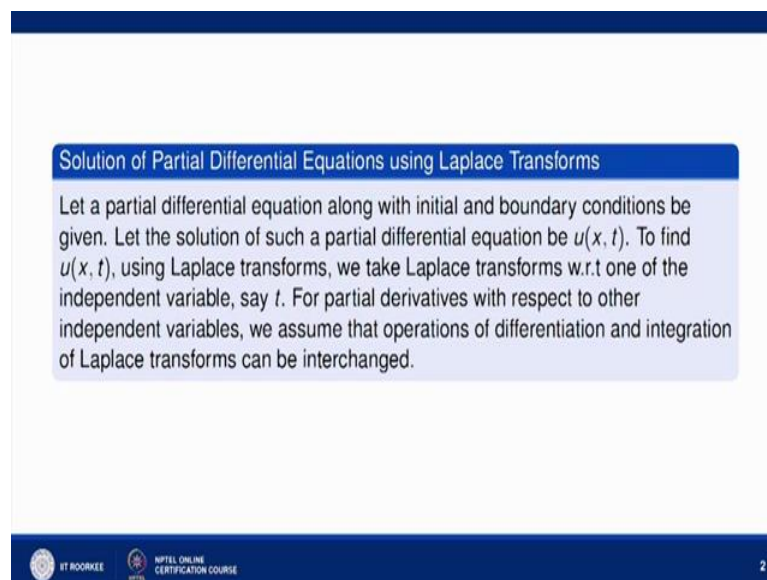


**Mathematical methods and its applications**  
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**Lecture – 38**  
**Application of Laplace Transforms – III**

So, welcome to the lecture series on mathematical methods and its applications. So, this is the last lecture on Laplace transforms. We have seen so many things on Laplace transforms, so many applications. Now this is basically solution of partial differential equation using Laplace transform that how Laplace transform is useful for solving partial differential equations.

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**Solution of Partial Differential Equations using Laplace Transforms**

Let a partial differential equation along with initial and boundary conditions be given. Let the solution of such a partial differential equation be  $u(x, t)$ . To find  $u(x, t)$ , using Laplace transforms, we take Laplace transforms w.r.t one of the independent variable, say  $t$ . For partial derivatives with respect to other independent variables, we assume that operations of differentiation and integration of Laplace transforms can be interchanged.

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So, let a partial differential equation along with initial boundary condition is given to us. Let the solution of such a partial differential equation be  $u(x, t)$ ;  $u(x, t)$ , 2 independent variables are involved  $x$  and  $t$ . To find  $u(x, t)$  that is the solution of this partial differential equation using Laplace transforms, we take Laplace transforms with respect to one of the variable; one of the independent variable say  $t$ , for partial derivative with respect to the other independent variables we assume that the operations of differentiation, integration of Laplace transforms can be interchanged. So, this we assume that with respect to the other independent variable the operations of differentiation integrations can be interchanged.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 L\left(\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x}\right) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x} e^{-pt} dt \\
 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_0^{\infty} u(x,t) e^{-pt} dt \\
 &= \frac{d}{dx} U(x,p)
 \end{aligned}
 \quad L\{u(x,t)\} = U(x,p)$$

Now, let us see suppose you have a  $u(x,t)$  which is a function of  $x$  and  $t$ . It is the function of 2 independent variables  $x$  and  $t$ , now suppose you take partial derivatives with respect to  $x$  and let us compute the Laplace transform of this. Laplace transform of  $\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x}$ . So, what it is by definition?  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x} e^{-pt} dt$  because we are taking Laplace transform with respect to the independent variable  $t$ . So, that is why we are taking  $t$  here because we are taking Laplace transform with respect to the independent variable  $t$ .

