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CHAP 2: Separation of Variables.

Ex: $0 \longrightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{Q(x,t)}{c\rho}$

& IC: $u(x, 0) = f(x)$

BCs: $u(0, t) = T_1(t)$
 $u(L, t) = T_2(t)$

Linearity: • I grad an operator L is linear if:

$$L(\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2) = \alpha L(u_1) + \beta L(u_2)$$

$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$.

• Ex: $\partial_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} = L$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [\alpha f(x) + \beta g(x)]$$

$$= \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f + \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g$$

* $\nabla^2 (\alpha u + \beta v) = \alpha \nabla^2 u + \beta \nabla^2 v$

* Heat operator: $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0$

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - k \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right] u = 0$$

$\equiv H$

$u_{1, \text{isol}} \rightarrow H[u_1] = \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} - k \frac{\partial^2 u_1}{\partial x^2} = 0$

$u_{2, \text{isol}} \rightarrow H[u_2] = \dots = 0$

$\Rightarrow H[\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2] = 0 \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$

Superposition principle.

• Nonlinear

$$\nabla^2 u + u^2 = 0$$

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$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)^2 \neq \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

Nonlinear Linear

Homogeneity: zero

If $PDE[u=0] = 0 \Rightarrow PDE$ is Homogeneous

Ex: • $U_t - k U_{xx} = 0$ Heat eq.
 $u=0 \rightarrow 0$ is Homog.

• If sink/sources are present.

$$\underbrace{U_t - k U_{xx}}_{PDE[u]} - \frac{Q}{c_p} = 0 \quad \neq$$

$u=0 \Rightarrow PDE[u] = -\frac{Q}{c_p} \neq 0 \therefore$ Non-Homogeneous

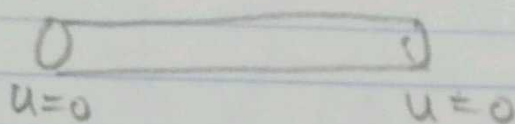
* Usually, split PDE into homogeneous part $N[u]$ & the remainder $f(x,t)$ forcing
 $PDE[u] = 0 \Rightarrow \underbrace{N[u]}_{\text{homogeneous}} = \underbrace{f}_{\text{Non-homog. forcing}}$

⚠ The concept of linearity also applies to BCs

BCs : * $u(0,t) = f(t)$ linear & Non-homog.

* $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L,t) = 0$ linear & Homog.

2.3 | Heat eq. with $T_{\text{env}} = 0$ @ finite ends
[& $Q=0$]



- $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ ① $0 < x < L$
 $t \geq 0$
- $u(x,0) = f(x)$
- $\begin{cases} u(0,t) = 0 \\ u(L,t) = 0 \end{cases}$

Linear & Homogeneous PDE + BCs.

Linear PDEs $\rightarrow$ SEPARATION of VARIABLES

SEP. VAR. $u(x,t) = \phi(x) G(t)$ ②
 $\uparrow$ assume.

PDE $\rightarrow \phi(x) = ?$ & $G(t) = ?$

① $\xRightarrow{②} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [\phi(x) G(t)] = k \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} [\phi(x) G(t)]$

$\Rightarrow \phi(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} G(t) = k G(t) \frac{\partial^2 \phi(x)}{\partial x^2}$

$\xRightarrow{\div \phi G} \frac{\phi}{\phi G} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} G(t) = \frac{k G}{\phi G} \frac{\partial^2 \phi(x)}{\partial x^2}$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{kG(t)} \overset{t\text{-stuff}}{\leftarrow} = \frac{1}{\phi(x)} \overset{x\text{-stuff}}{\rightarrow} \phi''(x) \quad \leftarrow \text{Must be true for all } x\text{'s \& } t\text{'s}$$

~~ODE:~~ $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x) \cdot g(t)$ $\xrightarrow{x\text{-stuff}}$ $\xrightarrow{t\text{-stuff}}$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{f(x)} dx = \int g(t) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{kG} \right) = \left(\frac{1}{\phi} \phi'' \right) = \text{const} = -\lambda$$

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separation constant.

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{G'}{kG} = -\lambda \\ \frac{\phi''}{\phi} = -\lambda \end{cases} \quad (\Leftrightarrow) \text{Heat. eq.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} G'(t) = -\lambda k G(t) \\ \phi''(x) = -\lambda \phi(x) \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} \lambda, k \in \mathbb{R} \\ \uparrow \\ k > 0 \end{matrix}$$

→ Solve the G & ϕ eqs and from there force BCs & ICs.

Def: $\lambda = \text{sep. const.} = \text{EIGENVALUE of the PDE}$

Force the BCs: $\begin{cases} u(0, t) = 0 \\ u(L, t) = 0 \end{cases}$

$$u = \phi G \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \phi(0) \cdot G(t) = 0 \rightarrow \phi(0) = 0 \text{ or } G(t) = 0 \\ \phi(L) \cdot G(t) = 0 \rightarrow \phi(L) = 0 \text{ or } G(t) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$G(t) = 0 \Rightarrow u = 0 \Rightarrow$ trivial sol.

$\lambda u=0$ does NOT satisfy ICs.

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$$\therefore G(t) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \phi(0)=0 \\ \phi(L)=0 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \text{SPATIAL } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \phi''(x) = -\lambda \phi(x) \\ \phi(0) = 0 \\ \phi(L) = 0 \end{array} \right. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{ODE} \\ \text{BCs} \end{array} \right\} \text{BVP boundary value problem.}$$

↑ still to be solved.

TEMPORAL PART:

$$G'(t) = -\lambda_b G(t) \Rightarrow G(t) = G_0 e^{-\lambda_b t}$$

SPATIAL PART

$$\phi(x) = A \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x + B \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x$$

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

GRAL: $\frac{d^n u}{dx^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} u}{dx^{n-1}} + \dots + a_1 \frac{du}{dx} + a_0 u = 0$

Gral. n-th order, linear ODE.

Characteristic polyn: $z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0 = 0$

If all n roots $z_1, \dots, z_n$ are distinct.

$$\Rightarrow u(x) = d_1 e^{z_1 x} + d_2 e^{z_2 x} + \dots + d_n e^{z_n x}$$

$$u(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i e^{z_i x}$$

Back to $\phi''(x) = -\lambda \phi(x)$

$\hookrightarrow$ charac. poly. $z^2 = -\lambda \rightarrow z = \pm i\sqrt{\lambda}$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) = \alpha_1 e^{-i\sqrt{\lambda}x} + \alpha_2 e^{+i\sqrt{\lambda}x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda > 0 & \quad e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta \\ & = \alpha_1 [\cos(-\sqrt{\lambda}x) + i\sin(-\sqrt{\lambda}x)] \\ & \quad + \alpha_2 [\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)] \\ & = \underbrace{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}_A \cos\sqrt{\lambda}x + i(-\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \sin\sqrt{\lambda}x \end{aligned}$$

+ SPATIAL PART: $\phi'' = -\lambda \phi$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) = A \cos\sqrt{\lambda}x + B \sin\sqrt{\lambda}x$$

$$\text{BCs: } \phi(0) = 0 \text{ \& } \phi(L) = 0$$

+ TEMPORAL PART $G(t) = G_0 e^{-k\lambda t}$

+ ICs: $u(x, 0) = f(x)$

$$\text{Sep. Var: } u(x, t) = \phi(x) \cdot G(t)$$