

Week 13 summary:

- A dot product, or "inner product" allows us to project vectors onto unit vectors.

- For Per_{2L} , define $\langle f(x), g(x) \rangle = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) g(x) dx$

* If $f(x)$ is 2π -periodic, then $f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx, \quad b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx.$$

- Even functions

* $f(x) = f(-x)$

* Symmetric about y-axis

* Fourier series contains only sines

* $\int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = 2 \int_0^L f(x) dx$

Odd functions

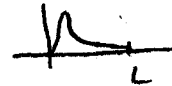
* $f(x) = -f(-x)$

* Symmetric about origin

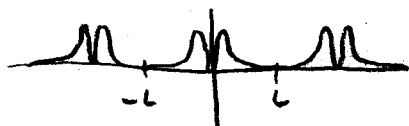
* Fourier series contains only cosines

* $\int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = 0.$

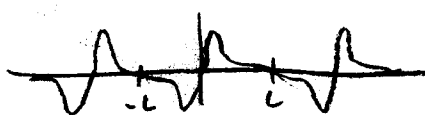
- Fourier cosine & sine series.

Start with a function $f(x)$ on $[0, L]$, e.g., 

* Fourier cosine series is the Fourier series of the even extension

e.g.,  $f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), \quad a_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$

* Fourier sine series is the Fourier series of the odd extension.

e.g.,  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$

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Complex Form of the Fourier series

Fact 1: $B_1 = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \cos x, \cos 2x, \cos 3x, \dots \right.$
 $\left. \sin x, \sin 2x, \sin 3x, \dots \right\}$ is a basis for $\text{Per}_{2\pi}$.

and is orthonormal if $\langle f, g \rangle := \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) g(x) dx$

Fact 2: $B_2 = \left\{ 1, e^{-ix}, e^{-2ix}, e^{-3ix}, \dots \right.$
 $\left. e^{ix}, e^{2ix}, e^{3ix}, \dots \right\}$ is also a basis for $\text{Per}_{2\pi}$.

and is orthonormal if $\langle f, g \rangle := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) g(x) dx$.

Therefore, if $f(x)$ is 2π -periodic, we can write it as

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{-inx} = c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (c_n e^{-inx} + c_{-n} e^{-inx})$$

$$c_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx, \quad c_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx$$

This is the complex form of the Fourier series of $f(x)$.

Recall: $\cos nx = \frac{1}{2}(e^{inx} + e^{-inx})$, $\sin nx = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{inx} - e^{-inx})$.

$$e^{inx} = \cos nx + i \sin nx, \quad e^{-inx} = \cos nx - i \sin nx$$

Therefore,
$$c_n = \frac{a_n - ib_n}{2}, \quad c_{-n} = \frac{a_n + ib_n}{2}$$

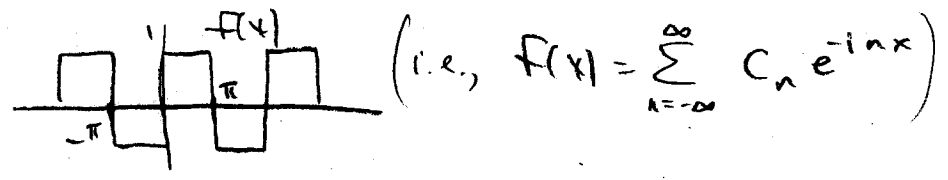
and
$$a_n = c_n + c_{-n} \quad b_n = i(c_n - c_{-n})$$

Note: c_0 is the const. term in the complex form of $f(x)$.

$a_0 = 2c_0 \Rightarrow \frac{a_0}{2}$ is the const. term in the real form.

Remark: The constant term c_0 (or $\frac{a_0}{2}$) is the average value of $f(x)$. (Why?)

Example 1: Compute the complex Fourier series of



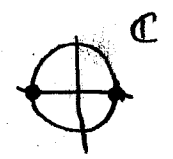
$C_0 = 0$ (average value of $f(x)$).

