

Lecture 19: Heat conduction - infinite

Logistics: - HW8 will be posted today!

- No class next Tuesday / office hours

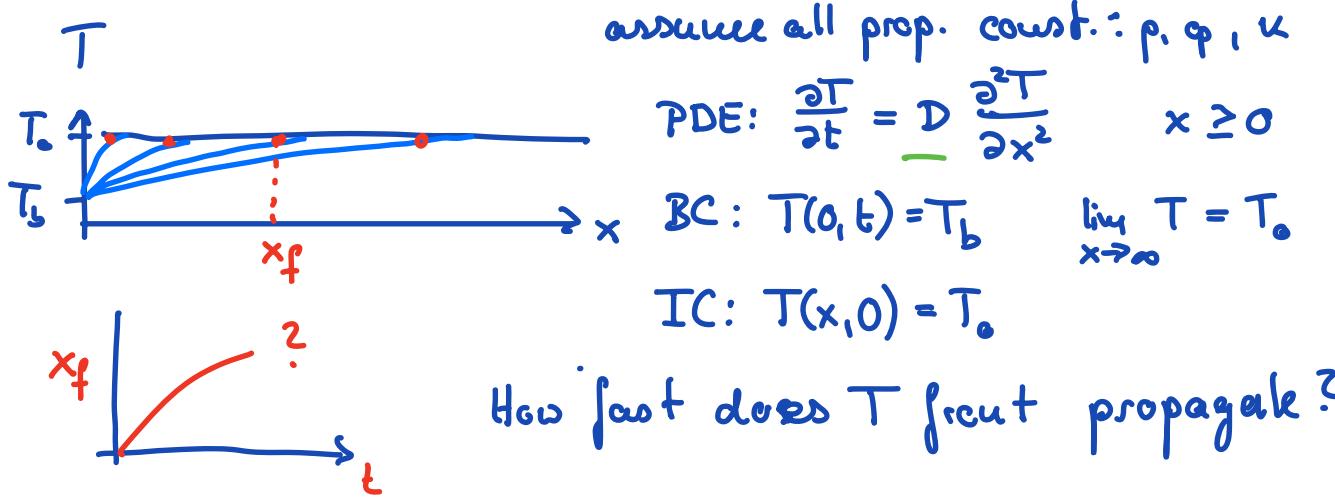
Last time: - Transient heat conduction

- Finite domain
- Non-dimensionalization $\theta \rightarrow 0$
- Analytic solution by sep. of. variables
⇒ Soln is eigenfunction expansion
- At late time → exponential decay
 $\sum A_n \sin(nx)$

Today:

- Infinite domain
⇒ Early time behavior
- Self-similar solution

Temperature propagation in semi-infinite slab



Non-dimensionaliz: $T' = \frac{T - T_b}{\Delta T}$ $\Delta T = T_0 - T_b > 0$

$$x' = \frac{x}{x_c} \quad t' = \frac{t}{t_c}$$

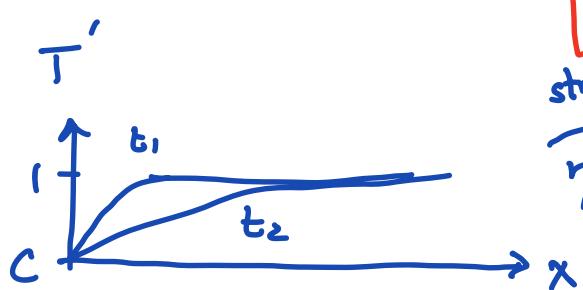
In finite domain: $x_c = L$

What scale to choose for x_c ?

$$D = \frac{\kappa}{\rho c_p} \quad \left[\frac{L^2}{T} \right] \Rightarrow \sqrt{Dt} \text{ units of } L ?$$

$x' \neq \frac{x}{\sqrt{Dt}}$ so rhs is function of x & t

\Rightarrow new variable



$$\boxed{\gamma = \frac{x}{\sqrt{4Dt}}}$$

Boltzmann variable

stretching
 $\gamma = \frac{x}{\sqrt{4Dt}}$



Solution is self-similar and γ is the similarity variable. Reduce PDE \rightarrow ODE
 What is self-similar ODE?

Substitutions: $\gamma = \frac{x}{\sqrt{4Dt}}$ $T' = \frac{T - T_b}{T_0 - T_b}$

int o $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$

$$T'(x, t) = \Pi(\gamma(x, t)) = \Pi(\gamma)$$

transform derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial T'}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Pi(\gamma(x, t)) = \frac{d\Pi}{d\gamma} \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial t} = -\frac{\gamma}{t} \frac{d\Pi}{d\gamma}$$

$$\frac{\partial T'}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Pi(\gamma(x, t)) = \frac{d\Pi}{d\gamma} \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4Dt}} \frac{d\Pi}{d\gamma}$$

$$\frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{4Dt}} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4Dt}}$$

$$\frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{4D}} t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{4D}} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{t^{-\frac{3}{2}}}_{\frac{1}{t\sqrt{t}}} \right) = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{4Dt}} \frac{1}{t} = -\frac{\gamma}{2t}$$

substitute into PDE:

$$\frac{\partial T'}{\partial t} - D \frac{\partial^2 T'}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\gamma}{2t} \frac{d\Pi}{dy} - D \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)^2 \frac{d\Pi}{dy^2}$$

$$= -\frac{\gamma}{2t} \frac{d\Pi}{dy} - D \frac{1}{4D^2} \frac{d^2\Pi}{dy^2} = 0$$

Self-similar ODE:

ODE : $\frac{d^2\Pi}{dy^2} + 2y \frac{d\Pi}{dy} = 0$

BC : $\Pi(y=0) = 0 \quad \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \Pi(y) = 1$

Solve ODE :

1) substitution: $u = \frac{d\Pi}{dy} \rightarrow \frac{du}{dy} + 2y u = 0$

2) sep. of var.: $\frac{du}{u} = -2y dy$
 $\ln u = -y^2 + a \rightarrow u = c e^{-y^2}$

3) resubstitute: $\frac{d\Pi}{dy} = c e^{-y^2}$

4) sep. of var.: $d\Pi = c e^{-y^2} dy$

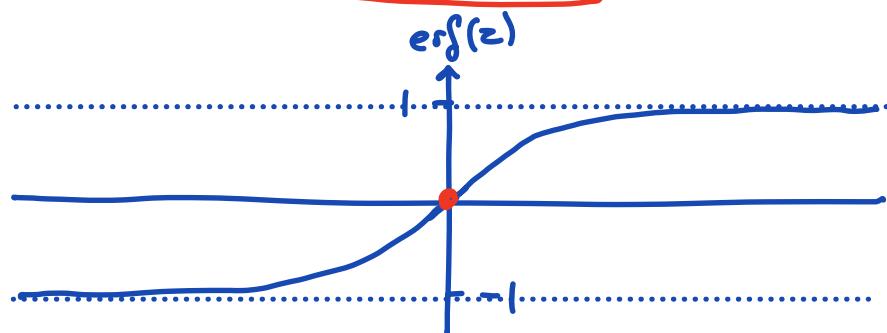
$$\int_{\Pi=0}^{\Pi(y)} d\Pi = c \int_{y=0}^y e^{-y'^2} dy'$$

$$\Pi(y) = c \int_{y=0}^y e^{-y'^2} dy'$$

cannot integrate analytically

5) Identify the error function

$$\text{erf}(z) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^z e^{-z'^2} dz'$$



- properties:
- $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \text{erf}(z) = 1$
 - $\text{erf}(-z) = -\text{erf}(z)$ "point sym."
 - $\text{erf}(0) = 0$
 - $\text{erf}(z) \approx z$ $|z| < 1$

Therefore $\Pi(y) = c \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \text{erf}(y)$

$$BC: \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \Pi(y) = c \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} 1 = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}$$

Self similar solution:

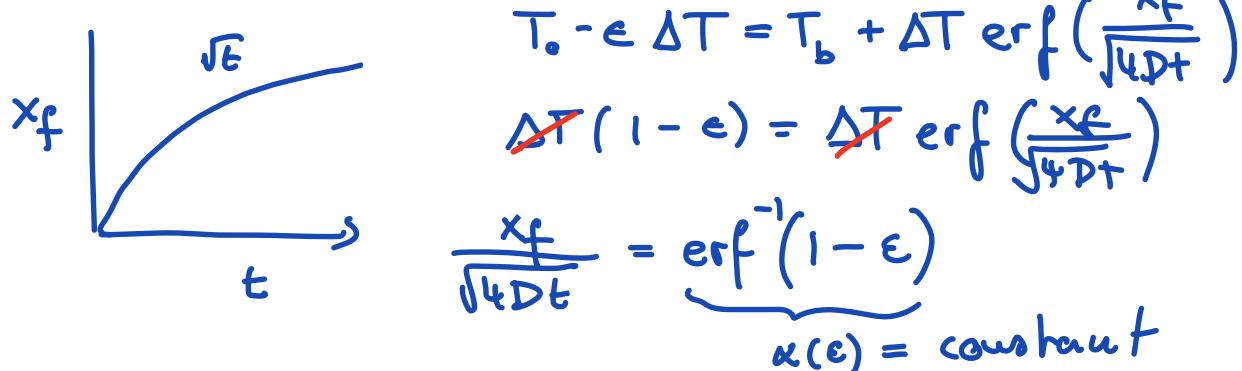
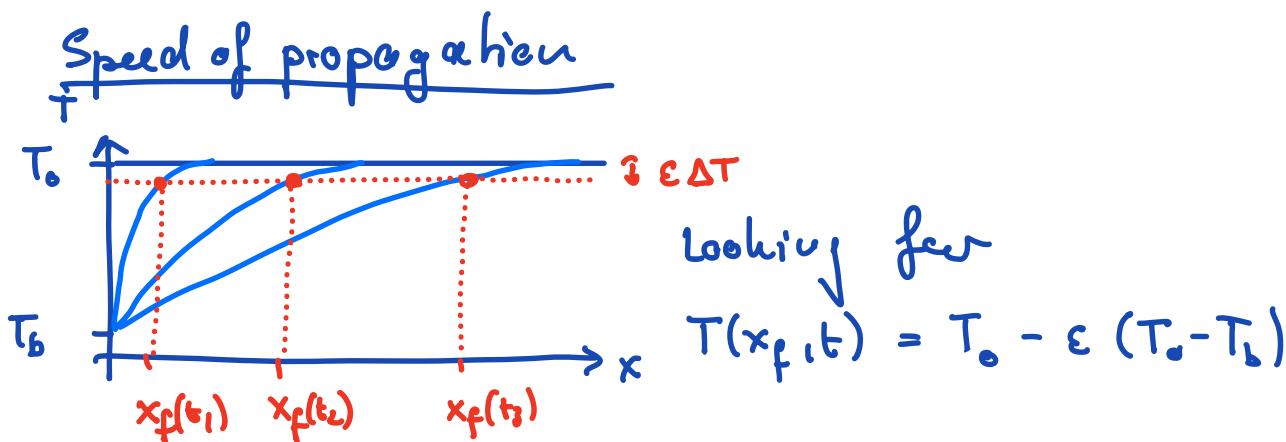
$$\Pi(y) = \operatorname{erf}(y)$$

6) Re substitute: $T' = \Pi(y) = \frac{T - T_b}{\Delta T}$ $y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{4Dt}}$

Dimensional soln:

$$T(x, t) = T_b + \Delta T \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{4Dt}}\right)$$

$$\Delta T = T_o - T_b$$



$$\Rightarrow x_f = \alpha(\epsilon) \sqrt{4DF} \sim \sqrt{E}$$

$$\text{for } \epsilon = 0.1 \quad \alpha \approx 1.16$$

