

**Problem Similar to 2.3.5:** Evaluate (be careful if  $n = m \neq 0$  and if  $n = m = 0$ )

$$\int_{-L}^L \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx,$$

and

$$\int_{-L}^L \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \cos \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx,$$

for  $n > 0, m > 0$ .

In order to evaluate the above integrals, we need the following two trig identities:

$$\sin(a)\sin(b) = \frac{1}{2}[\cos(a-b) - \cos(a+b)]$$

$$\cos(a)\cos(b) = \frac{1}{2}[\cos(a+b) + \cos(a-b)]$$

First, in order to evaluate the Orthogonality of Sines integral we need to plug in the  $\sin(a)\sin(b)$  identity:

$$\int_{-L}^L \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L (\cos(\frac{(n-m)\pi x}{L}) - \cos(\frac{(n+m)\pi x}{L})) dx$$

Let  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $k \neq 0$ , then:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-L}^L \cos(\frac{k\pi x}{L}) dx &= \frac{L}{k\pi} \sin(\frac{k\pi x}{L}) \Big|_{-L}^L \\ &= \frac{L}{k\pi} (\sin(k\pi) - \sin(-k\pi)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

This is because  $\sin(k\pi) = 0$ . If  $k = 0$  then the integral becomes:

$$\int_{-L}^L \cos(0) dx = \int_{-L}^L 1 dx = x \Big|_{-L}^L = 2L$$

With this in mind, if  $n \neq m$  then both  $n - m$  and  $n + m$  are nonzero integers and the resulting integral is 0. If  $n = m$  then the resulting integral is:

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L (\cos(0) - \cos(\frac{2n\pi x}{L})) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L 1 dx = \frac{1}{2}(2L) = L$$

So the final Orthogonality of Sines integral for  $n, m > 0$  is:

$$\int_{-L}^L \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx = \begin{cases} 0, & n \neq m \\ L, & n = m \end{cases}$$

Next, in order to evaluate the Orthogonality of Cosines integral we need to plug in the  $\cos(a)\cos(b)$  identity:

$$\int_{-L}^L \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \cos \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L (\cos(\frac{(n+m)\pi x}{L}) + \cos(\frac{(n-m)\pi x}{L})) dx$$

Just like before, when  $k \neq 0$  the resulting integral will be 0, and when  $k = 0$  the resulting integral will be  $2L$ . So if  $n \neq m$  then both  $n \pm m$  are nonzero and the resulting integral is 0. If  $n = m \neq 0$  then the resulting

integral will be  $L$ , and if  $n = m = 0$  then the resulting integral will be  $2L$ . So the final Orthogonality of Cosines integral for  $n, m > 0$  is:

$$\int_{-L}^L \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \cos \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx = \begin{cases} 0, & n \neq m \\ L, & n = m \neq 0 \\ 2L, & n = m = 0 \end{cases}$$

**Problem 2.4.3:** Solve the eigenvalue problem

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{dx^2} = -\lambda\phi,$$

subject to  $\phi(0) = \phi(2\pi)$ , and  $\frac{d\phi}{dx}(0) = \frac{d\phi}{dx}(2\pi)$ . *Note: This is an ODE, not a PDE so there is no time dependence here.* You must consider whether  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\lambda = 0$ , or  $\lambda < 0$ .

Case 1:  $\lambda > 0$

$$\lambda = \mu^2, \mu > 0$$

$$\phi(x) = A\cos(\mu x) + B\sin(\mu x)$$

$$\phi'(x) = -A\mu\sin(\mu x) + B\mu\cos(\mu x)$$

$$\phi(0) = \phi(2\pi) = A = A\cos(2\pi\mu) + B\sin(2\pi\mu)$$

$$\phi'(0) = \phi'(2\pi) = B\mu = -A\mu\sin(2\pi\mu) + B\mu\cos(2\pi\mu)$$

So  $\cos(2\pi\mu) = 1$  and  $2\pi\mu = 2\pi n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . This means that  $\mu = n$  and the resulting positive eigenvalues are:

$$\lambda_n = \mu^2 = n^2$$

For each  $n$  any constants  $A$  and  $B$  give a periodic solution, so the eigenspace is 2D and spanned by the eigenfunctions  $\cos(nx)$  and  $\sin(nx)$ . This also means that the eigenvalue  $\lambda_n$  has a multiplicity of 2.

