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1 Section 34, Problem 3

3. Verify that each of the functions

$$u_0 = y, \quad u_n = \sinh ny \cos nx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

satisfies Laplace's equation (Sec. 23)

$$u_{xx}(x, y) + u_{yy}(x, y) = 0 \quad (0 < x < \pi, 0 < y < 2)$$

and the boundary conditions

$$u_x(0, y) = u_x(\pi, y) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = 0.$$

Then use the superposition principle in Sec. 33 to show formally, without considering questions of convergence, differentiability, or continuity, that the series

$$u(x, y) = A_0 y + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sinh ny \cos nx$$

satisfies the same differential equation and boundary conditions.

Figure 1: Problem statement

Solution

The boundary conditions are

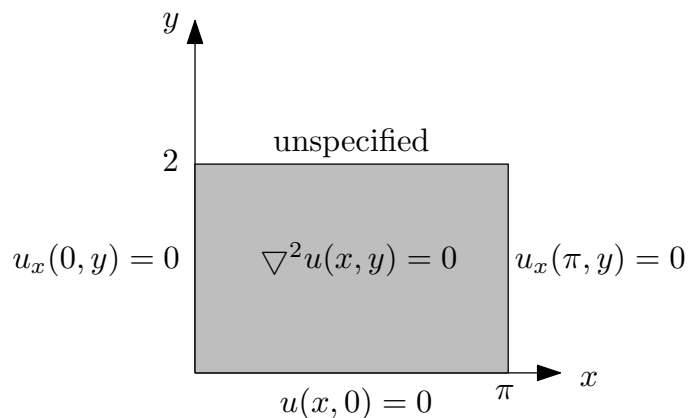


Figure 2: Boundary conditions

Let

$$u(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$$

Substitution in the PDE $u_{xx} + y_{yy} = 0$ leads to

$$\begin{aligned} X''Y + Y''X &= 0 \\ \frac{X''}{X} &= -\frac{Y''}{Y} = -\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Where λ is the separation constant. We obtain two ODE's

$$X'' + \lambda X = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$Y'' - \lambda Y = 0 \tag{2}$$

We use the $X(x)$ ODE (1) to determine the eigenvalues, since that ODE has both boundary conditions specified:

$$X'' + \lambda X = 0$$

$$X'(0) = 0$$

$$X'(\pi) = 0$$

Case $\lambda < 0$

Solution is

$$X(x) = A \cosh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x) + B \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x)$$

$$X'(x) = A\sqrt{-\lambda} \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x) + B\sqrt{-\lambda} \cosh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x)$$

At $x = 0$ the above gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= B\sqrt{-\lambda} \cosh(0) \\ &= B\sqrt{-\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

Hence $B = 0$ and the solution (3) reduces to

$$X(x) = A \cosh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x)$$

$$X'(x) = A\sqrt{-\lambda} \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x)$$

At $x = \pi$ the above becomes

$$0 = A\sqrt{-\lambda} \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}\pi)$$

For non-trivial solution we want $\sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}\pi) = 0$, but \sinh is only zero when its argument is zero, which is not possible here, since $\lambda \neq 0$. Therefore $\lambda < 0$ is not possible.

Case $\lambda = 0$

Solution becomes $X = Ax + B$. Hence $X' = A$. At $x = 0$ this leads to $A = 0$. Therefore the solution now becomes $X = B$. Hence $X' = 0$. Therefore the second boundary conditions at $x = \pi$ is automatically satisfied. Hence the solution is $X(x) = B$, a constant. We pick $X(x) = 1$. Therefore $\lambda = 0$ is eigenvalue with associated eigenfunction $X_0(x) = 1$.

