



# IS5301: Numerical Methods

## Topic 6

# Partial Differential Equations (PDEs)

## Lectures 37-40

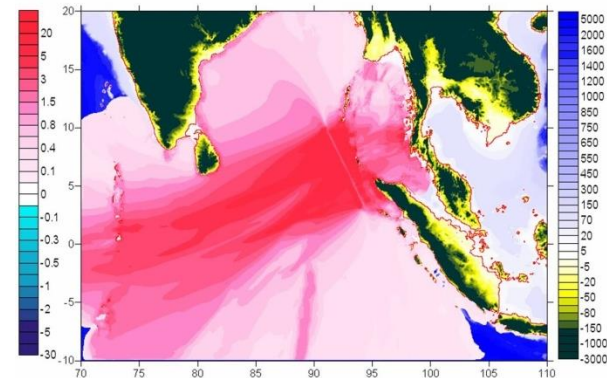
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# Lecture 37

# Partial Differential Equations



- Partial Differential Equations (PDEs).
- What is a PDE?
- Examples of Important PDEs.
- Classification of PDEs.

# Partial Differential Equations

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A **partial differential equation** (**PDE**) is an equation that involves an unknown function and its partial derivatives.

Example :

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t}$$

PDE involves two or more independent variables  
(in the example  $x$  and  $t$  are independent variables)

# Notation

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$$u_{xx} = \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

$$u_{xt} = \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x \partial t}$$

Order of the PDE = order of the highest order derivative .

# Linear PDE

## Classification

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A PDE is linear if it is linear in the unknown function and its derivatives

Example of linear PDE :

$$2 u_{xx} + 1 u_{xt} + 3 u_{tt} + 4 u_x + \cos(2t) = 0$$

$$2 u_{xx} - 3 u_t + 4 u_x = 0$$

Examples of Nonlinear PDE

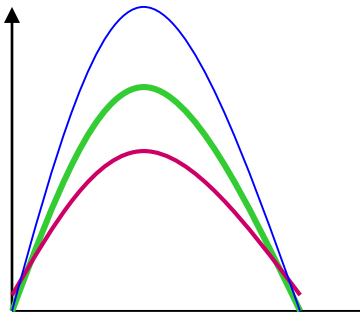
$$2 u_{xx} + \underline{(u_{xt})^2} + 3 u_{tt} = 0$$

$$\underline{\sqrt{u_{xx}}} + 2 u_{xt} + 3 u_t = 0$$

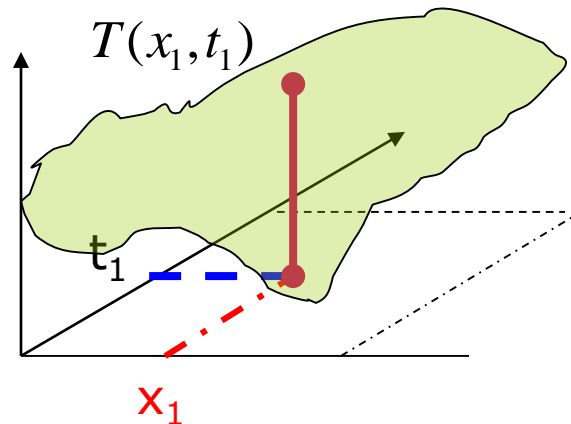
$$2 u_{xx} + \underline{2 u_{xt} u_t} + 3 u_t = 0$$

# Representing the Solution of a PDE (Two Independent Variables)

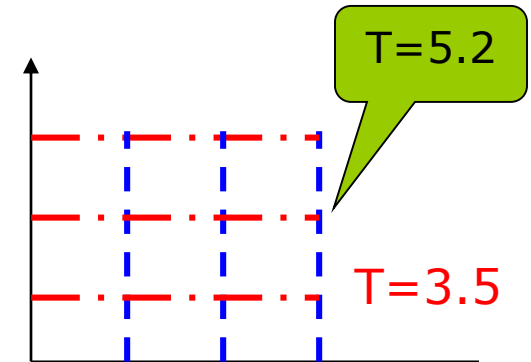
- Three main ways to represent the solution



Different curves are used for different values of one of the independent variable

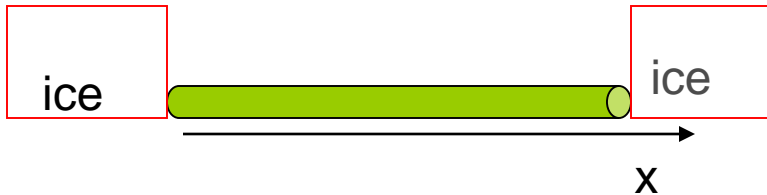


Three dimensional plot of the function  $T(\mathbf{x}, t)$



The axis represent the independent variables. The value of the function is displayed at grid points

# Heat Equation



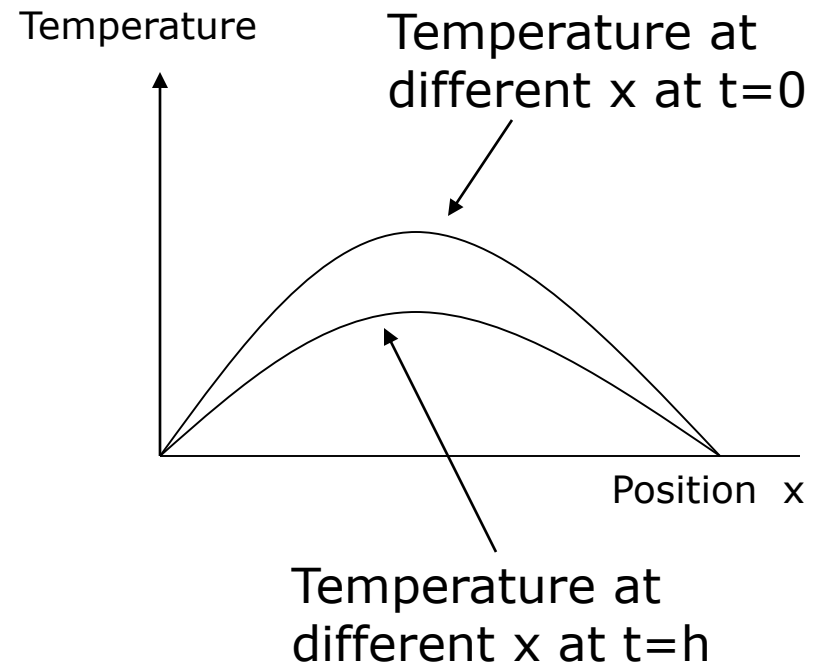
Thin metal rod insulated everywhere except at the edges. At  $t = 0$  the rod is placed in ice

$$\frac{\partial^2 T(x,t)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial T(x,t)}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$T(0,t) = T(1,t) = 0$$

$$T(x,0) = \sin(\pi x)$$

Different curve is used for each value of  $t$



# Examples of PDEs

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PDEs are used to model many systems in many different fields of science and engineering.

## Important Examples:

- Laplace Equation
- Heat Equation
- Wave Equation



# Laplace Equation

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$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, z)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, z)}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, z)}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

Used to describe the steady state distribution of heat in a body.

Also used to describe the steady state distribution of electrical charge in a body.

# Heat Equation

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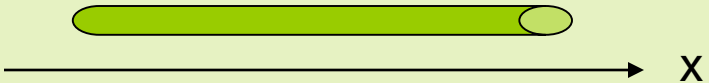
$$\frac{\partial u(x, y, z, t)}{\partial t} = \alpha \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

The function  $u(x, y, z, t)$  is used to represent the temperature at time  $t$  in a physical body at a point with coordinates  $(x, y, z)$

$\alpha$  is the thermal diffusivity. It is sufficient to consider the case  $\alpha = 1$ .

# Simpler Heat Equation

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$$\frac{\partial T(x,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 T(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$


A diagram of a thin rod, represented by a horizontal green oval, positioned above a horizontal axis labeled 'x' with an arrow pointing to the right.

$T(x,t)$  is used to represent the temperature at time  $t$  at the point  $x$  of the thin rod.

# Wave Equation

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$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, y, z, t)}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

The function  $u(x, y, z, t)$  is used to represent the displacement at time  $t$  of a particle whose position at rest is  $(x, y, z)$  .

The constant  $c$  represents the propagation speed of the wave.

# Classification of PDEs

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Linear Second order PDEs are important sets of equations that are used to model many systems in many different fields of science and engineering.

## **Classification is important because:**

- Each category relates to specific engineering problems.
- Different approaches are used to solve these categories.

