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# MATH2089

## Numerical Methods

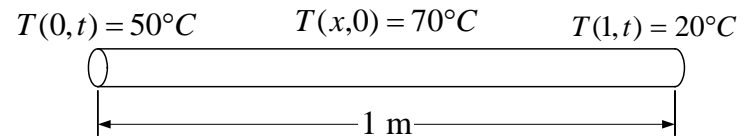
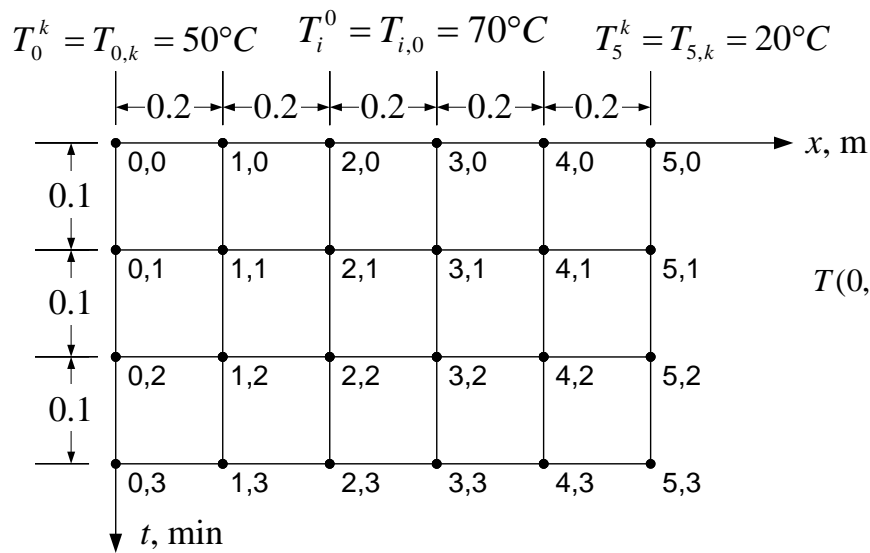
### Lecture 12

Boundary Value Problems  
Parabolic Equations  
Elliptic and Hyperbolic Equations

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## Example – Parabolic Equation

- A metal rod of length 1 m is initially at 70°C. The steady-state temperature of the left and right ends of the rod are given by 50°C and 20°C, respectively. Using  $\alpha = 0.1 \text{ m}^2/\text{min}$ ,  $\Delta x = 0.2 \text{ m}$  and  $\Delta t = 0.1 \text{ min}$ , determine the temperature distribution in the rod for  $0 \leq t \leq 0.3 \text{ min}$ .



## Example (continue)

- Solution : Consider the parabolic equation

$$\frac{\partial T(x,t)}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T(x,t)}{\partial x^2} ; 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ m}$$

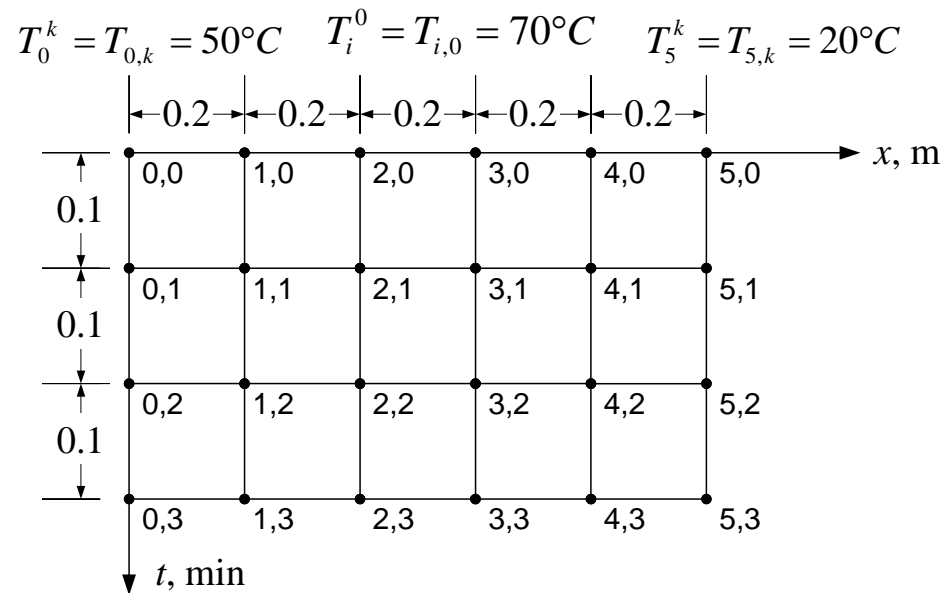
- Boundary conditions  $T(0,t) = 50^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T(1,t) = 20^\circ\text{C}$
- Initial condition  $T(x,0) = 70^\circ\text{C}$
- Check for stability

$$s = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{(\Delta x)^2} = \frac{(0.1)(0.1)}{(0.2)^2} = 0.25 \leq 0.5$$

