372 PDE: Midterm 2.

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- This is a closed book test. No calculators or computational aids are allowed.
- You have 50 mins. The exam has a total of 4 questions and 20 points.
- You may use any result from class or homework **PROVIDED** it is independent of the problem you want to use the result in. (You must also **CLEARLY** state the result you are using.)
- Difficulty wise: I expect $Q1 \leq Q2 \leq Q3 \leq Q4$.
- 5 1. Let f be a continuous 2π periodic function, and define $g(x) = e^{ix}f(x)$. Let (c_n) be the complex Fourier coefficients of f and (d_n) be the complex Fourier coefficients of g. Given that $c_n = (1 + |n|)^{-372}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, find d_n explicitly.
- 5 2. Consider the PDE $\partial_t u + 2\partial_x u \partial_x^2 u = 0$ for $x \in (0, \pi)$, t > 0, with boundary conditions $u(0, t) = 0 = u(\pi, t)$. Use separation of variables to write down the general solution to this PDE as an infinite series. [You may buy the general solution of the ODE y'' + by' + cy = 0 for 2 points. In this case this problem will be scored out of 3 and not 5.]
- 5 3. Find an explicit formula for a function u that satisfies the heat equation $\partial_t u \frac{1}{2} \partial_x^2 u = 0$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0$, with initial data $u(x, 0) = \operatorname{sign}(x)$ and boundary conditions

 $\lim_{x \to \infty} u(x,t) = 1, \text{ and } \lim_{x \to -\infty} u(x,t) = -1.$

You may leave your answer as an unsimplified integral, provided the integrand is an explicit function.

5 4. Let L, T > 0 and a, c be two functions such that $a(x,t) \ge 0$ and $c(x,t) \ge 0$. Suppose u is twice differentiable on the open rectangle $R \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (0, L) \times (0, T)$ and satisfies the partial differential inequality

$$\partial_t u - a \partial_x^2 u + c u \leqslant 0.$$

Suppose further u is continuous on the closed rectangle $\overline{R} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [0, L] \times [0, T]$. If M is the maximum of u in \overline{R} , and $M \ge 0$, then show that u attains the value M on the sides or bottom of \overline{R} . [A more general version of this question was on Homework 4. Please provide a complete proof here without quoting and using the result from homework 4.]