

Answers to exercises in Diff. Eq. Handout.

Section 10.1:

1. b) and c).
2. a), c).
3. a), c), d).
4. A basis is $\{e^{3t}, e^{-4t}\}$. $f(t) = \frac{1}{7}e^{3t} - \frac{1}{7}e^{-4t}$.
5. A basis is $\{e^{-t} \cos(t), e^{-t} \sin(t)\}$. $f(t) = e^{-t} \cos(t) + \frac{e^{-\cos(1)}}{\sin(1)} e^{-t} \sin(t)$.
6. A basis is $\{e^{-3t}, t e^{-3t}\}$. $f(t) = -\frac{1}{4}(1-t)e^{-3t}$.
7. A basis is $\{t, -2+t^2\}$.
8. A basis is $\{1+t^2, t+t^2\}$.
9. If $f'(t) = \frac{1}{t}$, then general solution is $f(t) = c + \ln(t)$ which blows up as $t \rightarrow 0$ for any c .
10. a) $g'(t) = 2t f(t) + t^2 f'(t)$ and we are told that this is zero.
b) Since $g'(t) = 0$, this function g is constant. Thus, $t^2 f(t) = c$ and $f(t) = c \frac{1}{t^2}$. This blows up at the origin if $c \neq 0$.
c) Any function in the image must be zero at $t = 0$.

Section 10.2:

1. One can solve this problem using Graham-Schmid directly, or proceed as follows:
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first observation is that $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$ has norm 1 and both $e^t - \frac{1}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)$ and $e^{-t} - \frac{1}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)$ are orthogonal to it. However, they are not orthogonal to each other. To remedy this, I note that the sum of the latter two,

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} (e^t - \frac{1}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)) + \frac{1}{\alpha} (e^{-t} - \frac{1}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)) = \frac{2}{\alpha} (\cosh(t) - \frac{1}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)),$$

and the difference,

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} (e^t - \frac{1}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)) - \frac{1}{\alpha} (e^{-t} - \frac{1}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)) = \frac{2}{\alpha} \sinh(t),$$

are orthogonal to each other as well as to $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$. Thus, it is just a matter of dividing these last two functions by their norms. Doing so gives us the basis

$$\left\{ \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}, a (\cosh(t) - \frac{1}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)), b \sinh(t) \right\}$$

where $a = (1 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sinh(2\pi) - (\frac{1}{2\pi})^2 \sinh(2\pi))^{-1}$ and $b = (\frac{1}{2\pi} \sinh(2\pi) - 1)^{-1/2}$. The projection of t onto this basis is $c a^2 \sinh(t)$ where $c = 2 \cosh(\pi) - \frac{2}{\pi} \sinh(\pi)$.

$$2. |t| = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=1,3,5,\dots} \frac{1}{k^2} \cos(kt).$$

$$3. \cosh(at) = \frac{1}{2a} (e^{at} - e^{-at}) \left[\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{a^2}{a^2 + k^2} \cos(kt) \right]. \text{ Setting } t = \pi \text{ finds that}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a^2 + k^2} = \frac{1}{2a^2} (\pi a \coth(a\pi) - 1).$$

4. When evaluating the integrals, make the substitution $t \rightarrow t+r$. This changes each integral into the corresponding $r = 0$ integral.
5. When evaluating the integrals, make the substitution $t \rightarrow \frac{b-a}{2\pi} t + r$ to change each integral into the corresponding $r = 0$ integral.

Section 10.3:

$$1. T(t, x) = \frac{1}{8} - e^{-4\mu t} \cos(2x) - \frac{1}{8} e^{-16\mu t} \cos(4x).$$

$$2. T(t, x) = -\frac{1}{\pi} (e^{\pi} - e^{-\pi}) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k e^{-\mu k^2 t} \frac{k}{1+k^2} \sin(kx)].$$

$$3. \text{ The } t\text{-derivative is } \mu c^2 e^{\mu c^2 t} e^{cx} \text{ and the second } x\text{-derivative is } c^2 e^{\mu c^2 t} e^{cx}.$$

$$4. \text{ The solution } e^{\mu t} e^x \text{ grows as } t \rightarrow \infty, \text{ while the one in the text approaches } 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$5. \text{ The Fourier series solution is: } T(t, x) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} e^{-\mu k^2 t} \frac{1}{k} \sin(kx).$$

6. Since both the t -derivative of x and its second x -derivative are zero, it obeys the heat equation. It is not the one given above since one is time independent and the other is not.