

## Lecture 6

### Solutions to PDEs over Bounded and Unbounded Domains

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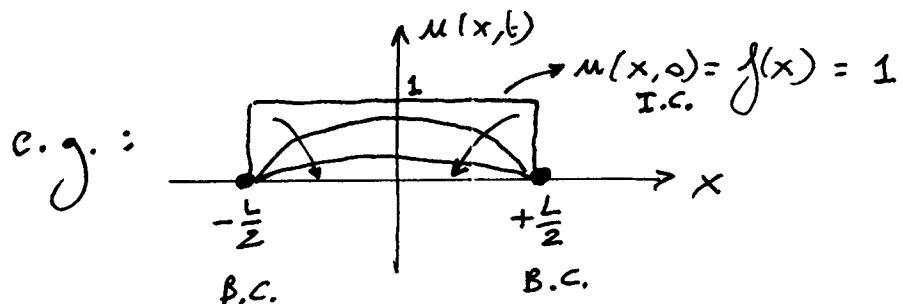
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# SOLUTION TO PDEs ON BOUNDED DOMAINS

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e.g.: Diffusion equation on interval  $[-\frac{L}{2}, +\frac{L}{2}]$ :

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{IC: } u(x, 0) = f(x) \\ \text{BC: } \begin{cases} u(-\frac{L}{2}, t) = 0 \\ u(+\frac{L}{2}, t) = 0 \end{cases} \end{array} \right.$$



Try solution by separation of variables:

$$u(x, t) = \phi(x) \cdot G(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) \cdot \frac{dG(t)}{dt} = D \cdot \frac{d^2\phi(x)}{dx^2} \cdot G(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{d^2\phi(x)}{dx^2}}{\phi(x)} = \frac{1}{D} \frac{\frac{dG(t)}{dt}}{G(t)} = -\lambda$$

↙ function of x ONLY      ↙ function of t ONLY      ⇒ must equal a constant in x AND t

- Time-dependent part:

$$\frac{dG}{dt} = -\lambda D G \Rightarrow G(t) = \underbrace{G(0)}_{\neq 0} \cdot e^{-\lambda D t} \neq 0 \quad \forall t$$

otherwise: trivial zero solution

- Space-dependent part:

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{dx^2} + \lambda \phi = 0 \quad \text{with B.C.} \quad \begin{cases} u(-\frac{L}{2}, t) = \phi(-\frac{L}{2}) \cdot G(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \\ u(+\frac{L}{2}, t) = \phi(+\frac{L}{2}) \cdot G(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(-\frac{L}{2}) = \phi(\frac{L}{2}) = 0$$

- $\lambda = 0$ ?  $\Rightarrow \phi(x) = Ax + B \stackrel{\text{B.C.}}{\Rightarrow} A = B = 0$  trivial zero solution

- $\lambda < 0$ ?  $\Rightarrow \phi(x) = A \underbrace{e^{\sqrt{-\lambda}x}}_{\neq 0} + B \underbrace{e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda}x}}_{\neq 0} \stackrel{\text{B.C.}}{\Rightarrow} A = B = 0$  also trivial zero solution

- $\lambda > 0$ !  $\Rightarrow \phi(x) = A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$

B.C. :  $\begin{cases} A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2}) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2}) = 0 \\ A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2}) - B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2}) = 0 \end{cases}$

$$\Rightarrow A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2}) = B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2}) = 0$$

A and B can't BOTH be zero for a non-trivial solution

Similarly  $\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2})$  and  $\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2})$  can't BOTH be zero

$\Rightarrow$  either  $\begin{array}{l} B = 0 \text{ AND } \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2}) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi, \text{ or: } \sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{\pi}{L} + \frac{2n\pi}{L} \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{l} A = 0 \text{ AND } \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2}) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda}\frac{L}{2} = n\pi, \text{ or: } \sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{n\pi}{L} \end{array}$

Solutions:  $u(x,t) = A \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$   
 (choose  $G(0)=1$ )  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

or:  $u(x,t) = B \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{2n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$   $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$

All these solutions satisfy the PDE and the B.C.

Problem is: none of these satisfy the I.C.!

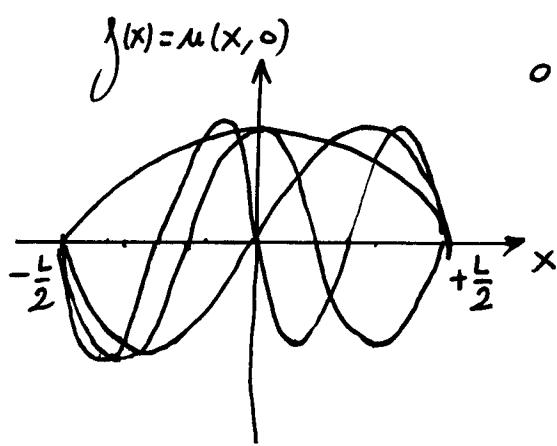
Superposition to the rescue: try a linear combination of solutions (itself a solution to the PDE and B.C.) to satisfy the I.C.

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

"EIGENMODE"  
EXPANSION

$$+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{2n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

I.C.:  $f(x) = u(x,0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right)$



ORTHOGONAL SET OF  
BASIS FUNCTIONS

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \phi_n(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \phi'_n(x)$$

with  $\begin{cases} \phi_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{L}\right) \\ \phi'_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right) \end{cases}$

The set  $\{\phi_n(x), \phi'_n(x)\}$  is orthogonal in that:

$$\int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} \phi_n(x) \phi_m(x) dx = \frac{L}{2} \delta_{nm} \quad \text{where } \delta_{nm} = \begin{cases} 1 & n=m \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} \phi'_n(x) \phi'_m(x) dx = \frac{L}{2} \delta_{nm}$$

$$\int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} \phi_n(x) \phi'_m(x) dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} f(x) \phi_m(x) dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{L}{2} \delta_{nm} = A_m \frac{L}{2}$$

$$\int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} f(x) \phi'_m(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \frac{L}{2} \delta_{nm} = B_m \frac{L}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \phi_n(x) e^{-D\lambda_n t} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \phi'_n(x) e^{-D\lambda'_n t}$$

