

## On a boundary value problem to third order PDE with multiple characteristics

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**Abstract.** In the paper the second boundary value problem in a rectangular domain to equation  $u_{xxx} - u_{yy} = f(x, y)$  with the multiple characteristics is considered. The considered equation is closely related with nonlinear equation  $u_{xxx} + u_{yy} - \frac{\nu}{y}u_y = u_x u_{xx}$ , which describes transonic flow of a gas around a revolution bodies. Using the fundamental solutions of corresponding homogeneous equation the Green function of analyzed problem is composed and thereby this problem is solved.

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### 1 Introduction

First investigations of the third order differential equation

$$u_{xxx} - u_{yy} = f(x, y) \quad (1)$$

which possesses the multiple characteristics, are published in [1–3]. After a while the works [4,5], in which various boundary value problems are studied using potential theory, appear.

Let us observe, that equation (1) is conjugated to differential equation

$$u_{xxx} + u_{yy} = F(x, y)$$

that is related with the linear part of equation

$$u_{xxx} + u_{yy} - \frac{\nu}{y}u_y = u_x u_{xx}$$

describing transonic flow of a gas. Particularly, if  $\nu = 0$ , this equation describes the plane-parallel flow of a gas (see [6, 7]).

In the theory of boundary value problems to equation (1) the fundamental solutions of homogeneous equation

$$u_{xxx} - u_{yy} = 0$$

are significant. Such solutions  $U(x, y; \xi, \eta)$  and  $V(x, y; \xi, \eta)$  are composed in [8]. Here is shown that they can be expressed in the form

$$\begin{aligned} U(x, y; \xi, \eta) &= |y - \eta|^{\frac{1}{3}} f(t), \quad -\infty < t < \infty, \\ V(x, y; \xi, \eta) &= |y - \eta|^{\frac{1}{3}} \varphi(t), \quad t < 0, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where

$$f(t) = \frac{2\sqrt[3]{2}}{\sqrt{3\pi}} t \Psi\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{4}{3}; \tau\right), \quad \varphi(t) = \frac{36\Gamma(\frac{1}{3})}{\sqrt{3\pi}} t \Phi\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{4}{3}; \tau\right), \quad \tau = \frac{4}{27} t^3, \quad t = \frac{x - \xi}{|y - \eta|^{\frac{2}{3}}},$$

and both  $\Psi(a, b; x)$ ,  $\Phi(a, b; x)$  are degenerate hypergeometric functions (see [9]),  $\Gamma$  is Gamma function. Taking in account the properties of these functions the following estimates for fundamental solution  $U(x, y; \xi, \eta)$  are obtained:

$$\left| \frac{\partial^{h+k} U}{\partial x^h \partial y^k} \right| \leq C_{kh} |y - \eta|^{\frac{1-(-1)^k}{2}} |x - \xi|^{-\frac{1}{2}[2h+3k-1+\frac{3}{2}(1-(-1)^k)]}, \quad \text{if } \left| \frac{x - \xi}{|y - \eta|^{\frac{2}{3}}} \right| \rightarrow \infty,$$

where  $C_{kh}$  are constants,  $k, h = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . (There hold analogously estimates for  $V(x, y; \xi, \eta)$  if  $(x - \xi)|y - \eta|^{-\frac{2}{3}} \rightarrow -\infty$ .)

In [10] there are considered some boundary value problems to equation (1) in the rectangular domain  $D = \{(x, y): 0 < x < p, 0 < y < l\}$ ,  $p > 0, l > 0$ . Here the solutions of the considered problems are composed by Fourier method under assumption that boundary value conditions on  $y = 0$  and  $y = l$  are homogeneous.

We shall solve in this paper the second boundary value problem to equation (1) in a rectangular domain using the Green function method.

## 2 Statement of the problem

**Definition 1.** We will say that solution  $u(x, y)$  of equation (1) is regular in domain  $D = \{(x, y): 0 < x < p, 0 < y < l\}$ , if it satisfies (1) in  $D$  and is from the class  $C_{x,y}^{3,2}(D) \cap C_{x,y}^{1,1}(\bar{D})$ .