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 -e^{-inx} dx + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} e^{-inx} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{in} e^{-inx} \right]_0^{\pi} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{-1}{in} e^{-inx} \right]_0^{\pi}$$

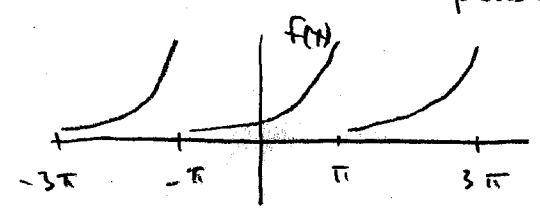
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi in} (1 - e^{in\pi} - e^{-in\pi} + 1) \quad \text{Note: } e^{-inx} = e^{inx} = (-1)^n = (-1)^{-n}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{\pi in} (1 - (-1)^n)} = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{\pi in} & n \text{ odd} \\ 0 & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$



Thus,
$$f(x) = \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\pi in} (1 - (-1)^n) e^{-inx} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\pi in} (1 - (-1)^n) (e^{-inx} - e^{inx})$$

Example 2: Compute the complex Fourier series of the 2π -periodic extension of e^x .



$$C_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^x dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2\pi} (e^{\pi} - e^{-\pi})}$$

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^x e^{-inx} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{(1-in)x} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi(1-in)} e^{(1-in)x} \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi(1-in)} [e^{(1-in)\pi} - e^{-(1-in)\pi}] = \frac{e^{in\pi}}{2\pi(1-in)} [e^{\pi} - e^{-\pi}]$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n}{2\pi(1-in)} [e^{\pi} - e^{-\pi}]$$

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Note: $\frac{1}{1-in} = \frac{1}{1-in} \frac{1+in}{1+in} = \frac{1+in}{1+n^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{C_n = \frac{(-1)^n (e^\pi - e^{-\pi})}{2\pi (1+n^2)} (1+in)}$

Now, derive the real Fourier coefficients:

$$a_n = C_n + C_{-n} = \frac{(-1)^n (e^\pi - e^{-\pi})}{\pi (1+n^2)}$$

$$b_n = i(C_n - C_{-n}) = \frac{(-1)^n n (e^\pi - e^{-\pi})}{\pi (1+n^2)}$$

Parseval's identity: If $f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx$, then

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$$

Proof: $\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \left(\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx \right) dx$

$$= \frac{a_0}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx}_{a_n} + b_n \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx}_{b_n} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$$

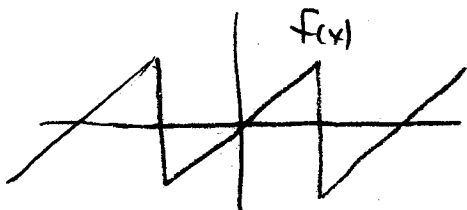
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Neat application: Compute $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{25} + \dots$

Let $f(x) = x$ on $[-\pi, \pi]$. $a_n = 0$ (since $f(x)$ is odd)

$$b_n = \frac{2}{n} (-1)^n \quad (\text{last week})$$

$$\Rightarrow b_n^2 = \frac{4}{n^2}$$



Apply Parseval's identity: $\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{2\pi^2}{3}$ (LHS)

RHS: $\frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2 + b_n^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2}$

Equate LHS & RHS: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2} = \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}}$

Partial differential equations

Let $u(x, t)$ be a 2-variable function. A partial differential equation (PDE) is an equation involving u, x, t , and the partial derivatives of u .

Example: $\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ (or just $u_t = u_{xx}$).

ODEs have a unifying theory of existence & uniqueness of solutions

PDEs have no such theory.

PDEs arise from physical phenomena & modeling.

Heat equation: $\rho(x)\sigma(x)\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\kappa(x) \frac{du}{\partial x} \right)$, where

$u(x, t)$ = temperature of a bar at position x & time t

$\rho(x)$ = density of bar at position x

$\sigma(x)$ = specific heat at position x

$\kappa(x)$ = thermal conductivity of the bar at position x

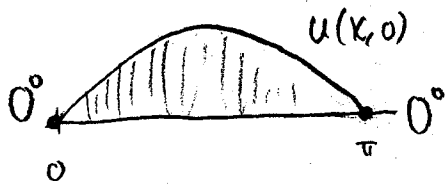
* We'll assume the bar is homogeneous (i.e., ρ, σ, κ constants)

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In this case, the heat equation becomes

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}} \quad \text{where } c^2 = \frac{\kappa}{\rho\sigma}$$

Example 1: let $u(x, t)$ = temp. of a bar of length π , insulated



along the sides, whose ends are kept at zero temp. (Boundary conditions), and $u(x, 0) = x(\pi - x)$ (Initial conditions).