So, this we can write like this, it is equal to basically this can be taken out. So, it is  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$  of  $\int_0^{\infty} u(x,t) e^{-pt} dt$  because this integration is with respect to  $t$ . So,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$  can be taken out. So,  $e^{-pt}$  and this expression is nothing but Laplace transform of  $u(x,t)$ . So, suppose Laplace transform of  $u(x,t)$  is  $U(x,p)$ , it is again a function of 2 variables  $x$  and  $p$  and we are taking Laplace transform with respect to  $t$ , place of  $t$  we have we will be having  $p$ . So, this will be nothing but this is nothing but  $U(x,p)$ , Laplace transform of  $u(x,t)$  is  $U(x,p)$  and it is  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$  we can write  $\frac{d}{dx}$  because  $p$  is the parameter. So, this can be written as Laplace transform of  $\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x}$  can be written as  $\frac{d}{dx} U(x,p)$  where capital  $U$  is nothing but Laplace transform of small  $u$  with respect to  $t$ .

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$$\begin{aligned}L\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}u(x,t)\right] &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}e^{-pt}dt \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_0^\infty ue^{-pt}dt \\ &= \frac{d}{dx}U(x,p).\end{aligned}$$

where  $L[u(x,t)] = U(x,p)$ .

Similarly,  $L\left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}\right] = \frac{d^2}{dx^2}U(x,p)$ .

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Now, similarly if we find second partial derivative of  $u$  and take the Laplace transform of this. So, this is nothing but  $d^2$  by  $dx^2$  of  $U(x,p)$ , this can be derived on the same lines.

Now, let us compute Laplace of partial derivative of  $u$  with respect to  $t$ , what is this?

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The whiteboard contains the following handwritten formulas:

$$L\left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}u(x,t)\right\} = pU(x,p) - u(x,0)$$
$$L\left\{\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}u(x,t)\right\} = p^2U(x,p) - pu(x,0) - u_t(x,0)$$
$$L\{f'(t)\} = pF(p) - f(0)$$

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So, this we can easily see because so Laplace transform of  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}u(x,t)$ . So, we know that Laplace transform of  $f'(t)$  is nothing but  $pF(p) - f(0)$  where this  $F(p)$  is

nothing but Laplace transform of  $f(t)$  and this  $f(0)$ . So, in the same way, this can be written as we treat  $x$  as constant term. So, this can be written as  $p$  into Laplace transform of  $u(x, t)$  which we are taking as  $U(x, p)$  minus  $u(x, 0)$ . This can be written as this way because  $x$  we are taking as constant, we are treating we are taking Laplace with respect to  $t$ .

Again if suppose you want to find out second order derivative of this term of  $u(x, t)$ . So, again by the same concept we can write, it is  $p^2 U(x, p)$  minus  $p$  into  $u_x(x, 0)$  minus  $u_{xx}(x, 0)$ . So, dash derivative with respect to the variable for which Laplace transform is to be is we have taken. So, here we have taken Laplace transform with respect to  $t$ . So, derivative with respect to  $t$  only so that is  $u_{tt}(x, 0)$  because when we take Laplace transform of second derivative of  $f$  it is nothing but  $p^2 f(p)$  minus  $p f'(0)$  minus  $f''(0)$  and derivative is with respect to  $t$  so here also the partial derivative is respect to  $t$  only.

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The image shows a whiteboard with handwritten mathematical work. The equations are as follows:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = 1, \quad u(0, t) = t.$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} U(x, p) + x [p U(x, p) - u(x, 0)] = 0, \quad \mathcal{L}\{u(x, t)\} = U(x, p).$$

$$\frac{dU}{dx} + x p U = x$$

Integrating factor:  $e^{\int x p dx} = e^{p x^2/2}$

$$e^{p x^2/2} U = \int x e^{p x^2/2} dx + c(p).$$

$$e^{p x^2/2} U = \frac{1}{p} \int e^t dt + c(p)$$

$$e^{p x^2/2} U = \frac{1}{p} e^{p x^2/2} + c(p)$$

On the right side of the whiteboard, there are two small equations:

$$p \frac{x^2}{2} = t$$

$$p x dx = dt$$

Now, let us solve this problem using Laplace transforms with simple problem. Now what this problem is it is  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$  it is  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$  sorry,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0$  is equals to 0,  $u(x, 0) = 1$  these are the initial conditions and  $u(0, t) = t$  this is given to us. So, this is some first order partial differential equation and we want to solve it. So, let us solve this problem using Laplace transforms. So, you take Laplace transforms both the sides. So, now, we are taking Laplace transform with respect to  $t$  independent variable  $t$ .

