Math 333 Homework Problems #8

Applied Partial Differential Equations (3rd Edition), by J.D. Logan

1. Consider Laplace's equation on a pie-shaped region,

$$\Delta u = 0, \quad 0 \le r \le 1, \ 0 \le \theta \le \frac{\pi}{2},$$

with the boundary conditions,

$$u(r,0) = \partial_{\theta} u(r,\pi/2) = 0, \quad u(1,\theta) = \theta(\pi-\theta).$$

Find the series solution, and in doing so explicitly compute the Fourier coefficients.

2. Consider Laplace's equation on a pie-shaped region,

$$\Delta u = 0, \quad 0 \le r \le 1, \ 0 \le \theta \le \frac{\pi}{3},$$

with the boundary conditions,

$$\partial_{\theta} u(r,0) = \partial_{\theta} u(r,\pi/3) = 0, \quad u(1,\theta) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \le \theta < \pi/6 \\ 0, & \pi/6 \le \theta \le \pi/3. \end{cases}$$

Find the series solution, and in doing so explicitly compute the Fourier coefficients.

3. Find the series solution to the advection-diffusion equation,

$$\partial_t u = 2\partial_x^2 u + 8\partial_x u, \quad u(x,0) = x^2,$$

with the boundary conditions,

$$2u(0,t) + \partial_x u(0,t) = 0, \quad u(1,t) = 0.$$

Explicitly compute the Fourier coefficients.

4. Consider the advection-diffusion equation,

$$\partial_t u = \partial_x^2 u + 6 \partial_x u, \quad u(x,0) = 1,$$

with the boundary conditions,

$$3u(0,t) + \partial_x u(0,t) = 0, \quad u(1,t) = 5.$$

- (a) Find the steady-state solution, U(x) (*hint*: first transform the problem to remove the advection term).
- (b) Setting u(x,t) = U(x) + z(x,t), find the PDE and boundary conditions for the perturbation of the steady-state, z(x,t).
- (c) Find the series for the function z(x, t). Explicitly compute the Fourier coefficients.
- (d) What is $\lim_{t\to+\infty} u(x,t)$? Provide a reason for your answer.