Thus, we have the following initial value problem:

$$u_t = c^2 u_{xx}, \quad u(0, t) = 0, \quad u(\pi, t) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = x(\pi - x)$$

Note: This is homogeneous and linear, i.e., if u_1 & u_2 are solutions, then so is $c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2$ (superposition).

Let's solve this!

Step 1: Find the general solution to $u_t = c^2 u_{xx}$.

* Assume $u(x, t) = f(x) g(t)$; "Separation of variables"

$$u_t = f(x) g'(t), \quad u_{xx} = f''(x) g(t)$$

Now, plug back in & solve for f & g .

$$u_t = c^2 u_{xx} \implies f(x) g'(t) = c^2 f''(x) g(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{g'(t)}{c^2 g(t)} = \frac{f''(x)}{f(x)} = \lambda \quad \leftarrow \text{Therefore this must be a constant!$$

Doesn't depend
on x

Doesn't depend
on t

Now, we have 2 ODEs: $\frac{g'(t)}{c^2 g(t)} = \lambda, \quad \frac{f''(x)}{f(x)} = \lambda.$

Solve for g : $g' = c^2 \lambda g \Rightarrow \boxed{g(t) = A e^{c^2 \lambda t}} \quad \checkmark$

Suppose $g(t) \neq 0$. Boundary conditions: $u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0$

imply that $f(0)g(t) = f(\pi)g(t) = 0 \Rightarrow f(0) = 0 \text{ \& } f(\pi) = 0$ (why?)

Solve for f : $f'' = \lambda f, \quad f(0) = 0, \quad f(\pi) = 0.$

Case 1: $\boxed{\lambda = 0}$ $f'' = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = ax + b, \quad f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$
 $f(\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow b = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = 0.$

Case 2: $\boxed{\lambda > 0}$ $f(x) = C_1 e^{\sqrt{\lambda}x} + C_2 e^{-\sqrt{\lambda}x}$

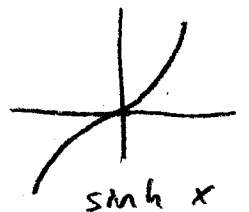
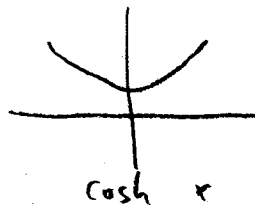
OR $f(x) = A \cosh(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B \sinh(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$ [See HW #19]

Recall: $\cosh 0 = 1, \quad \sinh 0 = 0$

$$f(0) = A = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = B \sinh(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

$$f(\pi) = B \sinh(\sqrt{\lambda}\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 0.$$



Case 3: $\boxed{\lambda < 0}$ let $\omega = \sqrt{-\lambda}$, so $f'' = -\omega^2 f$

Simple harmonic motion: $f(x) = a \cos \omega x + b \sin \omega x$

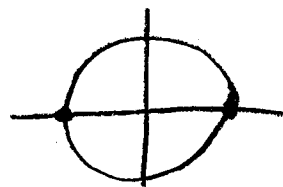
$$f(0) = 0, \quad f(\pi) = 0$$

$$f(0) = a = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = b \sin \omega x$$

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$$f(\pi) = b \sin w\pi = 0 \Rightarrow w\pi = n\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{w = n}$$



($\sin w\pi = 0$ iff $w\pi = n\pi$)

Therefore, $\boxed{f(x) = b \sin nx}$, for any integer n .

