

# HW 10, Math 322, Fall 2016

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# 1 HW 10

## Math 322 (Smith): Problem Set 10

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1-4) For the following problems, determine a representation of the solution in terms of a symmetric Green's function. Use appropriate homogeneous boundary conditions for the Green's function. Show that the boundary terms can also be understood using homogeneous solutions of the differential equation.

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = f(x), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad u(0) = A, \quad \frac{du}{dx}(1) = B \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + u = f(x), \quad 0 < x < L, \quad u(0) = A, \quad u(L) = B, \quad L \neq n\pi \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = f(x), \quad 0 < x < L, \quad u(0) = A, \quad \frac{du}{dx}(L) + hu(L) = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + 2\frac{du}{dx} + u = f(x), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u(1) = 1 \quad (4)$$

### 1.1 Problem 1

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$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = f(x); 0 < x < L; u(0) = A; \frac{du}{dx}(1) = B$$

Note: I used  $L$  for the length instead of one. Will replace  $L$  by one at the very end. This makes it more clear. Compare the above to the standard form (Sturm-Liouville)

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left( p \frac{du}{dx} \right) + qu = f(x)$$

Therefore it becomes

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left( p \frac{du}{dx} \right) = -f(x)$$

$$p(x) = 1$$

Green function is  $G(x, x_0)$  (will use  $x_0$  which is what the book uses, instead of  $a$ , as  $x_0$  is more clear). Green function is the solution to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2G(x, x_0)}{dx^2} &= \delta(x - x_0) \\ G(0, x_0) &= 0 \\ \frac{dG(L, x_0)}{dx} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Where  $x_0$  is the location of the impulse. Since  $\frac{d^2G(x,x_0)}{dx^2} = 0$  for  $x \neq x_0$ , then the solution to  $\frac{d^2G(x,x_0)}{dx^2} = 0$ , which is a linear function in this case, is broken into two regions

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_1x + A_2 & 0 < x < x_0 \\ B_1x + B_2 & x_0 < x < L \end{cases}$$

The first solution, using  $G(0, x_0) = 0$  gives  $A_2 = 0$  and the second solution using  $\frac{dG(1, x_0)}{dx} = 0$  gives  $B_1 = 0$ , hence the above reduces to

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_1x & x < x_0 \\ B_2 & x_0 < x \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

We are left with constants to  $A_1, B_2$  to find. The continuity condition at  $x = x_0$  gives

$$A_1x_0 = B_2 \quad (2)$$

The jump discontinuity of the derivative of  $G(x, x_0)$  at  $x = x_0$ , gives the final equation

$$\left(\frac{d}{dx}G(x, x_0)\right)_{x_0 < x} - \left(\frac{d}{dx}G(x, x_0)\right)_{x < x_0} = \frac{-1}{p(x_0)} = -1 \quad (2A)$$

Since  $p(x) = 1$  in this problem. But

$$\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx} = \begin{cases} A_1 & x < x_0 \\ 0 & x_0 < x \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Hence (2A) becomes

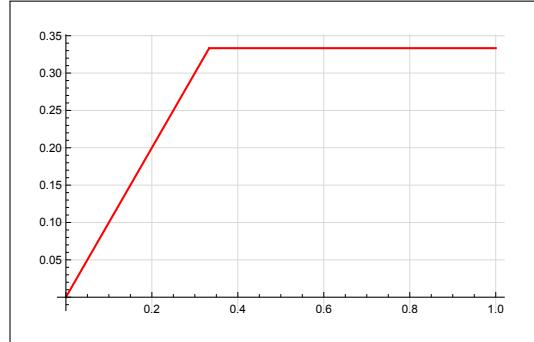
$$0 - (A_1) = -1$$

Therefore

$$A_1 = 1 \quad (4)$$

Solving (2,4) gives  $B_2 = x_0$ . Hence the Green function is, from (1)

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} x & x < x_0 \\ x_0 & x_0 < x \end{cases}$$



And  $\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0}$  where now derivative is w.r.t.  $x_0$ , is

$$\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} = \begin{cases} 0 & x < x_0 \\ 1 & x_0 < x \end{cases}$$

We now have all the information needed to evaluate the solution to the original ODE.

$$u(x) = \underbrace{\int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0}_{\text{particular solution}} + \underbrace{\left[ p(x_0) G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - p(x_0) u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L}}_{\text{boundary terms}}$$

Since  $p(x_0) = 1$  then

$$y(x) = \int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 + \left[ G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L}$$

Let  $u_h = \left[ G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L}$ , hence

$$u_h = G(x, L) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0}(L) - u(L) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0}(L) - G(x, 0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0}(0) + u(0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0}(0)$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} G(x, L) &= x \\ \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0}(L) &= B \\ \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0}(L) &= 0 \\ G(x, 0) &= 0 \\ \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0}(0) &= 1 \\ u(0) &= A \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$u_h = xB + A$$

