

Diffusion of Heat

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Recall: Newton's Law of Cooling

$U(t)$ = temp of coffee
 \bar{u} = temp of air.



Remember Newton says:

(Heat Flux) \propto Temperature Difference;

DE:

$$\frac{dU}{dt} = -k(U - \bar{u}) \quad k > 0.$$

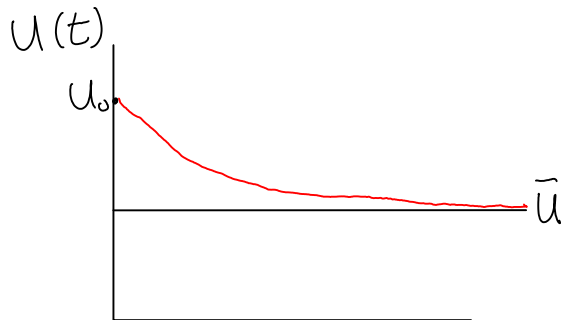
HW assume wave speed is positive

I.C.

$$U(0) = U_0$$

The solution is

$$U(t) = \bar{u} + (U_0 - \bar{u})e^{-kt}$$

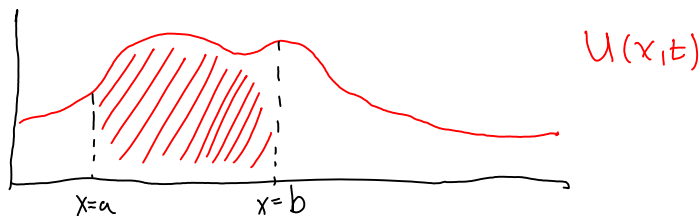
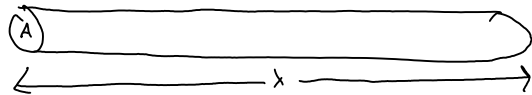


Assumption

Temp. in coffee is uniform! Not always the case.

In real life, temperature can be a function of position also

Let's consider a metal bar whose temperature varies along its length.



Assumptions: temp. always varies w/ length, no loss to atmosphere

$\mathcal{E}(t)$ = thermal energy in bar in region $a < x < b$

$$= \rho c_v \int_a^b A U(x,t) dx$$

degrees

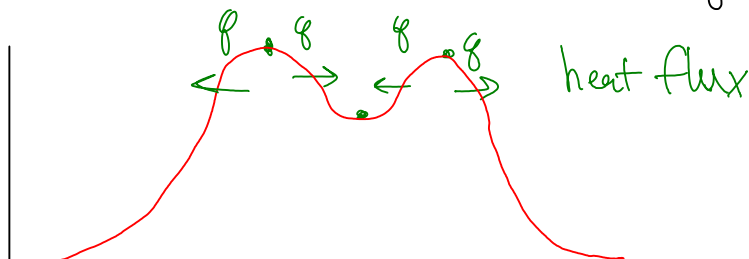
A = area $\equiv \text{length}^2$

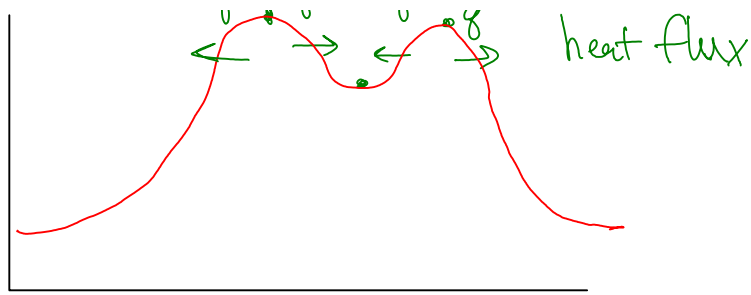
ρ = mass/length³ (density)

c_v = heat capacity = $\frac{\text{energy}}{\text{degree mass}}$ energy to raise 1 mass by 1 temp.

Claim:

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} = -[g(b) - g(a)] \quad \text{where } g(x) \text{ is the heat flux through } x \text{ (to the right)}$$





"phlogiston" - thought to be in material (heat)

Fourier's Law of Cooling

heat flux is proportional to the gradient of temperature

$$q = -k u_x$$

$k > 0$ is thermal conductivity.
(energy length / temp.time)

So

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} = -[q(b) - q(a)] = k \underbrace{[u_x(b) - u_x(a)]}_{\text{limit of an integral}}$$

but

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left[\rho c_v A \int_a^b u dx \right] \\ &= \rho c_v A \int_a^b \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} dx \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\rho c_v A \int_a^b \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} dx = k \left[\int_a^b \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} dx \right]$$

Rearranging

$$\rho c_v A \int_a^b \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} dx - k \int_a^b \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} dx = 0$$

$$\rho c_v A \int_{x=a}^b \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} dx = 0$$

where $D = \frac{k}{\rho c_v A}$ is the diffusion constant, $\left(\frac{\text{length}^2}{\text{time}}\right)$

a and b are arbitrary, so integral vanishes over every interval, and assuming sufficient smoothness

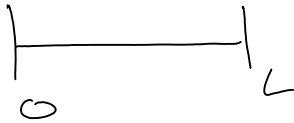
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

heat / diffusion equation

All we need to do is solve it.

