

AMATH 503 HW6

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4.3.35. Solve the following boundary value problems for the Laplace equation on the semi-annular domain $D = \{1 < r^2 + y^2 < 2, y > 0\}$:

$$(a) u(x, y) = 0, \quad x^2 + y^2 = 1, \quad u(x, y) = 1, \quad x^2 + y^2 = 2, \quad u(x, 0) = 0;$$

$$(b) u(x, y) = 0, \quad x^2 + y^2 = 1 \text{ or } 2, \quad u(x, 0) = 0, \quad x > 0, \quad u(x, 0) = 1, \quad x < 0.$$

b) First note:

$$x = r\cos(\theta), \quad y = r\sin(\theta)$$

Then we have:

$$\Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2}$$

Then applying $u(r, \theta) = R(r)\Theta(\theta)$ we have:

$$\frac{r^2 R''(r) + r R'(r)}{R(r)} = -\frac{\Theta''(\theta)}{\Theta(\theta)} = \lambda$$

① Solve for $\Theta''(\theta) + \lambda \Theta(\theta) = 0$, $\Theta(0) = 0$, $\Theta(\pi) = 0$

$$\Theta(\theta) = A\cos(n\theta) + B\sin(n\theta)$$

$$i) \Theta(0) = A = 0$$

$$ii) \Theta(\pi) = B \sin(n\pi) = B = 0$$

② Solve for $r^2 R''(r) + r R'(r) - \lambda R(r) = 0$, $R(1) = 0$, $R(\sqrt{2}) = 0$

$$R(r) = C_1 r^\omega + C_2 r^{-\omega}$$

$$i) R(1) = C_1 + C_2 = 0$$

$$ii) R(\sqrt{2}) = C_1 2^{\frac{\omega}{2}} + C_2 2^{-\frac{\omega}{2}} = 0$$

Then we have the general form:

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n (r^n - r^{-n}) \sin(n\theta) \text{ for odd } n.$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n = \frac{4}{n\pi(r^{n\pi} - r^{-n\pi})} \text{ for } n \text{ odd.}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(r, \theta) = \boxed{\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{(2j+1)\pi} \sin((2j+1)\pi\theta)}$$

- 6.1.1. Evaluate the following integrals: (a) $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \delta(x) \cos x dx$, (b) $\int_1^2 \delta(x)(x-2) dx$,
 (c) $\int_0^3 \delta_1(x) e^x dx$, (d) $\int_1^e \delta(x-2) \log x dx$, (e) $\int_0^1 \delta\left(x - \frac{1}{3}\right) x^2 dx$, (f) $\int_{-1}^1 \frac{\delta(x+2)}{1+x^2} dx$.

Note by definition we have:

$$\int_a^b u(x) \delta(x-c) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } c \notin (a,b) \\ u(c) & \text{if } c \in (a,b) \end{cases}$$

a) $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \delta(x-0) \cos(x) dx = \cos(0) = \boxed{1}$

e) $\int_0^1 \delta\left(x - \frac{1}{3}\right) x^2 dx = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \boxed{\frac{1}{9}}$

◇ 6.1.7. Explain why the Gaussian functions $g_n(x) = \frac{n}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-n^2 x^2}$ have the delta function $\delta(x)$ as their limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

First note :

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}}$$

Then note :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-n^2 x^2} = \begin{cases} 0 & x \neq 0 \\ \infty & x = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow 0$$

Then we have:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-n^2 x^2} dx = \frac{n}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{n} = 1$$

□

6.2.1. Let $c > 0$. Find the Green's function for the boundary value problem $-cu'' = f(x)$, $u(0) = 0$, $u'(1) = 0$, which models the displacement of a uniform bar of unit length with one fixed and one free end under an external force. Then use superposition to write down a formula for the solution. Verify that your integral formula is correct by direct differentiation and substitution into the differential equation and boundary conditions.

$$-cu'' = f(x), \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u'(1) = 0$$

First note by direct integration we have:

$$u(x) = -\frac{P(x-3)}{C} + ax + b$$

$$u'(x) = -\frac{Q(x-3)}{C} + a$$

Then note:

$$u(0) = b = 0$$

$$u'(1) = -\frac{1}{C} + a = 0$$

Then we have the Green's function:

$$G(x; z) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{C}, & x \leq z \\ \frac{3}{C}, & x \geq z \end{cases}$$

Then by superposition formula we have:

$$u(x) = \int_0^1 G(x; z) f(z) dz = \boxed{\frac{1}{C} \int_0^x z f(z) dz + \frac{1}{C} \int_x^1 f(z) dz}$$

Then note:

$$u(x) = xf(x) - x \int_0^x f(z) dz + \frac{1}{C} \int_x^1 f(z) dz = \frac{1}{C} \int_x^1 f(z) dz$$

$$u''(x) = -\frac{1}{C} f(x)$$

Then we have:

$$u(0) = 0$$

$$u'(1) = 0$$

6.2.3. A point 2 cm along a 10 cm bar experiences a displacement of 1 mm under a concentrated force of 2 newtons applied at the midpoint of the bar. How far does the midpoint deflect when a concentrated force of 1 newton is applied at the point 2 cm along the bar?

