

Note: In this problem set, expressions in green cells match corresponding expressions in the text answers.

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Clear["Global`*"]
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5 - 18 Harmonic functions in a disk

Using (7), find the potential  $\Phi[r,\theta]$  in the unit disk  $r < 1$  having the given boundary values  $\Phi[1,\theta]$ . Using the sum of the first few terms of the series, compute some values of  $\Phi$  and sketch a figure of the equipotential lines.

Before I get started, I want to show a plot of the function of example 1, p. 780. The plot looks quite a bit like figure 424, except that the contour lines do not tally exactly with the contour line values in figure 424. It is surprising that as far as the accuracy of contour lines is concerned (as determined by cursor hovering over the contour line) 16 terms of the Fourier series yields the same accuracy as 256 terms.

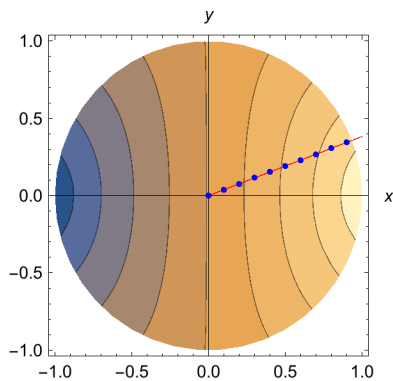
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sampl =  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{\pi^2} \text{Sum}\left[r^{(2n-1)} \frac{\text{Cos}[(2n-1)\theta]}{(2n-1)^2}, \{n, 1, 16\}\right];$ 

p1 = ContourPlot[sampl, {r, \theta} \in \text{Disk}[\{0, 0\}, 1],
  ImageSize \rightarrow 200, Contours \rightarrow 9, Axes \rightarrow \text{True}, AxesLabel \rightarrow \{x, y\},
  Epilog \rightarrow \{\{\text{Red, Line}[\{\{0, 0\}, \{1, \text{Sin}[\frac{\pi}{8}]\}]\}, \{\text{Blue,}
    Point[\{0.0, 0.0 \times 0.38262\}\}, \{\text{Blue, Point}[\{0.1, 0.1 \times 0.38262\}\},
    \{\text{Blue, Point}[\{0.2, 0.2 \times 0.38262\}\}, \{\text{Blue,}
    Point[\{0.3, 0.3 \times 0.38262\}\}, \{\text{Blue, Point}[\{0.4, 0.4 \times 0.38262\}\},
    \{\text{Blue, Point}[\{0.5, 0.5 \times 0.38262\}\}, \{\text{Blue,}
    Point[\{0.6, 0.6 \times 0.38262\}\}, \{\text{Blue, Point}[\{0.7, 0.7 \times 0.38262\}\},
    \{\text{Blue, Point}[\{0.8, 0.8 \times 0.38262\}\}, \{\text{Blue,}
    Point[\{0.8, 0.8 \times 0.38262\}\}, \{\text{Blue, Point}[\{0.9, 0.9 \times 0.38262\}\}\}\}\};
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The table of points below may hold some insight into the plot information, because evaluated point values can be compared with their plotted contour swath.

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Table[\{r, r Sin[\theta], N[Evaluate[sampl]]\}, \{r, 0, 0.9, 0.1\} /. \theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{8}
\{\{0., 0., 0.5\}, \{0.1, 0.0382683, 0.537461\},
\{0.2, 0.0765367, 0.575023\}, \{0.3, 0.114805, 0.612779\},
\{0.4, 0.153073, 0.650799\}, \{0.5, 0.191342, 0.689108\},
\{0.6, 0.22961, 0.727638\}, \{0.7, 0.267878, 0.766151\},
\{0.8, 0.306147, 0.80414\}, \{0.9, 0.344415, 0.840759\}\}
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Note that since the largest  $r$  value on  $x$  axis would be 0.92388, the plotting stops at 0.9.

