

[Problem 3, pdf] Consider $\begin{cases} x^2 \phi''(x) + x \phi'(x) + \lambda \phi(x) = 0, & 1 < x < e, \\ \phi(1) = \phi(e) = 0. \end{cases}$

a) Find all the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions.

b) Construct a general solution to

$$x^2 u_{xx}(x, t) + x u_x(x, t) = u_t(x, t), \quad 1 < x < e, t > 0,$$

given that $u(1, t) = 0 = u(e, t)$ for $t \geq 0$.

Sol:

• $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$

Try with x^p : $x^2 p(p-1)x^{p-2} + x p x^{p-1} + \lambda x^p = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 + \alpha^2 = 0 \Rightarrow p = \pm i\alpha$$

Thus, $\phi(x) = c_1 x^{i\alpha} + c_2 x^{-i\alpha}$ ($c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{C}$).

Notice that $x^{i\alpha} = e^{\ln x^{i\alpha}} = e^{i\alpha \ln x} = \cos(\alpha \ln x) + i \sin(\alpha \ln x)$.

Doing the same with $x^{-i\alpha}$, we find that

$$\phi(x) = (a_1 + ib_1)(\cos(\alpha \ln x) + i \sin(\alpha \ln x)) + (a_2 + ib_2)(\cos(\alpha \ln x) - i \sin(\alpha \ln x)), \text{ where}$$

we are writing $c_1 = a_1 + ib_1$, $c_2 = a_2 + ib_2$, $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Since we are only interested in real solutions, we get

$$\phi(x) = (a_1 + a_2) \cos(|\alpha| \ln x) + (b_2 - b_1) \sin(|\alpha| \ln x).$$

Renaming the constant,

$$\phi(x) = c_3 \cos(|\alpha| \ln x) + c_4 \sin(|\alpha| \ln x).$$

[Remark: We don't need to show all these steps everytime.]

B.C.: $\phi(1) = 0 = c_3$

$$\phi(e) = c_4 \sin(|\alpha| \ln e) = 0 \Rightarrow |\alpha| = n\pi, n=1, 2, \dots$$

Thus, $\lambda = (n\pi)^2$, $n=1, 2, \dots$ are eigenvalues,

with $\phi(x) = c \cdot \sin(n\pi \ln x)$ eigenfunctions.

• $\lambda = 0$: $\frac{d}{dx}(x\phi'(x)) = 0 \Rightarrow x\phi'(x) = c, \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) = c_1 \ln x + c_2$$

B.C.: $\phi(1) = c_2 = 0$
 $\phi(e) = c_1 = 0 \quad \left\{ \Rightarrow \lambda = 0 \text{ is not an eigenvalue.} \right.$

• $\lambda = -\alpha^2 < 0$: Try with $x^p \rightarrow p = \pm|\alpha|$.

$$\phi(x) = c_1 x^{|\alpha|} + c_2 x^{-|\alpha|}.$$

$$\text{B.C.: } \left. \begin{aligned} \phi(1) &= c_1 + c_2 = 0 \\ \phi(e) &= c_1 e^{|\alpha|} + c_2 e^{-|\alpha|} = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = 0.$$

Therefore, there are not negative eigenvalues.

b) $x^2 u_{xx}(x,t) + x u_x(x,t) = u_t(x,t), \quad 1 < x < e, \quad t > 0,$

$$u(1,t) = 0 = u(e,t), \quad t \geq 0.$$

Sol $u(x,t) = h(t) \phi(x) \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 h(t) \phi''(x) + x h(t) \phi'(x) = h'(t) \phi(x) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{\phi''(x)}{\phi(x)} + x \frac{\phi'(x)}{\phi(x)} = \frac{h'(t)}{h(t)} = -\lambda \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} h'(t) = -h(t)$$

$$\textcircled{2} x^2 \phi''(x) + x \phi'(x) + \lambda \phi(x) = 0$$

B.C. $u(1,t) = 0 \Rightarrow \phi(1) = 0$

$$u(e,t) = 0 \Rightarrow \phi(e) = 0.$$

Thus, from part a),

$$\lambda = (n\pi)^2, n=1,2,\dots \text{ with } \phi(x) = c \sin(n\pi h x).$$

- ④ $h(t) = e^{-t}$.

- Product solution: $u(x,t) = c \sin(n\pi h x) e^{-t}$.

- Superposition principle:

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(n\pi h x) e^{-t}.$$

The B_n are undetermined since we don't have initial condition.

