

Selected solutions for
problem set 7.

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1. First separate variables. Look for solutions of the form

$$u(x, y) = X(x) Y(y)$$

Get $X''Y + XY'' = 0$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = K$$

Get 2 separate problems

$$(*)1. \begin{cases} Y'' + KY = 0 \\ Y(0) = 0 \\ Y(b) = 0 \end{cases}$$

and $(*)2. \begin{cases} X'' - KX = 0 \\ X(0) = g_1(y) \\ X(a) = 0 \end{cases}$

claim: $K \geq 0$

proof of claim:

$$\int_0^b Y \cdot Y'' + KY^2 = 0$$

Multiply equation by X and integrate

$$YY' \Big|_0^b - \int_0^b (Y')^2 + K \int_0^b Y^2 = 0$$

~~So $K > 0$.~~

$$K \int_0^b Y^2 = \int_0^b (Y')^2$$

So $K \geq 0$

thus the general solutions are

$$Y(y) = A \cos(\sqrt{K}y) + B \sin(\sqrt{K}y)$$

~~$A \cos(\sqrt{K}y) + B \sin(\sqrt{K}y)$, where write $K = m^2 \geq 0$~~

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Using $Y(0) = 0$, we get.

$$A = Y(0) = 0$$

$$\text{so } B \neq 0$$

Using $Y(b) = 0$, we get

$$B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} b) = Y(b) = 0$$

$$\text{Thus } \sqrt{\lambda} b = n\pi, \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

Next solve $X(x)$, get

$$X'' - \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{b^2} X = 0.$$

$$\text{So } X_n(x) = \bar{C}_n \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi(x-a)}{b}\right) + \bar{D}_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi(x-a)}{b}\right)$$

Using that ~~$X(0) = 0$~~ , $X(a) = 0$

we get ~~$\bar{C}_n = 0$~~ and

$$X_n(x) = \bar{D}_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi(x-a)}{b}\right)$$

$$\text{So } U_n(x, y) = X_n(x) Y_n(y) = \bar{D}_n B_n \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \sinh\left[\frac{n\pi(x-a)}{b}\right]$$

and the general solutions are

$$\text{and } U(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{D}_n \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \sinh \frac{n\pi(x-a)}{b}$$

$$\text{where } \bar{D}_n = \bar{D}_n B_n$$

To fix \bar{D}_n , we use $U(0, y) = g_1(y)$, i.e.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{D}_n \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \sinh \frac{n\pi a}{b} = g_1(y)$$

$$\text{so } \bar{D}_n = - \frac{\int_0^b g_1(y) \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} dy}{\frac{b}{2} \sinh \frac{n\pi a}{b}}$$

And the solution to this Dirichlet problem is

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$$u(x,y) = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\int_0^b f(y) \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} dy}{\frac{b}{\pi} \sinh \frac{n\pi a}{b}} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \sinh \frac{n\pi(x-a)}{b}$$

3. we use the principle of superposition and consider the following 2 problems.

$$(*)_3 \begin{cases} \Delta v = 0 \\ v(x,0) = x \\ v(x,1) = 0 \\ v(0,y) = 0 \\ v_x(1,y) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(*)_4 \begin{cases} \Delta w = 0 \\ w(x,0) = 0 \\ w(x,1) = 0 \\ w(0,y) = 0 \\ w_x(1,y) = y \end{cases}$$

First solve $(*)_3$ by separation of variables.

suppose $v(x,y) = \cancel{v(x,y)} X(x) Y(y)$

$$\text{get } \frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = k$$

$$\text{and } \begin{cases} X'' - kX = 0 \\ X(0) = 0 \\ X'(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} Y'' + kY = 0 \\ Y(0) = x \\ Y(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

claim: $k \leq 0$.

proof of claim:

$$\int_0^1 X X'' - \int_0^1 k X^2 = 0$$

← Multiply eqn by X and integrate.

$$X X' \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 (X')^2 - k \int_0^1 X^2 = 0$$

= 0 by boundary condition.

$$k \int_0^1 X^2 = - \int_0^1 (X')^2$$

so $k \leq 0$

so $X(x) = A \cos(\sqrt{k}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{k}x)$.

