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**\*\* NOTE AT NOON A BIG CHEMISTRY CLASS IS COMING !!!**

1) (30 pts.) (a) Solve by a Fourier sine series  $u(x) = \sum b_k \sin kx$ :

$$-u'' + 4u(x) = f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < x < \pi \\ -1 & -\pi < x < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{with } u(-\pi) = u(\pi) = 0.$$

That right side  $f(x)$  is the square wave SW( $x$ ) on page 318.

(b) What is the decay rate of the coefficients  $b_k$ ? What is the smoothness of  $u(x)$  — which derivative jumps?

2) (30 pts.) This problem is about the equation

$$\frac{1}{5}x_{n-1} + \frac{3}{5}x_n + \frac{1}{5}x_{n+1} = y_n \quad -\infty < n < \infty$$

- (a) Suppose the vector  $x = (\dots, x_{-1}, x_0, x_1, \dots)$  is known. The equation is a non-cyclic convolution  $a * x = y$ . What is the infinite vector  $a$ ? Transform the equation into the frequency domain using  $X(\omega) = \sum x_n e^{in\omega}$  and  $Y(\omega)$  and  $A(\omega)$ . What is  $A(\omega)$  in this problem?
- (b) Suppose the vector  $y$  is known but the vector  $x$  is **not known**. We want to find  $x$ . Take two steps:
1. Give a formula for  $X(\omega)$  using known things like  $Y(\omega)$  and  $\frac{1}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{1}{5}$ , or  $A$ .
  2. Does your formula involve any division by zero or is it safe?

The last step in this deconvolution would recover the Fourier coefficients  $x_n$  from your function  $X(\omega)$  but this is not on the exam!

3) (40 pts.) This circulant equation  $Cd = b$  is a cyclic convolution:

$$Cd = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_0 \\ d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = b \quad \text{is} \quad c \circledast d = b$$

- (a) The eigenvectors of that matrix  $C$  are the four columns  $e_0, e_1, e_2, e_3$  of the Fourier matrix  $F$  (this  $F$  is on page 347). Multiply  $F$  times the  $e$ 's to find the four eigenvalues. Check that their sum is correct.
- (b) Write the right side  $b = (1, 0, 0, 0)$  as a combination of those four eigenvectors (columns of  $F$ ). Using the eigenvalues, the solution  $d$  is what combination of the four eigenvectors? Find the vector  $d$ .
- (c) A direct way to solve  $c \circledast d = b$  would be to take the 4-point discrete transform of both sides. What are the transforms of  $b$  and  $c$  in this problem? What is the transform of the solution  $d$ ? Isn't this just the same method in different words (yes or no).

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