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**Unit III – Applications of Partial Differential Equations**

**1.** Write the possible solutions of one dimensional wave equation

$$(a) \ y(x, t) = (c_1 e^{px} + c_2 e^{-px})(c_3 e^{pat} + c_4 e^{-pat})$$

$$y(x, t) = (c_5 \cos px + c_6 \sin px)(c_7 \cos pat + c_8 \sin pat)$$

$$y(x, t) = (c_9 x + c_{10})(c_{11} t + c_{12})$$

$$(b) \ y(x, t) = (c_1 e^{px} + c_2 e^{-px})(c_3 e^{pat} + c_4 e^{-pat})$$

$$y(x, t) = (c_5 \cos px - c_6 \sin px)(c_7 \cos pat + c_8 \sin pat)$$

$$y(x, t) = (c_9 x + c_{10})(c_{11} t + c_{12} t^2)$$

$$(c) \ y(x, t) = (c_1 e^{px} + c_2 e^{-px})(c_3 e^{at} + c_4 e^{-at})$$

$$y(x, t) = (c_5 \cos px + c_6 \sin px)(c_7 \cos pat + c_8 \sin pat)$$

$$(d) \ y(x, t) = (c_1 e^{px} + c_2 e^{-px})(c_3 e^{pat} + c_4 e^{-pat})$$

$$y(x, t) = (c_9 x + c_{10} x^2)(c_{11} t + c_{12})$$

**Solution:**

**The possible solution of one dimensional wave equation  $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$  are**

- $y(x, t) = (c_1 e^{px} + c_2 e^{-px})(c_3 e^{pat} + c_4 e^{-pat})$
- $y(x, t) = (c_5 \cos px + c_6 \sin px)(c_7 \cos pat + c_8 \sin pat)$
- $y(x, t) = (c_9 x + c_{10})(c_{11} t + c_{12})$

**2.** Write the all the possible solutions of one dimensional heat flow equation

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad u(x, t) &= c_1(c_2x^2 + c_3) , \\ u(x, t) &= c_3e^{\alpha^2 p^2 t}(c_4e^{px} + c_5e^{-px}) , \\ u(x, t) &= c_6e^{-\alpha^2 p^2 t}(c_7\cos px + c_8\sin px) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad u(x, t) &= c_1(c_2x + c_3) , \\ u(x, t) &= c_3e^{\alpha^2 p^2 t}(c_4e^{px} + c_5e^{-px}) , \\ u(x, t) &= c_6e^{-\alpha^2 p^2 t}(c_7\cos px + c_8\sin px) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad u(x, t) &= c_1(c_2x + c_3) , \\ u(x, t) &= c_3e^{-\alpha^2 p^2 t}(c_4e^{px} + c_5e^{-px}) , \\ u(x, t) &= c_6e^{\alpha^2 p^2 t}(c_7\cos px + c_8\sin px) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d)} \quad u(x, t) &= c_1(c_2x + c_3) , \\ u(x, t) &= c_3e^{p^2 t}(c_4e^{px} + c_5e^{-px}) , \\ u(x, t) &= c_6e^{-p^2 t}(c_7\cos px + c_8\sin px) \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:**

The possible solutions of one dimensional heat flow equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \alpha^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$  are

- $u(x, t) = c_1(c_2x + c_3)$
- $u(x, t) = c_3e^{\alpha^2 p^2 t}(c_4e^{px} + c_5e^{-px})$
- $u(x, t) = c_6e^{-\alpha^2 p^2 t}(c_7\cos px + c_8\sin px)$

**3.** Write all boundary conditions for one dimensional wave equation with zero initial velocity

(a)  $y(0, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$

$y(l, t) = l$ , for all  $t > 0$

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

$y(x, 0) = f(x)$

(b)  $y(0, t) = l$ , for all  $t > 0$

$y(l, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$

$y(x, 0) = 0$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = f(x)$$

(c)  $y(0, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$

$y(l, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$

$y(x, 0) = 0$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = f(x)$$

**(d)  $y(0, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$**

**$y(l, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$**

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

**$y(x, 0) = f(x)$**

**Solution**

**One dimensional wave equation is  $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$ , boundary conditions are**

- $y(0, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$
- $y(l, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$
- $\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = 0$  (Initial Velocity = 0)
- $y(x, 0) = f(x)$

**4.** Write all boundary conditions for one dimensional heat flow equation

(a)  $u(0, t) = l$  for all  $t > 0$

$$u(l, t) = 0 \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, l)$$

(b)  $u(0, t) = 0$  for all  $t > 0$

$$u(l, t) = 0 \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0 \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, l)$$

