

Partial Differential Equations and Complex Variables  
2020 Fall  
Homework 3

**19.3.6.** Solve two-dimensional heat equation on the rectangular area  $0 < x < a$ ,  $0 < y < b$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^2(u_{xx} + u_{yy}) &= u_t \\ u(0, y) = u(a, y) = u(x, 0) = u(x, b) &= 0, \\ u(x, y, 0) &= f(x, y).\end{aligned}$$

(a) Derive the solution

$$u(x, y, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t},$$

where

$$\kappa_{mn} = \pi^2 \left( \frac{m^2}{a^2} + \frac{n^2}{b^2} \right),$$

and (c) Evaluate the  $A_{mn}$ 's for the case  $f(x, y) = 100$  ((b)小題不用做)

sol. (a) Since both the equation and B.C.'s are homogeneous. Let  $u(x, y, t) = X(x)Y(y)T(t)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} &= \frac{T'}{\alpha^2 T} = -\kappa^2. \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} T' + \alpha^2 \kappa^2 T = 0 \\ \frac{X''}{X} = -\kappa^2 - \frac{Y''}{Y} = -\beta^2 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} T' + \alpha^2 \kappa^2 T = 0 \\ X'' + \beta^2 X = 0 \\ Y'' + (\kappa^2 - \beta^2) Y = 0 \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

So, (show details)  $u(x, t) = (A \cos \beta x + B \sin \beta x)(C \cos \sqrt{\kappa^2 - \beta^2} y + D \sin \sqrt{\kappa^2 - \beta^2} y) e^{-\kappa^2 \alpha^2 t}$ . We abandoned the linear term since it can't survive after homogeneous Dirichlet B.C. Apply B.C.'s on it,

$$\begin{aligned}u(0, y, t) = 0 &= A(\dots)e^{-\kappa^2 \alpha^2 t} \Rightarrow A = 0 \\ \Rightarrow u(x, y, t) &= \sin \beta x (C \cos \sqrt{\kappa^2 - \beta^2} y + D \sin \sqrt{\kappa^2 - \beta^2} y) e^{-\kappa^2 \alpha^2 t} \\ u(x, 0, t) = 0 &= \sin \beta x \cdot C \cdot e^{-\kappa^2 \alpha^2 t} \Rightarrow C = 0 \\ \Rightarrow u(x, y, t) &= D \sin \beta x \sin(\sqrt{\kappa^2 - \beta^2} y) e^{-\kappa^2 \alpha^2 t} \\ u(a, y, t) = 0 &= D \sin \beta a (\dots) \Rightarrow \beta a = m\pi, \quad m \in \mathbb{N} \\ u(x, b, t) = 0 &= D \sin \beta x \sin(b\sqrt{\kappa^2 - \beta^2})(\dots) \Rightarrow b\sqrt{\kappa^2 - \beta^2} = n\pi, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \\ \Rightarrow \kappa^2 - \beta^2 &= \left(\frac{n\pi}{b}\right)^2 \\ \Rightarrow \kappa &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{m\pi}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n\pi}{b}\right)^2} := \kappa_{mn}\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

So we let

$$u(x, y, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t}.$$

Using equation (17) to (22) in textbook leads to that

$$D_{mn} = \frac{4}{ab} \int_0^b \int_0^a f(x, y) \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} dx dy.$$

(b) We begin with verifying B.C.'s. Clearly, B.C.'s are all satisfied since  $\sin 0 = 0$  and  $\sin m\pi = 0$  if  $m$  is odd. Also, if  $t = 0$ , it turns out that

$$u(x, y, 0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b}$$

It's double series expansion of  $f(x, y)$ . For the PDE, since the behavior of double series is more complicated than a single one. Hence we may assume the behavior of our solution is well-behaved so that we can change the order of summation and partial differentiation arbitrarily.

$$\begin{aligned}
u_{xx} &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left( \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \right) \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \right) \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \left( -\frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \right) \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \\
&= \left( -\frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} \right) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t}
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_{yy} &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \left( \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \right) \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \right) e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \left( -\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{b^2} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \right) e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \\
&= \left( -\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{b^2} \right) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t}
\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_t &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \right) \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \right) \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( -\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 \cdot e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t} \right) \\
&= \kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 \cdot \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t}
\end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha^2(u_{xx} + u_{yy}) &= \alpha^2 \left( -\frac{m^2 \pi^2}{a^2} - \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{b^2} \right) u \\
&= -\alpha^2 \kappa_{mn}^2 u \\
&= u_t
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

(c) DIY.

