

APM 346, Homework 9. Due Monday, July 22, at 8.00 AM EDT. To be marked completed/not completed.

1. Using the eigenfunctions and eigenvalues for the Laplacian on the cylinder $C = \{(\rho, \phi, z) | \rho < 1, 0 \leq z \leq 1\}$ derived in class, solve the following problem on C :

$$\nabla^2 u = z \begin{cases} 0, & \rho < \frac{1}{2} \\ \rho^3 \cos 3\phi, & \frac{1}{2} < \rho < 1 \end{cases}, \quad u|_{\partial C} = 0.$$

Let us denote the right-hand side of Poisson's equation above by f . Then expanding

$$f = \begin{cases} 0, & \rho < \frac{1}{2} \\ \rho^3 \cos 3\phi, & \frac{1}{2} < \rho < 1 \end{cases} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} J_m(\lambda_{mi}\rho) \sin n\pi z (a_{nmi} \cos m\phi + b_{nmi} \sin m\phi),$$

we see as usual that $b_{nmi} = 0$ for all n, m , and i , while $a_{nmi} = 0$ unless $m = 3$, and in that case (using the standard normalisation integrals for $J_3(\lambda_{3i}\rho)$ and $\sin n\pi z$ on $[0, 1]$)

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n3i} &= \frac{4}{J_4^2(\lambda_{3i})} \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 \int_0^1 \rho^3 z J_3(\lambda_{3i}\rho) \sin n\pi z dz \rho d\rho = \frac{4}{J_4^2(\lambda_{3i})} \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 \rho^4 J_3(\lambda_{3i}\rho) d\rho \int_0^1 z \sin n\pi z dz \\ &= \frac{4(-1)^{n+1}}{\lambda_{3i} J_4^2(\lambda_{3i}) n\pi} \left[J_4(\lambda_{3i}) - \frac{1}{16} J_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\lambda_{3i}\right) \right], \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$u = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{\lambda_{3i} J_4^2(\lambda_{3i}) n\pi (\lambda_{3i}^2 + n^2\pi^2)} \left(J_4(\lambda_{3i}) - \frac{1}{16} J_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\lambda_{3i}\right) \right) J_3(\lambda_{3i}\rho) \sin n\pi z \cos 3\phi.$$

2. Using the eigenfunctions and eigenvalues for the Laplacian on the unit ball $B = \{(r, \theta, \phi) | r < 1\}$ derived in class, solve the following problem on B :

$$\nabla^2 u = 3\sin^2\theta \cos 2\phi \begin{cases} r^2, & r < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & \frac{1}{2} < r < 1 \end{cases}, \quad u|_{\partial B} = 0.$$

Again, we expand the right-hand side:

$$\begin{cases} r^2, & r < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & \frac{1}{2} < r < 1 \end{cases} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\ell} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} j_{\ell}(\kappa_{\ell i}r) P_{\ell m}(\cos\theta) (a_{\ell mi} \cos m\phi + b_{\ell mi} \sin m\phi),$$

whence as before we have $b_{\ell mi} = 0$ for all ℓ, m , and i , while $a_{\ell mi} = 0$ unless $m = 2$. Now $P_{22}(\cos\theta) = 3\sin^2\theta$, so since $\{P_{\ell 2}(\cos\theta)\}_{\ell=2}^{\infty}$ is a complete orthogonal set on $[0, \pi]$, we must also have $a_{\ell 2i} = 0$ unless $\ell = 2$. Finally, denoting the above right-hand side by f ,

$$\begin{aligned} a_{22i} &= \frac{(f, j_2(\kappa_{2i}r) P_{22}(\cos\theta) \cos 2\phi)}{(j_2(\kappa_{2i}r) P_{22}(\cos\theta) \cos 2\phi, j_2(\kappa_{2i}r) P_{22}(\cos\theta) \cos 2\phi)} \\ &= \frac{2}{j_3^2(\kappa_{2i})} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} r^4 j_2(\kappa_{2i}r) dr = \frac{2}{j_3^2(\kappa_{2i})} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} r^{\frac{7}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} J_{\frac{5}{2}}(\kappa_{2i}r) dr \\ &= \frac{2}{\kappa_{2i} j_3^2(\kappa_{2i})} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{128}} J_{\frac{7}{2}}\left(\frac{1}{2}\kappa_{2i}\right) \right) = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{\kappa_{2i} j_3^2(\kappa_{2i})}} j_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\kappa_{2i}\right), \end{aligned}$$

so (since the eigenvalue corresponding to $j_m(\kappa_{mi}r) P_{\ell m}(\cos\theta) \cos m\phi$ is simply $-\kappa_{mi}^2$)