## Example (continue)

- Assume  $T_{0,0}$  and  $T_{5,0}$  as the averages of the initial and steady-state values

$$T_0^0 = (70 + 50) / 2 = 60^\circ\text{C},$$
$$T_5^0 = (70 + 20) / 2 = 45^\circ\text{C}$$



## Example (continue)

- Using explicit FTCS (Forward Time Central Space) scheme

$$T_i^{k+1} = sT_{i+1}^k + (1 - 2s)T_i^k + sT_{i-1}^k$$

$$s = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{(\Delta x)^2} = \frac{(0.1)(0.1)}{(0.2)^2} = 0.25 \leq 0.5$$

- At  $t_1 = 0.1$  min

$$T_1^1 = 0.25T_2^0 + 0.5T_1^0 + 0.25T_0^0 = 0.25(70) + 0.5(70) + 0.25(60) = 67.5^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_2^1 = 0.25T_3^0 + 0.5T_2^0 + 0.25T_1^0 = 0.25(70) + 0.5(70) + 0.25(70) = 70^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_3^1 = 0.25T_4^0 + 0.5T_3^0 + 0.25T_2^0 = 0.25(70) + 0.5(70) + 0.25(70) = 70^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_4^1 = 0.25T_5^0 + 0.5T_4^0 + 0.25T_3^0 = 0.25(45) + 0.5(70) + 0.25(70) = 63.75^\circ\text{C}$$

## Example (continue)

➤ At  $t_2 = 0.2$  min

$$T_1^2 = 0.25T_2^1 + 0.5T_1^1 + 0.25T_0^1 = 0.25(70) + 0.5(67.5) + 0.25(50) = 63.75^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_2^2 = 0.25T_3^1 + 0.5T_2^1 + 0.25T_1^1 = 0.25(70) + 0.5(70) + 0.25(67.5) = 69.375^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_3^2 = 0.25T_4^1 + 0.5T_3^1 + 0.25T_2^1 = 0.25(63.75) + 0.5(70) + 0.25(70) = 68.4375^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_4^2 = 0.25T_5^1 + 0.5T_4^1 + 0.25T_3^1 = 0.25(20) + 0.5(63.75) + 0.25(70) = 54.375^\circ\text{C}$$

➤ At  $t_2 = 0.3$  min

$$T_1^3 = 0.25T_2^2 + 0.5T_1^2 + 0.25T_0^2 = 0.25(69.375) + 0.5(63.75) + 0.25(50) = 61.71875^\circ\text{C}$$

