

## LEC 2

Last time: Derivation of the 1-D heat equation.

- conservation of energy  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} - Q = 0$
- Fourier's law of heat conduction  $\phi = -k_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$

General form:  $c\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( k_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) + Q$

Special case: ~~if there~~ no sources, constant thermal property

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}} \quad \text{where } k = \frac{k_0}{c\rho}$$

Initial conditions:  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$

Boundary conditions: 1. Prescribed temperature e.g.  $u(0, t) = u_B(t)$

2. Prescribed heat flux  $\uparrow$   
given

e.g. at  $x=0$

$$-k_0(0) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0} = \cancel{\phi(t)} \cdot \phi(t)$$

3. Mixed BC.

e.g. at  $x=0$

$$-k_0(0) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0} = -H [u(0, t) - u_B(t)]$$

$\uparrow$   
given

### Steady-state temperature distribution

Let's consider the heat equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq L$

Suppose we have the following initial and boundary conditions.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} u(x, 0) = f(x) \\ u(0, t) = T_1 \\ u(L, t) = T_2 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} IC \\ BCs \end{array}$$

Def: A steady-state solution is a temperature distribution that does not depend on time, i.e.  $u(x, t) = u(x)$ .

By the definition,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0$  hence the equation becomes

$$k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

Actually, this is equivalent to

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = 0$$

since  $u$  is now a function of one variable.

The general solution of this ODE is

$$u(x) = C_1 x + C_2$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  are some constants.

Since we are considering  $u(x)$  not as a function in time, the initial condition can be ignored.

We have two BCs  $\left. \begin{array}{l} u(0) = T_1 \\ u(L) = T_2 \end{array} \right\}$

Put these in  $u(x) = C_1 x + C_2$ , we get

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} T_1 = C_2 \\ T_2 = C_1 L + C_2 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{Hence } u(x) = T_1 + \frac{T_2 - T_1}{L} x$$

Now, if we consider the time-dependent problem,  $u(x, t)$  will change in time. In the long run, the influence of the two ends will dominate the heat flow. Eventually, we expect the temperature approaches the equilibrium temperature distribution, i.e.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = u_E(x)$$

Note: 1) The IC has no effect on this ~~stat~~ steady-state solution.

2) We have used the fact that  $T_1, T_2$  are constants.

Next, let's look at insulated boundaries.  
 We have the following time-dependent problem.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, t) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Again, we set  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0$ , then our problem becomes

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = 0 \\ \frac{du}{dx}(0) = 0 \\ \frac{du}{dx}(L) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Similar as previous calculation,  $u(x) = C_1 x + C_2$

BCs  $\Rightarrow C_1$  must be zero  $\Rightarrow u(x) = C_2$ .

Q: Is  $C_2$  an arbitrary constant?

For the time-dependent problem, we expect

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = C_2$$

Observation: the boundaries are perfectly insulated, which implies that the total thermal energy is ~~constant~~ a constant since there ~~are~~ no sources <sup>are</sup>.

In fact,

total thermal energy

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^L c_p u \, dx = -k_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0,t) + K_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L,t) = 0$$

Therefore the initial total energy must be equal to the equilibrium total energy

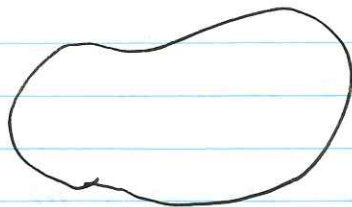
$$\int_0^L c_p u(x,0) \, dx = \int_0^L c_p C_2 \, dx$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \, dx = u(0).$$

Note: this tells us that the equilibrium solution is the average of the initial temperature distribution.

### Heat Equations in higher dimensions

Consider a region  $R$  in 3D



$R$ : region

$\partial R$ : boundary of  $R$

$\hat{n}$ : outward normal vector to the boundary.

The total thermal energy in  $R$  is

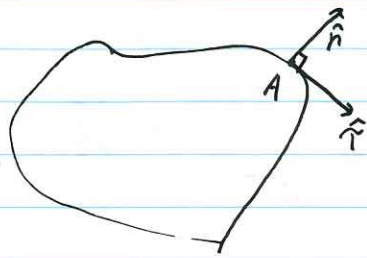
$$\iiint_R c(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}) u(\vec{x}, t) \, dV$$

Conservation of energy:

Rate of change of heat energy = heat energy flowing across boundaries per unit time + heat energy generated inside per unit time.

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{d}{dt} \iiint_R c \rho u \, dV$$

Let's look at the heat flux. Let  $\vec{\Phi}$  be the heat flux vector field which represents the heat energy flows per unit time in each unit area.



The ~~amount~~ magnitude of  $\vec{\Phi}$  is the amount of heat energy flowing per unit time per unit surface area.

In fact, only the normal component of the heat flux contribute to the heat transfer. Let  $\hat{r}$  be a tangent vector, then there will be no heat energy crossing A if the heat flux is in the direction of  $\hat{r}$ .

The outward normal component of  $\vec{\Phi}$  at A is

$$\vec{\Phi} \cdot \hat{n} = |\vec{\Phi}| \cdot |\hat{n}| \cdot \cos \theta = |\vec{\Phi}| \cos \theta$$

since  $|\hat{n}| = 1$  and  $\theta$  is the angle between the vector  $\vec{\Phi}$  and  $\hat{n}$  at A.