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} -\frac{1}{8j_3^2(\kappa_{2i}) \kappa_{2i}^{\frac{5}{2}}} j_3\left(\frac{1}{2}\kappa_{2i}\right) j_2(\kappa_{2i}\rho) P_{22}(\cos\theta) \cos 2\phi.$$

3. Solve the following problem on the unit cube Q :

$$\nabla^2 u = 0, \quad u|_{x=0} = u|_{x=1} = u|_{y=0} = u|_{y=1} = 0, \quad u|_{z=0} = \sin \pi x \sin 2\pi y, \quad u|_{z=1} = 0.$$

One way of doing this (which is not really detailed enough to count as a full solution on a test!) is to note that the solution will be a linear combination of $\sin \pi x \sin 2\pi y \cosh \pi \sqrt{5} z$ and $\sin \pi x \sin 2\pi y \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} z$, after which a little thought shows that the solution is exactly

$$\sin \pi x \sin 2\pi y \left(\cosh \pi \sqrt{5} z - \coth \pi \sqrt{5} \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} z \right).$$

More systematically, we note that the solution can be written in the form

$$u = \sum_{\ell, m=1}^{\infty} \sin \ell \pi x \sin m \pi y \left(a_{\ell m} \cosh \pi \sqrt{\ell^2 + m^2} z + b_{\ell m} \sinh \pi \sqrt{\ell^2 + m^2} z \right);$$

then the boundary conditions give that for $(\ell, m) \neq (1, 2)$

$$a_{\ell m} = 0, \quad a_{\ell m} \cosh \pi \sqrt{\ell^2 + m^2} + b_{\ell m} \sinh \pi \sqrt{\ell^2 + m^2} = 0,$$

whence it is easily seen that $a_{\ell m} = b_{\ell m} = 0$ for all $(\ell, m) \neq (1, 2)$; further,

$$a_{12} = 1, \quad a_{12} \cosh \pi \sqrt{5} + b_{12} \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} = 0,$$

so $b_{12} = -\coth \pi \sqrt{5}$ and we obtain $u = \sin \pi x \sin 2\pi y \left(\cosh \pi \sqrt{5} z - \coth \pi \sqrt{5} \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} z \right)$, as claimed.

4. Recall the function χ defined in problem 1 of assignment 8:

$$\chi(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases}.$$

Let u_0 denote the solution to problem 3. Solve the following problem on the unit cube Q :

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 u, \quad u|_{\partial Q} = u_0|_{\partial Q}, \quad u|_{t=0} = \chi(x)\chi(y)\chi(z).$$

[Optional: compute the coefficients in the series for u for two choices of ℓ , m , and n , one small (say $\ell = m = n = 1$) and another large (say $\ell, m, n > 10$). Compare the ratio of these coefficients for $t = 0$ and $t = 10$.]

Does the function u have a limit as $t \rightarrow +\infty$?

By what we did in class, this reduces to solving the two problems

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 U_1 &= 0, & U_1|_{\partial Q} &= u_0|_{\partial Q}, \\ \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial t} &= \nabla^2 u_2, & u_2|_{\partial Q} &= 0, & u_2|_{t=0} &= \chi(x)\chi(y)\chi(z) - U_1; \end{aligned}$$

now since u_0 satisfies $\nabla^2 u_0 = 0$, the first problem gives clearly $U_1 = u_0$, whence we need only to satisfy the problem

$$\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 u_2, \quad u_2|_{\partial Q} = 0, \quad u_2|_{t=0} = \chi(x)\chi(y)\chi(z) - u_0.$$

From problem 1 of assignment 8, we have the expansion

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(x)\chi(y)\chi(z) &= \sum_{\ell, m, n=1}^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi^3 \ell m n} \left((-1)^{\ell+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} \ell \pi \right) \left((-1)^{m+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} m \pi \right) \left((-1)^{n+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} n \pi \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \sin \ell \pi x \sin m \pi y \sin n \pi z. \end{aligned}$$