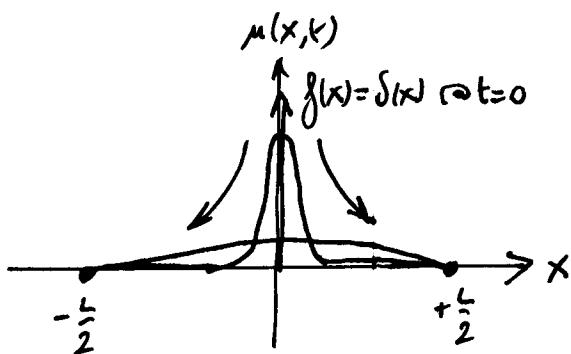
where  $\lambda_n = \left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{L}\right)^2$        $\lambda'_n = \left(\frac{2n\pi}{L}\right)^2$

$$\phi_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\phi'_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

and  $A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{+\frac{L}{2}} f(x) \phi_n(x) dx$        $B_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{+\frac{L}{2}} f(x) \phi'_n(x) dx$

e.g.:  $f(x) = \delta(x)$



$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \phi_n(0) = \frac{2}{L}$$

$$B_n = \frac{2}{L} \phi'_n(0) = 0$$

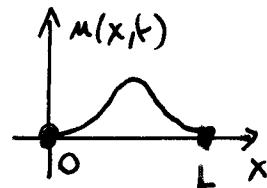
$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \frac{2}{L} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

NOTE:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4Dt}}$  Gaussian solution to the UNBOUNDED problem

# Variations and generalizations:

## HOMOGENEOUS PDEs WITH HOMOGENEOUS B.C.

1) Homogeneous diffusion with zero VALUE B.C.:



$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} u(x,0) = g(x) : \text{I.C. } @ t=0 \\ u(0,t) = 0 : \text{B.C. } @ x=0 \text{ (ZERO VALUE)} \\ u(L,t) = 0 : \text{B.C. } @ x=L \text{ (ZERO VALUE)} \end{cases}$$

Separation of variables:  $u(x,t) = \phi(x) \cdot G(t)$

As before :

$$\begin{cases} G(t) = e^{-\lambda Dt} \\ \phi(x) = A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \end{cases}$$

But now with different boundary conditions and resulting eigenvalues:

$$\begin{cases} \text{B.C. } @ x=0: \phi(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0 \\ \text{B.C. } @ x=L: \phi(L) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{n\pi}{L} \quad (n=1,2,\dots) \end{cases}$$

Resulting eigenmode expansion:

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

Coefficients  $B_n$  in the eigenmode expansion satisfy:

$$\text{I.C. } @ t=0: u(x,0) = g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$$

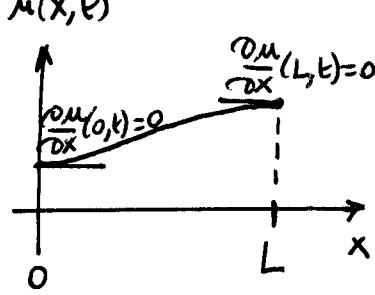
or, by orthogonality of the basis functions over  $[0, L]$ :

$$B_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \quad n=1,2,3,\dots$$

2) Homogeneous diffusion with zero FLUX B.C. :

$$\text{"Flux" or "Flow": } -D \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

(e.g.: "Current"  $i(x,t) = -r \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$  in the cable)



$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} u(x,0) = g(x) & : \text{I.C. @ } t=0 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0,t) = 0 & : \text{B.C. @ } x=0 \text{ (ZERO FLUX)} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L,t) = 0 & : \text{B.C. @ } x=L \text{ (ZERO FLUX)} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Again } u(x,t) = \phi(x) \cdot G(t) \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} G(t) = e^{-\lambda D t} \\ \phi(x) = A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} x) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x) \end{cases}$$

Flux B.C. now result in eigenvalues:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{B.C. @ } x=0 : \frac{d\phi}{dx}(0) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{B.C. @ } x=L : \frac{d\phi}{dx}(L) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} L) = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{n\pi}{L} \quad (n=0,1,2,\dots) \end{array} \right.$$

and eigenmodes:

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_m \cos\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}\right)^2 t} = A_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_m \cos\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}\right)^2 t} \quad \text{INCLUDE CONSTANT!}$$

Coefficients  $A_m$  in the eigenmode expansion satisfy:

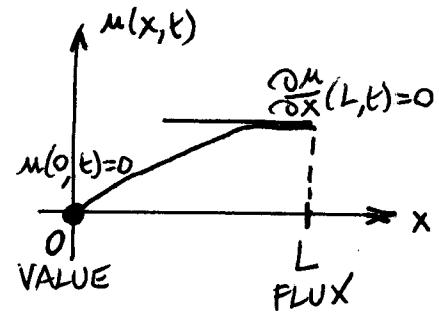
$$\text{I.C. @ } t=0 : u(x,0) = g(x) = A_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} A_m \cos\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right)$$

or, by orthogonality of the basis functions over  $[0,L]$ :

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L g(x) dx \quad \left( \frac{1}{L} \text{ because } \int_0^L 1 dx = L \right)$$

$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \quad n=1,2,3,\dots$$

3) Homogeneous diffusion with mixed zero VALUE and zero FLUX B.C.: e.g.