**Row[{p1}]****N[Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]]****0.382683****N[Cos[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]]****0.92388**

$$5. \quad \Phi[1, \theta] = \frac{3}{2} \sin[3\theta]$$

**Clear["Global`\*"]**

The method I use to get to the answer is the same as in problem 7, which I worked first, and which has more explanatory comments. The method is simply to compare the given boundary condition with numbered line (7), p 780, and recognize that things already look pretty good as they are. Mainly I have a sine function, which is the core of the integral. I have a nice definite, real fraction which I can consider to be  $a_0$ . I don't need a cosine factor. The only thing I need, if my reasoning is correct, or at least consistent, is an  $r$  factor. The exponent of the  $r$  factor I want will be equal to the coefficient on the sine, so I need an  $r^3$ . Thus

$$\Phi[1, \theta] = \frac{3 r^3}{2} \sin[3\theta]$$

The answer above agrees with the answer in the text. Next a table of values, which correlate with the points in the plot below.

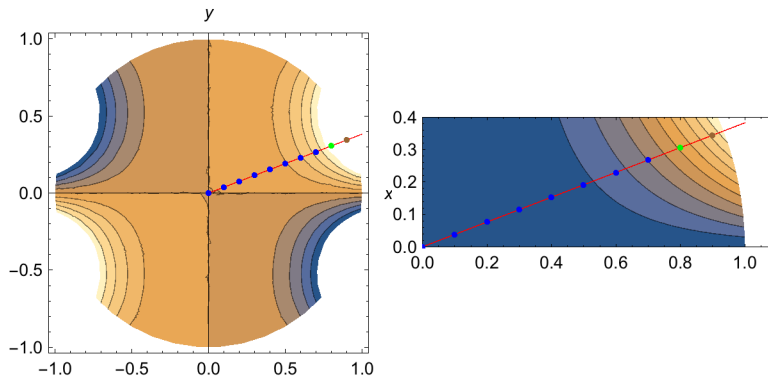
```
Table[{r, r Sin[θ], N[Evaluate[ $\frac{3 r^3}{2} \sin[3 \theta]$ ]], {r, 0, 0.9, 0.1}] /. θ →  $\frac{\pi}{8}$ 
{{0., 0., 0.}, {0.1, 0.0382683, 0.00138582},
 {0.2, 0.0765367, 0.0110866}, {0.3, 0.114805, 0.0374171},
 {0.4, 0.153073, 0.0886924}, {0.5, 0.191342, 0.173227},
 {0.6, 0.22961, 0.299337}, {0.7, 0.267878, 0.475336},
 {0.8, 0.306147, 0.709539}, {0.9, 0.344415, 1.01026}}
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In the plot below, the quadrants are separated by squarish contour lines having value of zero. It seems a little odd that although the plotted function is exact, contour boundaries, especially along the y-axis, look ragged. And what about the  $r=0.7, r=0.8$ , and  $r=0.9$  points on the plot? They look dispossessed.

```
p1 = ContourPlot[ $\frac{3 r^3}{2} \sin[3 \theta]$ , {r, θ} ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
  ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},
  Epilog → {{Red, Line[{0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}},
    {Blue, Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.3, 0.3 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.4, 0.4 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.5, 0.5 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.6, 0.6 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.7, 0.7 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Green, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},
    {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]}];

p2 = ContourPlot[ $\frac{3 r^3}{2} \sin[\frac{3}{8} \theta]$ , {r, θ} ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
  ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},
  PlotRange → {{0, 1.1}, {0, 0.4}}, AspectRatio → Automatic,
  Epilog → {{Red, Line[{0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}},
    {Blue, Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.3, 0.3 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.4, 0.4 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.5, 0.5 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.6, 0.6 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.7, 0.7 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},
    {Green, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},
    {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]}];
```

**Row[{p1, p2}]**



The left plot is framed in terms of the problem function, so it claims place. It shows test points, but it's not fair to plot test points on a function that has been altered for testing. Thus the right plot, which shows the form the function will assume at the time the line of test points is placed on it.

$$7. \Phi[1, \theta] = a \cos[4\theta]^2$$

**Clear["Global`\*"]**

The solution to this problem is very easy if I make one particular assumption, which is that the  $a$  posited in the boundary condition of the problem is not just some  $a$  made up arbitrarily, but is in fact the same  $a$  which is contained in numbered line (7) on p. 780.

My line of reasoning also depends on an identity stated in numbered line (10) on text p. A-64 (in Appendix 3), which goes like so

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x \quad \text{or,} \quad \cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x.$$

Extending the identity to the boundary condition means that  $\cos[4\theta]^2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\cos[8\theta]$ .

So now I build the chain

$$\Phi[1, \theta] = a \cos[4\theta]^2 = a \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos[8\theta] \right) = \frac{a}{2} + \frac{a}{2} \cos[8\theta]$$

Looking at the final expression on the right and comparing with numbered line (7) on p. 780 could mean I am nearly finished if I take a certain line of reasoning, like the following. The unsubscripted  $a$  is such as to take precedence over any subscripted ones, and therefore I don't need to worry about finding any subscripted  $a$  by use of numbered line (8). If the cosine factor is already there, I don't need to worry about a possible sine factor, it must be null, because that is the pattern of Fourier-related integrals which contain both  $a_n$  and  $b_n$ . The only thing left to think about is the  $r/R$  factor. Since I am on the unit circle, I'll take  $R=1$ . The exponent of the  $r/R$  factor is synchronized with the coefficient of the angle  $\theta$ , and since there it is 8, I must need an  $r^8$ . So I just toss in  $r^8$ , giving

$$\frac{a}{2} + \frac{a r^8}{2} \cos[8 \theta]$$

Voilà, ze answer agrees with ze text. Next comes the table of test values.

