

# Homework 10

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**Section 2** Find the series solutions of the following problems.

1. Find the steady-state temperature distribution for the semi-infinite plate problem if the temperature of the bottom edge is  $T = f(x) = x$  (in degrees; that is, the temperature at  $x$  cm is  $x$  degrees), the temperature of the other sides is  $0^\circ$ , and the width of the plate is 10 cm.

Define the boundary constraints

$$\begin{aligned}T(x, y = 0) &= x \\T(x, y = \infty) &= 0 \\T(x = 0, y) &= 0 \\T(x = 10, y) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Use  $X(x)'' + k^2 X(x) = 0$  to get  $X(x) = C_1 \sin(kx) + C_2 \cos(kx)$ . Using the boundary constraints of  $X(0) = 0$ ,  $C_2 = 0$ . Further from the constraint  $X(10) = 0$ ,  $k = \frac{n\pi}{10}$  for all positive integers  $n$  so

$$X(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{10}x\right)$$

Next, use  $Y(y)'' - k^2 Y(y) = 0$  to get  $Y(y) = Ae^{-ky} + Be^{ky}$ . Because of the boundary constraint that as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $Y(y) = 0$ , we know that  $B = 0$  so  $Y(y) = Ce^{-ky} = Ce^{-\frac{n\pi}{10}y}$ .

Thus, as  $T(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$  we now have  $T(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{10}x\right) e^{-\frac{n\pi}{10}y}$

To solve for  $C_n$ , we use

$$\begin{aligned}C_n &= \frac{2}{10} \int_0^{10} x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{10}x\right) dx \\&= \frac{2}{10} \left[ \frac{x(-\cos(\frac{n\pi}{10}x))}{\frac{n\pi}{10}} + \frac{\sin(\frac{n\pi}{10}x)}{(\frac{n\pi}{10})^2} \right]_0^{10} \\&= \frac{2}{10} \left[ \frac{-10 \cos(n\pi)}{n\pi/10} + \frac{\sin(n\pi)}{(n\pi/10)^2} - 0 \right] \\&= \frac{2}{10} \left[ \frac{-10(-1)^n}{n\pi/10} \right] \\&= \frac{20}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}\end{aligned}$$

Substituting this in we have

$$T(x, y) = \frac{20}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{10}x\right) e^{-\frac{n\pi}{10}y}$$

3. Solve the semi-infinite plate problem if the bottom edge of width  $\pi$  is held at  $T = \cos x$  and the other sides are at  $0^\circ$ .

Define the boundary constraints

$$\begin{aligned} T(x, y = 0) &= \cos x \\ T(x, y = \infty) &= 0 \\ T(x = 0, y) &= 0 \\ T(x = \pi, y) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Use  $X(x)'' + k^2 X(x) = 0$  to get  $X(x) = C_1 \sin(kx) + C_2 \cos(kx)$ . Using the boundary constraints of  $X(0) = 0$ ,  $C_2 = 0$ . Further from the constraint  $X(\pi) = 0$ ,  $k = n$  for all positive integers  $n$  so

$$X(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin(nx)$$

Next, use  $Y(y)'' - k^2 Y(y) = 0$  to get  $Y(y) = Ae^{-ky} + Be^{ky}$ . Because of the boundary constraint that as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $Y(y) = 0$ , we know that  $B = 0$  so  $Y(y) = Ce^{-ky} = Ce^{-ny}$ .

Thus, as  $T(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$  we now have  $T(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin(nx) e^{-ny}$

To solve for  $C_n$ , we use

$$\begin{aligned} C_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos(x) \sin(nx) dx \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2} [\sin(nx + x) + \sin(nx - x)] dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin((n+1)x) + \sin((n-1)x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{-\cos((n+1)x)}{n+1} + \frac{-\cos((n-1)x)}{n-1} \right]_0^\pi \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\cos((n+1)x)}{n+1} - \frac{\cos((n-1)x)}{n-1} \right]_0^\pi \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\cos((n+1)\pi)}{n+1} - \frac{\cos((n-1)\pi)}{n-1} + \frac{\cos((n+1)0)}{n+1} + \frac{\cos((n-1)0)}{n-1} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n+1} - \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n-1} + \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n-1} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{(-1)^{n+1}(n-1)}{(n+1)(n-1)} - \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n+1)}{(n+1)(n-1)} + \frac{n-1}{(n+1)(n-1)} + \frac{n+1}{(n+1)(n-1)} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{(-1)^{n-1}2n}{(n-1)(n+1)} + \frac{2n}{(n-1)(n+1)} \right] \\ &= \frac{2n}{\pi} \left[ \frac{(-1)^n + 1}{n^2 - 1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Thus, when  $n$  is even  $C_n = \frac{4n}{\pi(n^2-1)}$  and when  $n$  is odd  $C_n = 0$ . Substituting this in we have

$$T(x, y) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{\substack{n=2 \\ \text{even } n}}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n^2 - 1} \sin(nx) e^{-ny}$$