**(c)  $u(0, t) = 0$  for all  $t > 0$**

$$\mathbf{u(l, t) = 0 \text{ for all } t > 0}$$

$$\mathbf{u(x, 0) = f(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, l)}$$

(d)  $u(0, t) = 0$  for all  $t > 0$

$$u(l, t) = l \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, l)$$

**Solution:**

One dimensional heat flow equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \alpha^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$  are

- $u(0, t) = 0$  for all  $t > 0$
- $u(l, t) = 0$  for all  $t > 0$
- $u(x, 0) = f(x)$  for all  $x$  in  $(0, l)$

**5.** A string is stretched between two fixed points at a distance  $2l$  apart and the points of the string are given velocity  $f(x)$ ,  $x$  being the distance from end point. Formulate the problem to find the displacement of the string at any time

$$(a) \ y(0, t) = 0, \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$y(2l, t) = 0, \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$y(x, 0) = 0 \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, 2l)$$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = f(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, 2l)$$

$$(a) \ y(0, t) = 0, \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$y(2l, t) = 0, \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = 0 \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, 2l)$$

$$y(x, 0) = f(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, 2l)$$

$$(a) \ y(0, t) = 2l, \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$y(2l, t) = 0, \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$y(x, 0) = 0 \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, 2l)$$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = f(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, 2l)$$

$$(a) \ y(0, t) = 0, \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$y(2l, t) = 2l, \text{ for all } t > 0$$

$$y(x, 0) = 0 \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, 2l)$$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = f(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ in } (0, 2l)$$

**Solution:**

**One dimensional wave equation is  $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$ , boundary conditions are**

- $y(0, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$
- $y(2l, t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$
- $y(x, 0) = 0$  for all  $x$  in  $(0, 2l)$
- $\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = f(x)$  for all  $x$  in  $(0, 2l)$

**6.** A string of length  $2l$  is stretched to a constant tension  $T$ , is fastened at both the ends and hence fixed. The mid points of the string is taken to a height ' $b$ ' and then released from rest in that position. Find the equation of the string in its initial position

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) } y(x, 0) &= \begin{cases} \frac{bx}{l} & \text{when } 0 < x < l \\ \frac{b}{l}(2l + x) & \text{when } l < x < 2l \end{cases} \\
 \text{(b) } y(x, 0) &= \begin{cases} \frac{bx}{l} & \text{when } 0 < x < l \\ \frac{b}{l}(2l - x) & \text{when } l < x < 2l \end{cases} \\
 \text{(c) } y(x, 0) &= \begin{cases} -\frac{bx}{l} & \text{when } 0 < x < l \\ \frac{b}{l}(2l - x) & \text{when } l < x < 2l \end{cases} \\
 \text{(d) } y(x, 0) &= \begin{cases} -\frac{bx}{l} & \text{when } 0 < x < l \\ \frac{b}{l}(2l + x) & \text{when } l < x < 2l \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:**

The initial displacement of the string is in the form

$$y(x, 0) = \begin{cases} \frac{bx}{l} & \text{when } 0 < x < l \\ \frac{b}{l}(2l - x) & \text{when } l < x < 2l \end{cases}$$

7. Classify the equation  $U_{xx} - y^4 U_{yy} = 2y^3 U_y$

- (a) Elliptic    **(b) Hyperbolic**    (c) Parabolic    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = 1$ ,  $B = 0$ ,  $C = -y^4$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0 - 4(1)(-y^4) = 4y^4 > 0$$

The equation is hyperbolic

8. Classify the equation  $x^2 f_{xx} + (1 - y^2) f_{yy} = 0$  when  $x = 0$

- (a) Elliptic    (b) Hyperbolic    **(c) Parabolic**    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = x^2$ ,  $B = 0$ ,  $C = 1 - y^2$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0 - 4(x^2)(1 - y^2) = 0 \quad (\text{since } x = 0)$$

The equation is parabolic

9. Classify the equation  $4U_{xx} + 4U_{xy} + U_{yy} + 2U_x - U_y = 0$

- (a) Elliptic    (b) Hyperbolic    **(c) Parabolic**    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = 4$ ,  $B = 4$ ,  $C = 1$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 16 - 4(4)(1) = 0$$

The equation is parabolic

10. Classify  $U_{xx} + U_{yy} = 0$

- (a) Elliptic**    (b) Hyperbolic    (c) Parabolic    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = 1$ ,  $B = 0$ ,  $C = 1$

$$B^2 - 4AC = -4 < 0$$

The equation is elliptic

**11.** Classify  $U_{xx} + 5U_{xy} + 4U_{yy} + U_x + U_y = 0$

- (a) Elliptic    **(b) Hyperbolic**    (c) Parabolic    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = 1, B = 5, C = 4$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 25 - 16 > 0$$

