



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

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TYPE I : SQUARE PLATES : Temperature given in horizontal edge :

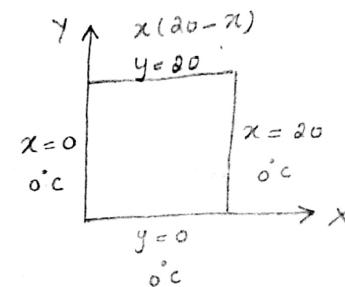
- ① A square plate is bounded by the lines $x = 0$, $y = 0$, $x = 20$ and $y = 20$. Its faces are insulated. The temperature along the upper horizontal edge is given by $u(x, 20) = x(20 - x)$, $0 < x < 20$ while the other two edges are kept at 0°C . Find the steady state temperature distribution in the plate.

Solution:

Step 1:

The two dimensional heat equation is,

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$



Step 2:

The boundary conditions are,

- (i) $u(0, y) = 0$, $0 < y < 20$
- (ii) $u(20, y) = 0$, $0 < y < 20$
- (iii) $u(x, 0) = 0$, $0 < x < 20$
- (iv) $u(x, 20) = x(20 - x)$, $0 < x < 20$

Step 3:

The correct solution is,

$$u(x, y) = (c_1 \cos px + c_2 \sin px)(c_3 e^{py} + c_4 e^{-py}) \quad \rightarrow ①$$

Step 4: Applying condition (i) in ① ,

$$u(0, y) = c_1 (c_3 e^{py} + c_4 e^{-py}) = 0$$

Here $c_3 e^{py} + c_4 e^{-py} \neq 0$ [\because It is defined for all y]

$$\therefore [c_1 = 0]$$

$$① \Rightarrow u(x, y) = c_2 \sin px (c_3 e^{py} + c_4 e^{-py}) \rightarrow ②$$



Step 5 : Applying condition (ii) in ②,

$$u(20, y) = c_2 \sin 20p (c_3 e^{py} + c_4 e^{-py}) = 0$$

Here $c_3 e^{py} + c_4 e^{-py} \neq 0$ [\because It is defined for all y]

$c_2 \neq 0$ [$\because c_1 = 0$ we get a trivial solution]

$$\therefore \sin 20p = 0$$

$$\sin 20p = \sin n\pi$$

$$20p = n\pi$$

$$\boxed{P = \frac{n\pi}{20}}$$

Subs the value of p in ② ,

$$u(x, y) = c_2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \left[c_3 e^{\frac{n\pi y}{20}} + c_4 e^{-\frac{n\pi y}{20}} \right] \rightarrow ③$$

Step 6 :

Applying condition (iii) in ③ ,

$$u(x, 0) = c_2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) (c_3 + c_4) = 0$$

Here $c_2 \neq 0$ [$\because c_1 = 0$ we get a trivial solution]

$\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \neq 0$ [\because It is defined for all x]

$$\therefore c_3 + c_4 = 0$$

$$\boxed{c_4 = -c_3}$$

$$③ \Rightarrow u(x, y) = c_2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \left[c_3 e^{\frac{n\pi y}{20}} - c_3 e^{-\frac{n\pi y}{20}} \right]$$

$$= c_2 c_3 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \left[e^{\frac{n\pi y}{20}} - e^{-\frac{n\pi y}{20}} \right]$$

$$= c_2 c_3 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \left[2 \sin h\left(\frac{n\pi y}{20}\right) \right]$$

$$\therefore u(x, y) = c_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \sin h\left(\frac{n\pi y}{20}\right) \text{ where}$$

$$c_n = 2 c_2 c_3$$



Step 7 : The most general solution is (46)

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{20}\right) \rightarrow ④$$

Step 8 : Applying condition (iv) in ④

$$u(x, 20) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \sinh(n\pi) = x(20-x) \rightarrow ⑤$$

Step 9 : To find c_n :

Expand $f(x) = x(20-x)$ as a half range Fourier Sine series in $(0, 20)$.

$$\therefore f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \rightarrow ⑥$$

$$\text{where } b_n = \frac{2}{20} \int_0^{20} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) dx$$

From ⑤ & ⑥, $b_n = c_n \sinh(n\pi)$

$$\therefore c_n = \frac{1}{\sinh(n\pi)} \cdot \frac{1}{10} \int_0^{20} (20x - x^2) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{10 \sinh(n\pi)} \left\{ (20x - x^2) \left[-\frac{\cos \frac{n\pi x}{20}}{n\pi/20} \right]_0^0 \right. \\ \left. + (20 - 2x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) - 2 \frac{\cos \frac{n\pi x}{20}}{(n\pi/20)^2} \right\}_0^{20}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10 \sinh n\pi} \left(\frac{-2 \times 20^3}{n^3 \pi^3} \right) [\cos n\pi - 1]$$

$$c_n = \frac{800}{\sinh n\pi} \times \frac{1}{n^3 \pi^3} [1 - (-1)^n]$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= 20x - x^2 \\ u' &= 20 - 2x \\ u'' &= -2 \\ v &= \sin n\pi x / 20 \\ v_1 &= -\cos n\pi x / 20 \\ v_2 &= -\frac{\sin n\pi x / 20}{(n\pi/20)^2} \\ v_3 &= \frac{\cos n\pi x / 20}{(n\pi/20)^3} \end{aligned}$$

Step 10 : Subs the value of c_n in ④,

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{800}{n^3 \pi^3} \frac{[1 - (-1)^n]}{\sinh(n\pi)} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{20}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi y}{20}\right)$$