Let us consider the following boundary value problem.

**Problem  $F_2$ .** To find the regular in domain solution  $u(x, y)$  of equation (1) satisfying the boundary value conditions

$$u_y(x, 0) = \varphi_1(x), \quad u_y(x, l) = \varphi_2(x), \quad (3)$$

$$u(0, y) = \psi_1(y), \quad u(p, y) = \psi_2(y), \quad u_x(p, y) = \psi_3(y), \quad (4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_i(x) &\in C[0, p], \quad i = 1, 2, \quad \psi_j(y) \in C^3[0, l], \quad j = 1, 2, \\ \psi_3(y) &\in C^2[0, l], \quad f(x, y) \in C_{x,y}^{0,2}(\bar{D}),\end{aligned}$$

and the following compatibility conditions are fulfilled:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_1(0) &= \psi'_1(0), \quad \varphi_1(p) = \psi'_2(0), \quad \varphi'_1(p) = \psi_3(0), \quad \varphi_2(0) = \psi'_1(l), \\ \varphi_2(p) &= \psi'_2(l), \quad \varphi'_2(p) = \psi_3(l), \quad f'_y(x, 0) = f'_y(x, l) = 0.\end{aligned}\tag{5}$$

We shall note that, in work [11] analogical problem investigated in endless band.

### 3 Uniqueness of the solution

**Theorem 1.** *There exists no more than one solution of Problem  $F_2$ .*

*Proof.* Propose that Problem  $F_2$  has two solutions  $u_1(x, y)$  and  $u_2(x, y)$ . Then  $u(x, y) = u_1(x, y) - u_2(x, y)$  satisfies the homogeneous equation  $u_{xxx} - u_{yy} = 0$  and corresponding homogeneous boundary value conditions. We shall prove that  $u(x, y) \equiv 0$  in  $D$  in such a case.

Let us consider the identity

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( uu_{xx} - \frac{1}{2}u_x^2 \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (uu_y) + u_y^2 = 0.$$

Integrating it over domain  $D$  and taking in account the homogeneity of boundary value conditions we obtain that

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^l u_x^2(0, y) dy + \iint_D u_y^2(x, y) dx dy = 0.$$

Hence,  $u_y(x, y) = 0$ , i.e.  $u(x, y) = \phi(x)$ , where  $\phi(x)$  is arbitrary function. Since  $u(x, 0) = 0$ , we get  $\phi(x) = 0$  because of continuity of function  $u(x, y)$ . Therefore,  $u(x, y) \equiv 0$  in  $D$ .  $\square$

### 4 The existence of the solution

Let us consider the adjoint differential operators

$$L \equiv \frac{\partial^3}{\partial \xi^3} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2}, \quad L^* \equiv -\frac{\partial^3}{\partial \xi^3} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2}.$$

Let  $\varphi, \psi$  be smooth enough functions. It is easy to check that the identity

$$\varphi L[\psi] - \psi L^*[\varphi] \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (\varphi \psi_{\xi\xi} - \varphi_{\xi} \psi_{\xi} + \varphi_{\xi\xi} \psi) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} (\varphi \psi_{\eta} - \varphi_{\eta} \psi)$$

holds. Integrating it over domain  $D$  we get the equality

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_D [\varphi L[\psi] - \psi L^*[\varphi]] \, d\xi \, d\eta \\ &= \iint_D \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (\varphi \psi_{\xi\xi} - \varphi_{\xi} \psi_{\xi} + \varphi_{\xi\xi} \psi) \, d\xi \, d\eta - \iint_D \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} (\varphi \psi_{\eta} - \varphi_{\eta} \psi) \, d\xi \, d\eta. \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

