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2. We would like to solve the following boundary-value problem

$$a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} \text{ for all } 0 < x < L, t > 0 \quad (1)$$

$$u(0, t) = 0, t > 0 \quad (2)$$

$$u(L, t) = 0, t > 0 \quad (3)$$

$$u(x, 0) = 0, 0 < x < L \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = x(L - x), 0 < x < L. \quad (5)$$

Let us find all product solutions of the boundary-value problem (1), (2), (3) and (4). Indeed let $u(x, y) = X(x)T(t)$ be such a product solution. Then we have

$$a^2 X''(x)T(t) = X(x)T''(t) \text{ for all } x, t. \quad (6)$$

If $X(x) \neq 0$ and $T(t) \neq 0$, we get from (6)

$$a^2 \frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = \frac{T''(t)}{T(t)} = \text{constant } k \text{ for all } x, t. \quad (7)$$

We deduce from (7) that

$$X''(x) = \frac{k}{a^2} X(x) \quad (8)$$

$$T''(t) = kT(t). \quad (9)$$

The solutions of (8) and (9) depend on the sign of k , i.e. we have

$$X(x) = c_1 x + c_2 \text{ if } k = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$X(x) = c_1 \cosh\left(\frac{\sqrt{k}}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{k}}{a}x\right) \text{ if } k > 0 \quad (11)$$

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$$T(t) = c_3 \cos(\sqrt{-k}t) + c_4 \sin(\sqrt{-k}t) \text{ if } k < 0. \quad (15)$$

We discuss three cases:

Case 1: $k = 0$

In this case we have by (10) and (13) $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t) = (c_1 x + c_2)(c_3 t + c_4)$. Using (2) and (3), we get

$$\begin{cases} c_2 T(t) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \\ (c_1 L + c_2) T(t) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_2 T(t) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \\ c_1 T(t) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow u(x, t) \equiv 0.$$

Case 2: $k = \lambda^2 > 0$

In this case we have by (11) and (14) that

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t) = \left(c_1 \cosh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sinh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \right) (c_3 \cosh(\lambda t) + c_4 \sinh(\lambda t)).$$

Using (2) and (3), we get

$$\begin{cases} c_1 T(t) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \\ \left(c_1 \cosh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) + c_2 \sinh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) \right) T(t) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 T(t) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \\ c_2 T(t) = 0 & \forall t > 0. \end{cases}$$

Hence $u(x, t) \equiv 0$.

Case 3: $k = -\lambda^2 < 0$

In this case we have by (12) and (15) that

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t) = \left(c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \right) (c_3 \cos(\lambda t) + c_4 \sin(\lambda t)).$$

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If $\sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) \neq 0$, then $c_2 T(t) = 0 \forall t > 0$ and then $u(x, t) \equiv 0$.

If $\sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) = 0$, we obtain $\frac{\lambda}{a}L = n\pi$, i.e. $\lambda = \frac{n\pi a}{L}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and

$$u(x, t) = c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right)(c_3 \cos(\lambda t) + c_4 \sin(\lambda t)).$$

Using now the boundary condition (4), we get

$$u(x, 0) = c_2 c_3 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) = 0, \quad \forall 0 < x < L.$$

This leads to

$$u(x, t) = c_2 c_4 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \sin(\lambda t).$$

Therefore all product solutions of (1), (2), (3) and (4) are given in this case by

$$u_n(x, t) = B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi a}{L}t\right), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

According to the superposition principle, we know that

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi a}{L}t\right) \quad (16)$$

is also a solution of (1), (2), (3) and (4).

Now it is enough to find the coefficients B_n such that the function given in (16) is also a solution of (5) i.e.

$$x(L-x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \frac{n\pi a}{L} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right), \quad 0 < x < L. \quad (17)$$

It is clear that (17) is the half-range expansion of the function $x(L-x)$ in a sine series. it follows that