Using $X(0)=0$, we get $A=0$

and so $B \neq 0$.

Using $X'(1)=0$, we get

$$X'(1) = B\sqrt{k} \cos(\sqrt{k}x) \Big|_{x=1} = 0.$$

$$\sqrt{k} = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi \quad \text{for } n=1, 2, \dots$$

$$k = -\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)^2 \pi^2$$

Next solve $Y'' - \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)^2 \pi^2 Y = 0$

$$Y'' - \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)^2 \pi^2 Y = 0$$

~~$$Y(x) = C_n \cos\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] + D_n \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right]$$~~

$$Y(y) = \tilde{C}_n \cosh\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)(y-1)\right] + \tilde{D}_n \sinh\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)(y-1)\right]$$

Using that $Y(1)=0$, get

$$\tilde{C}_n = 0,$$

So $V_n(x, y) = X_n(x) Y_n(y)$

$$= B_n \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] \cdot \tilde{D}_n \sinh\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)(y-1)\right]$$

$$= D_n \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] \sinh\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)(y-1)\right]$$

where $D_n = B_n \tilde{D}_n$

and the general solutions are

$$V(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] \sinh\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)(y-1)\right]$$

To fix D_n , we use $V(x, 0) = x$, i.e.

$$x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] \cdot \sinh\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)$$

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$$\text{so } P_n = - \frac{\int_0^1 x \cdot \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] dx}{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)}$$

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$$= -2 \int_0^1 x \cdot \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] dx$$

and the solution is

$$V(x, y) = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \int_0^1 x \cdot \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] dx \right\} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right) x \sinh\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)(1-y)\right]$$

~~So~~ After getting V, we solve (14) to get W.

similarly, suppose $W(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$

$$\text{get } \frac{X''}{X} = - \frac{Y''}{Y} = k.$$

$$\text{and } \begin{cases} X'' - kX = 0 \\ X(0) = 0 \\ X'(1) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \cdot \quad \begin{cases} Y'' + kY = 0 \\ Y(0) = 0 \\ Y(1) = 0. \end{cases}$$

First solve Y,

claim: $k \geq 0$. (The proof is the same as in lecture)

$$\text{get } Y(y) = A \cos(\sqrt{k}y) + B \sin(\sqrt{k}y)$$

$$\text{using } Y(0) = 0, \text{ get } A = 0, B \neq 0$$

$$\text{using } Y(1) = 0, \text{ get } \sqrt{k} = n\pi,$$

$$\text{so } k = n^2\pi^2, n = 0, 1, \dots$$

Next solve X,

$$X'' - n^2\pi^2 X = 0$$

$$\text{so } X_n(x) = \overline{C}_n \cosh(n\pi x) + \overline{D}_n \sinh(n\pi x)$$

Using that $x(0) = 0$ get $\bar{C}_n = 0$,

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So ~~solution for W is~~
 general solution for W is

$$W(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} X_n(x) Y_n(y)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n \sin(n\pi y) \sinh(n\pi x)$$

where $D_n = B_n \cdot \bar{D}_n$.

To find D_n , we use

$$y^2 = W_x(1, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \cancel{D_n \cdot (n\pi) \cdot \cos(n\pi y)} \sin$$

$$D_n \cdot (n\pi) \sin(n\pi y) \cdot \cosh(n\pi x) \Big|_{x=1}$$

namely

$$y^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n \cdot (n\pi) \cdot \frac{e^{n\pi} + e^{-n\pi}}{2} \cdot \sin(n\pi y)$$

thus

$$D_n = \frac{\int_0^1 y^2 \cdot \sin(n\pi y) dy}{\frac{1}{2} \cdot (n\pi) \cdot \frac{e^{n\pi} + e^{-n\pi}}{2}}$$

and $W(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4}{(n\pi) \cdot (e^{n\pi} + e^{-n\pi})} \cdot \left[\int_0^1 y^2 \sin(n\pi y) dy \right] \sin(n\pi y) \sinh(n\pi x)$

