Derivation and Numerical Solution of the Heat Conduction Equation with Detailed Code Explanation

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1 Introduction

This document presents a comprehensive derivation of the heat conduction equation starting from the integral forms of the conservation laws, formation of the weak form of the partial differential equation (PDE) including boundary conditions, and implementation of the numerical solution using FEniCS with detailed line-by-line explanations of the code.

2 Derivation of the Heat Conduction Equation

2.1 Integral Conservation Laws

The conservation laws of mass, momentum, and energy are fundamental principles governing the behavior of physical systems. They can be expressed in integral form over a control volume V bounded by a closed surface S.

Material derivative:

$$\frac{D}{Dt}(*) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(*) + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla(*) \tag{1}$$

The material derivative is used to describe time rates of change for a given particle. The first term on RHS represents the self change, and the second term represents the flow/flux.

2.1.1 Conservation of Mass

The integral form of the conservation of mass is:

$$\frac{D}{Dt}(\int_{V} \rho \, dV) = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{V} \rho \, dV + \int_{S} \rho \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS = 0 \tag{3}$$

where:

- ρ is the density.
- \vec{v} is the velocity vector.
- \vec{n} is the outward-pointing unit normal vector on the surface S.

2.1.2 Conservation of Momentum

The integral form of the conservation of momentum is:

$$\frac{D}{Dt}(\int_{V} \rho \vec{v} \, dV) = \sum F_{\text{ext}} \tag{4}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{V} \rho \vec{v} \, dV + \int_{S} \rho \vec{v} (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{n}) \, dS = \int_{S} \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \, dS + \int_{V} \rho \vec{g} \, dV \tag{5}$$

where:

- $\vec{\sigma}$ is the stress tensor.
- \vec{g} is the body force per unit mass (e.g., gravity).

2.1.3 Conservation of Energy

The integral form of the conservation of energy is:

$$\frac{D}{Dt}(\int_{V} \rho e \, dV) = \dot{Q}_{\rm in} + \dot{W}_{\rm in} \tag{6}$$

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{V} \rho e \, dV + \int_{S} \rho e \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS = -\int_{S} \vec{q} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS + \int_{V} \dot{q} \, dV + \int_{S} (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{n} \, dS \tag{7}$$

where:

- \bullet e is the internal energy per unit mass.
- \vec{q} is the heat flux vector.
- \dot{q} represents volumetric heat sources.

2.2 Derivation of Differential Forms

To obtain the differential forms of the conservation equations, we apply the divergence theorem and consider the control volume to be fixed in space.

2.2.1 Conservation of Mass

Starting with the integral form:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{V} \rho \, dV + \int_{S} \rho \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS = 0 \tag{8}$$

Applying the divergence theorem:

$$\int_{V} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} dV + \int_{V} \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{v}) dV = 0$$
(9)

Since the control volume V is arbitrary, the integrand must be zero:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{v}) = 0 \tag{10}$$

2.2.2 Conservation of Momentum

Starting with the integral form:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{V} \rho \vec{v} \, dV + \int_{S} \rho \vec{v} (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{n}) \, dS = \int_{S} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS + \int_{V} \rho \vec{g} \, dV \tag{11}$$

Applying the divergence theorem:

$$\int_{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho \vec{v}) \, dV + \int_{V} \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{v} \otimes \vec{v}) \, dV = \int_{V} \nabla \cdot \vec{\sigma} \, dV + \int_{V} \rho \vec{g} \, dV \tag{12}$$

Simplifying:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho \vec{v}) + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{v} \otimes \vec{v}) = \nabla \cdot \vec{\sigma} + \rho \vec{g}$$
(13)

2.2.3 Conservation of Energy

Starting with the integral form:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{V} \rho e \, dV + \int_{S} \rho e \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS = -\int_{S} \vec{q} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS + \int_{V} \rho \dot{q} \, dV + \int_{S} \vec{n} \cdot (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{v}) \, dS \tag{14}$$

