

Solving the Diffusion equation

$$u_t = D u_{xx}$$

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

Dirichlet, Neumann, mixed (x2)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u(0, t) = 0 \\ u(L, t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_x(0, t) = 0 \\ u_x(L, t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u(0, t) = 0 \\ u_x(L, t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_x(0, t) = 0 \\ u(L, t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Homogeneous}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u(0, t) = a \\ u(L, t) = b \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_x(0, t) = c \\ u_x(L, t) = d \end{array} \right\} \dots \quad \text{Non-homogeneous}$$

(1) Find the steady state solution. $u_{ss}(x) = C_1 x + C_2$

(2) Determine the eigenfunctions by considering BCs

$$e^{\lambda t} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}, e^{\lambda t} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}, e^{\lambda t} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{2L}, e^{\lambda t} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{2L}$$

(3) Subtract $u_{ss}(x)$ from $f(x)$: $g(x) = f(x) - u_{ss}(x)$.

(4) Using eigenfunctions, find the FS of $g(x)$.

(5) Write $u(x, t) = u_{ss}(x) + \sum c_n e^{\lambda_n t}$ eigenfunctions