

Partial Differential Equations Spring 2014

Assignment 3.1 Due February 4

Exercise 1. Textbook exercise 3.4.2

Exercise 2. Textbook exercise 3.4.4

Exercise 3. Textbook exercise 3.4.14a

Exercise 4. Textbook exercise 3.4.15

Exercise 5. Let g(x) be a function defined on the interval [0, L] and let G(x) be an antiderivative of the 2*L*-periodic odd extension $g^*(x)$. Prove that G(x) is an even function. [Suggestion: Use FTOC to evaluate G(x) - G(-x).]

Exercise 6. Show that the solution to the vibrating string problem satisfies

$$u(L-x,t+L/c) = -u(x,t)$$

for all $0 \le x \le L$ and $t \ge 0$. This shows that after one-half of its period of oscillation, the string always assumes the "opposite" shape. [Suggestion: Use expression (6) in the textbook and the preceding exercise.]