

Question

Confirm the solution of Q6 by showing that it is not possible to calculate the second order derivatives in the Taylor expansion of $u(x, y)$ at the point corresponding to α . Then calculate the second order Taylor expansion of the solution about the point $(x, y) = (1, 0)$.

Answer

$$2u_{xx} - 5u_{xy} + 2u_{yy} + u_x - 3u = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (1) \quad u(\cos \theta, \sin \theta) = \theta \\ (2) \quad u_x(\cos \theta, \sin \theta) = 0 \end{array} \right\} C : (x, y) = (X(\theta), Y(\theta)) = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$$

Seek u (from (1)), u_x (from (2)), u_y , u_{xx} , u_{xy} , u_{yy} etc. on curve C .

Then use Taylor expansion to find $u(x, y)$ off C as in notes.

First:

$$\dot{X}(\theta) = -\sin \theta, \quad \dot{Y}(\theta) = \cos \theta$$

$$\ddot{X}(\theta) = -\cos \theta, \quad \ddot{Y}(\theta) = -\sin \theta$$

Differentiate boundary conditions

$$\frac{d(1)}{d\theta} :=$$

$$u_x|_C \dot{X} + u_y|_C \dot{Y} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{0}_{\text{from (2)}} \times (-\sin \theta) + u_y|_C \cos \theta = 1$$

from (2)

$$\Rightarrow u_y|_C = \sec \theta \quad (3)$$

Thus we now know u , u_x , u_y on C . To find u_{xx} , u_{xy} , u_{yy} on C we need 3 equations, the PDE itself is the first:

$$(4) 2u_{xx}|_C - u_{xy}|_C + 2u_{yy}|_C + u_x|_C - 3u|_C = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2u_{xx}|_C - u_{xy}|_C + 2u_{yy}|_C + 0 - 3\theta = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2u_{xx}|_C - u_{xy}|_C + 2u_{yy}|_C = 3\theta \text{ on } C \quad (5)$$

Second equation comes from:

$$\frac{d(2)}{d\theta} :=$$

$$u_{xx}|_C \dot{X} + u_{xy}|_C \dot{Y} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -u_{xx}|_C \sin \theta + u_{xy}|_C \cos \theta = 0 \quad (6)$$

Third equation comes from

$$\frac{d^2(1)}{d\theta^2} :=$$

$$u_{xx}|_C \dot{X}^2 + u_{xy}|_C \dot{X}\dot{Y} + u_x|_C \ddot{X} \\ + u_y|_C \dot{Y}\dot{X} + u_{yy}|_C \dot{Y}^2 + u_y|_C \ddot{Y} = 0$$

\Rightarrow

$$u_{xx}|_C \sin^2 \theta - 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta u_{xy}|_C + 0 \times (-\cos \theta) \\ + u_{yy}|_C \cos^2 \theta + \sec \theta \times (-\sin \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\sin^2 \theta u_{xx}|_C - 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta u_{xy}|_C + \cos^2 \theta u_{yy}|_C = \tan \theta} \quad (7)$$

Thus we have from (5), (6) and 97)

$$(7) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \sin^2 \theta & -2 \sin \theta \cos \theta & \cos^2 \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 2 & -5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{xx}|_C \\ u_{xy}|_C \\ u_{yy}|_C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tan \theta \\ 0 \\ 3\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Delta = \det()$

To solve this we need $\Delta \neq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \sin^2 \theta \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &\quad + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \begin{vmatrix} -\sin \theta & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + \cos^2 \theta \begin{vmatrix} -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \\ 2 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \cos \theta (5 \sin \theta \cos \theta - 2) \text{ after algebra} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\Delta = 0$ when $\cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{2}$, etc.

or $5 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 2$.

Now remember that from Q6 $\alpha = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{2}$
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$$\Rightarrow \sin \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \cos \alpha = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha = 5 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} = 2(!)$$

Thus it is not possible to find

$$u_{xx}|_C, u_{xy}|_C, u_{yy}|_C$$

when $\theta = \alpha = \tan^{-1} 1/2$ as found in Q6.

OK, now assume that $0 \leq \theta < \alpha$

Then solutions of (8) are given by Cramer's rule (see lecture notes)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_{xx}|_C = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{vmatrix} \tan \theta & -2 \sin \theta \cos \theta & \cos^2 \theta \\ 0 & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 3\theta & -5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ u_{xy}|_C = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{vmatrix} \sin^2 \theta & \tan \theta & \cos^2 \theta \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3\theta & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ u_{yy}|_C = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{vmatrix} \sin^3 \theta & -2 \sin \theta \cos \theta & \tan \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 2 & -5 & 3\theta \end{vmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow u_{xx}|_C = \frac{1}{\Delta} \left\{ \tan \theta \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ -5 & 2 \end{vmatrix} + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3\theta & 2 \end{vmatrix} \right. \\ \quad \left. + \cos^2 \theta \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \cos \theta \\ 3\theta & -5 \end{vmatrix} \right\} \\ u_{xy}|_C = \frac{1}{\Delta} \left\{ \sin^2 \theta \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3\theta & 2 \end{vmatrix} - 2 \tan \theta \begin{vmatrix} -\sin \theta & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \right. \\ \quad \left. + \cos^2 \theta \begin{vmatrix} -\sin \theta & 0 \\ 2 & 3\theta \end{vmatrix} \right\} \\ u_{yy}|_C = \frac{1}{\Delta} \left\{ \sin^2 \theta \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ -5 & 3\theta \end{vmatrix} + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \begin{vmatrix} -\sin \theta & 0 \\ 2 & 3\theta \end{vmatrix} \right. \\ \quad \left. + \tan \theta \begin{vmatrix} -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \\ 2 & -5 \end{vmatrix} \right\} \\ u_{xx}|_C = \frac{1}{\Delta} \{2 \sin \theta - 3\theta \cos^3 \theta\} \\ u_{xy}|_C = \frac{\tan \theta}{\Delta} \{2 \sin \theta - 3\theta \cos^3 \theta\} \\ u_{yy}|_C = \frac{\tan \theta}{\Delta} \{5 \sin \theta - 2 \cos \theta - 3\theta \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta\} \end{array} \right. \quad (9)$$

Hence when $\theta = 0 \iff (x, y) = (1, 0)$

we have $\Delta = \cos 0(5 \times 0 \times 1 - 2) = -2$

So

$$(1) \Rightarrow u(1, 0) = 0$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow u_x(1, 0) = 0$$

$$(3) \Rightarrow u_y(1, 0) = \sec 0 = 1$$

$$(9) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} u_{xx}(1, 0) = -\frac{1}{2}(0 - 0) = 0 \\ u_{xy}(1, 0) = \frac{0}{-2}(0 - 0) = 0 \\ u_{yy}(1, 0) = \frac{0}{-2}(0 - 2 - 0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Thus, to second order

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, y) &= u(1, 0) + (x - 1) \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{(1,0)} \\ &\quad + y \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{(1,0)} + \frac{(x - 1)^2}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right|_{(1,0)} \\ &\quad + (x - 1)y \left. \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \right|_{(1,0)} + y^2 \left. \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right|_{(1,0)} + \dots \\ &= 0 + (x - 1) \times 0 + y \times 1 + 0 + 0 + 0 + \dots \\ &= \underline{y + \text{3rd order terms!}} \end{aligned}$$