

## 9.7 Steady-State Temp. and Laplace's Equation

1-D Heat Eg:  $u_t = k u_{xx}$   $0 < x < L$  

2-D Heat Eg:  $u_t = k(u_{xx} + u_{yy})$   $0 < x < a$   $0 < y < b$  

3-D Heat Eg:  $u_t = k(u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz})$

the right side, regardless of dimensions, is simply  $\nabla^2 u$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + \dots$$

if  $u(x, t)$  (1-D)

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (u) = u_{xx}$$

if  $u(x, y, t)$  (2-D)

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = u_{xx} + u_{yy}$$

where Eg:  $u_{tt} = a^2 u_{xx}$  (1-D)

$u_{tt} = a^2 (u_{xx} + u_{yy})$

$u_{tt} = a^2 \nabla^2 u$

$\nabla^2 u$  gives the comparison of  $u$  at a point compared to avg  $u$  nearby

1-D Heat  $u_t = k \nabla^2 u = k u_{xx}$



$$u_t = k \nabla^2 u$$

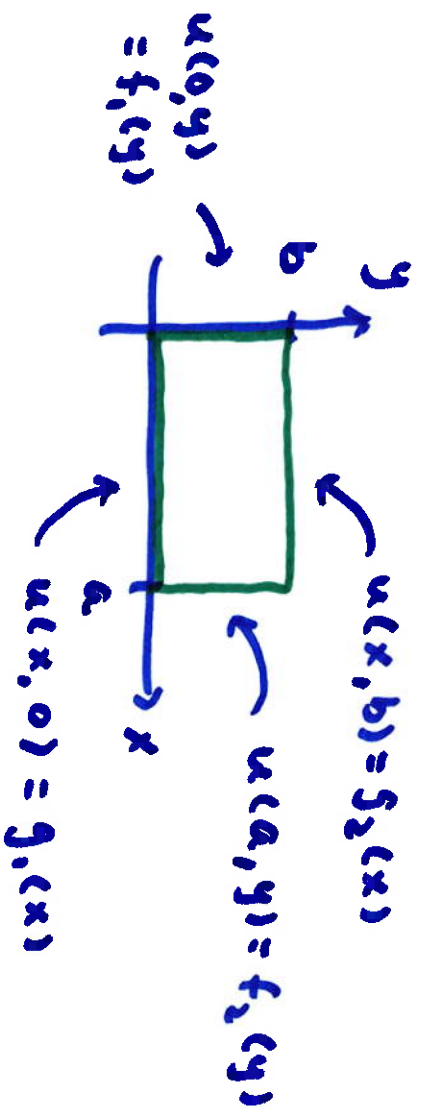
steady-state  $\rightarrow$  time doesn't affect  $u \rightarrow u_t = 0$   
 $0 = k \nabla^2 u \rightarrow \boxed{\nabla^2 u = 0}$  Laplace's Equation

2-D Laplace's Equation

$$\nabla^2 u = 0 \quad u(x, y)$$

$$\hookrightarrow u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0 \quad 0 < x < a, \quad 0 < y < b$$

there are four boundary conditions



if  $u=0$  on an edge,  
that is called homogeneous  
boundary condition

Superposition applies: set 3 edges to be zero, solve.

then switch the non-zero edge, solve  
combine all results

(equivalent to Problem A, B in wcm)

as an example, let's solve the case  $f_1=0, g_1=0, g_2=0, f_2 \neq 0$

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0 \quad 0 < x < a, \quad 0 < y < b$$

$$u(0, y) = 0 \quad \text{left}$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0 \quad \text{bottom}$$

$$u(x, b) = 0 \quad \text{top}$$

$$u(a, y) = f_2(y) \quad \text{right}$$

} homogeneous

if all four are 0  
trivial solution only  
(we don't care)

$$u(x,y) = \sum X(x) Y(y) \quad u_{xx} = \sum X'' Y \quad u_{yy} = \sum Y''$$

$$u(x,0) = 0 \rightarrow \sum X(x) Y(0) = 0 \rightarrow X(x) = 0$$

$$u(x,b) = 0 \rightarrow \sum X(x) Y(b) = 0 \rightarrow Y(b) = 0$$

$$u(0,y) = 0 \rightarrow \sum X(0) Y(y) = 0 \rightarrow X(0) = 0$$

$$u(a,y) = 0 \rightarrow \sum X(a) Y(y) = 0 \rightarrow Y(y) = 0$$

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

$$\sum X'' Y + \sum X Y'' = 0 \rightarrow \sum X'' = -Y'' = C$$

this constant  $C$  can be negative or positive depending on BC's

solve the one

w/ compute BC's first

(here,  $Y$ )

$$Y'' + CY = 0 \quad Y(0) = Y(b) = 0 \quad \text{only sine/cosine can solve this, so } C > 0$$

since  $C > 0$ , let  $\lambda = C$  ( $\lambda > 0$ )

$Y'' + \lambda Y = 0$  identical to space problem in heat eq.

$$\lambda_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{b^2}$$

$$Y_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

← "L" for  $y \in (0, y(b))$

return to  $\nabla'' = C = \lambda = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{b^2}$  (come from solving  $Y$  eq.)

$$\nabla'' - \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{b^2} \nabla = 0 \quad \text{only one BC: } \nabla(0) = 0$$

$$\nabla = C_1 e^{\frac{n\pi}{b} x} + C_2 e^{-\frac{n\pi}{b} x}$$

it is a bit more convenient to write

$$\nabla = k_1 \cosh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right) + k_2 \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right) \quad \nabla(0) = 0$$

$$\nabla(0) = 0 \rightarrow k_1 = 0, \text{ so}$$

$$\nabla_n = \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right)$$

$$u = \nabla Y$$

so for  $n=1,2,3,\dots$   $u_n = \nabla_n Y_n = \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$

$$u(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right)$$

one BC left:  $u(a,y) = f(y)$  (right edge)

$$u(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right) \right] \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \quad \text{sine series w/ constant } C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right) \text{ as coeff.}$$

Sine series coeff:  $\frac{2}{b} \int_0^b f(y) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) dy$

$$C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right) = \frac{2}{b} \int_0^b f(y) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) dy$$

$$C_n = \frac{2}{b \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right)} \int_0^b f(y) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) dy$$