

**Boundary value problems for Laplace's equation**

In each of the following, you are given a physical region in which heat can flow and a description of how the boundary of that region is controlled. Write down a complete boundary value problem for the steady-state heat energy density distribution (or equivalently, temperature distribution). Use your intuition to sketch level curves (i.e., isotherms) for the steady-state distribution.

1. Heat flows in a rectangular region. Going around the edges in a particular direction:
  - the first edge is held at  $0^\circ$
  - the second edge is perfectly insulated
  - the third edge is perfectly insulated
  - the fourth edge is held at  $100^\circ$
2. Heat flows in a rectangular region. Going around the edges in a particular direction:
  - the first edge is held at  $0^\circ$
  - the second edge is perfectly insulated
  - the third edge is perfectly insulated
  - the fourth edge is open to the external environment which has a constant temperature
3. Heat flows in an equilateral triangular region. One edge is held at  $0^\circ$  while the other two edges are held at  $100^\circ$ .
4. Heat flows in a circular region. The temperature on one half of the boundary is held at  $0^\circ$  while the temperature on the other half is held at  $100^\circ$ .
5. Heat flows in a semi-circular region. The temperature on the diameter is held at  $0^\circ$ . The circular arc is perfectly insulated.