

SOLVING INHOMOGENEOUS EQUATIONS FOR HEAT FLOW

Special Case

$$\text{PDE} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + f(x) \quad \begin{array}{l} t > 0 \\ 0 < x < L \end{array}$$

$$\text{B.C.} \quad u_x(0, t) = A \quad u(L, t) = B \quad t > 0$$

$$\text{I.C.} \quad u(x, 0) = f(x) \quad 0 < x < L$$

Remark: what's special is that $q(x, t) = q(x)$ only (i.e. only spatially-dependent), and further, the B.C. are not time dependent.

Remark: The above problem is linear in $u(x, t)$ so we'll use linear superposition.

We know that the solution to $u_t = v u_{xx}$ has exponentially decaying solutions. So in IBVP

$$\text{let } u(x,t) = v(x,t) + U(x)$$

Substituting into IBVP:

$$\text{PDE } \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - v \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} = v \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} + g(x)$$

$$\text{B.C. } v_x(0,t) + U'(0) = A$$

$$v(L,t) + U(L) = B$$

$$\therefore \text{ Take } \int v \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} = -g(x)$$
$$\text{II } \begin{cases} U'(0) = A \\ U(L) = B \end{cases}$$

we're left with

$$\text{II} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} \\ v_x(0, t) = 0 \\ v(L, t) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad v(x, 0) = f(x)$$

Solving II: integrate twice

$$U(x) = A(x-L) + B + \frac{1}{\nu} \int_x^L ds \int_0^s q(r) dr$$

(exercise)

System ~~III~~ (see previous notes for resolution)

then reassemble

$$u(x, t) = v(x, t) + U(x)$$

Remark: $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t)$
 $= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} v(x, t) + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} U(x) = U(x)$

Remark: $U(x)$ is called the asymptotic steady state solution

We call $v(x, t)$ the transient solution.

ANOTHER SPECIAL CASE:

IBVP $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{PDE } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + g(x, t) \\ \quad \quad \quad 0 < x < L \\ \quad \quad \quad t > 0 \\ \text{B.C. } \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) = A(t) \\ \quad \quad \quad u(L, t) = B(t) \\ \text{I.C. } u(x, 0) = f(x) \end{array} \right.$

Run: The general solution to this IBVP
is via GREEN'S FUNCTIONS
covered later on.

Here we are going to try a trick which
sometimes works. Again, use linear
superposition

$$(†) \quad u(x,t) = v(x,t) + K(x,t)$$

(hopefully) each of these yields solvable
problems.

Let's be specific to see how this plays out.

$$L=1 \quad v=5$$

$$q(x,t) = t^2$$

$$A = \sin t$$

$$B = 2$$

$$f(x) = e^x$$

The general idea is to generate a solution $v(x,t)$ that corresponds to a PDE that's non-homogeneous, but with homogeneous B.C.

Using (#)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(v+k) = v \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(v+k) + q(x,t)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(v+k)(0,t) = A(t)$$

$$(v+k)(L,t) = B(t)$$

$$(v+k)(x,0) = f(x)$$

We choose $K(x,t)$ so that the "v problem" has homogeneous B.C.

$$K(x,t) = xA(t) - LA(t) + B(t)$$

(a very good guess!)

Note that

$$\frac{\partial K}{\partial x}(0,t) = A(t)$$

$$K(L,t) = B(t)$$

With this $K(x,t)$, the IVBP becomes:

$$\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} - v \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} \right) = q - [x \Delta'(t) - L \Delta'(t) + B'(t)]$$

③ $\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(0, t) &= 0 \\ v(L, t) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{homogeneous!}$

$v(x, 0) = f(x) - [x A(0) - L A(0) + B(0)] \equiv F(x)$

We'll call this the "v problem".

Remark: this form of K leads to a "v problem" that has homogeneous B.C.

