# Quasi-stationary thermo elastic problem with moving heat source in unidirectional Robin's rod

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**Abstract**— In this paper we deal quasi-stationary, non-homogeneous thermo elastic problem with Robin's boundary condition in one dimensional rod of isotropic material occupying the region  $0 \le x \le a$ . Initial temperature of the rod is zero and placed in an ambient temperature zero. The rod is subjected to the activity of moving point heat source located at x moving with constant velocity x along x-axis.

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### 1. Introduction

Recently D T Solanke and M H Durge have studied transient non-homogeneous thermoelastic problem in thin rectangular plate with Dirichlet's, Robin's and Neumann's boundary condition from [1] to [10]. Now in this paper authors determine the temperature distribution and thermal stresses in one dimension with moving point heat source with quasi-stationary Robin's boundary condition. This is new contribution in the field of thermoelasticity.

## 2. Formulation of the Problem

Consider a rod of length a occupying the region  $0 \le x \le a$ . Initial temperature of the zero is placed in an ambient temperature zero. The rod is subjected to the activity of instantaneous moving point heat source located at the point x', which changes its place along x axis, moving with constant velocity u. The activity of moving heat source cause the generation of heat due to nuclear interaction that be a function of position and time in the form  $g(x,t)w/s^3$ . The temperature distribution in one dimensional rod is described by the differential equation of heat conduction with heat generation term, as in [11] page 8, is given by

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{k} g = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

Where, T = T(x, t) is temperature distribution, k is the thermal conductivity of the material of the rod, is thermal

diffusivity,  $_{\rho}$  is density,  $_{c_{p}}$  is specific heat of the material of the rod and  $_{g}$  is energy (heat) generation term.

$$\alpha = \frac{k}{\rho c_n}$$

Now consider an instantaneous moving point heat source located at point x and releasing its heat spontaneously at time t. Such point moving heat source in one dimension is given by delta function

$$g(x,t) = g \int_{p}^{t} \delta(x - x')$$

Where,

$$x' = ut$$

Hence above equation reduces to

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{k} g p^i \delta(x - ut) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$
 (2.1)

With initial and boundary condition

$$k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} - hT = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad x = 0, t = 0 \tag{2.2}$$

$$k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + hT = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad x = a, t = 0 \tag{2.3}$$

Where, k is thermal conductivity and h is heat transfer coefficient of the material of the rod.

In the solution of the moving heat source problem it is convenient to let the coordinate system move with the source. This is achieved by introducing a new coordinate x defined by

$$X = x - ut (2.4)$$

Hence above equation reduces to

$$\frac{\partial^{2} T}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{1}{k} g_{p}^{i} \delta(X) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[ \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - u \frac{\partial T}{\partial X} \right]$$
 (2.5)



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## 3. Quasi-Stationary Condition

Stationary medium means initially at zero temperature. Hence quasi-stationary condition is mathematically defined by setting,

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = 0$$
 and hence (2.5) reduces to

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial X^2} + \frac{u}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial X} = -\frac{1}{k} g_p^i \delta(X)$$
 (3.1)

Above equation can be transformed into a more convenient form by introducing a new dependent variable  $\theta(X)$  defined by,

$$T(X) = \theta(X)e^{\left(-\frac{u}{2\alpha}X\right)}$$
(3.2)

Hence above equation reduces to

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial X^2} - \left(\frac{u}{2\alpha}\right)^2 \theta = -\frac{1}{k} g_p^i \delta(X) e^{\frac{u}{2\alpha}X}$$
(3.3)

## 4. Solution

The solution of (3.1) is

$$T(x,t) = A + Be^{-\frac{u}{\alpha}x} e^{\left(\frac{u^2}{\alpha^t}t\right)} + \frac{\alpha}{ku} g_p^{i} \left[ e^{-\frac{u}{\alpha}x} e^{\frac{2u^2}{\alpha^t}t} - 1 \right]$$

$$(4.1)$$

Applying the condition (2.2) and (2.3) we obtain

$$A = \frac{\alpha}{h} g_p^i \qquad B = -\frac{\alpha}{h} g_p^i \tag{4.2}$$

From (4.1) and (4.2) we obtain

$$T(x,t) = \frac{\alpha}{ku} g_p^i e^{-\frac{u}{\alpha}x} \begin{vmatrix} e^{-\frac{u^2}{\alpha}t} & e^{-\frac{u^2}{\alpha}t} \\ e^{-\frac{u^2}{\alpha}t} & e^{-\frac{u^2}{\alpha}t} \end{vmatrix}$$
(4.3)