So, this can be written as  $\frac{d}{dx}$  of Laplace transform of this which we are taking as  $U(x, p)$  plus  $x$  treat as constant and  $\frac{du}{dt}$  is nothing but  $p$  into  $U(x, p)$  minus  $u(x, 0)$  is equals to Laplace transform  $0$  is  $0$ . So, here Laplace transform of  $u(x, t)$ , I am taking as  $U(x, p)$ . Now this is nothing but it is  $\frac{d}{dx}$ , this capital  $U$  is this, I am taking like. So, plus  $x$  into  $p$  capital  $U$  and  $u(x, 0)$  is  $1$ . So, when you substitute  $1$  here and this will go to right hand side this is nothing but equal to  $x$ .

So, this is simple first order linear differential equation. If the first one linear basically when you take Laplace transform in any  $p$   $d$  this will give a ordinary differential equation you use your usual techniques to solve this equation and then take Laplace inverse to find out the solution of the given  $p$   $d$ . Now how to find the solution of this first you find integrating factor? So, what is the integrating factor  $e^{\int p dx}$ ? So, this is nothing but  $e^{\int p dx}$  power  $\frac{x^2}{2}$  and the solution will be nothing but  $e^{\int p dx}$  power  $\frac{x^2}{2}$  into  $u$  is equals to integral right hand side into integrating factor  $dx$  plus integrating constant  $c$ .

Now, of course, this is basically a function of  $p$  because here  $2$  variables are involved  $p$  and  $x$   $p$  is an arbitrary variable; arbitrary constant. We can say and  $x$  is a variable, it will be  $a$ ; we are integrating with respect to  $x$ . So, it will be some function of  $p$  now how will integrate this we take this as say  $t$ . So,  $p$   $x^2$  by  $2$  we can take as  $t$ . So, it is  $p$   $dx$  will be nothing but  $dt$ . So, this is equal to  $1$  by  $p$  integral  $e^{\int p dx}$  power  $t$   $dt$  plus  $c$   $p$  and it is  $1$  by  $p$  integral of  $e^{\int p dx}$  power  $t$  is  $e^{\int p dx}$  power  $t$  itself and  $t$  is nothing but  $p$   $x^2$  by  $2$  so  $e^{\int p dx}$  power  $p$   $x^2$  upon  $2$  plus  $c$   $p$   $e^{\int p dx}$  power  $x^2$  by  $2$  into  $u$  in the left hand side.

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$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0; \quad u(x, 0) = 1, \quad u(0, t) = t.$$

$$U(x, p) = \frac{1}{p} + \left( \frac{1}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p} \right) e^{-px^2}$$

$$u(x, t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \{ U(x, p) \}$$

$$= 1 + \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{p^2} e^{-px^2} \right\} - \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{e^{-px^2}}{p} \right\}$$

$$= 1 + \left\{ \left( t - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) u \left( t - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) \right\} - u \left( t - \frac{x^2}{2} \right)$$

$$= 1 + \left[ t - \frac{x^2}{2} - 1 \right] u \left( t - \frac{x^2}{2} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L} \{ f(t-a) u(t-a) \} = e^{-ap} F(p)$$

So, what we obtain? U is equal to 1 by p plus c p into e [FL] power minus p x square by 2.

Now, to calculate c p, we will use the second condition u x u 0 t is equals to t. Now suppose it is 1, what is U x p? U x p is nothing but Laplace transform of u x t which is nothing but 0 to infinity u x t into e [FL] power minus p t d t.