$$B_n \frac{n\pi a}{L} = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L x(L-x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx.$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} B_n &= \frac{2}{n\pi a} \int_0^L x(L-x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\ &= \frac{2L}{n\pi a} \int_0^L x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx - \frac{2}{n\pi a} \int_0^L x^2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Integrating by parts, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^L x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx &= \left[-x \frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)\right]_0^L - \int_0^L -\frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\
&= -\frac{L^2}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) + 0 + \frac{L}{n\pi} \int_0^L \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^2}{n\pi} + \frac{L}{n\pi} \left[\frac{L}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)\right]_0^L \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^2}{n\pi} + \frac{L^2}{n^2\pi^2}(\sin(n\pi) - 0) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^2}{n\pi}.
\end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Integrating by parts twice, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^L x^2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx &= \left[-x^2 \frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)\right]_0^L - \int_0^L -2x \frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\
&= -\frac{L^3}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) + \frac{2L}{n\pi} \int_0^L x \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^3}{n\pi} + \frac{2L}{n\pi} \left(\left[x \frac{L}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)\right]_0^L - \int_0^L \frac{L}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx\right) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^3}{n\pi} + 2\frac{L^2}{n^2\pi^2}(L \sin(n\pi) - 0) - 2\frac{L^2}{n^2\pi^2} \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^3}{n\pi} + 2\frac{L^3}{n^3\pi^3} \left[\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)\right]_0^L \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^3}{n\pi} + 2\frac{L^3}{n^3\pi^3}((-1)^n - 1).
\end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

Taking into account (18), (19) and (20), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
B_n &= \frac{2L}{n\pi a} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^2}{n\pi} - \frac{2}{n\pi a} \left(\frac{(-1)^{n+1}L^3}{n\pi} + 2\frac{L^3}{n^3\pi^3}((-1)^n - 1)\right) \\
&= \frac{4L^3}{an^4\pi^4}(1 - (-1)^n).
\end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Hence we obtain from (16) and (21) the solution of our BVP

$$\begin{aligned}
u(x, t) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4L^3}{an^4\pi^4} (1 - (-1)^n) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi a}{L}t\right) \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{8L^3}{a(2n+1)^4\pi^4} \sin\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{L}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi a}{L}t\right).
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4. We would like to solve the following boundary-value problem

$$a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} \quad \text{for all } 0 < x < \pi, t > 0 \quad (1)$$

$$u(0, t) = 0, \quad t > 0 \quad (2)$$

$$u(\pi, t) = 0, \quad t > 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi \quad (4)$$

$$u(x, 0) = \frac{1}{6}x(\pi^2 - x^2), \quad 0 < x < \pi. \quad (5)$$

Let us find all product solutions of the boundary-value problem (1), (2), (3) and (4). Indeed let $u(x, y) = X(x)T(t)$ be such a product solution. Then we have

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$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t) = \left(c_1 \cosh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sinh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right)\right)(c_3 \cosh(\lambda t) + c_4 \sinh(\lambda t)).$$

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$$\begin{cases} c_1 T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \\ \left(c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}\pi\right) + c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}\pi\right) \right) T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \\ c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}\pi\right) T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \end{cases}$$

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$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) = c_2 \lambda \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) (-c_3 \sin(\lambda t) + c_4 \cos(\lambda t)). \quad (17)$$

Using now the boundary condition (4) and (17), we get

$$0 = \lambda c_2 c_4 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right), \quad \forall 0 < x < \pi.$$

This leads by (16) to

$$u(x, t) = c_2 c_3 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \cos(\lambda t).$$

Therefore all product solutions of (1), (2), (3) and (4) are given in this case by

$$u_n(x, t) = B_n \sin(nx) \cos(nat), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

According to the superposition principle, we know that

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It is clear that (19) is the half-range expansion of the function $\frac{1}{6}x(\pi^2 - x^2)$ in a sine series. it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
B_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{6} x(\pi^2 - x^2) \sin(nx) dx \\
&= \frac{\pi}{3} \int_0^\pi x \sin(nx) dx - \frac{1}{3\pi} \int_0^\pi x^3 \sin(nx) dx.
\end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

Integrating by parts, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^\pi x \sin(nx) dx &= \left[-x \frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) \right]_0^\pi - \int_0^\pi -\frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) dx \\
&= -\frac{\pi}{n} \cos(n\pi) + 0 + \frac{1}{n} \int_0^\pi \cos(nx) dx \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \int_0^\pi \cos(nx) dx \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sin(nx) \right]_0^\pi \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} (\sin(n\pi) - 0) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi}{n}.
\end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Integrating by parts twice, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^\pi x^3 \sin(nx) dx &= \left[-x^3 \frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) \right]_0^\pi - \int_0^\pi -3x^2 \frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) dx \\
&= -\frac{\pi^3}{n} \cos(n\pi) + \frac{3}{n} \int_0^\pi x^2 \cos(nx) dx \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi^3}{n} + \frac{3}{n} \left(\left[x^2 \frac{1}{n} \sin(nx) \right]_0^\pi - \int_0^\pi 2x \frac{1}{n} \sin(nx) dx \right) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi^3}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2} (\pi^2 \sin(n\pi) - 0) - \frac{6}{n^2} \int_0^\pi x \sin(nx) dx \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi^3}{n} - \frac{6}{n^2} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi}{n} \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi^3}{n} - \frac{6(-1)^{n+1} \pi}{n^3}.
\end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Taking into account (20), (21) and (22), we deduce that

$$B_n = \frac{\pi}{3} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi}{n} - \frac{1}{3\pi} \left(\frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi^3}{n} - \frac{6(-1)^{n+1} \pi}{n^3} \right) = \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{n^3}. \tag{23}$$

