

HW #9 Solutions

6.1 #s 2, 3, 5, 9 , 6.2 #s 1, 2, 4, 7

6.3 #s 1, 2, 4

Sec 6.1 #2: Using the Laplace operator in spherical coordinates, u must satisfy

$u''(r) + \frac{2}{r}u'(r) = k^2 u(r) \Rightarrow r u''(r) + 2u'(r) = k^2 u(r)r$. Suppose u satisfies this equation and set $v = u \cdot r$. Then $\frac{d}{dr}v = u' \cdot r + u$, and

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2}v = u'' \cdot r + 2u' = k^2 u \cdot r = k^2 v \quad \text{using}$$

the equation for u . Solving $v'' - k^2 v = 0$

we find $v = Ae^{kr} + Be^{-kr}$, so that

$$u = \frac{v}{r} = \frac{Ae^{kr} + Be^{-kr}}{r}.$$

#3: ~~Aleksas~~ We look for functions $u = u(r)$ that depend on r only. Using the polar coordinate form of Δ , we must solve $u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r = k^2 u$. Bessel's differential equation is

$$\frac{d^2}{dz^2}f(z) + \frac{1}{z} \frac{d}{dz}f(z) + \left(1 - \frac{s^2}{z^2}\right)f(z) = 0,$$

where s is a constant. Its solutions are the Bessel functions. Consider the equation with $s = 0$:

$$\frac{d^2}{dz^2}f(z) + \frac{1}{z} \frac{d}{dz}f(z) = -f(z). \quad (*)$$

Suppose $f(z)$ is a solution of $(*)$

and set $u(r) = f(ikr)$. Then

$$\frac{d}{dr} u(r) = \frac{d}{dr} f(ikr) = f'(ikr) \cdot ik, \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dr^2} u(r) = f''(ikr)(ik)^2 = -k^2 f''(ikr). \text{ So}$$

$$u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r = -k^2 f''(ikr) + \frac{ik}{r} f'(ikr)$$

$$= -k^2 \left(f''(ikr) + \frac{1}{ikr} f'(ikr) \right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{by } (*)}{=} -k^2 (-f(ikr)) = k^2 u(r),$$

So $u(r) = f(ikr)$ is a solution to the original problem $\Delta u = k^2 u$. According to section 10.5, the functions f that satisfy $(*)$ are just linear combinations of two Bessel functions I_0 and J_0 . So we have solutions $u(r) = A I_0(ikr) + B J_0(ikr)$.

#5: Let's look for solutions u that depend only ~~on~~ on r ; the PDE becomes an ODE:

$$u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r = 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow r u_{rr} + u_r = r$$

i.e. ~~$\frac{d}{dr}(r u_{rr} + u_r) = r$~~ Integrating, we

$$\text{have } r u_r = \frac{1}{2} r^2 + C_1 \Rightarrow u_r = \frac{1}{2} r + \frac{C_1}{r}.$$

$\Rightarrow u = \frac{1}{4} r^2 + C_1 \log r + C_2$. Since u must be defined for $r=0$, we take $C_1=0$. The boundary condition gives

$$0 = u(a) = \frac{a^2}{4} + C_2, \quad \text{so}$$

$$u = \frac{r^2}{4} - \frac{a^2}{4}.$$

#9 a: Assuming the temperature T is a function of r only we have

$\Delta T = Tr_{rr} + \frac{2}{r} Tr_r = 0$; this is an ODE, in fact we have $\frac{d}{dr}(r^2 Tr_r) = 2r Tr_r + r^2 Tr_{rr} = r^2(Tr_{rr} + \frac{2}{r} Tr_r) = 0$. Integrating gives $r^2 Tr_r = C_1 \Rightarrow Tr_r = C_1 r^{-2} \Rightarrow T = -C_1 r^{-1} + C_2$. Now we apply the boundary conditions:

$$100 = T(1) = -C_1 + C_2 \Rightarrow C_2 = C_1 + 100, \text{ and}$$

$$-\gamma = Tr(2) = C_1 2^{-2} = \frac{C_1}{4}.$$

$$\text{So } C_1 = -4\gamma, \quad C_2 = -4\gamma + 100, \text{ and}$$

$$T(r) = 4\gamma r^{-1} - 4\gamma + 100.$$

b: The temperature decreases as r increases, so it's hottest at $r = 1$, w/ $T(1) = 100$, and coldest at $r = 2$, w/ $T(2) = 100 - 2\gamma$.

$$\Leftrightarrow \gamma = 40$$

Sec 6.2

#1 We take the hint and guess that the solution has form $u = Ax^2 + By^2 + Cxy + Dx + Ey + F$. Then $\Delta u = 2A + 2B$, so Laplace's Eqn. implies that $B = -A$. We apply the BC's: $u_x = 2Ax + Cy + D$ and $u_y = 2By + Cx + E = -2Ay + Cx + E$.

① $-a = u_x(0, y) = Cy + D \Rightarrow C = 0$ and $D = -a$.

