuous at  $x=t$ :  $A \ln t + A = D$

(d)  $\frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=t+0} - \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=t-0} = -\frac{1}{p(t)}: \quad 0 - \frac{A}{t} = -\frac{1}{t}$

}  $\Rightarrow A = 1, D = 1 + \ln t$

$\therefore G(x,t) = \begin{cases} 1 + \ln x, & 1 \leq x \leq t, \\ 1 + \ln t, & t \leq x \leq 2. \end{cases}$

Solution:  $y(x) = \int_1^2 G(x,t) f(t) dt$

$= \int_1^x (1 + \ln t) f(t) dt + \int_x^2 (1 + \ln x) f(t) dt$

$= \int_1^x (1 + \ln t) f(t) dt + (1 + \ln x) \int_x^2 f(t) dt$

Verify: Differentiating w.r.t.  $x$  gives

$$y'(x) = (1+bx) f(x) + \frac{1}{x} \int_x^2 f(t) dt - (1+bx) f(x) \\ = \frac{1}{x} \int_x^2 f(t) dt$$

$$y''(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \int_x^2 f(t) dt + \frac{1}{x} (-f(x))$$

Subst. in d.e.:  $xy'' + y' = -\frac{1}{x} \int_x^2 f(t) dt - f(x) + \frac{1}{x} \int_x^2 f(t) dt = -f(x)$

Subst in b.c.s:  $y(1) - y'(1) = (1+bn) \int_1^2 f(t) dt - \frac{1}{1} \int_1^2 f(t) dt = 0$

$$y'(2) = \frac{1}{2} \int_2^2 f(t) dt = 0$$

$\therefore y(x) = \int_1^2 G(x,t) f(t) dt$  is a solution of the problem

Uniqueness:  $y_1(x) = bx$ ,  $y_2(x) = 1$

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} y_1(1) - y_1'(1) & y_2(1) - y_2'(1) \\ y_1'(2) & y_2'(2) \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Since  $\Delta \neq 0$ , the solution is unique.

4.(i) Step 1: Obtain appropriate values and efn's (given here)  
 $\lambda_n = n^2 \pi^2$ ,  $\phi_n(x) = \sin(n\pi x)$ ,  $n=1,2,\dots$   
 Normalisation constant =  $\int_0^1 \sin^2(n\pi x) dx = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2n\pi x) dx = \frac{1}{2}$   
 Normalised eigenfunctions:  $\hat{\phi}_n(x) = \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x)$

Step 2: Expand r.h.s. of d.e. in terms of the efn's.

$$x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n \hat{\phi}_n(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x)$$

$$\delta_n = \int_0^1 x \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x) dx = \left[ -x \sqrt{2} \frac{\cos(n\pi x)}{n\pi} \right]_0^1 + \int_0^1 \sqrt{2} \frac{\cos(n\pi x)}{n\pi} dx = \frac{-(-1)^n \sqrt{2}}{n\pi}$$

Step 3: Let  $y = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \hat{\phi}_n(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x)$

Substituting the series into the d.e. gives

$$-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 \pi^2 c_n \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x) + 3 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{(-1)^n}{n\pi} \sqrt{2} \right\} \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x)$$

Equating coefficients of  $\hat{\phi}_n(x)$  gives

$$c_n (3 - n^2 \pi^2) = \frac{(-1)^n \sqrt{2}}{n\pi}$$

Solution is  $y(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^n \sin(n\pi x)}{n\pi (3 - n^2 \pi^2)}$  (unique since  $\mu \neq \lambda_n$  for any  $n$ )

(ii) Green's function: Replace  $x$  by  $h(t)$  in the r.h.s. of the d.e.

Efn expansion:  $h(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n \hat{\phi}_n(x)$  where  $\delta_n = \int_0^1 h(t) \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi t) dt$

Substituting  $y = \sum c_n \hat{\phi}_n(x)$  gives

$$-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 \pi^2 c_n \hat{\phi}_n(x) + 3 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \hat{\phi}_n(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n \hat{\phi}_n(x)$$

$$\therefore c_n = \frac{\delta_n}{(3 - n^2 \pi^2)}$$

Solution is

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\delta_n}{(3 - n^2 \pi^2)} \hat{\phi}_n(x) \\ = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{\int_0^1 h(t) \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi t) dt}{3 - n^2 \pi^2} \right\} \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x) \\ = \int_0^1 \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2 \sin(n\pi t) \sin(n\pi x)}{3 - n^2 \pi^2} \right\} h(t) dt$$

Hence  $G(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2 \sin(n\pi t) \sin(n\pi x)}{(3 - n^2 \pi^2)}$

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