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3rd exercise sheet

PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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9. Consider

$$\begin{aligned}u_t - \Delta u &= 0, \quad t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ u(0, \cdot) &= f \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}^n.\end{aligned}$$

If $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded and continuous, we already know that a solution is given by

$$u(t, x) = (G_t * f)(x), \quad t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

with $G_t(x) = (4\pi t)^{-n/2} e^{-|x|^2/4t}$. Show, that f is uniformly continuous if and only if

$$\|u(t, \cdot) - f\|_\infty \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0^+.$$

10. Find a formal solution of Laplace's equation ($u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$) on the square $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ for the boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned}u(0, y) &= 0, \\ u(1, y) &= 0, \\ u(x, 0) &= 0, \\ u(x, 1) &= \min\{x, 1 - x\}.\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

11. Find a formal solution of the one dimensional wave equation ($u_{tt} = u_{xx}$) on the square $[0, \infty) \times [0, 1]$ with the initial conditions

$$\begin{aligned}u(0, x) &= \sin(\pi x), \\ u_t(0, x) &= \max\{-x, x - 1\},\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

for $x \in (0, 1)$ and with the boundary conditions for $t \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}u(t, 0) &= 0, \\ u(t, 1) &= 0.\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

12. Let $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ bounded with $f = g = 0$ on $(-\infty, 0)$ and

$$\begin{aligned}g|_{[0, \infty)} &\in C^1[0, \infty), \quad g, g' \in L^1(0, \infty), \\ f|_{[0, \infty)} &\in C[0, \infty).\end{aligned}$$

Show that $g * f \in C^1[0, \infty)$ with

$$(g * f)'(t) = g(0)f(t) + (g' * f)(t).$$

Hint: For $t > 0$ holds $g * f(t) = \int_0^t g(s)f(t-s)ds$.