

**Radial Basis Functions Method for determining of unknown coefficient in parabolic  
equation**

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**Abstract**

In this paper, we consider an inverse problem of finding unknown source parameter  $p(t)$  and  $u(x, t)$  satisfy equation

$$u_t = u_{xx} + p(t)u + f(t, x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, \quad 0 < t \leq T, \quad (1)$$

with the initial-boundary conditions

$$u(x, 0) = \varphi(x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1 \quad (2)$$

$$u(0, t) = \mu_1(t), \quad 0 < t \leq T \quad (3)$$

$$u(1, t) = \mu_2(t), \quad 0 < t \leq T \quad (4)$$

subject to the overspecification over the spatial domain

$$u(x^*, t) = E(t), \quad 0 < x^* \leq 1, \quad 0 < t \leq T \quad (5)$$

where  $f(x, t)$ ,  $\varphi(x)$ ,  $\mu_1(t)$ ,  $\mu_2(t)$  and  $E(t) \neq 0$  are known functions,  $x^*$  is a fixed prescribed interior point in  $(0,1)$ . If  $p(t)$  is known then direct initial boundary value problem (1) – (4) has a unique smooth solution  $u(x, t)$  [1]. If  $u$  represent a temperature distribution, then (1) – (4) can be interpreted as a control problem with source parameter. Based on the idea of the radial basis functions (RBF) approximation, a fast and highly accurate meshless method is developed for solving an inverse problem with a control parameter [2]. Some numerical examples using the proposed algorithm are presented.

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