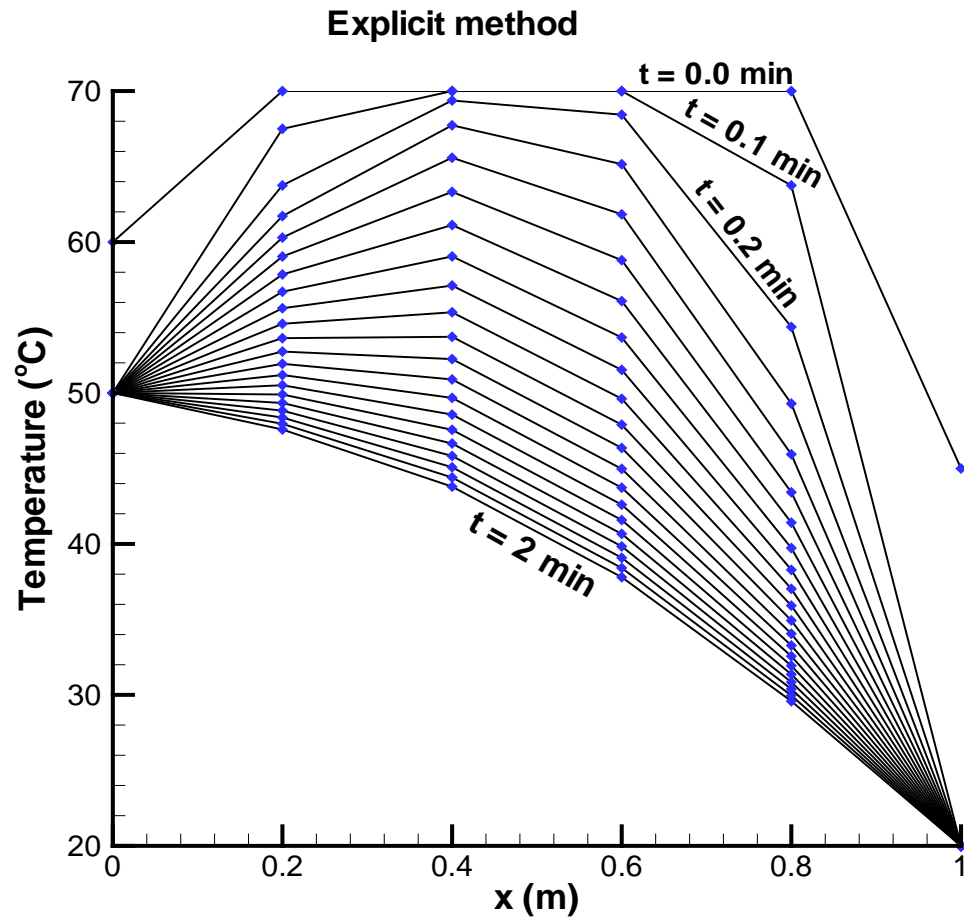
$$T_2^3 = 0.25T_3^2 + 0.5T_2^2 + 0.25T_1^2 = 0.25(68.4375) + 0.5(69.375) + 0.25(63.75) = 67.734375^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_3^3 = 0.25T_4^2 + 0.5T_3^2 + 0.25T_2^2 = 0.25(54.375) + 0.5(66.4375) + 0.25(69.375) = 65.15625^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_4^3 = 0.25T_5^2 + 0.5T_4^2 + 0.25T_3^2 = 0.25(20) + 0.5(57.375) + 0.25(68.4375) = 49.296875^\circ\text{C}$$

# Example (continue)

## ➤ Marching through time



## Example (continue)

- Using explicit FTCS (Forward Time Central Space) scheme with  $\Delta t = 0.3$  min

$$\frac{\alpha \Delta t}{(\Delta x)^2} = \frac{(0.1)(0.3)}{(0.2)^2} = 0.75 > 0.5$$

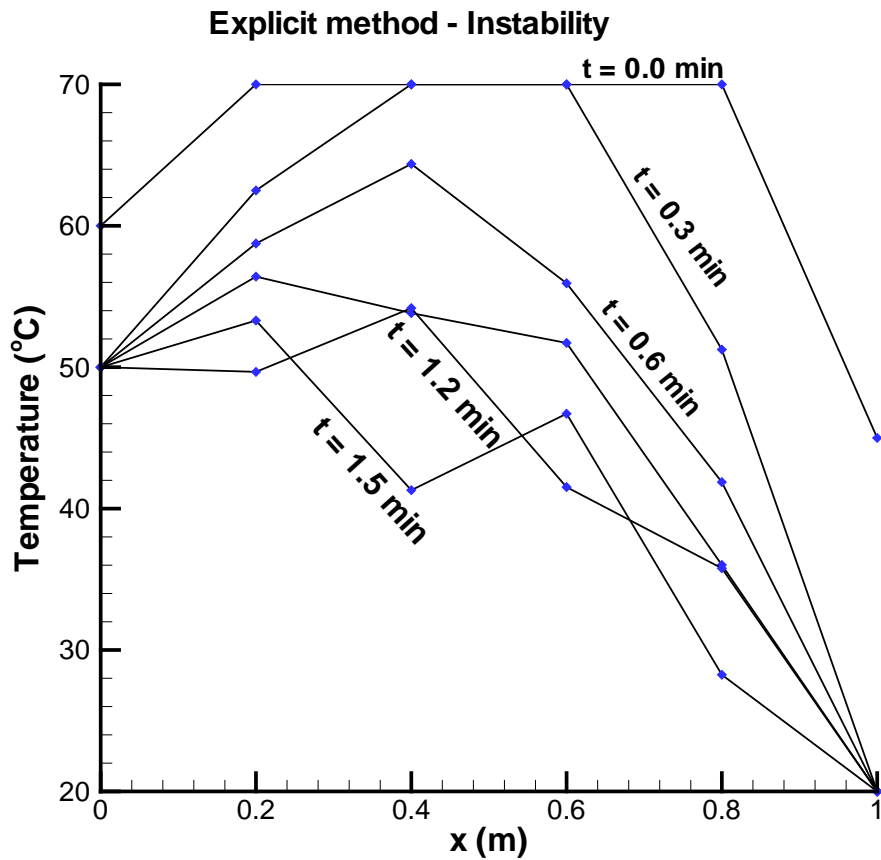
$$T_i^{k+1} = 0.75T_{i+1}^k - 0.5T_i^k + 0.75T_{i-1}^k$$