Applying the divergence theorem:

$$\int_{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho e) \, dV + \int_{V} \nabla \cdot (\rho e \vec{v}) \, dV = -\int_{V} \nabla \cdot \vec{q} \, dV + \int_{V} \rho \dot{q} \, dV + \int_{V} \nabla \cdot (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{v}) \, dV \tag{15}$$

Simplifying:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho e) + \nabla \cdot (\rho e \vec{v}) = -\nabla \cdot \vec{q} + \dot{q} + \nabla \cdot (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{v}) \tag{16}$$

2.3 Simplifying Under Assumptions

We make the following assumptions to simplify the equations:

- 1. Stationary Medium: $\vec{v} = 0$
- 2. Constant Properties: ρ, c, k are constants
- 3. Negligible Viscous Dissipation: $\nabla \cdot (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{v}) = 0$

2.3.1 Simplified Conservation of Mass

With $\vec{v} = 0$:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0 \tag{17}$$

Since ρ is constant, this equation is satisfied.

2.3.2 Simplified Conservation of Momentum

With $\vec{v} = 0$:

$$\nabla \cdot \sigma = \rho \vec{g} \tag{18}$$

This is the equilibrium equation. Typically, we assume the body forces is negligible $(\rho \vec{q} = 0)$.

2.3.3 Simplified Conservation of Energy

With $\vec{v} = 0$ and $\nabla \cdot (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{v}) = 0$:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho e) = -\nabla \cdot \vec{q} + \dot{q} \tag{19}$$

2.4 Relating Internal Energy to Temperature

Assuming the internal energy per unit mass e is related to temperature T by:

$$e = c_p T (20)$$

where c_p is the specific heat capacity at constant volume.

Differentiating with respect to time:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho e) = \rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} \tag{21}$$

2.5 Fourier's Law of Heat Conduction

Fourier's law relates the heat flux \vec{q} to the temperature gradient:

$$\vec{q} = -k\nabla T \tag{22}$$

where k is the thermal conductivity.

Substituting Fourier's law into the simplified energy equation:

$$\rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (-k\nabla T) + \dot{q} \tag{23}$$

Simplifying:

$$\rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T) + \dot{q} \tag{24}$$

Assuming k is constant:

$$\rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = k \nabla^2 T + \dot{q} \tag{25}$$

2.6 Defining Thermal Diffusivity

Thermal diffusivity α is defined as:

$$\alpha = \frac{k}{\rho c_p} \tag{26}$$

Substituting α into the equation:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \alpha \nabla^2 T + \frac{\dot{q}}{\rho c_p} \tag{27}$$

This is the **heat conduction equation**.

2.7 Final Heat Conduction Equation

The general heat conduction equation in terms of temperature T is:

$$\rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T) + \dot{q} \tag{28}$$

This partial differential equation describes how temperature changes with time due to heat conduction in a stationary medium with constant properties.

3 Weak Formulation of the Heat Conduction Equation

3.1 Strong Form of the PDE

The heat conduction equation (strong form) is:

$$\rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T) + \dot{q} \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega$$
 (29)

with boundary conditions:

$$T = \bar{T}$$
 on $\partial \Omega_T$ (Dirichlet condition) (30)

$$\vec{q} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \bar{q} = -k\nabla T \cdot \mathbf{n}$$
 on $\partial \Omega_q$ (Neumann condition) (31)

Note: **n** is the outward normal direction; therefore $\bar{q} > 0$ if \vec{q} going outward, which means \bar{q} is the heat flux going outward.

