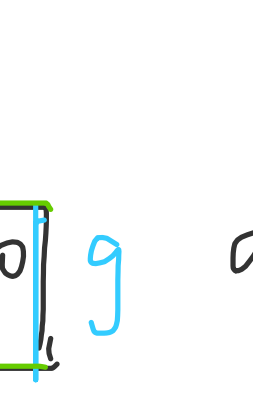


**Objective:** separation of variables for  $\Delta u = 0$ .

## (I) Dirichlet problem.

for simple domains  
(rectangular, disk)



$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = 0, & \text{in } D & \text{(PDE)} \\ u(a, y) = f, u(b, y) = g & \text{(BC)}_1 \\ u(x, c) = h, u(x, d) = k & \text{(BC)}_2 \end{cases}$$

[Full]  $\Rightarrow$  (i)  $u = u_1 + u_2$

$$(i) \begin{cases} \Delta u_1 = 0 \\ u_1(a, y) = f, u_1(b, y) = g \\ u_1(x, c) = u_1(x, d) = 0 \end{cases}$$

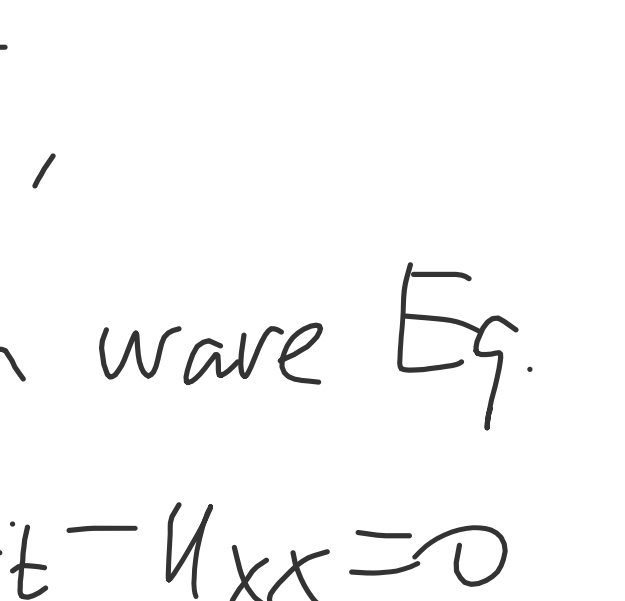
$$(ii) \begin{cases} \Delta u_2 = 0 & \text{(PDE)} \\ u_2(a, y) = u_2(b, y) = 0 & \text{(BC)}_1 \\ u_2(x, c) = h, u_2(x, d) = k & \text{(BC)}_2 \end{cases}$$

(i) & (ii) can be solved by separation of variable.

$$u_1 = \sum X_n Y_n, \quad u_2 = \sum X_n Y_n$$

• Solve (i) with  $a=c=0$ .

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = 0 & \text{(PDE)} \\ u(0, y) = f(y), u(b, y) = g(y), & \text{(BC)}_1 \\ u(x, 0) = 0, u(x, d) = 0 & \text{(BC)}_2 \end{cases}$$



step 1:

Try solution  $u = X(x)Y(y)$

$$\text{PDE} \Rightarrow (XY)_{xx} + (XY)_{yy} = 0$$

$$X_{xx}Y + X Y_{yy} = 0$$

$$-\frac{X_{xx}}{X} = \frac{Y_{yy}}{Y} = -\lambda$$

$$\begin{cases} X_{xx} = \lambda X & (1) \\ Y_{yy} = -\lambda Y & (2) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{(BC)}_2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} X(x)Y(0) = 0 \\ X(x)Y(d) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(0) = Y(d) = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{cases} Y_{yy} = -\lambda Y & (2) \\ Y(0) = Y(d) = 0 & (3) \end{cases}$$

Eigenvalue problem

$$Y_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}y\right), n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{d}\right)^2$$

**RK:** compare with wave Eq.

$$\begin{array}{l|l} u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0 & u_{tt} - u_{xx} = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = u(x, d) = 0 & u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0 \\ x \rightarrow t, y \rightarrow X & X_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \\ d \rightarrow L, Y_n \rightarrow X_n \end{array}$$

$$\text{with } \lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{d}\right)^2, \text{ in (1),}$$

$$X'' = -\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}\right)^2 X$$

$$X = X_n = a_n e^{\frac{n\pi}{d}x} + b_n e^{-\frac{n\pi}{d}x}$$

we rewrite it as

$$X_n = A_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}x\right) + B_n \sinh\left[\frac{n\pi}{d}(x-b)\right]$$

$$\text{RK: } \sinh(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2}, \quad \cosh(z) = \frac{e^z + e^{-z}}{2}$$

$$\text{step 2: } u = \sum X_n Y_n$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}y\right) \cdot [A_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{d}\right) + B_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}(x-b)\right)]$$

step 3: Find  $A_n$  &  $B_n$ .