Hence we obtain from (18) and (23) the solution of our BVP

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{n^3} \sin(nx) \cos(n\pi at).$$

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$$u(1, t) = 0, \quad t > 0 \quad (3)$$

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$$u(x, 0) = 10^{-2} \sin(3\pi x), \quad 0 < x < 1. \quad (5)$$

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Using (2) and (3), we get

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If $\sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}\right) \neq 0$, then $c_2 T(t) = 0 \forall t > 0$ and then $u(x, t) \equiv 0$.

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$$u_n(x, t) = B_n \sin(n\pi x) \cos(n\pi at), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

According to the superposition principle, we know that

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(n\pi x) \cos(n\pi at) \quad (18)$$

is also a solution of (1), (2), (3) and (4).

Now it is enough to find the coefficients B_n such that the function given in (18) is also a solution of (5) i.e.

$$10^{-2} \sin(3\pi x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(nx), \quad 0 < x < 1. \quad (19)$$

It is clear that (19) is the half-range expansion of the function $10^{-2} \sin(3\pi x)$ in a sine series. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
B_n &= \frac{2}{1} \int_0^1 10^{-2} \sin(3\pi x) \sin(n\pi x) dx \\
&= 2 \int_0^1 10^{-2} \sin(3\pi x) \sin(n\pi x) dx \\
&= 0 \text{ if } n \neq 3 \\
&= 10^{-2} \int_0^1 2 \sin^2(3\pi x) dx \text{ if } n = 3 \\
&= 10^{-2} \int_0^1 (1 - \cos(6\pi x)) dx \\
&= 10^{-2} \left[x - \frac{1}{6\pi} \sin(6\pi x) \right]_0^1 \\
&= 10^{-2}.
\end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

Hence we obtain from (18), (20) and (21) the solution of our BVP

$$u(x, t) = 10^{-2} \sin(3\pi x) \cos(3\pi at).$$

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8. We would like to solve the following boundary-value problem

$$a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} \text{ for all } 0 < x < L, t > 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) = 0, t > 0 \tag{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, t) = 0, t > 0 \tag{3}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = 0, 0 < x < L \tag{4}$$

$$u(x, 0) = x, 0 < x < L. \tag{5}$$

Let us find all product solutions of the boundary-value problem (1), (2), (3) and (4). Indeed let $u(x, y) = X(x)T(t)$ be such a product solution. Then we have

$$a^2 X''(x)T(t) = X(x)T''(t) \text{ for all } x, t. \quad (6)$$

If $X(x) \neq 0$ and $T(t) \neq 0$, we get from (6)

$$a^2 \frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = \frac{T''(t)}{T(t)} = \text{constant } k \text{ for all } x, t. \quad (7)$$

We deduce from (7) that

$$X''(x) = \frac{k}{a^2} X(x) \quad (8)$$

$$T''(t) = kT(t). \quad (9)$$

The solutions of (8) and (9) depend on the sign of k , i.e. we have

$$X(x) = c_1 x + c_2 \text{ if } k = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$X(x) = c_1 \cosh\left(\frac{\sqrt{k}}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{k}}{a}x\right) \text{ if } k > 0 \quad (11)$$

$$X(x) = c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{-k}}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{-k}}{a}x\right) \text{ if } k < 0. \quad (12)$$

$$T(t) = c_3 t + c_4 \text{ if } k = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$T(t) = c_3 \cosh(\sqrt{k}t) + c_4 \sinh(\sqrt{k}t) \text{ if } k > 0 \quad (14)$$

$$T(t) = c_3 \cos(\sqrt{-k}t) + c_4 \sin(\sqrt{-k}t) \text{ if } k < 0. \quad (15)$$

We discuss three cases:

Case 1: $k = 0$

In this case we have by (10) and (13) $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t) = (c_1 x + c_2)(c_3 t + c_4)$, which leads to $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t) = c_1 T(t)$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) = c_3 X(x)$ Using (2), (3) and (4), we get

$$\begin{cases} c_1(c_3 t + c_4) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \\ c_3(c_1 x + c_2) = 0 & \forall 0 < x < L \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 c_3 = c_1 c_4 = 0 \\ c_1 c_3 = c_2 c_3 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow u(x, t) = c_2 c_4.$$

Hence $u_0(x, t) = A_0$ is a product solution to (1), (2), (3) and (4).