# Linear Second Order PDEs

## Classification

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A second order linear PDE (2 - independent variables)

$$A u_{xx} + B u_{xy} + C u_{yy} + D = 0,$$

A, B, and C are functions of  $x$  and  $y$

D is a function of  $x, y, u, u_x$ , and  $u_y$

is classified based on  $(B^2 - 4AC)$  as follows :

$$B^2 - 4AC < 0 \quad \text{Elliptic}$$

$$B^2 - 4AC = 0 \quad \text{Parabolic}$$

$$B^2 - 4AC > 0 \quad \text{Hyperbolic}$$

# Linear Second Order PDE

## Examples (Classification)

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Laplace Equation  $\frac{\partial^2 u(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u(x, y)}{\partial y^2} = 0$

$$A = 1, B = 0, C = 1 \Rightarrow B^2 - 4AC < 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Laplace Equation is Elliptic

One possible solution :  $u(x, y) = e^x \sin y$

$$u_x = e^x \sin y, \quad u_{xx} = e^x \sin y$$

$$u_y = e^x \cos y, \quad u_{yy} = -e^x \sin y$$

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

# Linear Second Order PDE

## Examples (Classification)

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Heat Equation  $\alpha \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = 0$

$$A = \alpha, B = 0, C = 0 \Rightarrow B^2 - 4AC = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Heat Equation is Parabolic

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Wave Equation  $c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$

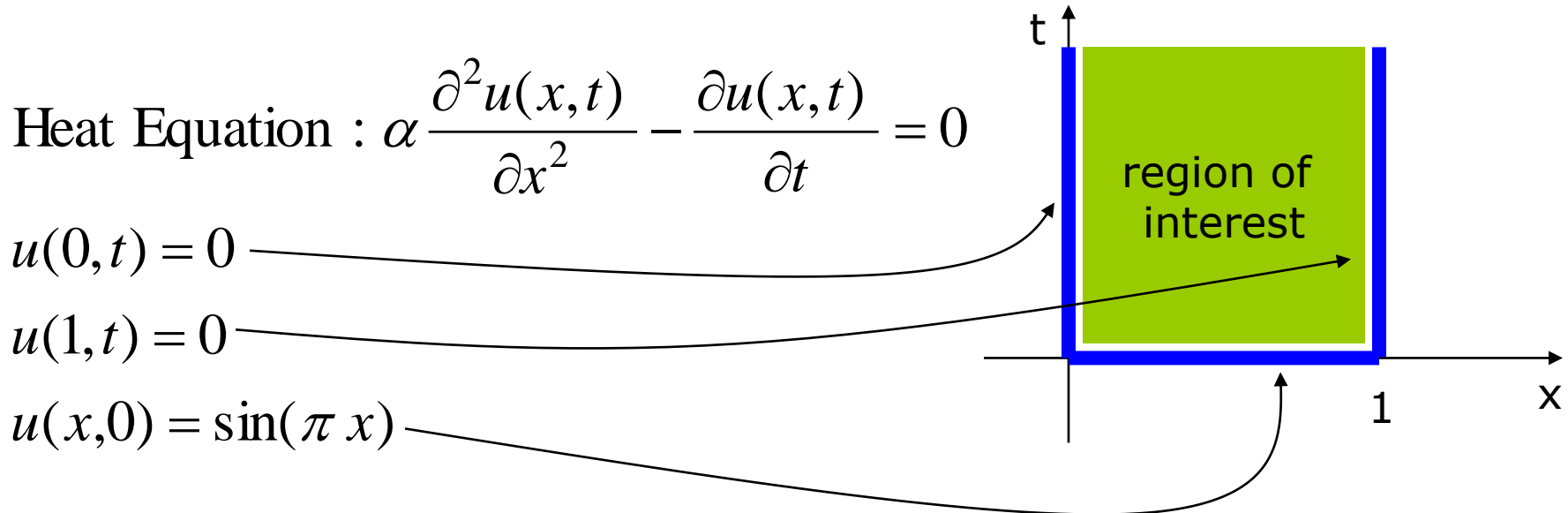
$$A = c^2 > 0, B = 0, C = -1 \Rightarrow B^2 - 4AC > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Wave Equation is Hyperbolic



# Boundary Conditions for PDEs

- To uniquely specify a solution to the PDE, a set of boundary conditions are needed.
- Both regular and irregular boundaries are possible.



# The Solution Methods for PDEs

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- Analytic solutions are possible for simple and special (idealized) cases only.
- To make use of the nature of the equations, different methods are used to solve different classes of PDEs.
- The methods discussed here are based on the **finite difference** technique.

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# Parabolic Equations



- Parabolic Equations
- Heat Conduction Equation
- Explicit Method
- Crank-Nicolson Method

# Parabolic Equations

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A second order linear PDE (2 - independent variables  $x, y$ )

$$A u_{xx} + B u_{xy} + C u_{yy} + D = 0,$$

$A, B,$  and  $C$  are functions of  $x$  and  $y$

$D$  is a function of  $x, y, u, u_x,$  and  $u_y$

is parabolic if

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

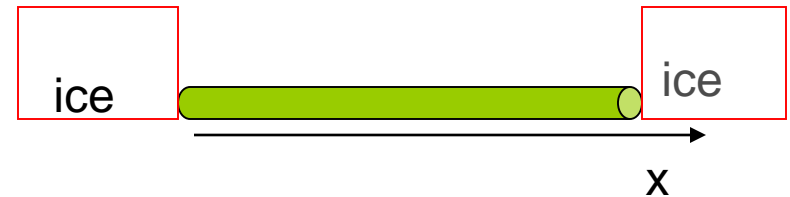
# Parabolic Problems

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Heat Equation : 
$$\frac{\partial T(x,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 T(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

$$T(0,t) = T(1,t) = 0$$

$$T(x,0) = \sin(\pi x)$$

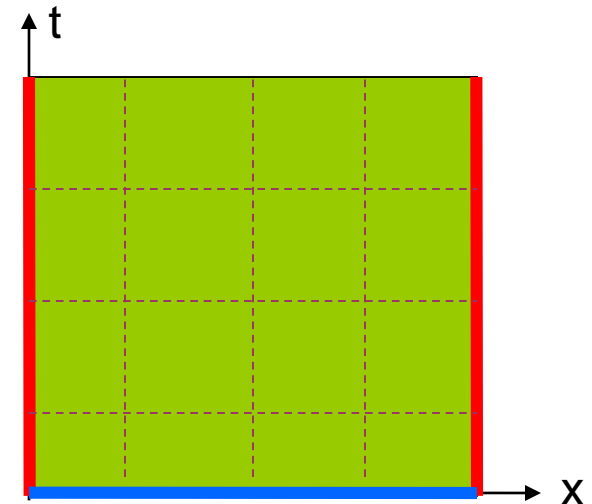


- \* Parabolic problem ( $B^2 - 4AC = 0$ )
- \* Boundary conditions are needed to uniquely specify a solution.

# Finite Difference Methods

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- Divide the interval  $x$  into sub-intervals, each of width  $h$
- Divide the interval  $t$  into sub-intervals, each of width  $k$
- A grid of points is used for the finite difference solution
- $T_{i,j}$  represents  $T(x_i, t_j)$
- Replace the derivatives by finite-difference formulas



# Finite Difference Methods

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Replace the derivatives by finite difference formulas

Central Difference Formula for  $\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$  :

$$\frac{\partial^2 T(x,t)}{\partial x^2} \approx \frac{T_{i-1,j} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i+1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2} = \frac{T_{i-1,j} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i+1,j}}{h^2} \quad (\text{Ch. 4.1.2})$$

Forward Difference Formula for  $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$  :

$$\frac{\partial T(x,t)}{\partial t} \approx \frac{T_{i,j+1} - T_{i,j}}{\Delta t} = \frac{T_{i,j+1} - T_{i,j}}{k} \quad (\text{Ch. 4.1.1})$$

# Solution of the Heat Equation

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➤ Two solutions to the Parabolic Equation (Heat Equation) will be presented:

## 1. Explicit Method:

**Simple**, Stability Problems.

## 2. Crank-Nicolson Method:

Involves the solution of a Tridiagonal system of equations, **Stable**.



# Explicit Method

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$$\frac{\partial T(x,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 T(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{T(x,t+k) - T(x,t)}{k} = \frac{T(x-h,t) - 2T(x,t) + T(x+h,t)}{h^2}$$

$$T(x,t+k) - T(x,t) = \frac{k}{h^2} (T(x-h,t) - 2T(x,t) + T(x+h,t))$$

$$\text{Define } \lambda = \frac{k}{h^2}$$

$$T(x,t+k) = \lambda T(x-h,t) + (1-2\lambda) T(x,t) + \lambda T(x+h,t)$$

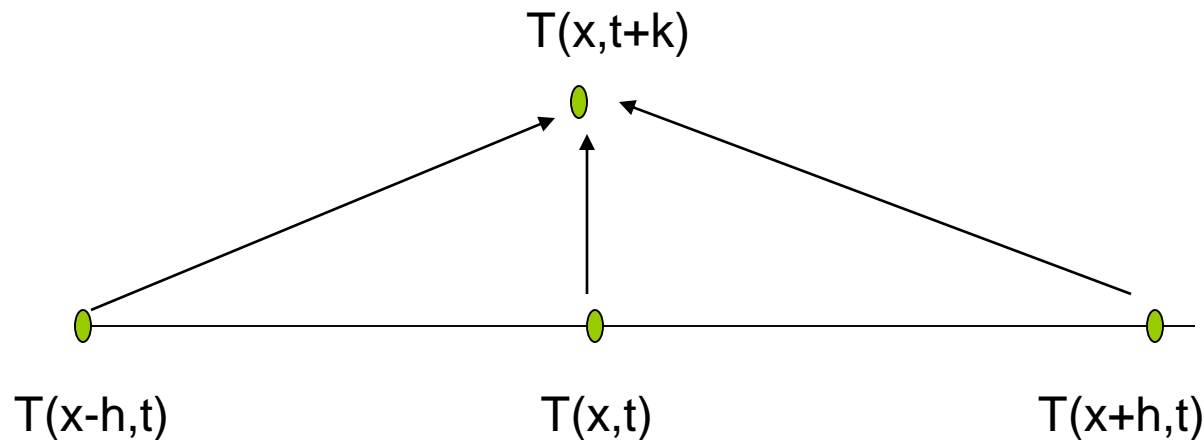
# Explicit Method

## How Do We Compute?

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$$T(x, t + k) = \lambda T(x - h, t) + (1 - 2\lambda) T(x, t) + \lambda T(x + h, t)$$

*means*



# Convergence and Stability

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$T(x, t + k)$  can be computed directly using :

$$T(x, t + k) = \lambda T(x - h, t) + (1 - 2\lambda) T(x, t) + \lambda T(x + h, t)$$

Can be unstable (errors are magnified )

To guarantee stability,  $(1 - 2\lambda) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda \leq \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow k \leq \frac{h^2}{2}$

This means that  $k$  is much smaller than  $h$

This makes it slow.