- Repeat the same process



# Example (continue)

## ➤ Marching through time



## Example (continue)

- How about semi-implicit method?
- With  $\Delta t = 0.3$  min

$$s = \alpha \Delta t / (\Delta x)^2 = (0.1)(0.3) / (0.2)^2 = 0.75, \quad \theta = 0.5$$

$$-0.5sT_{i+1}^{k+1} + (1+s)T_i^{k+1} - 0.5sT_{i-1}^{k+1} = 0.5sT_{i+1}^k + (1-s)T_i^k + 0.5sT_{i-1}^k$$

$$-0.375T_{i+1}^{k+1} + 1.75T_i^{k+1} - 0.375T_{i-1}^{k+1} = 0.375T_{i+1}^k + 0.25T_i^k + 0.375T_{i-1}^k$$

- At  $t_1 = 0.3$  min

$$T_0^0 = 60^\circ\text{C}, T_5^0 = 45^\circ\text{C}, T_0^1 = 50^\circ\text{C}, T_5^1 = 20^\circ\text{C}, T_1^0 = T_2^0 = T_3^0 = T_4^0 = 70^\circ\text{C}$$

## Example (continue)

### ➤ Finite difference equations

$$-0.375T_0^1 + 1.75T_1^1 - 0.375T_2^1 = 0.375T_0^0 + 0.25T_1^0 + 0.375T_2^0$$

$$-0.375T_1^1 + 1.75T_2^1 - 0.375T_3^1 = 0.375T_1^0 + 0.25T_2^0 + 0.375T_3^0$$

$$-0.375T_2^1 + 1.75T_3^1 - 0.375T_4^1 = 0.375T_2^0 + 0.25T_3^0 + 0.375T_4^0$$

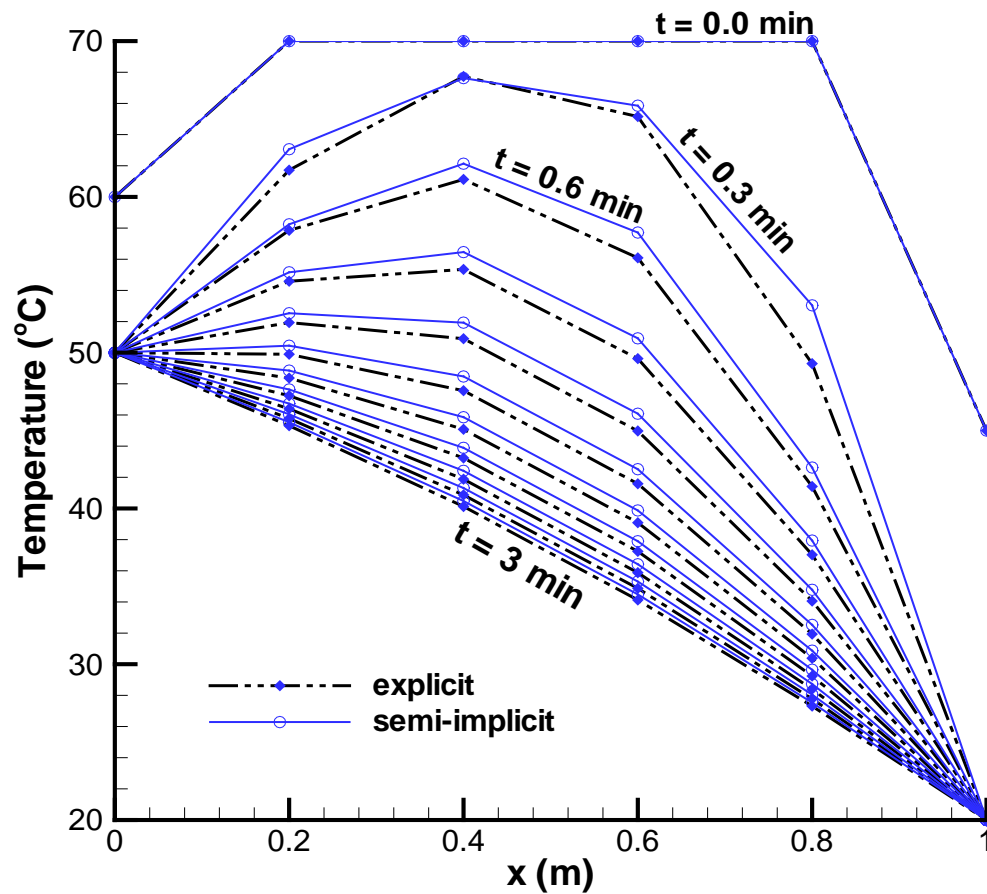
$$-0.375T_3^1 + 1.75T_4^1 - 0.375T_5^1 = 0.375T_3^0 + 0.25T_4^0 + 0.375T_5^0$$