② $0 = u_x(a, y) = 2Aa + Cy + D = 2Aa - a = a(2A - 1)$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}$$

③ $b = u_y(x, 0) = Cx + E = 0, E = b$

④ $0 = u_y(x, b) = \cancel{2Bb} + Cx + E = 2Bb + b = b(2B + 1)$

$\Rightarrow B = -\frac{1}{2}$, which agrees with our computation $B = -A$ above.

So $u(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}y^2 - ax + by + F$, where F is arbitrary.

#2: We show that $\{\sin m_1 y \sin n_1 z\}$ are orthogonal on $\{0 < y < \pi, 0 < z < \pi\}$, by integrating the product of two such functions over the square:

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_{[0,\pi]^2} (\sin m_1 y \sin n_1 z)(\sin m_2 y \sin n_2 z) dy dz \\ &= \left(\int_0^\pi \sin m_1 y \sin m_2 y dy \right) \left(\int_0^\pi \sin n_1 z \sin n_2 z dz \right) \\ &= 0 \quad \text{unless } m_1 = m_2 \text{ and } n_1 = n_2 \quad \text{because} \\ & \text{the functions } \{\sin kx\} \text{ are orthogonal} \\ & \text{on } 0 < x < \pi. \end{aligned}$$

#4: There are two inhomogeneous boundary conditions; our strategy is to split the problem into two subproblems, each of which involves only one inhomogeneous boundary condition:

① Solve $\Delta u = 0$ on $D = \{0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1\}$.

$$u(0,y) = u(1,y) = 0, \quad u_x(0,y) = 0, \quad u_x(1,y) = y^2.$$

We separate variables: $u = X(x)Y(y)$

The PDE gives $\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \lambda$.

First we solve $Y'' = -\lambda Y$, the BCs give $0 = Y(0) = Y(1)$. So $\lambda = (n\pi)^2$, $n > 0$ with corresponding eigenfunctions ~~$Y_n(x) = \sin nx$~~ .

$Y_n(y) = \sin ny$.

Next we solve $X'' = \lambda X$ with the single boundary condition $X'(0) = 0$. We have

$$\underline{X}_n(x) = A \cosh nx + B \sinh nx, \text{ and}$$

$$0 = \underline{X}'(0) = B n \pi \cosh(0) = B n \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 0, \text{ so } \underline{X}_n(x) = A \cosh nx. \text{ So}$$

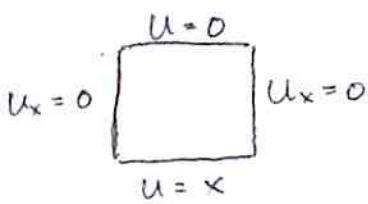
$u(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cosh nx \cdot \sin ny$ satisfies the PDE and the three homogeneous BC's.

For the remaining side we require that

$$y^2 = u_x(1,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cdot n \pi \cdot \sinh n \pi) \sin ny$$

Let $y^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin ny$ be the Fourier sine series for y^2 . Choosing $A_n = \frac{C_n}{n \pi \cdot \sinh n \pi}$
 $= \frac{1}{n \pi \cdot \sinh n \pi} \cdot \frac{2}{1} \int_0^1 y^2 \sin ny dy$, u has the required condition on the right side.

(2) Solve $\Delta u = 0$ on D with



$$u_x(0,y) = u_x(1,y) = u(x,1) = 0, u(x,0) = x.$$

Again, separate variables and

$$\text{obtain } -\frac{\underline{X}''}{\underline{X}} = \frac{\underline{Y}''}{\underline{Y}} = \lambda.$$

First we solve $-\underline{X}'' = -\lambda \underline{X}$; the BC's give $\underline{X}'(0) = \underline{X}'(1)$. These are Neumann conditions, so $\lambda = (n \pi)^2$ $n \geq 0$ with eigenfunctions $\underline{X}_n = \cos n \pi x$ for $n \geq 0$.

Now we solve $\underline{Y}'' = \lambda \underline{Y}$ with the single boundary condition $\underline{Y}(1) = 0$.

For $\lambda = 0$ we have $\bar{Y}'' = 0 \Rightarrow$

$\bar{Y}(y) = Ay + B$, and $0 = \bar{Y}(1) = A + B$,

hence $B = -A$ and $\bar{Y}(y) = A(y-1)$. For $n > 0$

$\bar{Y}'' = \lambda \bar{Y}$ has solutions $\bar{Y} = A \cosh n\pi y + B \sinh n\pi y$

Then $0 = \bar{Y}(1) = A \cosh n\pi + B \sinh n\pi$, so

$B = -A \coth n\pi$ and

$\bar{Y}(y) = A(\cosh n\pi y - \coth n\pi \cdot \sinh n\pi y)$

So $\underline{u(x,y)} = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n [\cosh n\pi y - \coth n\pi \cdot \sinh n\pi y] \cdot \cos n\pi x$

satisfies the PDE and the three homogeneous BCs. For the remaining BC, we require that

$$x = u(x,0) \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$$

$$= -A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos n\pi x.$$

Writing the Fourier cosine series for x :

$$x = \frac{1}{2} C_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \cos n\pi x, \text{ we see that}$$

we must have $A_0 = -\frac{1}{2} C_0$ and $A_n = C_n$ for $n > 0$, where $C_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L x \cos n\pi x dx$.