```
Table[{r, r Sin[θ], N[Evaluate[ $\frac{a}{2} + \frac{a r^8}{2} \cos[8 \theta]$ ]]}, {r, 0, 0.9, 0.1}] /.  
  {θ →  $\frac{\pi}{8}$ , a → 1}  
{ {0., 0., 0.5}, {0.1, 0.0382683, 0.5},  
  {0.2, 0.0765367, 0.499999}, {0.3, 0.114805, 0.499967},  
  {0.4, 0.153073, 0.499672}, {0.5, 0.191342, 0.498047},  
  {0.6, 0.22961, 0.491602}, {0.7, 0.267878, 0.471176},  
  {0.8, 0.306147, 0.416114}, {0.9, 0.344415, 0.284766}}
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For the plot, I can't get anything to show for any value of  $a$  I tried to insert with postfix substitution. However, if I enter an  $a$  value directly, Mathematica will show me something. After trying several values of  $a$ , I found no great variety of plots, so as far as  $a$  goes, so I'll just stick to the one.

```
p1 = ContourPlot[ $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1 r^8}{2} \cos[8 \theta]$ , {r, θ} ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],  
  ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},  
  Epilog → {{Red, Line[{ {0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}},  
    {Blue, Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,  
    Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]},  
    {Blue, Point[{0.3, 0.3 × 0.38262}]},  
    {Blue, Point[{0.4, 0.4 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,  
    Point[{0.5, 0.5 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.6, 0.6 × 0.38262}]},  
    {Blue, Point[{0.7, 0.7 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,  
    Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Green, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},  
    {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]}]}];
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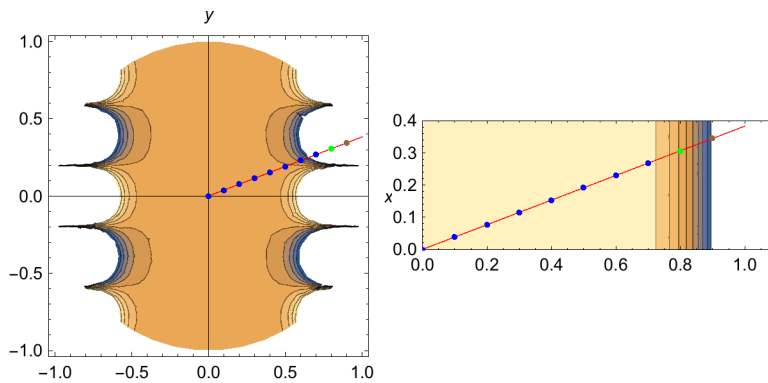
Now to show a plot of the function with the points in the table for comparison.

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p2 = ContourPlot[  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} r^8 \cos[\pi]$ , {r,  $\theta$ } ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
  ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},
  PlotRange → {{0, 1.1}, {0, 0.4}}, AspectRatio → Automatic,
  Epilog → {{Red, Line[{0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}},
    {Blue, Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.3, 0.3 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.4, 0.4 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.5, 0.5 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.6, 0.6 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.7, 0.7 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},
    {Green, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},
    {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]}];

Row[{p1, p2}]

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Again, here, at left, is a plot of a sort of generalized function, and superimposed on it is a line of test points which do not fully relate to it. At right the function is allowed to modify itself to accommodate the conditions of the test.

$$9. \Phi[1, \theta] = 8 \sin[\theta]^4$$

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Clear["Global`*"]
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First I try calling for a Fourier series. I notice that no matter how many terms I call for, it only gives me five.

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FourierSeries[8 Sin[ $\theta$ ]4,  $\theta$ , 16]
```

$$3 - 2 e^{-2 i \theta} - 2 e^{2 i \theta} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-4 i \theta} + \frac{1}{2} e^{4 i \theta}$$

I think I need to put it in the terms which the text likes to work with.