We see that the boundary terms are linear in  $x$ , which is expected as the fundamental solutions for the homogenous solution as linear. The complete solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= \int_0^L G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 + (xB + A) \\ &= \int_0^L G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 + xB + A \\ &= \int_0^x x_0 f(x_0) dx_0 + \int_x^L x f(x_0) dx_0 + xB + A \end{aligned}$$

For example, if  $f(x) = x$ , or  $f(x_0) = x_0$  then (but remember, we have to use  $-f(x)$  since we are using

S-L form)

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(x) &== \int_0^x G(x, x_0) (-f(x_0)) dx_0 + \int_x^1 G(x, x_0) (-f(x_0)) dx_0 + (xB + A) \\
 &= - \int_0^x x_0 x_0 dx_0 - \int_x^1 x x_0 dx_0 + xB + A \\
 &= - \left( \frac{x_0^3}{3} \right)_0^x - x \left( \frac{x_0^2}{2} \right)_x^1 + xB + A \\
 &= - \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \right) - x \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) + xB + A \\
 &= A - \frac{1}{2}x + Bx + \frac{1}{6}x^3
 \end{aligned}$$

To verify the result, this was solved directly, with  $f(x) = x$ , giving same answer as above.

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In[39]:= DSolve[{u'[x] == x, u[0] == A0, u'[1] == B0}, u[x], x]
Out[39]= {u[x] → 1/6 (6 A0 - 3 x + 6 B0 x + x^3)}

In[40]:= Expand[%]
Out[40]= {u[x] → A0 - x/2 + B0 x + x^3/6}

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And if  $f(x) = x^2$ , or  $f(x_0) = x_0^2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(x) &= \int_0^x x_0 (-f(x_0)) dx_0 + \int_x^L x (-f(x_0)) dx_0 + xB + A \\
 &= - \int_0^x x_0 x_0^2 dx_0 - x \int_x^1 x_0^2 dx_0 + xB + A \\
 &= - \left( \frac{x_0^4}{4} \right)_0^x - x \left( \frac{x_0^3}{3} \right)_x^1 + xB + A \\
 &= - \left( \frac{x^4}{4} \right) - x \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) + xB + A \\
 &= A - \frac{1}{3}x + Bx + \frac{1}{12}x^4
 \end{aligned}$$

To verify the result, this was solved directly, with  $f(x) = x^2$ , giving same answer as above.

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In[41]:= DSolve[{u'[x] == x^2, u[0] == A0, u'[1] == B0}, u[x], x]
Out[41]= {u[x] → 1/12 (12 A0 - 4 x + 12 B0 x + x^4)}

In[42]:= Expand[%]
Out[42]= {u[x] → A0 - x/3 + B0 x + x^4/12}

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This shows the benefit of Green function. Once we know  $G(x, x_0)$ , then changing the source term, requires only convolution to find the new solution, instead of solving the ODE again as normally done.

## 1.2 Problem 2

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + u = f(x); 0 < x < L; u(0) = A; u(L) = B; L \neq n\pi$$

### Solution

Compare the above to the standard form

$$\begin{aligned}-\frac{d}{dx} \left( p \frac{du}{dx} \right) + qu &= f(x) \\ -pu'' + qu &= f(x)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$p(x) = -1$$

Green function is the solution to

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2G(x, x_0)}{dx^2} + G(x, x_0) &= \delta(x - x_0) \\ G(0, x_0) &= 0 \\ G(L, x_0) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Where  $x_0$  is the location of the impulse. Since  $\frac{d^2G(x, x_0)}{dx^2} = 0$  for  $x \neq x_0$ , then the solution to  $\frac{d^2G(x, x_0)}{dx^2} + G(x, x_0) = 0$ , is broken into two regions

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_1 \cos x + A_2 \sin x & x < x_0 \\ B_1 \cos x + B_2 \sin x & x_0 < x \end{cases}$$

The first boundary condition on the left gives  $A_1 = 0$ . Second boundary conditions on the right gives

$$\begin{aligned}B_1 \cos L + B_2 \sin L &= 0 \\ B_1 &= -B_2 \frac{\sin L}{\cos L}\end{aligned}$$

Hence the solution now looks like

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_2 \sin x & x < x_0 \\ -B_2 \frac{\sin L}{\cos L} \cos x + B_2 \sin x & x_0 < x \end{cases}$$

But

$$-B_2 \frac{\sin L}{\cos L} \cos x + B_2 \sin x = \frac{B_2}{\cos L} (\sin x \cos L - \cos x \sin L)$$

Using trig identity  $\sin(a - b) = \sin a \cos b - \cos a \sin b$ , the above can be written as  $\frac{B_2}{\cos L} \sin(x - L)$ , hence the solution becomes

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_2 \sin x & x < x_0 \\ \frac{B_2}{\cos L} \sin(x - L) & x_0 < x \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Continuity at  $x_0$  gives

$$A_2 \sin x_0 = \frac{B_2}{\cos L} \sin(x_0 - L) \quad (2)$$

And jump discontinuity on derivative of  $G$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{B_2}{\cos L} \cos(x_0 - L) - A_2 \cos x_0 &= -\frac{1}{p(x)} = 1 \\ \frac{B_2}{\cos L} \cos(x_0 - L) - A_2 \cos x_0 &= 1\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

