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 Notes, books, and calculators are not authorized. Show all your work in the blank space you are given. Always justify your answer. Answers without adequate justification will not receive credit.

Notation:

$$\langle f, g \rangle \equiv (f, g) := \int_0^L f(x)g(x) dx, \quad \|f\| \equiv \|f\|_{L^2} := \left( \int_0^L |f(x)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \equiv \sqrt{(f, f)}.$$

1. Consider the following problem for the heat equation.

$$\begin{cases} u_t - ku_{xx} = Q(x), \\ u(0, t) = 0, \quad u(L, t) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = u_0(x), \end{cases}$$

where  $k > 0$  is a constant.

(a) (4 points) Show that

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|u(\cdot, t)\|^2 + k \|u_x(\cdot, t)\|^2 = (Q, u).$$

(You don't need to justify commuting a time derivative with a space integral.)

Take inner product of heat equation with  $u$ :

$$(u_t, u) - k(u_{xx}, u) = (Q, u)$$

Now,  $(u_t, u) = \int_0^L u_t u dx = \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} \partial_t (u^2) dx = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^L u^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|u\|^2$

Also, from integration by parts,  $(u_{xx}, u) = \int_0^L u_{xx} u dx = u_x u \Big|_0^L - \int_0^L u_x u_x dx = - \int_0^L (u_x)^2 dx = - \|u_x\|^2$   
 = 0 since  $u_x(0)u(0) = 0$  and  $u_x(L)u(L) = 0$  from boundary conditions

Thus,  $\frac{1}{2} \|u\|^2 + k \|u_x\|^2 = (Q, u)$

(b) (3 points) (Uniqueness) Suppose that  $u$  and  $v$  are both solutions to the above problem with the same initial data  $u_0$ . Show that  $u(x, t) = v(x, t)$  for all times  $t \geq 0$ .

(Hint: Consider which equation the difference  $u - v$  satisfies. Use the fact that  $k > 0$ . There is no need for inequalities here.)

$u$  and  $v$  are solutions to the heat equation. Thus,

$$(u-v)_t - k(u-v)_{xx} = (u_t - ku_{xx}) - (v_t - kv_{xx}) = Q - Q = 0$$

Setting  $w = u - v$ , we see  $w_t - kw_{xx} = 0$ , and  $w(0, t) = u(0, t) - v(0, t) = 0$   
 By the same argument as in 1,

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|w\|^2 + k \|w_x\|^2 = (0, w) = 0, \text{ so } \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|w\|^2 \leq 0. \text{ Integrating in time gives } \|w(t)\|^2 \leq \|w(0)\|^2 = 0, \text{ so } w = u - v = 0$$

Orthogonality:

$$\int_0^L g(y) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = B_n \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = B_n \cdot \frac{L}{2} \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi L}{H}\right). \text{ Thus, } B_n = \frac{2}{L \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi L}{H}\right)} \int_0^L g(y) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

2. (8 points) Solve Laplace's equation,  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ , inside the rectangle  $0 \leq x \leq L$ ,  $0 \leq y \leq H$ , with the following boundary conditions

$$u_x(0, y) = 0, \quad u(L, y) = g(y), \quad u(x, 0) = 0, \quad u(x, H) = 0.$$

Separate variables:

$$u(x, y) = h(x) \phi(y)$$

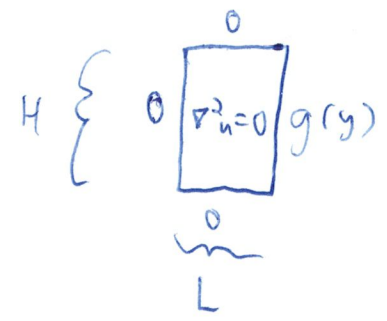
Plug in:

$$h_{xx} \phi + h \phi_{yy} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{h} h_{xx} = -\frac{1}{\phi} \phi_{yy} = \lambda$$

function only of  $x$

function only of  $y$

Therefore, both are equal to a constant, say  $\lambda$ .



Equations with B.C.'s:

$$\textcircled{1} \begin{cases} h_{xx} = \lambda h \\ h(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

No B.C. for  $h(L)$ , since we must match data  $g(y)$  there!!

$$\textcircled{2} \begin{cases} \phi_{yy} = -\lambda \phi \\ \phi(0) = 0 \\ \phi(H) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Can  $\lambda$  be negative? Many way to check. Let's use energy method on  $\textcircled{2}$ :

$$(\phi_{yy}, \phi) = \cancel{\phi_y \phi} \Big|_0^H - \int_0^H \phi_y \phi_y dy = -\|\phi_y\|^2. \text{ Thus, } -\|\phi_y\|^2 = -\lambda \|\phi\|^2, \text{ or } \lambda = \frac{\|\phi_y\|^2}{\|\phi\|^2} > 0.$$

Thus,  $\lambda > 0$ , so solutions are

$$\phi(y) = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} y) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} y).$$

$$\text{Then } \phi(0) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = \phi(0) = c_1.$$

$$\text{And, } \phi(H) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} H) \Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda} H = n\pi$$

$$\text{so } \lambda = \left(\frac{n\pi}{H}\right)^2.$$

Solve for  $h$ : ( $\lambda > 0$ )

$$\text{Solutions are } h(x) = c_3 \cosh(\sqrt{\lambda} x) + c_4 \sinh(\sqrt{\lambda} x). \quad 0 = h(0) \Rightarrow c_3 = 0$$

Produce solutions:

$$\sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{H}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{H}\right). \text{ Thus, } u(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{H}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi x}{H}\right)$$

Now use  $g(y)$ :

$$g(y) = u(L, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{H}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi L}{H}\right)$$