

**Exercise 45**

Solve the axisymmetric biharmonic equation for the free vibration of an elastic disk

$$b^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right)^2 u + u_{tt} = 0, \quad 0 < r < \infty, \quad t > 0,$$
$$u(r, 0) = f(r), \quad u_t(r, 0) = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < r < \infty,$$

where  $b^2 = \frac{D}{2\sigma h}$  is the ratio of the flexural rigidity of the disk and its mass  $2h\sigma$  per unit area.