Case 2: $k = \lambda^2 > 0$

In this case we have by (11) and (14) that

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= X(x)T(t) = \left(c_1 \cosh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sinh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \right) (c_3 \cosh(\lambda t) + c_4 \sinh(\lambda t)) \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t) &= \frac{\lambda}{a} \left(c_1 \sinh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \cosh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \right) (c_3 \cosh(\lambda t) + c_4 \sinh(\lambda t)) \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) &= \lambda \left(c_1 \cosh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sinh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \right) (c_3 \sinh(\lambda t) + c_4 \cosh(\lambda t)). \end{aligned}$$

Using (2) and (3), we get

$$\begin{cases} c_2 T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \\ \left(c_1 \sinh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) + c_2 \cosh\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) \right) T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_2 T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \\ c_1 T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0. \end{cases}$$

Hence $u(x, t) \equiv 0$.

Case 3: $k = -\lambda^2 < 0$

In this case we have by (12) and (15) that

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= X(x)T(t) = \left(c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \right) (c_3 \cos(\lambda t) + c_4 \sin(\lambda t)) \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t) &= \frac{\lambda}{a} \left(-c_1 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \right) (c_3 \cos(\lambda t) + c_4 \sin(\lambda t)) \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) &= \lambda \left(c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) + c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \right) (-c_3 \sin(\lambda t) + c_4 \cos(\lambda t)). \end{aligned}$$

Using (2) and (3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{cases} \frac{\lambda}{a} c_2 T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \\ \frac{\lambda}{a} \left(-c_1 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) + c_2 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) \right) T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \end{cases} \\ &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_2 T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \\ c_1 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \end{cases} \\ &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} u(x, t) = c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) T(t) \\ c_1 \sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

If $\sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) \neq 0$, then $c_1 T(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0$ and then $u(x, t) \equiv 0$.

If $\sin\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}L\right) = 0$, we obtain $\frac{\lambda}{a}L = n\pi$, i.e. $\lambda = \frac{n\pi a}{L}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and

$$u(x, t) = c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right)(c_3 \cos(\lambda t) + c_4 \sin(\lambda t))$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) = \lambda c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right)(-c_3 \sin(\lambda t) + c_4 \cos(\lambda t)).$$

Using now the boundary condition (4), we get

$$\lambda c_1 c_4 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) = 0, \quad \forall 0 < x < L.$$

This leads to

$$u(x, t) = c_1 c_3 \cos\left(\frac{\lambda}{a}x\right) \cos(\lambda t).$$

Therefore all product solutions of (1), (2), (3) and (4) are given in this case by

$$u_n(x, t) = A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi a}{L}t\right), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

According to the superposition principle, we know that

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x, t) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi a}{L}t\right) \quad (16)$$

is also a solution of (1), (2), (3) and (4).

Now it is enough to find the coefficients A_n such that the function given in (16) is also a solution of (5) i.e.

$$x = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right), \quad 0 < x < L. \quad (17)$$

It is clear that (17) is the half-range expansion of the function x in a cosine series. it follows that

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L x dx = \frac{1}{L} \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^L = \frac{L}{2} \quad (18)$$

$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L x \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx. \quad (19)$$

Integrating by parts, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^L x \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx &= \left[x \frac{L}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \right]_0^L - \int_0^L \frac{L}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\
&= -\frac{L}{n\pi} \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\
&= -\frac{L}{n\pi} \left[-\frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \right]_0^L \\
&= \frac{L^2}{n^2\pi^2} (\cos(n\pi) - 1) \\
&= \frac{L^2}{n^2\pi^2} ((-1)^n - 1). \tag{20}
\end{aligned}$$

Taking into account (19) and (20), we deduce that

$$A_n = \frac{2L}{n^2\pi^2} ((-1)^n - 1). \tag{21}$$

Hence we obtain from (16), (18) and (21) the solution of our BVP

$$\begin{aligned}
u(x, t) &= \frac{L}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2L}{n^2\pi^2} ((-1)^n - 1) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi a}{L}t\right) \\
&= \frac{L}{2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4L}{(2n+1)^2\pi^2} \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{L}x\right) \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi a}{L}t\right).
\end{aligned}$$

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