③ Let u_1 be the solution found in ①, and u_2 the solution found in ②. & Let $u = u_1 + u_2$. Since u_1, u_2 harmonic, so is u . Moreover,

We get $\nabla^2(y) = A \cosh n\pi y + B \sinh n\pi y$. The boundary condition gives $0 = \nabla^2(1) = A \cosh n\pi + B \sinh n\pi$ so $B = -A \coth n\pi$, and $\nabla^2(y) = A(\cosh n\pi y - \coth n\pi \cdot \sinh n\pi y)$ for $n > 0$.

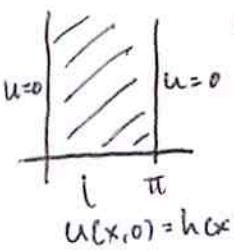
~~$$\text{Solu} \approx \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos n\pi x$$~~

So $u(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n [\cosh n\pi y - \coth n\pi \cdot \sinh n\pi y] \cos n\pi x$ satisfies the PDE and the three homogeneous boundary conditions. For the remaining BC, we require $x \neq u(x, 0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos$

For $n = 0$

the sum satisfies the two homogeneous and two inhomogeneous BC's that we are looking for, so u is our solution u .

#7: a: We solve $\Delta u = 0$ on the strip $\{0 < x < \pi, y > 0\}$ with boundary conditions $u=0$ for $x=0$ and $x=\pi$, and $u(x,0) = h(x)$, and $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} u(x,y) = 0$.



Separating variables, the PDE gives

$$-\frac{\Sigma''}{\Sigma} = \frac{\Upsilon''}{\Upsilon} = \lambda. \text{ The BC's imply that}$$

$\Sigma(0) = \Sigma(\pi) = 0$. The eigenvalue problem for Σ has solutions $\lambda = n^2$ for $n \geq 1$ w/ eigenfunctions $\Sigma_n(x) = \sin nx$. For Υ we solve $\Upsilon'' = \lambda \Upsilon$. The solutions have form $\Upsilon(y) = Ae^{ny} + Be^{-ny}$. The condition at ∞ implies that $\Upsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ as $ny \rightarrow \infty$ so we must have $A = 0$. Then the function

$$u(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n e^{-ny} \cdot \sin nx \text{ satisfies } \Delta u = 0$$

and three of the four BC's. For the fourth BC we must have

$$\textcircled{a} \quad h(x) = u(x,0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin nx, \text{ so}$$

the B_n 's must be the Fourier sine coefficients for $h(x)$: $B_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} h(x) \sin nx dx$.

b: If we omit the condition at ∞ , the problem is solved in the same way except we no longer throw out the term e^{ny} in the expression for \bar{Y}_n . Thus,

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n e^{ny} + B_n e^{-ny}) \sin nx$$

satisfies the PDE and the homogeneous BC's on the left + right sides. For the last BC, we now require that

$$h(x) = u(x, 0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n + B_n) \sin nx,$$

so that $A_n + B_n$ must be the n^{th} Fourier sine coefficient for h . The point here is that there are many ways to choose $A_n + B_n$ so that this is the case, therefore the solution u is not unique. This does not violate the proof for uniqueness in Sec. 6.1 since that proof assumes that the region D is bounded.

~~X~~ HW #7 Solutions

~~Section 5.5~~ #s 2, 4, 12, 13, 14.

~~#2: We prove the Schwarzschild in-~~

Sec 6.3)

#1: a: By the Maximum Principle,

$$\max_{\text{on } \bar{D}} u = \max_{\text{on } \partial D} u = \max (3 \sin 2\theta + 1) = 4.$$

b: By the mean value property,

$$\begin{aligned} u(0,0) &= \text{average value of } u \text{ on the circle of} \\ &\text{radius } 2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (3 \sin 2\theta + 1) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} 3 \sin 2\theta d\theta + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} 1 d\theta \\ &= 0 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

#2: According to Sec. 6.3, $\Delta u = 0$ on the disk has solution

$$u = \frac{1}{2} A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta).$$

For the boundary condition, we require that

$$1 + 3 \sin \theta = u(a, \theta) = \frac{1}{2} A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a^n (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta)$$

Comparing coefficients, we see that

$A_0 = 2$, $B_1 = \frac{3}{a}$, and all other coefficients are zero.

#4: We must show that

$P(r, \theta) = \frac{a^2 - r^2}{a^2 - 2ar \cos \theta + r^2}$ is harmonic. In polar coordinates, the Laplace operator is

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2}, \text{ so we must}$$

compute P_{rr} , $\frac{1}{r} P_r$, and $\frac{1}{r^2} P_{\theta\theta}$ and

show that they sum to zero. Good luck!