

4.2.7.

a) If we apply Technique 3. Let  $u(x,t) = u_0(x,t) + v(x,t)$

$$\text{where } \begin{cases} (\partial_t - k\partial_{xx}) u_0(x) = R \\ u_0(0) = 0, \quad u_0(x,l) = 0. \end{cases}$$

$\downarrow$

$$\begin{cases} -k u_{0xx} = R \\ u_{0x}(0) = u_{0x}(l) = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} v_t = k v_{xx} \\ v_x(0,t) = v_x(l,t) = 0 \\ v(x,0) = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$u_0 = -\frac{k}{2R} x^2 + c_1 x + c_2.$$

$$u_{0x} = -\frac{k}{R} x + c_1.$$

$$u_{0x}(0) = c_1 = 0 \quad u_{0x}(l) = -\frac{k}{R} l + c_1 = 0$$

Get

$$c_1 = \frac{k}{R} l$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 = 0 \\ c_1 = \frac{k}{R} l \end{cases} \text{ Contradiction! Therefore, technique 3 does not work here.}$$

Physical Reason:

$R$  represents a source in the rod. Two boundaries are insulated, so the temperature in the rod will definitely go up or down. Hence, the steady-state solution does not exist.

b) Solve it by technique 2.

$$\text{Assume } u(x,t) = \sum w_n(t) \phi_n(x).$$

where  $\phi_n(x)$  are eigenvectors of the Sturm-Liouville problem.

$$\begin{cases} \phi_n'' + \lambda_n \phi_n = 0 \\ \phi_n(0) = \phi_n(l) = 0. \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \phi_n(x) = \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x \\ \lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2. \end{cases}$$

$$u(x,t) = \sum w_n(t) \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x$$

$$R = \sum a_n(t) \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x \quad \text{where } \begin{cases} a_n(t) = R \\ a_n(t) = 0 \text{ where } n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Plug } u(x,t) = \sum w_n(x) \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x \text{ into } u_t = k u_{xx} + R.$$

$$\sum w_n(t) \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x = \sum -k w_n(t) \cdot \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x + \sum a_n(t) \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x$$

$$w_n(t) + k \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 w_n(t) - a_n(t) = 0$$

Solve this ODE

$$\begin{cases} w'_0(t) = \alpha_0 t = R \\ w_n(t) = -k \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 w_n(t) \quad \text{where } n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

get  $w_0(t) = Rt + C_0 \quad w_n(t) = C_n e^{-k \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 t}$  when  $n \neq 0$

Plug  $w_0(t)$  &  $w_n(t)$  to the solution ~~xxxx~~

$$\begin{aligned} u(x,t) &= \sum w_n(t) \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x \\ &= Rt + C_0 + \sum_{n \neq 0} C_n e^{-k \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 t} \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x. \end{aligned}$$

$u(x,t)$  should satisfy the initial condition  $u(x,0) = 0$ .

and boundary condition  $u(x,0) = u_x(0,t) = u_x(l,t) = 0$ .

therefore,  $C_0 = C_n = 0$ .

$$u(x,t) = Rt$$

How to make a smart guess?

$$\begin{cases} ut = k u_{xx} + R \\ u_x(0,t) = u_x(l,t) = 0 \\ u(x,0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

R is constant, and all initial and boundary condition are independent of x,  
we can assume  $u_{xx} = v$  and solve

$$\begin{cases} ut = R \\ u_t |_{t=0} = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$u = \int_0^t R dt' = Rt$$

part c.

Similarly,  $\phi_n$  are eigenvectors in part (b).

Assume  $u(x,t) = \sum w_n(t) \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x$ .

Plug  $u(x,t)$  to the differential equation  $ut = k u_{xx} + Re^{-ct}$ .  
and get.

$$\sum w_n(t) \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x = \sum -k w_n(t) \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x + \sum a_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x$$

$$\text{where } \begin{cases} a_n(t) = Re^{-ct}, \\ a_n(t) = 0 \text{ when } n \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Solve ODE } \begin{cases} w'_n(t) = Re^{-ct}, \\ w_n(t) = -k \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 w_n(t), \quad n \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} w_n(t) = C_0 - \frac{R}{C} e^{-ct}, \\ w'_n(t) = C_0 e^{-k \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 t}, \quad n \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Solution } u(x,t) = C_0 - \frac{R}{C} e^{-ct} + \sum_{n \neq 0} C_n e^{-k \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 t} \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x$$

$u(x,t)$  should satisfies the initial condition  $u(x,0)=0$ .

$$u(x,0) = C_0 - \frac{R}{C} + \sum_{n \neq 0} C_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{l} x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow C_0 = \frac{R}{C} \quad C_n \neq 0 \text{ when } n \neq 0.$$

$$\text{therefore, we get solution } u(x,t) = \frac{R}{C} (1 - e^{-ct})$$

How to make a smart guess?

$$\text{Similarly, let } u_{xx}=0. \text{ solve } \begin{cases} ut = Re^{-ct} \\ u|_{t=0} = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \int_0^t Re^{-ct'} dt' = \frac{R}{C} (1 - e^{-ct}).$$

$$4.2.9. \quad U_t = (kU_x)_x + f(x,t), \quad u(0,t) = u(l,t) = u(x,0) = 0$$

Let  $u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n(t) \phi_n(x)$  where  $\phi_n(x)$ 's are eigenfunctions  
of  $(kf')' - kf = 0$   $f(0) = f(l) = 0$

$$\text{and } f(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n(t) \phi_n(x)$$

$$\text{Then, } U_t = (kU_x)_x = f(x,t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n'(t) \phi_n(x) - k \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n(t) \phi_n''(x) - k'(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n(t) \phi_n'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n(t) \phi_n(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n'(t) \phi_n(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n b_n(t) \phi_n(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n(t) \phi_n(x)$$

$$(\because kf'' + kf' = -\lambda f)$$

$$\Rightarrow b_n'(t) + \lambda_n b_n(t) = \beta_n(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow b_n(t) = e^{\lambda_n t} \int_0^t \beta_n(s) e^{\lambda_n s} ds$$

$$\therefore u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\phi_n(x)) e^{\lambda_n t} \int_0^t \beta_n(s) e^{\lambda_n s} ds.$$