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① We've seen this last time

② $u_t = u_{xx} \Rightarrow$ solution $u(x,t)$ is a Fourier Series

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

$$u(0,t) = u(1,t) = 0$$

$$u(0,x) = f(x)$$

$$B_n = 2 \int_0^1 f(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx$$

$$③ f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right) \quad L \text{ const.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i &= \sqrt{-1} \\ i^2 &= -1 \\ i^3 &= -i \\ i^4 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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⑤ Euler's Formula: $e^{it} = \cos(t) + i \sin(t), i = \sqrt{-1}$

$$\sin(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \quad \cos(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{2n}}{(2n)!} \quad e^t = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow e^{it} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(it)^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{it}{1} + \frac{(it)^2}{2!} + \frac{(it)^3}{3!} + \frac{(it)^4}{4!} + \frac{(it)^5}{5!} + \frac{(it)^6}{6!} + \frac{(it)^7}{7!} + \frac{(it)^8}{8!} + \dots \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} - \frac{t^6}{6!} + \frac{t^8}{8!} + \dots \right) + i \left(t - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} - \frac{t^7}{7!} + \dots \right) \\ &= \cos(t) + i \sin(t) \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

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Probability

Q: If one throws two dice one time, the probability of getting a roll of 7 is $p = \frac{1}{6}$ (really it's $\frac{6}{36}$). If you throw the dice repeatedly, probability that a 7 appears for the first time on the n^{th} roll is $q^{n-1} p$, where $q = 1 - p = \frac{5}{6}$. The expected number of rolls until the 1st 7 is given as $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n q^{n-1} p$. Find the sum.

Note: How did they get the sum? $E(X) = \sum x_i p_i$ is expected value (mean, avg.)

We have $n-1$ failures and 1 success on the n^{th} roll.
 $\Rightarrow E(\text{number of rolls until first 7}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n q^{n-1} p$ n rolls, $q^{n-1} p$

Solution: Note that the partial sums are given as
 $S_n = \sum_{j=1}^n j \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{j-1}$ (ignore the $p = \frac{1}{6}$ for the moment)

$$S_n = \sum_{j=1}^n j r^{j-1} \quad \text{where } r = \frac{5}{6}$$

This looks geometric. We know $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n$

Recall, I proved that $\sum_{j=1}^n ar^{j-1} = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$ n^{th} partial sum of a geometric series

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} ar^j = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r} \Rightarrow \sum_{j=0}^n ar^j = \frac{a(1-r^{n+1})}{1-r}$$

Assume for the moment that $a = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dr} \sum_{j=0}^n r^j = \frac{d}{dr} \left(\frac{(1-r^{n+1})}{1-r} \right) \quad \text{product rule}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n j r^{j-1} = \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{(1-r)^2} - \frac{(n+1)r^n}{1-r}, \text{ Let } r = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n j \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{j-1} = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n+1}}{\left(1 - \frac{5}{6}\right)^2} - \frac{(n+1) \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n}{1 - \frac{5}{6}} = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n+1}}{\frac{1}{36}} - \frac{(n+1) \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n}{\frac{1}{6}} = 36 \left(1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n+1}\right) - 6(n+1) \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n$$

So, we have shown the n^{th} partial sum of (2)
 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n-1}$ is given by $S_n = 36 \left(1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n+1}\right) - 6(n+1) \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n$

So, then the sum we want is just $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 36 \left(1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n+1}\right) - 6(n+1) \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n \\ &= 36(1 - 0) - 6 \cdot 0 \\ &= 36 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n-1} = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n-1} = p \cdot 36$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n-1} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{6} \cdot 36 = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1) \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{-n}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{\left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^n} \\ &\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^n \log\left(\frac{6}{5}\right)} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Expected (or average) # of rolls until first 7 is 6.