$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} u(x,0) = g(x) & : \text{I.C. at } t=0 \\ u(0,t) = 0 & : \text{B.C. at } x=0 \text{ (ZERO VALUE)} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L,t) = 0 & : \text{B.C. at } x=L \text{ (ZERO FLUX)} \end{cases}$$

Again  $u(x,t) = \phi(x) \cdot G(t)$  with  $\begin{cases} G(t) = e^{-\lambda D t} \\ \phi(x) = A \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + B \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \end{cases}$

Mixed value-flux B.C. now result in eigenvalues:

$$\begin{cases} \text{B.C. at } x=0 : \phi(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0 \\ \text{B.C. at } x=L : \frac{d\phi}{dx}(L) = 0 \Rightarrow \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2L} \quad (m=0,1,2,\dots) \end{cases}$$

and eigenmodes:

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_m \sin\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2L}x\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2L}\right)^2 t}$$

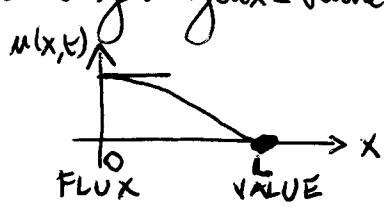
where the coefficients  $B_m$  satisfy:

$$\text{I.C. at } t=0 : u(x,0) = g(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_m \sin\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2L}x\right)$$

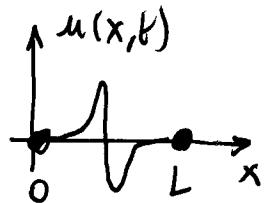
or, again by orthogonality of the basis functions over  $[0,L]$ :

$$B_m = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \left( \sin \frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2L} x \right) dx, \quad m=0,1,2,3,\dots$$

NOTE: Same for flux-value B.C., except replacing "sin" with "cos"



4) Homogeneous wave equation with zero value B.C.:



$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} u(x, 0) = g(x) & : \text{VALUE I.C. @ } t=0 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = h(x) & : \text{VELOCITY I.C. @ } t=0 \\ u(0, t) = 0 & : \text{ZERO VALUE B.C. @ } x=0 \\ u(L, t) = 0 & : \text{ZERO VALUE B.C. @ } x=L \end{cases}$$

Separation of variables :  $u(x, t) = \phi(x) \cdot G(t)$

$$\frac{\frac{d^2 \phi(x)}{dx^2}}{\phi(x)} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\frac{d^2 G(t)}{dt^2}}{G(t)} = -\lambda$$

• SPACE :  $\phi(x) : \frac{d^2 \phi}{dx^2} + \lambda \phi = 0$ , with same B.C. as before

$\Rightarrow$  SAME eigenfunctions  $\phi(x)$  as for diffusion with same B.C.!!

B.C. :  $\phi(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$  with  $\sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{n\pi}{L}$ ,  $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$

• TIME :  $G(t) : \frac{d^2 G}{dt^2} + \lambda c^2 G = 0$

$$\Rightarrow G(t) = C \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}ct) + D \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}ct)$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \left( C_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}ct\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}ct\right) \right)$$

I.C.:  $\begin{cases} u(x, 0) = g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) & \text{ORTH.} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = h(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n\pi}{L} C_n D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) & \text{ORTH.} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} C_n &= \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \\ D_n &= \frac{2}{n\pi c} \int_0^L h(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \end{aligned}$

5) Homogeneous wave equation with zero FLUX or MIXED B.C.:

Similar, with SAME  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{eigenfunctions } \phi_m(x) \\ \text{eigenvalues } \lambda_m \end{array} \right\}$  as for diffusion with same B.C.

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \phi_m(x) (C_m \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_m} ct) + D_m \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_m} ct))$$

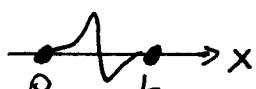
where  $\frac{d^2 \phi_m}{dx^2} + \lambda_m \phi_m = 0$  with  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{ZERO VALUE/FLUX B.C. @ } x=0 \\ \text{ZERO VALUE/FLUX B.C. @ } x=L \end{array} \right.$

identical to the diffusion problem with same B.C.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{I.C. : } u(x,0) = g(x) = \sum_m C_m \phi_m(x) \xrightarrow{\text{ORTH.}} C_m = \frac{\int_0^L g(x) \cdot \phi_m(x) dx}{\int_0^L (\phi_m(x))^2 dx} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x,0) = h(x) = \sum_m \sqrt{\lambda_m} c D_m \phi_m(x) \xrightarrow{\text{ORTH.}} D_m = \frac{\int_0^L h(x) \cdot \phi_m(x) dx}{\sqrt{\lambda_m} c \int_0^L (\phi_m(x))^2 dx} \end{array} \right.$$

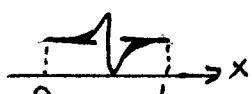
where:

- VALUE-VALUE B.C.:  $\phi_m(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_m} x)$   $\sqrt{\lambda_m} = \frac{n\pi}{L}$ ,  $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$



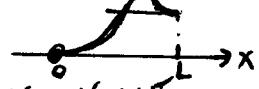
$$\int_0^L (\phi_m(x))^2 dx = \frac{L}{2}$$

- FLUX-FLUX B.C.:  $\phi_m(x) = \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_m} x)$   $\sqrt{\lambda_m} = \frac{n\pi}{L}$ ,  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$



$$\int_0^L (\phi_m(x))^2 dx = \frac{L}{2} \quad n > 0 ; \quad \int_0^L (\phi_0(x))^2 dx = L$$

- VALUE-FLUX B.C.:  $\phi_m(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_m} x)$   $\sqrt{\lambda_m} = (m+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}$ ,  $m=0, 1, 2, \dots$



$$\int_0^L (\phi_m(x))^2 dx = \frac{L}{2}$$

- FLUX-VALUE B.C.:  $\phi_m(x) = \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_m} x)$  (SAME)



(SAME)

e.g. :

- Diffusion with VALUE-VALUE B.C. & I.C.  $g(x) = 1 \quad (0 \leq x \leq L)$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

$$\text{with } B_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_0^{n\pi} \sin x \, dx = \frac{2}{n\pi} \left[ -\cos x \right]_0^{n\pi} \\ = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{n\pi}, & n = \text{odd} \\ 0, & n = \text{even} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_{\substack{n=1,3,5,\dots \\ (\text{odd})}}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

- Wave with VALUE-FLUX B.C. & I.C.  $\begin{cases} g(x) = 0 \\ h(x) = \delta(x-L) \end{cases}$   
(kick at the end)