By (BC)<sub>1</sub>,

$$f(y) = u(0, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}y\right) \cdot \underbrace{B_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}(-b)\right)}_{\text{coefficient}}$$

$$B_n \sinh\left(-\frac{n\pi}{d}b\right) = \frac{2}{d} \int_0^d f(y) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}y\right) dy$$

$$\text{(assign)} \triangleq \alpha_n \quad \left[ \text{Fourier coefficients of } f(y) \right]$$

$$B_n = \frac{\alpha_n}{\sinh\left(-\frac{n\pi}{d}b\right)} = -\frac{\alpha_n}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}b\right)}$$

$$g(y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{A_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{d}\right)}_{\text{coefficient}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}y\right)$$

$$A_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{d}\right) = \frac{2}{d} \int_0^d g(y) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{d}y\right) dy$$

$$= \beta_n$$

$$\Rightarrow A_n = \frac{\beta_n}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi b}{d}\right)}$$

**HW 11: Solve (ii) with  $a=c=0$ .**

interchange  $x \leftrightarrow y$   
 $X \leftrightarrow Y$

## (II) Examples:

$$\textcircled{1} \begin{cases} \Delta u = 0 \\ b=1 \leftarrow \begin{cases} u(0, y) = \sin(\pi y), & \text{(BC)}_1 \\ u(1, y) = 0 & \text{(BC)}_1 \end{cases} \\ d=1 \leftarrow u(x, 0) = u(x, 1) = 0 & \text{(BC)}_2 \end{cases}$$

$$D = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$



$$d=1 \quad [L=1, \text{chapter 5}]$$

$$Y_n = \sin(n\pi y)$$

$$u = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi y) \cdot [A_n \sinh(n\pi x) + B_n \sinh[n\pi(x-1)]]$$

$$u(0, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi y) B_n \sinh(-n\pi)$$

$$= \sin(\pi y)$$

$$B_n \sinh(-n\pi) = \begin{cases} 1, & n=1 \\ 0, & n \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$B_1 = \frac{1}{\sinh(-\pi)} = -\frac{1}{\sinh(\pi)}$$

$$B_n = 0, \quad n \neq 1$$

$$u(1, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi y) A_n \sinh(n\pi)$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A_n = 0, \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

$$u = -\frac{1}{\sinh(\pi)} \sin(\pi y) \cdot \sinh(\pi(x-1))$$

② [Example 7.23]

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = 0 \\ u(0, y) = u(1, y) = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = \sin(\pi x) \\ u(x, 1) = 0 \end{cases}$$



[Exercise]

$$\textcircled{3} \begin{cases} \Delta u = 0 \\ u(0, y) = u(\pi, y) = 0 & \text{(BC)}_1 \\ u(x, 0) = 1, u(x, \pi) = 0 & \text{(BC)}_2 \end{cases}$$



$$\text{(BC)}_1: \quad b = \pi \quad [L = \pi \text{ ch 5}]$$

$$X_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{b}x\right) = \sin(nx)$$

$$n=1, 2, 3$$

$$u = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(nx) [A_n \sinh(ny) + B_n \sinh[n(y-\pi)]]$$

$$\text{(BC)}_2 \Rightarrow$$

$$0 = u(x, \pi) = \sum \sin(nx) \underbrace{A_n \sinh(n\pi)}_{\text{coefficient}}$$

$$A_n = 0, \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

$$u(x, 0) = 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(nx) \cdot \underbrace{B_n \sinh(-n\pi)}_{\text{coefficient}}$$

$$B_n \sinh(-n\pi)$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 1 \cdot \sin(nx) dx \quad [\text{Fourier coefficients}]$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi} \frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) \Big|_0^{\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi n} [\cos(n\pi) - 1]$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi n} [(-1)^n - 1]$$



$$\Rightarrow B_n = \frac{-2 [(-1)^n - 1]}{\sinh(-n\pi) \cdot n\pi}$$

$$\sinh(z) = -\sinh(-z) \Rightarrow \frac{2 [(-1)^n - 1]}{n\pi \sinh(n\pi)}$$

$$u = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2 [(-1)^n - 1]}{n\pi \sinh(n\pi)} \sin(nx) \cdot \sinh[n(y-\pi)]$$

**RK:** If  $n$  is even,  $B_n = 0$   
 $u$  can be further simplified,  
[Exercise, textbook]

To do list

HW 11

Next § 7.7.2.