The total amount of energy flowing across the boundary  $\partial R$  is then

$$\oint_{\partial R} \vec{\Phi} \cdot \hat{n} \, dS.$$

Hence the conservation ~~law~~ of energy is

$$\frac{d}{dt} \iiint_R c \rho u \, dV = - \oint_{\partial R} \vec{\Phi} \cdot \hat{n} \, dS + \iiint_R Q \, dV.$$

Divergence theorem.

$$\text{Let } \vec{F}(x, y, z) = (f, g, h) = f\hat{i} + g\hat{j} + h\hat{k}.$$

We can regard gradient as an operator

$$\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \nabla \cdot F &= \text{div } \vec{F} = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right\rangle \cdot \langle f, g, h \rangle \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial h}{\partial z} \end{aligned}$$

### Divergence theorem

Suppose the vector field  $\vec{F}$  is continuously differentiable, then

$$\iiint_R \nabla \cdot \vec{F} \, dV = \iint_{\partial R} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} \, dS.$$

Note: in 1D, we have  $-\int_a^b \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \, dx = \phi(a) - \phi(b)$ .

Using the divergence theorem,

$$\iiint_R c\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \, dV = - \iiint_R \nabla \cdot \vec{\phi} \, dV + \iiint_R Q \, dV$$

$$\Rightarrow \iiint_R (c\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{\phi} - Q) \, dV = 0.$$

Since  $R$  is an arbitrary region,

$$c\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{\phi} - Q = 0.$$

Fourier's law of heat conduction  $\vec{q} = -k_0(\vec{x}) \nabla u$

Heat equation.

$$c\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (k_0 \nabla u) + Q$$

Special case: no sources ~~is~~, constant thermal properties.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = ~~k \nabla \cdot (\nabla u)~~ k \nabla \cdot (\nabla u) = k \Delta u.$$

$$\text{Note: } \nabla \cdot (\nabla u) = \Delta u = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right\rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$$

is called the Laplacian of  $u$ .

IC / BCs.

1. IC.  $u(x, y, z, 0) = f(x, y, z)$ . initial temperature.

2. BCs.

1) Prescribed temperature.

$$u(x, y, z, t) = T(x, y, z, t) \text{ for } (x, y, z) \in \partial R.$$

Note:  $T$  is a function defined only on the boundary  $\partial R$ .

2) Prescribed heat flux.

$$-k_0 \nabla u \cdot \hat{n} = \phi(x, y, z, t) \text{ for } (x, y, z) \in \partial R.$$

$$\text{Insulated boundary } \nabla u \cdot \hat{n} = 0$$

Note: We write  $\nabla u \cdot \hat{n} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}$  which is the directional derivative in the direction of  $\hat{n}$ .

3) Mixed BCs

$$-k_0 \nabla u \cdot \hat{n} = H(u - u_B), \quad (x, y, z) \in \partial R$$

where  $u_b$  is the temperature of the surrounding medium.  
 $H > 0$  is the convection coefficient.

Q. Compare this with the 1D case.

Steady-state solutions

$$\text{Let } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot (K_0 \nabla u) + Q = 0$$

if  $K_0 \equiv \text{const}$ , then

$$\Delta u = -\frac{Q}{K_0}$$

this is the Poisson equation.

If in addition  $Q = 0$ , we have

$$\Delta u = 0$$

this is the Laplace equation.



## Ch2. Method of Separation of variables.

### 2.2 Linearity.

Def: An operator  $L$  is linear if

$$L(c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2) = c_1 L(u_1) + c_2 L(u_2)$$

where  $c_1, c_2$  are arbitrary constants and  $u_1, u_2$  are arbitrary functions.

Ex Let  $L = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$

$$\begin{aligned} L(c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2) = c_1 \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} + c_2 \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial t} \\ &= c_1 L(u_1) + c_2 L(u_2). \end{aligned}$$

Hence differentiation is a linear operator.

Exercise: Check that  $L = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$  is also a linear operator.

Prop: Any linear combination of linear operators is a linear operator.

Pt: HW.

Define the heat operator  $L = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - k \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$ . Then  $L$  is linear since both  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ ,  $k \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$  are linear.

Def: A linear equation for an unknown function  $u$  has the form

$$L(u) = f.$$

Hence the heat equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + Q$  or

we can write  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = Q$   
is a linear partial differential equations.

DEF The linear PDE  $Lu = f$  is homogeneous if  $f = 0$ .  
Otherwise, it is nonhomogeneous. (i.e.  $f \neq 0$ ).

Principle of Linear superposition.

If  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  satisfy the same linear homogeneous PDE, then their linear combination is also a solution to that PDE.

PT: By assumption,  $L(u_1) = 0 = L(u_2)$ , where  $L$  is the given differential operator corresponding to the PDE.  
Then

$$L(c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2) = c_1 L(u_1) + c_2 L(u_2) = 0.$$

Hence  $(c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2)$  is also a solution to  $L(u) = 0$ .

Boundary conditions.

Example of linear BCs.

$$\begin{cases} u(0, t) = f(t) \\ u_x(L, t) = g(t) \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{linear } \overset{\text{non}}{\text{homogeneous}}.$$

$$\begin{cases} u_x(0, t) = 0 \\ u_x(L, t) = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{linear homogeneous.}$$