

### Wave Equation

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} &= 0 & 0 < x < l & 0 < t < \infty \\ u(x, 0) &= \varphi(x) \\ u_t(x, 0) &= \psi(x) \\ u(0, t) &= 0 & u(l, t) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

### Heat Equation

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} &= 0 & 0 < x < l & 0 < t < \infty \\ u(x, 0) &= \varphi(x) \\ u(0, t) &= 0 & u(l, t) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

We assume that  $u$  can be expressed as a Fourier sine series

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

This automatically satisfies the boundary conditions. Also since  $\sin$  is a solution to both the wave and heat equations it will satisfy the PDE. Thus the main question is the intial conditions. Formally put in the equation.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t) &= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 A_n(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A'_n(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(x, t) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A''_n(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ A'_n(t) + \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 A_n(t) \right] \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) &= 0 & \text{heat equation} \\ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ B''_n(t) + \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 B_n(t) \right] \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) &= 0 & \text{wave equation}\end{aligned}$$

or setting the coefficient of each  $\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$  to zero we get

$$\begin{aligned} A'_n(t) + \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 A_n(t) &= 0 && \text{all } n \quad \text{heat equation} \\ B''_n(t) + \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 B_n(t) &= 0 && \text{all } n \quad \text{wave equation} \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} A_n(t) &= A_n(0) e^{-\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 t} && \text{all } n \quad \text{heat equation} \\ B_n(t) &= B_n(0) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}t\right) + \frac{l}{n\pi} B'_n(0) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}t\right) && \text{all } n \quad \text{wave equation} \end{aligned}$$

So we have solved the PDE and boundary conditions. What remains is the initial conditions, i.e. find  $A_n(0)$ ,  $B_n(0)$ ,  $B'_n(0)$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(x) = u(x, 0) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n(0) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) && \text{heat equation} \\ \varphi(x) = u(x, 0) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n(0) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) && \text{wave equation} \\ \psi(x) = u(x, 0) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B'_n(0) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) && \text{wave equation} \end{aligned}$$

### Sine Series

Theorem:

$$\int_0^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ \frac{l}{2} & m = n \end{cases}$$

If

$$\varphi(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \quad 0 < x < l$$

then

$$B_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l \varphi(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

### Cosine Series

Theorem:

$$\int_0^l \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ \frac{l}{2} & m = n \neq 0 \\ l & m = n = 0 \end{cases}$$

If

$$\varphi(x) = \frac{A_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \quad 0 < x < l$$

then

$$A_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l \varphi(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

### Full interval Series

Theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-l}^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx &= \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ l & m = n \end{cases} \\ \int_{-l}^l \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx &= \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ l & m = n \neq 0 \\ 2l & m = n = 0 \end{cases} \\ \int_{-l}^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx &= 0 \quad \text{all } m, n \end{aligned}$$

If

$$\varphi(x) = \frac{A_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \quad -l < x < l$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= \frac{1}{l} \int_{-l}^l \varphi(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx \\ B_n &= \frac{1}{l} \int_{-l}^l \varphi(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx \end{aligned}$$

Note: sine series corresponds to odd extension i.e. Dirichlet bc  
cosine series corresponds to even extension i.e. Neumann bc

### Robin Condition

$$\begin{aligned} X'' + \beta^2 X &= 0 \\ u_x - a_0 u &= 0 \quad x = 0 \\ u_x + a_l u &= 0 \quad x = l \end{aligned}$$

Assume

$$\begin{aligned} X(x) &= C \cos(\beta x) + D \sin(\beta x) \\ X'(x) &= \beta [-C \sin(\beta x) + D \cos(\beta x)] \\ X'(x) + aX &= (\beta D + aC) \cos(\beta x) + (-\beta C + aD) \sin(\beta x) \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \beta D + a_0 C &= 0 \quad \text{at } x = 0 \\ (\beta D + a_l C) \cos(\beta l) + (-\beta C + a_l D) \sin(\beta l) &= 0 \quad \text{at } x = l \end{aligned}$$

To have a nontrivial solution the determinant of the system needs to be nonzero

$$-a_0 [\beta \cos(\beta l) + a_l \sin(\beta l)] - \beta [a_l \cos(\beta l) - \beta \sin(\beta l)] = 0$$

or

$$\tan(\beta l) = \frac{(a_0 + a_l)\beta}{\beta^2 - a_0 a_l}$$

Example  $\sin(x)$  expansion

$$\phi(x) = 1 \quad 0 < x < l$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} B_m &= \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx \\ &= \left[ -\frac{2}{m\pi} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) \right]_0^l \\ &= \frac{2}{m\pi} [1 - \cos(m\pi)] = \frac{2}{m\pi} [1 - (-1)^m] \\ &= \frac{4}{\pi} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right) + \frac{1}{3} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{l}\right) + \frac{1}{5} \sin\left(\frac{5\pi x}{l}\right) + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

$\phi(x)$  is discontinuous at  $x=0$

Hence, we have proven that

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right) + \frac{1}{3} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{l}\right) + \frac{1}{5} \sin\left(\frac{5\pi x}{l}\right) + \dots$$

Example: sine series

$$\phi(x) = x \quad 0 < x < l$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} B_m &= \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l x \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx \\ &= \left[ -\frac{2x}{m\pi} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) + \frac{2l}{m^2\pi^3} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) \right]_0^l \\ &= -\frac{2l}{m\pi} \cos(m\pi) = (-1)^{m+1} \frac{2l}{m\pi} \\ &= \frac{2l}{\pi} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{l}\right) + \frac{1}{3} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{l}\right) - \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

This is discontinuous at  $x = l$

$$\phi(x) = x \quad -l < x < l$$

Then  $\phi(x)$  is an odd function and  $A_n = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} B_m &= \frac{1}{l} \int_{-l}^l x \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l x \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{l}\right) dx_0^l \\ &= (-1)^{m+1} \frac{2l}{m\pi} \end{aligned}$$

### Example - PDE

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_{tt} &= c^2 u_{xx} \quad 0 < x < l \\
 u(x, 0) &= x \\
 u_t(x, 0) &= 0 \\
 u(0, t) &= u(l, t) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(x, t) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ A_n \cos \left( \frac{n\pi ct}{l} \right) + B_n \sin \left( \frac{n\pi ct}{l} \right) \right] \sin \left( \frac{n\pi x}{l} \right) \\
 u_t(x, t) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n\pi c}{l} \left[ -A_n \sin \left( \frac{n\pi ct}{l} \right) + B_n \cos \left( \frac{n\pi ct}{l} \right) \right] \sin \left( \frac{n\pi x}{l} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

set  $t = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin \left( \frac{n\pi x}{l} \right) \\
 0 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n\pi c}{l} B_n \sin \left( \frac{n\pi x}{l} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

So

$$u(x, t) = \frac{2l}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \cos \left( \frac{n\pi ct}{l} \right) \sin \left( \frac{n\pi x}{l} \right)$$