

2. USING LAPLACE TRANSFORMS

This is a useful technique when one variable has the whole positive axis as its domain. For a 2-D PDE

Take the Laplace transform with respect to one of the 2 variables. This gives an ODE with respect to the other variable.

Solve that ODE to obtain the transformed unknown.

Take the inverse transform

EXAMPLE $\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = 0,$
 $x, t \geq 0, w(x, 0) = 0, w(0, t) = t.$

(I) Take the Laplace transform with respect to t :

$$h(w_x) + x (sW_x - w(x, 0)) = 0,$$

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-st} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(x, t) dt + x s W = 0$$

Under the conditions that you want w to satisfy, integration and $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ can be interchanged

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} w(x, t) dt = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} w(x, t) dt$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} W(x, s)$$

Hence, we get

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} W(x, s) + sx W(x, s) = 0}$$

ODE in the variable x , BUT the "arbitrary constant" is constant wrt x , so w.r.t values,

$w(0, t) = t \Rightarrow W(0, s) = 1/s^2$ is the initial condition for the ODE.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} W = -sx W$$

$$W = c(s) e^{-sx^2/2}$$

$$x=0 \Rightarrow W(0, s) = \frac{1}{s^2} = c(s)$$

$$W(x, s) = \frac{1}{s^2} e^{-sx^2/2}$$

Recall $\mathcal{L}(F(s) e^{-as}) = u(t-a) f(t-a)$

by 2ND SHIFT THM

~~$$y' = ax y$$~~

$$\frac{dy}{y} = ax dx$$

$$y = c e^{ax^2/2}$$

3. $F(s) = 1/s^2 \Rightarrow f(x) = x$

$a = x^2/2$

$$w(x,t) = u(t - x^2/2) (t - x^2/2)$$

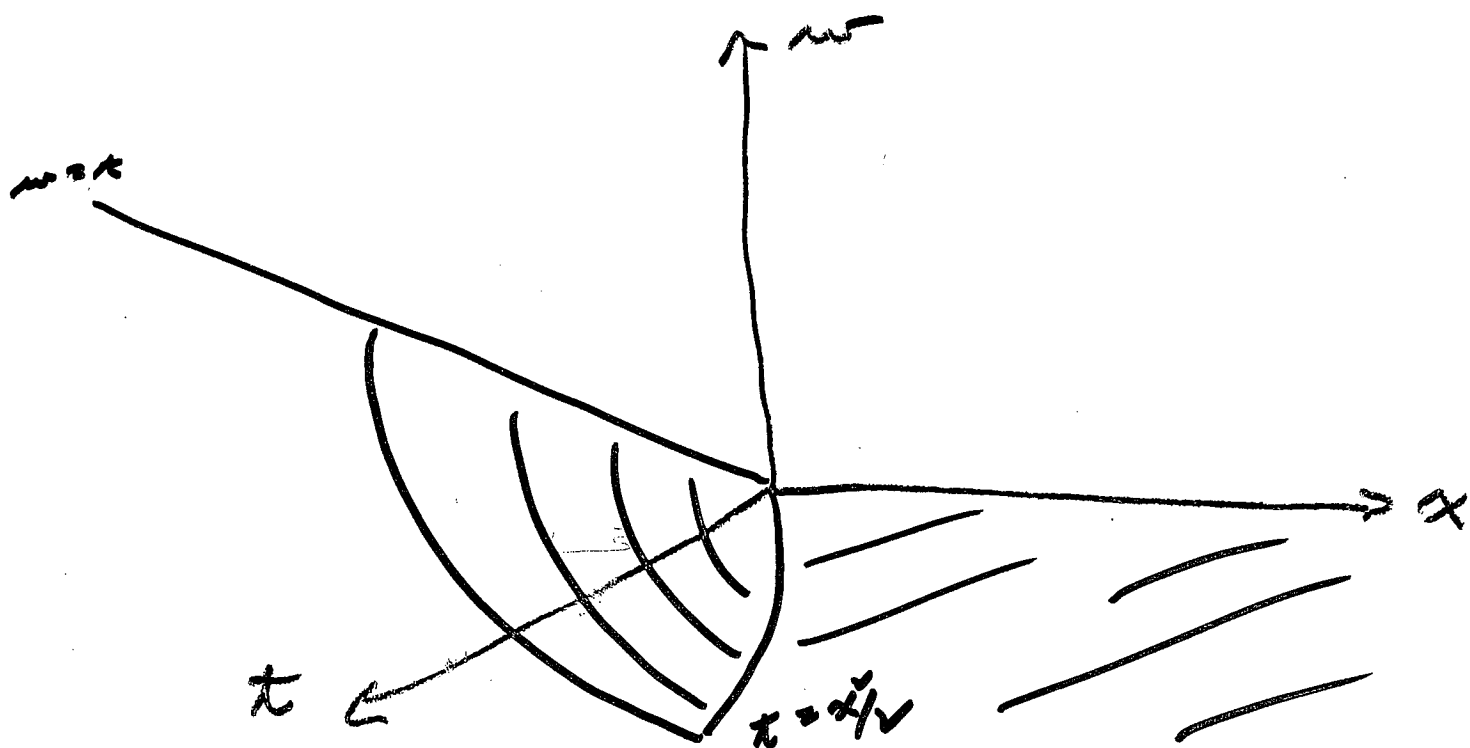
$$= \begin{cases} 0, & t < x^2/2 \\ t - x^2/2, & t > x^2/2 \end{cases}$$

check that it really is a solution.