• Problem 1: Let $u(x, t)$ be the temperature in a rod, that satisfies

$$\begin{cases} u_t = 3u_{xx} + x^3, & 0 < x < 4, t > 0, \\ u_x(0, t) = 1 \\ u_x(4, t) = 5 \\ u(x, 0) = x. \end{cases}$$

The total energy is defined by $E(t) = \int_0^4 u(x, t) dx$.

Find $E(t)$.

Sol: Integrate the equation from $x=0$ to $x=4$:

$$\int_0^4 u_t(x, t) dx = 3 \int_0^4 u_{xx}(x, t) dx + \int_0^4 x^3 dx \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^4 u(x, t) dx = 3 u_x(x, t) \Big|_0^4 + \frac{x^4}{4} \Big|_0^4 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dE}{dt}(t) = 3(5-1) + 4^3 = 12 + 56 = 68 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow E(t) = 68t + c.$$

Using the initial condition, we find c :

$$E(0) = c = \int_0^4 u(x,0) dx = \int_0^4 x dx = \left. \frac{x^2}{2} \right|_0^4 = 8.$$

Therefore,

$$E(t) = 68t + 8.$$

• Problem 4: Find $u(x,t)$: $u_t - u = 7x$ with $u(x,0) = 0$.

Sol: Notice that e^{-t} is an integrating factor:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (e^{-t} u(x,t)) = 7x e^{-t} \Rightarrow e^{-t} u(x,t) = -7x e^{-t} + c(x)$$

we are integrating in t !

$$\left(\text{Check: } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [e^{-t} u = -7x e^{-t} + c(x)] \rightsquigarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (e^{-t} u) = 7x e^{-t} \right)$$

Thus,

$$u(x,t) = -7x + c(x) e^t.$$

$$\text{Then, } u(x,0) = -7x + c(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow c(x) = 7x.$$

$$\text{In conclusion, } u(x,t) = 7x(e^t - 1).$$

• Problem 5:

Solution: We can simply use linearity.

Let $w = 3u + 5v$. We can check that

$$w_t = 3u_t + 5v_t = 3\Delta u + 2 \cdot 3u + 3e^t \sin(x+2y) + \\ + 5\Delta v + 2 \cdot 5v =$$

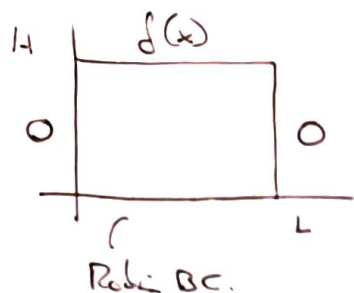
$$= \Delta(3u+5v) + 2(3u+5v) + 3e^t \sin(x+2y) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow w_t = \Delta w + 2w + 3e^t \sin(x+2y) \quad \checkmark.$$

$$\text{Also, } w(x,y,t) = 3u(\cancel{x,y},t) + 5v(x,y,t) = 5x^2y \text{ on } \partial R, \\ = 0 \text{ on } \partial R$$

$$\text{and } w(x,y,0) = 3u(\cancel{x,y},0) + 5v(x,y,0) = 5\cos(2x). \quad \checkmark.$$

• Problem 9: (Solution)



$$u(0, y) = 0 = u(L, y), \quad 0 \leq y \leq H,$$

$$u(x, 0) - u_y(x, 0) = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq L,$$

$$u(x, H) = f(x).$$

$$u(x, y) = F(x)G(y)$$

$$\text{BC: } \begin{cases} u(0, y) = 0 \Rightarrow F(0) = 0 \\ u(L, y) = 0 \Rightarrow F(L) = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{BVP for } F.$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, 0) - u_y(x, 0) = 0 &\Rightarrow F(x)G(0) - F(x)G'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow G(0) - G'(0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{F''(x)}{F(x)} = -\frac{G''(y)}{G(y)} = -\lambda.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad F''(x) + \lambda F(x) = 0 \quad &\left\{ \begin{aligned} &\rightarrow F(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), \quad n=1, 2, \dots \\ &F(0) = 0 = F(L) \end{aligned} \right. \\ &(\lambda = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad G''(y) - \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 G(y) = 0 \quad &\left\{ \begin{aligned} &\rightarrow G(y) = c_1 \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right) + c_2 \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right). \\ &G(0) - G'(0) = 0 \end{aligned} \right. \\ &\hookrightarrow G'(y) = c_1 \frac{n\pi}{L} \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right) + c_2 \frac{n\pi}{L} \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right). \end{aligned}$$

$$G(0) - G'(0) = 0 = c_1 - c_2 \frac{n\pi}{L} \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{L}{n\pi} c_1.$$

So,

$$G(\partial) = c_1 \left(\cosh\left(\frac{n\pi \partial}{L}\right) + \frac{L}{n\pi} \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi \partial}{L}\right) \right).$$