# Convergence and Stability of the Solution

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## ➤ Convergence

The solutions converge means that the solution obtained using the finite difference method approaches the true solution as the steps  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta t$  approach zero.

## ➤ Stability:

An algorithm is stable if the errors at each stage of the computation are not magnified as the computation progresses.

# Example 1: Heat Equation

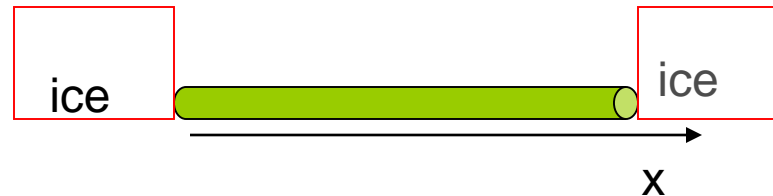
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Solve the PDE :

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial^2 x} - \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$u(0,t) = u(1,t) = 0$$

$$u(x,0) = \sin(\pi x)$$



Use  $h = 0.25$ ,  $k = 0.25$  to find  $u(x,t)$  for  $x \in [0,1], t \in [0,1]$

$$\lambda = \frac{k}{h^2} = 4$$

# Example 1

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$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = 0$$

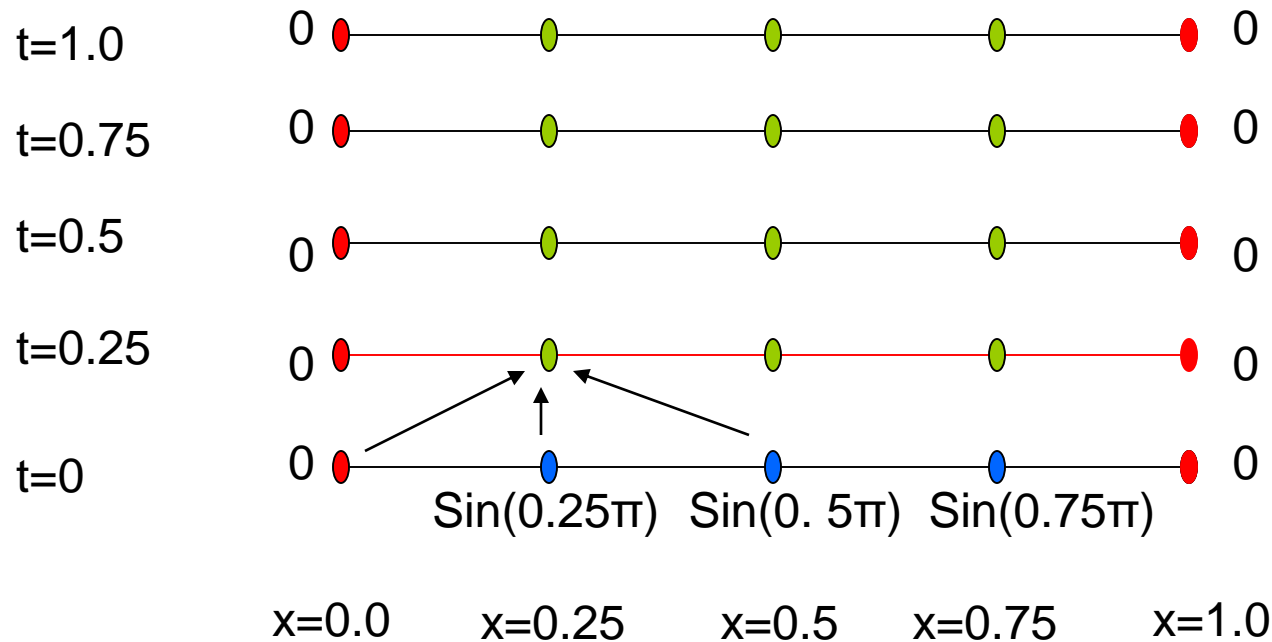
$$\frac{u(x-h,t) - 2u(x,t) + u(x+h,t)}{h^2} - \frac{u(x,t+k) - u(x,t)}{k} = 0$$