(1) $t < x^2/2$, $w \equiv 0$, $w_x \equiv 0$, $w_t \equiv 0$
 Trivially $\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = 0$

(2) $t > x^2/2$, $w_x = 1$, $w_t = -x$
 $\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = -x + x \cdot 1 = 0$

This is a solution



EXAMPLE 2 Find the temperature

$w(x, t)$ on a semi-infinite laterally insulated bar.

(Model or approximation of a very long bar or wire)



$$w(x, 0) = 0, \quad w(x, t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty$$
$$w(0, t) = f(t), \quad 0 < t < \infty$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}$$

Take Laplace transform w.r.t t

$$sW(x, s) - w(x, 0) = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 W(x, s)}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 W}{\partial x^2} - \frac{s}{c^2} W = 0 \quad \text{Again, arby const involves } s$$

$$W(x, s) = A(s) e^{\sqrt{s}x/c} + B(s) e^{-\sqrt{s}x/c}$$

$$W(x, s) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty \quad (\text{since } w(x, t) \rightarrow 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow A(s) = 0$$

$$W(x, s) = B(s) e^{-\sqrt{s}x/c}$$

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$$F_n(x) = B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\dot{G}_n + (\rho_n c)^2 G_n = 0 \quad \lambda_n^2 t$$

$$G_n = e^{-\lambda_n^2 t} \quad (G_n = K e^{-\lambda_n^2 t})$$

$$u_n = F_n G_n$$

$$u_n = K B_n$$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{c n \pi}{L}$$

$$n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$u_n(x, t)$$

$$= F_n(x) G_n(t)$$

$$= B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-\lambda_n^2 t}$$

3. Superposition of all the solutions u_n corresponding to the eigenvalues λ_n :

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-\lambda_n^2 t}$$

Initial condition $u(x, 0) = f(x)$
 $0 \leq x \leq L$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

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1. Find the temperature $u(x, t)$ in a bar of silver (length 10cm, constant cross section of area 1 cm^2 , density 10.6 gm/cm^3 , thermal conductivity $1.04 \text{ cal/cm sec } ^\circ\text{C}$, specific heat $0.056 \text{ cal/gm } ^\circ\text{C}$) that is perfectly insulated laterally and whose ends are kept at temperature $0 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$, whose initial temperature distribution is $f(x) = 5 - |x - 5| \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$.
2. Find the temperature in a bar insulated at both ends with

$$u_x(0, t) = 0, \quad u_x(L, t) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = f(x),$$

where

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}, \\ 0 & \text{if } \frac{\pi}{2} < x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

3. Find the temperature $u(x, t)$ in a bar of length L that is kept at zero temperature at $x = 0$, assuming that the end $x = L$ is perfectly insulated, the initial temperature is a constant U_0 and $u_x(L, t) = 0$ (because of perfect insulation there).

$$5. \quad w(0, t) = f(t) \Rightarrow W(0, s) = F(s)$$

$$W(0, s) = B(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow W(x, s) = F(s) e^{-\sqrt{s} x/c}$$

Can't use second shift theorem because of the \sqrt{s} & have to use the convolution theorem.

From Kreyszig's Table:

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(e^{-k\sqrt{s}}) = \frac{k}{2\sqrt{\pi t^3}} e^{-k^2/4t}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(e^{-\sqrt{s} x/c}) = \frac{x}{2c\sqrt{\pi} t^{3/2}} e^{-x^2/4ct}$$
$$= g(t)$$

Convolution gives

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(F(s)G(s)) = \int_0^t f(\tau) g(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$w(x, t) = \int_0^t f(t-\tau) g(\tau) d\tau$$

$$= \frac{x}{2c\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^t f(t-\tau) \tau^{-3/2} e^{-x^2/4c\tau} d\tau$$

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Using the convolution theorem & noting that (see Kreyzig tables)

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(e^{-k\sqrt{s}}) = \frac{k}{2\sqrt{\pi}t^{3/2}} e^{-k^2/4t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{-1}(e^{-\sqrt{s}x/c}) = \frac{x}{2c\sqrt{\pi}t^{3/2}} e^{-x^2/4c^2t}$$

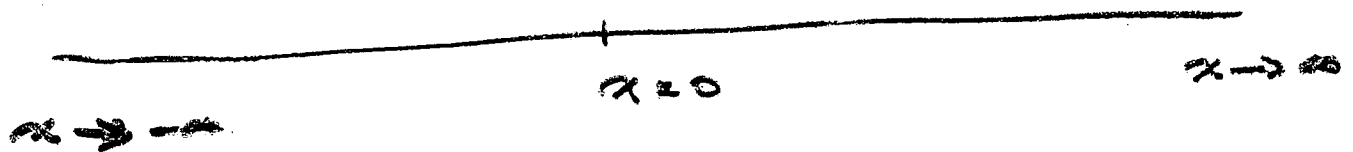
$$= g(t)$$

Convolution gives

$$w(x,t) = \int_0^t f(x-\tau) g(\tau) d\tau$$

giving the formula (*)

What if we have a long bar with the heat source (or a diffusion) at the centre



What sort of boundary conditions make sense physically?

