

Math 428 – 1002 Discussion

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Location: CBC C113

Time: Friday 8:30am – 9:45am Office: CDC 722

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Textbook: Elementary Differential Equations and Boundary Value Problems, 11th Edition, William E. Boyce & Richard C. DiPrima

Additional Suggestions: Problems in Differential Equations, J.L. Brenner

Elementary Differential Equations, Earl D. Rainville, Phillip E. Bedient, 6th, 7th, or 8th Edition

Learning Outcomes:

- Further develop algebra skills and reinforce techniques useful for basic manipulation and equation solving.
- Reinforce proper mathematical grammar in regards to showing work and presenting solutions.
- Use First Integrals, Laplace Transform, and other techniques to solve Linear Homogeneous PDEs and Quasilinear PDEs
- Find approximate solutions to Autonomous Non-Linear Systems of ODEs, as well as understand basic ideas of phase planes, stability theory, and critical points.
- Learn the Separation of Variables method for solving various Second-Order PDEs, and understand how to find Kernels and Eigenfunctions.
- Learn how to construct Odd, Even, and Full Fourier Series expansions for periodic continuations of functions.
- Know and understand Fourier Series Convergence Theorems, Parseval's Theorem, and other theorems relating to Fourier Series and Fourier Series Coefficients.
- Learn how to use Fourier Series to find approximate solutions to various Heat, Wave, and Laplace equations in Cartesian and Polar form.
- Understand the basics of Sturm-Liouville Theory and be able to solve some elementary Boundary Value Problems for ODEs and PDEs.

Class Description:

During discussion, I will collect and return homework, solve and finish problems from homework or problems started in lecture, and answer any questions. I will also have material prepared that is relevant to quizzes. Approximately six quizzes will be administered, which will either be take-home or given roughly 15-20 minutes before the end of discussion. Quizzes will be based on the material covered in the previous one to two weeks of lecture. No calculators, notes, textbooks, or electronic devices of any kind are allowed during in-person quizzes and are expected to be put away, not simply left to the side on the table. Homework will be assigned and collected, approximately every week, at the beginning of each class, and the homework due will be from topics that have been **fully** covered in class.

Homework/Quizzes:

- Homework will be assigned by your discussion instructor and announced via Canvas and the e-mail registered on MyUNLV and is due during the following week's discussion unless stated otherwise. Information for quizzes will also be given in this manner.
- All homework and quizzes will be announced a minimum of a week in advance, usually after Friday's discussions. It is the student's responsibility to check their e-mail and/or Canvas as to not miss assignments or information about quizzes.
- **All work must be shown to receive credit for a problem. Skipping critical steps and work that cannot be done simply off the top of your head will receive massive point deductions or no points at all.**
- Homework is expected to be neat and orderly and not reminiscent of scratch work. Excessively messy work will not be considered for credit and you will be asked to redo it.

- Various topics will require that students only use methods taught in class, unless stated otherwise or other methods are proven.

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