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Dirichlet

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) = \kappa \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t)$$

↑  
kappa

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k$$

BCs  $u(0, t) = 0 \quad u(L, t) = 0 \quad \forall t \geq 0$

IC  $u(x, 0) = f(x) \quad 0 \leq x \leq L$



$u(x, t) = \underbrace{A(x)}_{\text{"bright" level of sophistication}} \underbrace{B(t)}_{\text{two objects of lower level of sophistication}}$

$$A(0)B(t) = 0, \quad A(L)B(t) = 0 \quad \forall t$$

$$A(0) = 0 \quad A(L) = 0$$

I have info about  $A$

$A(x)B(0) = f(x)$

Now PDE  $A(x)B'(t) = \kappa A''(x)B(t)$

Drama:  $\frac{B'(t)}{\kappa B(t)} = \frac{A''(x)}{A(x)} = -\lambda$

no change  $\rightarrow$

only t  $\uparrow$       only x  $\uparrow$

constant  
which  
I call  
 $-\lambda$

$$B'(t) = -\kappa\lambda B(t)$$

$$B(t) = C_0 e^{-\kappa\lambda t}$$

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This is  
our problem now

$$A''(x) = -\lambda A(x)$$

$$-A''(x) = \lambda A(x)$$

$$A(0) = 0, A(L) = 0$$

This looks exactly like  
a matrix eigenvalue problem  
in Linear Algebra

$$M\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v} \quad \vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$$

What is  $M$  in our problem?

Below we find  
eigenvalues:  
 $\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2$   
and eigenfunctions:  
 $\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$

$$\boxed{-\frac{d^2}{dx^2}}$$

is our  $M$   
+ BCs at 0 and  $L$

Finding eigenfunctions and eigenvalues for  
 $-\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  + Dirichlet boundary conditions  
at 0 and  $L$

Solve  $A''(x) + \lambda A(x) = 0$  subject to  $A(0) = A(L) = 0$

We use BK (background knowledge) solving  $y'' + \beta y = 0$  2nd order ode.

Case 1  $\lambda > 0$ . My style set  $\lambda = \mu^2$ ,  $\mu > 0$

Solutions is  $\cos(\mu x)$ ,  $\sin(\mu x)$ . Thus the

general sol. is  $A(x) = C_1 \cos(\mu x) + C_2 \sin(\mu x)$

Satisfy BCs:  $0 = A(0) = C_1 \Rightarrow C_1 = 0$

$$0 = A(L) = C_2 \sin(\mu L) \Rightarrow \mu L = m\pi$$

Now I get an equation for  $\lambda$ .

$$\mu = \frac{m\pi}{L}, m \in \mathbb{N}$$

eigenvalue  $\Rightarrow$

$$\lambda_m = \left(\frac{m\pi}{L}\right)^2, m \in \mathbb{N}$$

We obtain a lot of  $\lambda$ -s

The corresponding  $A$ -s are  $A_m(x) = \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right), m \in \mathbb{N}$

Case 2  $\lambda = 0$  Is  $\lambda = 0$  an eigenvalue.  
 $A'' + 0 \cdot A = 0$ , has the fundamental set of solutions  $\{1, x\}$ . The general solution is  $A(x) = C_1 + C_2 x$ . We need to satisfy the boundary conditions:  
 $0 = A(0) = C_1$ . So,  $C_1 = 0$ . And  $0 = A(L) = C_2 L \neq 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = 0$ .  
Thus the only solution of the ODE which satisfies the BCs is the zero solution.  
Thus  $\lambda = 0$  is NOT an eigenvalue.

Case 3  $\lambda < 0$ . My style set  $\lambda = -\mu^2$   
with  $\mu > 0$

We need to solve

$$A'' + (-\mu^2)A = 0 \text{ subject to } A(0) = A(L) = 0.$$

$A'' - \mu^2 A = 0$ . A fundamental set of solutions is  $\{e^{\mu x}, e^{-\mu x}\}$ . Another fund. set of solutions is  $\{\cosh(\mu x), \sinh(\mu x)\}$ .