Let us choose the fundamental solution  $U(x, y; \xi, \eta)$ , which satisfies with respect to  $(\xi, \eta)$  the equation

$$L^*[U] \equiv -U_{\xi\xi\xi} - U_{\eta\eta} = 0 \quad \text{if } (x, y) \neq (\xi, \eta),$$

instead of function  $\varphi$ , and any regular solution  $u(\xi, \eta)$  of equation (1) instead of function  $\psi$ . Since  $U_{\eta}(x, y; \xi, \eta)$  has a singularity at the line  $y = \eta$ , we introduce the domains

$$\begin{aligned} D_1^{\varepsilon} &= \{(\xi, \eta): 0 < \xi < p, 0 < \eta < y - \varepsilon\}, \\ D_2^{\varepsilon} &= \{(\xi, \eta): 0 < \xi < p, y + \varepsilon < \eta < l\} \end{aligned}$$

such that  $D = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} (D_1^{\varepsilon} \cup D_2^{\varepsilon})$ . Then we obtain from equality (6) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_D U(x, y; \xi, \eta) f(\xi, \eta) \, d\xi \, d\eta \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^p \int_0^{y-\varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (U u_{\xi\xi} - U_{\xi} u_{\xi} + U_{\xi\xi} u) \, d\xi \, d\eta \\ &+ \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^p \int_{y+\varepsilon}^l \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (U u_{\xi\xi} - U_{\xi} u_{\xi} + U_{\xi\xi} u) \, d\xi \, d\eta \\ &- \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^p \int_0^{y-\varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} (U u_{\eta} - U_{\eta} u) \, d\xi \, d\eta \\ &- \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^p \int_{y+\varepsilon}^l \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} (U u_{\eta} - U_{\eta} u) \, d\xi \, d\eta \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^{y-\varepsilon} (U u_{\xi\xi} - U_{\xi} u_{\xi} + U_{\xi\xi} u) \Big|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} \, d\eta \\ &+ \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{y+\varepsilon}^l (U u_{\xi\xi} - U_{\xi} u_{\xi} + U_{\xi\xi} u) \Big|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} \, d\eta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \int_0^p (Uu_\eta - U_\eta u)|_{\eta=0}^{\eta=y-\varepsilon} d\xi - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \int_0^p (Uu_\eta - U_\eta u)|_{\eta=y+\varepsilon}^{\eta=l} d\xi \\
 = & \int_0^y (Uu_{\xi\xi} - U_\xi u_\xi + U_{\xi\xi}u)|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} d\eta + \int_y^l (Uu_{\xi\xi} - U_\xi u_\xi + U_{\xi\xi}u)|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} d\eta \\
 & - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \int_0^p [U(x, y; \xi, y - \varepsilon)u_\eta(\xi, y - \varepsilon) - U(x, y; \xi, 0)u_\eta(\xi, 0)] d\xi \\
 & + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \int_0^p [U_\eta(x, y; \xi, y - \varepsilon)u(\xi, y - \varepsilon) - U_\eta(x, y; \xi, 0)u(\xi, 0)] d\xi \\
 & - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \int_0^p [U(x, y; \xi, l)u_\eta(\xi, l) - U(x, y; \xi, y + \varepsilon)u_\eta(\xi, y + \varepsilon)] d\xi \\
 & + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \int_0^p [U_\eta(x, y; \xi, l)u(\xi, l) - U_\eta(x, y; \xi, y + \varepsilon)u(\xi, y + \varepsilon)] d\xi \\
 = & \int_0^l (Uu_{\xi\xi} - U_\xi u_\xi + U_{\xi\xi}u)|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} d\eta \\
 & - \int_0^p [U(x, y; \xi, l)u_\eta(\xi, l) - U(x, y; \xi, 0)u_\eta(\xi, 0)] d\xi \\
 & + \int_0^p [U_\eta(x, y; \xi, l)u(\xi, l) - U_\eta(x, y; \xi, 0)u(\xi, 0)] d\xi \\
 & + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \int_0^p U_\eta(x, y; \xi, y - \varepsilon)u(\xi, y - \varepsilon) d\xi \\
 & - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \int_0^p U_\eta(x, y; \xi, y + \varepsilon)u(\xi, y + \varepsilon) d\xi.
 \end{aligned}$$

