1 (40 points) Nonhomogeneous Boundary Conditions

If the ends x = 0 and x = L of the bar are kept at constant temperatures U_1 and U_2 , respectively, what is the temperature $u_I(x)$ in the bar after a long time (theoretically, as $t \to \infty$)? First guess, and answer the questions of this following PDE.

$$u_t = c^2 u_{xx} \quad 0 < x < L, \ t > 0$$
$$u(x, 0) = f(x),$$
$$u(0, t) = U_1, \ u(L, t) = U_2.$$

Hint. In order to solve the PDE, we need to set u(x,t) = w(x,t) + v(x), where v(x) satisfies that $v_t = v_{xx} = 0$ and w(x,t) is a homogeneous solution of

$$w_t = c^2 w_{xx}$$
 $0 < x < L, t > 0$
 $w(0,t) = 0, w(L,t) = 0.$

Solution: Since $v_t = v_{xx} = 0$ and w(0,t) = u(0,t) - v(0) = 0, w(L,t) = u(L,t) - v(L) = 0, we have $v(x) = c_1 x + c_2$ and

$$w(0,t) = u(0,t) - c_2$$

= $U_1 - c_2 = 0.$
 $w(L,t) = u(L,t) - (c_1L + c_2)$

 $= U_2 - c_1 L - c_2 = 0.$ Solving the two equations,

$$v(x) = (U_2 - U_1)x/L + U_1$$

and

$$w(x,t) = u(x,t) - (U_2 - U_1)x/L - U_1.$$

Since $w(x,0) = u(x,0) - (U_2 - U_1)x/L - U_1 = f(x) - (U_2 - U_1)x/L - U_1$, we need only solve the problem

$$w_t = c^2 w_{xx}$$
 $0 < x < L, t > 0$
 $w(0,t) = 0, w(L,t) = 0.$

 $w(x,0) = f(x) - (U_2 - U_1)x/L - U_1.$ And we know that

$$w(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} e^{-\lambda_n^2 t}, \ (\lambda_n = cn\pi/L),$$

where

$$B_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \left[f(x) - (U_2 - U_1)x/L - U_1 \right] \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx.$$

Since $\lim_{t\to\infty} w(x,t) = 0$,

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} u(x,t) = \lim_{t \to \infty} w(x,t) + v(x) = v(x) = (U_2 - U_1)x/L + U_1.$$

2 (60 points)

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0, \quad 0 < x < 2, \quad 0 < y < 3$$
1. (30 points)

$$u(x, 0) = \sin(\pi x)$$

$$u(x, 3) = \sin(7\pi x/2), \quad u(0, y) = u(2, y) = 0$$

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0, \qquad 0 < x < 2, \quad 0 < y < 3,$$
2. (30 points)

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = 0, \qquad y = 0 \text{ or } y = 3,$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = \cos(\pi y) \qquad x = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = \cos(11\pi y/3) \quad x = 2$$

1. By separation of variables and u(0, y) = u(2, y) = 0,

$$u(x,y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{2} \left(c_n \cosh \frac{n\pi y}{2} + d_n \sinh \frac{n\pi y}{2} \right).$$

The boundary conditions give us

$$u(x,0) = \sin(\pi x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \sin\frac{n\pi x}{2}$$
$$u(x,3) = \sin(7\pi x/2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sin\frac{n\pi x}{2} \left(c_n \cosh\frac{n\pi 3}{2} + d_n \sinh\frac{n\pi 3}{2}\right).$$

Thus, only $c_2 = 1$ and $c_n = 0$, otherwise. And

$$c_7 \cosh \frac{21\pi}{2} + d_7 \sinh \frac{21\pi}{2} = 1$$

and

$$c_2\cosh 3\pi + d_2\sinh 3\pi = 0.$$

Thus $d_7 = (sinh\frac{21\pi}{2})^{-1}$, and $d_2 = -c_2 coth3\pi$. Therefore,

$$u(x,y) = \sin \pi x [c_2 \cosh \pi y + d_2 \sinh \pi y] + d_7 \sin \frac{7\pi x}{2} \sinh \frac{7\pi y}{2}$$
$$= \sin \pi x [\cosh \pi y - (\coth 3\pi) \sinh \pi y] + \left(\sinh \frac{21\pi}{2}\right)^{-1} \sin \frac{7\pi x}{2} \sinh \frac{7\pi y}{2}$$