Now we need to solve (2,3) for  $A_2, B_2$  to obtain the final solution for  $G(x, x_0)$ . From (2),

$$A_2 = \frac{B_2}{\cos L \sin x_0} \sin(x_0 - L)\tag{4}$$

Plug into (3)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{B_2}{\cos L} \cos(x_0 - L) - \frac{B_2}{\cos L \sin x_0} \sin(x_0 - L) \cos x_0 &= 1 \\ \frac{B_2}{\cos L} \cos(x_0 - L) - \frac{B_2}{\cos L} \sin(x_0 - L) \frac{\cos x_0}{\sin x_0} &= 1 \\ B_2 \cos(x_0 - L) - B_2 \sin(x_0 - L) \frac{\cos x_0}{\sin x_0} &= \cos L \\ B_2 \left( \cos(x_0 - L) - \sin(x_0 - L) \frac{\cos x_0}{\sin x_0} \right) &= \cos L \\ B_2 (\sin x_0 \cos(x_0 - L) - \cos x_0 \sin(x_0 - L)) &= \cos L \sin x_0\end{aligned}$$

But using trig identity  $\sin(a - b) = \sin a \cos b - \cos a \sin b$  we can write above as

$$\begin{aligned}B_2 (\sin(x_0 - (x_0 - L))) &= \cos L \sin x_0 \\ B_2 \sin L &= \cos L \sin x_0 \\ B_2 &= \frac{\cos L \sin x_0}{\sin L}\end{aligned}$$

Now that we found  $B_2$ , we go back and find  $A_2$  from (4)

$$\begin{aligned}A_2 &= \frac{\cos L \sin x_0}{\sin L} \frac{1}{\cos L \sin x_0} \sin(x_0 - L) \\ &= \frac{\sin(x_0 - L)}{\sin L}\end{aligned}$$

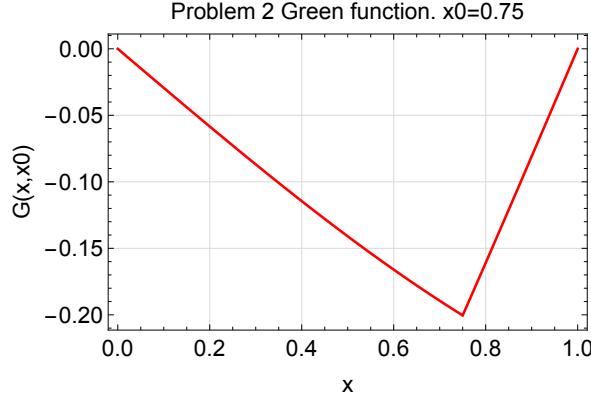
Therefore Green function is, from (1)

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(x_0 - L)}{\sin L} \sin x & x < x_0 \\ \frac{\cos L \sin x_0}{\sin L} \frac{1}{\cos L} \sin(x - L) & x_0 < x \end{cases}$$

Or

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(x_0 - L)}{\sin L} \sin x & x < x_0 \\ \frac{\sin x_0}{\sin L} \sin(x - L) & x_0 < x \end{cases}\tag{5}$$

It is symmetrical. Here is a plot of  $G(x, x_0)$  for some arbitrary  $x_0$  located at  $x = 0.75$  for  $L = 1$ .



Now comes the hard part. We need to find the solution using

$$y(x) = \underbrace{\int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0}_{\text{particular solution}} + \underbrace{\left[ p(x_0) G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - p(x_0) u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L}}_{\text{boundary terms}} \quad (6)$$

The first step is to find  $\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0}$ . From (5), we find

$$\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} = \begin{cases} \frac{\cos(x_0-L)}{\sin L} \sin x & x < x_0 \\ \frac{\cos x_0}{\sin L} \sin(x-L) & x_0 < x \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Now we plug everything in (6). But remember that  $G(0, x_0) = 0, G(L, x_0) = 0, u(0) = A, u(L) = B$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \left[ p(x_0) G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - p(x_0) u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L} \\ &= G(x, L) \frac{du(L)}{dx_0} - u(L) \frac{dG(x, L)}{dx_0} - G(x, 0) \frac{du(0)}{dx_0} + u(0) \frac{dG(x, 0)}{dx_0} \\ &= 0 - (B) \left( \frac{\cos(x_0-L)}{\sin L} \sin x \right)_{x_0=L} - 0 + (A) \left( \frac{\cos x_0}{\sin L} \sin(x-L) \right)_{x_0=0} \\ &= -(B) \left( \frac{1}{\sin L} \sin x \right) + (A) \left( \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \right) \\ &= -B \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} + A \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \end{aligned}$$