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n \sin\left((n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}x\right) \sin\left((n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}ct\right)$$

$$\text{with } D_n = \frac{2}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi c} \int_0^L h(x) \sin\left((n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}x\right) dx = \frac{2}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi c} \underbrace{\sin\left((n+\frac{1}{2})\pi\right)}_{=(-1)^n}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(n+\frac{1}{2})\pi c} \cdot \left( \cos\left((n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}(x-ct)\right) - \cos\left((n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\pi}{L}(x+ct)\right) \right)$$

$$\sin\alpha \sin\beta = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\alpha-\beta) - \cos(\alpha+\beta)) \\ \text{for all } \alpha, \beta$$

- Diffusion with PERIODIC B.C.:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{IC: } u(x,0) = g(x), \text{ periodic w/ period } L \\ \text{BC: } u(x,t) = u(x+L,t), \text{ periodic w/ period } L \end{array} \right.$$

Separation of variables:  $u(x,t) = \phi(x) \cdot G(t)$

As before:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G(t) = e^{-\lambda D t} \\ \phi(x) = A \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x + B \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x \end{array} \right.$

But now with different boundary conditions and resulting eigenvalues:

$$\phi(x) = \text{periodic} \Rightarrow \text{w/ period } L \quad \sqrt{\lambda} \cdot L = n \cdot 2\pi \quad \text{with } n=0,1,2\dots$$

resulting eigenmode expansion:

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( A_n \cos\left(\frac{n2\pi}{L}x\right) + B_n \sin\left(\frac{n2\pi}{L}x\right) \right) e^{-D\left(\frac{n2\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

Coefficients  $A_n$  and  $B_n$  satisfy:

$$u(x,0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( A_n \cos\left(\frac{n2\pi}{L}x\right) + B_n \sin\left(\frac{n2\pi}{L}x\right) \right) = g(x)$$

or:

$$A_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \cos\left(\frac{n2\pi}{L}x\right) dx$$

$$B_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n2\pi}{L}x\right) dx$$

# SOLUTION TO PDES ON INFINITE DOMAINS

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Diffusion without source term (homogeneous PDE):

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \text{I.C.: } u(x,0) = g(x), \quad -\infty < x < +\infty \\ \text{B.C.: } u(-\infty,t) = 0 \\ u(+\infty,t) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution in the Fourier domain in space ( $x$  variable):

$$\text{Let } U(\xi, t) = \mathcal{F}_x(u(x, t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} u(x, t) e^{-j\xi x} dx$$

$\downarrow$   
Fourier in  $x$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} u(x, t)\right) = -j\xi U(\xi, t)$$

$$\mathcal{F}_x\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} u(x, t)\right) = (-j\xi)^2 U(\xi, t) = -\xi^2 U(\xi, t)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial t} U(\xi, t) = -D \xi^2 U(\xi, t)$$

Solution in the time domain:

$$U(\xi, t) = U(\xi, 0) e^{-D \xi^2 t} \quad (\text{considering } \xi \text{ a constant parameter})$$

From Fourier back into space  $x$ : inverse Fourier transform

$$u(x, t) = \mathcal{F}_x^{-1}(U(\xi, t)) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} U(\xi, t) e^{+j\xi x} d\xi$$

$\downarrow$   
inverse Fourier  
from  $\xi$  to  $x$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} U(\xi,0) e^{-D\xi^2 t} e^{+j\xi x} d\xi$$

= inverse Fourier of a product:

- $U(\xi,0)$ : Fourier of initial conditions  $g(x)$ :

$$U(\xi,0) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} u(x,0) e^{-j\xi x} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(x) e^{-j\xi x} dx$$

- $e^{-D\xi^2 t}$ : Fourier of something else,  $h(x)$   
(impulse response, or  
"Green's function"—  
See Week 3)

= convolution of  $g(x)$  and  $h(x)$  !

$$u(x,t) = g(x) * h(x)$$



RESPONSE  
@  $x, t$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(x_0) \cdot h(x-x_0) dx_0$$

INITIAL  
ACTIVATION

$$@ x_0, t_0=0$$

"IMPULSE  
RESPONSE"; "GREEN'S  
FUNCTION"

effect of activation @  $x_0, t_0=0$   
on response @  $x, t$

$$h(x) = \int_x^{-1} \left( e^{-D\zeta^2 t} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-D\zeta^2 t} e^{+j\zeta x} d\zeta$$

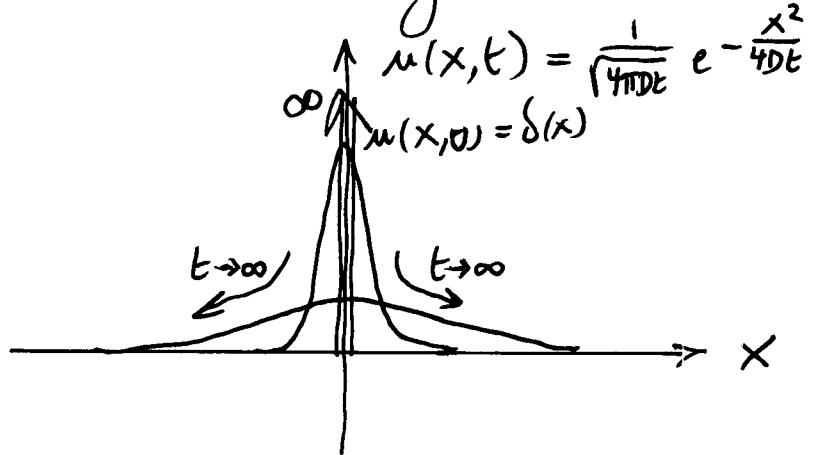
$\brace{ }^{ }$

$$e^{-D\zeta^2 t + j\zeta x} = e^{-Dt} \underbrace{\left( \zeta^2 - j\frac{x}{Dt} \cdot \zeta - \frac{x^2}{4Dt^2} \right)}_{(\zeta - \frac{jx}{2Dt})^2} \cdot e^{-\frac{x^2}{4Dt}}$$

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{Dt}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4Dt}} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-y^2} dy = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4Dt}}$$

