

APM 346, Homework 6. Due Wednesday, June 19, at 6.00 AM EDT. To be marked completed/not completed.

1. Solve the following boundary-value problem on the region  $\{(\rho, \phi, z) | \rho < 1, 0 < z < 1\}$  in cylindrical coordinates:

$$\nabla^2 u = 0, \quad u|_{\rho=1} = 0, \quad u|_{z=0} = 0, \quad u|_{z=1} = 1.$$

We know from class that the general solution to Laplace's equation on the given region which satisfies the first boundary condition  $u|_{\rho=1} = 0$  is of the form

$$u(\rho, \phi, z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) (a_{mi} \cos m\phi + b_{mi} \sin m\phi) (c_{mi} \cosh \lambda_{m,i}z + d_{mi} \sinh \lambda_{m,i}z),$$

where  $\{\lambda_{m,i}\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  is the set of all positive zeroes of  $J_m(x)$ . It is now just a matter of determining the coefficients in the above expansion which will make it satisfy the remaining boundary conditions. At  $z = 0$ , we have

$$u_{z=0} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) (a_{mi} \cos m\phi + b_{mi} \sin m\phi) c_{mi} = 0;$$

thus (since  $\{J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) \cos m\phi, J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) \sin m\phi\}$  is a complete orthogonal set on  $[0, 1] \times [0, 2\pi]$ ) we must have  $c_{mi} = 0$  for all  $m$  and all  $i$ . Then we may absorb the coefficients  $d_{mi}$  into  $a_{mi}$  and  $b_{mi}$  and write

$$u(\rho, \phi, z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) (a_{mi} \cos m\phi + b_{mi} \sin m\phi) \sinh \lambda_{m,i}z.$$

At  $z = 1$ , then, we have

$$u|_{z=1} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) (a_{mi} \cos m\phi + b_{mi} \sin m\phi) \sinh \lambda_{m,i} = 1.$$

Taking the inner product of this with functions  $\cos m\phi, \sin m\phi, m > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (1, \cos m\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) (a_{mi}\pi) \sinh \lambda_{m,i}, \\ 0 &= (1, \sin m\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) (b_{mi}\pi) \sinh \lambda_{m,i}, \end{aligned}$$

which gives (since  $\{J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho)\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  is a complete orthogonal set on  $[0, 1]$ ) that  $a_{mi} = 0$  and  $b_{mi} = 0$  for all  $m > 0$  and all  $i$ . Now  $b_{0i} = 0$  for all  $i$  by definition, so we are left simply with the condition

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{0i} J_0(\lambda_{0,i}\rho) \sinh \lambda_{0,i} = 1.$$

Using the orthogonality properties of the  $J_0(\lambda_{0,i}\rho)$ , we conclude that

$$a_{0i} \sinh \lambda_{0,i} = \frac{(1, J_0(\lambda_{0,i}\rho))}{(J_0(\lambda_{0,i}\rho), J_0(\lambda_{0,i}\rho))} = \frac{2}{J_1^2(\lambda_{0,i})} \int_0^1 \rho J_0(\lambda_{0,i}\rho) d\rho.$$

Now

$$\int x J_0(x) dx = x J_1(x) + C,$$

so

$$\int_0^1 \rho J_0(\lambda_{0,i}\rho) d\rho = \frac{1}{\lambda_{0,i}^2} \int_0^{\lambda_{0,i}} x J_0(x) dx = \frac{1}{\lambda_{0,i}^2} \lambda_{0,i} J_1(\lambda_{0,i}) = \frac{1}{\lambda_{0,i}} J_1(\lambda_{0,i}),$$

and

$$a_{0i} = \frac{2}{\lambda_{0,i} J_1(\lambda_{0,i}) \sinh \lambda_{0,i}},$$

so finally

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{\lambda_{0,i} J_1(\lambda_{0,i}) \sinh \lambda_{0,i}} J_0(\lambda_{0,i}\rho) \sinh \lambda_{0,i} z.$$

2. The same as 1, except with the condition  $u|_{z=1} = 1$  replaced by  $u|_{z=1} = \rho \cos \phi$ .

The first few steps are of course the same as problem 1; thus we may start from the series expansion

$$u(\rho, \phi, z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) (a_{mi} \cos m\phi + b_{mi} \sin m\phi) \sinh \lambda_{m,i} z.$$

At  $z = 1$  we now have

$$u|_{z=1} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{m,i}\rho) (a_{mi} \cos m\phi + b_{mi} \sin m\phi) \sinh \lambda_{m,i} = \rho \cos \phi,$$

whence as before we may conclude that  $a_{mi} = 0$ ,  $b_{mi} = 0$  for  $m \neq 1$ , all  $i$ , and also that  $b_{1i} = 0$ , while

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{1i} J_1(\lambda_{1,i}\rho) \sinh \lambda_{1,i} = \rho.$$

Thus we have as in 1

$$a_{1i} \sinh \lambda_{1,i} = \frac{(\rho, J_1(\lambda_{1,i}\rho))}{(J_1(\lambda_{1,i}\rho), J_1(\lambda_{1,i}\rho))} = \frac{2}{J_2^2(\lambda_{1,i})} \int_0^1 \rho^2 J_1(\lambda_{1,i}\rho) d\rho.$$

Now since

$$\int x^2 J_1(x) dx = x^2 J_2(x) + C,$$

we have

$$\int_0^1 \rho^2 J_1(\lambda_{1,i}\rho) d\rho = \frac{1}{\lambda_{1,i}^3} \lambda_{1,i}^2 J_2(\lambda_{1,i}) = \frac{1}{\lambda_{1,i}} J_2(\lambda_{1,i}),$$

so

$$a_{1i} = \frac{2}{\lambda_{1,i} J_2(\lambda_{1,i}) \sinh \lambda_{1,i}}$$

and

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{\lambda_{1,i} J_2(\lambda_{1,i}) \sinh \lambda_{1,i}} J_1(\lambda_{1,i}\rho) \cos \phi \sinh \lambda_{1,i} z.$$