$$16(u(x-h,t) - 2u(x,t) + u(x+h,t)) - 4(u(x,t+k) - u(x,t)) = 0$$

$$u(x,t+k) = 4 u(x-h,t) - 7 u(x,t) + 4 u(x+h,t)$$

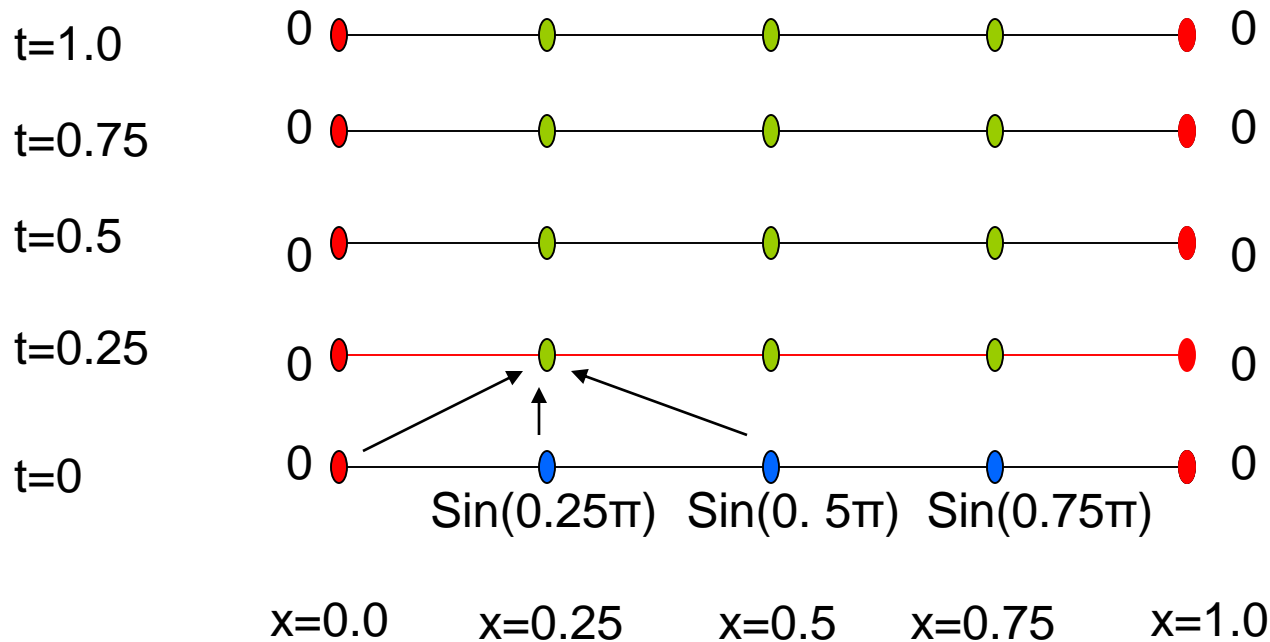
# Example 1

$$u(x, t + k) = 4 u(x - h, t) - 7 u(x, t) + 4 u(x + h, t)$$



# Example 1

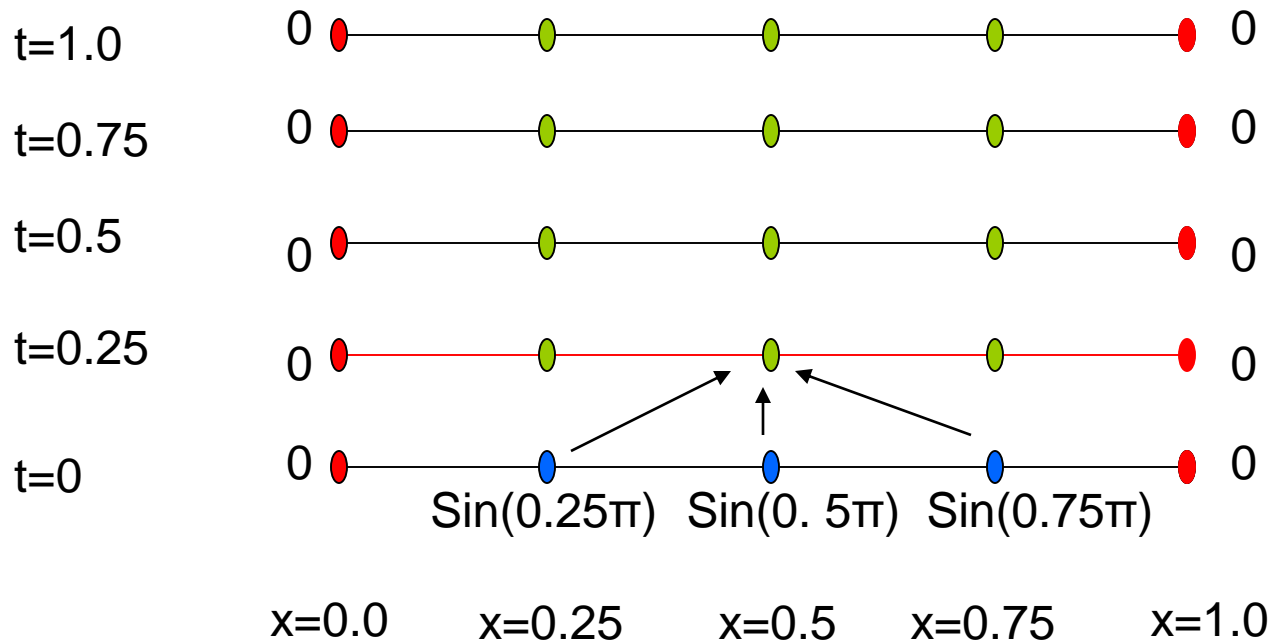
$$\begin{aligned} u(0.25, 0.25) &= 4 u(0, 0) - 7 u(0.25, 0) + 4 u(0.5, 0) \\ &= 0 - 7 \sin(\pi / 4) + 4 \sin(\pi / 2) = -0.9497 \end{aligned}$$





# Example 1

$$\begin{aligned} u(0.5, 0.25) &= 4 u(0.25, 0) - 7 u(0.5, 0) + 4 u(0.75, 0) \\ &= 4 \sin(\pi / 4) - 7 \sin(\pi / 2) + 4 \sin(3\pi / 4) = -0.1716 \end{aligned}$$



# Remarks on Example 1

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The obtained results are probably not accurate  
because :  $1 - 2\lambda = -7$

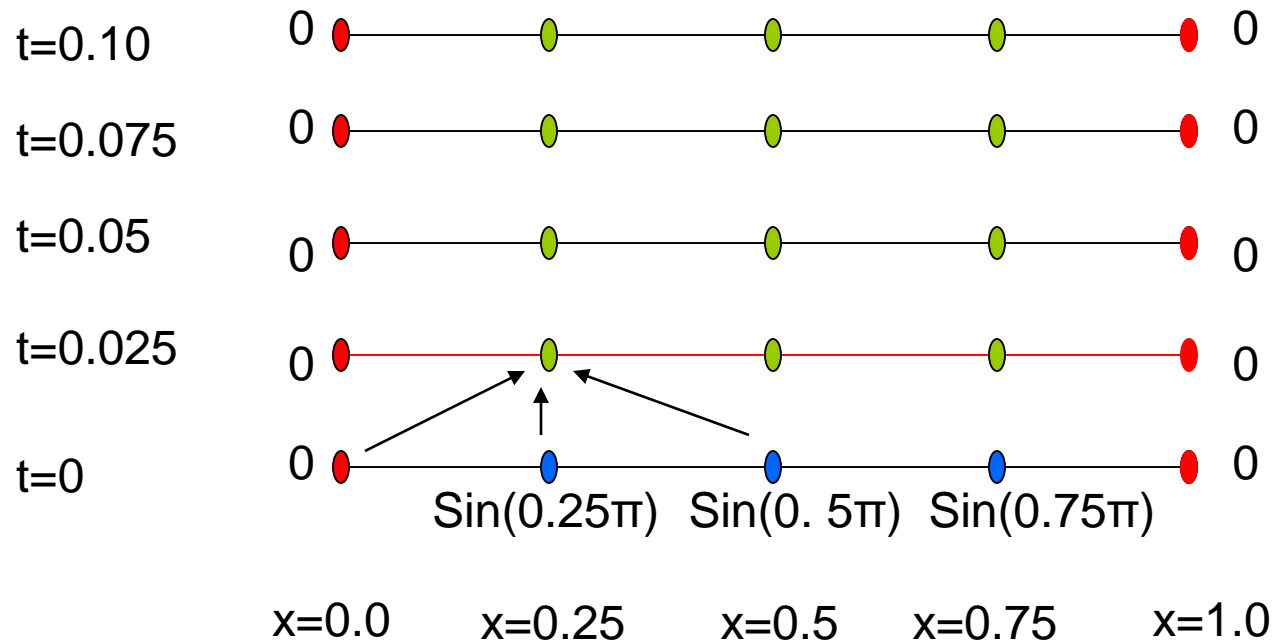
For accurate results :  $1 - 2\lambda \geq 0$