Now, when you take x equal to 0 so here x equal to 0 and here also x equal to 0, so, u 0 p will nothing but a Laplace transform of u 0 t and that is nothing but Laplace transform of t because u 0 t is nothing but t. So, this is nothing but 1 by p square. Now when you apply this condition here, it is when you take x equal to 0 put x equal to 0. So, u x 0 is u 0 p is nothing but 1 by p square. So, 1 by p square equal to 1 by p plus c p into 1. So, this implies c p is nothing but 1 by p square minus 1 by p. So, therefore, U x p is nothing but therefore, U x p is nothing but 1 by p plus 1 by p square minus 1 by p into e [FL] power minus p x square upon 2. Now u x t will be nothing but Laplace inverse of u x p. So, it is Laplace inverse of this expression. So, Laplace inverse of 1 by p is 1 plus now we have to find out Laplace inverse of 1 by p square e [FL] power minus p s square by upon 2 and minus Laplace inverse of e [FL] power p s square upon 2 by p.

Now, this x is here is not a variable because we are taking Laplace with respect to t. So, this x is not a variable, we are taking it as a constant to find out Laplace inverse only p is

a parameter. So, we know this we know our result that Laplace transform of  $f(t)$  minus  $a$  into  $u(t)$  minus  $a$  where  $u$  is the unit step function at  $t$  equal to  $2/a$  is nothing but  $e^{-[FL] \text{ power minus } a}$  into  $f(p)$ , where  $f(p)$  is nothing but Laplace transform of  $f(t)$ . Now this one will remain as it is plus now the Laplace inverse of this is  $t^{-1}$  by  $p^2$  Laplace inverse is  $t e^{-[FL] \text{ power minus } a}$  is  $x^2$  by  $2$  if you compare with this. So,  $a$  is nothing but  $x^2$  by  $2$ . So, and Laplace inverse of this is  $t$ . So,  $f(t)$  is  $t$ . So, the Laplace inverse of this entire expression by this ex formula is nothing but  $t$  minus  $x^2$  by  $2$  because  $a$  is  $x^2$  by  $2$  and  $u$  of  $t$  minus  $x^2$  upon  $2$  plus minus.

Now, here Laplace inverse of  $1$  by  $p$  is  $1$ . So,  $f(t)$  is  $1$  and  $a$  is  $x^2$  by  $2$ . So, again this expression will give  $u(t)$  minus  $x^2$  upon  $2$ . So, therefore, the final answer is  $1$  plus  $t$  minus  $x^2$  upon  $2$  minus  $1$  of  $t$  minus  $x^2$  upon  $2$ . So, this will be the solution of this differential equation, we can use this property to simplify this expression. So, the variable under which we have taken the Laplace transform take only that variable as a  $I$  mean other variables take as a constant take other variables as constant. So, this is how we can simplify this P d e.

Now, let us solve a second order P d e. So, these are the applications of Laplace transforms. It cannot not a not only solve o d or integral equations, it may solve P d e also as we have seen in these examples.

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Handwritten mathematical derivation on a whiteboard showing the solution of a second-order differential equation using Laplace transforms.

Given:  $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$ ,  $0 < x < l$ ,  $t > 0$ .

Initial conditions:  $u(x, 0) = 0$ ,  $u_t(x, 0) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right)$ .

Laplace transform of the PDE:  $[p^2 U(x, p) - p u(x, 0) - u_t(x, 0)] = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} U(x, p)$ ,  $U(x, p) = \mathcal{L}\{u(x, t)\}$ .

Substituting initial conditions:  $\Rightarrow [p^2 U(x, p) - p \cdot 0 - \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right)] = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} U$ .

Resulting ODE:  $\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 U}{dx^2} - p^2 U = -\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right)$ .

Homogeneous solution (C.F.):  $m^2 - p^2 = 0 \Rightarrow m = \pm p$ .

Particular Integral (P.I.):  $\frac{1}{p^2 - p^2} \left( -\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right) \right) = \frac{1}{-(\frac{\pi^2}{l^2}) - p^2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right) = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right)}{\left(\frac{\pi^2}{l^2} + p^2\right)}$ .

General solution:  $U(x, p) = A(p)e^{px} + B(p)e^{-px} + \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{l}\right)}{p^2 + \frac{\pi^2}{l^2}}$ .