But  $p = -1$ , hence the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= -G(x, L) \frac{du(L)}{dx_0} + u(L) \frac{dG(x, L)}{dx_0} + G(x, 0) \frac{du(0)}{dx_0} - u(0) \frac{dG(x, 0)}{dx_0} \\ &= 0 + (B) \left( \frac{\cos(x_0-L)}{\sin L} \sin x \right)_{x_0=L} + 0 - (A) \left( \frac{\cos x_0}{\sin L} \sin(x-L) \right)_{x_0=0} \\ &= +(B) \left( \frac{1}{\sin L} \sin x \right) - (A) \left( \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \right) \\ &= B \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} - A \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \end{aligned}$$

We see that the boundary terms are linear combination of sin and cosine in  $x$ , which is expected as

the fundamental solutions for the homogenous solution as linear combination of sin and cosine in  $x$  as was found initially above. Equation (6) becomes

$$y(x) = \int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 + B \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} - A \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \quad (8)$$

Now we can do the integration part. Therefore

$$\int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 = \int_0^x \left( \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \sin x_0 \right) f(x_0) dx_0 + \int_x^L \left( \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} \sin(x_0-L) \right) f(x_0) dx_0$$

We can test the solution to see if it correct. Let  $f(x) = x$  or  $f(x_0) = x_0$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 &= \int_0^x x_0 \left( \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \sin x_0 \right) dx_0 + \int_x^L x_0 \left( \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} \sin(x_0-L) \right) dx_0 \\ &= \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \int_0^x x_0 \sin x_0 dx_0 + \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} \int_x^L x_0 \sin(x_0-L) dx_0 \\ &= \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} (-x \cos x + \sin x) + \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} (-L + x \cos(x-L) - \sin(x-L)) \\ &= \frac{-x \cos x \sin(x-L)}{\sin L} + \frac{\sin x \sin(x-L)}{\sin L} - L \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} + \frac{x \cos(x-L) \sin x}{\sin L} - \frac{\sin x \sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \\ &= \frac{-x \cos x \sin(x-L)}{\sin L} - L \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} + \frac{x \cos(x-L) \sin x}{\sin L} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sin L} (-L \sin x + x \cos(x-L) \sin x - x \cos x \sin(x-L)) \end{aligned}$$

Hence the solution is

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &= \frac{1}{\sin L} (-L \sin x + x \cos(x-L) \sin x - x \cos x \sin(x-L)) + \left( B \frac{\sin x}{\sin L} - A \frac{\sin(x-L)}{\sin L} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sin L} (-L \sin x + x \cos(x-L) \sin x - x \cos x \sin(x-L) + B \sin x - A \sin(x-L)) \end{aligned}$$

To verify, the problem is solved directly using CAS, and solution above using Green function was compared, same answer confirmed.

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In[81]:= f = x;
L0 = 1;
A0 = 1;
B0 = 2;
computerSolution = u[x] /. First@DSolve[{u''[x] + u[x] == f, u[0] == A0, u[L0] == B0}, u[x], x];
mySolUsingGreenFunction = 1/Sin[L0] (-L0 Sin[x] + x Cos[x - L0] Sin[x] - x Cos[x] Sin[x - L0] + B0 Sin[x] - A0 Sin[x - L0]);
Simplify[computerSolution - mySolUsingGreenFunction]

Out[87]= 0
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### 1.3 Problem 3

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = f(x); 0 < x < L; u(0) = A; \frac{du}{dx}(L) + hu(L) = 0$$

Solution

Compare the above to the standard form

$$\begin{aligned}-\frac{d}{dx} \left( p \frac{du}{dx} \right) &= f(x) \\ -pu'' &= f(x)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$p(x) = -1$$

Green function is the solution to

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2G(x, x_0)}{dx^2} &= \delta(x - x_0) \\ G(0, x_0) &= 0 \\ \frac{d}{dx}G(L, x_0) + hG(L, x_0) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Where  $x_0$  is the location of the impulse. Since  $\frac{d^2G(x, x_0)}{dx^2} = 0$  for  $x \neq x_0$ , then the solution to  $\frac{d^2G(x, x_0)}{dx^2} = 0$ , is broken into two regions

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_1x + A_2 & x < x_0 \\ B_1x + B_2 & x_0 < x \end{cases}$$

The first boundary condition on the left gives  $A_2 = 0$ . Second boundary conditions on the right gives

$$\begin{aligned}B_1 + h(B_1L + B_2) &= 0 \\ B_1(1 + hL) &= -hB_2 \\ B_1 &= \frac{-hB_2}{1 + hL}\end{aligned}$$

Hence the solution now looks like

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_1x & x < x_0 \\ \left(\frac{-hB_2}{1 + hL}\right)x + B_2 & x_0 < x \end{cases}$$

But

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{-hB_2}{1 + hL}\right)x + B_2 &= \left(\frac{-hB_2}{1 + hL}\right)x + \frac{B_2(1 + hL)}{1 + hL} \\ &= \frac{B_2(1 + hL - hx)}{1 + hL}\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_1x & x < x_0 \\ \frac{B_2(1 + hL - hx)}{1 + hL} & x_0 < x \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Continuity at  $x_0$  gives

$$A_1x_0 = \frac{B_2(1 + hL - hx_0)}{1 + hL} \quad (2)$$

And jump discontinuity on derivative of  $G$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{B_2}{\cos L} \cos(x_0 - L) - A_2 \cos x_0 &= -\frac{1}{p(x)} = 1 \\ \frac{-hB_2}{1 + hL} - A_1 &= -\frac{1}{p(x)} = 1\end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