Now it is necessary to expand u_0 in the basis $\{\sin \ell \pi x \sin m \pi y \sin n \pi z\}$; the only tricky part of this is the expansion in the z direction. For this we note the following integral:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 e^{az} \sin n \pi z \, dz &= -\frac{\cos n \pi z}{n \pi} e^{az} \Big|_0^1 + \frac{a}{n \pi} \int_0^1 \cos n \pi z e^{az} \, dz \\ &= \frac{1}{n \pi} [1 - (-1)^n e^a] + \frac{a}{n \pi} \left[\frac{\sin n \pi z}{n \pi} e^{az} \Big|_0^1 - \frac{a}{n \pi} \int_0^1 \sin n \pi z e^{az} \, dz \right] \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$\int_0^1 e^{az} \sin n \pi z \, dz = \frac{\frac{1}{n \pi} [1 - (-1)^n e^a]}{1 + \frac{a^2}{n^2 \pi^2}} = \frac{n \pi [1 - (-1)^n e^a]}{n^2 \pi^2 + a^2}.$$

From this we see easily that (since $\cosh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})$ and $\sinh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x})$)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \cosh \pi \sqrt{5} z \sin n \pi z \, dz &= \frac{n \pi [1 - (-1)^n \cosh \pi \sqrt{5}]}{5 \pi^2 + n^2 \pi^2}, \\ \int_0^1 \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} z \sin n \pi z \, dz &= -\frac{n \pi (-1)^n \sinh \pi \sqrt{5}}{5 \pi^2 + n^2 \pi^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 (\cosh \pi \sqrt{5} z - \coth \pi \sqrt{5} \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} z) \sin n \pi z \, dz \\ &= \frac{n \pi}{5 \pi^2 + n^2 \pi^2} \left([1 - (-1)^n \cosh \pi \sqrt{5}] + \coth \pi \sqrt{5} (-1)^n \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} \right) \\ &= \frac{n \pi}{5 \pi^2 + n^2 \pi^2}. \end{aligned}$$

From this we see that

$$u_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \sin \pi x \sin 2 \pi y \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{5 + n^2} \sin n \pi z,$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(x) \chi(y) \chi(z) - u_0 &= \sum_{\substack{\ell, m, n=1 \\ (\ell, m) \neq (1, 2)}}^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi^3 \ell m n} \left((-1)^{\ell+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} \ell \pi \right) \left((-1)^{m+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} m \pi \right) \left((-1)^{n+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} n \pi \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \sin \ell \pi x \sin m \pi y \sin n \pi z \\ &\quad + \sin \pi x \sin 2 \pi y \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{8}{\pi^3 n} \left((-1)^{n+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} n \pi \right) - \frac{2n}{\pi (5 + n^2)} \right] \sin n \pi z \end{aligned}$$

and thus, by our usual method,

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= \sum_{\substack{\ell, m, n=1 \\ (\ell, m) \neq (1, 2)}}^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi^3 \ell m n} \left((-1)^{\ell+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} \ell \pi \right) \left((-1)^{m+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} m \pi \right) \left((-1)^{n+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} n \pi \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \sin \ell \pi x \sin m \pi y \sin n \pi z e^{-\pi^2 (\ell^2 + m^2 + n^2) t} \\ &\quad + \sin \pi x \sin 2 \pi y \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{8}{\pi^3 n} \left((-1)^{n+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} n \pi \right) - \frac{2n}{\pi (5 + n^2)} \right] \sin n \pi z e^{-\pi^2 (5 + n^2) t} \end{aligned}$$

and the solution to our original problem is

$$\begin{aligned}
 u = & \sin \pi x \sin 2\pi y \left(\cosh \pi \sqrt{5} z - \coth \pi \sqrt{5} \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} z \right) \\
 & + \sum_{\substack{\ell, m, n=1 \\ (\ell, m) \neq (1, 2)}}^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi^3 \ell m n} \left((-1)^{\ell+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} \ell \pi \right) \left((-1)^{m+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} m \pi \right) \left((-1)^{n+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} n \pi \right) \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \cdot \sin \ell \pi x \sin m \pi y \sin n \pi z e^{-\pi^2 (\ell^2 + m^2 + n^2) t} \\
 & + \sin \pi x \sin 2\pi y \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{8}{\pi^3 n} \left((-1)^{n+1} + \cos \frac{1}{2} n \pi \right) - \frac{2n}{\pi (5 + n^2)} \right] \sin n \pi z e^{-\pi^2 (5 + n^2) t}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, $u \rightarrow \sin \pi x \sin 2\pi y \left(\cosh \pi \sqrt{5} z - \coth \pi \sqrt{5} \sinh \pi \sqrt{5} z \right)$ as $t \rightarrow +\infty$. We leave the optional part of this exercise to the reader.