One needs to select  $k \leq \frac{h^2}{2} = \frac{(0.25)^2}{2} = 0.03125$

For example, choose  $k = 0.025$ , then  $\lambda = \frac{k}{h^2} = 0.4$

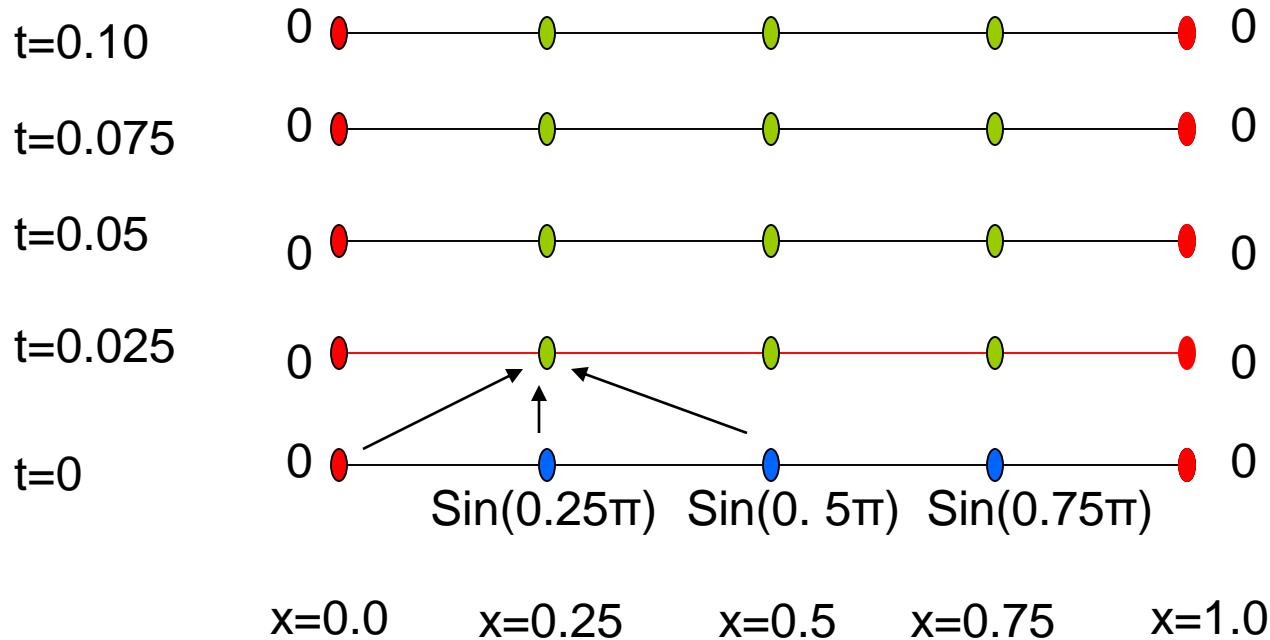
# Example 1 – cont'd

$$u(x, t + k) = 0.4 u(x - h, t) + 0.2 u(x, t) + 0.4 u(x + h, t)$$



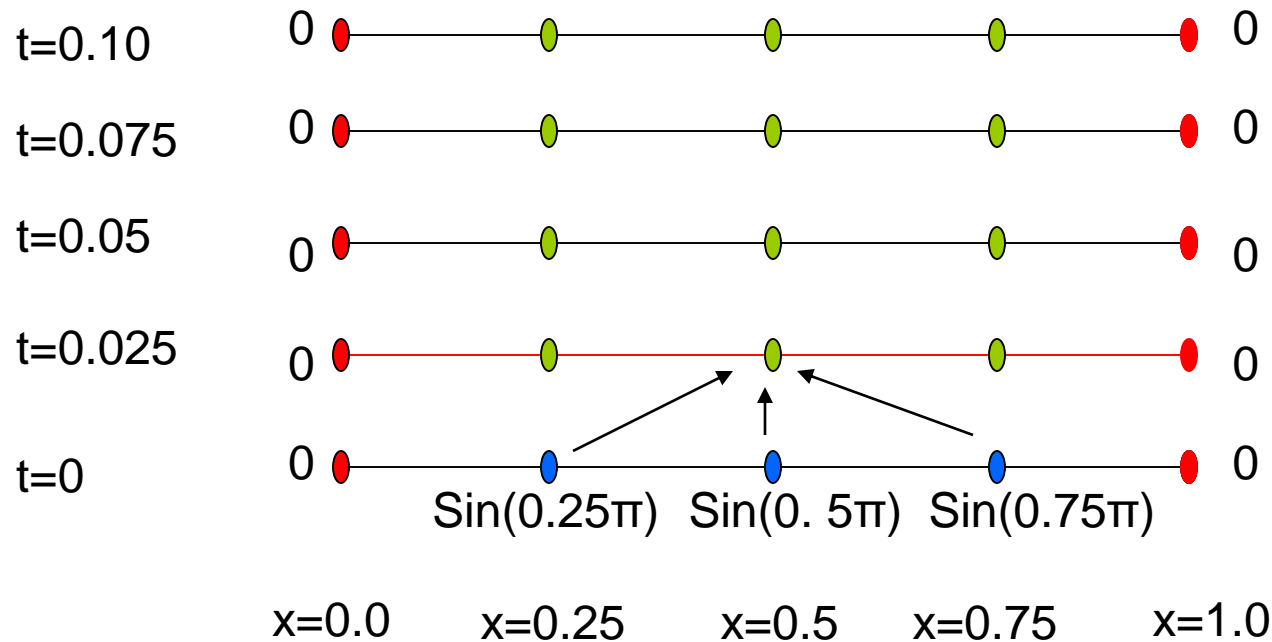
# Example 1 – cont'd

$$\begin{aligned} u(0.25, 0.025) &= 0.4 u(0, 0) + 0.2 u(0.25, 0) + 0.4 u(0.5, 0) \\ &= 0 + 0.2 \sin(\pi / 4) + 0.4 \sin(\pi / 2) = 0.5414 \end{aligned}$$



# Example 1 – cont'd

$$\begin{aligned} u(0.5, 0.025) &= 0.4 u(0.25, 0) + 0.2 u(0.5, 0) + 0.4 u(0.75, 0) \\ &= 0.4 \sin(\pi / 4) + 0.2 \sin(\pi / 2) + 0.4 \sin(3\pi / 4) = 0.7657 \end{aligned}$$



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b) Classify the following equations as linear or non-linear, and state their order.

i.)  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$

ii.)  $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)^2 = 1$

iii.)  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} - 6w \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = 0$

[3 Marks]

c) Solve the heat equation,

$$2 \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 < t \leq 0.05$$

with the initial conditions,

$$u(x,0) = f(x) = x - x^2$$

and the boundary conditions,

$$u(0,t) = 0$$

$$u(1,t) = t.$$

Use,  $h = 0.25$  and  $k = 0.025$ , where  $h$  and  $k$  are step sizes along  $x$  and  $t$  axes respectively.

[6 Marks]

## Lecture 39

# Parabolic Equations (Contd.)



➤ Crank-Nicolson Method

# Crank-Nicolson Method

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The method involves solving a Tridiagonal system of linear equations.

The method is stable (No magnification of error).

→ We can use larger  $h, k$  (compared to the Explicit Method).



# Crank-Nicolson Method

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Based on the finite difference method

1. Divide the interval  $x$  into subintervals of width  $h$
2. Divide the interval  $t$  into subintervals of width  $k$
3. Replace the first and second partial derivative s with their *backward* and *central difference* formulas respectively :

$$\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} \approx \frac{u(x, t) - u(x, t - k)}{k}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{u(x - h, t) - 2u(x, t) + u(x + h, t)}{h^2}$$

# Crank-Nicolson Method

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Heat Equation :  $\frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t}$  becomes

$$\frac{u(x-h,t) - 2u(x,t) + u(x+h,t)}{h^2} = \frac{u(x,t) - u(x,t-k)}{k}$$

$$\frac{k}{h^2} (u(x-h,t) - 2u(x,t) + u(x+h,t)) = u(x,t) - u(x,t-k)$$

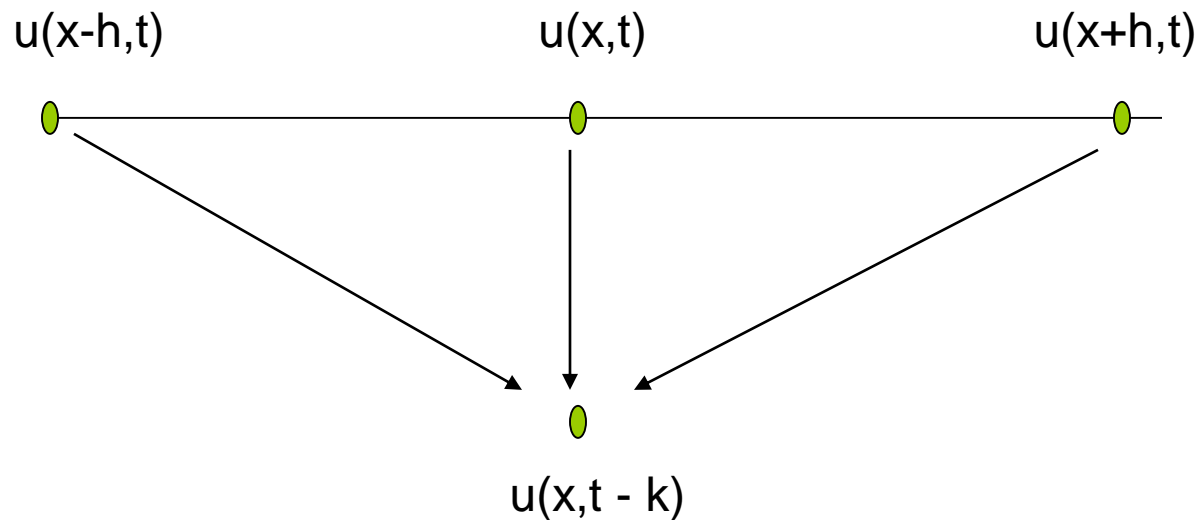
$$-\frac{k}{h^2} u(x-h,t) + (1 + 2\frac{k}{h^2}) u(x,t) - \frac{k}{h^2} u(x+h,t) = u(x,t-k)$$

# Crank-Nicolson Method

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Define  $\lambda = \frac{k}{h^2}$  then Heat equation becomes :

$$-\lambda u(x-h, t) + (1 + 2\lambda) u(x, t) - \lambda u(x+h, t) = u(x, t-k)$$



# Crank-Nicolson Method

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The equation :

$$-\lambda u(x-h, t) + (1+2\lambda) u(x, t) - \lambda u(x+h, t) = u(x, t-k)$$

can be rewritten as :

$$-\lambda u_{i-1,j} + (1+2\lambda) u_{i,j} - \lambda u_{i+1,j} = u_{i,j-1}$$

and can be expanded as a system of equations (fix  $j = 1$ ) :

$$-\lambda u_{0,1} + (1+2\lambda) u_{1,1} - \lambda u_{2,1} = u_{1,0}$$

$$-\lambda u_{1,1} + (1+2\lambda) u_{2,1} - \lambda u_{3,1} = u_{2,0}$$

$$-\lambda u_{2,1} + (1+2\lambda) u_{3,1} - \lambda u_{4,1} = u_{3,0}$$

$$-\lambda u_{3,1} + (1+2\lambda) u_{4,1} - \lambda u_{5,1} = u_{4,0}$$

# Crank-Nicolson Method

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$$-\lambda u(x-h, t) + (1+2\lambda) u(x, t) - \lambda u(x+h, t) = u(x, t-k)$$

can be expressed as a Tridiagonal system of equations :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+2\lambda & -\lambda & & \\ -\lambda & 1+2\lambda & -\lambda & \\ & -\lambda & 1+2\lambda & -\lambda \\ & & -\lambda & 1+2\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} \\ u_{2,1} \\ u_{3,1} \\ u_{4,1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,0} + \lambda u_{0,1} \\ u_{2,0} \\ u_{3,0} \\ u_{4,0} + \lambda u_{5,1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $u_{1,0}$ ,  $u_{2,0}$ ,  $u_{3,0}$ , and  $u_{4,0}$  are the initial temperature values at  $x = x_0 + h$ ,  $x_0 + 2h$ ,  $x_0 + 3h$ , and  $x_0 + 4h$

$u_{0,1}$  and  $u_{5,1}$  are the boundary values at  $x = x_0$  and  $x_0 + 5h$

# Crank-Nicolson Method

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The solution of the tridiagonal system produces :

The temperature values  $u_{1,1}$ ,  $u_{2,1}$ ,  $u_{3,1}$ , and  $u_{4,1}$  at  $t = t_0 + k$

To compute the temperature values at  $t = t_0 + 2k$

Solve a second tridiagonal system of equations ( $j = 2$ )

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+2\lambda & -\lambda & & \\ -\lambda & 1+2\lambda & -\lambda & \\ & -\lambda & 1+2\lambda & -\lambda \\ & & -\lambda & 1+2\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,2} \\ u_{2,2} \\ u_{3,2} \\ u_{4,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} + \lambda u_{0,2} \\ u_{2,1} \\ u_{3,1} \\ u_{4,1} + \lambda u_{5,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

To compute  $u_{1,2}$ ,  $u_{2,2}$ ,  $u_{3,2}$ , and  $u_{4,2}$

Repeat the above step to compute temperature values at  $t_0 + 3k$ , etc.