So we get the relation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \iint_D U(x, y; \xi, \eta)f(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta \\
 = & \int_0^l [Uu_{\xi\xi} - U_\xi u_\xi + U_{\xi\xi}u]|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} d\eta - \int_0^p U(x, y; \xi, \eta)u_\eta(\xi, \eta)|_{\eta=0}^{\eta=l} d\xi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_0^p U_\eta(x, y; \xi, \eta) u(\xi, \eta) \Big|_{\eta=0}^{\eta=l} d\xi + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^p U_\eta(x, y; \xi, y - \varepsilon) u(\xi, y - \varepsilon) d\xi \\
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^p U_\eta(x, y; \xi, y + \varepsilon) u(\xi, y + \varepsilon) d\xi
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

There holds following

**Lemma.** Let  $\varphi$  be any function from  $C[0, p]$ . Then relation

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow x_0 \\ \eta \rightarrow y}} \int_0^p U_\eta(x, y; \xi, \eta) \varphi(\xi) d\xi = -\varphi(x_0) \operatorname{sgn}(y - \eta)$$

holds with any  $x_0 \in (0, p)$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $y > \eta$ . Due to the continuity of  $\varphi(x)$  at the point  $x_0$ , there exists  $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon)$  such that  $|\varphi(x) - \varphi(x_0)| < \varepsilon$ , if only  $|x - x_0| < \delta$ . Using the relation (see [8])

$$U_\eta = -U^* \operatorname{sgn}(y - \eta),$$

where

$$U^*(x, y; \xi, \eta) = \frac{1}{|y - \eta|^{\frac{2}{3}}} f^*\left(\frac{x - \xi}{|y - \eta|^{\frac{2}{3}}}\right), \quad f^*(t) = \frac{t}{3\gamma} \Psi\left(\frac{7}{6}, \frac{4}{3}; \frac{4}{27} t^3\right), \quad \gamma = \frac{3\sqrt{3\pi}}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

one can rewrite the integral in the left-hand side of (7) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^p U_\eta(x, y; \xi, \eta) \varphi(\xi) d\xi \\
& = - \int_0^p U^*(x, y; \xi, \eta) \varphi(\xi) d\xi = - \int_0^p \frac{1}{|y - \eta|^{\frac{2}{3}}} f^*\left(\frac{x - \xi}{|y - \eta|^{\frac{2}{3}}}\right) \varphi(\xi) d\xi \\
& = \left( - \int_0^{x_1} - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} - \int_{x_2}^p \right) \frac{1}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} f^*\left(\frac{x - \xi}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}}\right) \varphi(\xi) d\xi \\
& = I_1 + I_2 + I_3.
\end{aligned}$$

(Here  $x_1 = x_0 - \delta$ ,  $x_2 = x_0 + \delta$ .)

The main term  $I_2$  of obtained sum can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \varphi(x_0) \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{1}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} f^*\left(\frac{x - \xi}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}}\right) d\xi \\
& - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{1}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} f^*\left(\frac{x - \xi}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}}\right) [\varphi(\xi) - \varphi(x_0)] d\xi \\
& = I_{21} + I_{22}.
\end{aligned}$$

Let us calculate the limit of integral  $I_{21}$ , as  $x \rightarrow x_0, \eta \rightarrow y - 0$ . Introduce to this the variable

$$t = \frac{x - \xi}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}}.$$

Then  $\xi = x - t(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}} d\xi = -(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}} dt$ , obviously, and we obtain that

$$I_{21} = -\varphi(x_0) \int_{\frac{x-x_2}{(y-\eta)^{2/3}}}^{\frac{x-x_1}{(y-\eta)^{2/3}}} f^*(t) dt.$$

If  $|x - x_0| < \delta$ , then upper limit of this integral is positive and lower limit is negative. Besides, the upper limit tends to  $+\infty$  and the lower limit tends to  $-\infty$ , as  $\eta \rightarrow y - 0$ . Therefore, taking in account the equality [8]

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^*(t) dt = 1$$

we get that

$$\lim_{\substack{\eta \rightarrow y-0 \\ x \rightarrow x_0}} I_{21} = -\varphi(x_0).$$