### 5. Thermoelastic Problem

Let us introduce a thermal stress function  $\chi$  related to component of stress in the material as in [12]

$$\sigma_{yy} = \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial x^2}$$
 (5.1)

The boundary condition

$$\sigma_{yy} = 0$$
, at  $x = 0$ ,  $x = a$  (5.2)

Where

 $\chi = \chi_c + \chi_p$ ,  $\chi_c$  is complementary function and  $\chi_p$  is particular function.  $\chi_c$  and  $\chi_p$  are governed by a linear homogeneous differential equation and linear non-homogeneous differential equation respectively and

$$\nabla^4 \chi_c = 0 \tag{5.3}$$

$$\nabla^2 \chi_p = -\lambda E \Gamma \qquad (5.4)$$

Where,

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$$

Where,

 $\Gamma$  is temperature change

$$\Gamma = T - T_i$$

Where,

 $T_i$  is initial temperature

## 6. Solution of Thermoelastic Problem

$$\Gamma = T - T_i$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{\alpha}{ku} g p^{i} e^{-\frac{u}{\alpha}x} \left[ e^{\frac{2u^{2}}{\alpha}t} - e^{\frac{u^{2}}{\alpha}t} \right]$$
 (6.1)

Let the suitable form of  $\chi_c$  satisfying (5.3) be

$$\chi_c = cx^3 + dx^2 \tag{6.2}$$

Let suitable form of  $\chi_p$  satisfying (5.4) be

$$\chi_{p} = -\frac{\lambda E \alpha^{3}}{k u^{3}} g_{p}^{i} e^{\left(-\frac{u}{\alpha}x\right)} \left\{ e^{\left(\frac{2u^{2}}{\alpha}t\right)} - e^{\left(\frac{u^{2}}{\alpha}t\right)} \right\}$$
(6.3)



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$$\chi = \chi_c + \chi_p = cx^3 + dx^2 - \frac{\lambda E \alpha^3}{ku^3} g_p^i e^{\left(-\frac{u}{\alpha}x\right)} \left\{ e^{\left(\frac{2u^2}{\alpha}t\right)} - e^{\left(\frac{u^2}{\alpha}t\right)} \right\}$$

$$(6.4)$$

From (5.1) and (6.4) we obtain

$$\sigma_{yy} = 6cx + 2d - \frac{\lambda E\alpha}{ku} g_p^i e^{\left(-\frac{u}{\alpha}x\right)} \left\{ e^{\left(\frac{2u^2}{\alpha}t\right)} - e^{\left(\frac{u^2}{\alpha}t\right)} \right\}$$
(6.5)

Applying (5.2) to (6.5) we obtain

$$d = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda E \alpha}{k u} g_{p}^{i} \left\{ e^{\left(\frac{2u^{2}}{\alpha}t\right)} - e^{\left(\frac{u^{2}}{\alpha}t\right)} \right\}$$
(6.6)

$$c = \frac{\lambda E \alpha}{6 a k u} g_p^i \begin{cases} e^{\left(\frac{2 u^2}{\alpha}t\right)} - e^{\left(\frac{u^2}{\alpha}t\right)} \end{cases} \begin{bmatrix} e^{\left(-\frac{u}{\alpha}a\right)} - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(6.7)$$

From (6.5), (6.6) and (6.7) we obtain

$$\sigma_{yy} = \frac{\lambda E \alpha}{ku} g_p^i \left\{ e^{\left(\frac{2u^2}{\alpha}t\right)} - e^{\left(\frac{u^2}{\alpha}t\right)} \right\} \left\{ \frac{x}{a} \left[ e^{\left(-\frac{u}{\alpha}a\right)} - 1 \right] - \left[ e^{\left(-\frac{u}{\alpha}x\right)} - 1 \right] \right\}$$

$$(6.8)$$

### 7. Conclusion

In this paper we determined the time dependent temperature distribution and thermal stresses in one dimension, with moving heat source in stationary condition with analytical approach. By giving particular values to the parameters one can obtain their desired results by putting values of the parameters in the equations (4.3) and (6.8). From these equations we observe that initially (t = 0) all stresses vanish.

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