$\downarrow$   
 $y = \sqrt{Dt} \left( \zeta - \frac{jx}{2Dt} \right)$        $\brace{ }^{ }_{\sqrt{\pi}} \text{ (Euler)}$

$h(x)$  is also the solution to the diffusion problem with  
 I.C.  $u(x, 0) = g(x) = \delta(x)$  impulse @  $x = 0$



Wave equation, on infinite domain, without source term (homogeneous):

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{I.C.: } u(x, 0) = g(x) \\ \qquad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = \dot{g}(x) \\ \text{B.C.: } u(-\infty, t) = 0 \\ \qquad u(+\infty, t) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad -\infty \leq x \leq +\infty$$

As before, transformed to the Fourier domain in space (x variable):

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} U(\xi, t) = -c^2 \xi^2 U(\xi, t)$$

$\approx 0!$   $\Rightarrow$  conjugate imaginary poles  $\pm jc\xi$

Solution in time:

$$U(\xi, t) = \Psi_+(\xi) e^{-j c \xi t} + \Psi_-(\xi) e^{+j c \xi t}$$

↓  
integration "constants";  
correspond to forward and  
reverse "waves" in the Fourier domain

From Fourier back into space:

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \underbrace{\Psi_+(\xi)}_{e^{+j\xi(x-ct)}} e^{-j c \xi t} e^{j \xi x} d\xi + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \underbrace{\Psi_-(\xi)}_{e^{+j\xi(x+ct)}} e^{j c \xi t} e^{j \xi x} d\xi$$

$$= \Psi_+(x - ct) + \Psi_-(x + ct)$$

FORWARD WAVE  
velocity +c

REVERSE WAVE  
velocity -c

where  
 $\Psi_+ = \mathcal{F}_x^{-1}(\Psi_+)$   
 $\Psi_- = \mathcal{F}_x^{-1}(\Psi_-)$

Initial conditions on the forward and reverse waves:

$$u(x, 0) = g(x) = \Psi_+(x) + \Psi_-(x)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = \dot{g}(x) = \frac{1}{c}(-\Psi'_+(x) + \Psi'_-(x))$$

where  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \Psi'_+(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \Psi_+(x) \\ \Psi'_-(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \Psi_-(x) \end{array} \right\}$

$$\text{Let } h(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \dot{g}(x_0) dx_0$$

$$\Rightarrow h(x) = \frac{1}{c}(-\Psi_+(x) + \Psi_-(x)) + \underset{=0 \text{ because}}{\downarrow} \text{ct}$$

$$h(-\infty) = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_+(-\infty) &= \rho \\ \Psi_-(-\infty) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} g(x) = \Psi_+(x) + \Psi_-(x) \\ c h(x) = -\Psi_+(x) + \Psi_-(x) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \Psi_+(x) = \frac{1}{2}(g(x) - c h(x)) \\ \Psi_-(x) = \frac{1}{2}(g(x) + c h(x)) \end{array} \right\}$$

where  $h(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \dot{g}(x_0) dx_0$

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function linanal(ns)
% Homogeneous PDE: Linear (1-D) Diffusion
% Analytical solutions on bounded and infinite domain
% BENG 221 example, 10/8/2013
%
% ns: number of terms in the infinite series
%
% e.g.:
% >> linanal(30);
%

% diffusion constant
global D
D = 0.001;

% domain
dx = 0.02; % step size in x dimension
dt = 0.1; % step size in t dimension
xmesh = -1:dx:1; % domain in x; L/2 = 1
tmesh = 0:dt:10; % domain in t
nx = length(xmesh); % number of points in x dimension
nt = length(tmesh); % number of points in t dimension

% solution on bounded domain using separation of variables
sol_sep = zeros(nt, nx);
for n = 0:ns-1
    k = (2*n+1)*pi/2; % L = 2
    sol_sep = sol_sep + exp(-D*(k^2)*tmesh)' * cos(k*xmesh);
end

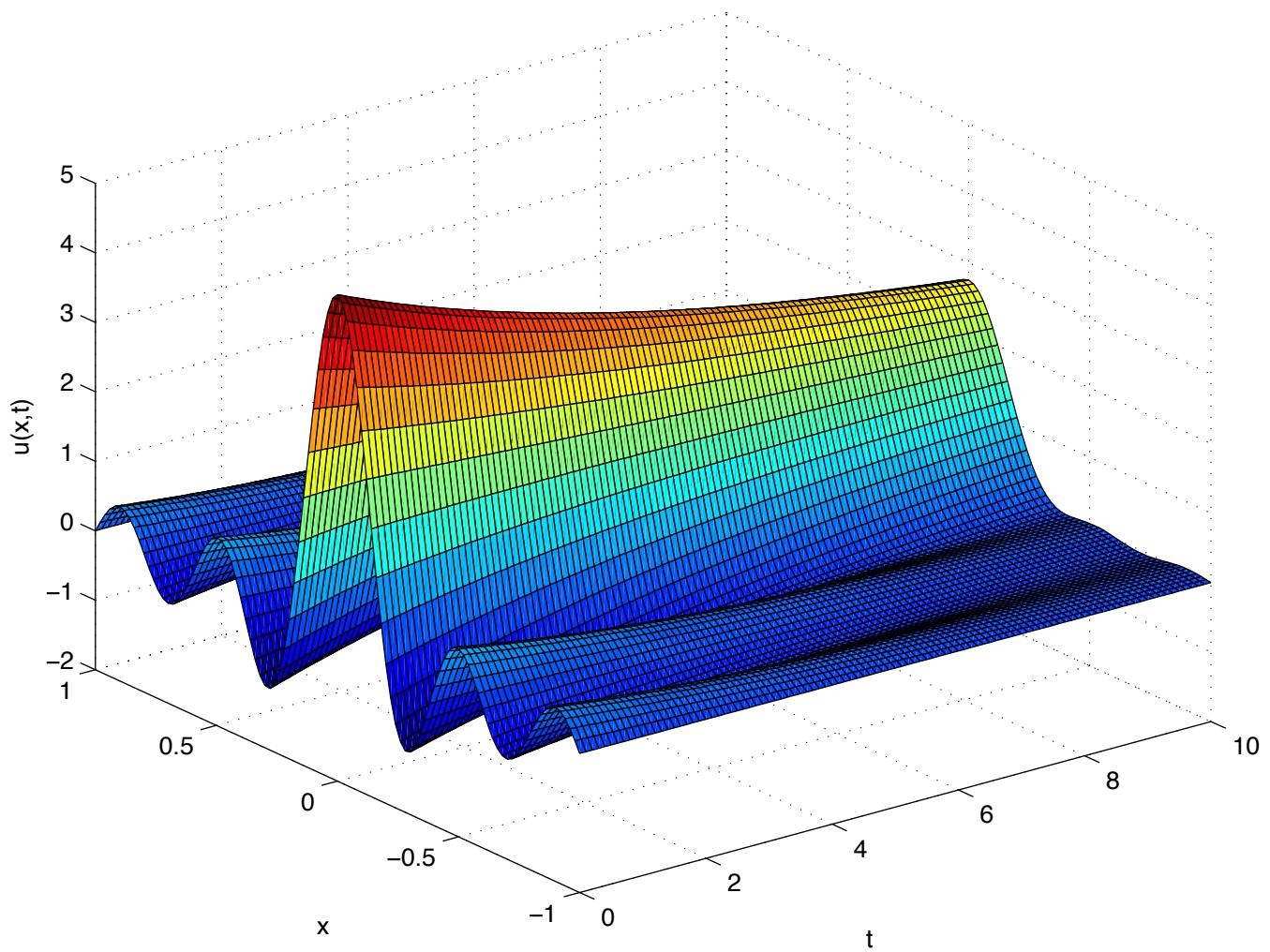
figure(1)
surf(tmesh,xmesh,sol_sep')
title(['Separation of variables on bounded domain (first ', num2str(ns), ' terms in series)'])
xlabel('t')
ylabel('x')
zlabel('u(x,t)')