Case 2:  $\lambda = 0$

$$\phi''(x) = 0$$

$$\phi(x) = Ax + B$$

$$\phi(0) = \phi(2\pi) = B = A(2\pi) + B$$

$$A(2\pi) = 0$$

$$A = 0$$

$$\phi(x) = B$$

Thus  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue with a 1D eigenspace spanned by the constant function  $\phi(x) = B$ .

Case 3:  $\lambda < 0$

$$\lambda = -\mu^2, \mu > 0$$

$$\phi(x) = Ce^{\mu x} + De^{-\mu x}$$

$$\phi(0) = \phi(2\pi) = C + D = Ce^{2\pi\mu} + De^{-2\pi\mu}$$

Which only holds if  $C = D = 0$  because  $e^{2\pi\mu} \neq 1$ . This results in the trivial solution and no negative eigenvalues. Taking all three cases into account, the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenfunctions are  $\lambda_0 = 0$  with  $\phi_0(x) = 1$  (constant function), and  $\lambda_n = n^2$  (multiplicity 2) with  $\phi_n^{(1)}(x) = \cos(nx)$  and  $\phi_n^{(2)}(x) = \sin(nx)$ .

**Problem 2.4.6:** Determine the equilibrium temperature distribution for the thin circular ring of Section 2.4.2:

(a) directly from the equilibrium problem (see Section 1.4):

Time-independent (equilibrium) heat equation:

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = C_1$$

$$u(x) = C_1x + C_2$$

BCs like in Section 1.4 but periodic for a thin circular ring:

$$u(0) = T_1 = u(2\pi) = T_2, \quad u'(0) = u'(2\pi)$$

Plug the BCs into the temperature equation  $u(x)$ :

$$u(0) = T_1 = C_2 = u(2\pi) = T_2 = C_1(2\pi) + C_2$$

$$C_2 = C_1(2\pi) + C_2$$

$$C_1(2\pi) = 0$$

$$C_1 = 0$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = u'(x) = C_1$$

$$u'(0) = u'(2\pi) = C_1 = 0$$

$$u(x) = C_2 = T_1$$

So the equilibrium temperature distribution for a thin circular ring is  $u(x) = T_1$ , where  $T_1$  is the initial temperature of the ring. Due to the circular shape of the ring, both ends are connected and must share the same temperature at  $x = 0$  and  $x = 2\pi$  which is why  $u(0) = u(2\pi)$ . If the ring is insulated, then the total heat is conserved and the equilibrium temperature distribution will be the average of the initial temperature distribution:

$$u(x) = C_2 = T_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(x, 0) dx$$

(b) and by computing the limit as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  of the time-dependent problem:

Time-dependent heat equation:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad x \in [0, 2\pi], \quad t > 0, \quad k > 0$$

Periodic BCs:

$$u(0, t) = u(2\pi, t), \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(2\pi, t), \quad u(x, 0) = f(x)$$

We can use the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions from Problem 2.4.3 to get the temperature distribution as a Fourier series and its coefficients:

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx))$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin(nx) dx$$

By separation of variables, each series term evolves independently with exponential decay proportional to its eigenvalue, so the time-dependent temperature distribution becomes:

$$u(x, t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-kn^2 t} (a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx))$$

Now take the limit as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . For every  $n \geq 1$ , the exponential term  $e^{-kn^2 t}$  becomes 0 because  $k > 0$ , so all of the series terms go away leaving only the constant  $a_0$ :

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(x, 0) dx$$

Which is equal to the average of the initial temperature distribution from part (a) of this problem.

