

Mat1060, Homework #5, due November 19 at the beginning of class.

- Please do problems 4, 6, 8, 10 and 11 in Section 4.2.
- Find u which is harmonic ($\Delta u = 0$) in the unit disc in \mathbb{R}^2 centred at $(0,0)$ with boundary data

$$u(1, \theta) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < \theta < 2\pi/3 \\ 1 & 2\pi/3 < \theta < 4\pi/3 \\ -1 & 4\pi/3 < \theta < 2\pi \end{cases}$$

Plot $u(r, \theta)$ as a function of θ for some r values of your choice. (If you used Fourier methods to solve the problem then plot the partial sum $u_N(r, \theta)$ for N chosen large.)

- (a) Consider the Laplace problem on the half-space

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u(x, y) = 0 & x \in \mathbb{R}, y > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} k_1 & x \leq 0 \\ k_2 & x > 0 \end{cases} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where k_1 and k_2 are constants. You can solve this problem by first solving

$$\begin{cases} \Delta v(x, y) = 0 & x \in \mathbb{R}, y > 0 \\ v(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ 1 & x > 0 \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

and then constructing u from v . Show how to construct u from v .

- Find a solution v which is bounded. (Note: you can do this using the integral formula. Or you can use symmetry arguments to guess that in polar coordinates u would be a function of angle only. . .)
- Plot $v(x, y)$ as a function of x for some y values of your choice. Describe what you see. As $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ what does $v(x, y)$ do?
- Now consider the Laplace problem on the half-space

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u(x, y) = 0 & x \in \mathbb{R}, y > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq a \\ f & x \in (a, b) \\ 0 & x \geq b \end{cases} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where f is a constant. Find the bounded solution u . Hint: use the solution of (1).

(e) Consider the Laplace problem on the half-space

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u(x, y) = 0 & x \in \mathbb{R}, y > 0 \\ u(x, 0) = g(x) & x \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Fix a mesh-size ϵ . Use it to define a grid on the x -axis by $x_n = n\epsilon$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Take $a = x_n$, $b = x_{n+1}$ and $f = g(x_n)$. What is the corresponding solution of part (2)? Use this to create a bounded solution u_ϵ of (3) with piecewise constant initial data g_ϵ . (Assume g is bounded.) Think about how u_ϵ approximates u (the solution of (3)). (Assume whatever you want about g here.)