# Example 2

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Solve the PDE :

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial^2 x} - \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$u(0,t) = u(1,t) = 0$$

$$u(x,0) = \sin(\pi x)$$

Solve using Crank - Nicolson method

Use  $h = 0.25$ ,  $k = 0.25$  to find  $u(x,t)$  for  $x \in [0,1], t \in [0,1]$

# Example 2

## Crank-Nicolson Method

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$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\frac{u(x-h,t) - 2u(x,t) + u(x+h,t)}{h^2} = \frac{u(x,t) - u(x,t-k)}{k}$$

$$16(u(x-h,t) - 2u(x,t) + u(x+h,t)) - 4(u(x,t) - u(x,t-k)) = 0$$

$$\text{Define } \lambda = \frac{k}{h^2} = 4$$

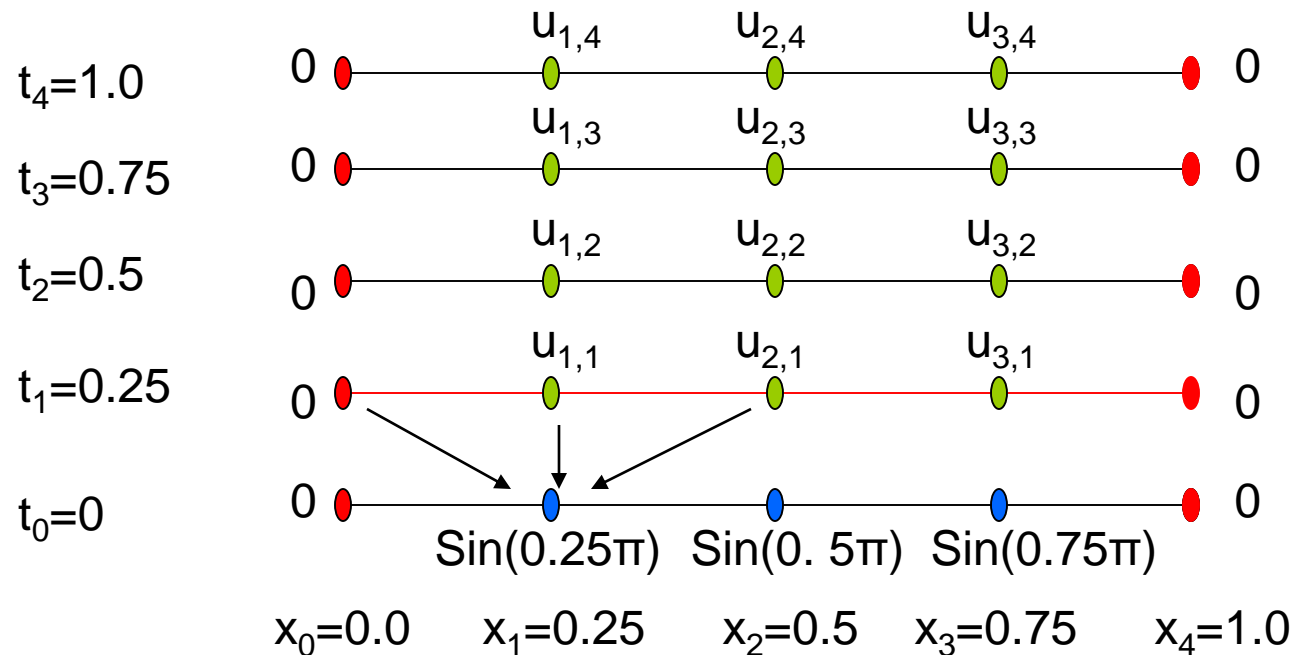
$$-4u(x-h,t) + 9u(x,t) - 4u(x+h,t) = u(x,t-k)$$

$$-4u_{i-1,j} + 9u_{i,j} - 4u_{i+1,j} = u_{i,j-1}$$



# Example 2

$$\begin{aligned}
 -4u_{0,1} + 9u_{1,1} - 4u_{2,1} &= u_{1,0} \Rightarrow 9u_{1,1} - 4u_{2,1} &= \sin(\pi/4) \\
 -4u_{1,1} + 9u_{2,1} - 4u_{3,1} &= u_{2,0} \Rightarrow -4u_{1,1} + 9u_{2,1} - 4u_{3,1} &= \sin(\pi/2) \\
 -4u_{2,1} + 9u_{3,1} - 4u_{4,1} &= u_{3,0} \Rightarrow -4u_{2,1} + 9u_{3,1} &= \sin(3\pi/4)
 \end{aligned}$$



# Example 2

## Solution of Row 1 at $t_1=0.25$ sec

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The Solution of the PDE at  $t_1 = 0.25$  sec is the solution of the following tridiagonal system of equations :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 & \\ -4 & 9 & -4 \\ & -4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} \\ u_{2,1} \\ u_{3,1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(0.25\pi) \\ \sin(0.5\pi) \\ \sin(0.75\pi) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} \\ u_{2,1} \\ u_{3,1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.21151 \\ 0.29912 \\ 0.21151 \end{bmatrix}$$

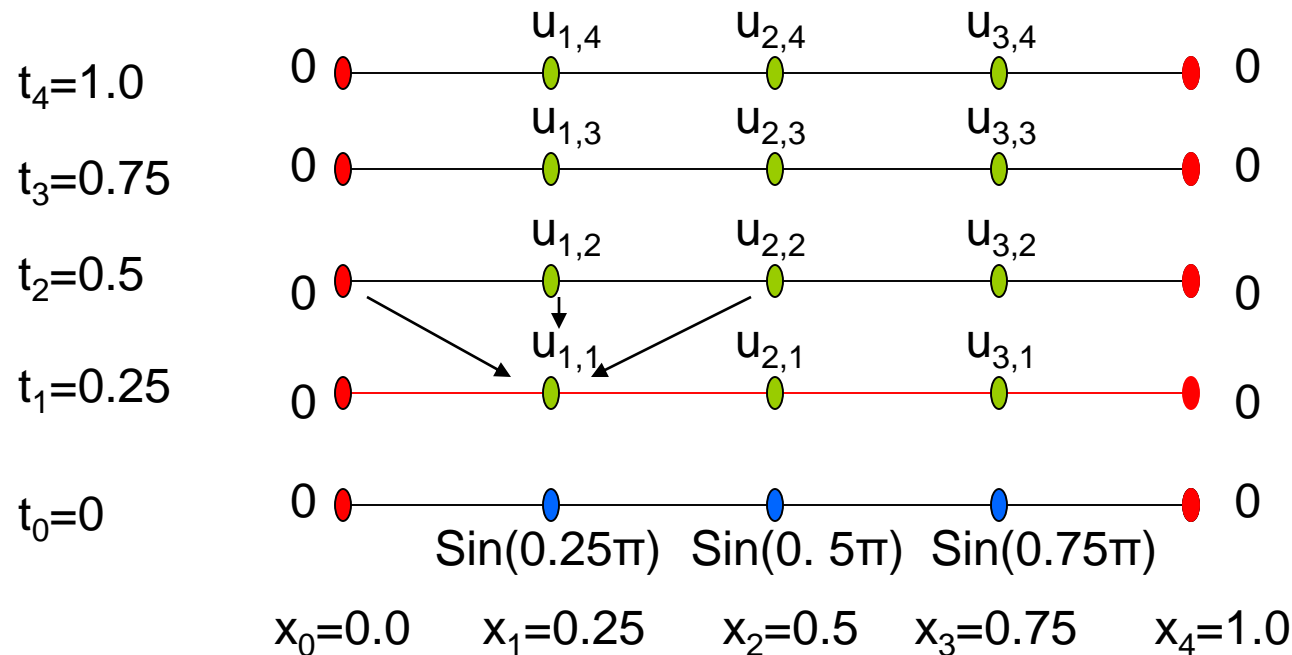
# Example 2:

## Second Row at $t_2=0.5$ sec

$$-4u_{0,2} + 9u_{1,2} - 4u_{2,2} = u_{1,1} \Rightarrow 9u_{1,2} - 4u_{2,2} = 0.21151$$

$$-4u_{1,2} + 9u_{2,2} - 4u_{3,2} = u_{2,1} \Rightarrow -4u_{1,2} + 9u_{2,2} - 4u_{3,2} = 0.29912$$

$$-4u_{2,2} + 9u_{3,2} - 4u_{4,2} = u_{3,1} \Rightarrow -4u_{2,2} + 9u_{3,2} = 0.21151$$



