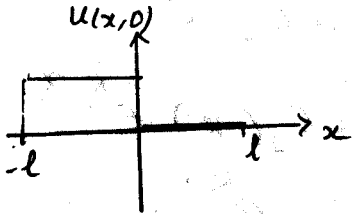


) PDE  $u_t = k u_{xx}$ ,  $-l < x < l$   
 B.C  $u(-l, t) = u(l, t)$   
 $u_x(-l, t) = u_x(l, t)$   
 I.C.  $u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 < x < l \\ 1, & -l < x < 0 \end{cases}$



Step 1 Assume  $u(x, t) = F(x) G(t)$   
 So,  $u_{xx} = F''(x) G(t)$   
 $u_t = F(x) G'(t)$

PDE  $\Rightarrow$  After usual steps are argument

$$\frac{F''(x)}{F(x)} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{G'(t)}{G(t)} = \lambda \text{ (say)}$$

B.C:  $u(-l, t) = u(l, t) \Rightarrow F(-l)G(t) = F(l)G(t)$   
 $\Rightarrow F(-l) = F(l) \quad \text{--- (a)}$   
 $u_x(-l, t) = u_x(l, t) \Rightarrow F'(-l)G(t) = F'(l)G(t)$   
 $\Rightarrow F'(-l) = F'(l) \quad \text{--- (b)}$

(a) and (b) are separated boundary conditions. The corresponding D.E is

$$F''(x) = \lambda F(x)$$

$\lambda = 0$ : In this case  $F(x) = Ax + B$   
 $F(-l) = F(l) \Rightarrow -Al + B = Al + B$   
 $\Rightarrow A = 0$   
 Thus  $F(x) = B$  (arbitrary constant)  
 corresponding to  $\lambda = 0$ .

$\lambda > 0$  In this case take  $\lambda = k^2$ ,  $k$  real. (2)

Then  $F'' - k^2 F = 0$

The auxiliary equation:  $m^2 - k^2 = 0$   
 $m = \pm k$

The general solution  
 $F(x) = C_1 e^{kx} + C_2 e^{-kx}$

also  $F'(x) = C_1 k e^{kx} + C_2 (-k) e^{-kx}$   
 $= k(C_1 e^{kx} - C_2 e^{-kx})$

$F(-l) = F(l) \Rightarrow C_1 e^{kl} + C_2 e^{-kl} = C_1 e^{-kl} + C_2 e^{kl}$

$\Rightarrow C_1 (e^{kl} - e^{-kl}) + C_2 (e^{-kl} - e^{kl}) = 0$  — (b1)

$F'(-l) = F'(l) \Rightarrow C_1 k e^{kl} - C_2 k e^{-kl} = C_1 k e^{-kl} - C_2 k e^{kl}$

$\Rightarrow C_1 (e^{kl} - e^{-kl}) + C_2 (e^{kl} - e^{-kl}) = 0$  — (b2)

(b1) and (b2) will have nontrivial solutions in  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  if  $\det(\text{coeff}) = 0$  i.e.

$$\begin{vmatrix} e^{kl} - e^{-kl} & -e^{-kl} + e^{kl} \\ e^{kl} - e^{-kl} & e^{kl} - e^{-kl} \end{vmatrix} = (e^{kl} - e^{-kl})^2 + (e^{kl} - e^{-kl})^2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow e^{kl} - e^{-kl} = 0 \Rightarrow k = 0$  as in above

Case:  
 $\lambda < 0$  For this  $\lambda = -k^2$ ,  $k = \text{real}$

The auxiliary equation is  $m^2 + k^2 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow m^2 = \pm ik$

The general solution is

$$F(x) = C_1 \cos kx + C_2 \sin kx$$

$$F'(x) = -kC_1 \sin kx + kC_2 \cos kx$$

$$F(l) = F(-l) \Rightarrow C_1 \cos kl + C_2 \sin kl = C_1 \cos kl - C_2 \sin kl$$

$$\Rightarrow 2C_2 \sin kl = 0 \text{ or } \sin kl = 0 \text{ (} C_2 \neq 0 \text{)}$$

This gives  $kl = n\pi$  or  $k = \frac{n\pi}{l}$ ,  $n=1,2,3,\dots$

$F'(l) = F'(-l)$  will also lead to

$$-kC_1 \sin kl + kC_2 \cos kl = kC_1 \sin kl + kC_2 \cos kl$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{n\pi}{l}$$

As  $F(x) = C_1 \cos kx + C_2 \sin kx$

$C_1, C_2$  arbitrary, we get two

linearly independent eigenfunctions corresponding

to  $k_n = \frac{n\pi}{l}$  ( $\lambda_n = -\frac{n^2\pi^2}{l^2}$ ) (label by  $n$ )