We solve (2,3) for  $A_1, B_2$ . From (3)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-hB_2}{1+hL} - A_1 &= 1 \\ A_1 &= \frac{-hB_2}{1+hL} - 1 \\ &= \frac{-hB_2}{1+hL} - \frac{(1+hL)}{1+hL} \\ &= \frac{-hB_2 - 1 - hL}{1+hL} \end{aligned}$$

Substituting in (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-hB_2 - 1 - hL}{1+hL} x_0 &= \frac{B_2(1+hL - hx_0)}{1+hL} \\ (-hB_2 - 1 - hL)x_0 &= B_2(1+hL - hx_0) \\ -hB_2x_0 - x_0 - hLx_0 &= B_2 + hLB_2 - hx_0B_2 \\ B_2(-hx_0 - 1 - hL + hx_0) &= x_0 + hLx_0 \\ B_2 &= \frac{(1+hL)x_0}{-1-hL} \\ &= \frac{-(1+hL)}{1+hL}x_0 \\ &= -x_0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \frac{-hB_2 - 1 - hL}{1+hL} \\ &= \frac{-h(-x_0) - 1 - hL}{1+hL} \\ &= \frac{hx_0 - 1 - hL}{1+hL} \\ &= \frac{hx_0}{1+hL} - \frac{1+hL}{1+hL} \\ &= \frac{hx_0}{1+hL} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore (1) becomes

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{hx_0}{1+hL} - 1\right)x & x < x_0 \\ \frac{-x_0(1+hL - hx)}{1+hL} & x_0 < x \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

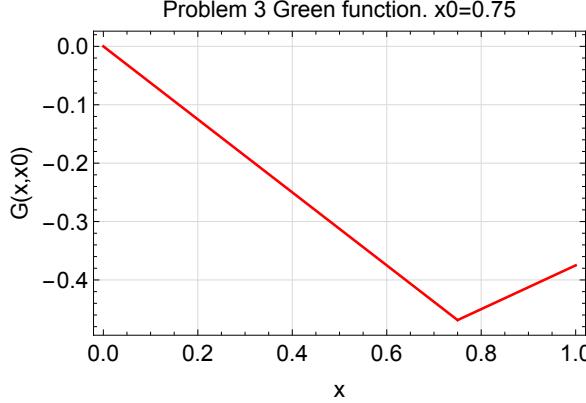
But

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-x_0(1+hL - hx)}{1+hL} &= x_0 \frac{(-1 - hL + hx)}{1+hL} \\ &= x_0 \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - \frac{1+hL}{1+hL} \right) \\ &= x_0 \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

Hence (1) becomes

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{hx_0}{1+hL} - 1\right)x & x < x_0 \\ \left(\frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1\right)x_0 & x_0 < x \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

We see they are symmetrical in  $x, x_0$ . Here is a plot of  $G(x, x_0)$  for some arbitrary  $x_0$  located at  $x = 0.75, h = 1$ , for  $L = 1$ .



We need to find the solution using

$$y(x) = \int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 + p(x_0) \left[ G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L} \quad (3)$$

The first step is to find  $\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0}$ . From (2), we find

$$\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} = \begin{cases} \frac{hx}{1+hL} & x < x_0 \\ \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 & x_0 < x \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Now we plug everything in (3). But remember that  $G(0, x_0) = 0$ ,  $\frac{dG(L, x_0)}{dx} = -hG(L, x_0)$ ,  $u(0) = A$ ,  $\frac{du(L)}{dx} = -hu(L)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \left[ G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L} \\ &= G(x, L) \frac{du(L)}{dx_0} - u(L) \frac{dG(x, L)}{dx_0} - G(x, 0) \frac{du(0)}{dx_0} + u(0) \frac{dG(x, 0)}{dx_0} \\ &= G(x, L) (-hu(L)) - u(L) (-hG(x_0, L)) - 0 + (A) \left( \frac{dG(x, 0)}{dx_0} \right) \\ &= \overbrace{-G(x, L) hu(L) + u(L) hG(x, L)}^0 + A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right)_{x_0=0} \\ &= A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now we do the integration, From (3), and since  $p = -1$  then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= \int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 - A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \\ &= \underbrace{\int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 + \int_x^L G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0}_{\text{particular solution}} - \underbrace{A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right)}_{\text{boundary terms}} \end{aligned}$$

We see that the boundary terms are linear combination  $x$ , which is expected as the fundamental solutions for the homogenous solution as linear in  $x$  as was found initially above. Plugging values From (3) for  $G(x, x_0)$  for each region into the above gives

$$y(x) = \int_0^x \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) x_0 f(x_0) dx_0 + \int_x^L \left( \frac{hx_0}{1+hL} - 1 \right) x f(x_0) dx_0 - A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right)$$

