

**PRACTICE PROBLEMS FOR THE SECOND
MIDTERM**

1. (a) Give the definition of
 - (i) The Heaviside step function.
 - (ii) The error function.
 - (iii) an odd function $f(x)$.
 - (iv) an even function $f(x)$.
- (b) Write down
 - (i) The kinetic energy of an infinite piece of string with density ρ and tension T .
 - (ii) The potential energy of an infinite piece of string with density ρ and tension T .
 - (iii) The total energy of an infinite piece of string with density ρ and tension T .
 - (iv) D'Alembert's solution to the wave equation with initial conditions.
 - (v) The general solution to the diffusion equation with initial condition $u(x, 0) = \phi(x)$.
- (c) State
 - (i) the weak maximum principle, for the diffusion equation.
 - (ii) the strong maximum principle, for the diffusion equation.
2. 2.1.7.
3. 2.1.10.
4. 2.2.2.
5. 2.3.1
6. 2.3.6.
7. 2.4.15.