**Problem 2.5.1(a):** Solve Laplace's equation inside a rectangle  $0 \leq x \leq L$ ,  $0 \leq y \leq H$ , with the following boundary conditions:

$$(a) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, y) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, y) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = 0, \quad u(x, H) = f(x).$$

2D Cartesian Laplace's Equation:

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

Use separation of variables to get a system of ODEs:

$$u(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$$

$$X''(x)Y(y) + X(x)Y''(y) = 0$$

$$\frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} + \frac{Y''(y)}{Y(y)} = 0$$

$$\frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = -\frac{Y''(y)}{Y(y)} = -\lambda$$

$$X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0$$

$$Y''(y) - \lambda Y(y) = 0$$

Now plug the BCs into  $X(x)$  to find the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ :

$$X'(0) = 0 = X'(L)$$

Case 1:  $\lambda > 0$

$$X(x) = A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

$$X'(x) = -A\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

$$X'(0) = 0 = B\sqrt{\lambda}$$

$$B = 0$$

$$X'(L) = 0 = -A\sqrt{\lambda}\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)$$

For a nontrivial solution we need  $A \neq 0$  which causes  $\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0$ . Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\sqrt{\lambda}L = n\pi$ , then the eigenvalue  $\lambda_n$  and the eigenfunction  $X_n(x)$  are:

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

$$X_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

Case 2:  $\lambda = 0$

$$X''(x) = 0$$

$$X'(x) = A$$

$$X(x) = Ax + B$$

$$X'(0) = 0 = X'(L) = A$$

$$X(x) = B$$

So  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue with a constant eigenfunction.

Case 3:  $\lambda < 0$

Let  $\lambda = -\mu^2$ , with  $\mu > 0$ , then:

$$X(x) = C\cosh(\mu x) + D\sinh(\mu x)$$

$$X'(x) = C\mu\sinh(\mu x) + D\mu\cosh(\mu x)$$

$$X'(0) = 0 = D\mu$$

$$D = 0$$

$$X(x) = C\cosh(\mu x)$$

$$X'(L) = 0 = C\mu\sinh(\mu L)$$

For a nontrivial solution we need  $C \neq 0$  so  $\sinh(\mu L)$  must be equal to 0, but  $\sinh(\mu L) \neq 0$  for  $\mu > 0$  and  $L > 0$ . So  $C$  must equal 0, yielding no eigenvalues and the trivial solution of  $X(x) = 0$ . Taking all three of these  $\lambda$  cases into account, we now have the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions required to solve the ODE dependent on  $y$ .

$$Y_n''(y) - \lambda_n Y_n(y) = 0$$

Case  $n = 0$  ( $\lambda_0 = 0$ ):

$$Y_0''(y) = 0$$

$$Y_0(y) = A_0 y + B_0$$

Case  $n \geq 1$  ( $\lambda_n = (\frac{n\pi}{L})^2 > 0$ ):

$$Y_n(y) = A_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right) + B_n \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$$

Next apply the BCs to  $Y_n(y)$ :

$$u(x, 0) = 0 = X(x)Y(0)$$

For this to be true for all values of  $x$ , we need  $Y_n(0) = 0$  for both cases of  $n$ :

Case  $n = 0$ :

$$Y_0(0) = 0 = B_0$$

$$Y_0(y) = A_0 y$$

Case  $n \geq 1$ :

$$Y_n(0) = 0 = B_n$$

$$Y_n(y) = A_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$$

Now that we know  $X_n(x)$  and  $Y_n(y)$ , we can construct the general solution and plug in the top BC  $u(x, H) = f(x)$  to find the series coefficients and the final solution to the 2D Laplace's Equation:

$$u(x, y) = A_0 y + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$$

$$u(x, H) = A_0 H + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right) = f(x)$$

So  $f(x)$  has a cosine Fourier series and coefficients of the form:

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$A_0 H = a_0$$

$$A_0 = \frac{a_0}{H}$$

$$A_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right) = a_n$$

$$A_n = \frac{a_n}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right)}$$

So the final solution to the 2D Laplace's Equation is:

$$u(x, y) = \frac{a_0}{H} y + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{\sinh\left(\frac{n\pi H}{L}\right)} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L}\right)$$

**Problem 2.5.3(a):** Solve Laplace's equation *outside* a circular disk ( $r \geq a$ ) subject to the boundary conditions

(a)  $u(a, \theta) = \ln 2 + 4 \cos \theta$

The general solution for the 2D Polar Laplace's Equation for  $r \geq a$  is:

$$u(r, \theta) = A_0 + B_0 \ln(r) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n r^n + B_n r^{-n}) \cos(n\theta) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (C_n r^n + D_n r^{-n}) \sin(n\theta)$$

However, since we are interested in the region outside of a circle, we need to ensure that the solution is bounded as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ . This means that the  $r^n$  and  $\ln(r)$  terms must be excluded so that the solution is well-behaved for large values of  $r$ . So the general solution can be simplified to:

$$u(r, \theta) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n r^{-n} \cos(n\theta) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n r^{-n} \sin(n\theta)$$

Now we need to apply the BC at  $r = a$  which only has a constant and cosine terms so all of the coefficients go away except the terms when  $n = 0$  or  $n = 1$ . This means the BC has the form:

$$u(r, \theta) = A_0 + B_1 \frac{\cos(\theta)}{r}$$

So we can plug in  $r = a$  to find the remaining coefficients:

$$u(a, \theta) = A_0 + B_1 \frac{\cos(\theta)}{a} = \ln(2) + 4\cos(\theta)$$

$$A_0 = \ln(2)$$

$$B_1 \frac{\cos(\theta)}{a} = 4\cos(\theta)$$

$$\frac{B_1}{a} = 4$$

$$B_1 = 4a$$

So the final solution to the 2D Polar Laplace's Equation outside the circle is:

$$u(r, \theta) = \ln(2) + 4\frac{a}{r}\cos(\theta), \quad (r \geq a)$$

**Problem 2.5.5(a):** Solve Laplace's equation inside the quarter circle of radius 1 ( $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq 1$ ) subject to the boundary conditions

(a)  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}(r, 0) = 0$ ,  $u(r, \pi/2) = 0$ , and  $u(1, \theta) = f(\theta)$ .

The general solution for the 2D Polar Laplace's Equation is:

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (A_n r^n \cos(n\theta) + B_n r^n \sin(n\theta))$$

Now apply the BCs:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n (-nA_n \sin(n\theta) + nB_n \cos(n\theta))$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}(r, 0) = 0 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nB_n r^n$$

$$B_n = 0$$

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n r^n \cos(n\theta)$$

$$u(r, \frac{\pi}{2}) = 0 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n r^n \cos(\frac{n\pi}{2})$$

For odd values of  $n$ ,  $\cos(\frac{n\pi}{2}) = 0$ , and for even values of  $n$ ,  $\cos(\frac{n\pi}{2}) = \pm 1$ . Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n = 2k + 1$ , then  $A_{2k} = 0$  for every value of  $k$  and only the odd values of  $n$  survive.

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_{2k+1} r^{2k+1} \cos((2k+1)\theta)$$

$$u(1, \theta) = f(\theta) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_{2k+1} \cos((2k+1)\theta)$$

The functions  $\cos((2k+1)\theta)$  are orthogonal on  $[0, 2\pi]$ , so their norm is:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2((2k+1)\theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \cos(2(2k+1)\theta)) d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

So the coefficients are:

$$A_{2k+1} = \frac{1}{\| \cos((2k+1)\theta) \|^2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\theta) \cos((2k+1)\theta) d\theta$$

$$\frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\theta) \cos((2k+1)\theta) d\theta$$

So the final solution is:

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\theta) \cos((2k+1)\theta) d\theta \right) r^{2k+1} \cos((2k+1)\theta)$$

**Problem 2.5.6(a):** Solve Laplace's equation inside a semicircle of radius  $a$  ( $0 < r < a$ ,  $0 < \theta < \pi$ ) subject to the boundary conditions

(a)  $u(r, \theta) = 0$  on the diameter and  $u(a, \theta) = g(\theta)$ .

