

Name Model Solutions

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Quiz #2

You are not allowed to use books or notes. The quiz is graded out of 40 points (+5 bonus points). Please show all your work. No credit is given for unsupported answers.

1. (15 points) Let  $u(x, y)$  solve  $\Delta u = 0$  in  $(x, y) \in (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$  with

$$\begin{cases} u(0, y) = y(1 - y); \\ u(1, y) = -1; \\ u(x, 0) = -x; \\ u(x, 1) = -x^2. \end{cases}$$

Find the maximum and minimum values of  $u$  in  $(x, y) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ . Please justify your answer.

since  $u$  is harmonic, its max and min values are achieved on the boundary. Thus,

$u(0, y) = y(1 - y)$  is maximized @  $y = \frac{1}{2}$  (other boundary values nonpositive)

Therefore  $\max_{(x,y) \in (0,1) \times (0,1)} u = u\left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4}$  and

$$\min_{x \in (0,1) \times (0,1)} u = u(1, y) = -1.$$

2. (30 points) Solve by separation of variables

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = 0, (x, y) \in [0, 1] \times [0, \pi]; \\ u(x, 0) = u(x, \pi) = 0; \\ u(0, y) = 0, u(1, y) = 2 \cos 2y - 2. \end{cases}$$

Hint: when calculating the coefficients in sine series on  $[0, l]$ , you may use the formula  $A_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l \phi(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx$  and the identity  $2 \cos a \sin b = \sin(a+b) - \sin(a-b)$ .

we look for a separated solution  $u(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$

$$\frac{Y''}{Y} = -\frac{X''}{X} = -\lambda, \text{ where } \lambda > 0 \text{ by the boundary condition}$$

$$\begin{cases} Y'' + \lambda Y = 0 \Rightarrow Y = \sin(ny), n=1, 2, \dots; n^2 = \lambda_n \\ X'' - \lambda X = 0 \Rightarrow X = A_n \sinh(nx) \end{cases}$$

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 $X(0) = 0$  (cosh terms vanish)

$$u(1, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sinh(n) \sin(ny) = 2 \cos 2y - 2$$

$$A_n \sinh(n) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi (2 \cos 2y - 2) \sin(ny) dy = \frac{2}{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin((2+n)y) - \sin((2-n)y) - 2 \sin(ny) dy$$

$$\stackrel{n \neq 2}{=} \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\cos((2+n)y)}{2+n} + \frac{\cos((2-n)y)}{2-n} + \frac{2 \cos(ny)}{n} \right]_0^\pi$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{(-1)^{n+1} - 1}{2+n} + \frac{(-1)^{n-1} - 1}{2-n} + \frac{2(-1)^n - 2}{n} \right]$$

$$\stackrel{n \text{ odd}}{=} \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{2}{2+n} - \frac{2}{2-n} + \frac{4}{n} \right] = \frac{-32}{\pi(4-n^2)n} \quad (A_n = 0 \text{ for } n \text{ even})$$

$$(n=2) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{(-1)^{2+1} - 1}{2+2} + \frac{2(-1)^{2-1} - 2}{2} \right] = 0$$

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{\substack{n \text{ odd} \\ \text{positive}}} \frac{-32}{\pi(4-n^2)n} \cdot \frac{\sinh(nx)}{\sin(n)} \sin(ny)$$