The solution to the original problem is

$$u(x, y) = v(x, y) + W(x, y)$$

$$= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \cdot \left\{ \int_0^1 x \cdot \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)x\right] dx \right\} \cdot \sin\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)y\right] \sinh\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi\right)(x+y)\right]$$

$$+ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4}{(n\pi) \cdot (e^{n\pi} + e^{-n\pi})} \cdot \left[\int_0^1 y^2 \sin(n\pi y) dy \right] \sin(n\pi y) \sinh(n\pi x)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 5. \quad u(r, \theta) &= \frac{(r^2 - r_1^2)}{2\lambda} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(\theta') d\theta'}{r^2 - 2rr_1 \cos(\theta - \theta') + r_1^2} \\
 &= \frac{(r^2 - r_1^2) u_1}{2\lambda} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta'}{r^2 + r_1^2 - 2rr_1 \cos(\theta - \theta')} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(r^2 - r_2^2) u_2}{2\lambda} \int_{\pi}^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta'}{r^2 + r_2^2 - 2rr_2 \cos(\theta - \theta')}
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the hint, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(r, \theta) &= -\frac{(r^2 - r_1^2) u_1}{2\lambda} \cdot \frac{2}{r_1^2 - r^2} \arctan \left[\frac{r_1 + r}{r_1 - r} \tan \left(\frac{\theta - \theta'}{2} \right) \right] \Bigg|_0^{2\pi} \\
 &\quad - \frac{(r^2 - r_2^2) u_2}{2\lambda} \cdot \frac{2}{r_2^2 - r^2} \arctan \left(\frac{r_2 + r}{r_2 - r} \tan \left(\frac{\theta - \theta'}{2} \right) \right) \Bigg|_{\pi}^{2\pi} \\
 &= -\frac{u_1}{\lambda} \arctan \left(\frac{r_1 + r}{r_1 - r} \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right) + \frac{u_1}{\lambda} \arctan \left(\frac{r_1 + r}{r_1 - r} \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{u_2}{\lambda} \arctan \left(\frac{r_2 + r}{r_2 - r} \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) + \frac{u_2}{\lambda} \arctan \left(\frac{r_2 + r}{r_2 - r} \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Using the general formula in polar coordinates (8)

$$U(r, \theta) = (C_0 + D_0 \ln r) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(C_m r^m + \frac{D_m}{r^m} \right) (\cos m\theta + \sin m\theta)$$

since $U(r_1, \theta) = U_1$
 $U(r_2, \theta) = U_2$ are independent of θ

we have all $C_m, D_m = 0$ for $m \geq 1$.

and $C_0 + D_0 \ln r_1 = U_1$

$$C_0 + D_0 \ln r_2 = U_2$$

$$\Rightarrow C_0 = \frac{\ln \left(\frac{r_2^{U_1}}{r_1^{U_2}} \right)}{\ln \left(\frac{r_1}{r_2} \right)}$$

$$D_0 = \frac{U_2 - U_1}{\ln \left(\frac{r_1}{r_2} \right)}$$

$$U(r, \theta) = \frac{\ln \left[\frac{r_2^{U_1}}{r_1^{U_2}} \right]}{\ln \left(\frac{r_1}{r_2} \right)} + \frac{U_2 - U_1}{\ln \left(\frac{r_1}{r_2} \right)} \ln r$$

7. Because the general solutions are given by (9)

$$U(r, \theta) = C_0 + D_0 \ln r + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(C_m r^m + \frac{D_m}{r^m} \right) (\cos m\theta + \sin m\theta)$$

So, when choosing $r = \frac{1}{r}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} U\left(\frac{1}{r}, \theta\right) &= C_0 + D_0 \ln \frac{1}{r} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{C_m}{r^m} + D_m r^m \right) (\cos m\theta + \sin m\theta) \\ &= \widetilde{C}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \ln r + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\widetilde{C}_m r^m + \frac{\widetilde{D}_m}{r^m} \right) (\cos m\theta + \sin m\theta) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \widetilde{C}_0 = C_0 \\ \widetilde{D}_0 = -D_0 \\ \widetilde{C}_m = D_m \\ \widetilde{D}_m = C_m \end{cases}$$

So this is also harmonic!