This completes the solution. Now we should test it. Let  $f(x) = x$  or  $f(x_0) = x_0$  and compare to direct solution. The above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \int_0^x x_0^2 dx_0 + x \int_x^L \left( \frac{hx_0}{1+hL} - 1 \right) x_0 dx_0 - A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \left( \frac{x_0^3}{3} \right)_0^x + x \int_x^L \left( \frac{hx_0^2}{1+hL} - x_0 \right) dx_0 - A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \right) + x \left( \frac{h}{1+hL} \frac{x_0^3}{3} - \frac{x_0^2}{2} \right)_x^L - A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \right) + x \left( \frac{h}{1+hL} \frac{L^3}{3} - \frac{L^2}{2} - \frac{h}{1+hL} \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^2}{2} \right) - A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{6(1+Lh)} (-hL^3x - 3L^2x + hLx^3 + x^3) - A \left( \frac{hx}{1+hL} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{6(1+Lh)} (x^3(1+hL) - x(hL^3 + 3L^2)) + A \left( 1 - \frac{hx}{1+hL} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{6(1+Lh)} (x^3(1+hL) - xL^2(hL + 3)) + A \left( \frac{1+h(L-x)}{1+hL} \right) \end{aligned}$$

To verify, the problem is solved directly, and solution above using Green function was compared, same answer confirmed.

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In[152]:= ClearAll[x, L0, y, A0, h]
f = x;
computerSolution = u[x] /. First@DSolve[{u''[x] == f, u[0] == A0, u'[L0] + h u[L0] == 0}, u[x], x];
mySolUsingGreenFunction = 1/(6(1+L0 h)) (x^3 (1+h L0) - x L0^2 (h L0 + 3)) + A0 (1+h (L0 - x))/(1+h L0);
Simplify[computerSolution - mySolUsingGreenFunction]
Out[156]= 0
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## 1.4 Problem 4

$$u'' + 2u' + u = f(x); 0 < x < L; u(0) = 0; u(L) = 1$$

### Solution

Since the coefficient on  $u'$  is 2, then the Integrating factor is  $\mu(x) = e^{\int 2dx} = e^{2x}$ . Multiplying the ODE by  $\mu(x)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} e^{2x}u'' + 2e^{2x}u' + e^{2x}u &= e^{2x}f(x) \\ \frac{d}{dx}(e^{2x}u') + e^{2x}u &= e^{2x}f(x) \end{aligned}$$

To keep the solution consistent with the class notes, we now multiply both sides by  $-1$  in order to obtain the same form as used in class notes. Hence our ODE is

$$-\frac{d}{dx}(e^{2x}u') - e^{2x}u = -e^{2x}f(x)$$

We now see from above that

$$p(x) = e^{2x}$$

Once we found  $p(x)$ , we now find the Green function. The Green function is the solution to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2G(x, x_0)}{dx^2} + 2\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx} + G(x, x_0) &= \delta(x - x_0) \\ G(0, x_0) &= 0 \\ G(L, x_0) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Where  $x_0$  is the location of the impulse. We first need to find fundamental solutions to the homogeneous ODE. The solution to  $u'' + 2u' + u = 0$  is found by characteristic method.  $r^2 + 2r + 1 = 0$ , hence  $(r + 1)^2 = 0$ . Therefore the roots are  $r = -1$ , double root. Hence the fundamental solutions are

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= e^{-x} \\ u_2 &= xe^{-x} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} G(x, x_0) &= \begin{cases} A_1u_1 + A_2u_2 & x < x_0 \\ B_1u_1 + B_2u_2 & x > x_0 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} A_1e^{-x} + A_2xe^{-x} & x < x_0 \\ B_1e^{-x} + B_2xe^{-x} & x > x_0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The first boundary condition on the left end gives  $A_1 = 0$  from the first region. The second B.C. on the right end, gives

$$\begin{aligned} B_1e^{-L} + B_2Le^{-L} &= 0 \\ B_1 &= -\frac{B_2Le^{-L}}{e^{-L}} = -B_2L \end{aligned}$$

Hence the above solution now reduces to

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_2xe^{-x} & x < x_0 \\ -B_2Le^{-x} + B_2xe^{-x} & x > x_0 \end{cases}$$

Simplifying  $-B_2Le^{-x} + B_2xe^{-x} = B_2(x - L)e^{-x}$ , the above can be written as

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_2xe^{-x} & x < x_0 \\ B_2(x - L)e^{-x} & x > x_0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Continuity at  $x_0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 x_0 e^{-x_0} &= B_2 (x_0 - L) e^{-x_0} \\ A_2 x_0 &= B_2 (x_0 - L) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

And jump discontinuity on derivative of  $G$  gives

$$\frac{d}{dx} G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} A_2 (e^{-x} - xe^{-x}) & x < x_0 \\ B_2 (1 - x + L) e^{-x} & x > x_0 \end{cases}$$

