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Abstract

In this paper we study three different overdetermined boundary value problems in \mathbb{R}^2 : a problem of torsion, a problem of electrostatic capacity, and a problem of polarization. In each case we prove that a solution exists if and only if the free boundary is an ellipse. The techniques we use rely on classical complex function theory, maximum principle, and some topological argument.