4. Solve the semi-infinite plate problem if the bottom edge of width 30 is held at

$$T = \begin{cases} x, & 0 < x < 15 \\ 30 - x, & 15 < x < 30 \end{cases}$$

and the other sides are at  $0^\circ$ . Define the boundary constraints

$$\begin{aligned} T(x, y = 0) &= \begin{cases} x, & 0 < x < 15 \\ 30 - x, & 15 < x < 30 \end{cases} \\ T(x, y = \infty) &= 0 \\ T(x = 0, y) &= 0 \\ T(x = 30, y) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Use  $X(x)'' + k^2 X(x) = 0$  to get  $X(x) = C_1 \sin(kx) + C_2 \cos(kx)$ . Using the boundary constraints of  $X(0) = 0$ ,  $C_2 = 0$ . Further from the constraint  $X(30) = 0$ ,  $k = \frac{n\pi}{30}$  for all positive integers  $n$  so

$$X(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{30}x\right)$$

Next, use  $Y(y)'' - k^2 Y(y) = 0$  to get  $Y(y) = Ae^{-ky} + Be^{ky}$ . Because of the boundary constraint that as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $Y(y) = 0$ , we know that  $B = 0$  so  $Y(y) = Ce^{-ky} = Ce^{-\frac{n\pi}{30}y}$ .

Thus, as  $T(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$  we now have  $T(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{30}x\right) e^{-\frac{n\pi}{30}y}$

To solve for  $C_n$ , we use

$$\begin{aligned} C_n &= \frac{2}{30} \int_0^{30} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{30}x\right) dx \\ &= \frac{2}{30} \left[ \int_0^{15} x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{30}x\right) dx + \int_{15}^{30} (30 - x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{30}x\right) dx \right] \\ &= 60 \left[ \int_0^{1/2} u \sin(n\pi u) du + \int_{1/2}^1 (1 - u) \sin(n\pi u) du \right] \\ &= 60 \left[ \int_0^{1/2} u \sin(n\pi u) du + \int_{1/2}^1 \sin(n\pi u) du + \int_1^{1/2} u \sin(n\pi u) du \right] \end{aligned}$$

Solve the first integral.  $\int_0^{1/2} u \sin(n\pi u) du$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{1/2} u \sin(n\pi u) du &= \left( \frac{-x \cos(\pi n x)}{\pi n} + \frac{\sin(\pi n x)}{\pi^2 n^2} \right) \Big|_0^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{-(1/2) \cos(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi n} + \frac{\sin(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi^2 n^2} - \frac{-(0) \cos(\pi n(0))}{\pi n} - \frac{\sin(\pi n(0))}{\pi^2 n^2} \\ &= \frac{\sin(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi^2 n^2} \end{aligned}$$

Solve the next integral.  $\int_{1/2}^1 \sin(n\pi u) du$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{1/2}^1 \sin(n\pi u) du &= \frac{-\cos(\pi n x)}{\pi n} \Big|_{1/2}^1 \\ &= \frac{-\cos(\pi n(1))}{\pi n} - \frac{-\cos(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi n} \\ &= \frac{-\cos(\pi n)}{\pi n} \end{aligned}$$

Solve the final integral.  $\int_1^{1/2} u \sin(n\pi u) du$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{1/2} u \sin(n\pi u) du &= \left( \frac{-x \cos(\pi n x)}{\pi n} + \frac{\sin(\pi n x)}{\pi^2 n^2} \right) \Big|_1^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{-(1/2) \cos(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi n} + \frac{\sin(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi^2 n^2} - \frac{-(1) \cos(\pi n(1))}{\pi n} - \frac{\sin(\pi n(1))}{\pi^2 n^2} \\ &= \frac{\sin(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi^2 n^2} + \frac{\cos(\pi n)}{\pi n} \end{aligned}$$

Continuing from before for  $C_n$

$$\begin{aligned} C_n &= 60 \left[ \frac{\sin(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi^2 n^2} + \frac{-\cos(\pi n)}{\pi n} + \frac{\sin(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi^2 n^2} + \frac{\cos(\pi n)}{\pi n} \right] \\ &= \frac{120 \sin(\pi n(1/2))}{\pi^2 n^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, when  $n$  is even  $C_n = 0$  and when  $n$  is odd  $C_n = \frac{120(-1)^{(n-1)/2}}{\pi^2 n^2}$ . Substituting this in we have

$$T(x, y) = \frac{120}{\pi^2} \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ \text{odd } n}}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{(n-1)/2}}{n^2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{30}x\right) e^{-\frac{n\pi}{30}y}$$