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ExpToTrig[%]
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$$3 - 4 \cos[2 \theta] + \cos[4 \theta]$$

Sure enough, this worked like a charm once again. The only thing missing at this point is

the  $r^n$  factor. The constant term, not having a cosine term whose coefficient it could re-purpose as exponent, gives me some misgivings, so I won't attach an  $r$  to that one.

$$3 - 4 r^2 \cos[2 \theta] + r^4 \cos[4 \theta]$$

I see that there is not an ellipsis in the text answer, so I have to believe that this is all there is of it.

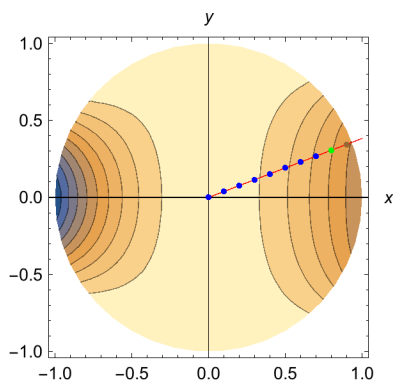
Making a table of values.

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Table[{r, r Sin[θ], N[Evaluate[3 - 4 r^2 Cos[2 θ] + r^3 Cos[4 θ]]]},
  {r, 0, 0.9, 0.1}] /. {θ →  $\frac{\pi}{8}$ }

{{0., 0., 3.}, {0.1, 0.0382683, 2.97172},
 {0.2, 0.0765367, 2.88686}, {0.3, 0.114805, 2.74544},
 {0.4, 0.153073, 2.54745}, {0.5, 0.191342, 2.29289},
 {0.6, 0.22961, 1.98177}, {0.7, 0.267878, 1.61407},
 {0.8, 0.306147, 1.18981}, {0.9, 0.344415, 0.708974}}

ContourPlot[3 - 4 r^2 Cos[2 θ] + r^3 Cos[4 θ], {r, θ} ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
  ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},
  Epilog → {{Red, Line[{0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}], {Blue,
    Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
    Point[{0.3, 0.3 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.4, 0.4 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.5, 0.5 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
    Point[{0.6, 0.6 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.7, 0.7 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Green,
    Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]}}]
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All the table points are present on the table and the function values even look reasonable.



$$11. \Phi[1, \theta] = \frac{\theta}{\pi} \text{ if } -\pi < \theta < \pi$$

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Clear["Global`*"]
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First to define the piecewise function. If I define one little piece, it seems like I have to make some statement about the intervals outside of that. So I'll try

$$\Phi[1, \theta_] = \begin{cases} \frac{\theta}{\pi} & -\pi < \theta < \pi \\ 0 & \theta < -\pi \vee \pi < \theta \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\theta}{\pi} & -\pi < \theta < \pi \\ 0 & \text{True} \end{cases}$$

I did problem 13 before I did this one. Like I did there, I will call for a Fourier's series and see what happens.

**FourierSeries**[ $\Phi[1, \theta]$ ,  $\theta$ , 8];

Unlike problem 9, there is no finite termination which I run into with this series.

**ExpToTrig**[%]

$$\frac{2 \sin[\theta]}{\pi} - \frac{\sin[2 \theta]}{\pi} + \frac{2 \sin[3 \theta]}{3 \pi} - \frac{\sin[4 \theta]}{2 \pi} +$$

$$\frac{2 \sin[5 \theta]}{5 \pi} - \frac{\sin[6 \theta]}{3 \pi} + \frac{2 \sin[7 \theta]}{7 \pi} - \frac{\sin[8 \theta]}{4 \pi}$$