3.2 Formation of the Weak Form

To derive the weak form, we multiply both sides of the PDE by a test function $w \in V_0$ (space of admissible test functions) and integrate over the domain Ω :

$$\int_{\Omega} w \rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dV = \int_{\Omega} w \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T) dV + \int_{\Omega} w \dot{q} dV$$
 (32)

3.2.1 Integration by Parts

We apply integration by parts to the right-hand side to reduce the order of differentiation on T:

$$\int_{\Omega} w \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T) dV = -\int_{\Omega} \nabla w \cdot (k \nabla T) dV + \int_{\partial \Omega} w (k \nabla T \cdot \mathbf{n}) dS$$
 (33)

Substituting back:

$$\int_{\Omega} w\rho c_{p} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dV = -\int_{\Omega} \nabla w \cdot (k\nabla T) dV + \int_{\partial \Omega} w(k\nabla T \cdot \mathbf{n}) dS + \int_{\Omega} w\dot{q}dV$$
 (34)

3.2.2 Incorporating Boundary Conditions

Since w = 0 on $\partial \Omega_T$ (Dirichlet boundary), the boundary integral reduces to:

$$\int_{\partial\Omega_q} w(k\nabla T \cdot \mathbf{n}) dS \tag{35}$$

Using the Neumann boundary condition $k\nabla T \cdot \mathbf{n} = -\bar{q}$:

$$\int_{\partial\Omega_q} w(k\nabla T \cdot \mathbf{n}) dS = -\int_{\partial\Omega_q} w\bar{q} dS \tag{36}$$

3.2.3 Final Weak Formulation

Collecting terms, the weak form is:

$$\underbrace{\int_{\Omega} w\rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dV}_{\text{Transient Term}} + \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} \nabla w \cdot (k\nabla T) dV}_{\text{Diffusion Term}} = \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} w\dot{q}dV}_{\text{Source Term}} - \underbrace{\int_{\partial\Omega_q} w\bar{q}dS}_{\text{Neumann Boundary}} \tag{37}$$

3.3 Function Spaces

• Trial Function Space *V*:

$$V = \{ T \in H^1(\Omega) \mid T = \bar{T} \text{ on } \partial \Omega_T \}$$
(38)

• Test Function Space V_0 :

$$V_0 = \{ w \in H^1(\Omega) \mid w = 0 \text{ on } \partial \Omega_T \}$$
(39)

4 LPBF Heat Sources

4.1 Classic Double Ellipsoid Laser Heat Source Model

The double ellipsoid model divides the heat source into front and rear semi-ellipsoids, with the total power distribution $\dot{q} = \dot{q}_{\rm front} + \dot{q}_{\rm rear}$. The mathematical expression is:

$$\dot{q}(x,y,z) = \begin{cases} \frac{6\sqrt{3}f_1Q_0}{a_1bc\pi\sqrt{\pi}} \exp\left(-3\left(\frac{x^2}{a_1^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2}\right)\right) & \text{(Front semi-ellipsoid, } x \ge 0) \\ \frac{6\sqrt{3}f_2Q_0}{a_2bc\pi\sqrt{\pi}} \exp\left(-3\left(\frac{x^2}{a_2^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2}\right)\right) & \text{(Rear semi-ellipsoid, } x < 0) \end{cases}$$
(40)

Parameters:

- Q_0 : Total laser power (W).
- f_1, f_2 : Power distribution coefficients for the front and rear semi-ellipsoids, satisfying $f_1 + f_2 = 2$.

- a_1, a_2 : Axial lengths along the laser scanning direction (x-axis) for the front and rear semi-ellipsoids (m).
- b: Transverse axial length perpendicular to the scanning direction (m).
- c: Depth-wise axial length (m).

4.1.1 Improvements for LPBF Process

• Dynamic Coordinate Transformation

The laser scanning speed v significantly affects the melt pool shape. A fixed coordinate system is transformed into a **moving coordinate system** to dynamically track the heat source position:

$$x' = x - vt$$
, $y' = y$, $z' = z$

In the moving coordinate system, the heat source model incorporates time t to reflect the transient behavior during scanning.

