

① Solve for $T(x,t)$, $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, $t \geq 0$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \mu \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} \quad T(0,t) = T(\pi,t) = 0$$
$$T(x,0) = 4 \sin x$$

We have

$$T(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{-n^2 \mu t} \sin nx$$

$$T(x,0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin nx$$

To find the coefficients c_n , we need to find the Fourier sine series of $T(x,0)$.

First, define the function over the interval $[-\pi, 0]$ so that

it is an odd function:

$$\Theta(x) = 4 \sin x, \quad -\pi \leq x \leq \pi$$

This Fourier series is easy to compute, since $\Theta(x)$ is already expressed as a sum of sines:

$$\Theta(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin nx, \quad c_1 = 4, \quad c_n = 0 \text{ for } n > 1$$

$$= 4 \sin x.$$

$$\text{So } T(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{-n^2 \mu t} \sin nx = 4e^{-\mu t} \sin x.$$

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$$T(x,0) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq \pi/4 \\ 1 & \pi/4 < x < 3\pi/4 \\ 0 & x \geq 3\pi/4 \end{cases}$$

Again, $T(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{-n^2 \mu t} \sin nx$

To compute c_n , look at $T(x,0)$:

$$T(x,0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin nx$$

Define $\theta(x)$ to be equal to $T(x,0)$ over $[0, \pi]$
and an odd function over $[-\pi, \pi]$

$$\theta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \pi/4 < x < 3\pi/4 \\ -1 & -3\pi/4 < x < -\pi/4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise, } -\pi \leq x \leq \pi \end{cases}$$

Find the Fourier series of $\theta(x)$: $\theta(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin nx$

$$c_n = \langle \theta(x), \sin nx \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \theta(x) \sin nx \, dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \theta(x) \sin nx \, dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} \sin nx \, dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} = \frac{2}{n\pi} \left(\cos \frac{3\pi}{4} n + \cos \frac{\pi}{4} n \right)$$

If n leaves a remainder of 1 or 7 upon division by 8,

$$c_n = + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n\pi}$$

If n leaves a remainder of 3 or 5 upon division by 8,

$$c_n = - \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n\pi}$$

If n is even, $c_n = 0$

(These values are obtained by looking at $\cos \frac{\pi}{4} n$, $n=1, 3, 5, \dots$
 $\sqrt{2}/2, 0, -\sqrt{2}/2, -1, -\sqrt{2}/2, 0, \sqrt{2}/2, 1$ repeats, \dots)

Using these values of c_n , we have

$$T(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{-n^2\pi t} \sin nx$$

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③ If $T(x,t) = \frac{100}{\pi}x$, then:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (\text{since } T(x,t) \text{ is constant in } t)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad (\text{since } T(x,t) \text{ is linear in } x)$$

$$T(0,t) = \frac{100}{\pi} \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$T(\pi,t) = \frac{100}{\pi} \cdot \pi = 100$$

④ Let $h(x,t)$ be a solution to $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \mu \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$ subject to

$$T(0,t) = 0 \quad T(\pi,t) = 100 \quad T(x,0) = \frac{100}{\pi}x$$

Let $s(x,t)$ be a solution to $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \mu \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$ subject to

$$T(0,t) = 0 \quad T(\pi,t) = 0 \quad T(x,0) = -\frac{100}{\pi}x$$

Then $h(x,t) + s(x,t)$ is a solution to $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \mu \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$ subject to

$$T(0,t) = 0 \quad T(\pi,t) = 100 \quad T(x,0) = 0$$

By problem # 3, we can use $h(x,t) = \frac{100}{\pi}x$.

To find $s(x,t)$, we can use the methods of this section:

Let $\Theta(x) = -\frac{100}{\pi}x$; note that $\Theta(x)$ is an odd function

over $[-\pi, \pi]$, and it coincides with $s(x,0)$ over $[0, \pi]$

$$\Theta(x) = -\frac{200}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sin nx \quad (\text{see pg. 10})$$

$$\text{so } s(x,t) = -\frac{200}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} e^{-n^2 \mu t} \sin nx$$

$$\text{and } s(x,t) + h(x,t) = \frac{100}{\pi}x + -\frac{200}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} e^{-n^2 \mu t} \sin nx$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, $e^{-n^2 \pi t} \sin n x \rightarrow 0$, so

$$T(x, t) \rightarrow \frac{100}{\pi} x.$$

5) if $T(x,t) = e^{-n^2 \mu t} \cos nx$

then $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -n^2 \mu e^{-n^2 \mu t} \cos nx$

$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = -n^2 e^{-n^2 \mu t} \cos nx$, so $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \mu \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$

$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x}(0,t) = -ne^{-n^2 \mu t} \sin nx \Big|_{0=x} = 0$

$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x}(\pi,t) = -ne^{-n^2 \mu t} \sin nx \Big|_{\pi=x} = 0$

6) From #5, and by the linearity of the differential equation and boundary conditions, we can assume

$T(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n e^{-n^2 \mu t} \cos nx$

$= c_0 e^{-0 \mu t} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{-n^2 \mu t} \cos nx = c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{-n^2 \mu t} \cos nx$

so $T(x,0) = c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \cos nx = x$

We need to find a Fourier cosine series for $T(x,0)$ (a Fourier series with only cosine and constant terms)

Define $\theta(x)$ to be equal to $T(x,0)$ on $[0,\pi]$ and an even function on $[-\pi,\pi]$: $\theta(x) = x$ if $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, $\theta(x) = -x$ if $-\pi \leq x < 0$

So $\theta(x) = |x|$. From the HW on Chapter 10.1,

$|x| = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \cos nx$, $c_n = \frac{-4}{\pi n^2}$ if n odd, 0 if n even

so $T(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n e^{-n^2 \mu t} \cos nx$, $c_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $c_n = \frac{-4}{\pi n^2}$ if n odd, $c_n = 0$ if n even, $n > 0$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, $c_n e^{-n^2 \pi t} \cos nx \rightarrow 0$ for all $n > 0$,

Since $|c_n \cos nx| \leq |c_n| < 2$ while $e^{-n^2 \pi t} \rightarrow 0$

So as $t \rightarrow \infty$, $T(x, t) \rightarrow c_0 = \pi/2$.