2. We know that

$$u_y(x,0) = u_y(x,3) = 0$$

 $u_x(0,y) = -\cos(\pi y)$

and

$$u_x(2,y) = \cos(11\pi y/3)$$

By letting u(x,y) = F(x)G(y), we have $G'' + p^2G = 0$, $F'' - p^2F = 0$ with G'(0) = G'(3) = 0and $p_n = n\pi/3$. So, $G_0(y) = 1$, and $G_n(y) = \cos\frac{n\pi y}{3}$. And also $F_0(x) = c_0 + d_0x$ and $F_n(x) = (c_n \cosh\frac{n\pi x}{3} + d_n \sinh\frac{n\pi x}{3})$. And the general solution

$$u(x,y) = c_0 + d_0 x + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos \frac{n\pi y}{3} \left(c_n \cosh \frac{n\pi x}{3} + d_n \sinh \frac{n\pi x}{3} \right).$$

Finally, the boundary conditions determine the constants;

$$u_x(0,y) = -\cos(\pi y) = d_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n\pi}{3} d_n \cos\frac{n\pi y}{3}.$$

$$u_x(2,y) = \cos\left(\frac{11\pi y}{3}\right) = d_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n\pi}{3} \cos\frac{n\pi y}{3} \left(c_n \sinh\frac{2n\pi}{3} + d_n \cosh\frac{2n\pi}{3}\right).$$

Now, we know that $d_3 = -1/\pi$ and $d_n = 0$, otherwise. And $c_3 = (\coth 2\pi)/\pi$ and $c_{11} = \frac{3}{11\pi \sinh(22\pi/3)}$. Therefore,

$$u(x,y) = c_0 + \frac{\cos \pi y}{\pi} \left[-\sinh \pi x + (\coth 2\pi) \cosh \pi x \right] + \frac{3}{11\pi \sinh(22\pi/3)} \cos \frac{11\pi y}{3} \cosh \frac{11\pi x}{3} \cosh \frac{11\pi$$

- **3** (50 points) $u_t u_{xx} = 5sinx$ with $u(0,t) = u(\pi,t) = 0$, and $u(x,0) = \frac{1}{2}\sin 3x \frac{3}{7}\sin 11x$.
 - 1. (10 points) Show that if w(x) satisfies $w_{xx} = -5 \sin x$ with $w(0) = w(\pi) = 0$ and $v_t v_{xx} = 0$, $v(0,t) = v(\pi,t) = 0$ and v(x,0) = f(x) - w(x).
 - then u(x,t) = v(x,t) + w(x) is the solution of the previous nonhomogeneous PDE in (1.1).
 - 2. (10 points) Obtain w(x) satisfying the previous two conditions.
 - 3. (20 points) Obtain v(x, t) which is a solution of the previous homogeneous heat equation in (1.2).
 - 4. (10 points) Using (2) and (3) results, determine u(x,t) for $x \in [0,\pi]$ and $t \ge 0$.
- 1.

$$u_t(x,t) - u_{xx}(x,t) = v_t(x,t) - v_{xx}(x,t) - w_{xx}(x) = 5sinx$$
$$u(0,t) = v(0,t) + w(0) = 0$$
$$u(\pi,t) = v(\pi,t) + w(\pi) = 0$$
$$u(x,0) = v(x,0) + w(x) = f(x) - w(x) + w(x) = f(x).$$

since u(x,t) = v(x,t) + w(x), and $-w_{xx} = 5sinx$, $w(0) = w(\pi) = 0$, $v_t - v_{xx} = 0$, $v(0,t) = v(\pi,t) = 0$ and v(x,0) = f(x).