• Anisotropic Axial Length Adjustment

The melt pool shape is influenced by material thermophysical properties (e.g., thermal conductivity, specific heat) and process parameters (e.g., power, scanning speed). The axial lengths a_1, a_2, b, c can be calibrated via experiments or simulations:

$$a_1(t) = k_1 \frac{Q_0}{v(t)\rho c_p}, \quad a_2(t) = k_2 \frac{Q_0}{v(t)\rho c_p}, \quad b(t) = k_3 \frac{Q_0}{v(t)\rho c_p}, \quad c(t) = k_4 \frac{Q_0}{v(t)\rho c_p}$$

where k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4 are empirical coefficients, ρ is density, and c_p is specific heat.

• Thermal Property at Different Temperature

The thermal conductivity k of material differs significantly with respect to temperature. It can be expressed as a function of temperature or density:

$$k(T) = k_{\text{bulk}} \cdot (1 + \alpha(T - T_{\text{melt}}))$$

4.2 Convective Heat Flux

$$\bar{q}_{\text{conv}} = h(T - T_{\infty}) \tag{41}$$

- h: Convective heat transfer coefficient $(W/(m^2*K))$
- T_{∞} : Ambient temperature (K)

4.3 Radiative Heat Flux

$$\bar{q}_{\rm rad} = \varepsilon \sigma_{\rm SB} \left(T^4 - T_{\infty}^4 \right) \tag{42}$$

- ε : Emissivity (dimensionless)
- σ_{SB} : Stefan-Boltzmann constant $(W/(m^2*K^4))$

5 Numerical Solution Using FEniCS

We will solve the heat conduction equation using FEniCS for a cubic domain of size $1000 \times 600 \times 300$ µm with the following boundary conditions:

- Bottom Face (z = 0): $T = 300 \,\text{K}$
- Top Face (z = 300): A moving double ellipsoid laser heat source.
- Other Boundaries: Convection and radiation to room temperature.