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{mn} &= \frac{1600}{mn\pi^2}, \quad m, n \text{ are odd.} \\
u(x, y, t) &= \frac{1600}{\pi^2} \sum_{m=1,3,\dots}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1,3,\dots}^{\infty} \frac{1}{mn} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} e^{-\kappa_{mn}^2 \alpha^2 t}.
\end{aligned}$$

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**20.3.5** Consider the domain to be the whole plane minus a circular hole of of radius  $a$ .

$$\nabla^2 u = 0, \quad (a < r < \infty)$$

$$u(a, \theta) = f(\theta), \quad u \text{ bounded as } r \rightarrow \infty$$

Solve for  $u(r, \theta)$ , leaving expansion coefficients in integral form. What is the value of  $u$  at  $r = \infty$ ?

sol. Laplace equation in polar coordinate:

$$u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r + \frac{1}{r^2}u_{\theta\theta} = 0$$

Let  $u(r, \theta) = R(r)\Theta(\theta)$  Applying separation of variables,

$$\begin{aligned}
R''\Theta + \frac{1}{r}R'\Theta + \frac{1}{r^2}R\Theta'' &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow \frac{r^2 R''}{R} + \frac{r R'}{R} + \frac{\Theta''}{\Theta} &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow \frac{r^2 R''}{R} + \frac{r R'}{R} &= -\frac{\Theta''}{\Theta} = \kappa^2
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

We obtain,

$$\begin{cases} r^2 R'' + rR' - \kappa^2 R = 0 \\ \Theta'' + \kappa^2 \Theta = 0 \end{cases}$$

The  $R$  equation is a Cauchy-Euler equation, and the  $\Theta$  one is our familiarity.

$$R(r) = \begin{cases} A + B \ln r, & \kappa = 0 \\ Cr^k + Dr^{-k}, & \kappa \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Theta(\theta) = \begin{cases} E + F\theta, & \kappa = 0 \\ G \cos \kappa\theta + H \sin \kappa\theta, & \kappa \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

So we can write

$$u(r, \theta) = (A + B \ln r)(E + F\theta) + (Cr^k + Dr^{-k})(G \cos \kappa\theta + H \sin \kappa\theta)$$

When  $r \rightarrow \infty$ , to avoid diverging,  $B = C = 0$ . May assume  $E = D = 1$ , so

$$u(r, \theta) = A + F\theta + r^{-k}(G \cos \kappa\theta + H \sin \kappa\theta)$$

By periodicity of  $\Theta$ ,  $F = 0$  and

$$\begin{cases} \cos \kappa(\theta + 2\pi) = \cos \kappa\theta \\ \sin \kappa(\theta + 2\pi) = \sin \kappa\theta \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} -2 \sin \kappa(\theta + \pi) \sin \kappa\theta = 0 \\ 2 \cos \kappa(\theta + \pi) \sin \kappa\theta = 0 \end{cases}$$

So  $\sin \kappa\pi = 0$ ,  $\kappa = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  Hence

$$u(r, \theta) = E + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{-n} (G_n \cos \kappa\theta + H_n \sin \kappa\theta)$$

apply B.C.,

$$u(b, \theta) = E + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b^{-n} (G_n \cos \kappa\theta + H_n \sin \kappa\theta)$$

So,

$$E = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) d\theta$$

$$G_n = \frac{b^n}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \cos n\theta d\theta$$

$$H_n = \frac{b^n}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \sin n\theta d\theta$$
(7)

and therefore  $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} u(r, \theta) = E$  ■

**Supplement problem 1.** By the principles used in modeling the string it can be shown that small free vertical vibrations of a uniform elastic beam are modeled by the forth-order PDE.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = -c^2 \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial x^4}$$

where  $c^2 = \frac{EI}{\rho A}$  ( $E$  = Young's modulus of elasticity,  $I$  = moment of inertia of the cross section with respect to rotation axis,  $A$  = cross-section area)

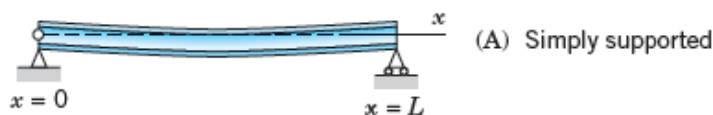
(a) Substituting  $u = F(x)G(t)$  into the given equation, attain the results below

$$\frac{F^{(4)}}{F} = \frac{-1}{c^2} \frac{\ddot{G}}{G} = \beta^4 = \text{const}$$

$$F(x) = A \cos \beta x + B \sin \beta x + C \cosh \beta x + D \sinh \beta x$$

$$G(t) = a \cos c\beta^2 t + b \sin c\beta^2 t$$

(b) Find solutions  $u_n = F_n(x)G_n(t)$  corresponding to zero initial velocity and satisfying the boundary conditions (see the photo below)



$$\begin{cases} u(0, t) = 0, u(L, t) = 0 \text{ (ends simply supported for all time } t) \\ u_{xx}(0, t) = 0, u_{xx}(L, t) = 0 \text{ (zero moments, hence zero curvature, at the ends)} \end{cases}$$