2. After calculating w_{xx} with w(x) = Asinx + Bcosx, we know that B = 0 and A = 5. Thus,

$$w(x) = 5sinx$$

3. By solving the previous homogeneous heat equation of v(x, t), we know that

$$v(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$$

where

$$B_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin 3x - \frac{3}{7} \sin 11x - 5sinx \right) sin(nx) dx.$$

And the orthogonality of $\{\sin x, \sin 2x, \sin 3x, \sin 4x, ..., \sin(nx), ...\}$ makes us obtain that

$$v(x,t) = \left(\frac{1}{2}sin3x\right)e^{-3^{2}t} - \left(\frac{3}{7}sin11x\right)e^{-11^{2}t} - (5sinx)e^{-t},$$

4. Using 2 and 3 answers, for $x \in [0, \pi]$ and $t \ge 0$,

$$u(x,t) = v(x,t) + w(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}sin3x\right)e^{-3^2t} - \left(\frac{3}{7}sin11x\right)e^{-11^2t} + 5sinx(1-e^{-t}).$$

4 (50 points) Θ -Independent Dirichlet Problem on a Ball

Use the expression in spherical coordinates: $\Delta u = \frac{1}{\rho^2} \left[(\rho^2 u_\rho)_\rho + \frac{1}{\sin\phi} (u_\phi \sin\phi)_\phi + \frac{1}{\sin^2\phi} u_{\theta\theta} \right]$

- 1. (30 points) Solve the θ -independent Dirichlet problem on a ball: $\Delta u \equiv \nabla^2 u = 0$, $0 < \rho < 1$, with $u(1, \theta, \phi) = f(\phi)$.
- 2. (20 points) Solve the Laplace equation inside the sphere $\rho = 1$ subject to the boundary condition: $u(1, \theta, \phi) = 3P_5(\cos\phi) - 7P_2(\cos\phi)$, where P_n is the n^{th} degree Legendre polynomial,

1. Since $\Delta u = 0$, we have $(\rho^2 u_{\rho})_{\rho} + \frac{1}{\sin\phi}(u_{\phi}\sin\phi)_{\phi} = 0$, which, upon separation via $u = R(\rho)\Phi(\phi)$, becomes

$$\frac{[\rho^2 R'(\rho)]'}{R(\phi)} = -\frac{[\Phi'(\phi)sin\phi]'}{\Phi(\phi)sin\phi} = \lambda$$

So we get the two ODEs:

$$[\rho^2 R'(\rho)]' - \lambda R(\phi) = 0$$
$$[\Phi'(\phi) \sin\phi]' + \lambda \Phi(\phi) \sin\phi = 0$$

Now, the substitution $x = \cos\phi$ gives us the problem

$$[(1 - x^2)\Phi'(\phi)]' + \lambda \Phi = 0, \quad -1 < x < 1$$

which is just Legendre's equation with $\lambda_n = n(n+1)$, and has $\Phi_n(x) = P_n(x)$, the n^{th} degree Legendre polynomial as the solution. And

$$\rho^2 R'' + 2\rho R' - n(n+1)R = 0,$$

and thus $R_n(\rho) = c_1 \rho^n + c_2 \rho^{-1-n}$, $0 < \rho < 1$, n = 0, 1, 2, ..., .Since $0 < \rho < 1$, the general solution is

$$u(\rho, \phi, \theta) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \rho^n P_n(\cos\phi).$$

Finally, the boundary condition gives us

$$u(1,\phi,\theta) = f(\phi) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n P_n(\cos\phi).$$

And again letting $x = \cos\phi$, we have

$$f(\cos^{-1}x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n P_n(x).$$

Thus, the c_n are just the Fourier-Legendre coefficients of the function $f(\cos^{-1}x)$,

$$c_n = \frac{2n+1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} f(\cos^{-1}x) P_n(x) dx = \frac{2n+1}{2} \int_{0}^{\pi} f(\phi) P_n(\cos\phi) \sin\phi \, d\phi$$

2. Since $f(\phi) = u(1, \theta, \phi) = 3P_5(\cos\phi) - 7P_2(\cos\phi)$,

$$u(\rho,\phi,\theta) = 3\rho^5 P_5(\cos\phi) - 7\rho^2 P_2(\cos\phi)$$