

Q4(a) $\phi_{xx} + 2\phi_{yy} = 0$ with $\phi = X(x)Y(y)$ implies

$$X''Y + 2XY'' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{X''}{X} + 2\frac{Y''}{Y} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{X''}{X}}_{\text{fn of } x} = -\underbrace{2\frac{Y''}{Y}}_{\text{fn of } y} = -\lambda \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow X'' + \lambda X = 0 \text{ and } Y'' - \frac{1}{2}\lambda Y = 0$$

(b) $X'' + \lambda X = 0$ has the general solutions

$$(i) \lambda = -k^2 < 0 \Rightarrow X = Ae^{kx} + Be^{-kx}$$

$$(ii) \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow X = A + Bx$$

$$(iii) \lambda = k^2 > 0 \Rightarrow X = A \cos kx + B \sin kx$$

The boundary conditions imply $X(0) = 0 = X(1)$.
In cases (i) and (ii) these conditions imply $A = B = 0$.
In case (iii)

$$X(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0 \Rightarrow X(x) = B \sin kx$$

$$X(1) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin k = 0 \Rightarrow k = n\pi \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

if $B \neq 0$, which is required for nontrivial solution

Corresponding values of λ : $\lambda = k^2 = n^2 \pi^2$ $n=1,2,3,\dots$

Corresponding equations for Y : $Y'' - \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{2} Y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow Y(y) = C e^{\frac{n\pi}{\sqrt{2}} y} + D e^{-\frac{n\pi}{\sqrt{2}} y}$$

(c) General solution subject to ic's in (b):

$$\phi(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(C_n e^{\frac{n\pi}{\sqrt{2}} y} + D_n e^{-\frac{n\pi}{\sqrt{2}} y} \right) \sin n\pi x$$

$$\phi(x,0) = 0 \text{ for all } x \Rightarrow D_n = -C_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{\sqrt{2}} y\right) \sin n\pi x$$

$$\phi(x,1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \sin n\pi x$$

$$= \sin \pi x + 2 \sin 2\pi x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2C_1 \sinh \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} = 1, \quad 2C_2 \sinh \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{2}} = 2$$

and all other $C_n = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x,y) = \frac{\sinh\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} y\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}\right)} \sin \pi x + 2 \frac{\sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}\pi y}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{\sinh(\sqrt{2}\pi)} \sin 2\pi x$$