In summary, for any fixed choice of $d = -n^2$, we have a

solution $u_n(x, t) = f_n(x) g_n(t)$, where $g_n(t) = A_n e^{-c^2 n^2 t}$

$$f_n(x) = B_n \sin nx$$

Thus, $\boxed{u_n(x, t) = b_n e^{-c^2 n^2 t} \sin nx}$ is a solution for any n

(Here, we just "absorb" the constants into one constant, b_n).

By superposition, any linear combination is also a solution.

Thus, the general solution is $u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n(x, t)$

$$\boxed{u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx e^{-c^2 n^2 t}} \quad (*)$$

Now, let's solve the initial value problem: $u(x, 0) = x(\pi - x)$

$$u(x, 0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx = x(\pi - x) \quad \text{on } [0, \pi].$$

To solve for the b_n 's, we must write $x(\pi - x)$ as a

Fourier sine series.

Recall: $b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x(\pi - x) \sin nx \, dx = \frac{4}{\pi n^3} (1 - (-1)^n)$

(See HW 18)

$$\text{Thus, } u(x,0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi n^3} (1 - (-1)^n) \sin nx$$

$$\Rightarrow b_n = \frac{4}{\pi n^3} (1 - (-1)^n)$$

Our particular solution to the IVP is

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi n^3} (1 - (-1)^n) \sin nx e^{-c^2 n^2 t}$$

Remark: The steady-state solution is $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x,t) = 0$

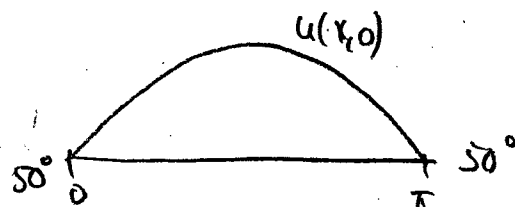
(because $e^{-c^2 n^2 t} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$).

* This makes sense physically, because heat dissipates.

Example 1(b) Consider the same physical situation, but now, say

that the boundaries are held

fixed at 50° . (init. cond. adjusted accordingly)



we now have the following initial value problem:

$$u_t = c^2 u_{xx}, \quad u(0,t) = u(\pi,t) = \underline{50}, \quad u(x,0) = x(\pi - x) + \underline{50}$$

Question: What's the solution? (i.e., how does it differ from the previous example)

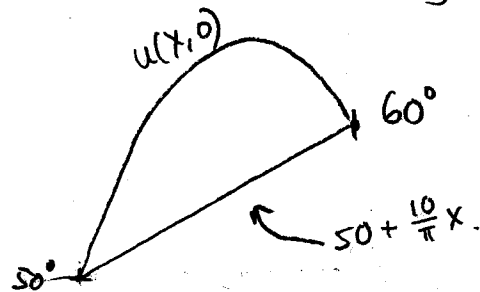
Answer:
$$u(x,t) = 50 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi n^3} (1 - (-1)^n) \sin nx e^{-c^2 n^2 t}$$

Motivation: This is exactly the same as the previous problem, but we proclaimed 50° to be 0° (say, in a "new" temperature system).

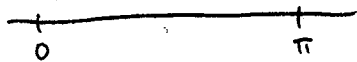
Remark: $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x,t) = 50$ is the steady-state sol'n. (this makes sense too!)

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Example 1(c): Consider the same physical situation, but now, say that the left-hand boundary is fixed at 50° , and the right-hand boundary is fixed at 60° (i.e. mit. cond. adjusted accordingly).



We now have the following initial value problem:



$$u_t = c^2 u_{xx}, \quad u(0, t) = \underline{50}, \quad u(\pi, t) = \underline{60}, \quad u(x, 0) = \underline{50 + \frac{10}{\pi}x} + x(\pi - x)$$

The solution (not surprisingly) is

$$u(x, t) = 50 + \frac{10}{\pi}x + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx e^{-c^2 n^2 t}$$

steady-state solution

"homogeneous" part

i.e. sol'n if the boundary conditions were 0° .