2D Polar Laplace's Equation:

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} \right) = 0$$

Use separation of variables to get a system of ODEs:

$$u(r, \theta) = R(r)\Theta(\theta)$$

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

$$\Theta''(\theta) + \lambda\Theta(\theta) = 0$$

$$r^2 R''(r) + rR'(r) - \lambda R(r) = 0$$

The BC  $\Theta(0) = \Theta(\pi) = 0$  forces the eigenvalue  $\lambda = n^2$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , which results in the eigenfunction:

$$\Theta_n(\theta) = \sin(n\theta)$$

For the eigenvalue  $\lambda = n^2$  the radial ODE will be in the form of the Euler Equation with a general solution of:

$$R_n(r) = C_1 r^n + C_2 r^{-n}$$

However, regularity at the origin ( $r = 0$ ) requires  $C_2 = 0$  so the general solution becomes:

$$R_n(r) = C_n r^n$$

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n r^n \sin(n\theta)$$



Now plug in the BC at  $r = a$  to find the coefficient  $b_n$ :

$$u(a, \theta) = g(\theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n a^n \sin(n\theta)$$

Let  $b_n = A_n a^n$ , then:

$$b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} g(\theta) \sin(n\theta) d\theta, \quad A_n = \frac{b_n}{a^n}$$

Which results in the final solution to the 2D Polar Laplace's Equation:

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \left(\frac{r}{a}\right)^n \sin(n\theta)$$

**Problem 2.5.15(a):** Solve Laplace's equation inside a semi-infinite strip ( $0 < x < \infty$ ,  $0 < y < H$ ) subject to the boundary conditions

$$(a) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, 0) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, H) = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad u(0, y) = f(y).$$

2D Cartesian Laplace's Equation:

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

Use separation of variables to get a system of ODEs:

$$u(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$$

$$X''(x)Y(y) + X(x)Y''(y) = 0$$

$$\frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} + \frac{Y''(y)}{Y(y)} = 0$$

$$\frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = \frac{Y''(y)}{Y(y)} = -\lambda$$

$$Y''(y) + \lambda Y(y) = 0$$

$$X''(x) - \lambda X(x) = 0$$

Applying the BCs  $Y'(0) = Y'(H) = 0$  yields the following eigenvalues and eigenfunctions (assuming that  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ):

$$\lambda_0 = 0, \quad Y_0(y) = 1$$

$$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{H}\right)^2, \quad Y_n(y) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{H}\right)$$

Plugging in the  $\lambda_n$  eigenvalue into the x-equation yields an x-dependent general solution of:

$$X_n(x) = A_n e^{-(\frac{n\pi}{H})x} + B_n e^{(\frac{n\pi}{H})x}$$

However the solution needs to remain bounded as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ , which forces  $B_n = 0$  so the solution for  $n \geq 1$  is:

$$u_n(x, y) = A_n e^{-(\frac{n\pi}{H})x} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{H}\right)$$

For  $n = 0$ :

$$X_0''(x) = 0$$

$$X'_0(x) = C_0$$

$$X_0(x) = C_0x + D_0$$

But to ensure boundedness as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $C_0$  must equal 0, so the  $n = 0$  term is just the constant  $D_0$ . Now plug in the BC at  $x = 0$  to find the coefficients:

$$u(0, y) = f(y) = D_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{H}\right)$$

$$D_0 = a_0 = \frac{1}{H} \int_0^H f(y) dy$$

$$A_n = a_n = \frac{2}{H} \int_0^H f(y) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{H}\right) dy$$

Therefore, the final solution to the 2D Cartesian Laplace's Equation for a semi-infinite strip is:

$$u(x, y) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e^{-\left(\frac{n\pi}{H}\right)x} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{H}\right)$$