Case $\lambda > 0$

The solution becomes

$$\begin{aligned} X(x) &= A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \\ X'(x) &= -A\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \end{aligned}$$

At $x = 0$ the above becomes

$$0 = B\sqrt{\lambda}$$

Hence $B = 0$ and the solution reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} X(x) &= A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \\ X'(x) &= -A\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \end{aligned}$$

At $x = \pi$ the above gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -A\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}\pi) \\ \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}\pi) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\sqrt{\lambda}\pi = n\pi$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Hence

$$\lambda_n = n^2 \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

And the solution (corresponding eigenfunctions) is

$$\begin{aligned} X_n(x) &= \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \\ &= \cos(nx) \end{aligned}$$

In summary, the solution to the X ODE resulted in

$$\begin{aligned} X_0(x) &= 1 & n = 0 \\ X_n(x) &= \cos(nx) & n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Now we solve for the Y ODE

$$\begin{aligned} Y'' - \lambda Y &= 0 \\ Y(0) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

We are only given boundary conditions on bottom edge.

case $\lambda = 0$

$$Y = Ay + B$$

When $y = 0$ the above leads to $0 = B$. Hence the corresponding eigenfunction is $Y_0(y) = y$.

case $\lambda > 0$

The solution becomes

$$Y(y) = A \cosh(\sqrt{\lambda}y) + B \sinh(\sqrt{\lambda}y)$$

At $y = 0$ the above gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= A \cosh(0) \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$

Hence the solution reduces to

$$Y(y) = B \sinh(\sqrt{\lambda}y)$$

Therefore the eigenfunctions for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ are $Y_n(y) = \sinh(ny)$ since $\lambda_n = n^2$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$.

In summary, the solution to the Y ODE resulted in

$$\begin{aligned} Y_0(y) &= y & n &= 0 \\ Y_n(x) &= \sinh(ny) & n &= 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

From (3,4) we see that

$$u_n(x, y) = X_n(x) Y_n(y)$$

For $n = 0$ the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} u_0(x, y) &= (1)(y) \\ &= y \end{aligned}$$

And for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} u_n(x, y) &= \sinh(ny) \\ &= \cos(nx) \sinh(ny) \end{aligned}$$

Using superposition, then

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, y) &= X(x) Y(y) \\ &= A_0 u_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n u_n \\ &= A_0 y + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(nx) \sinh(ny) \end{aligned}$$

QED.

2 Section 37, Problem 1

1. In Problem 3, Sec. 34, the functions

$$u_0 = y, \quad u_n = \sinh ny \cos nx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

were shown to satisfy Laplace's equation

$$u_{xx}(x, y) + u_{yy}(x, y) = 0 \quad (0 < x < \pi, 0 < y < 2)$$

and the homogeneous boundary conditions

$$u_x(0, y) = u_x(\pi, y) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = 0.$$

After writing $u = X(x)Y(y)$ and separating variables, use the solutions of the Sturm-Liouville problem (1) in Sec. 35 to show how the functions u_0 and u_n ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) can be discovered. Then, by proceeding formally, derive the following solution of the boundary value problem that results when the nonhomogeneous condition $u(x, 2) = f(x)$ is included:

$$u(x, y) = A_0 y + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sinh ny \cos nx,$$

where

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx, \quad A_n = \frac{2}{\pi \sinh 2n} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Figure 3: Problem statement

Solution

The boundary conditions now become as follows

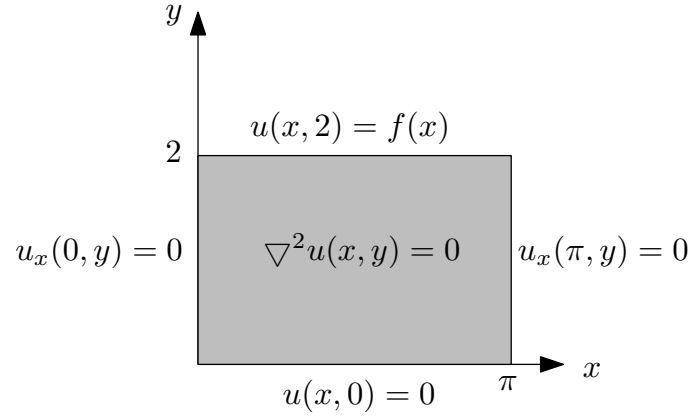


Figure 4: Boundary conditions

From the above problem we know the general solution is

$$u(x, y) = A_0 y + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(nx) \sinh(ny) \quad (1)$$

