

Week 7

Lecture 1

- Return Project 1
- Return Midterm Exam
- Exam and its solution are posted on Web site
- Examination Statistics

Table 1: Midterm Exam Summary

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Exam
Max.	30	40	30	98
Min.	8	8	10	46
Avg.	24.5	29.3	21.9	75.7
Std. Dev.	6.6	8.2	3.6	12.8

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- Read Chapter 13 of Spiegel's Text. Boundary Value Problems using Fourier Series. We will spend four to five lectures on the topics covered in this chapter.
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Lecture 2

- Section 1.1: 1D Diffusion equation (Heat equation) with homogeneous Dirichlet BCs. Review of Fourier series expansions.
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Lecture 3

- Discuss in detail the orthogonality of sine functions for the problem in Section 1.1 of the Spiegel text.

The initial condition leads to the Fourier sine series:

$$U(x, 0) = U_0 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}, \quad 0 < x < L$$

To obtain the relationship for the Fourier coefficients b_n , we must use the orthogonality property of the sine functions. Multiple the left hand side (lhs) and all terms on the right hand side (rhs) by $\sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx$ where $m = 1, 2, 3 \dots$, and integrate from $x = 0$ to $x = L$. This give the relation:

$$\int_0^L U_0 \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \int_0^L \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

which is expressed in expanded form as

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^L U_0 \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} dx = \\ b_1 \int_0^L \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{1\pi x}{L} dx & + b_2 \int_0^L \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{L} dx + b_3 \int_0^L \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L} dx + \\ & \sum_{n=4}^{\infty} b_n \int_0^L \sin \frac{m\pi x}{L} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx, \end{aligned}$$

Now systematically set $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ to obtain the relations for the Fourier coefficients. For $m = 1$, we obtain the first coefficient:

$$b_1 = U_0 \frac{\int_0^L \sin \frac{1\pi x}{L} dx}{\int_0^L \sin^2 \frac{1\pi x}{L} dx}, \quad m = n = 1$$

and the remaining coefficients are equal to zero whenever $m > 1$ because of the orthogonality property of the sines. Similarly setting $m = 2$, we get the second coefficient:

$$b_2 = U_0 \frac{\int_0^L \sin \frac{2\pi x}{L} dx}{\int_0^L \sin^2 \frac{2\pi x}{L} dx}, \quad m = n = 2$$

All other terms are zero whenever $m = 1$ and $m > 2$. In general, whenever $m = n$, we obtain the relation:

$$b_n = U_0 \frac{\int_0^L \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx}{\int_0^L \sin^2 \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx} = \frac{2U_0(1 - \cos n\pi)}{n\pi}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Recall that $\cos n\pi = (-1)^n$, for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, and therefore the Fourier coefficients are obtained from

$$b_n = \frac{2U_0(1 - (-1)^n)}{n\pi}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

We find that

$$b_1 = \frac{4U_0}{1\pi}, \quad b_3 = \frac{4U_0}{5\pi}, \quad b_5 = \frac{4U_0}{5\pi} \quad \text{for } n = 1, 3, 5, \dots, \text{ odd integers}$$

and

$$b_n = 0 \quad \text{for } n = 2, 4, 6, \dots, \text{ even integers}$$

The solution of the heat equation in Section 1.1 can be written as

$$\frac{U(x, t)}{U_0} = \frac{4}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{1} e^{-1\pi^2\kappa t/L^2} \sin \frac{1\pi x}{L} + \frac{1}{3} e^{-9\pi^2\kappa t/L^2} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L} + \frac{1}{5} e^{-25\pi^2\kappa t/L^2} \sin \frac{5\pi x}{L} + \dots \right]$$

The general term of the solution can be written as

$$\frac{4}{\pi} \frac{1}{(2n-1)} e^{-(2n-1)^2\pi^2\kappa t/L^2} \sin \frac{(2n-1)\pi x}{L}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The nondimensional dependent and independent parameters are: $U(x, t)/U_0$, $\xi = x/L$ and $\tau = \kappa t/L^2$.

Discussed the convergence of solution for early times. Overshoot (Gibbs phenomenon) occurs at the end points $x = 0$ and $x = L$. As more terms of the summation are used, the overshoot decreases and moves to the end points. This can be shown by means of Maple and Mathcad.