(c) Find the solution satisfying the initial condition

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) = x(L - x)$$

**sol.** (a) After attain the results (Show your details) shown in the paragraph, we obtain

$$\begin{cases} F^{(4)} - \beta^4 F = 0 \\ G'' + c^2 \beta^4 G = 0 \end{cases}$$

By theory of ODE, we obtain

$$F(x) = A \cos(\beta x) + B \sin(\beta x) + C \cosh(\beta x) + D \sinh(\beta x),$$

and

$$G(t) = a \cos(c\beta^2 t) + b \sin(c\beta^2 t).$$

(b) Observe that  $\beta$  will be our eigenvalue. Moreover, we may abandon the terms  $u_0$  correspond to  $\beta = 0$ . (Why?) Then, write

$$u(x, t) = (A \cos(\beta x) + B \sin(\beta x) + C \cosh(\beta x) + D \sinh(\beta x))(a \cos(c\beta^2 t) + b \sin(c\beta^2 t)),$$

and

$$u_{xx}(x, t) = \beta^2(-A \cos(\beta x) - B \sin(\beta x) + C \cosh(\beta x) + D \sinh(\beta x))(a \cos(c\beta^2 t) + b \sin(c\beta^2 t))$$

Since  $u(0, t) = 0$  and  $u_{xx}(0, t) = 0$ ,

$$\begin{cases} (A + C)(a \cos(c\beta^2 t) + b \sin(c\beta^2 t)) = 0 \\ \beta^2(-A + C)(a \cos(c\beta^2 t) + b \sin(c\beta^2 t)) = 0 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A + C = 0 \\ -A + C = 0 \end{cases}$$

We have  $A = C = 0$ . On the other hand, since  $u(L, t) = 0$  and  $u_{xx}(L, t) = 0$ ,

$$\begin{cases} (B \sin \beta L + D \sinh \beta L)(a \cos(c\beta^2 t) + b \sin(c\beta^2 t)) = 0 \\ \beta^2(B \sin \beta L - D \sinh \beta L)(a \cos(c\beta^2 t) + b \sin(c\beta^2 t)) = 0 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} B \sin \beta L + D \sinh \beta L = 0 \\ B \sin \beta L - D \sinh \beta L = 0 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} B \sin \beta L = 0 \\ D \sinh \beta L = 0 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \beta = n\pi/L \\ D = 0 \end{cases}$$

Merge  $B$  into  $a$  and  $b$ , we have

$$u_n(x, t) = \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \left( a_n \cos \frac{n^2 \pi^2 ct}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n^2 \pi^2 ct}{L} \right).$$

(c) First we assume

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \left( a_n \cos \frac{n^2 \pi^2 ct}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n^2 \pi^2 ct}{L} \right),$$

We have two initial conditions,  $u(x, 0) = x(L - x)$  and  $u_t(x, 0) = 0$  (since the initial velocity is zero). First, apply  $u(x, 0) = x(L - x)$ , we have

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

so

$$a_n = \int_0^L x(L - x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \dots = \begin{cases} \frac{4L^3}{\pi^3 n^3}, & n \text{ odd} \\ 0, & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

Apply another I.C.,

$$u_t(x, 0) = 0 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L},$$

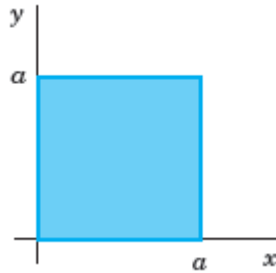
so obviously  $b_n = 0$ .

Therefore, the final answer becomes

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots} \frac{4L^3}{\pi^3 n^3} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \cos \frac{n^2 \pi^2 ct}{L}.$$

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**Supplement problem 2.** The faces of the thin square plate, shown below, with side  $a = 24$  are perfectly insulated. The upper side is kept at  $25^\circ$  and the others are kept at  $0^\circ$ . Find the steady-state temperature  $u(x, y)$  in the plate.



**sol.** It turns out that this is a common Dirichlet problem with nothing special.

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 u &= 0 \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u(0, y) = 0, \\ u(y, 0) = 0, \\ u(x, 0) = 0, \\ u(x, 24) = 0. \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

The procedures are same with example 1 in section 20.2 in the textbook (p.1059) (Again, you still need to show your steps or would receive no points).

$$u(x, y) = \frac{100}{\pi} \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots} \frac{1}{n \sinh n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{24} \sinh \frac{n\pi y}{24}$$

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