5.1 FEniCS Code with Line-by-Line Explanations

Below is the FEniCS code with detailed explanations for each part.

```
1 from fenics import *
2 import numpy as np
3 import os
4 from mpi4py import MPI
5 import glob
7 # Enable optimization for compilation
8 parameters["form_compiler"]["optimize"] = True
9 parameters["form_compiler"]["cpp_optimize"] = True
10 parameters["form_compiler"]["cpp_optimize_flags"] = "-03 -ffast-math -march=native"
parameters["form_compiler"]["quadrature_degree"] = 2
12 parameters["form_compiler"]["representation"] = "uflacs"
13
14 comm = MPI.COMM_WORLD
15 rank = comm.Get_rank()
17 if rank > 0: # Suppress output from non-master processes
      set_log_level(LogLevel.WARNING)
18
19
20 if rank == 0: # Only the master process creates the directory
      if not os.path.exists("results"):
21
          os.makedirs("results")
22
23
24
         # Clear existing files
          files = glob.glob('results/*')
25
          for f in files:
26
27
              os.remove(f)
28 comm.barrier() # Ensure all processes wait until the directory is created
29
30 # Material Properties
                          # Density [kg/m^3]
# Specific heat capacity [J/(kg*K)]
31 rho = Constant (2700.0)
32 cp = Constant (900.0)
33 k_bulk = Constant(237.0) # Base thermal conductivity [W/(m*K)]
34 alpha = Constant(1e-3)
                            # Thermal conductivity temperature coefficient [1/K]
35
36 # Boundary condition parameters
              # Convection coefficient [W/(m^2*K)]
37 h = 10.0
38 T_{inf} = 300.0
                             # Ambient temperature [K]
39 epsilon = 0.5
                             # Emissivity
40 \text{ sigma\_SB} = 5.67e-8
                            # Stefan-Boltzmann constant
42 # Double ellipsoid heat source parameters
                 # Laser power [W]
43 \ Q0 = 150
44 v = 1.0
                             # Scanning speed [m/s]
45 a1, a2, b, c = 50e-6, 200e-6, 50e-6, 50e-6 # Ellipsoid parameters
46 f1, f2 = 0.6, 1.4
                            # Power distribution coefficients
48 # Define computational domain (unit: meters)
```

```
49 \text{ Lx}, Ly, Lz = 1000e-6, 600e-6, 300e-6
50 \text{ meshsz} = 30e-6
51 mesh = BoxMesh(Point(0, 0, 0), Point(Lx, Ly, Lz), int(Lx/meshsz), int(Ly/meshsz), int(Lz/
      meshsz))
52 # mesh = BoxMesh(comm, Point(0, 0, 0), Point(Lx, Ly, Lz), 100, 60, 30)
53
54 # Time parameters
                              # Total time [s]
55 t_total = Lx/v
56 dt = t_total/10
                             # Time step [s]
57 num_steps = int(t_total/dt)
58
59 # Define function space
60 V = FunctionSpace(mesh, 'P', 1)
61
62 # Define test functions and unknown functions
63 w = TestFunction(V)
                       # Temperature field at current time step
64 T = Function(V)
                      # Temperature field at previous time step
65 T_n = Function(V)
67 # Initial condition
68 T_n = interpolate(Constant(T_inf), V) # Initial temperature field
69
70 # Boundary condition definitions
71 # Define boundary locations
72 def top(x, on_boundary):
73
      return near(x[2], Lz) and on_boundary
74
75 def bottom(x, on_boundary):
      return near(x[2], 0.) and on_boundary
76
77
78 def walls(x, on_boundary):
79
       left = near(x[0], 0.) and on_boundary
       right = near(x[0], Lx) and on_boundary
80
       front = near(x[1], 0.) and on_boundary
81
       back = near(x[1], Ly) and on_boundary
82
83
       return left | right | front | back
84
85 # Mark boundaries
86 boundaries = MeshFunction("size_t", mesh, mesh.topology().dim() - 1, 0)
87 Top = AutoSubDomain(top)
88 Top.mark(boundaries, 1)
89 Bottom = AutoSubDomain(bottom)
90 Bottom.mark(boundaries, 2)
91 Walls = AutoSubDomain(walls)
92 Walls.mark(boundaries, 3)
93 ds = Measure('ds', domain=mesh, subdomain_data=boundaries) # Redefine the measure 'ds' with
        subdomains
95 bc = DirichletBC(V, Constant(T_inf), bottom)
96 \text{ bcs} = [bc]
97
98 # Temperature-dependent thermal conductivity
99 def thermal_conductivity(T):
100
       return k_bulk * (1 + alpha*(T - 300))
101
102 # Define volumetric heat source for laser scanning
103 class HeatSource(UserExpression):
       def __init__(self, position, velocity, Q0, f1, f2, a1, a2, b, c, t, **kwargs):
104
           super().__init__(**kwargs)
106
107
           # Validate that position is a vector of length 3
108
           if len(position) != 3:
               raise ValueError ("Position must be a vector with exactly 3 elements (x, y, z).")
109
           # Validate that velocity is a vector of length 3
111
           if len(velocity) != 3:
               raise ValueError("Velocity must be a vector with exactly 3 elements (vx, vy, vz)
```

```
114
                     115
116
                     self.Q0 = Q0