2. $u(x, 0) = f(x)$

$$u(x, t) \rightarrow 0, \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

$$u_x(x, t) \rightarrow 0, \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$

Possible to show (by Fourier transforms)

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2c\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(p) \underbrace{\frac{e^{-\frac{(x-p)^2}{4ct}}}{\sqrt{t}}}_{\text{heat kernel}} dp$$

heat kernel
diffusion kernel
Green's function

Exercise Check by direct

differentiation that $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$.

But how would you "guess" such a result anyway? We'll derive it using the Fourier Integral & Fourier Transform methods,

Whereas Fourier Series methods involve PERIODIC FUNCTIONS, Fourier Integral/Transform

techniques give us a way of analysing NONPERIODIC FUNCTIONS.

3. Fourier Integrals

Consider any function $f_L(x)$ of period $2L$, with a F.S. repr.

$$f_L(x) = a_0 + \sum_n' (a_n \cos p_n x + b_n \sin p_n x)$$

$$p_n = n\pi/L$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f_L(v) dv$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f_L(v) \cos p_n v dv$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f_L(v) \sin p_n v dv$$

Subst. for a_n, b_n in the F.S.

$$f_L(x) = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(v) dv$$

$$+ \frac{1}{L} \sum_n' \left(\cos p_n x \int_{-L}^L f_L(v) \cos p_n v dv \right.$$

$$\left. + \sin p_n x \int_{-L}^L f_L(v) \sin p_n v dv \right)$$

$$\text{Let } L \rightarrow \infty, \quad \Delta p = p_{n+1} - p_n$$

$$= (n+1)\pi/L - n\pi/L = \pi/L$$

So $1/L = \Delta p / \pi$ & so, formally,

$$f_L(x) = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f_L(v) dv$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_n \cos p_n x \Delta p \int_{-L}^L f_L(v) \cos p_n v dv$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_n \sin p_n x \Delta p \int_{-L}^L f_L(v) \sin p_n v dv$$

As $L \rightarrow \infty$, $f_L(x) \rightarrow f(x)$

& assume that $|f(x)|$ integrable on $(-\infty, \infty)$; note $\Delta p = \pi/L \rightarrow 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos p_n x \Delta p \rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \cos px dp$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin p_n x \Delta p \rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \sin px dp$$

(Essentially, this is equivalent to partitioning $[0, \infty)$ by

$$p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_n < \dots \quad \&$$

using Riemann sum followed by taking $L \rightarrow \infty$ & get improper integrals which converge)

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx \text{ is finite, so } \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$$

$$\xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

5. In the limit

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \cos px \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \cos pu \, du \right) dp$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \sin px \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \sin pu \, du \right) dp$$

$\pi B(p)$

$$f(x) = \int_0^{\infty} (A(p) \cos px + B(p) \sin px) dp$$

(REAL) Fourier Integral representation of $f(x)$, $-\infty < x < \infty$.

We'll use this for solving PDE on \mathbb{R} which have bdy conditions $\rightarrow 0$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$.

Note that, looking at the double integral

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cos pu \cos px \\ + \sin pu \sin px \end{array} \right\} du dp$$

$$\cos(A - B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \cos p(u - x) \, du \, dp$$

But $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \cos p(u - x) \, du$ is an EVEN function of p . Call it $F(p)$.

Recall, for even functions,

$$\int_0^{\infty} F(p) dp = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(p) dp$$

So, we obtain

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v) \cos p(x-v) dv \right) dp$$

On the other hand, since

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v) \sin p(x-v) dv$ is an odd function of p , call it $G(p)$

$$\& \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(p) dp = 0. \quad \text{Use}$$

$$e^{ip(x-v)} = \cos p(x-v) + i \sin p(x-v)$$

to obtain

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v) e^{ip(x-v)} dv dp$$

(Complex) Fourier Integral representation.

FOURIER TRANSFORM

$$\hat{f}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{ipx} dx$$

Examples 1. Find F.T. of

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^x, & x < 0 \\ 0, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Solu $\hat{f}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^x e^{ipx} dx$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(1+ip)x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[\frac{e^{(1+ip)x}}{1+ip} \right]_{-\infty}^0$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{1+ip} \left(= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1-ip}{1+p^2} \right)$$

note $|e^{(1+ip)L}| = |e^L| |e^{ipL}|$
 $= e^L \cdot \underbrace{1}_{=1}$

$\rightarrow 0$ as $L \rightarrow -\infty$