### ➤ In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.75 & -0.375 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.375 & 1.75 & -0.375 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.375 & 1.75 & -0.375 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.375 & 1.75 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} T_1^1 \\ T_2^1 \\ T_3^1 \\ T_4^1 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 85 \\ 70 \\ 70 \\ 68.125 \end{Bmatrix}$$

# Example (continue)

## ➤ Marching through time



# Partial Differential Equations – General terminology

- Differential equations involving more than one independent variable are called partial differential equations (PDEs)
- Linear second-order partial-differential equations can be classified into three categories depending on the values of the coefficients in this general formulation:

$$a \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + b \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} + c \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = G \left( x, y, \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\text{i.e., } a \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + b \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} + c \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} + d \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + e \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + f \phi = h$$

# Category

- The value of  $b^2 - 4ac$  determine the type
- For example:
- $< 0$ : Elliptic – Laplace equation (steady state with two spatial dimensions) 
$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} = 0$$
- $= 0$ : Parabolic – Heat conduction equation (time variation with one spatial dimension) 
$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$$
- $> 0$ : Hyperbolic – Wave equation (time variation with one spatial dimension) 
$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$$

# Boundary Conditions

- A PDE must have both initial and boundary conditions!
- The boundary conditions can be specified as:

- Dirichlet condition

$$\phi(x, y) = f(x, y) \quad \text{or} \quad \phi(x, y) = \text{constant}$$

- Neumann condition

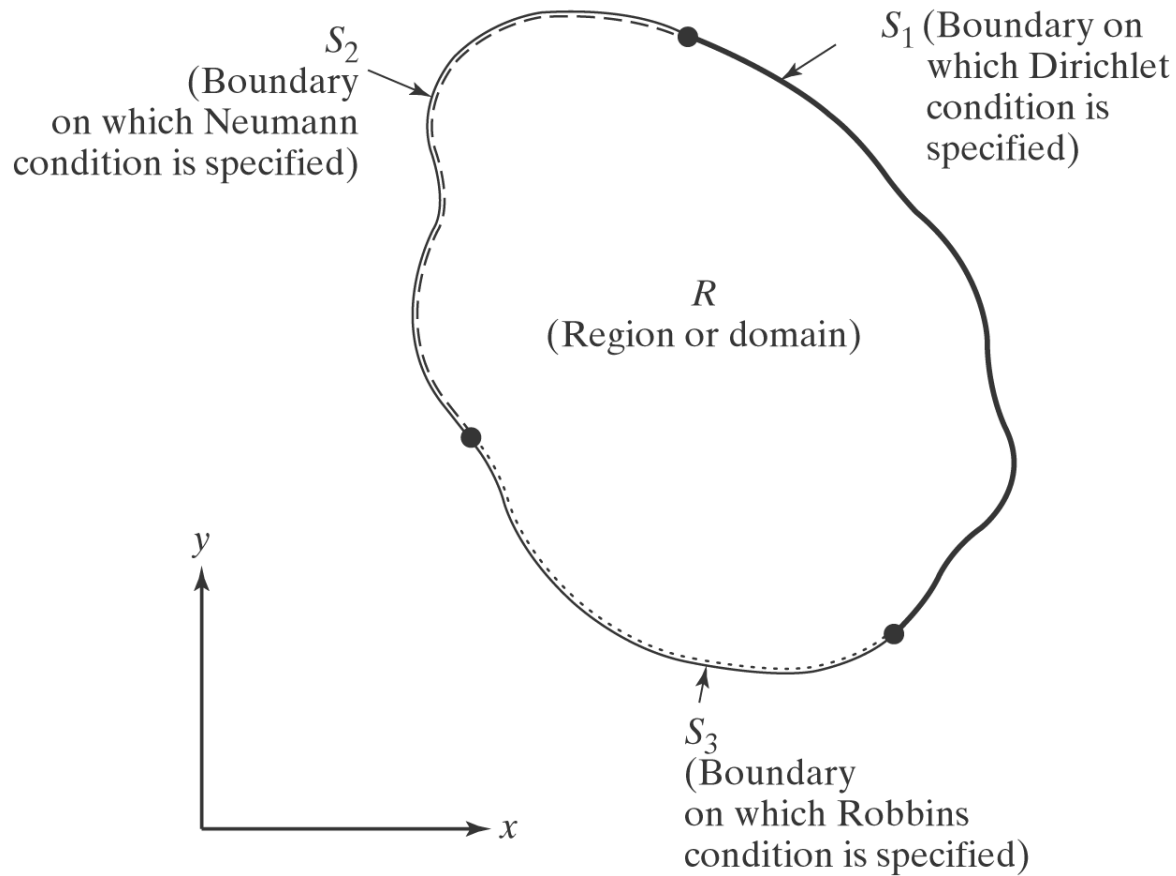
$$\left. \frac{d\phi}{dn} \right|_{x,y} = f(x, y) \quad \text{or} \quad \left. \frac{d\phi}{dn} \right|_{x,y} = \text{constant} \quad \text{n is the direction normal to the boundary}$$