The equation is hyperbolic

**12.** Classify  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$

- (a) Elliptic    **(b) Hyperbolic**    (c) Parabolic    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = 1, B = 0, C = -c^2$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0 - 4(1)(-c^2) = 4c^2 > 0$$

The equation is hyperbolic

**13.** Classify  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$

- (a) Elliptic    (b) Hyperbolic    **(c) Parabolic**    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = c^2, B = 0, C = 0$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0 - 4(0)(c^2) = 0$$

The equation is parabolic

**14.** Write the conditions for classification of PDE to be hyperbolic, parabolic and elliptic

**(a)  $B^2 - 4AC < 0$  [Elliptic Equation]**

**$B^2 - 4AC = 0$  [Parabolic Equation]**

**$B^2 - 4AC > 0$  [Hyperbolic Equation]**

(a)  $B^2 - 4AC > 0$  [Elliptic Equation]

$B^2 - 4AC < 0$  [Parabolic Equation]

$B^2 - 4AC = 0$  [Hyperbolic Equation]

(a)  $B^2 - 4AC = 0$  [Elliptic Equation]

$B^2 - 4AC > 0$  [Parabolic Equation]



$$B^2 - 4AC < 0 \text{ [Hyperbolic Equation]}$$

$$(a) B^2 - 4AC = 0 \text{ [Elliptic Equation]}$$

$$B^2 - 4AC > 0 \text{ [Parabolic Equation]}$$

$$B^2 - 4AC < 0 \text{ [Hyperbolic Equation]}$$

**Solution:**

Let a second order PDE in the function  $u$  of the two independent variables  $x, y$  be of the form

$$A(x, y) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + B(x, y) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + C(x, y) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + f\left(x, y, u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right) = 0 \quad \longrightarrow (1)$$

Equation (1) is classified as elliptic, parabolic or hyperbolic at the points of a given region  $R$  depending on whether

$$B^2 - 4AC < 0 \text{ [Elliptic Equation]}$$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0 \text{ [Parabolic Equation]}$$

$$B^2 - 4AC > 0 \text{ [Hyperbolic Equation]}$$

**15.** Classify  $x^2 U_{xx} + 2xy U_{xy} + (1 + y^2) U_{yy} = 0$

(a) Elliptic    (b) Hyperbolic    (c) Parabolic    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = x^2, B = 2xy, C = (1 + y^2)$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 2xy - 4(x^2)(1 + y^2) = -4x^2 < 0$$

The equation is elliptic

**16.** Classify  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right) + xy$

(a) Elliptic    (b) Hyperbolic    (c) Parabolic    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = 0, B = 1, C = 0$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 1 - 4(0)(0) = 1 > 0$$

The equation is hyperbolic

**17.** A rod of length  $l$  cm whose one side is kept at  $20^\circ\text{C}$  and the other end is kept at  $50^\circ\text{C}$  is maintained until steady state prevails. Find the steady state temperature.

(a)  $u(x) = \frac{20}{l}x - 20$

(b)  $u(x) = \frac{20}{l}x + 30$

**(c)  $u(x) = \frac{30}{l}x + 20$**

(d)  $u(x) = \frac{30}{l}x - 20$

**Solution:**

$$u(x) = ax + b$$

When  $x = 0, u(0) = b \Rightarrow b = 20^\circ\text{C}$

When  $x = l, u(l) = al + 20 \Rightarrow 50^\circ\text{C} = al + 20$

$$al = 30 \Rightarrow a = \frac{30}{l}$$

$$\text{so, } u(x) = \frac{30}{l}x + 20$$

**18.** A rod of length  $l$  cm whose one side is kept at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  and the other end is kept at  $100^\circ\text{C}$  is maintained until steady state prevails. Find the steady state temperature.

(a)  $u(x) = \frac{100}{l}x$

(b)  $u(x) = \frac{10}{l}x$

(c)  $u(x) = \frac{-100}{l}x$

(d)  $u(x) = \frac{100}{l}x^2$

**Solution:**

$$u(x) = ax + b$$

When  $x = 0, u(0) = b \Rightarrow b = 0$

When  $x = l, u(l) = al + 0 \Rightarrow 100 = al$

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

$$\text{so, } u(x) = \frac{100}{l}x$$

**19.** A rod of length  $l$  cm whose one side is kept at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  and the other end is kept at  $120^\circ\text{C}$  is maintained until steady state prevails. Find the steady state temperature.

