

2.5#2.

2.5.2. Consider $u(x, y)$ satisfying Laplace's equation inside a rectangle ($0 < x < L$, $0 < y < H$) subject to the boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, y) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, 0) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, y) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, H) = f(x).$$



- *(a) Without solving this problem, briefly explain the physical condition under which there is a solution to this problem.
- (b) Solve this problem by the method of separation of variables. Show that the method works only under the condition of part (a). [Hint: You may use (2.5.16) without derivation.]
- (c) The solution [part (b)] has an arbitrary constant. Determine it by consideration of the time-dependent heat equation (1.5.11) subject to the initial condition

$$u(x, y, 0) = g(x, y).$$

(a) Since u solves Laplace equation thus

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

Now integrate the equation over the whole domain
 $x \in [0, L]$ and $y \in [0, H]$

$$\int_0^H \int_0^L (u_{xx} + u_{yy}) dx dy = \int_0^H \int_0^L 0 dx dy = 0$$

$$\int_0^H \left(\int_0^L u_{xx} dx \right) dy + \int_0^L \left(\int_0^H u_{yy} dy \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^H \left(u_x \Big|_{x=0}^L \right) dy + \int_0^L \left(u_y \Big|_{y=0}^H \right) dx$$

value on boundary

values on boundary

divergence theorem for a square

recall

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, y) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, 0) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, y) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, H) = f(x).$$

$$0 = \int_0^H \left(u_x \Big|_{x=0}^L \right) dy + \int_0^L \left(u_y \Big|_{y=0}^H \right) dx$$

$$\approx \int_0^H (0-0) dy + \int_0^L (f(x)-0) dx = \int_0^L f(x) dx$$

(b) Solve using separation of variables

PDE $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$

BC:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, y) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, 0) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, y) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, H) = f(x).$$

homogeneous

not homogeneous

Let $u(x, y) = \phi(x)h(y)$ and plug in

$$\phi''(x)h(y) + \phi(x)h''(y) = 0$$

Separate x from y to obtain

$$-\frac{h''(y)}{h(y)} = \frac{\phi''(x)}{\phi(x)} = -\lambda$$

for convenience use \rightarrow here so that $\lambda \geq 0$ later.

The ODEs

$$h''(y) = \lambda h(y)$$

and

$$\phi''(x) = -\lambda \phi(x)$$

$$h'(0) = 0$$

$$h'(H) = ?$$

$$\phi'(0) = 0$$

$$\phi'(L) = 0$$

by superposition

Solve $\varphi''(x) = -\lambda \varphi(x)$
 $\varphi'(0) = 0$ $\varphi'(L) = 0$

Case $\lambda = 0$: $\varphi''(x) = 0$

General solution $\varphi(x) = C_1 x + C_2$

$$\varphi'(x) = C_1 \quad \text{so} \quad C_1 = 0$$

Eigen function: $\varphi(x) = C_2$

Case $\lambda > 0$: $\varphi'' = -\lambda \varphi(x)$

General solution: $\varphi(x) = C_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x + C_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x$

$$\varphi'(x) = -C_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x + C_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x$$

$$\varphi'(0) = C_2 \sqrt{\lambda} = 0 \quad \text{implies} \quad C_2 = 0$$

$$\varphi'(L) = -C_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda} L = 0$$

Since $C_1 = 0$ implies $\varphi = 0$ then $\sin \sqrt{\lambda} L = 0$
in which case $\sqrt{\lambda} L = n\pi$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\text{Thus, } \sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{n\pi}{L} \quad \lambda = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2}$$

Eigen function: $\varphi(x) = C_1 \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}$

Case $\lambda < 0$: No non-zero solutions that satisfy the boundary conditions.

Now solve $h''(y) = \lambda h(y)$
 $h'(0) = 0$ $h'(H) = 0$

Thus $h''(y) = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} h(y)$ for $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

Case $n=0$:

General solution $h(y) = c_1 y + c_2$
 $h'(y) = c_1$
 $h'(0) = c_1 = 0$ so $h(y) = c_2$

Case $n=1, 2, \dots$

General solution $h(y) = c_1 \cosh \frac{n\pi y}{L} + c_2 \sinh \frac{n\pi y}{L}$
 $h'(y) = c_1 \frac{n\pi}{L} \sinh \frac{n\pi y}{L} + c_2 \frac{n\pi}{L} \cosh \frac{n\pi y}{L}$
 $h'(0) = c_2 \frac{n\pi}{L} = 0$ $c_2 = 0$