Hence (important note: we use  $\frac{-1}{p(x_0)}$  below and not  $\frac{1}{p(x_0)}$  because we started with  $\frac{-d}{dx} \left( p \frac{dy}{dx} \right) + \dots$  instead of  $+ \frac{d}{dx} \left( p \frac{dy}{dx} \right) + \dots$ )

$$B_2 (1 - x_0 + L) e^{-x_0} - A_2 (e^{-x_0} - x_0 e^{-x_0}) = \frac{-1}{p(x_0)} = \frac{-1}{e^{2x_0}} = -e^{-2x_0}$$

Dividing by  $e^{-x_0}$  to simplify gives

$$B_2 (1 - x_0 + L) - A_2 (1 - x_0) = -e^{-x_0} \quad (3)$$

We solve (2,3) for  $A_1, B_2$ . From (3)

$$B_2 = \frac{-e^{-x_0} + A_2 (1 - x_0)}{1 - x_0 + L} \quad (4)$$

Substituting in (2)

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 x_0 &= \frac{-e^{-x_0} + A_2 (1 - x_0)}{1 - x_0 + L} (x_0 - L) \\ A_2 x_0 (1 - x_0 + L) &= -e^{-x_0} (x_0 - L) + A_2 (1 - x_0) (x_0 - L) \\ A_2 (x_0 (1 - x_0 + L) - (1 - x_0) (x_0 - L)) &= -e^{-x_0} (x_0 - L) \\ A_2 &= \frac{-e^{-x_0} (x_0 - L)}{x_0 (1 - x_0 + L) - (1 - x_0) (x_0 - L)} \\ &= \frac{1}{L} e^{-x_0} (L - x_0) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, from (4)

$$\begin{aligned} B_2 &= \frac{-e^{-x_0} + \left( \frac{1}{L} e^{-x_0} (L - x_0) \right) (1 - x_0)}{1 - x_0 + L} \\ &= -\frac{1}{L} x_0 e^{-x_0} \end{aligned}$$

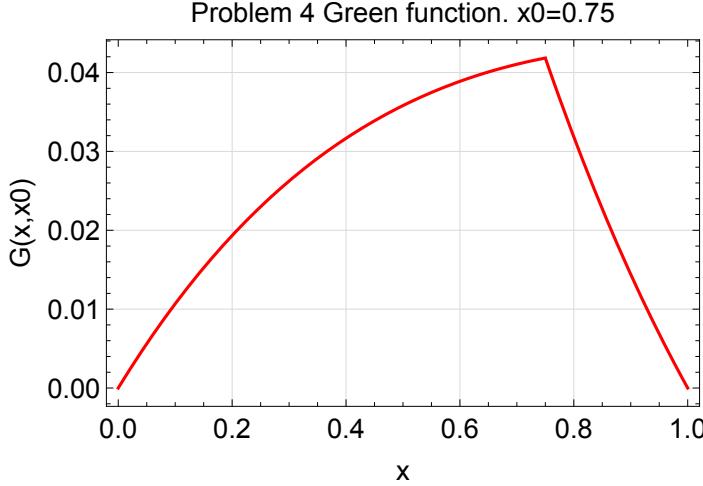
Therefore the solution (1) becomes

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{L} e^{-x_0} (L - x_0) xe^{-x} & x < x_0 \\ \frac{1}{L} x_0 e^{-x_0} (L - x) e^{-x} & x > x_0 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Or

$$G(x, x_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{(L-x_0)}{L} xe^{-x_0-x} & x < x_0 \\ \frac{(L-x)}{L} x_0 e^{-x_0-x} & x > x_0 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

We see they are symmetrical in  $x, x_0$ . Here is a plot of  $G(x, x_0)$  for some arbitrary  $x_0$  located at  $x = 0.75$  for  $L = 1$ .



We now need to find the solution using

$$y(x) = \underbrace{\int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0}_{\text{particular solution}} + \underbrace{\left[ p(x_0) G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - p(x_0) u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L}}_{\text{homogeneous solution/boundary terms}} \quad (6)$$

The first step is to find  $\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0}$ . From (5), we find

$$\frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} = \begin{cases} -\frac{xe^{-x-x_0}}{L} - \frac{xe^{-x-x_0}(L-x_0)}{L} & x < x_0 \\ \frac{e^{-x-x_0}(L-x)}{L} - \frac{(L-x)x_0 e^{-x-x_0}}{L} & x > x_0 \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Now we plug everything in (3). But remember that  $G(x, 0) = 0$ ,  $G(x, L) = 0$ ,  $u(0) = 0$ ,  $u(L) = 1$ ,  $p(x) = e^{2x}$ . The following is the result of the homogeneous part