Dirichlet Problem for the Heat Equation

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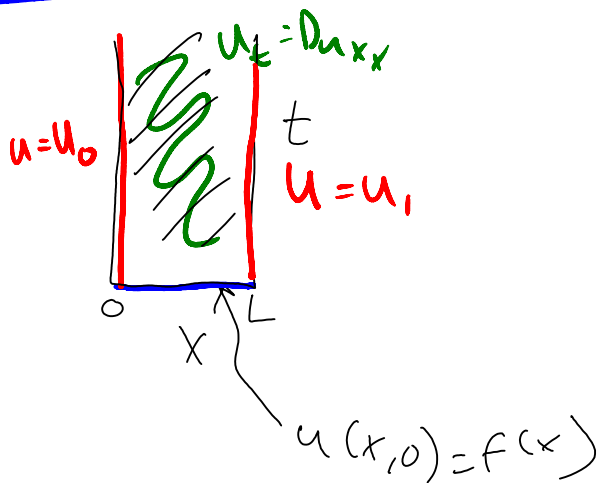


Can specify flux or temps at endpoints.
(Neumann or Dirichlet)

D.E.: $u_t = D u_{xx} \quad 0 \leq x < L, t > 0$

B.C.: $u(0,t) = u_0, \quad u(L,t) = u_1, \quad t > 0$

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



This is a well specified
problem (we can prove
in a few weeks).

This problem has unique solution

Separation of Variables

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Today we will solve a special case
 $u_0 = u_1 = 0$ using method of separation of
variables.

Guess a solution of the form

$$u(x, t) = X(x) T(t)$$

Substitute into DE.

D.E.

$$u_t = D u_{xx} \rightsquigarrow$$

$$X T_t = D X_{xx} T$$

Separate variables

Divide by $X \cdot T \cdot D$:

$$\underbrace{\frac{T_t}{DT}}_{\text{fn of } t} = \underbrace{\frac{X_{xx}}{X}}_{\text{fn of } x} = -\lambda$$

↖ a fn of x which is also a function
of t . Called the
separation constant.

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We now have two ODEs:

$$T_t + \lambda D T = 0 \rightarrow T(t) = A e^{-\lambda D t}$$

$$X_{xx} + \lambda X = 0 \quad 0 < x < L$$

can separate the BC's also

$$\text{note } 0 = u(0, t) = X(0) T(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow X(0) = 0 \text{ or } T(t) = 0$$

$$\text{If } T(t) = 0, \quad u(x, t) = 0 \Rightarrow u(x, t) = 0.$$

true, but boring. TRIVIAL SOLUTION

Choose $X(0) = 0$.

Other boundary condition

$$u(L, t) = X(L) T(t) = 0$$

$$\underline{X(L) = 0} \text{ or } T(t) = 0 \text{ (trivial)}$$

Yields BVP (boundary value problem)

$$X_{xx} + \lambda X = 0$$

$$\underline{\text{B.C.:}} \quad X(0) = X(L) = 0.$$

Assume $\lambda > 0$ (don't even know real)

← (we'll prove that if $\lambda \neq 0$, then $X=0$ is only soln).

D.E.:

$$X_{xx} + \lambda X = 0$$

$$X(x) = A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x),$$

$$\text{but } X(0) = A = 0, \text{ so } A = 0.$$

$$\text{and } X(L) = B \sin \sqrt{\lambda}L = 0$$

$$\text{so } \sqrt{\lambda}L = n\pi \text{ for } n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\text{so, } \lambda = \lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2$$

$$X = X_n = \underline{B \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)}$$

Combining these yield

$$u_n(x,t) = T_n(t) X_n(x) = \tilde{A} e^{-\lambda_n b^2 t} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$u_n(x,t) = C e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} D t} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Check solution (Maple WS online)

More General Solution

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The problem is homogeneous, so the most general solution is a linear combination

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2} Dt}$$

Need to solve I.C.

Don't know c_n , haven't use I.C.

$$u(x,0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) = f(x)$$

At this point I remember the orthogonality condition. Let

$$\langle g(x), h(x) \rangle = \int_0^L g(x)h(x) dx.$$

$$\left\langle \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \right\rangle = \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$\left\{ = 0 \text{ if } n \neq m, = \frac{L}{2} \text{ if } n = m \right\}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle f(x), \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \right\rangle &= \left\langle \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \left\langle \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \right\rangle = c_m \frac{L}{2} \end{aligned}$$

projecting
onto
 n^{th} vector

so
$$C_m = \frac{2}{L} \left\langle f(x), \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

Fourier Sine Series

If $f(x) = \left|x - \frac{L}{2}\right|$

± get the series in the MAPLE worksheet.