To proceed,

We will use the associated SL problem:

$$\begin{cases} \varphi'' + \lambda^2 \varphi = 0 \\ \varphi'(0) = 0 \quad \varphi(L) = 0 \end{cases}$$

the B.C. were chosen to be consistent with those of the "v problem". Hence,

$$\varphi_n(x) = \cos \left[\frac{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi x}{L} \right] \quad n=0,1,\dots$$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi}{L} \quad n=0,1,\dots$$

$$\int_0^L \varphi_n^2 dx = \frac{L}{2}$$

Use this e'function family to write

$$v(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \psi_n(t) \varphi_n(x) \quad (1)$$

Also expand

$$Q(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(t) \phi_n(x) \quad (2)$$

Using orthogonality to find

$$a_n(t) = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L Q(x,t) \phi_n(x) dx$$

So $a_n(t)$ are thus known.

Substitute (2) & (1) into (3) "v problem"

The PDE gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [\psi_n' \phi_n - \nu \psi_n \phi_n \underline{xx}] \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(t) \phi_n(x). \end{aligned}$$

We want to find equation satisfied by $\psi_n(t)$:

know that $\phi_{nxx} = -\lambda_n^2 \phi_n(x)$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [\psi_n'(t) + v \lambda_n^2 \psi_n(t)] \phi_n(x)$$

$$- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(t) \phi_n(x) = 0$$

Multiply B.S. by $\phi_m(x)$ and integrate from 0 to L (wrt weight = 1). We get:

$$\therefore \psi_n'(t) + v \lambda_n^2 \psi_n = a_n$$

(*) $n=0,1,\dots$

The equation for the unknown $\psi_n(t)$.

(*) is a linear first order ODE

We can solve it:

$$\psi_n = C_n e^{-\nu \lambda_n^2 t} + \int_0^t Q_n(s) e^{-\nu \lambda_n^2 (t-s)} ds$$

C_n are constants, set by I.C. of (3)

Apply I.C. of (3)

$$F(x) = v(x, 0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \psi_n(0) \phi_n(x)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n \phi_n(x)$$

$$\therefore C_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L F(x) \phi_n(x) dx$$



Let's go back to the explicit case:

$$Q = t^2 \quad \Delta = \sin t, \quad B = 2, \quad f(x) = e^x$$

$L = 1 \quad \nu = 5$

$$\therefore u(x,t) = v(x,t) + \underbrace{x \sin t - \sin t + 2}_{K(x,t)}$$

The (3) problem:

$$\text{PDE} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \zeta \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + Q(x,t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x,t) &= t^2 - [x \cos t - \cos t] \\ &= t^2 - (x+1) \cos t \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{B.C.} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(0,t) = 0 \quad v(1,0) = 0$$

$$\text{I.C.} \quad v(x,0) = e^x - 2$$

$$Q(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(t) \phi_n(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n(t) &= 2 \int_0^1 Q(x,t) \phi_n(x) dx \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 (t^2 - (x+1)) \phi_n(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n(t) = t^2 - 2 \cos t \int_0^1 (x+1) \phi_n(x) dx$$

$$a_n(t) = t^2 - \frac{8 \cos t}{\pi^2 (4n^2 + 4n + 1)} [2\pi n (-1)^n (1 + \sqrt{2}) - 1]$$

$$n = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$\frac{d\psi_n}{dt} + 5\lambda_n^2 \psi_n = a_n(t)$$

$$\psi_n(t) = c_n e^{-5\lambda_n^2 t} + \int_0^t a_n(s) e^{-5\lambda_n^2 (t-s)} ds$$

$$c_n = 2 \int_0^1 (e^x - 2) \psi_n(x) dx$$

$$c_n = \frac{2\pi(1-e)(-1)^n}{[1+\pi^2(n+\frac{1}{2})^2]} - \frac{4}{\pi(n+\frac{1}{2})[1+\pi^2(n+\frac{1}{2})^2]}$$

$$n=0,1,\dots$$

(needs to be checked...)

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