

Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{where } u(0, t) = 0, u(1, t) = 0, u(x, 0) = 1 \quad [7]$$

Solution

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{homogeneous} \quad 0 < x < 1, t \geq 0$$

$$u(0, t) = 0, u(1, t) = 0, \quad \text{both are homogeneous} \quad u(x, 0) = 1 \quad \text{nonhomogeneous}$$

$$u(x, t) = T(t)X(x) \quad \frac{T_t}{T} = \frac{X_{xx}}{X} = -\lambda \quad u(0, t) = 0, u(1, t) = 0,$$

$$X_{xx} + \lambda X = 0, \quad X(0) = 0, X(1) = 0 \quad \text{Eigenvalues } \lambda_n = (n\pi)^2 \quad n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

$$X_n(x) = c_n \sin(n\pi x)$$

$$\text{The solution of } T_t + \lambda T = 0 \text{ is } T(t) = a_1 e^{-\lambda t}, \quad T_n = a_n e^{-n^2 \pi^2 t}$$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k_n e^{-n^2 \pi^2 t} \sin n\pi x \quad u(x, 0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} k_n \sin n\pi x = 1$$

$$k_n = \frac{2}{p} \int_0^p f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{p} dx$$

$$k_n = 2 \int_0^1 1 \cdot \sin n\pi x dx = -\frac{2}{n\pi} \{\cos n\pi - 1\}$$

$$u(x, t) = \frac{2}{n\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{1 - \cos n\pi\} e^{-n^2 \pi^2 t} \sin n\pi x$$