

HW Soln for §4.2

#1. $\nabla^2 u = 0$

$0 < x < 1, 0 < y < \pi.$

$u(0, y) = u(1, y) = 0$

$0 < y < \pi$

$u(x, 0) = \sin(\pi x), u(x, \pi) = 0$

$0 < x < 1$

$u = X(x)Y(y): \nabla^2 u = u_{xx} + u_{yy} = X''Y + XY'' = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \lambda.$

$X'' - \lambda X = 0$ with $X(0) = X(1) = 0$

$Y'' + \lambda Y = 0$ with $Y(\pi) = 0$

From the X problem we know the eigenvalues are $\lambda = -(n\pi)^2$ and the corresponding eigenfunctions are $X_n(x) = \sin(n\pi x).$

Moving to the Y equation: $Y'' - (n\pi)^2 Y = 0$ has general solution

$Y_n(y) = a e^{n\pi y} + b e^{-n\pi y}$

To have $Y(\pi) = 0$ requires $a e^{n\pi^2} + b e^{-n\pi^2} = 0$, so $b = -a e^{2n\pi}$.

This gives us $Y_n(y) = e^{n\pi y} - e^{2n\pi} e^{-n\pi y} = e^{n\pi y} - e^{2n\pi - n\pi y}.$

Putting these together gives $u_n(x, y) = \sin(n\pi x) (e^{n\pi y} - e^{2n\pi - n\pi y})$ so the general solution to our full PDE is

$u(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(n\pi x) (e^{n\pi y} - e^{2n\pi - n\pi y}).$

To satisfy the final BC requires $u(x, 0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(n\pi x) (1 - e^{2n\pi}) = \sin(\pi x)$

Thus $a_1 (1 - e^{2\pi}) = 1$ and $a_n (1 - e^{2n\pi}) = 0$ for each $n > 1$:

$a_1 = \frac{1}{1 - e^{2\pi}}$ and $a_n = 0$ (for $n > 1$).

$\therefore u(x, y) = \sin(\pi x) \frac{e^{n\pi y} - e^{2n\pi - n\pi y}}{1 - e^{2\pi}}$

#6. $\nabla^2 u = 0$ $0 < x < L, 0 < y < K$

$u(x,0) = u_y(x,0) = 0$ $0 < x < L$
 $u(0,y) = 0, u(L,y) = g(y)$ $0 < y < K$

Separation of variables leads to $\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} = 0$, so $\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \lambda$
 with $Y(0) = Y(K) = 0$ and $X(0) = 0$.

Starting with the Y equation (because there are 2 BC for Y):

$Y'' + \lambda Y = 0, Y(0) = Y(K) = 0$

The only nontrivial solutions are $Y(y) = c \cos(\sigma y) + d \sin(\sigma y)$
 $Y'(y) = -c\sigma \sin(\sigma y) + d\sigma \cos(\sigma y)$

Then $Y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow c = 0$.

and $Y(K) = 0 \Rightarrow d\sigma \cos(\sigma K) = 0$
 $\rightarrow \sigma K = (2n-1)\frac{\pi}{2}$ ← odd multiple of $\pi/2$.

so $\sigma = (2n-1)\frac{\pi}{2K}, \lambda_n = +\sigma^2 = \left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2K}\right)^2, Y_n(y) = \sin\left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi y}{2K}\right)$.

Then, for X: $X'' - \lambda X = 0$ with $\lambda = \left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2K}\right)^2$

so $X(x) = a e^{\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2K}x} + b e^{-\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2K}x}$

To satisfy $X(0) = 0$ requires: $a + b = 0$ so $b = -a$ and
 $X_n(x) = e^{\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2K}x} - e^{-\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2K}x}$

The general solution to the PDE is:
 $u(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \left(e^{\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2K}x} - e^{-\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2K}x} \right) \sin\left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi y}{2K}\right)$

To satisfy the final BC: $u(L,y) = g(y)$ requires:
 $u(L,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \left(e^{\frac{(2n-1)\pi L}{2K}} - e^{-\frac{(2n-1)\pi L}{2K}} \right) \sin\left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi y}{2K}\right) = g(y)$.

so $a_n = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{(2n-1)\pi L}{2K}} - e^{-\frac{(2n-1)\pi L}{2K}}} \frac{2}{K} \int_0^K g(y) \sin\left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi y}{2K}\right) dy$