% solution on infinite domain using Fourier
sol_inf = (4*pi*D*tmesh' * ones(1,nx)).^(-.5) .* exp(-(4*D*tmesh).^( -1)' * xmesh.^2);

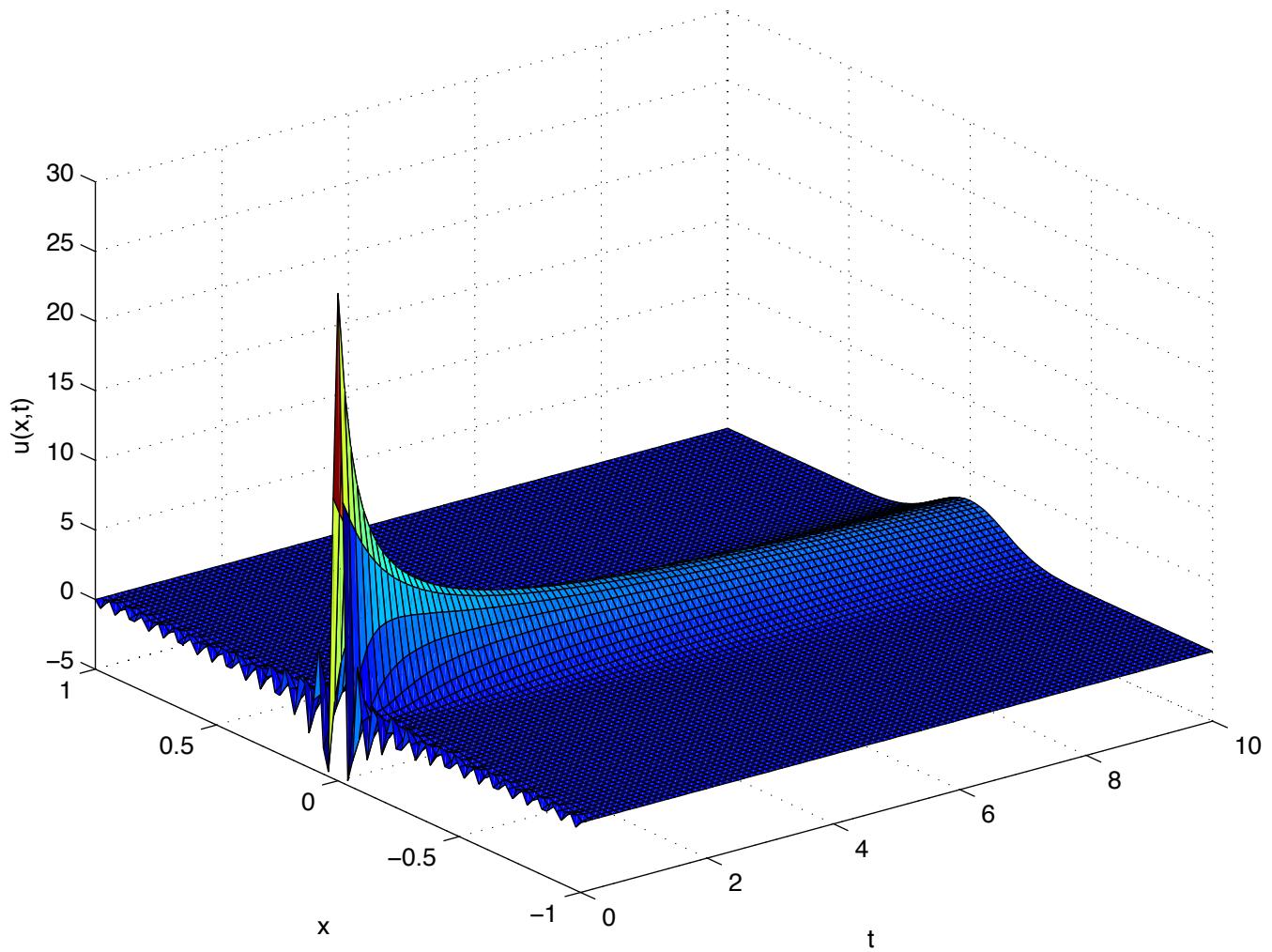
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title('Gaussian solution on infinite domain')
xlabel('t')
ylabel('x')
zlabel('u(x,t)')