# Example 2

## Solution of Row 2 at $t_2=0.5$ sec

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The Solution of the PDE at  $t_2 = 0.5$  sec is the solution of the following tridiagonal system of equations :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 & \\ -4 & 9 & -4 \\ & -4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,2} \\ u_{2,2} \\ u_{3,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} \\ u_{2,1} \\ u_{3,1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.21151 \\ 0.29912 \\ 0.21151 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,2} \\ u_{2,2} \\ u_{3,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.063267 \\ 0.089473 \\ 0.063267 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Example 2

## Solution of Row 3 at $t_3=0.75$ sec

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The Solution of the PDE at  $t_3 = 0.75$  sec is the solution of the following tridiagonal system of equations :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 & \\ -4 & 9 & -4 \\ & -4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,3} \\ u_{2,3} \\ u_{3,3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,2} \\ u_{2,2} \\ u_{3,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.063267 \\ 0.089473 \\ 0.063267 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,3} \\ u_{2,3} \\ u_{3,3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.018924 \\ 0.026763 \\ 0.018924 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Example 2

## Solution of Row 4 at $t_4=1$ sec

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The Solution of the PDE at  $t_4 = 1$  sec is the solution of the following tridiagonal system of equations :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & -4 & \\ -4 & 9 & -4 \\ & -4 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,4} \\ u_{2,4} \\ u_{3,4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,3} \\ u_{2,3} \\ u_{3,3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.018924 \\ 0.026763 \\ 0.018924 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,4} \\ u_{2,4} \\ u_{3,4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0056606 \\ 0.0080053 \\ 0.0056606 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Remarks

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## The Explicit Method:

- One needs to select small  $k$  to ensure **stability**.
- Computation per point is very simple but many points are needed.

## Crank-Nicolson:

- Requires the solution of a **Tridiagonal** system.
- Stable (Larger  $k$  can be used).

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## (Q5)

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b) i.) List advantages and disadvantages of using the implicit method in solving partial differential equations.

ii.) Use Crank-Nicolson method to solve the partial differential equation,

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = 0.02 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

with the initial conditions,

$$T(x, 0) = 100x \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 0.6; \quad T(x, 0) = 100(1.2 - x) \quad \text{for } 0.6 < x \leq 1$$

and the boundary conditions,

$$T(0, t) = 0$$

$$T(1, t) = 20.$$

Use,  $h = 0.2$  and  $k = 0.5$ , where  $h$  and  $k$  are step sizes along  $x$  and  $t$  axes respectively.

[11.0 Marks]



# Lecture 40

# Elliptic Equations

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- Elliptic Equations
- Laplace Equation
- Solution

# Elliptic Equations

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A second order linear PDE (2 - independent variables  $x, y$ )

$$A u_{xx} + B u_{xy} + C u_{yy} + D = 0,$$

A, B, and C are functions of  $x$  and  $y$

D is a function of  $x, y, u, u_x$ , and  $u_y$

is Elliptic if

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

# Laplace Equation

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Laplace equation appears in several engineering problems such as:

- Studying the steady state distribution of heat in a body.
- Studying the steady state distribution of electrical charge in a body.

$$\frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y)$$

$T$  : steady state temperature at point  $(x, y)$

$f(x, y)$  : heat source (or heat sink)

# Laplace Equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y)$$

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

$$B^2 - 4AC = -4 < 0 \quad \text{Elliptic}$$

- Temperature is a function of the position (x and y)
- When no heat source is available  $\rightarrow f(x, y) = 0$

# Solution Technique

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- A grid is used to divide the region of interest.
- Since the PDE is satisfied at each point in the area, it must be satisfied at each point of the grid.
- A finite difference approximation is obtained at each grid point.

$$\frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial x^2} \approx \frac{T_{i+1,j} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i-1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial y^2} \approx \frac{T_{i,j+1} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i,j-1}}{(\Delta y)^2}$$

# Solution Technique

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$$\frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{T_{i+1,j} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i-1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2},$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial y^2} = \frac{T_{i,j+1} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i,j-1}}{(\Delta y)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T(x, y)}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

is approximated by :

$$\frac{T_{i+1,j} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i-1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2} + \frac{T_{i,j+1} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i,j-1}}{(\Delta y)^2} = 0$$

# Solution Technique

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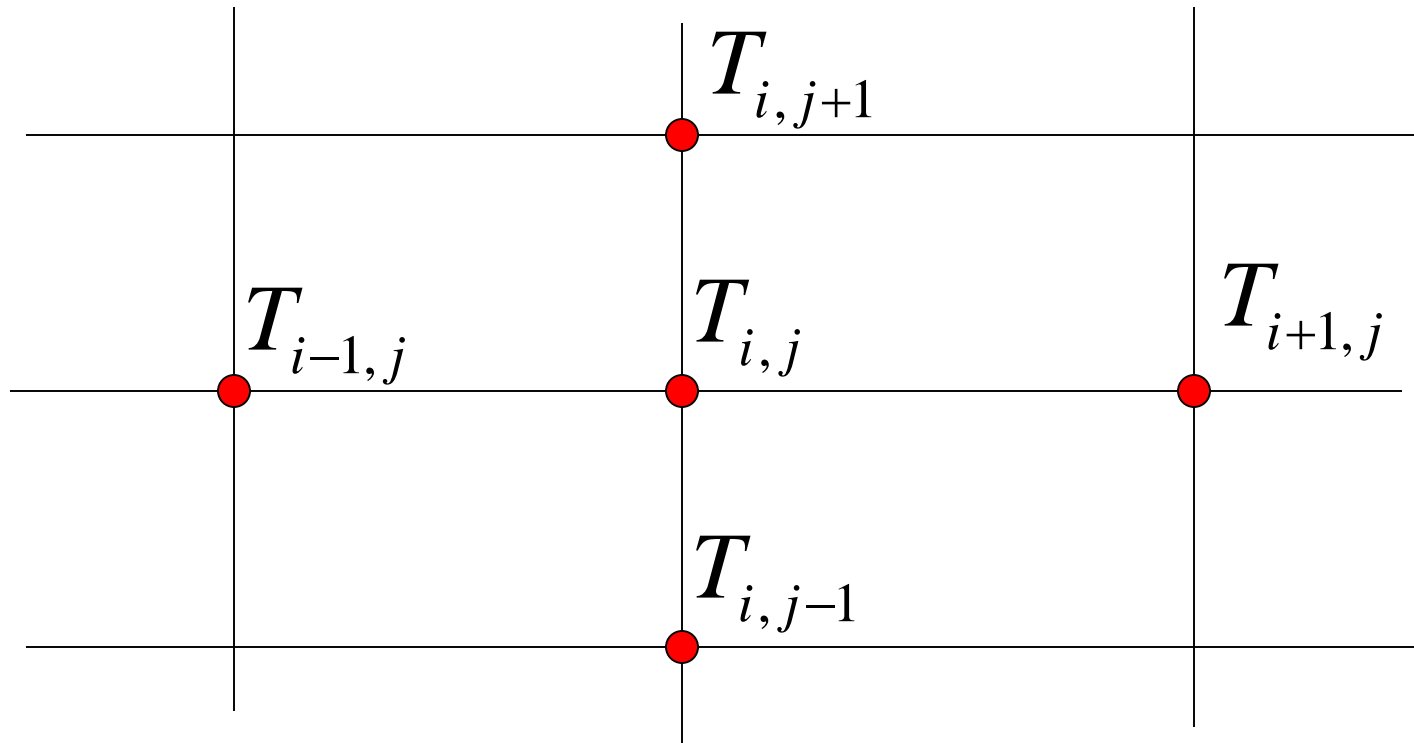
$$\frac{T_{i+1,j} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i-1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2} + \frac{T_{i,j+1} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i,j-1}}{(\Delta y)^2} = 0$$

*(Laplacian Difference Equation)*

*Assume :  $\Delta x = \Delta y = h$*

$$\Rightarrow T_{i+1,j} + T_{i-1,j} + T_{i,j+1} + T_{i,j-1} - 4T_{i,j} = 0$$

# Solution Technique



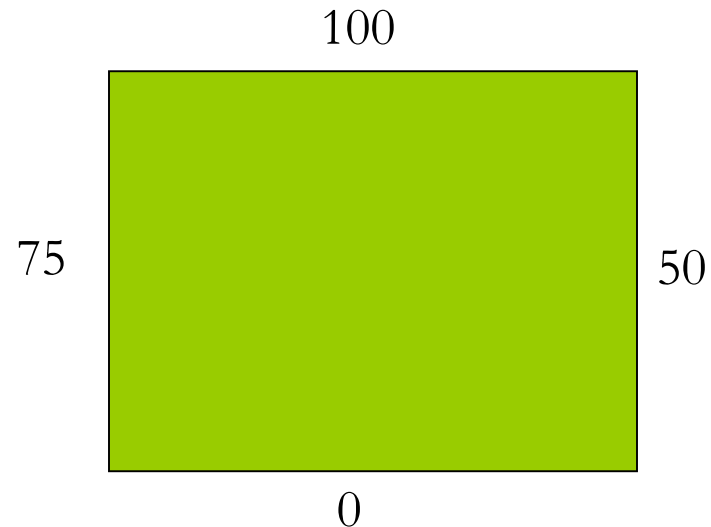
$$T_{i+1,j} + T_{i-1,j} + T_{i,j+1} + T_{i,j-1} - 4T_{i,j} = 0$$



# Example

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It is required to determine the steady state temperature at all points of a heated sheet of metal. The edges of the sheet are kept at a constant temperature: 100, 50, 0, and 75 degrees.