It remains to show that the rest integrals  $I_{21}, I_1, I_3$  tend to zero, as  $x \rightarrow x_0, \eta \rightarrow y - 0$ . Let us consider integral  $I_{22}$ . Since

$$|I_{22}| \leq \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \left| \frac{1}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} f^* \left( \frac{x - \xi}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \right) \right| |\varphi(\xi) - \varphi(x_0)| d\xi$$

and  $|\xi - x_0| < \delta$ , we obtain that

$$|I_{22}| \leq \varepsilon \int_{\frac{x-x_2}{(y-\eta)^{2/3}}}^{\frac{x-x_1}{(y-\eta)^{2/3}}} |f^*(t)| dt.$$

Then the estimate  $|f^*(t)| < C|t|^{-\frac{5}{2}}$  (see [8]) yields the equality

$$\lim_{\substack{\eta \rightarrow y-0 \\ x \rightarrow x_0}} I_{22} = 0.$$

Let  $N$  be a constant such that  $|\varphi(x)| \leq N \forall x \in [0, l]$ . Then

$$|I_1| < \left| \int_0^{x_1} \frac{1}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} f^* \left( \frac{x - \xi}{(y - \eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \right) \varphi(\xi) d\xi \right| < N \int_{\frac{x}{(y-\eta)^{2/3}}}^{\frac{x-x_1}{(y-\eta)^{2/3}}} |f^*(t)| dt \rightarrow 0$$

as  $x \rightarrow x_0$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow y - 0$ , because both upper and lower limits tend to  $+\infty$ , as  $x \rightarrow x_0$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow y - 0$ .

Analogously

$$|I_3| < \left| \int_{x_2}^p \frac{1}{(y-\eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} f^* \left( \frac{x-\xi}{(y-\eta)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \right) \varphi(\xi) d\xi \right| < N \int_{\frac{x-x_2}{(y-\eta)^{2/3}}}^{\frac{x-p}{(y-\eta)^{2/3}}} |f^*(t)| dt \rightarrow 0,$$

as  $x \rightarrow x_0$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow y - 0$ .

Thus, lemma is proved in the case  $y > \eta$ . In the opposite case the proof of the relation

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow x_0 \\ \eta \rightarrow y}} \int_a^b U_\eta(x, y; \xi, \eta) \varphi(\xi) d\xi = \varphi(x_0).$$

is analogously. □

Further, using the Lemma we obtain from (7) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_D U(x, y; \xi, \eta) f(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta \\ &= \int_0^l (U u_{\xi\xi} - U_\xi u_\xi + U_{\xi\xi} u) \Big|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} d\eta - \int_0^p U(x, y; \xi, \eta) u_\eta(\xi, \eta) \Big|_{\eta=0}^{\eta=l} d\xi \\ &+ \int_0^p U_\eta(x, y; \xi, \eta) u(\xi, \eta) \Big|_{\eta=0}^{\eta=l} d\xi - 2u(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} 2u(x, y) &= \int_0^l (U u_{\xi\xi} - U_\xi u_\xi + U_{\xi\xi} u) \Big|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} d\eta - \int_0^p (U u_\eta - U_\eta u) \Big|_{\eta=0}^{\eta=l} d\xi \\ &- \iint_D U(x, y; \xi, \eta) f(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Let  $u(x, y)$  be any regular solution of equation (1) and  $W(x, y; \xi, \eta)$  be any regular solution of the adjoint equation. Then putting  $\varphi = W(x, y; \xi, \eta)$ ,  $\psi = u(\xi, \eta)$  into (6) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_0^l (W u_{\xi\xi} - W_\xi u_\xi + W_{\xi\xi} u) \Big|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} d\eta - \int_0^p (W u_\eta - W_\eta u) \Big|_{\eta=0}^{\eta=l} d\xi \\ &- \iint_D W(x, y; \xi, \eta) f(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Both (8) and (9) yield the important relation