I want to try to put the answer into a form of sum with general terms

$$\text{Simplify}[\text{FindSequenceFunction}[\{2, -1, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{5}, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{7}, -\frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{9}\}, n]]$$

$$- \frac{2 (-1)^n}{n}$$

So I think it should look like

$$\text{prob11} = \text{Sum}\left[-\frac{2 (-1)^n}{n} r^n \frac{\sin[n \theta]}{\pi}, \{n, 1, 8\}\right]$$

$$\frac{2 r \sin[\theta]}{\pi} - \frac{r^2 \sin[2 \theta]}{\pi} + \frac{2 r^3 \sin[3 \theta]}{3 \pi} - \frac{r^4 \sin[4 \theta]}{2 \pi} +$$

$$\frac{2 r^5 \sin[5 \theta]}{5 \pi} - \frac{r^6 \sin[6 \theta]}{3 \pi} + \frac{2 r^7 \sin[7 \theta]}{7 \pi} - \frac{r^8 \sin[8 \theta]}{4 \pi}$$

The answer in the above cell matches that of the text. (The text answer elects to factor out  $\frac{2}{\pi}$  as a leading factor.)

The problem asked for some sample values and a plot. But the 5th contour line lays on top of the y-axis pretty well, making me feel the limited terms used represent the series pretty well.



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Table[{r, r Sin[θ], N[Evaluate[prob11]]}, {r, 0, 0.9, 0.1}] /. θ →  $\frac{\pi}{8}$ 

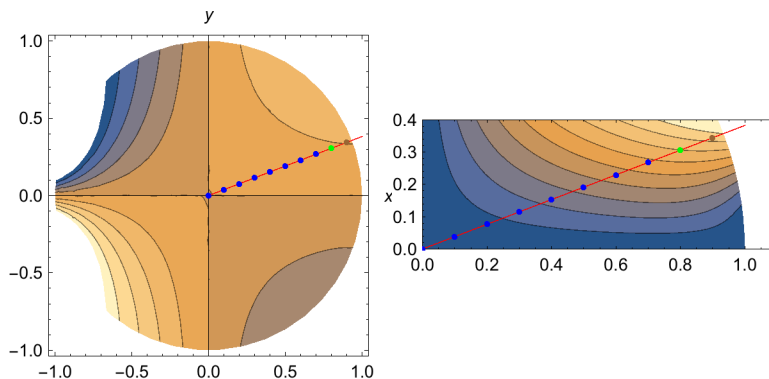
{{0., 0., 0.}, {0.1, 0.0382683, 0.0222928},
 {0.2, 0.0765367, 0.0410687}, {0.3, 0.114805, 0.0570731},
 {0.4, 0.153073, 0.0708642}, {0.5, 0.191342, 0.0828772},
 {0.6, 0.22961, 0.0934878}, {0.7, 0.267878, 0.103091},
 {0.8, 0.306147, 0.112215}, {0.9, 0.344415, 0.121684}}

p1 = ContourPlot[prob11, {r, θ} ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
  ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},
  Epilog → {{Red, Line[{0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}},
    {Blue, Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]},
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      Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Green, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},
    {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]}];

p2 = ContourPlot[prob11, {r, θ} ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
  ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},
  PlotRange → {{0, 1.1}, {0, 0.4}}, AspectRatio → Automatic,
  Epilog → {{Red, Line[{0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}},
    {Blue, Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]},
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      Point[{0.4, 0.4 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.5, 0.5 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.6, 0.6 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
      Point[{0.7, 0.7 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},
    {Green, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]},
    {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]}];

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Row[{p1, p2}]
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In this plot I lucked out because the quadrant I have test points for is not distorted. Still the function values for  $r=0.7$ ,  $r=0.8$ , and  $r=0.9$  do not seem plausible on the left plot. As I did with problem 7, I show an altered plot with altered function for a specified test value of  $\theta$  on the right. The test points do land on the plot, but the last few do not seem as large as expected. There must be something wrong, or else the discrepancy may be due to the `ContourPlot` evaluation process discussed by [george2079](#) in [StackExchangeMma](#) question 75352.

$$13. \Phi[1, \theta] = \theta \text{ if } -\frac{1}{2}\pi < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

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Clear["Global`*"]
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First I define the piecewise function. I see that Mathematica can work well with a piecewise function even if I don't specifically call it that.

$$\Phi[1, \theta] = \begin{cases} \theta & -\frac{1}{2}\pi < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi \\ 0 & \theta < -\frac{1}{2}\pi \vee \frac{1}{2}\pi < \theta \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \theta & -\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{True} \end{cases}$$