(a)  $u(x) = -\frac{120}{l}x$

**(b)  $u(x) = \frac{120}{l}x$**

(c)  $u(x) = \frac{120}{l}x^2$

(d)  $u(x) = \frac{120}{l}$

**Solution:**

$$u(x) = ax + b$$

When  $x = 0, u(0) = b \Rightarrow b = 0$

When  $x = l, u(l) = al + 0 \Rightarrow 120 = al$

$$al = 120 \Rightarrow a = \frac{120}{l}$$

$$\text{so, } u(x) = \frac{120}{l}x$$

**20.** A rod of length 20 cm whose one side is kept at  $30^\circ\text{C}$  and the other end is kept at  $70^\circ\text{C}$  is maintained until steady state prevails. Find the steady state temperature.

(a)  $u(x) = 3x - 20$

(b)  $u(x) = 2x - 30$

**(c)  $u(x) = 2x + 30$**

(d)  $u(x) = 3x + 30$

**Solution:**

$$u(x) = ax + b$$

$$\text{When } x = 0, u(0) = b \Rightarrow b = 30$$

$$\text{When } x = 20, u(20) = 70 = 20a + 30$$

$$\Rightarrow 40 = 20a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2$$

$$\text{so, } u(x) = 2x + 30$$

**21.** A Uniform string of length 'l' is struck in such a way that an initial velocity of  $V_0$  is imparted to the portion of the string between  $\frac{l}{4}$  and  $\frac{3l}{4}$  while the string is in its equilibrium position. Write the wave equation and its boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad & \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}, \\ & y(0, t) = 0, t > 0 \\ & y(l, t) = 0, t > 0 \\ & y(x, 0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < x < \frac{l}{4} \\ v_0 & \frac{l}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3l}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{3l}{4} < x \leq l \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad & \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}, \\ & y(0, t) = 0, t > 0 \\ & y(l, t) = 0, t > 0 \\ & y(x, 0) = x \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = \begin{cases} v_0 & 0 < x < \frac{l}{4} \\ 1 & \frac{l}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3l}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{3l}{4} < x \leq l \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(c)} \quad & \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}, \\
 & y(0, t) = 0, t > 0 \\
 & y(l, t) = 0, t > 0 \\
 & \frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = 0 \\
 & y(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < x < \frac{l}{4} \\ v_0 & \frac{l}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3l}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{3l}{4} < x \leq l \end{cases} \\
 \text{(d)} \quad & \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}, \\
 & y(0, t) = 0, t > 0 \\
 & y(l, t) = 0, t > 0 \\
 & \frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = 0 \\
 & y(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < x < \frac{l}{4} \\ -v_0 & \frac{l}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3l}{4} \\ 1 & \frac{3l}{4} < x \leq l \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:**

The wave equation is  $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$

The boundary conditions are

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(0, t) &= 0, t > 0 \\
 y(l, t) &= 0, t > 0 \\
 y(x, 0) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial y(x, 0)}{\partial t} = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < x < \frac{l}{4} \\ v_0 & \frac{l}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3l}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{3l}{4} < x \leq l \end{cases}$$

**22.** Write the one dimensional wave equation and also general solution for the displacement  $y(x, t)$  of the string  $l$  vibrating between fixed end points with initial zero and initial displacement  $f(x)$ .

$$(a) \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}, \sum B_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi at}{l}\right)$$

$$(a) \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}, \sum B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi at}{l}\right)$$

$$(a) \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}, \sum \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi at}{l}\right)$$

$$(a) \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}, \sum B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi at}{l}\right)$$

**Solution:**

The one dimensional wave equation is given by  $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$

The general solution for the displacement  $y(x, t)$  is given by

$$\sum B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi at}{l}\right)$$

**23.** Classify  $x^2 f_{xx} + (1 - y^2) f_{yy} = 0$  for  $-1 < y < 1, -\infty < x < \infty$

and  $x \neq 0$

(a) Elliptic    (b) Hyperbolic    (c) Parabolic    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

Here  $A = x^2, B = 0, C = 1 - y^2$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0 - 4(x^2)(1 - y^2) = 4x^2(y^2 - 1) < 0$$

(Since  $x^2$  is always positive in  $-\infty < x < \infty$  &

in  $-1 < y < 1, y^2 - 1$  is negative)

The equation is elliptic

**24.** Classify the one dimensional wave equation

- (a) Elliptic    **(b) Hyperbolic**    (c) Parabolic    (d) Concentric

**Solution:**

The one dimensional wave equation is given by  $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$

Here  $A = a^2$ ,  $B = -1$ ,  $C = 0$

$$B^2 - 4AC = (-1)^2 - 4(a^2)(0) = 1 > 0$$

The equation is hyperbolic.

**25.** Write the one dimensional heat flow equation and also general solution for  $u(x, t)$  where  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$ .

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

(b)  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l}$

(c)  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}$

(d)  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l}$

**Solution:**

One dimensional heat flow equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$

Solution is  $u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}$

where  $B_n = b_n = \frac{2}{l} \int f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx$