

Heat Equation Problem -Mixed BCs -

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In[10]:= SetDirectory[NotebookDirectory[]];
(* set directory where source files are located *)
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  StyleDefinitions → Get["NTGStylesheet2.nb"]];
Get["NTGUtilityFunctions.m"]; (* Load utilities package *)
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Previous version - *Heat Equation Problem - Mixed BCs 10-16-16*. Much earlier work circa 2008.

Purpose

I continue to solve heat equation problems from Chapter 3 of *Numerical and Analytical Methods for Scientists and Engineers, Using Mathematica*, Daniel Dubin. The example (p 221) considers a heat equation with homogeneous mixed boundary conditions.

I construct an Association that encapsulates information about this problem. I then apply the function *DSolveHeatEquation* that attempts to solve this problem directly using the Mathematica function *DSolve*. To illustrate the solution of a complete problem, I construct a possible initial condition consistent with the boundary conditions (see Appendix).

In[12]:=

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A1 =
Module[{description, pde, bcL, bcR, ic, eqns,
assumptions, substitutions, simplifications, names, values},
description = "Dubin example, p221 Homogeneous heat equation
with homogeneous mixed boundary conditions";
pde = D[T[x, t], t] - \[Chi] D[T[x, t], {x, 2}] == 0;
bcL = \[Chi] Derivative[1, 0][T][0, t] - a T[0, t] == 0;
bcR = \[Chi] Derivative[1, 0][T][L, t] + b T[L, t] == 0;
ic = T[x, 0] == 1 + \frac{a x}{\kappa} - \frac{x^2 (a b L + a \kappa + b \chi)}{L \kappa (b L + 2 \kappa)};
eqns = {pde, bcL, bcR, ic};
assumptions = {L > 0, \[Chi] > 0};
substitutions = {K[1] \[Rule] n};
simplifications = {n \[Element] Integers};
values = {description, pde, bcL, bcR,
ic, eqns, assumptions, substitutions, simplifications};
names = {"description", "pde", "bcL", "bcR", "ic", "eqns",
"assumptions", "substitutions", "simplifications"};
AssociationThread[names, values]];

Module[{soln, G},
soln = DSolveHeatEquation[A1];
AppendTo[A1, "soln" \[Rule] soln];
Print@ShowPDESetup[A1];
A1["soln"]]

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Dubin example, p221 Homogeneous heat equation with homogeneous mixed boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left. \frac{\partial T(0, t)}{\partial t} - a T(0, t) = 0 \right. \\
& \left. \frac{\partial T(x, t)}{\partial t} - \chi \frac{\partial^2 T(x, t)}{\partial x^2} = 0 \right. \\
& \left. b T(L, t) + \kappa \frac{\partial T(L, t)}{\partial L} = 0 \right. \\
& T(x, 0) = -\frac{x^2 (a b L + a \kappa + b \chi)}{\kappa L (b L + 2 \kappa)} + \frac{a x}{\kappa} + 1
\end{aligned}$$

Out[13]=

$$T^{(0,1)}[x, t] = \chi T^{(2,0)}[x, t]$$

DSolve cannot immediately solve this problem.

Use separation of variables. Assume $T(x,t) = \mathcal{T}(t)\psi(x)$

In[14]:=

```
w[1] = A1["pde"] /. T \[Rule] Function[{x, t}, \mathcal{T}[t] \psi[x]];
w[1] = MapEqn[(#/(\mathcal{T}[t] \psi[x])) \&, w[1]] // Expand
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Out[15]=

$$\frac{\mathcal{T}'[t]}{\mathcal{T}[t]} - \frac{\chi \psi''[x]}{\psi[x]} = 0$$

The separated equations are

In[16]:= $w[2] = \{w[1][1, 1] == -\lambda, w[1][1, 2] == \lambda\}$

Out[16]= $\left\{ \frac{\tau'[t]}{\tau[t]} == -\lambda, -\frac{\chi \psi''[x]}{\psi[x]} == \lambda \right\}$

The latter constitutes a Sturm-Liouville equation problem that DSolve can handle.

In[17]:= $w[3] = \text{DSolve}[\{\chi \psi''[x] == -\lambda \psi[x], \kappa \psi'[0] == a \psi[0], \kappa \psi'[L] == -b \psi[L]\}, \psi[x], x, \text{Assumptions} \rightarrow \{\chi \in \text{Reals}\}] [[1, 1]] /. \lambda \rightarrow \lambda_n$

Out[17]= $\psi[x] \rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} C[1] \left(\sin\left[\frac{x\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] + \frac{-a b \sin\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] - a \kappa \cos\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n}}{(a \sqrt{\chi})} \right) \\ \quad \left(a \kappa \cos\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n} \right) / (\sqrt{\chi}) - \left(b \kappa \cos\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n} \right) / (\sqrt{\chi}) + \frac{1}{\chi} \\ 0 & \kappa^2 \sin\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \lambda_n == 0 \& \& \chi \in \text{Reals} \\ \text{True} & \end{cases}$$

The eigenvalues satisfy

In[18]:= $w[4] = -a b \sin\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] - \frac{a \kappa \cos\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}} - \frac{b \kappa \cos\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}} + \frac{\kappa^2 \sin\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \lambda_n}{\chi} == 0$

Out[18]= $-a b \sin\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] - \frac{a \kappa \cos\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}} - \frac{b \kappa \cos\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}} + \frac{\kappa^2 \sin\left[\frac{L\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \lambda_n}{\chi} == 0$

and the eigenfunctions are

In[19]:= $w[5] = \psi_n[x] \rightarrow \left(\sin\left[\frac{x\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] + \frac{\kappa \cos\left[\frac{x\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n}}{a \sqrt{\chi}} \right)$

Out[19]= $\psi_n[x] \rightarrow \sin\left[\frac{x\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] + \frac{\kappa \cos\left[\frac{x\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{\chi}}\right] \sqrt{\lambda_n}}{a \sqrt{\chi}}$

The time dependence is

In[20]:= $w[6] = \text{DSolve}[w[2][1], \tau[t], t] [[1, 1]] /. \lambda \rightarrow \lambda_n /. C[1] \rightarrow 1 /. \tau \rightarrow \tau_n$

Out[20]= $\tau_n[t] \rightarrow e^{-t \lambda_n}$

The solution of the pde is a sum over these eigenfunctions

$$\text{In[21]:= } w[7] = T[x, t] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \mathcal{T}_n[t] \psi_n[x]$$

$$\text{Out[21]= } T[x, t] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \mathcal{T}_n[t] \psi_n[x]$$

I follow Dubin and solve the eigenvalue problem for a simplified set of parameters

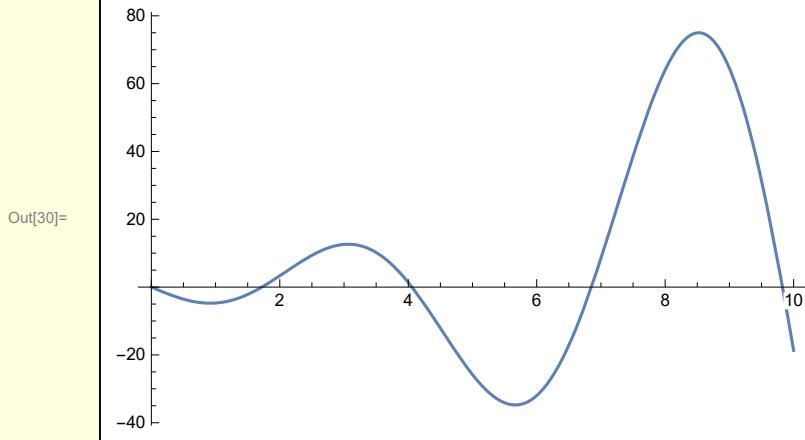
$$\begin{aligned} \text{In[22]:= } & \text{def}[\Delta] = \Delta = \frac{L \sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\sqrt{x}}; \\ & \text{def}[b] = b = a; \\ & \text{def}[a] = a = 2\kappa/L; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In[26]:= } & w[8] = w[4] /. \text{Sol}[\text{def}[\Delta], \lambda_n] /. \text{Sol}[\text{def}[b], b] /. \text{Sol}[\text{def}[a], a] // \text{PowerExpand} \\ \text{Out[26]= } & -\frac{4 \kappa^2 \Delta \cos[\Delta]}{L^2} - \frac{4 \kappa^2 \sin[\Delta]}{L^2} + \frac{\kappa^2 \Delta^2 \sin[\Delta]}{L^2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In[27]:= } & w[9] = \text{MapEqn}[(\# L^2 / \kappa^2) \&, w[8]] // \text{Expand} \\ \text{Out[27]= } & -4 \Delta \cos[\Delta] - 4 \sin[\Delta] + \Delta^2 \sin[\Delta] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In[28]:= } & \text{Clear}[Fcna]; \\ & Fcna[\Delta_] := -4 \Delta \cos[\Delta] - 4 \sin[\Delta] + \Delta^2 \sin[\Delta] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{In[30]:= Plot[Fcna[\Delta], \{\Delta, 0, 10\}]}$$



I use this visualization to calculate the first three roots and then implement a scheme that uses information about previous roots to calculate the next root.

```
In[31]:= w[10] = With[{guesses = {2, 4, 7}},
  FindRoot[FcnΔ[x] == 0, {x, #}] [[1, 2]] & /@ guesses]

Out[31]= {1.72067, 4.05752, 6.85124}
```

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In[32]:= Clear[CalcRoots];
CalcRoots[roots_, nMax_] :=
Module[{rList = Transpose[{Range[Length[roots]], roots}],
n = Length[roots], newRoot, Guess},
While[n < nMax,
n = n + 1;
(* extrapolate quadratic fit of last three roots*)
Guess[i_] := Fit[rList [[-3 ;; -1]], {1, x, x^2}, x] /. x → n;
newRoot = FindRoot[FcnΔ[x] == 0, {x, Guess[n]}] [[1, 2]];
AppendTo[rList, {n, newRoot}]];
rList]
```

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In[34]:= w[11] = With[{nMax = 10}, CalcRoots[w[10], nMax]]

Out[34]= {{1, 1.72067}, {2, 4.05752}, {3, 6.85124}, {4, 9.82636}, {5, 12.8746},
{6, 15.9573}, {7, 19.0587}, {8, 22.1711}, {9, 25.2906}, {10, 28.4149}}
```

For future convenience, I create a data structure that encapsulates the eigenvalues.

```
In[35]:= (fΔ[#[[1]]] = #[[2]]) & /@ w[11]

Out[35]= {1.72067, 4.05752, 6.85124, 9.82636,
12.8746, 15.9573, 19.0587, 22.1711, 25.2906, 28.4149}
```

For example,

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In[36]:= fΔ[7]

Out[36]= 19.0587
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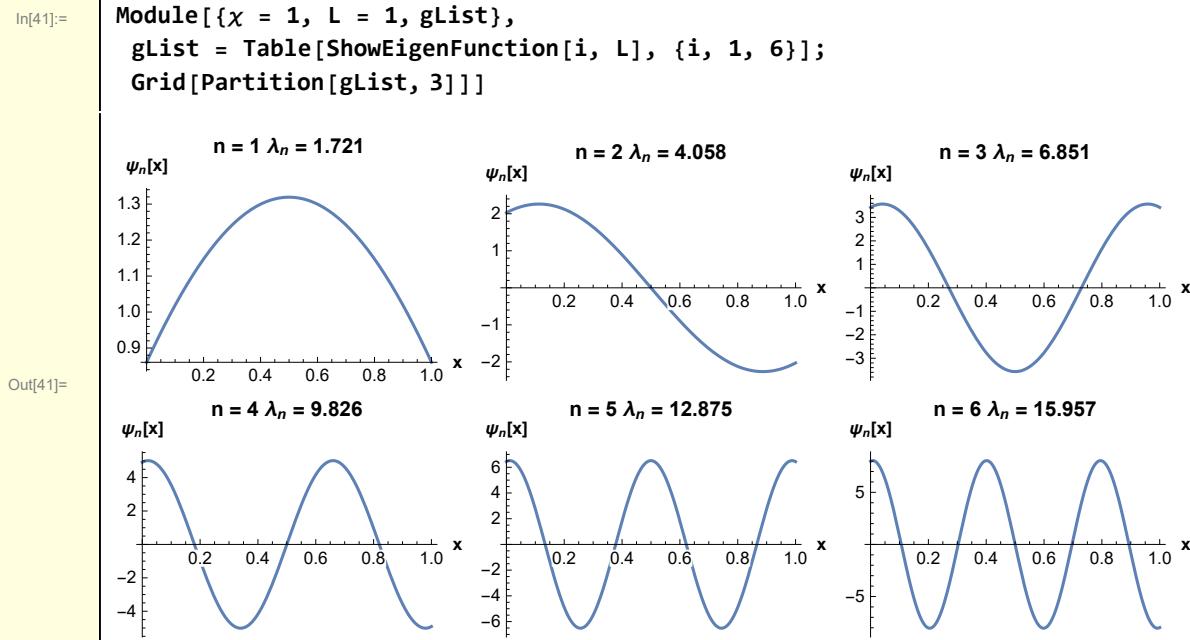
For this choice of parameters, the eigenfunctions are

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In[38]:= w[12] =
w[5] /. Sol[def[Δ], λ] /. Sol[def[b], b] /. Sol[def[a], a] // PowerExpand // Quiet

Out[38]= ψn[x] →  $\frac{1}{2} \Delta \cos\left[\frac{x \Delta}{L}\right] + \sin\left[\frac{x \Delta}{L}\right]$ 
```

Construct

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In[39]:= Clear[fψ];
fψ[x_, Δ_, L_] :=  $\frac{1}{2} \Delta \cos\left[\frac{x \Delta}{L}\right] + \sin\left[\frac{x \Delta}{L}\right]$ 
```



```
Clear>ShowEigenFunction];
ShowEigenFunction[n_, L_] :=
Module[{Δ, lab},
Δ = fΔ[n];
lab = StringForm["n = `` λ_`` = ``", n, N@Δ];
Plot[1/2 Δ Cos[x/Δ] + Sin[x/Δ], {x, 0, L},
PlotLabel → lab, AxesLabel → {x, ψn[x]}]]
```

The next step is to use the initial condition to calculate the coefficients A_n

In[42]:=

$w[13] = w[7] /. w[6] /. t \rightarrow 0$

Out[42]=

$$T[x, 0] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \psi_n[x]$$

The eigenfunctions are orthogonal, so

$$A_n = \frac{\int_0^L T(x, 0) \psi_n(x) dx}{\int_0^L \psi_n(x) \psi_n(x) dx}$$

Recall the initial condition

In[43]:=

$A1["ic"]$

Out[43]=

$$T[x, 0] = 1 + \frac{ax}{\kappa} - \frac{x^2 (abL + a\kappa + b\kappa)}{L\kappa (bL + 2\kappa)}$$

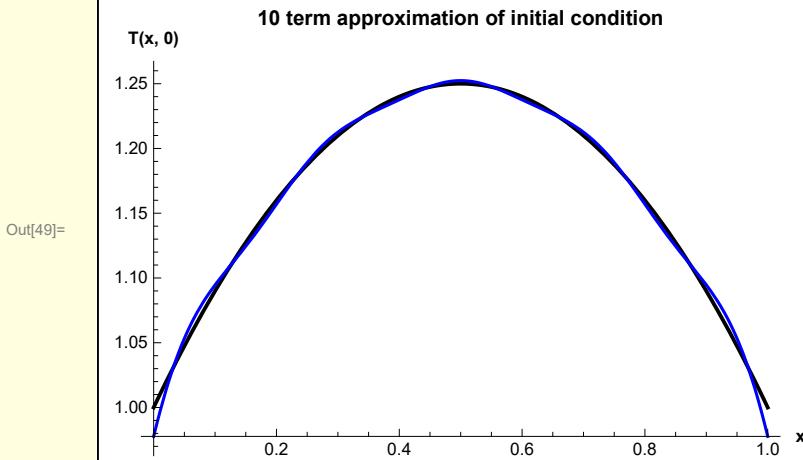
The integrals can be performed but the result is messy.

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In[44]:= w[14] = Integrate[(1 + ax/k - x^2 (abL + ax + bx)/Lx(bL + 2x)) (1/2 Λ Cos[xΛ/L] + Sin[xΛ/L]), {x, 0, L}] /.
  Integrate[(1/2 Λ Cos[xΛ/L] + Sin[xΛ/L])^2, {x, 0, L}]
Out[44]= (4 (4 L (abL + (a+b)κ) - (aL - 2κ) (bL + 2κ) Λ^2 -
  (4 L (abL + (a+b)κ) + (aL + 2κ) (bL + 2κ) Λ^2) Cos[Λ]) +
  κ Λ (-2 bL + 2 κ Λ^2 + a L (2 + Λ^2)) Sin[Λ])) /
  (κ (bL + 2κ) Λ^2 (Λ (6 + Λ^2) - 2 Λ Cos[2 Λ] + (-4 + Λ^2) Cos[Λ] Sin[Λ]))
```

```
In[45]:= Clear[An];
An[Δ_, L_, a_, b_, κ_] :=
  (4 (4 L (abL + (a+b)κ) - (aL - 2κ) (bL + 2κ) Λ^2 - (4 L (abL + (a+b)κ) +
    (aL + 2κ) (bL + 2κ) Λ^2) Cos[Λ] + κ Λ (-2 bL + 2 κ Λ^2 + a L (2 + Λ^2)) Sin[Λ])) /
  (κ (bL + 2κ) Λ^2 (Λ (6 + Λ^2) - 2 Λ Cos[2 Λ] + (-4 + Λ^2) Cos[Λ] Sin[Λ]))
```

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In[47]:= Clear[Tinit];
Tinit[x_, L_, a_, b_, κ_] := 1 + ax/k - x^2 (abL + ax + bx)/Lx(bL + 2x);
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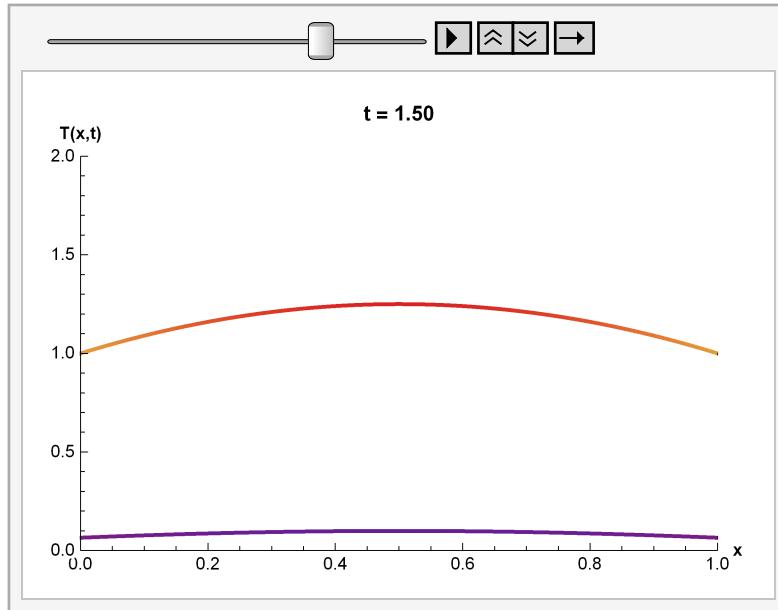
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In[49]:= Module[{L = 1, a = 1, b = 1, κ = 1, nMax = 10, lab},
  lab = StringForm["` term approximation of initial condition", nMax];
  Plot[
  {Tinit[x, L, a, b, κ], Sum[An[fΔ[n], L, a, b, κ] fψ[x, fΔ[n], L], {n, 1, 10}]}, {x, 0, L},
  PlotStyle → {Directive[Black, Thick], Blue},
  PlotLabel → lab, AxesLabel → {Stl["x"], Stl["T(x, 0)"]}]]
```



```
In[50]:= Clear[TSoln];
TSoln[x_, t_, L_, a_, b_, κ_, nMax_] :=
  Sum[An[fΔ[n], L, a, b, κ] e^{-t fΔ[n]} fψ[x, fΔ[n], L], {n, 1, nMax}]
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The mixed boundary conditions imply heat flow through the boundaries and the system cools over time.

```
In[52]:= Module[{L = 1, a = 1, b = 1, κ = 1, nMax = 10, frames},
  frames = MakeFrame[#, L, a, b, κ, nMax] & /@ Range[0, 2, 0.1];
  ListAnimate[frames]]
```



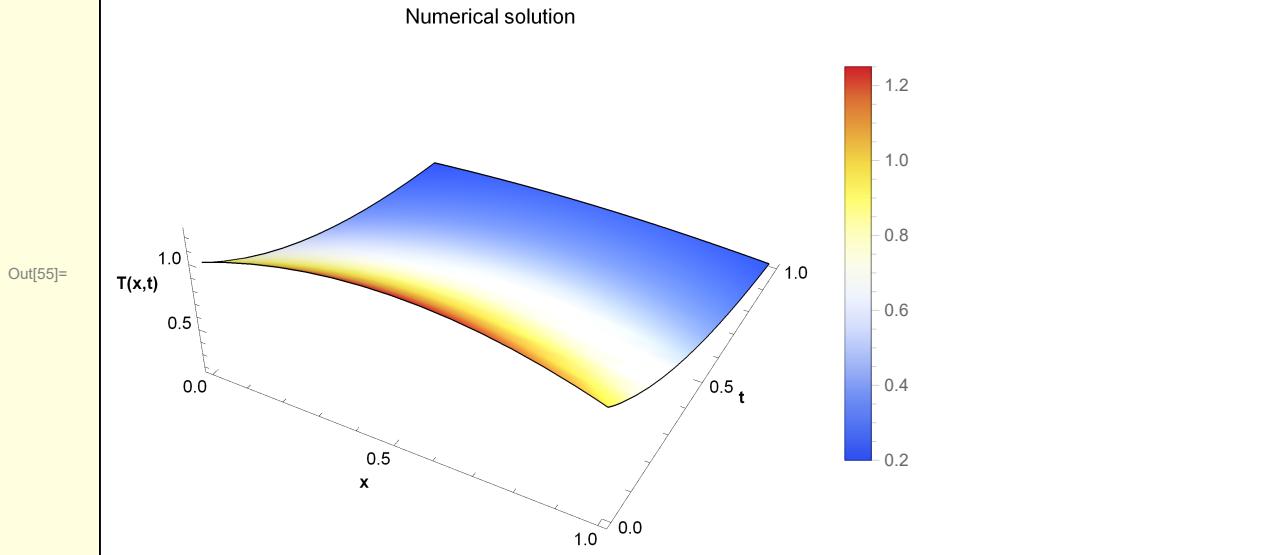
```
In[5]:= Clear[MakeFrame];
MakeFrame[t_, L_, a_, b_, κ_, nMax_] :=
Module[{lab},
lab = Stl@StringForm["t = ``", NF2@t];
Plot[{TSoln[x, t, L, a, b, κ, nMax], Tinit[x, L, a, b, κ]}, {x, 0, L}, PlotLabel → lab, AxesLabel → {Stl["x"], Stl["T(x,t)"]}, PlotStyle → Thick, ColorFunction → Function[{x, y}, ColorData["Rainbow"][y]], PlotRange → {{0, L}, {0, 2}}]]
```

To check the separation of variables result, solve the same problem numerically

```
In[53]:= SOLNUMERICAL = Module[{L = 1, a = 1, b = 1, κ = 1, χ = 1, nMax = 10, eqns},
NDSolve[{T^(0,1)[x, t] - χ T^(2,0)[x, t] == 0,
-a T[0, t] + κ T^(1,0)[0, t] == 0, b T[L, t] + κ T^(1,0)[L, t] == 0,
T[x, 0] == 1 + a x - x^2 (a b L + a κ + b κ) \over L κ (b L + 2 κ)}, T, {x, 0, L}, {t, 0, 1}]]
```

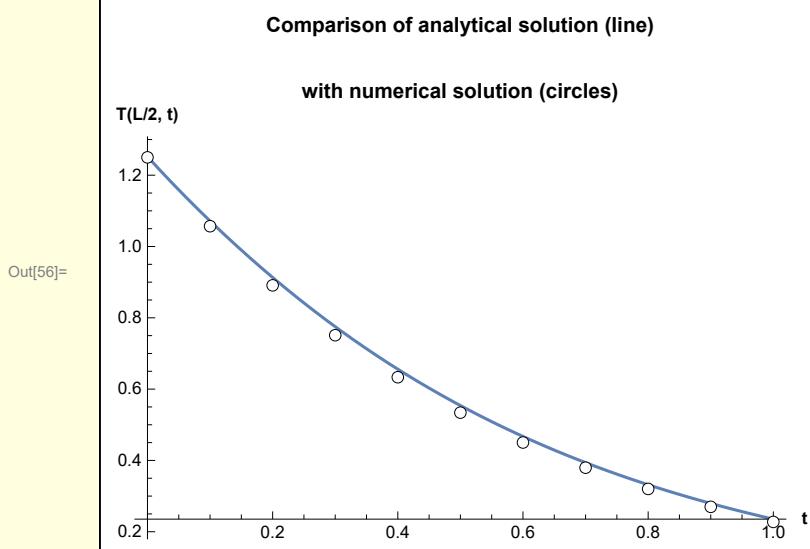
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Out[53]= T → InterpolatingFunction[ Domain: {{0, 1}, {0, 1}} Output: scalar]
```

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In[55]:= Plot3D[T[x, t] /. SOLNNUMERICAL, {x, 0, 1}, {t, 0, 1}, ColorFunction -> "TemperatureMap", AxesLabel -> {Stl["x"], Stl["t"], Stl["T(x,t)"]}, PlotLabel -> "Numerical solution", Mesh -> False, Boxed -> False, PlotLegends -> Automatic]
```



Compare the separation of variable solution with the numerical solution at $x = L/2$

```
In[56]:= Module[{L = 1, a = 1, b = 1, κ = 1, χ = 1, nMax = 10, numerical},
numerical = Table[{t, (T[L/2, t] /. SOLNNUMERICAL)}, {t, 0, 1, 0.1}];
Plot[TSoln[L/2, t, L, a, b, κ, nMax], {t, 0, 1}, PlotRange -> All,
Epilog -> {OC[#, Black] & /@ numerical}, AxesLabel -> {Stl["t"], Stl["T(L/2, t)"]},
PlotLabel -> Stl["Comparison of analytical solution (line)\nwith numerical solution (circles)"], PlotRange -> All]]
```



A Construction of initial conditions consistent with boundary conditions

The boundary conditions are

```
In[57]:= wA[1] = {κ T^(1,0) [0, t] - a T[0, t] == 0, κ T^(1,0) [L, t] + b T[L, t] == 0}
Out[57]= {-a T[0, t] + κ T^(1,0) [0, t] == 0, b T[L, t] + κ T^(1,0) [L, t] == 0}
```