Now we impose the remaining boundary condition $u(x, 2) = f(x)$. Therefore the above becomes

$$f(x) = 2A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(nx) \sinh(2n)$$

Multiplying both sides by $\cos(mx)$ integrating w.r.t. x from $x = 0$ to $x = \pi$ results in

$$\int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(mx) dx = \int_0^{\pi} 2A_0 \cos(mx) dx + \left[\int_0^{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(nx) \cos(mx) \sinh(2n) dx \right]$$

$$\int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(mx) dx = \int_0^{\pi} 2A_0 \cos(mx) dx + \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sinh(2n) \left(\int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx) \cos(mx) dx \right) \right]$$

case $m = 0$

$$\int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx = \int_0^{\pi} 2A_0 dx$$

$$= 2A_0 \pi$$

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx \quad (2)$$

case $m = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(mx) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sinh(2n) \left(\int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx) \cos(mx) dx \right)$$

But $\int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx) \cos(mx) dx = 0$ for all $m \neq n$ and $\frac{\pi}{2}$ when $m = n$. Hence the above simplifies

to

$$\int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(mx) dx = \frac{\pi}{2} A_m \sinh(2m)$$

$$A_m = \frac{2}{\pi \sinh(2m)} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(mx) dx$$

Since m is summation index, we can rename it to n and the above becomes

$$A_n = \frac{2}{\pi \sinh(2n)} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) dx \quad (3)$$

Using (2,3) in (1) gives the final solution

$$u(x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx \right) y + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{\pi \sinh(2n)} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) dx \right) \cos(nx) \sinh(ny)$$

3 Section 37, Problem 3

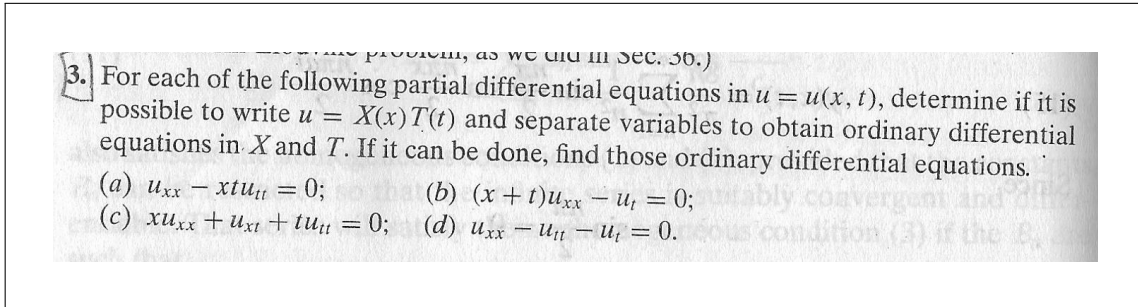


Figure 5: Problem statement

3.1 Part (a)

$$u_{xx} - xt u_{tt} = 0$$

Let $u = X(x)T(t)$. Substituting this into the above PDE gives

$$X''T - xtT''X = 0$$

Dividing by $XT \neq 0$ gives

$$\frac{X''}{X} - xt \frac{T''}{T} = 0$$

Diving by x gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x} \frac{X''}{X} - t \frac{T''}{T} &= 0 \\ \frac{1}{x} \frac{X''}{X} &= t \frac{T''}{T} = -\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Hence it possible to separate them. The generated ODE's are

$$X'' + \lambda x X = 0$$

$$T'' + \lambda \frac{T}{t} = 0$$

3.2 Part (b)

$$(x+t)u_{xx} - u_t = 0$$

Let $u = X(x)T(t)$. Substituting this into the above PDE gives

$$(x+t)X''T - T'X = 0$$

Dividing by $XT \neq 0$ gives

$$x \frac{X''}{X} + t \frac{X''}{X} - \frac{T'}{T} = 0$$

It is not possible to separate them.

3.3 Part (c)

$$xu_{xx} + u_{xt} + tu_{tt} = 0$$

Let $u = X(x)T(t)$. Substituting this into the above PDE gives

$$xX''T - \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(X'T) + tT''X = 0$$

$$xX''T - X'T' + tT''X = 0$$

Dividing by $XT \neq 0$ gives

$$x\frac{X''}{X} - X'T' + t\frac{T''}{T} = 0$$

It is not possible to separate them.

3.4 Part (d)

$$u_{xx} - u_{tt} - u_t = 0$$

Let $u = X(x)T(t)$. Substituting this into the above PDE gives

$$X''T - T''X - T'X = 0$$

Dividing by $XT \neq 0$ gives

$$\frac{X''}{X} - \frac{T''}{T} - \frac{T'}{T} = 0$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = \frac{T''}{T} + \frac{T'}{T} = -\lambda$$

It is possible to separate them. The ODE's are

$$X'' + \lambda X = 0$$

$$T'' + T' + \lambda T = 0$$

4 Section 37, Problem 5

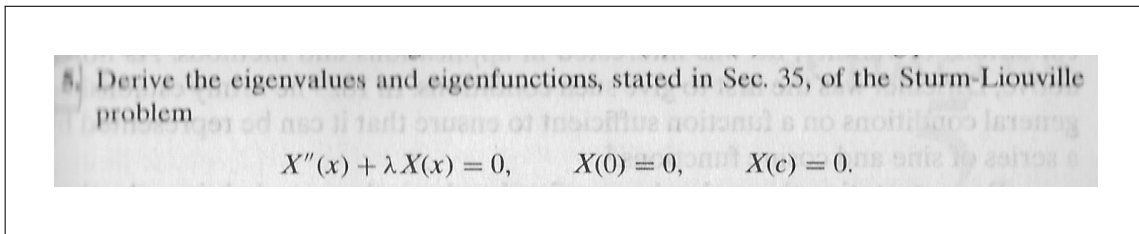


Figure 6: Problem statement

Case $\lambda < 0$

Solution is

$$X(x) = A \cosh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x) + B \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x)$$

At $x = 0$ the above gives

$$0 = A$$

Hence the solution becomes

$$X(x) = B \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x)$$

At $x = c$ the above becomes

$$0 = B \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}c)$$

For non-trivial solution we want $\sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}c) = 0$. But \sinh is zero only when its argument is zero. Which means $\sqrt{-\lambda}c = 0$ which is not possible. Hence $\lambda < 0$ is not possible.

Case $\lambda = 0$

Solution is

$$X(x) = Ax + B$$

At $x = 0$ the above gives

$$0 = B$$

Hence the solution becomes

$$X(x) = B$$

At $x = c$ the above becomes

$$0 = B$$

Which gives trivial solution. Hence $\lambda = 0$ is not possible.

Case $\lambda > 0$

Solution is

$$X(x) = A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

At $x = 0$ the above gives

$$0 = A$$

Hence the solution becomes

$$X(x) = B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

At $x = c$ the above becomes

$$0 = B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}c)$$

For non trivial solution we want $\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}c) = 0$ which implies

$$\sqrt{\lambda}c = n\pi \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{c}\right)^2$$

Therefore the eigenvalues are $\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{c}\right)^2$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and the eigenfunctions are $X_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{c}x\right)$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$.

5 Section 39, Problem 2

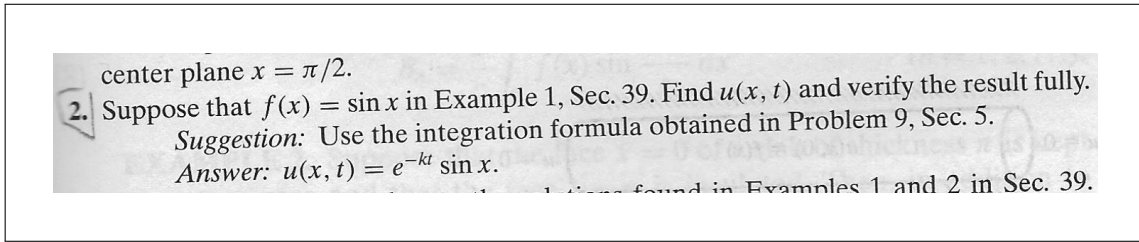


Figure 7: Problem statement

Solution

Example 1 is: Solve $u_t = ku_{xx}$ with $u(0, t) = 0$ and $u(\pi, t) = 0$. We now use initial conditions $u(x, 0) = \sin(x)$. The eigenvalues are $\lambda_n = n^2$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and eigenfunctions are $\sin(nx)$. The general solution for this example is given in the book as

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n e^{-kn^2 t} \sin(nx)$$

At $t = 0$ the above becomes

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(nx) \quad (1)$$

By comparing sides, we see that only $n = 1$ term exist. Hence $B_1 = 1$ and all other terms are zero. Hence the solution is, for $n = 1$

$$u(x, t) = e^{-kt} \sin(x)$$

To verify this, we start with (1) and multiply both sides by $\sin(mx)$ and integrate which gives

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi} \sin x \sin(mx) dx &= \int_0^{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(nx) \sin(mx) dx \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \left(\int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx) \sin(mx) dx \right) \end{aligned}$$

But $\int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx) \sin(mx) dx = 0$ for $m \neq n$ and $\frac{\pi}{2}$ for $n = m$. Hence the above gives

$$\int_0^{\pi} \sin x \sin(mx) dx = B_m \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Similarly, $\int_0^{\pi} \sin x \sin(mx) dx = 0$ for $m \neq 1$ and $\frac{\pi}{2}$ when $m = 1$, therefore the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi}{2} &= B_1 \frac{\pi}{2} \\ B_1 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

And all other $B_n = 0$. Which gives the same result obtain above, which is $u(x, t) = e^{-kt} \sin(x)$

6 Section 39, Problem 4

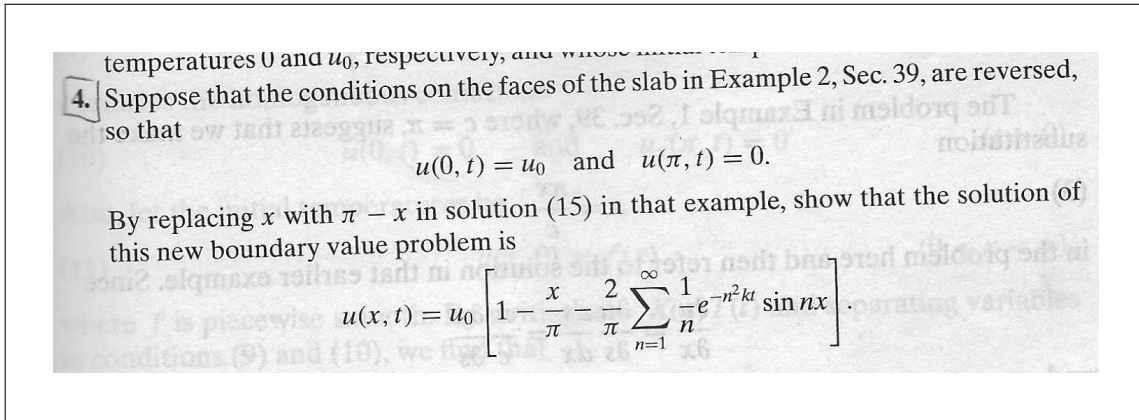


Figure 8: Problem statement

Solution

We need to solve

$$u_t = ku_{xx} \quad t > 0, 0 < x < \pi$$

With boundary conditions

$$u(0, t) = u_0$$

$$u(\pi, t) = 0$$

And initial conditions

$$u(x, 0) = 0$$

Solution (15) is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{u_0}{\pi} \left[x + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} e^{-n^2 kt} \sin(nx) \right] \quad (15)$$

Replacing x by $\pi - x$ in (15) gives

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= \frac{u_0}{\pi} \left[(\pi - x) + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} e^{-n^2 kt} \sin(n(\pi - x)) \right] \\ &= \frac{u_0}{\pi} (\pi - x) + 2 \frac{u_0}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} e^{-n^2 kt} \sin(n\pi - nx) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Using $\sin(A - B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$, then

$$\sin(n\pi - nx) = \sin(n\pi) \cos(nx) + \cos(n\pi) \sin(nx)$$

But $\sin(n\pi) = 0$ since n is integer and $\cos(n\pi) = (-1)^n$, then $\sin(n\pi - nx) = (-1)^n \sin(nx)$.

Substituting this in (2) gives

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= u_0 - u_0 \frac{x}{\pi} + 2 \frac{u_0}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} e^{-n^2 kt} (-1)^n \sin(nx) \\ &= u_0 \left[1 - \frac{x}{\pi} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{2n}}{n} e^{-n^2 kt} \sin(nx) \right] \\ &= u_0 \left[1 - \frac{x}{\pi} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} e^{-n^2 kt} \sin(nx) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Which is the result required.