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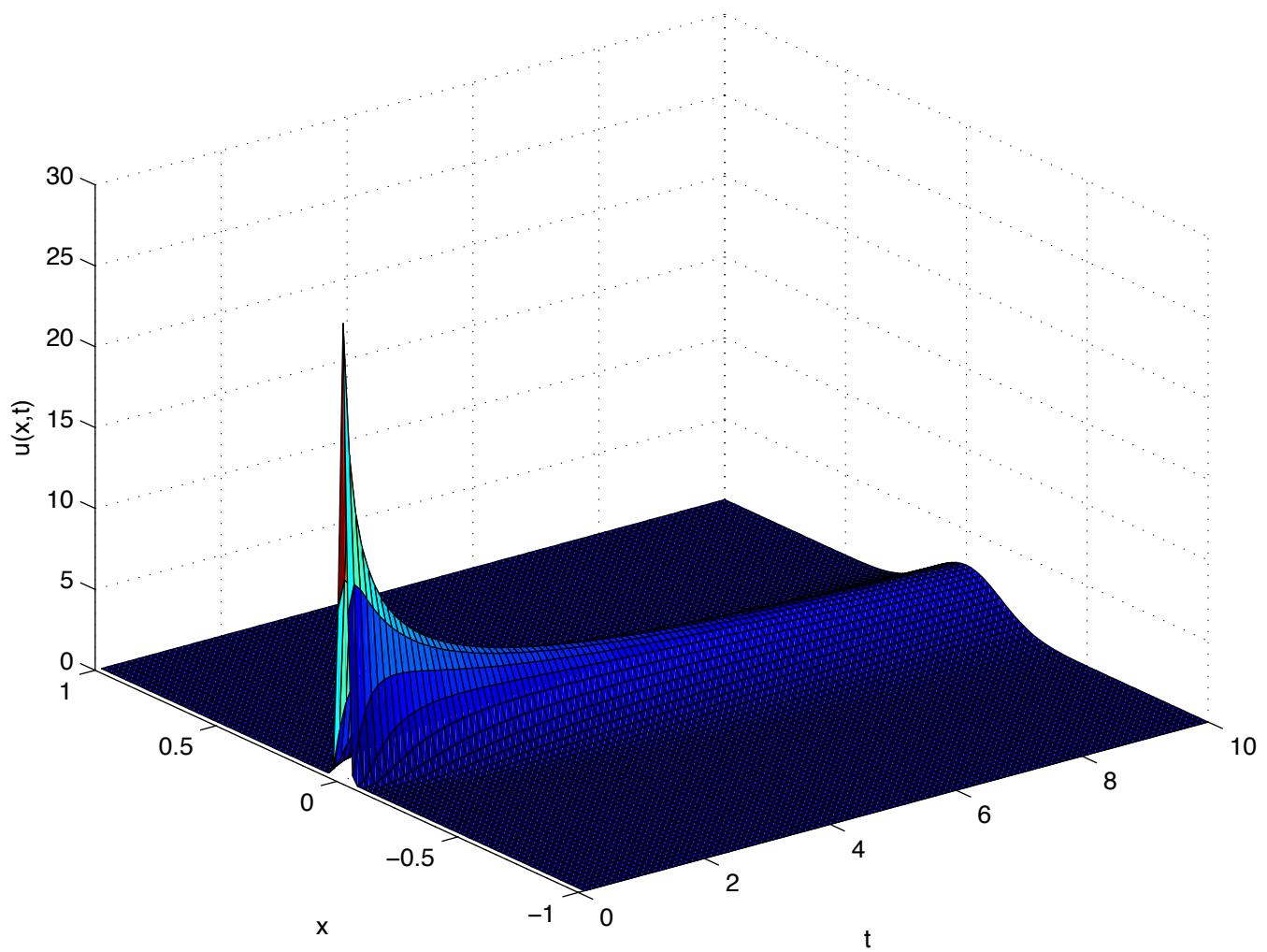
Separation of variables on bounded domain (first 5 terms in series)