Knowing that Poisson's integral formula is closely related to Fourier series, I'll call for another one.

```
FourierSeries[\Phi[1, \theta], \theta, 12];
```

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ExpToTrig[%]
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$$\frac{2 \sin[\theta]}{\pi} + \frac{1}{2} \sin[2 \theta] - \frac{2 \sin[3 \theta]}{9 \pi} - \frac{1}{4} \sin[4 \theta] +$$

$$\frac{2 \sin[5 \theta]}{25 \pi} + \frac{1}{6} \sin[6 \theta] - \frac{2 \sin[7 \theta]}{49 \pi} - \frac{1}{8} \sin[8 \theta] +$$

$$\frac{2 \sin[9 \theta]}{81 \pi} + \frac{1}{10} \sin[10 \theta] - \frac{2 \sin[11 \theta]}{121 \pi} - \frac{1}{12} \sin[12 \theta]$$

The above cell is looking pretty good. In fact it looks like it's there except for the  $r^n$  factor. But instead of just sticking it in, (as is done in example 1 p. 780), I can't resist trying to build a general expression. It turns out that `FindSequenceFunction` can't handle the whole complicated sequence at once, so I'll have to try to write it for staggered, or "hop-along" incrementation,

```
Simplify[FindSequenceFunction[{1, 9, 25, 49, 81, 121}, n]]
```

$$(1 - 2 n)^2$$

```
Simplify[FindSequenceFunction[{2, -4, 6, -8, 10, -12}, n]]
```

$$-2 (-1)^n n$$

$$\text{prob13} = \text{Sum}\left[\frac{2 \sin[(2n-1)\theta] r^{2n-1}}{(-1)^{n-1} (1-2n)^2 \pi} + \frac{1 r^{2n}}{(-2)(-1)^n n} \sin[2n\theta], \{n, 1, 4\}\right]$$

$$\frac{2r \sin[\theta]}{\pi} + \frac{1}{2} r^2 \sin[2\theta] - \frac{2r^3 \sin[3\theta]}{9\pi} - \frac{1}{4} r^4 \sin[4\theta] + \frac{2r^5 \sin[5\theta]}{25\pi} + \frac{1}{6} r^6 \sin[6\theta] - \frac{2r^7 \sin[7\theta]}{49\pi} - \frac{1}{8} r^8 \sin[8\theta]$$

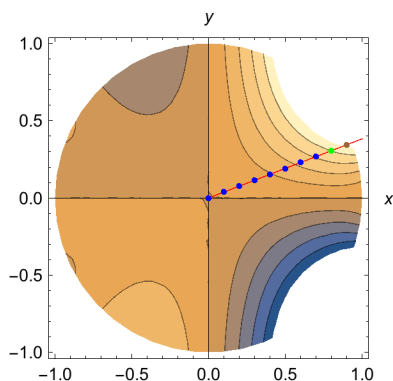
The above cell matches the answer in the text.

Again a table and a plot.

`Table[{r, r Sin[θ], N[Evaluate[prob13]]}, {r, 0, 0.9, 0.1}] /. θ →  $\frac{\pi}{8}$`

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{ {0., 0., 0.}, {0.1, 0.0382683, 0.0278079},
  {0.2, 0.0765367, 0.0619591}, {0.3, 0.114805, 0.101259},
  {0.4, 0.153073, 0.144151}, {0.5, 0.191342, 0.188944},
  {0.6, 0.22961, 0.234126}, {0.7, 0.267878, 0.278747},
  {0.8, 0.306147, 0.322874}, {0.9, 0.344415, 0.368119} }
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ContourPlot[ prob13, {r, θ} ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
  ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},
  Epilog → { {Red, Line[{ {0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}}, {Blue,
    Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
    Point[{0.3, 0.3 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.4, 0.4 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.5, 0.5 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
    Point[{0.6, 0.6 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.7, 0.7 × 0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Green,
    Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]} } ]
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This plot did not come out too bad. The function values are semi-believable. If I had chosen  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$  instead of  $\frac{\pi}{8}$ , I might have needed a special test plot section to display the table points.

$$15. \Phi[1, \theta] = 1 \text{ if } -\frac{1}{2}\pi < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