The general solution is

$$A(x) = C_1 e^{-\mu x} + C_2 e^{\mu x}.$$

I need  $A(x)$  s.t.

$$0 = A(0) = C_1 + C_2$$

$$0 = A(L) = C_1 e^{\mu L} + C_2 e^{-\mu L}$$

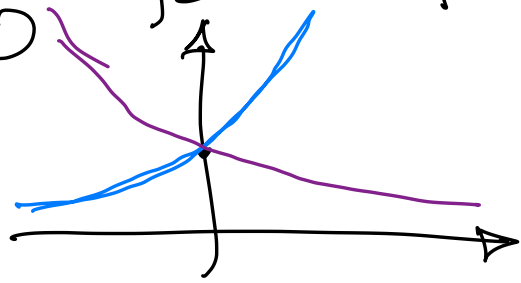
unknowns are  $C_1$  &  $C_2$ .

Math 204 tells me that this homogeneous system has a nontrivial sol. iff  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ e^{-\mu L} & e^{\mu L} \end{vmatrix} = 0$

that is iff  $e^{\mu L} - e^{-\mu L} = 0$

or iff  $e^{\mu L} = e^{-\mu L}$

iff  $\mu L = 0$  iff  $\mu = 0$



Hence, for  $\mu > 0$  there is no nontrivial solutions. Since  $\mu > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 + C_2 &= 0 \\ C_1 e^{-\mu L} + C_2 e^{\mu L} &= 0 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow C_1 = C_2 = 0.$$

Thus, no negative eigenvalues.



Conclusion All solutions of

$$-A'' = \lambda A \text{ subject to } A(0) = A(L) = 0$$

are  $\lambda_m = \left(\frac{m\pi}{L}\right)^2$  with  $A_m(x) = \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right)$

with  $m \in \mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$

The corresponding  $B_m(t) = e^{-\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}\right)^2 kt}$ .

Thus, All the functions

$$u_m(x, t) = b_m \left( e^{-\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}\right)^2 kt} \right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right)$$

with  $m \in \mathcal{N}$  and  $b_m \in \mathbb{R}$  are sols of

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

$$u(0, t) = 0 \quad u(L, t) = 0 \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

Since this BVP is linear and homogeneous  
any linear combination of the above solutions, is  
again a solution:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \sum_{m=1}^n b_m \left( e^{-\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}\right)^2 K t} \right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L} x\right)$$

is a solution of the given BVP.

Now we go back to IC  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$   
 $0 \leq x \leq L$

The question is: Can we find  $b_m$ -s  
such that

$$\textcircled{X} \quad f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^n b_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right)$$

how to calculate  $b_m$ 's.

The answer is Yes, provided that  
 $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(L) = 0$  (implied by the original)  
and that  $f$  is differentiable, (problem BCs + IC)  
and that we allow infinite series. Then  
for all such  $f$ 's there exist  $b_1, b_2, \dots$  s.t.  
 $\textcircled{X}$  holds.

The functions  $\sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  are mutually orthogonal in the following sense:

$$\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{L}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right) dx = 0$$

$\forall k, m \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $k \neq m$ .

This is 125 problem.

Let us do the following indefinite integral

$$\int \sin(\alpha x) \sin(\beta x) dx$$

We use trig. identity :

$$\sin(\alpha x) \sin(\beta x) = \frac{\cos((\alpha - \beta)x) - \cos((\alpha + \beta)x)}{2}$$

$$\cos(u - v) = \cos u \cos v + \sin u \sin v \quad \checkmark$$

$$u = v$$

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$$\cos(u + v) = \cos u \cos v - \sin u \sin v$$

$$2 \sin u \sin v = \cos(u - v) - \cos(u + v)$$