- Mixed condition

$$\left. \frac{d\phi}{dn} \right|_{x,y} + c\phi(x, y) = f(x, y) \quad \text{or} \quad \left. \frac{d\phi}{dn} \right|_{x,y} + c\phi(x, y) = \text{constant}$$

# Boundary Conditions (continue)

## ➤ Schematic description:



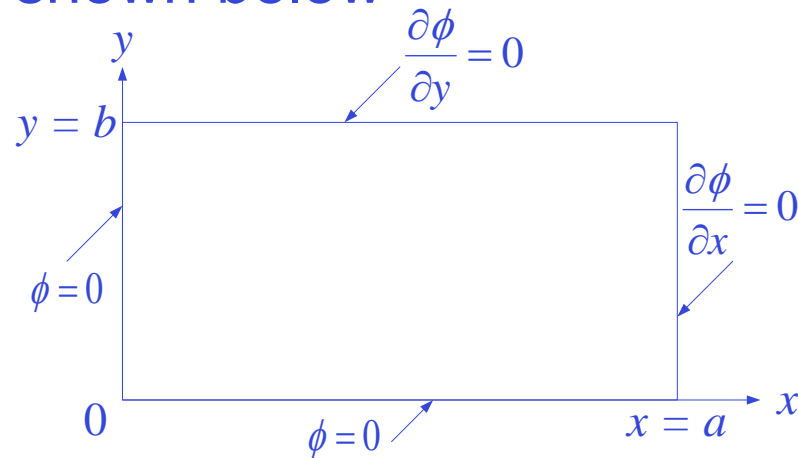


# Elliptic Partial Differential Equations

- Laplace equation:  $\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0$
- Poisson equation:  $\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y)$
- Note: function  $f(x, y)$  is called source or non-homogeneous term