$$2u(x, y) = \int_0^l (Gu_{\xi\xi} - G_{\xi}u_{\xi} + G_{\xi\xi}u)|_{\xi=0}^{\xi=p} d\eta - \int_0^p (Gu_{\eta} - G_{\eta}u)|_{\eta=0}^{\eta=l} d\xi - \iint_D G(x, y; \xi, \eta) f(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta, \quad (10)$$

where

$$G(x, y; \xi, \eta) = U(x, y; \xi, \eta) - W(x, y; \xi, \eta).$$

**Definition 2.** We will say that  $G(x, y; \xi, \eta)$  is the Green function of Problem  $F_2$  in domain  $D$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

$$\begin{cases} L[G] = 0, \\ G_y(x, 0; \xi, \eta) = G_y(x, l; \xi, \eta) = 0, \\ G(0, y; \xi, \eta) = G(p, y; \xi, \eta) = G_x(p, y; \xi, \eta) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

with respect to variables  $(x, y)$ ;

$$\begin{cases} L^*[G] = 0, \\ G_{\eta}(x, y; \xi, 0) = G_{\eta}(x, y; \xi, l) = 0, \\ G(x, y; 0, \eta) = G(x, y; p, \eta) = G_{\xi}(x, y; 0, \eta) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

with respect to variables  $(\xi, \eta)$ .

In order to compose the mentioned above Green function we solve the following subsidiary problem.

**Problem  $F_0$ .** To find a regular in domain  $D$  solution  $u(x, y)$  of equation (1) satisfying conditions

$$u_y(x, 0) = 0, \quad u_y(x, l) = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq p, \quad (13)$$

$$u(0, y) = u(p, y) = u_x(p, y) = 0, \quad 0 \leq y \leq l. \quad (14)$$

We seek for the solution of this problem of the shape

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} X_k(x) \cos \frac{k\pi}{l} y, \quad (15)$$

where  $X_k(x)$  are unknown functions.

Let us express the function  $f(x, y)$  into Fourier series

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f_k(x) \cos \frac{k\pi}{l} y, \quad (16)$$

where

$$f_k(x) = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x, y) \cos \frac{k\pi}{l} y \, dy$$

Substituting both (15) and (16) into (1) we get that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [X_k'''(x) + \lambda_k^3 X_k(x) - f_k(x)] \cos \frac{k\pi}{l} y = 0.$$

Therefore, we obtain the boundary value problem

$$\begin{cases} L[X_k] := X_k'''(x) + \lambda_k^3 X_k(x) = f_k(x), \\ X_k(0) = X_k(p) = X_k'(p) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

with respect to unknown function  $X_k(x)$ ; here  $\lambda_k^3 = (k\pi/l)^2$ .

We shall solve problem (17) by Green function method.

**Definition 3.** We will say that  $G_k(x, \xi)$  is the Green function of problem (17), if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) both  $G_k(x, \xi)$  and  $\frac{\partial G_k(x, \xi)}{\partial x}$  are continuous on the square  $0 \leq x \leq p, 0 \leq \xi \leq p$ ;
- (ii)  $\frac{\partial^2 G_k(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2}$  is discontinuous at the line  $x = \xi$  and

$$\frac{\partial^2 G_k(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{x=\xi+0} - \frac{\partial^2 G_k(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{x=\xi-0} = 1;$$

- (iii)  $G_k(x, \xi)$  satisfies with respect to  $x$  the equation

$$L[G_k] := \frac{\partial^3 G_k}{\partial x^3} + \lambda_k^3 G_k = 0$$

in both intervals  $0 \leq x < \xi$  and  $\xi < x \leq p$  for  $\forall \xi \in (0, p)$ ;

- (iv) It satisfies following boundary value conditions

$$G_k(0, \xi) = G_k(p, \xi) = G_{k,x}(p, \xi) = 0$$

for  $\forall \xi \in [0, p]$ .