**Clear["Global`\*"]**

$$\Phi[1, \theta_] = \begin{cases} 1 & -\frac{1}{2}\pi < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi \\ 0 & \theta < -\frac{1}{2}\pi \vee \frac{1}{2}\pi < \theta \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} 1 & -\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{True} \end{cases}$$

With my function duly described I need to request a Fourier series

**FourierSeries**[ $\Phi[1, \theta]$ ,  $\theta$ , 12];

and convert it to trigga franca

**ExpToTrig**[%]

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2 \cos[\theta]}{\pi} - \frac{2 \cos[3\theta]}{3\pi} + \frac{2 \cos[5\theta]}{5\pi} - \frac{2 \cos[7\theta]}{7\pi} + \frac{2 \cos[9\theta]}{9\pi} - \frac{2 \cos[11\theta]}{11\pi}$$

Again the series comes out well, within an ace of the answer. I need to observe that the angle development is in terms of  $2n-1$ , affecting both cosine factor and r factor.

**Simplify**[**FindSequenceFunction**[{ $1, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{9}, -\frac{1}{11}$ }, n]]

$$\frac{(-1)^{1+n}}{-1+2n}$$

$$\text{prob15} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \text{Sum}\left[\frac{(-1)^{1+n}}{-1+2n} r^{(2n-1)} \cos[(2n-1)\theta], \{n, 1, 6\}\right]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} 2 \left( r \cos[\theta] - \frac{1}{3} r^3 \cos[3\theta] + \frac{1}{5} r^5 \cos[5\theta] - \frac{1}{7} r^7 \cos[7\theta] + \frac{1}{9} r^9 \cos[9\theta] - \frac{1}{11} r^{11} \cos[11\theta] \right)$$

The above answer matches that of the text. This time I anticipated the text's extraction of

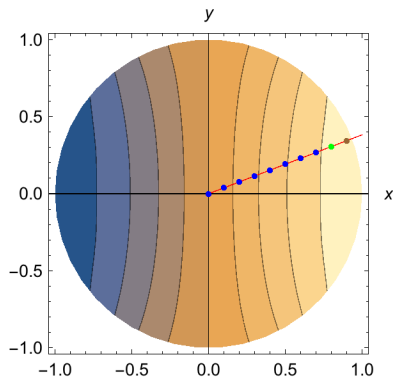
$\frac{2}{\pi}$  and modified the construction of the sum. The unadorned initial constant has to stand on its own.

Now for the usual table.

```
Table[{r, r Sin[θ], N[Evaluate[prob15]]}, {r, 0, 0.9, 0.1}] /. θ →  $\frac{\pi}{8}$ 
{{0., 0., 0.5}, {0.1, 0.0382683, 0.558734},
 {0.2, 0.0765367, 0.616968}, {0.3, 0.114805, 0.674154},
 {0.4, 0.153073, 0.729689}, {0.5, 0.191342, 0.782946},
 {0.6, 0.22961, 0.83334}, {0.7, 0.267878, 0.880389},
 {0.8, 0.306147, 0.923735}, {0.9, 0.344415, 0.963192}}
```

And the test plot.

```
ContourPlot[prob15, {r, θ} ∈ Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
 ImageSize → 200, Contours → 9, Axes → True, AxesLabel → {x, y},
 Epilog → {{Red, Line[{0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}, {Blue,
   Point[{0.0, 0.0 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.1, 0.1 × 0.38262}]},
 {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
   Point[{0.3, 0.3 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.4, 0.4 × 0.38262}]},
 {Blue, Point[{0.5, 0.5 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue,
   Point[{0.6, 0.6 × 0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.7, 0.7 × 0.38262}]},
 {Blue, Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Green,
   Point[{0.8, 0.8 × 0.38262}]}, {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9 × 0.38262}]}}]}
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Another plot that has at least some credibility.

$$17. \Phi[1, \theta] = \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2} \text{ if } -\pi < \theta < \pi$$

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Clear["Global`*"]
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$$\Phi[1, \theta_] = \begin{cases} \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2} & -\pi < \theta < \pi \\ 0 & \theta < -\pi \vee \pi < \theta \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2} & -\pi < \theta < \pi \\ 0 & \text{True} \end{cases}$$

With my function appropriately described I need to request a Fourier series