# Description of Problem

- Consider a rectangular region with the boundary conditions as shown below

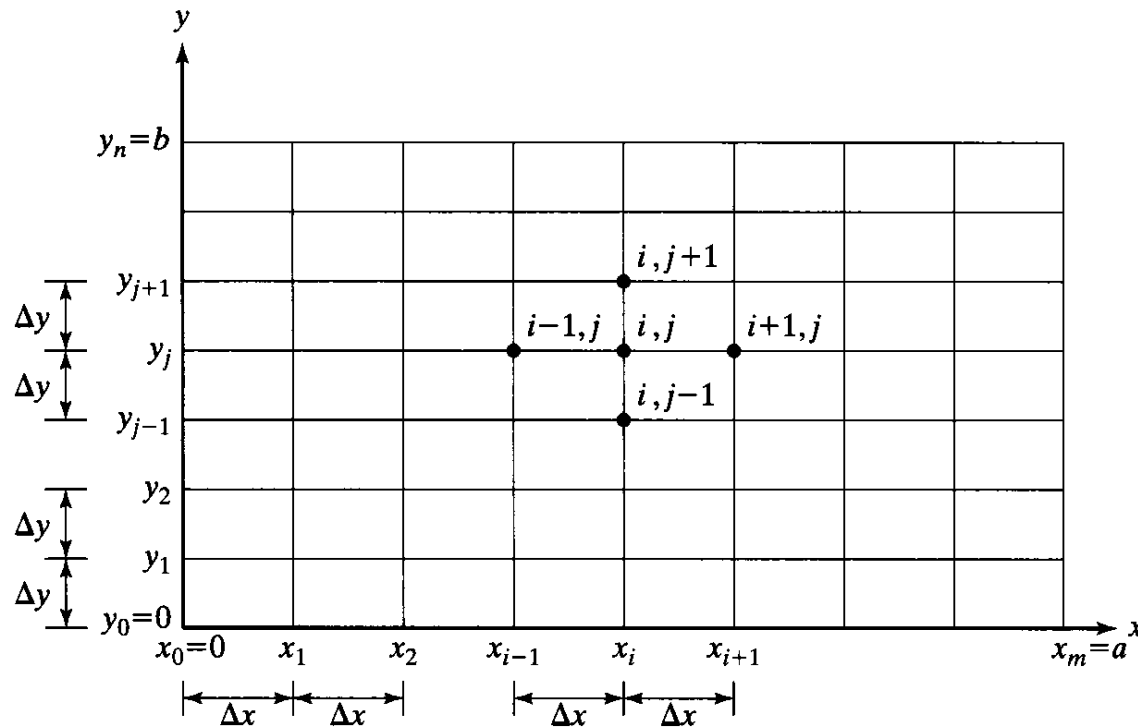


- The rectangular domain of integration is divided into  $m$  equal parts along the  $x$ -direction and  $n$  equal parts along the  $y$ -direction, so that the step sizes are given by

$$\Delta x = a / m, \quad \Delta y = b / n$$

## Description of Problem (continue)

- Let us define the coordinates of the mesh points which are denoted by  $(x_i, y_i)$

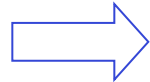


Finite difference grid

# Approximation

- Employ the central-difference formula to derive the finite-difference equations for an interior grid point  $(i,j)$ :

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


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

Central difference  
along x

Central difference  
along y

# Boundary Conditions

$$\phi(0, y) = \phi_{0,j} = 0, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Along  $x = 0$

$$\phi(x, 0) = \phi_{i,0} = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m$$

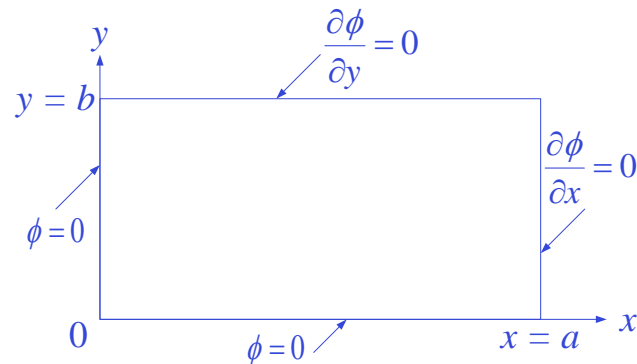
Along  $y = 0$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}(a, y) = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \bigg|_{m,j} = 0, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Along  $x = a$

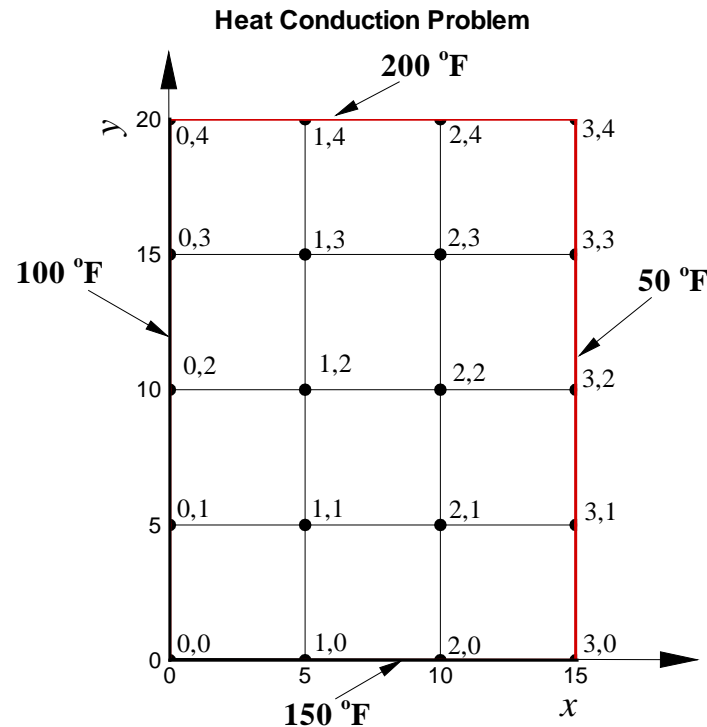
$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y}(x, b) = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \bigg|_{i,n} = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Along  $y = b$



## Example - Elliptic Equation

- Determine the steady-state temperature distribution in a rectangular plate of size 15 mm  $\times$  20 mm by solving the Laplace equation using  $\Delta x = \Delta y = 5$  mm. Temperatures on the four sides of the plate are specified as indicated below.