It is easy to verify that Green function  $G_k(0, \xi)$  of problem (17) is of the shape:

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_k(x, \xi) &= \frac{1}{\bar{\Delta}} \left\{ 2e^{-\lambda_k(\frac{3}{2}p+x-\xi)} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k p + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad - 2e^{-\frac{\lambda_k}{2}(2x+\xi)} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k \xi + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \\
 &\quad - 2e^{-\lambda_k(\frac{3}{2}p-\xi-\frac{\pi}{2})} \sin\left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k(p-x) + \frac{\pi}{6}\right] \\
 &\quad + 2e^{-\frac{\lambda_k}{2}(\xi-x)} \sin\left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k(\xi-x) + \frac{\pi}{6}\right] \\
 &\quad \left. + 4e^{-\frac{\lambda_k}{2}(3p+\xi-x)} \sin\left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k(p-\xi)\right] \sin\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k x \right\}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \xi, \quad (18)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_k(x, \xi) &= \frac{1}{\bar{\Delta}} \left\{ -2e^{-\frac{\lambda_k}{2}(2x+\xi)} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k \xi + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad - 2e^{-\lambda_k(\frac{3}{2}p-\xi-\frac{\pi}{2})} \sin\left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k(p-x) + \frac{\pi}{6}\right] + e^{-\lambda_k(x-\xi)} \\
 &\quad + 4e^{-\frac{\lambda_k}{2}(3p+\xi-x)} \sin\left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k(p-x) + \frac{\pi}{6}\right] \\
 &\quad \left. \times \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k \xi + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \right\}, \quad \xi \leq x \leq p,
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\bar{\Delta} = 3\lambda_k^2 \left( 1 - 2e^{-\frac{3}{2}\lambda_k p} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda_k p + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \right).$$

Hence, the solution of problem (17) is of the shape

$$X_k(x) = \int_0^p G_k(x, \xi) f_k(\xi) d\xi. \quad (19)$$

Then taking in account (19) we get according to formula (15) the solution  $u(x, y)$  of Problem  $F_0$

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \int_0^p G_k(x, \xi) f_k(\xi) d\xi \right) \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} y. \quad (20)$$

It stands to reason that we are in need of the proof of the uniform convergence in domain  $D = \{(x, y): 0 < x < p, 0 < y < l\}$  of the series in right-hand side of (20) together with its partial derivatives of needful order.

Let us note to this end that

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \int_0^p G_k(x, \xi) f_k(\xi) d\xi \right) \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} y \right| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^p |G_k(x, \xi)| |f_k(\xi)| d\xi. \quad (21)$$

Note that well known estimate

$$|f_k(\xi)| \leq \frac{M_1}{k^2}, \quad M_1 = \text{const} > 0,$$

holds for  $\forall \xi \in [0, p]$  because of the assumed smoothness of function  $f(x, y)$ . Further, it follows from (19) that

$$|G_k(x, \xi)| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{10}{3} \frac{e^{-\frac{3}{2}\lambda_k p}}{\lambda_k^2} + \frac{2}{3} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda_k \delta_1}}{\lambda_k^2}, & 0 \leq x < \xi, \quad 0 < \delta_1 < \xi - x, \\ \frac{8}{3} \frac{e^{-\frac{3}{2}\lambda_k p}}{\lambda_k^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda_k \delta_2}}{\lambda_k^2}, & \xi < x \leq l, \quad 0 < \delta_2 < x - \xi, \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

or

$$|G_k(x, \xi)| \leq \frac{10}{3} \frac{e^{-\frac{3}{2}\lambda_k p}}{\lambda_k^2} + \frac{2}{3} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda_k \delta}}{\lambda_k^2} \leq M_2 k^{-\frac{4}{3}},$$

where  $M_2$  is some constant independent of  $k$ . That jointly with (22) yields the estimate

$$\int_0^p |G_k(x, \xi)| |f_k(\xi)| d\xi \leq p M_1 M_2 k^{-\frac{10}{3}}.$$

Thus, the series in right-hand side of (20) converges uniformly in  $D$  to  $u(x, y)$  because of the last estimate, and equality (20) can be rewritten as follows:

$$u(x, y) = \int_0^p \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k(x, \xi) f_k(\xi) \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} y \right) d\xi. \quad (23)$$