So $h(y) = c_1 \cosh \frac{n\pi y}{L}$

The superposition is

$$u(x, y) = b_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \cosh \frac{n\pi y}{L}$$

Now satisfy the final boundary condition.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, H) = f(x).$$

$$u_y(x, H) = 0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \frac{n\pi}{L} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \sinh \frac{n\pi H}{L} = f(x)$$

Solve for b_n using orthogonality. Thus,

$$\frac{L}{2} \cdot b_n \frac{n\pi}{L} \sinh \frac{n\pi H}{L} = \int_0^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{n\pi \sinh \frac{n\pi H}{L}} \int_0^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

Note that if I integrate this over $[0, L]$ then

$$0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \frac{n\pi}{L} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \sinh \frac{n\pi H}{L} = f(x)$$

$$\int_0^L 0 dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \frac{n\pi}{L} \left(\int_0^L \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx \right) \sinh \frac{n\pi H}{L} = \int_0^L f(x) dx$$

$$0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \frac{n\pi}{L} (0) \sinh \frac{n\pi H}{L} = \int_0^L f(x) dx$$

So we recover the condition $\int_0^L f(x) dx = 0$ in order to solve for the coefficients since the constant term is missing from the cosine series.

(c) How to determine the b_0 ?

(c) The solution [part (b)] has an arbitrary constant. Determine it by consideration of the time-dependent heat equation (1.5.11) subject to the initial condition

$$u(x, y, 0) = g(x, y).$$

^q initial amount of heat

$$\int_0^L \int_0^H g(x, y) dy dx = \int_0^L \int_0^H \left(b_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \cosh \frac{n\pi y}{L} \right) dy dx$$

$$b_0 = \frac{1}{L} \frac{1}{H} \int_0^L \int_0^H g(x, y) dy dx.$$

Similar to 14#7

3. Consider the heat equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0 \quad \text{and } x \in [0, L]$$

subject to the homogeneous boundary conditions

$$u(0, t) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{x=L} = 0.$$

Solve the initial value problem if the temperature is initially

$$u(x, 0) = 5 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{2L}\right).$$

Separation of variables $u(x, t) = \varphi(x) G(t)$ substitute

$$\varphi(x) G'(t) = k \varphi''(x) G(t)$$

Thus

$$\frac{G'(t)}{k G(t)} = \frac{\varphi''(x)}{\varphi(x)} = -\lambda$$

gives the ODEs

$$G'(t) = k\lambda G(t) \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi''(x) = -\lambda \varphi(x)$$
$$G(0) = ?, \quad \varphi(0) = 0 \quad \varphi(L) = 0$$

by superposition

Find eigenfunctions:

Case $\lambda = 0$ $\varphi''(x) = 0$ so $\varphi(x) = C_1 x + C_2$
General solution

$$\varphi(0) = C_2 = 0 \quad \varphi'(x) = C_1 \quad \varphi'(L) = C_1 = 0$$

No eigenfunction when $\lambda = 0$

Case $\lambda > 0$ general solution

$$\varphi(x) = C_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x + C_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x$$

$$\phi(0) = c_1 = 0 \quad \text{so} \quad c_1 = 0$$

$$\phi'(x) = c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x$$

$$\phi'(L) = c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos \sqrt{\lambda} L = 0$$

Thus $\cos \sqrt{\lambda} L = 0$ or $\sqrt{\lambda} L = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi$ for $n=0,1,2,\dots$

$$\sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi = \frac{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi}{L}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{(n+\frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2}{L^2}$$

Solve the

$$h'(t) = -k\lambda h(t).$$

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General solution $h(t) = c_1 e^{-k\lambda t}$

By superposition write

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \sin \frac{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x}{L} e^{-k \frac{(n+\frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2}{L^2} t}$$

Then solve for the a_n such that

$$u(x,0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \sin \frac{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x}{L} = 5 \sin \frac{3\pi x}{2L}.$$

Since $n=1$ corresponds to $\sin \frac{3\pi x}{2L}$ then we

see that $a_1 = 5$ and the other coefficients in the series are all zero. It follows that

$$u(x,t) = 5 \sin \frac{3\pi x}{2L} e^{-k \cdot 9\pi^2 t / (4L^2)}$$