First note:

a force of 2 N is applied at $x=5\text{cm}$

The let $\delta_{5 \rightarrow 2}$ be deflection at $x=2$

Then note we have:

$$F \cdot \delta_{5 \rightarrow 2} = 2 \cdot \delta_{5 \rightarrow 2} = 1\text{mm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta_{5 \rightarrow 2} = \frac{1}{2}\text{mm}$$

Then note by symmetry of the Green's function we have:

$$\delta_{2 \rightarrow 5} = \delta_{5 \rightarrow 2} = \frac{1}{2}\text{mm}$$

Then note by linearity of the Green's function we have:

$$\text{for } F = 1\text{N} \Rightarrow \cancel{F} \delta_{2 \rightarrow 5} = 1 \cdot \delta_{2 \rightarrow 5} = 1\text{N} \cdot \frac{1}{2}\text{mm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{2}\text{mm}}$$

6.2.4. The boundary value problem $-\frac{d}{dx} \left(c(x) \frac{du}{dx} \right) = f(x), u(0) = u(1) = 0$, models the displacement $u(x)$ of a nonuniform elastic bar with stiffness $c(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

- (a) Find the displacement when the bar is subjected to a constant external force, $f \equiv 1$.
 (b) Find the Green's function for the boundary value problem. (c) Use the resulting superposition formula to check your solution to part (a). (d) Which point $0 < \xi < 1$ on the bar is the "weakest", i.e., the bar experiences the largest displacement under a unit impulse concentrated at that point?

a) First note plug in $f \equiv 1$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{d}{dx} \left(c(x) \frac{du}{dx} \right) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{1+x^2} \frac{du}{dx} &= x + C_1 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} &= -(1+x^2)(x+C_1) \\ \Rightarrow u(x) &= - \int (1+x^2)(x+C_1) dx + C_2 \\ &= -\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{4} - C_1(x + \frac{x^3}{3}) + C_2 \end{aligned}$$

They apply $u(0)=0$ and $u(1)=0$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad u(0)=C_2=0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad u(1) = -\frac{3}{4} - \frac{4}{3}C_1 = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = -\frac{9}{16}$$

$$u(x) = \frac{9}{16}x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{3}{16}x^3 - \frac{x^4}{4}$$

b) $\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left((1+x^2)^{-1} \frac{dg}{dx} \right) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (1+x^2)^{-1} \frac{dg}{dx} = C$$

$$\Rightarrow g(x) = C \left(x + \frac{x^3}{3} \right) + D$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad g(0, \xi) = 0 \text{ and } g(1, \xi) = 0$$

$$\text{i)} \quad x < \xi \Rightarrow g(x) = C_1 \left(x + \frac{x^3}{3} \right)$$

$$\text{ii)} \quad x > \xi \Rightarrow g(x) = C_2 \left(x + \frac{x^3}{3} \right) + D_2$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x = \xi \Rightarrow C_1 \left(\xi + \frac{\xi^3}{3} \right) = C_2 \left(\xi + \frac{\xi^3}{3} \right) + D_2$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad C_2 - C_1 = -\frac{1}{(1+\xi^2)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow G(x; \xi) = \begin{cases} \left(1 - \frac{3}{4}\xi - \frac{1}{4}\xi^3 \right) \left(x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right), & x \leq \xi \\ \left(-\frac{3}{4}x - \frac{1}{4}x^3 \right) \left(\xi + \frac{1}{3}\xi^3 \right), & x > \xi \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{5} \quad u(x) &= \int_0^1 G(x; \xi) d\xi \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(1 - \frac{3}{4}\xi - \frac{\xi^3}{4} \right) \left(\xi + \frac{\xi^3}{3} \right) d\xi + \int_x^1 \left(1 - \frac{3}{4}\xi - \frac{\xi^3}{4} \right) \left(x + \frac{\xi^3}{3} \right) d\xi \\ &= \frac{9}{16}x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{3}{16}x^3 - \frac{x^4}{4} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$