

Homog. ①

Example 2 Neumann Heat EQ on $\mathbb{R}_+$

$$\begin{cases}
 u_t - D u_{xx} = 0 & x > 0, t > 0 \\
 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u(x, 0^+) = \varphi(x) \\ u(0, t) = 0 \end{array} \right. & \begin{array}{l} x > 0 \\ t \geq 0 \end{array}
 \end{cases}
 \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{cases} u_t - D u_{xx} = 0 \\ u(x, 0^+) = \varphi(x) \\ u(0, t) = 0 \end{cases}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \varphi(0) \stackrel{?}{=} 0 \\ \text{compatibility} \end{array}$$

Consider $\varphi^e(x) = \begin{cases} \varphi(x) & x > 0 \\ \varphi(1-x) & x < 0 \end{cases}$

Then create the auxiliary problem:

$w(x, t)$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}, t \geq 0$:

$$\begin{cases}
 w_t - D w_{xx} = 0 & x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0 \\
 w(x, 0) = \varphi^e(x) & x \in \mathbb{R}
 \end{cases}$$

The Cauchy problem above has unique

solⁿ: $w(x, t) = \varphi^e(x) * S(x, t)$

Let's try to restrict to $x > 0$ and

simplify. Compute: $\varphi^e(x) * S(x, t) \big|_{x > 0}$

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For $x > 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi^e(x) * S(x,t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^e(y) S(x-y,t) dy \\ &= \left(\int_{-\infty}^0 + \int_0^{\infty} \right) \varphi^e(y) S(x-y,t) dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \varphi(y) S(x-y,t) dy\end{aligned}$$

let $z = -y$
 $dz = -dy$ $\rightarrow + \int_{-\infty}^0 \varphi(-y) S(x-y,t) dy$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \int_0^{\infty} \varphi(y) S(x-y,t) dy \\ &\quad - \int_{-\infty}^0 \varphi(z) S(x+z,t) dz\end{aligned}$$

z is just
"dummy"

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \varphi(y) [S(x-y,t) + S(x+y,t)] dy$$

let's let

$$u(x,t) = w(x,t) \Big|_{x>0}$$

(the restriction
of $\varphi^e * S$ to $x > 0$)

Does it solve $\#$?

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u solves HEQ on $\mathbb{R}_+$ since

$u = w|_{x>0}$ and w solves HEQ on $\mathbb{R}$.

Let's check the BC: $u_x(0, t)$

$$\begin{aligned} u_x(x, t) &= \int_0^\infty \phi(y) [S_x(x-y, t) + S_x(x+y, t)] dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \phi(y) \left[\frac{-(x-y)}{2\sqrt{Dt}} S(x-y, t) - \frac{(x+y)}{2\sqrt{Dt}} S(x+y, t) \right] dy \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} u_x(0, t) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{Dt}} \int_0^\infty \phi(y) [y S(-y, t) - y S(y, t)] dy \\ &= 0 \quad \checkmark \quad \text{since } S(-y, t) = S(y, t) \end{aligned}$$

Now the IC's:

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, 0) &= \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \int_0^\infty \phi(y) S(x-y, t) dy \\ &\quad + \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^0 \phi(-y) S(x-y, t) dy \end{aligned}$$

let $z = \frac{x-y}{2\sqrt{Dt}}$ so $dz = -\frac{dy}{2\sqrt{Dt}}$

and $y = x - (2\sqrt{Dt})z$

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So

$$u(x, 0^+) = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{x/\sqrt{4t}}^{-\infty} \varphi(x - 2\sqrt{t}z) e^{-z^2} dz$$

$$+ \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{\infty}^{x/\sqrt{4t}} \varphi(2\sqrt{t}z - x) e^{-z^2} dz$$

Since $x > 0$

$$= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{\infty}^{-\infty} \varphi(x) e^{-z^2} dz$$

$$- \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(-x) e^{-z^2} dz \rightarrow 0$$

$$= \varphi(x) \checkmark$$

Let's talk about uniqueness.

If $u^1(x, t) + u^2(x, t)$ solve an $\mathbb{R}_+ \text{ IBVP}$, then their ^(appropriate) extensions

$w^1(x, t) + w^2(x, t)$ satisfy a well-posed

Cauchy problem on $\mathbb{R}$. Hence, $u^1 = u^2$.

[odd extensions of homog. Neumann data
even extensions of homog. Dirichlet data
are not candidates for solⁿs. Why?]