We shall prove that the expression (23) of function  $u(x, y)$  can be thrice differentiable with respect to  $x$ , i.e.

$$\frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} u(x, y) = \int_0^p \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} G_k(x, \xi) f_k(\xi) \cos \frac{\pi k y}{l} \right) d\xi. \quad (24)$$

In this order it is enough to show that series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} G_k(x, \xi) f_k(\xi) \cos \frac{\pi k y}{l} \quad (25)$$

converges uniformly in domain  $D$ . According to equality  $\frac{\partial^3 G_k}{\partial x^3} + \lambda_k^3 G_k = 0$  we obtain similarly as above that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} G_k(x, \xi) f_k(\xi) \cos \frac{\pi k y}{l} \right| &\leq \left| \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} G_k(x, \xi) \right| |f_k(\xi)| = |\lambda_k^3 G_k(x, \xi)| |f_k(\xi)| \\ &\leq \lambda_k^3 M_1 M_2 k^{-\frac{10}{3}} = \left(\frac{\pi}{l}\right)^2 M_1 M_2 k^{-\frac{4}{3}}. \end{aligned}$$

That yields the uniform convergence of series (25), evidently. Therefore, derivative  $\frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} u(x, y)$  is continuous in  $D$  and equality (24) holds.

The validity of the equality

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} u(x, y) = \int_0^p \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\pi k y}{l}\right)^2 G_k(x, \xi) f_k(\xi) \cos \frac{\pi k y}{l} \right) d\xi$$

formally obtained from (23) follows because of estimate

$$\left(\frac{\pi k y}{l}\right)^2 |G_k(x, \xi)| |f_k(\xi)| \leq \left(\frac{\pi}{l}\right)^2 M_1 M_2 k^{-\frac{4}{3}}, \quad (x, \xi) \in D.$$

Hence, function  $u(x, y)$  defined by (23) is the solution of subsidiary Problem  $F_0$ , really. Putting in (23)

$$f_n(\xi) = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(\xi, \eta) \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} \eta d\eta$$

(see (16)) we get that

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, y) &= \int_0^p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k(x, \xi) \cos \frac{\pi k y}{l} f_k(\xi) d\xi \\ &= \int_0^p \int_0^l f(\xi, \eta) \frac{2}{l} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k(x, \xi) \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} \eta \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} y d\xi d\eta \\ &= \int_0^p \int_0^l G(x, \xi, y, \eta) f(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$G(x, \xi, y, \eta) = \frac{2}{l} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k(x, \xi) \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} \eta \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} y. \tag{26}$$

It is easily seen that function  $G(x, \xi, y, \eta)$  satisfies conditions (11) and (12), i.e. it is Green function of boundary value Problem  $F_2$  of equation (1). The convergence in  $D$  of series

(26) and its needful order derivatives follows from the estimates of function  $G_k(x, \xi)$  given above.

According to Definition 2 of Green function  $G(x, \xi, y, \eta)$  we obtain from (10) the solution  $u(x, y)$  of considered Problem  $F_2$  of the shape

$$\begin{aligned}
 2u(x, y) = & \int_0^l G_{\xi\xi}(x, y, p, \eta)\psi_2(\eta) d\eta - \int_0^l G_{\xi\xi}(x, y, 0, \eta)\psi_1(\eta) d\eta \\
 & - \int_0^l G_{\xi}(x, y, p, \eta)\psi_3(\eta) d\eta + \int_0^p G(x, y, \xi, 0)\varphi_1(\xi) d\xi \\
 & - \int_0^p G(x, y, \xi, l)\varphi_2(\xi) d\xi - \iint_D G(x, y, \xi, \eta)f(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta. \quad (27)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, there holds

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\varphi_i(x) \in C[0, p]$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\psi_j(y) \in C^3[0, l]$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ ,  $\psi_3(y) \in C^2[0, l]$  and  $f(x, y) \in C_{x,y}^{0,2}(\bar{D})$ , and let the following compatibility conditions (5) are fulfilled. Then there exists a unique solution  $u(x, y)$  of Problem  $F_2$  which can be represent by formula (27).

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