117
118
                     self.f1 = f1
                     self.f2 = f2
119
                     self.a1 = a1
120
                     self.a2 = a2
121
122
                     self.b = b
123
                     self.c = c
                     self.t = t
124
125
             def eval(self, value, x):
126
127
128
                     laser_center = self.position + self.velocity * self.t # Laser center position
129
                     # Relative position
130
                     x_prime = x - laser_center
131
132
                     # Calculate heat source intensity
133
                     if x_prime[0] >= 0:
134
135
                             coeff = 6*sqrt(3) * self.f1 * self.Q0/(self.a1*self.b*self.c*np.pi*sqrt(np.pi))
                             exponent = -3*((x_prime[0])**2/self.a1**2 + x_prime[1]**2/self.b**2 + x_prime
136
              [2]**2/self.c**2)
                     else:
137
                             coeff = 6*sqrt(3) * self.f2 * self.Q0/(self.a2*self.b*self.c*np.pi*sqrt(np.pi))
138
                             {\tt exponent = -3*((x_prime[0])**2/self.a2**2 + x_prime[1]**2/self.b**2 + x_prime[1]**2/self.b*
139
              [2]**2/self.c**2)
140
141
                     value[0] = coeff * exp(exponent)
142
143
             def value_shape(self):
144
                     return ()
145
146 # Create heat source object
147 position = [-a1, Ly/2, Lz]
148 velocity = [v, 0.0, 0.0]
q_dot = HeatSource(position, velocity, Q0, f1, f2, a1, a2, b, c, t=0, degree=1)
151 # Define radiative heat flux
152 q_bar_conv = h * (T - T_inf) # Convective heat flux
153 q_bar_rad = epsilon * sigma_SB * (T**4 - T_inf**4) # Radiative heat flux
154
155 # Define variational form
156 F = w * rho * cp * (T - T_n) / dt * dx 
             + inner(grad(w), thermal_conductivity(T)*grad(T))*dx \
157
             - w * q_dot * dx \setminus
158
             + w * (q_bar_rad + q_bar_conv) * ds(3)
159
160
161 # Create nonlinear problem and solver
162 problem = NonlinearVariationalProblem(F, T, bc, J=derivative(F, T))
solver = NonlinearVariationalSolver(problem)
164 solver.parameters['newton_solver']['relaxation_parameter'] = 1.0
solver.parameters["newton_solver"]["linear_solver"] = "cg"
166 solver.parameters["newton_solver"]["maximum_iterations"] = 50
167
168
170 t = 0.0 # Initialize time
172 # Create file to save results
173 file = XDMFFile("results/temperature.xdmf")
174 file.write(mesh)
175 file.parameters["flush_output"] = True
177 # save initial condition
178 T_n.rename("Temperature", "Temperature")
179 file.write(T_n, t)
```

```
180
181 # Initialize heat source object (Note: time parameter must be initialized first)
182 q_dot.t = t
183
184 for step in range(num_steps):
       # Update time
185
       t += dt
186
187
       # Print progress information
188
       if rank == 0:
189
           print(f"\n====== Computing time step {step + 1}/{num_steps} [t = {t:.6f} s] =======
190
191
       # Update heat source position (Critical step!)
192
193
       q_dot.t = t # Update heat source time parameter
194
195
       # Solve nonlinear problem
196
197
198
       try:
           # Call solver
199
200
           solver.solve()
201
           # Check solution validity
202
           max_T = T.vector().max()
203
            min_T = T.vector().min()
204
           if max_T > 5000 or min_T < 0:</pre>
205
               print(f"Warning: Temperature solution out of physical range! Max temperature: {
206
       max_T} K, Min temperature: {min_T} K")
207
                break
208
209
       except Exception as e:
           print(f"Solving failed at time step {step}, error message:")
210
           print(str(e))
211
           break
212
213
       \mbox{\tt\#} Update solution from the previous time step
214
215
216
       T_n.assign(T)
217
       # Save results
218
219
       if (step + 1) % 2 == 0:
220
           T.rename("Temperature", "Temperature")
221
           file.write(T, t)
222
           if rank == 0:
223
                print(f"Results saved at time step {step + 1}")
224
225
226
227 # Save final result
228 file.close()
229 if rank == 0:
print("\nComputation completed! Results saved to results/temperature.pvd")
```

Listing 1: FEniCS Code for LPBF Heat Conduction

6 Conclusion

Starting from the integral forms of the conservation laws, we derived the heat conduction equation and formulated its weak form suitable for finite element analysis. We then implemented a numerical solution using FEniCS, incorporating boundary conditions and a moving Gaussian heat source. The detailed derivations and line-by-line explanation of the code provide insights into setting up and solving PDEs using FEniCS.

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