```
FourierSeries[Φ[1, θ], θ, 12];
```

and get it into trig form

**ExpToTrig[%]**

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{4 \cos[\theta]}{\pi^2} + \frac{\cos[2\theta]}{\pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos[3\theta]}{9\pi^2} + \frac{\cos[4\theta]}{4\pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos[5\theta]}{25\pi^2} + \frac{\cos[6\theta]}{9\pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos[7\theta]}{49\pi^2} + \frac{\cos[8\theta]}{16\pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos[9\theta]}{81\pi^2} + \frac{\cos[10\theta]}{25\pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos[11\theta]}{121\pi^2} + \frac{\cos[12\theta]}{36\pi^2}$$

The series looks good, and the cosine coefficient development is on a simple ladder. It is a little surprising that the FindSequenceFunction needs eight samples to deduce the coefficient pattern.

$$\text{Simplify}[\text{FindSequenceFunction}[\{1, -\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{9}, -\frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{25}, -\frac{1}{36}, \frac{1}{49}, -\frac{1}{64}\}, n]]$$

$$\frac{(-1)^{1+n}}{n^2}$$

This time, to coordinate with the text answer, I pull out  $-\frac{4}{\pi^2}$ .

$$\text{prob17} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{\pi^2} \text{Sum}\left[\frac{(-1)^{1+n}}{n^2} r^n \cos[n\theta], \{n, 1, 6\}\right]$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{\pi^2} 4 \left( r \cos[\theta] - \frac{1}{4} r^2 \cos[2\theta] + \frac{1}{9} r^3 \cos[3\theta] - \frac{1}{16} r^4 \cos[4\theta] + \frac{1}{25} r^5 \cos[5\theta] - \frac{1}{36} r^6 \cos[6\theta] \right)$$

The above cell matches the answer in the text. As for the plot, I think the 5th contour is too far left to get centered with additional terms, and I have to attribute its position to the equation itself.

Making up a test table.

$$\text{Table}[\{r, r \sin[\theta], \text{N}[\text{Evaluate}[\text{prob17}]]\}, \{r, 0, 0.9, 0.1\}] /. \theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{8}$$

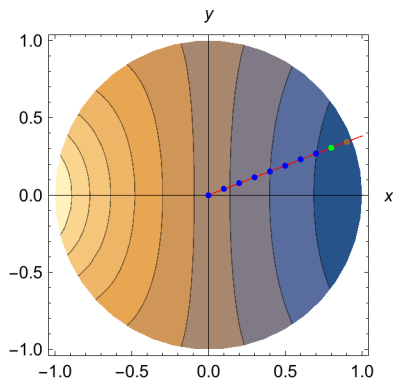
$$\{\{0., 0., 0.333333\}, \{0.1, 0.0382683, 0.296589\}, \{0.2, 0.0765367, 0.261176\}, \{0.3, 0.114805, 0.226995\}, \{0.4, 0.153073, 0.193951\}, \{0.5, 0.191342, 0.161943\}, \{0.6, 0.22961, 0.130854\}, \{0.7, 0.267878, 0.100531\}, \{0.8, 0.306147, 0.0707615\}, \{0.9, 0.344415, 0.0412448\}\}$$

Executing a test plot.

```

ContourPlot[prob17, {r,  $\theta$ }  $\in$  Disk[{0, 0}, 1],
  ImageSize  $\rightarrow$  200, Contours  $\rightarrow$  9, Axes  $\rightarrow$  True, AxesLabel  $\rightarrow$  {x, y},
  Epilog  $\rightarrow$  {{Red, Line[{0, 0}, {1, Sin[ $\frac{\pi}{8}$ ]}]}}, {Blue,
    Point[{0.0, 0.0  $\times$  0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.1, 0.1  $\times$  0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.2, 0.2  $\times$  0.38262}]}, {Blue,
    Point[{0.3, 0.3  $\times$  0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.4, 0.4  $\times$  0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.5, 0.5  $\times$  0.38262}]}, {Blue,
    Point[{0.6, 0.6  $\times$  0.38262}]}, {Blue, Point[{0.7, 0.7  $\times$  0.38262}]},
    {Blue, Point[{0.8, 0.8  $\times$  0.38262}]}, {Green,
    Point[{0.8, 0.8  $\times$  0.38262}]}, {Brown, Point[{0.9, 0.9  $\times$  0.38262}]}]}]

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The plot looks pretty good, and points meet their swath brackets, but the last two points encounter a very steep plunge.