

Note In the steady state, the temperature at any particular point does not vary with time. That is temp. u depends only on x and not on time t .
Hence the PDE in the steady state becomes

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = 0, \text{ solving.}$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = a \text{ (one time integrating w. r. to } x)$$

$$\text{Again integrate w. r. to } x.$$

$$u = ax + b.$$

\therefore In the steady state, temperature is $u(x) = ax + b$.

Problem An insulated rod of length 'l' has its ends A & B maintained at 0°C & 100°C respectively until steady state conditions prevail. If B is suddenly reduced to 0°C & A is maintained at 0°C , find the temperature at a distance x from A at time t .

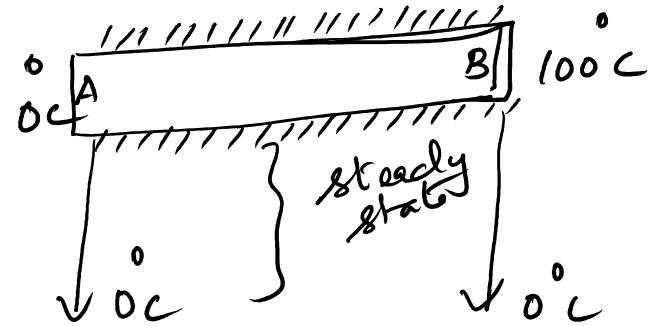
Soln The eqn of 1-D heat flow is

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

In the steady state, 1-D heat eqn is

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = 0$$

The solution of this eqn is $u = ax + b$.



u is 0 at $x=0$. ($u = ax + b$)

$$\therefore b = 0.$$

u is 100 at $x=l$.

$$\therefore 100 = al + b, \text{ since } b=0,$$

$$100 = al \Rightarrow a = \frac{100}{l}.$$

$\therefore \boxed{u = \frac{100x}{l}}$ \rightarrow This is the initial temp $u(x,0)$ of the transient state (no more steady state)

\therefore The boundary conditions are

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{(i) } u(0,t) = 0 \\ \text{(ii) } u(l,t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} t \geq 0$$

$$\text{(iii) } u(x,0) = \frac{100x}{l}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq l.$$

The suitable soln of 1-D heat flow eqn is

$$u(x,t) = (A \cos px + B \sin px) e^{-a^2 p^2 t} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Sub b.c (i) in (1) i.e. put $x=0$ in (1)

$$0 = A \cdot e^{-a^2 p^2 t} \quad (\because \sin 0 = 0, \cos 0 = 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A=0} \quad \text{Sub in (1).}$$

$$u(x,t) = B \sin px \cdot e^{-a^2 p^2 t} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Sub b.c (ii) in (1) i.e. put $x=l$ in (2)

$$0 = B \sin pl \cdot e^{-a^2 p^2 t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin pl = 0 = \sin n\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow pl = n\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{n\pi}{l}$$

Sub in (2).

$$u(x, t) = B \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} e^{-\frac{a^2 n^2 \pi^2}{l^2} t}, \text{ Generalising, (The most general soln is)}$$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2 t a^2}{l^2}} \text{ --- (3)}$$

Sub b.c (iii) in (3),

$$\frac{100x}{l} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}, (\because e^0 = 1), \text{ Half range Fourier Sine Series,}$$

$$\text{Where } B_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \cdot \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx.$$

$$B_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l \frac{100x}{l} \cdot \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx.$$

$$= \frac{200}{l^2} \int_0^l x \cdot \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx.$$

Applying Bernoulli's Integral formula, $\int u v dx = uv_1 - u'v_2 + u''v_3 - \dots$

$$\begin{array}{lcl} u = x & \xrightarrow{(+)} & V = \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \\ u' = 1 & & V_1 = -\frac{l}{n\pi} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} \\ u'' = 0 & \xrightarrow{(-)} & V_2 = -\frac{l^2}{n^2\pi^2} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore B_n &= \frac{200}{l^2} \left[-\frac{x l}{n\pi} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} + \frac{l^2}{n^2} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \right]_0^l \\ &= \frac{200}{l^2} \left[\left(-\frac{l^2}{n\pi} \cdot (-1)^n + 0 \right) - (0 + 0) \right] = \frac{200}{n\pi} (-1)^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

$B_n = \frac{200}{n\pi} (-1)^{n+1}$ Sub in (3) The reqd soln is

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{200}{n\pi} (-1)^{n+1} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \cdot e^{-\frac{a^2 n^2 \pi^2 t}{l^2}} //$$