So, what is the second order equation  $u'' = u$  and  $0 < x < 1$  and  $t > 0$ . Conditions are given to you, what are the conditions we will use when we apply Laplace transform both the sides? So, take Laplace transform both the sides. So, what will be the Laplace transform of  $u''$  by  $u'$  it will be nothing but  $p^2 U - p u(0) - u'(0)$  we are applying Laplace transform with respect to  $t$ . So, this is equal to this is nothing but  $d^2 u / dx^2$  of  $u$  or  $U(x, p)$  where  $U(x, p)$  is nothing but Laplace transform of  $u(x, t)$ .

Now, this is  $p^2 U - p u(0) - u'(0)$  is  $0$  given to us. So,  $p u(0) - u'(0)$  is nothing but  $\sin \pi x$  by  $1$ . So, it is  $\sin \pi x$  by  $1$  given tools and this is nothing but  $d^2 u / dx^2 - p^2 u$  is nothing but  $-\sin \pi x$  by  $1$ . So, it is a second order linear differential equation. So, we can find it find the solution of this equation first we find complimentary function or complimentary solution then we find particular integral and the sum of these 2 will give the complete solution of this differential equation.

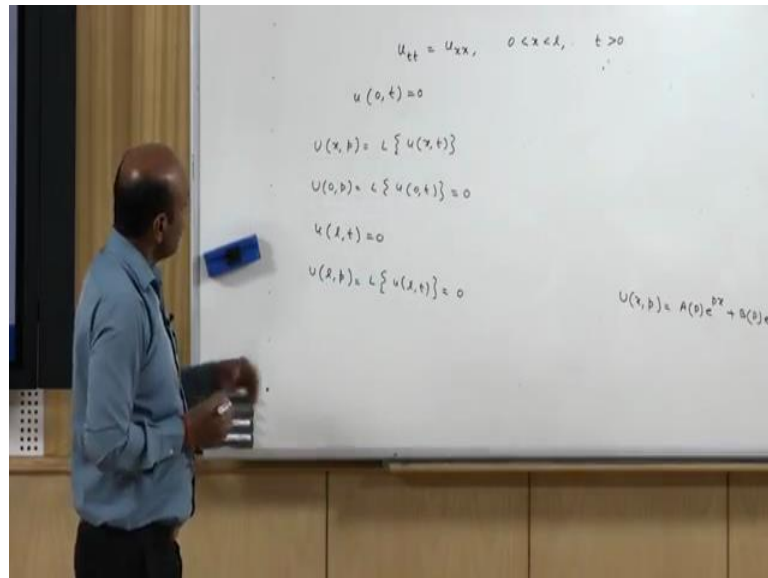
So, what is the complementary equation here? So, it is nothing but  $d^2 u / dx^2 - p^2 u = 0$ . So, complementary function will be nothing but complementary function will be nothing but it is  $m^2 + p^2 = 0$ . So,  $m$  will be nothing but  $\pm ip$ . So, complementary function will be nothing but  $a e^{ipx} + b e^{-ipx}$  which are the arbitrary constants are nothing but function of  $p$  here because we have 2 because  $u$  contains 2 variables  $x$  and  $p$ ,  $a e^{ipx} + b e^{-ipx}$ .

Now, for a particular integral particular integral it is nothing but  $1 / (d^2 / dx^2 - p^2)$  of  $-\sin \pi x$  by  $1$ . So, we simply replace  $d^2 / dx^2$  by  $-p^2$  and  $a$  is nothing but  $\pi$  by  $1$ . So, this is equal to  $1 / (-p^2 - p^2)$  of  $-\sin \pi x$  by  $1$  and it is  $\sin \pi x$  by  $1$  upon  $2p^2$ . So, this is nothing but  $\sin \pi x$  by  $1$  upon  $2p^2$ . So, this will be  $p i$ . So, what will be the complete solution that is capital  $U$ ? So, capital  $U(x, p)$  will be nothing but  $c x + p i$ . So,  $c f$  is nothing but  $a e^{ipx} + b e^{-ipx}$  plus  $p i$  which is  $\sin \pi x$  upon  $2p^2$  plus  $p i$  upon  $1$ . So, that will be the complete solution of this differential equation.