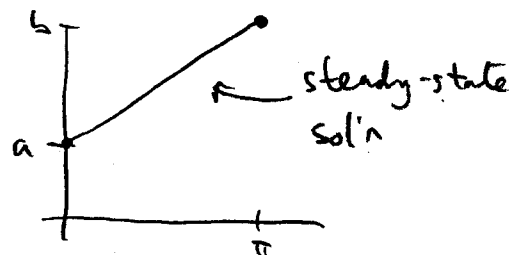
Big idea: To solve $u_t = c^2 u_{xx}$, $u(0, t) = a$, $u(\pi, t) = b$, $u(x, 0) = h(x)$,

first solve the related problem where $a = b = 0$ then add

this to the steady-state solution, which will clearly (why?)

$$\text{be } u_{ss}(x, t) = a + \frac{b-a}{\pi}x.$$

i.e.,
$$u(x, t) = u_{0,0}(x, t) + u_{ss}(x, t)$$



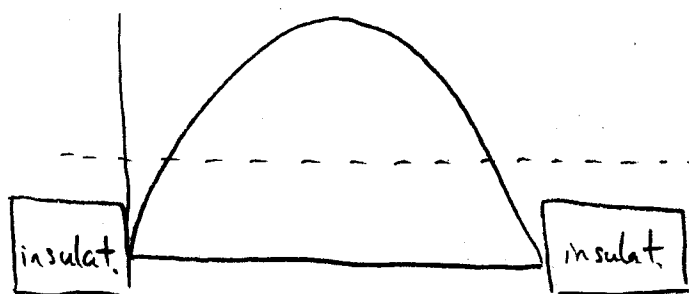
* Convince yourself why this makes sense physically.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u_{0,0}(x, t) = 0, \quad \text{so } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = u_{ss}(x, t) = a + \frac{b-a}{\pi}x.$$

Example 2: Same situation as Example 1, but with different boundary conditions.

$$u_t = c^2 u_{xx}, \quad \underbrace{u_x(0, t) = u_x(\pi, t) = 0}, \quad u(x, 0) = x(\pi - x)$$

Represents insulated endpoints, through which no heat can pass.



steady-state sol'n = ave. temperature (as we'll see, this is $\frac{9_0}{2}$!)

To solve this, proceed as before:

$$\text{Assume } u(x, t) = f(x)g(t). \quad u_x(0, t) = f'(0)g(t) = 0 \Rightarrow f'(0) = 0$$

$$u_x(\pi, t) = f'(\pi)g(t) = 0 \Rightarrow f'(\pi) = 0$$

Remark: The only difference between this, and Example 1, is

$$f'(0) = f'(\pi) = 0, \quad \text{vs.} \quad f(0) = f(\pi) = 0.$$

g is the same as before: $g(t) = A_n e^{-c^2 \lambda t}$

f has different boundary conditions: $f'' = \lambda f, \quad f'(0) = f'(\pi) = 0$

This has solution $f(x) = a \cos wx + b \sin wx$.

$$f'(0) = bw = 0 \Rightarrow b = 0$$

$$f'(\pi) = aw \sin w\pi = 0 \Rightarrow w\pi = n\pi \Rightarrow w = n \quad (\text{as before})$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f_n(x) = a_n \cos nx} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{g_n(t) = A_n e^{-c^2 n^2 t}} \quad \text{for } n \geq 0.$$

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Thus, the general solution becomes:

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n(x) g_n(t) \quad (\text{Note: When } n=0, f_n \text{ \& } g_n \text{ are constants, not necessarily zero}).$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx e^{-c^2 n^2 t}$$

Now, let's solve the initial value problem: $u(x, 0) = x(\pi - x)$.

$$u(x, 0) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx = \underbrace{x(\pi - x)}$$

We must express this as a Fourier cosine series.

Recall: (HW 18): $a_0 = \frac{\pi^2}{3}$, $a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x(\pi - x) \cos nx \, dx = \frac{2}{n^2} (1 - (-1)^n)$.

$$\text{Thus, } u(x, 0) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx = \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n^2} (1 - (-1)^n) \cos nx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_0}{2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} \text{ and } a_n = \frac{2}{n^2} (1 - (-1)^n), \text{ so the solution to the}$$

IVP is
$$u(x, t) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n^2} (1 - (-1)^n) \cos nx e^{-c^2 n^2 t}$$