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \left[ p(x_0) G(x, x_0) \frac{du(x_0)}{dx_0} - p(x_0) u(x_0) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx_0} \right]_{x_0=0}^{x_0=L} \\ &= (e^{2L}) G(x, L) \frac{du(L)}{dx_0} - (e^{2L}) u(L) \frac{dG(x, L)}{dx_0} - (e^{2(0)}) G(x, 0) \frac{du(0)}{dx_0} + (e^{2(0)}) u(0) \frac{dG(x, 0)}{dx_0} \\ &\quad \xrightarrow{x < x_0 \text{ branch from (7)}} 0 - e^{2L} (1) \left( -\frac{xe^{-x-x_0}}{L} - \frac{xe^{-x-x_0}(L-x_0)}{L} \right)_{x_0=L} - 0 + (0) \\ &= -e^{2L} \left( -\frac{xe^{-x-L}}{L} - \frac{xe^{-x-L}(L-L)}{L} \right) \\ &= e^{2L} \left( \frac{xe^{-x-L}}{L} \right) \\ &= \frac{xe^{L-x}}{L} \end{aligned}$$

Now we complete the integration, From (3)

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &= \underbrace{\int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0}_{\text{particular}} + \underbrace{\left( \frac{xe^{L-x}}{L} \right)}_{\text{homogeneous}} \\ &= \int_0^x G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 + \int_x^L G(x, x_0) f(x_0) dx_0 + \frac{xe^{L-x}}{L} \end{aligned}$$

Plug-in in values From (5)  $G(x, x_0)$  for each region,

$$u(x) = \int_0^x \underbrace{\left( \frac{(L-x)}{L} x_0 e^{-x_0-x} \right)}_{\text{from } x>x_0 \text{ branch in (5)}} g(x_0) dx_0 + \int_x^L \underbrace{\left( \frac{(L-x_0)}{L} x e^{-x_0-x} \right)}_{\text{from } x<x_0 \text{ branch in (5)}} g(x_0) dx_0 + \frac{1}{L} x e^{-x+L}$$

This completes the solution. Now we should test it. Let  $f(x) = x$  or  $f(x_0) = x_0$ . But since we multiplied by  $-e^{2x}$  (integrating factor) at start, we should now use  $g(x_0) = -e^{2x_0} x_0$  as  $f(x_0)$  below. The above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &= \int_0^x \left( \frac{(L-x)}{L} x_0 e^{-x_0-x} \right) (-e^{2x_0} x_0) dx_0 + \int_x^L \left( \frac{(L-x_0)}{L} x e^{-x_0-x} \right) (-e^{2x_0} x_0) dx_0 + \frac{xe^{L-x}}{L} \\ &= -\frac{(L-x)e^{-x}}{L} \int_0^x x_0^2 e^{x_0} dx_0 - \frac{xe^{-x}}{L} \int_x^L (L-x_0) x_0 e^{x_0} dx_0 + \frac{xe^{L-x}}{L} \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^x x_0^2 e^{x_0} dx_0 &= -2 + e^x (2 + x^2 - 2x) \\ \int_x^L e^{x_0} (L-x_0) x_0 dx_0 &= e^L (L-2) + e^x (2 + L - 2x - Lx + x^2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence (8) becomes

$$u(x) = -\frac{(L-x)e^{-x}}{L} (-2 + e^x (2 + x^2 - 2x)) - \frac{xe^{-x}}{L} (e^L (L-2) + e^x (2 + L - 2x - Lx + x^2)) + \frac{xe^{L-x}}{L}$$

Which can be simplified to

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{L} e^{-x} ((3e^L - 2)x + L(2 + e^x(x-2) - xe^L))$$

For  $L = 1$ , the above becomes

$$u(x) = x - 2\frac{x}{e^x} + \frac{2}{e^x} + 2x\frac{e}{e^x} - 2$$

### Verification

To verify the above, a plot of the solution was compare to Mathematica result. Here is plot of the result. My solution gives exact plot as Mathematica.

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In[773]:= ClearAll[L, x, f]
f = x;
computerSolution = u[x] /. First@DSolve[{u''[x] + 2 u'[x] + u[x] == f, u[0] == 0, u[L] == 1}, u[x], x]
Out[775]= 
$$\frac{e^{-x} (2 L - 2 e^x L - 2 x + 3 e^L x - e^L L x + e^x L x)}{L}$$


In[778]:= mysolution = -(L - x) Exp[-x] / L (-2 + Exp[x] (2 + x^2 - 2 x)) - x Exp[-x] / L (Exp[L] (L - 2) + Exp[x] (2 + L - 2 x - L x + x^2)) + x / L Exp[L - x];
Simplify[mysolution]
Out[779]= 
$$\frac{e^{-x} ((-2 + 3 e^L) x + L (2 + e^x (-2 + x) - e^L x))}{L}$$


In[780]:= (mysolution - computerSolution) // Simplify
Out[780]= 0

In[781]:= L = 1;
p1 = Plot[computerSolution, {x, 0, 1}, PlotRange -> All, ImageSize -> 300, PlotLabel -> "Mathematica answer", PlotStyle -> Blue, GridLines -> Automatic,
GridLinesStyle -> LightGray];
p2 = Plot[mysolution, {x, 0, 1}, PlotRange -> All, ImageSize -> 300, PlotLabel -> "Manual solution, Green function method", PlotStyle -> {Red},
GridLines -> Automatic, GridLinesStyle -> LightGray];
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