Now, we use the other conditions given to us to calculate a and b. To calculate these functions we will use the other conditions now. What are the other conditions now?  $u(0, t)$  is equal to 0.

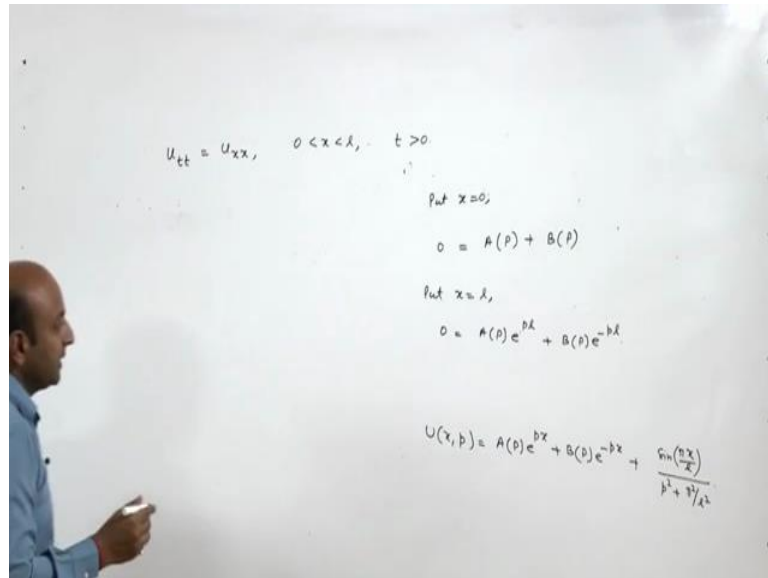
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Now,  $U(x, p)$  is nothing but Laplace transform of  $u(x, t)$ . So,  $u(0, p)$  will be nothing but Laplace transform of  $u(0, t)$  which is nothing but 0 because this is 0 and other condition is  $u(l, t) = 0$ . So, you substitute  $x$  equal to  $l$  here first you substitute  $x$  equal to 0 when you substituted  $x$  equal to 0. So,  $u(0, t)$  is 0. So, Laplace transform of 0 is 0.

Now, we substitute  $x$  equal to  $l$  here. So,  $U(l, p)$  will be nothing but Laplace transform of  $u(l, t)$  and  $u(l, t)$  is again given as 0. So, it is again 0 now apply both these conditions both these conditions and this condition in this equation to calculate a and b.

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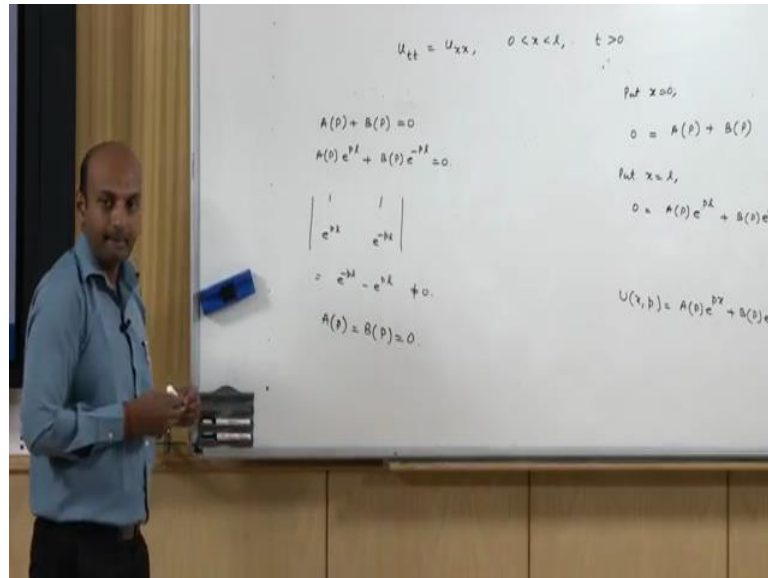


Now you substitute  $x$  as in this equation you substitute first  $x$  as 0, put  $x$  equal to 0 when you put  $x$  equal to 0 here. So, the left hand side is nothing but 0; 0 is equal to  $e$  [FL] power 0 is 1 is a  $p$  plus this is nothing but plus  $b$   $p$  and  $\sin 0$  is 0. So, it will be 0. So, this is 1 condition.

