

HW2

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1. Verify that each of the given functions satisfies the heat equation (with no external sources):

$$u_t - ku_{xx} = 0$$

for $0 < x < \pi$, and the accompanying boundary and initial conditions.

$$(a) u(x, t) = e^{-kt} \sin(x), u(x, 0) = \sin(x), u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0.$$

$$(b) u(x, t) = e^{-kt} \cos(x), u(x, 0) = \cos(x), u_x(0, t) = u_x(\pi, t) = 0.$$

$$(c) u(x, t) = 0.5 + 0.5e^{-4kt} \cos(2x), u(x, 0) = \cos^2(x), u_x(0, t) = u_x(\pi, t) = 0$$

2. Compute gradient vector ∇u and the Laplacian, $\nabla^2 u$, for the following functions. (a) $u(x, y) = 3x^2y^2 + 2e^{xy}$ (b) $u(x, y) = \ln(x^2 + 3xy + 2y^2)$ (d) $u(x, y, z) = y^2z^2(1 + \sin^2x) + (y + 1)^2(z + 3)^2$

3. Find the equilibrium (steady state) solution for the homogeneous heat equation

$$u_t - ku_{xx} = 0, \quad 0 < x < L, \quad t > 0$$

with the initial condition

$$u(x, 0) = f(x)$$

and boundary condition

$$u(0, t) = 60, \quad u_x(L, t) = 1.$$

4. Evaluate

$$\int_S w \cdot n dS \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot w d\Omega$$

where S is the unit sphere defined by $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$, Ω is the unit ball and w is the vector field

$$w = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}.$$

Verify the divergence theorem

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot w d\Omega = \int_S w \cdot n dS.$$