

Worksheet 12 solution

Problem 1: Since the PDE is only depending on y , we can treat x as if it were a parameter, then we can solve the PDE as if it were an ODE on y

$$u_y = -y^2 u$$

$$\frac{du}{u} = -y^2$$

$$\log|u| = \frac{-y^3}{3} + C(x)$$

$$u = C(x) e^{\frac{-y^3}{3}}$$

Problem 2:

Laplace equation is $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$

Given: $u(x, y) = a \ln(x^2 + y^2) + b$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{2ax}{x^2+y^2} ; \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{2ay}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{2a(x^2-y^2)}{(x^2+y^2)^2} ; \quad \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{2a(y^2-x^2)}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

Adding these together,

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{2a(x^2-y^2)}{(x^2+y^2)^2} + \frac{2a(y^2-x^2)}{(x^2+y^2)^2} = 0$$

so, $u(x,y)$ satisfies Laplace's equation.

- for the circle $x^2+y^2=1$, $u=110$

$$a \ln(1) + b = 110 \Rightarrow \boxed{b = 110}$$

- for the circle $x^2+y^2=100$, $u=0$

$$a \ln(100) + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a \ln(10) + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a(2.3026) = -110$$

$$a = -23.865$$

Problem 3 :

$$u = x^2 + t^2$$

$$u_t = 2t$$

$$u_{tt} = 2 \quad ; \quad u_{xx} = 2$$

The wave equation states $2 = (c^2)(2)$

which is true for $c = 1$