Now, put  $x$  equal to  $n$  here when you put  $x$  equal to 1. So,  $u$  capital  $U$  1  $p$  is again 0. So, when you put it  $x$  equal to 1, it is 0 is equals to a  $p$   $e$  [FL] power  $p$  1 plus  $b$   $p$   $e$  [FL] power minus  $p$  and at  $x$  equal to 1  $\sin \pi$  which is 0.

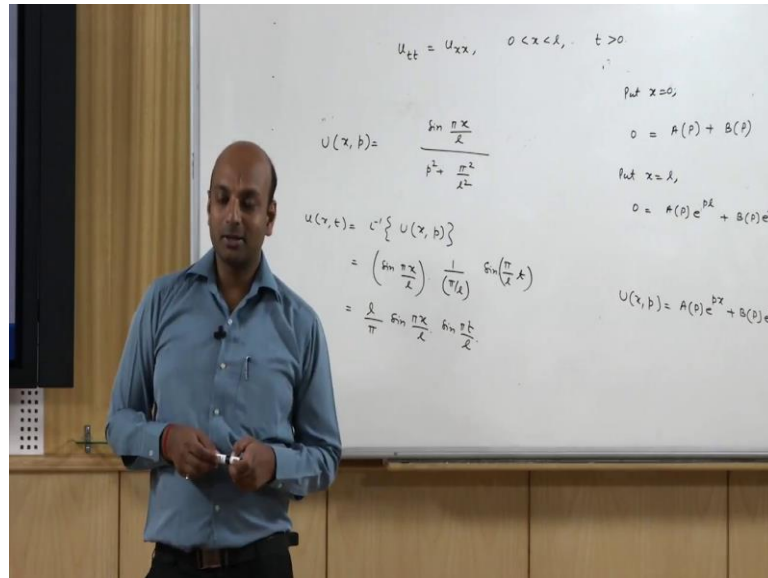
Now, these are the 2 equations in 2 unknowns  $A$  and  $B$ ; capital  $A$  and capital  $B$ , if you take the determinant.

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So, these are 2 equations  $A(p) + B(p) = 0$  and  $A(p)e^{pl} + B(p)e^{-pl} = 0$ , if it is a determinant of  $1 \cdot e^{-pl} - e^{pl} \cdot 1$  and  $e^{pl}$  and  $e^{-pl}$ . So, it is equals to  $e^{-pl} - e^{pl} \neq 0$ . So, this implies this will be having a unique solution and the unique solution in homogenous equations where right hand side is 0 is nothing but the trivial solution that is  $A(p) = B(p) = 0$  because data coefficient determinant coefficient matrix the determinant of that is equal to 0 is not equal to 0. So, not equal to 0 means unique solution and the only unique solution at trivial solution that is  $A(p) = B(p) = 0$ .

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So, when you substitute a p equal to b p equal to 0 what we will obtain. So, what will be U x p now U x p will be nothing but a p and b p are 0. So, it is nothing but sin pi x y l upon p square plus pi square upon l square and u x t is nothing but Laplace inverse of U x p which is equals to now i, now you want to take Laplace inverse of this equation this expression. So, sin pi x by l will come outside because it is free from t it is free from p and t it is free from p sorry and this for this Laplace inverse 1 upon this you divide and multiply by pi by l, 1 upon pi by l into Laplace inverse of this sin pi by l pi upon l into t.

So, the final answer is l upon pi sin pi x by l into sin pi t by l. So, this will be the final solution of this equation. So, similarly the questions based on p d e can be solved using Laplace transforms.

Thank you very much.