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The heat Eqn:

The Equation

$$u_t = c^2 u_{xx}, \quad (I)$$

is called the 1D Homogeneous heat or diffusion Eqn. It is called heat b/c it was one of the first PDE studied by Fourier. However, it is a general Eqn that evolves a density  $u$  which is controlled by the second-law of thermodynamics.

for  $X(x) \neq 0$

$T(t) \neq 0$

Step 1:  $u(x,t) = X(x)T(t) \Rightarrow$

$$(I) \Leftrightarrow \frac{T'}{c^2 T} = \frac{X''}{X} = -\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow T' = -\lambda c^2 T$$

$$X'' + \lambda X = 0$$

Step 2: Recall that the spatial ODE has the sol<sup>s</sup> set

$$\lambda > 0: \underline{X}_1(x) = C_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + C_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

$$\lambda < 0: \underline{X}_2(x) = C_3 \sinh(\sqrt{|\lambda|x}) + C_4 \frac{\cosh}{\sinh}(\sqrt{|\lambda|x})$$

$$\lambda = 0: \underline{X}_3(x) = C_5 x + C_6$$

There are two interesting boundary conditions to consider for  $x \in (0, L)$

$$\text{(II)} \quad \underline{X}(0) = 0, \underline{X}(L) = 0 \quad \left[ \text{see lecture 9.7.12} \right]$$

$$\text{(II')} \quad \underline{X}'(0) = 0, \underline{X}'(L) = 0 \quad \left[ \text{see lecture 9.19.12} \right]$$

$$\underline{\text{(II)}} \Rightarrow \underline{X}_n(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x), \quad \sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{L}, \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\underline{\text{(II')}} \Rightarrow \underline{X}_n(x) = \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x), \quad \sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{L}, \quad n = \underline{\underline{0}}, 1, 2, 3$$

(\*) Recall if  $n=0 \Rightarrow \underline{X}_0(x) = 1$ , which is the constant sol<sup>s</sup> for  $\lambda=0$

Now, we ~~res~~ return to time we have

$$T'_n = -\lambda_n c^2 T_n, \quad n = \underline{0}, 1, 2, \dots$$

which asks what fn  $T_n$  produces  $X'(0) = 0$   
 $X'(L) = 0$   
a  $-\lambda_n c^2$  multiple of itself  $\uparrow$  upon  
1 diff. step.

$$T_n(t) = A_n e^{-\lambda_n c^2 t}, \quad A_n \in \mathbb{R}, \quad n = \underline{0}, 1, 2, \dots$$

which gives the general soln

$$\underline{u(x,t)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) e^{-c^2 \lambda_n t}$$

or

$$\underline{u(x,t)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) e^{-c^2 \lambda_n t} = \underline{A_0} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) e^{-c^2 \lambda_n t}$$

dep. on  $(I)$  or  $(II)$ .

## Key Points:

•  $U = U(x, t)$  is a density  $[U] = \frac{\text{stuff}}{\text{length}}$

• Stuff could be:

• Heat Energy  $\rightarrow U = \text{temp}$

• Mass ~~density~~  $\rightarrow U = \text{density of}$  ~~mass~~ <sup>maybe</sup> impurity

• Probability  $\rightarrow$  Prob density

•  $C^2$  is called diffusivity,  $[C^2] = \frac{\text{length}^2}{\text{time}}$   
and measures how <sup>much/easy</sup> the

stuff ~~is~~ is allowed to flow/s through the object.

•  $[\lambda_n C^2] = \frac{1}{\text{length}} \cdot \frac{\text{length}^2}{\text{time}} = \frac{1}{\text{time}}$ , decay rate.

• If we think about  $U$  as temp then:

the object touches a universe of  
i) (II)  $\rightarrow$  'zero temp on Relative scale

ii) (II')  $\rightarrow$  the object's temp has  
zero slope in temp at Edges.  $\Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow$  no local ~~temp~~ temp diff  $\Rightarrow$  no heat flow b/c of local Equilibrium. } Ideal Insulation

• In these cases:

i)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} U(x,t) = 0$ , with universe as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .  
the object attains Equilibrium

$$\text{ii) } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} U(x,t) = A_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L U(x,0) dx =$$

$= U_{\text{Average}}(x,0)$ , the object Establishes a constant Equilibrium state that is the average of the initial temp as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

• If  $c^2 = \frac{K}{\sigma \rho}$ ,  $K \equiv$  thermal conductivity  
 $\sigma \equiv$  specific heat  
 $\rho \equiv$  density

then as  $K$  increases for fixed  $\sigma, \rho$   
 we have faster decay to equilibrium.

Also, as  $\rho$  increases for fixed  $K, \sigma$   
 we have slower decay to equilibrium.

• Lastly if  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$  then

$$(II) \quad u(x, 0) = f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx$$

$$(II') \quad u(x, 0) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx, \quad A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx$$

So, if  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2k}{L}x, & x \in (0, \frac{L}{2}) \\ \frac{2k}{L}(L-x), & x \in (\frac{L}{2}, L) \end{cases}$

(II)  $A_n = \frac{8k}{n^2 \pi^2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$ , [ See 9.14.12 ]

(II')  $A_0 = \frac{k}{2}$ ,  $A_n = \frac{8k}{n^2 \pi^2} \left[ \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - 1 \right]$  [ See Problem 1 from this HW! ]

Key Point:

The modes that make the triangle are the same, as they should be, but the time dynamics are not, which is expected b/c diffusion is different than ideal vibrations.