

# PDE {Problem}

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## Problem 1

**a**

Using the change of variables where  $u = ve^{\alpha x - \beta t}$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned}u_t &= v_t e^{\alpha x - \beta t} - \beta v e^{\alpha x - \beta t} \\u_x &= v_x e^{\alpha x - \beta t} + \alpha v e^{\alpha x - \beta t} \\u_{xx} &= v_{xx} e^{\alpha x - \beta t} + \alpha v_x e^{\alpha x - \beta t} + \alpha v_x e^{\alpha x - \beta t} + \alpha^2 v e^{\alpha x - \beta t}\end{aligned}$$

Plugging these into the equation :

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0.05 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + 2u$$

We get (canceling  $e^{\alpha x - \beta t}$  in every term) :

$$\begin{aligned}v_t - \beta v &= 0.05(v_{xx} + 2\alpha v_x + \alpha^2 v) + (v_x + \alpha) + 2v \\ \Rightarrow v_t &= 0.05v_{xx} + (.1\alpha + 1)v_x + (\beta + 0.05\alpha^2 + \alpha + 2)v\end{aligned}$$

If we just want  $v_t = 0.05v_{xx}$  then:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= -10 \\ \beta &= 3\end{aligned}$$

**b**

Using the initial condtns, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}u(x, 0) &= v(x, 0)e^{\alpha x} = f(x) \\ u(0, t) &= v(0, t)e^{-\beta t} = 0 \Rightarrow v(0, t) = 0 \\ u(1, t) &= v(1, t)e^{-\beta t} = 0 \Rightarrow v(1, t) = 0\end{aligned}$$

Using the same old separation of variables, we get the x and t-components of the  $v(x, t)$  function to be:

$$\frac{\sin(n\pi x)}{e^{-k(n\pi)^2 t}}$$

Thus we have:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(n\pi x) e^{-k(n\pi)^2 t}$$

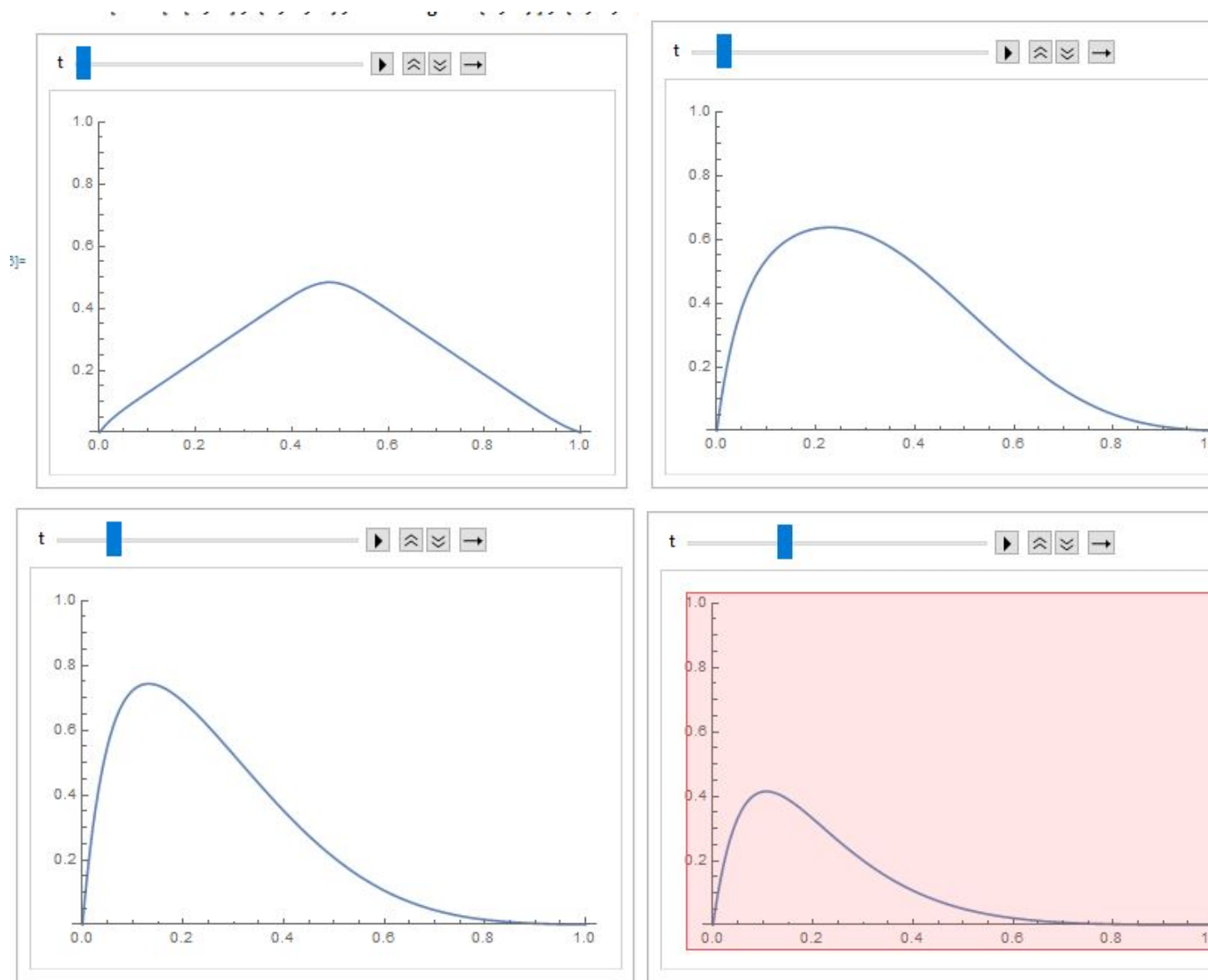
Where:

$$b_n = 2 \int_0^1 f(x) e^{-\alpha x} \sin(n\pi x) dx$$

Thus, we have

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(n\pi x) e^{-k(n\pi)^2 t} e^{\alpha x - \beta t}$$

c



## Problem 2

a

We have:

$$\nabla \cdot (A \nabla u) = 0$$

Solving this out, we get:

$$\nabla \cdot \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Which, when we simplify, we get:

$$au_{xx} + 2bu_{xy} + cu_{yy}$$

We know the PDE is elliptic if:

$$4b^2 - 4ac < 0$$

Solving the eigenvalue matrix and setting it's determinant to 0, we get:

$$\lambda^2 - (c + a)\lambda - (b^2 - ac) = 0$$

Using the quadratic formula, we get:

$$\lambda = \frac{(c + a) \pm \sqrt{(c + a)^2 - 4(b^2 - ac)}}{2}$$

Using the fun fact that:

$$\prod \lambda_i = \det(A)$$

If the eigen values are both positive or both negative, the determinant will be positive. That means that

$$ac - b^2 > 0$$

Thus we then would know that

$$ac > b^2$$

Making the equation:

$$4b^2 - 4ac$$

Always less than 0, thus always elliptic.

**b**

Laplace's equation states that:

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

Using:

$$au_{xx} + 2bu_{xy} + cu_{yy}$$

We can conclude that a matrix that would satisfy Laplace's equation would be:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

**c**

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix}$$

Would satisfy anisotropic diffusion.

**d**

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -c \end{pmatrix}$$

Would satisfy the basic wave equation.

## **1 Problem 3**

See attached paper