I construct a function f(x) that satisfies both of these conditions

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In[58]:= wA[2] = wA[1] /. T → Function[{x, t}, f[x]]
Out[58]= {-a f[0] + κ f'[0] == 0, b f[L] + κ f'[L] == 0}
```

Assume the initial temperature profile is quadratic and choose the coefficients to satisfy the boundary conditions.

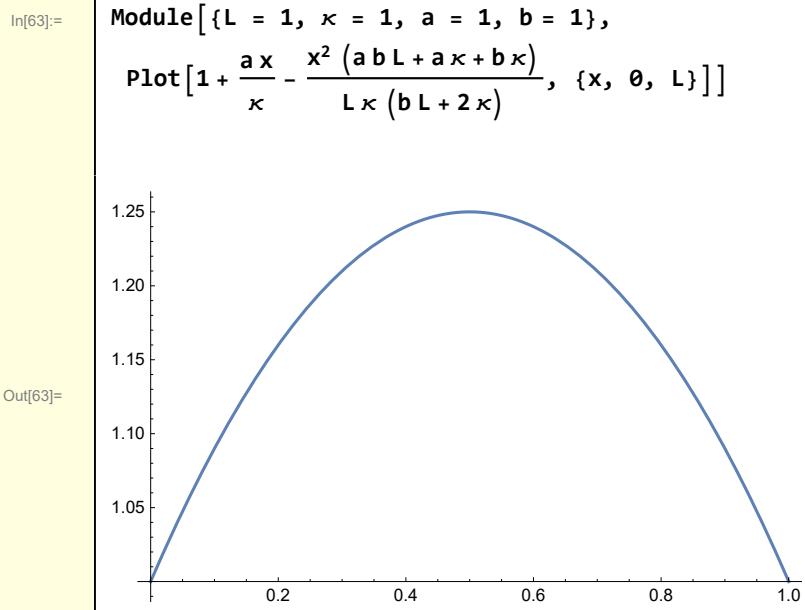
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In[59]:= wA[3] = wA[2] /. f → Function[{x}, α x^2 + β x + γ]
Out[59]= {-a γ + β κ == 0, b (L^2 α + L β + γ) + (2 L α + β) κ == 0}
```

```
In[60]:= wA[4] = Solve[wA[3], {α, β}] [[1]]
Out[60]= {α → -γ (a b L + a κ + b κ) / (L κ (b L + 2 κ)), β → a γ / κ}
```

```
In[61]:= wA[5] = α x^2 + β x + γ /. wA[4]
Out[61]= γ + a x γ / κ - x^2 γ (a b L + a κ + b κ) / (L κ (b L + 2 κ))
```

```
In[62]:= wA[6] = wA[5] /. γ → 1
Out[62]= 1 + a x / κ - x^2 (a b L + a κ + b κ) / (L κ (b L + 2 κ))
```

For example



Functions

In[7]:=

```
Clear>ShowPDESetup];
ShowPDESetup[A_] := Module[{top = 1.0, right = 1.0,
boundaries, labels, textInterior, textIC, textBCL, textBCR},
boundaries = Line /@ {{{0, 0}, {right, 0}},
{ {0, 0}, {0, top}}, {{right, 0}, {right, top}}};
labels = Text[PhysicsForm[A[#[1]], #[2]] & /@
{ {"pde", {right/2, top/2}}, {"ic", {right/2, 0.0}},
 {"bcL", {0.0, top/2}}, {"bcR", {right, top/2}}};
Graphics[{Directive[Black, Thick], boundaries, labels}, Axes → False,
AspectRatio → 0.25, ImageSize → 500, PlotLabel → Stl[A["description"]]]]
```

In[8]:=

```
Clear>DSolveHeatEquation];
DSolveHeatEquation[A_] :=
Module[{soln},
soln = DSolve[A["eqns"], T[x, t], {x, t}, Assumptions → A["assumptions"]][[1, 1]];
soln = soln //. A["substitutions"];
soln = Simplify[soln, A["simplifications"]];
soln]
```