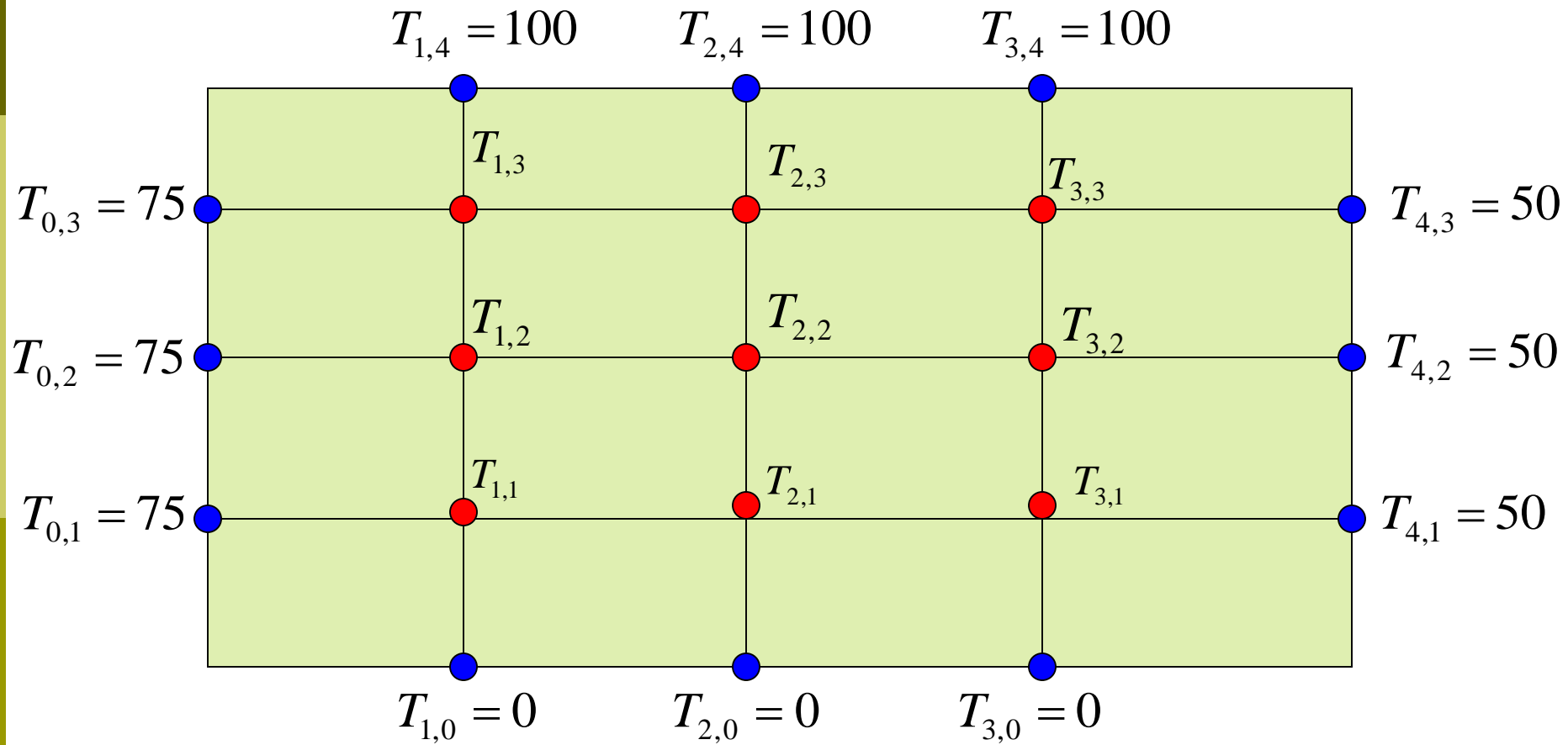


The sheet is divided to 5 x 5 grids.

# Example

● Known

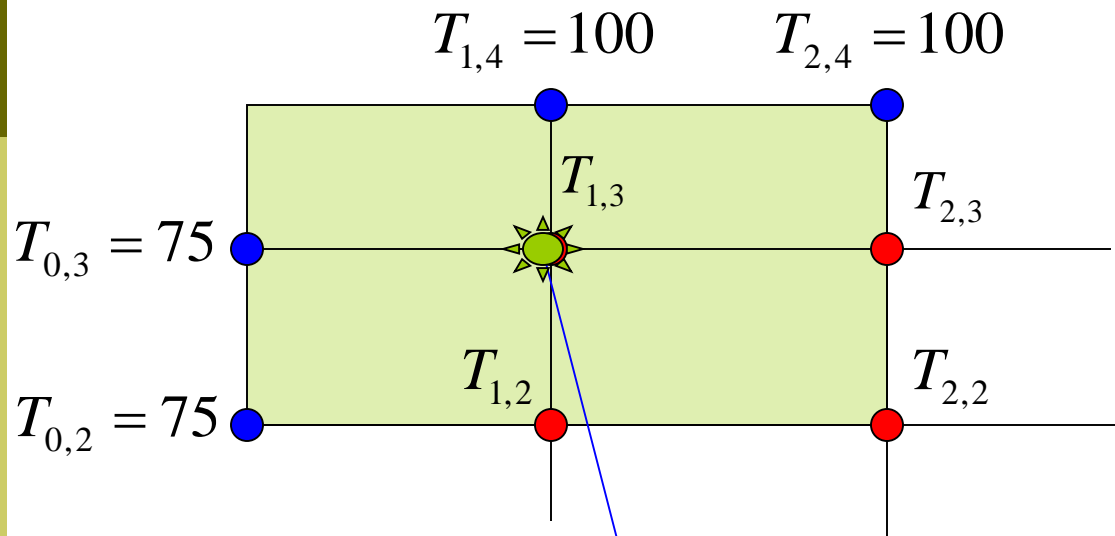
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# First Equation

● Known

● To be determined



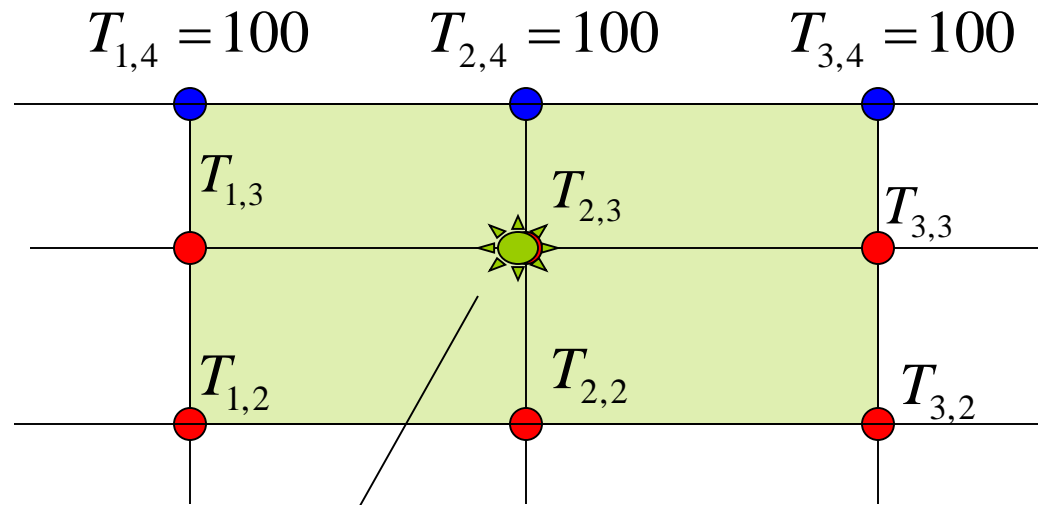
$$T_{0,3} + T_{1,4} + T_{1,2} + T_{2,3} - 4T_{1,3} = 0$$

$$75 + 100 + T_{1,2} + T_{2,3} - 4T_{1,3} = 0$$

# Another Equation

● Known

● To be determined



$$T_{1,3} + T_{2,4} + T_{3,3} + T_{2,2} - 4T_{2,3} = 0$$

$$T_{1,3} + 100 + T_{3,3} + T_{2,2} - 4T_{2,3} = 0$$

# Solution

## The Rest of the Equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 & -1 & & & & \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 & -1 & & & \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & -1 & & \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & -1 & 0 & -1 & \\ & -1 & 0 & -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ & & -1 & 0 & -1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ & & & -1 & 0 & 0 & 4 & -1 & 0 \\ & & & & -1 & 0 & -1 & 4 & -1 \\ & & & & & -1 & 0 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T_{1,1} \\ T_{2,1} \\ T_{3,1} \\ T_{1,2} \\ T_{2,2} \\ T_{3,2} \\ T_{1,3} \\ T_{2,3} \\ T_{3,3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 75 \\ 0 \\ 50 \\ 75 \\ 0 \\ 50 \\ 175 \\ 100 \\ 150 \end{pmatrix}$$