

Green's function solution of Heat Equation 01-11-11

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SetDirectory[NotebookDirectory[]];
(* set directory where source files are located *)
SetOptions[EvaluationNotebook[], (* load the StyleSheet *)
  StyleDefinitions -> Get["NTGStylesheet2.nb"]];
Get["NTGUtilityFunctions.m"]; (* Load utilities package *)
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Solving heat equation using Green's function approach

This notebook is a revised version of early work — *Green's function - Heat equation 02 - 05 - 04. nb*
Define the basic PDE.

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w[1] = D[G[x, t], t] - κ D[G[x, t], {x, 2}] == DiracDelta[t] DiracDelta[x - x0]
G(0,1)[x, t] - κ G(2,0)[x, t] == DiracDelta[t] DiracDelta[x - x0]
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Easier to work with an expression than with an equation

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w[2] = w[1] /. Equal -> Subtract
-DiracDelta[t] DiracDelta[x - x0] + G(0,1)[x, t] - κ G(2,0)[x, t]
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Laplace transform with respect to time

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w[3] = LaplaceTransform[w[2], t, ω] /. LaplaceTransform[G[x, t], t, ω] -> G-hat[x, ω] /.
  LaplaceTransform[G(2,0)[x, t], t, ω] -> D[G-hat[x, ω], {x, 2}] /. G[x, 0] -> 0
-DiracDelta[x - x0] + ω G-hat[x, ω] - κ G-hat(2,0)[x, ω]
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Fourier transform with respect to space

$$w[4] = (\text{FourierTransform}[\#, x, k]) \& /@ w[3]$$

$$-\frac{e^{i k x_0}}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} + k^2 \kappa \text{FourierTransform}[\hat{G}[x, \omega], x, k] + \text{FourierTransform}[\omega \hat{G}[x, \omega], x, k]$$

This has to be manipulated to remove the ω from FourierTransform. I use a rule

$$w[5] = w[4] /.$$

$$\text{FourierTransform}[a_-. \hat{G}[x, \omega], x, k] /; \text{FreeQ}[a, x] \rightarrow a \text{FourierTransform}[\hat{G}[x, \omega], x, k]$$

$$-\frac{e^{i k x_0}}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} + k^2 \kappa \text{FourierTransform}[\hat{G}[x, \omega], x, k] + \omega \text{FourierTransform}[\hat{G}[x, \omega], x, k]$$

$$w[6] = w[5] == 0 /. \text{FourierTransform}[\hat{G}[x, \omega], x, k] \rightarrow \tilde{G}[k, \omega]$$

$$-\frac{e^{i k x_0}}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} + k^2 \kappa \tilde{G}[k, \omega] + \omega \tilde{G}[k, \omega] == 0$$

Solve the transformed dependent variable.

$$w[7] = \text{Solve}[w[6], \tilde{G}[k, \omega]] [[1, 1]]$$

$$\tilde{G}[k, \omega] \rightarrow \frac{e^{i k x_0}}{\sqrt{2 \pi} (k^2 \kappa + \omega)}$$

First, invert the Laplace transform

$$w[8] = (\text{InverseLaplaceTransform}[\#, \omega, t]) \& /@ w[7] /.$$

$$\text{InverseLaplaceTransform}[\tilde{G}[k, \omega], \omega, t] \rightarrow \bar{G}[k, t]$$

$$\bar{G}[k, t] \rightarrow \frac{e^{i k x_0 - k^2 t \kappa}}{\sqrt{2 \pi}}$$

where I'm sort of running short of overscripts for notation.

Then, invert the Fourier transform

$$w[9] = (\text{InverseFourierTransform}[\#, k, x]) \& /@ w[8] /.$$

$$\text{InverseFourierTransform}[\bar{G}[k, t], k, x] \rightarrow G[x, t] /. \text{Rule} \rightarrow \text{Equal}$$

$$G[x, t] == \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{4 t \kappa}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{t \kappa}}}{2 \sqrt{\pi}}$$

and we have the Green's function solution of the original pde