## Example (continue)

- Solution : We approximate the temperature equation of the form:

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

- Applying central difference formula:

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

- With  $\Delta x = \Delta y$ ,

$$(\Delta x)^2 = (\Delta y)^2 \Rightarrow T_{i-1,j} + T_{i+1,j} + T_{i,j-1} + T_{i,j+1} - 4T_{i,j} = 0$$

## Example (continue)

➤ Boundary conditions

$$T_{0,j} = 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}, \quad T_{3,j} = 50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}, \quad j = 0,1,2,3,4$$

$$T_{i,0} = 150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}, \quad T_{i,4} = 200\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}, \quad i = 0,1,2,3$$

or

$$T_{0,0} = T_{0,1} = T_{0,2} = T_{0,3} = T_{0,4} = 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}, \quad T_{3,0} = T_{3,1} = T_{3,2} = T_{3,3} = T_{3,4} = 50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F},$$

$$T_{0,0} = T_{1,0} = T_{2,0} = T_{3,0} = 150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}, \quad T_{0,4} = T_{1,4} = T_{2,4} = T_{3,4} = 200\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$$



## Example (continue)

➤ Finite difference equations:

$$(1,1) \Rightarrow T_{0,1} + T_{2,1} + T_{1,0} + T_{1,2} - 4T_{1,1} = 0 \Rightarrow 100 + T_{2,1} + 150 + T_{1,2} - 4T_{1,1} = 0$$

$$(2,1) \Rightarrow T_{1,1} + T_{3,1} + T_{2,0} + T_{2,2} - 4T_{2,1} = 0 \Rightarrow T_{1,1} + 50 + 150 + T_{2,2} - 4T_{2,1} = 0$$

$$(1,2) \Rightarrow T_{0,2} + T_{2,2} + T_{1,1} + T_{1,3} - 4T_{1,2} = 0 \Rightarrow 100 + T_{2,2} + T_{1,1} + T_{1,3} - 4T_{1,2} = 0$$

$$(2,2) \Rightarrow T_{1,2} + T_{3,2} + T_{2,1} + T_{2,3} - 4T_{2,2} = 0 \Rightarrow T_{1,2} + 50 + T_{2,1} + T_{2,3} - 4T_{2,2} = 0$$

$$(1,3) \Rightarrow T_{0,3} + T_{2,3} + T_{1,2} + T_{1,4} - 4T_{1,3} = 0 \Rightarrow 100 + T_{2,3} + T_{1,2} + 200 - 4T_{1,3} = 0$$

$$(2,3) \Rightarrow T_{1,3} + T_{3,3} + T_{2,2} + T_{2,4} - 4T_{2,3} = 0 \Rightarrow T_{1,3} + 50 + T_{2,2} + 200 - 4T_{2,3} = 0$$

## Example (continue)

➤ In matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -4 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -4 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} T_{11} \\ T_{21} \\ T_{12} \\ T_{22} \\ T_{13} \\ T_{23} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} -250 \\ -200 \\ -100 \\ -50 \\ -300 \\ -250 \end{Bmatrix}$$

## Example (continue)

➤ Using Gauss-Siedel:

$$T_{1,1}^{k+1} = (250 + T_{2,1}^k + T_{1,2}^k) / 4$$

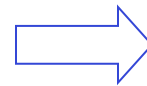
$$T_{2,1}^{k+1} = (200 + T_{1,1}^{k+1} + T_{2,2}^k) / 4$$

$$T_{1,2}^{k+1} = (100 + T_{1,1}^{k+1} + T_{1,3}^k + T_{2,2}^k) / 4$$

$$T_{2,2}^{k+1} = (50 + T_{1,2}^{k+1} + T_{2,1}^{k+1} + T_{2,3}^k) / 4$$

$$T_{1,3}^{k+1} = (300 + T_{1,2}^{k+1} + T_{2,3}^k) / 4$$

$$T_{2,3}^{k+1} = (250 + T_{1,3}^{k+1} + T_{2,2}^{k+1}) / 4$$



$$\begin{Bmatrix} T_{11} \\ T_{21} \\ T_{12} \\ T_{22} \\ T_{13} \\ T_{23} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 116.045 \\ 103.002 \\ 111.18 \\ 95.9627 \\ 132.712 \\ 119.668 \end{Bmatrix}$$

➤ With a suitable initial values of  $T_{i,j}^0$

$$T_{i,j}^0 = (100 + 200 + 150 + 50) / 4$$

## Example (continue)

- Solution from finite difference equation can be obtained within 18 iterations of Gauss-Seidel method in  $10^{-6}$  of convergence criterion with previous initial values
- Note that the accuracy of the result can be improved by using smaller step size  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta y$