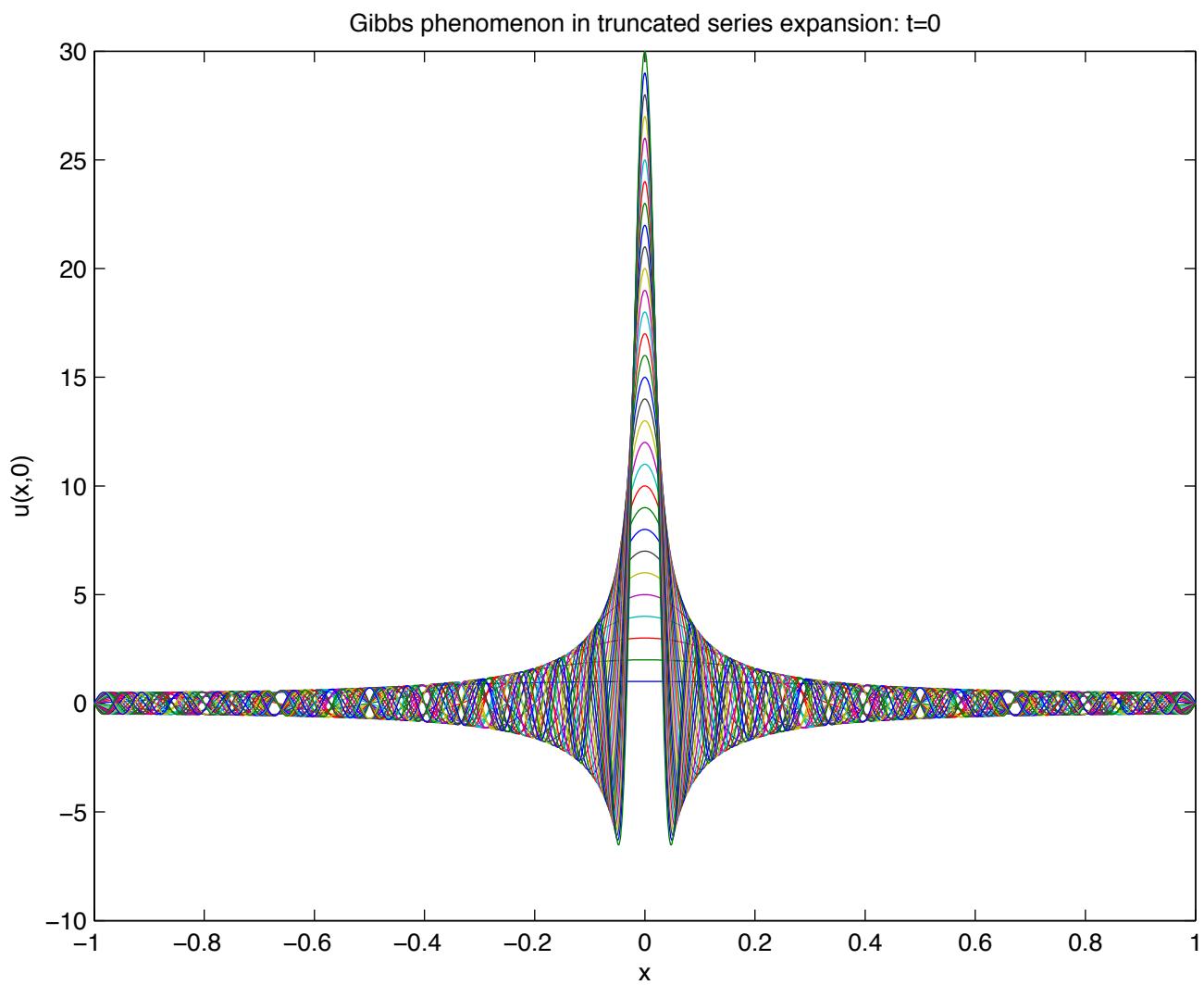


Separation of variables on bounded domain (first 30 terms in series)

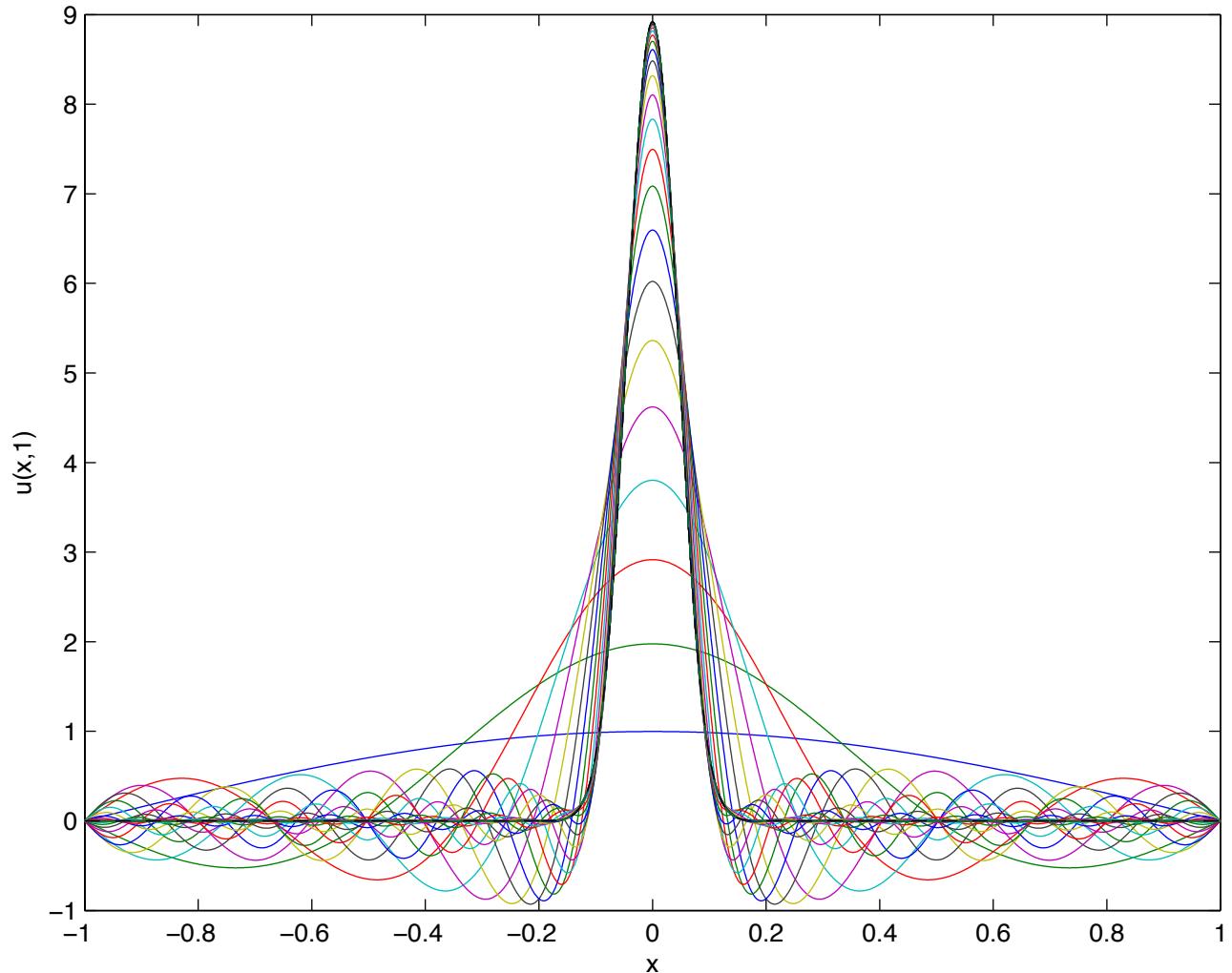


Gaussian solution on infinite domain





Gibbs phenomenon in truncated series expansion: t=1



Gibbs phenomenon in truncated series expansion: t=3