• Product sol:

$$u(x, \partial) = c \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \left(\cosh\left(\frac{n\pi \partial}{L}\right) + \frac{L}{n\pi} \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi \partial}{L}\right) \right).$$

• Superp. principle:

$$u(x, \partial) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \left(\cosh\left(\frac{n\pi \partial}{L}\right) + \frac{L}{n\pi} \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi \partial}{L}\right) \right).$$

• B_n ? Nonhomogeneous BC:

$$u(x, H) = f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \left(\cosh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right) + \frac{L}{n\pi} \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right) \right).$$

Orthogonality of $\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$ on $[0, L]$:

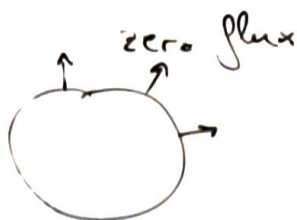
$$\int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{L}{2} B_n \left(\cosh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right) + \frac{L}{n\pi} \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right) \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow B_n = \left(\cosh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right) + \frac{L}{n\pi} \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right) \right)^{-1} \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx //$$

• Problem 10: (solution)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_t &= \Delta u \quad \text{in } D \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} &= 0 \quad \text{on } \partial D \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$u(x, y, 0) = f(x, y)$$



Notice that for a disk,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n}(r, \theta) = u_r(r, \theta), \text{ since the normal vector points in the radial direction.}$$

• Equilibrium solution $\Rightarrow u_t = 0$, $u(x, y, t) = u(x, y)$ at equil.

$$\text{So we have to solve the Laplace equation } \begin{cases} \Delta u = 0 \\ u_r(1, \theta) = 0 \end{cases}$$

(with the extra information of the initial data, so we can use the conservation of energy at the end).

$$u(r, \theta) = F(r) G(\theta)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{1}{r} G(\theta) \frac{d}{dr} (r F'(r)) + \frac{1}{r^2} F(r) G''(\theta) = 0$$

$$\text{B.C.: } u_r(1, \theta) = 0 \Rightarrow F'(1) = 0$$

$$|u(0, \theta)| < \infty$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u(r, \pi) &= u(r, -\pi) \\ u_\theta(r, \pi) &= u_\theta(r, -\pi) \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} G(-\pi) = G(\pi) \\ G'(-\pi) = G'(\pi) \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{r}{F(r)} \frac{d}{dr} (r F'(r)) = - \frac{G''(\theta)}{G(\theta)} = \lambda$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad G''(\theta) + \lambda G(\theta) = 0 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \lambda = n^2, n=0,1,\dots \\ \text{periodic BC} \end{array} \right.$$

$$G(\theta) = c_1 \cos(n\theta) + c_2 \sin(n\theta).$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad r \frac{d}{dr} (r F'(r)) = \lambda F(r)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \lambda = 0 \rightarrow r F'(r) = c_3 \Rightarrow F(r) = c_3 \ln(r) + c_4.$$

$$\text{Since } |u(0, \theta)| < \infty \Rightarrow c_3 = 0.$$

$$\bullet \lambda = n^2, n=1,2,\dots$$

$$r^2 F''(r) + r F'(r) - n^2 F(r) = 0$$

$$\text{Try with } F(r) = r^p \leadsto p = \pm n.$$

$$F(r) = c_5 r^n + c_6 r^{-n} \Rightarrow F(r) = c_5 r^n.$$

$$\uparrow \\ |u(0, \theta)| < \infty$$

In summary,

$$F(r) = c r^n, n=0,1,\dots$$

• Product sol.: $u(r, \theta) = r^n (c_1 \cos(n\theta) + c_2 \sin(n\theta))$

• Superp. principle:

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A^n r^n \cos(n\theta) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B^n r^n \sin(n\theta).$$

$$u_r(1, \theta) = 0 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A^n n \cos(n\theta) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B^n n \sin(n\theta) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow A^n n = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A_n = B_n = 0 \text{ for } n \geq 1. \quad (*)$$

$$B^n n = 0$$

So $u(r, \theta) = A_0$. To find A_0 , we use the I.C.:

$$\iint_D u_s ds = \iint_D \Delta u ds = \int_{\partial D} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} dl = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \iint_D u ds = \text{constant} \Rightarrow \left\| A_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_D f ds = u \right\|$$

↑
area of
unit disk
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equilibrium sol.

(*) Remark: We knew this without doing any computation!

The disk is insulated, the initial temperature distribution diffuses to a constant value, in such a way that the

total energy is the same. This happens when the final constant temperature is the average of the initial ones.