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```
% heat_equation - Program to solve the diffusion equation
% using the Backward Euler method
clear; help heat_equation; % Clear memory and print header
```

```
/* Initialize parameters (time step, grid spacing, etc.)
tau = 1e-4; % Enter time step
N = 100; % Number of grid points
L = 1; % The system extends from (x)=(0) to (x)=(L)
h = L/N;
i = 0:(N-1);
x = h/2 + i*h;
w = 0.2;
xs = 0.5;
ys = 0.5;
```

*heat\_equation - Program to solve the diffusion equation  
using the Backward Euler method*

## Initialize Source function

```
S = zeros(N); % Set all elements to zero
xExponent = (x'-xs).^2;
S = exp(-xExponent/w^2);
deltaFunction = zeros(N,1);
deltaFunction(round(N/2))=2;
```

## \* Set up the Laplacian operator matrix

```
lap = zeros(N); % Set all elements to zero
coeff = 1/h^2;
for i=2:(N-1)
    lap(i,i-1) = coeff;
    lap(i,i) = -2*coeff; % Set interior rows
    lap(i,i+1) = coeff;
end
% Boundary conditions
lap(1,1)=-coeff;
```

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```
lap(1,2)=coeff;  
lap(N,N)=-coeff;  
lap(N,N-1)=coeff;
```

## \* Initialize Q-matrix

```
Q = deltaFunction;
```

## \* Compute A-matrix $(T_{n+1})=AT_n$

```
dM = eye(N) - tau*lap;
```

## \* Initialize loop and plot variables

```
max_iter = .5/tau;  
time = linspace(0,max_iter*tau,max_iter); % Record time for plots  
Qplot(:,1) = Q; % initial value
```

## \* Loop over desired number of steps

```
for iter=2:round(.25/tau)  
    %* Compute new temperature  
    Q = dM\((Q)+deltaFunction;  
    Qplot(:,iter) = Q(:);  
end  
for iter=round(.25/tau):max_iter  
    %* Compute new temperature  
    Q = dM\((Q);  
    Qplot(:,iter) = Q(:);  
end
```

## Plot

```
figure(2);clf; mesh(time,x,Qplot); xlabel('t (s)'); ylabel('x (m)'); %% Print Plots saveFigurePath = '/Users/  
kevin/SkyDrive/KTH Work/LaTeX Reports/Heat Equation/Figures/'; %% Plot 1 set(figure(2), 'PaperPo-  
sitionMode', 'auto'); print('-depsc2', [saveFigurePath ... sprintf('deltaFunctionPlot')]);
```

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