For $C_1=1, C_2=0$	$F_n^{(1)} = \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x$	} $n=1,2,3,\dots$
For $C_1=0, C_2=1$ ,	$F_n^{(2)} = \sin \frac{n\pi}{l} x$	

Thus we have  $F_n = A_0 \cdot 1 + A_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x + B_n \sin \frac{n\pi}{l} x$   
 $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

or  $F_n = A_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x + B_n \sin \frac{n\pi}{l} x$   
 $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Step 2  $\frac{1}{k} \frac{G'(t)}{G(t)} = \lambda = -\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{l^2}$  gives (4)

$$G'(t) = -\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{l^2} k$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dG}{dt} = -\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{l^2} k$$

which has solution

$$G_n(t) = C_n e^{\frac{-n^2 \pi^2 k}{l^2} t} \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Step 3:  $u_n(x, t) = F_n(x) G_n(t)$

$$= A_0 + \left( \tilde{A}_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \tilde{B}_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \right) e^{\frac{-n^2 \pi^2 k}{l^2} t}$$

By principle of superposition,  $\left( \begin{array}{l} \tilde{A}_n = C_n A_n \\ \tilde{B}_n = C_n B_n \end{array} \right)$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_n u_n(x, t)$$

$$= A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \tilde{A}_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \tilde{B}_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \right] e^{\frac{-n^2 \pi^2 k}{l^2} t}$$

Step 4: Determination of  $A_0, \tilde{A}_n, \tilde{B}_n$ .

$$u(x, 0) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \tilde{B}_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$= f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 < x < l \\ 1, & -l < x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Integrate both sides w.r.t.  $x$

from  $-l$  to  $l$

$$\int_{-l}^l A_0 dx = 2l A_0 = \int_{-l}^l f(x) dx = \int_{-l}^0 dx + \int_0^l 0 \cdot dx$$

$$= [x]_{-l}^0 = l.$$

$$\boxed{A_0 = \frac{1}{2}}$$

To determine  $\tilde{A}_n$ , multiply throughout by  $\cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right)$  and integrate from  $-l$  to  $l$  (5)

$$\int_{-l}^l f(x) \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} dx = A_0 \int_{-l}^l \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} dx$$

$$+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_n \int_{-l}^l \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} dx$$

$$+ \tilde{B}_n \int_{-l}^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

$$\text{But } \int_{-l}^l \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} dx = \frac{l}{m\pi} \left[ \sin \frac{m\pi x}{l} \right]_{-l}^l = 0.$$

$$\int_{-l}^l \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} dx = 0 \quad m \neq n$$

(as shown before)

$m = n$  gives

$$\int_{-l}^l \cos^2 \frac{m\pi x}{l} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-l}^l (1 + \cos \frac{2m\pi x}{l}) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [x]_{-l}^l = \frac{1}{2} 2l = l$$

$$\text{Also } \int_{-l}^l f(x) \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} dx = \int_{-l}^l \cos \frac{m\pi x}{l} dx = \frac{l}{m\pi} \left[ \sin \frac{m\pi x}{l} \right]_{-l}^l = 0.$$

Combining, we get  $\hat{A}_m = 0$  or  $\hat{A}_n = 0$ .

Now multiply by  $\sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right)$  throughout and integrate

1)  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{A}_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{B}_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$

At  $x=l$ ,  $f(x) = 0$  (since  $\sin(n\pi) = 0$  and  $\cos(n\pi) = (-1)^n$ )

Again,  $\int_{-l}^l \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx = -\frac{l}{m\pi} \left[ \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) \right]_{-l}^l = -\frac{l}{m\pi} [\cos(m\pi) - \cos(-m\pi)] = 0$

$\int_{-l}^l \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx = 0$  for  $m \neq n$

$\int_{-l}^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx = 0$  for  $m \neq n$

For  $m=n$ ,  $\int_{-l}^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx = -\frac{l}{n\pi} [\cos(n\pi) - \cos(-n\pi)] = 0$

$\int_{-l}^l \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx = \frac{l}{n\pi} [\sin(n\pi) - \sin(-n\pi)] = 0$

This gives  $\hat{B}_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_{-l}^l f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$

$0 = \int_{-l}^l \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{A}_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{B}_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \right] \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$

$0 = \hat{A}_n \int_{-l}^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx + \hat{B}_n \int_{-l}^l \cos^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$

Since  $\int_{-l}^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx = 0$ , we have  $\hat{B}_n = \frac{1}{\int_{-l}^l \cos^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx} \int_{-l}^l f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$