

§11.5 Sturm-Liouville Problems. Orthogonal Functions

trigonometric system \implies orthogonal system

Sturm-Liouville Problem

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (p(x)y')' + (q(x) + \lambda r(x))y = 0 \quad x \in [a, b] \\ [k_1 y + k_2 y'](a) = 0 \\ [l_1 y + l_2 y'](b) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \underline{BCs}$$

eigenfunction $y(x) \neq 0$

eigenvalue λ

Orthogonal Functions

• weight function

$$r(x) > 0$$

• inner product

$$(u, v) = \int_a^b r(x) u(x) v(x) dx$$

• norm

$$\|u\| = (u, u)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\int_a^b r u^2 dx}$$

• orthogonal

$$u(x) \perp v(x) \iff (u, v) = 0$$

• orthonormal system

$$\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n, \dots\}$$

$$(y_n, y_m) = 0 \quad \|y_n\| = 1$$

$$(n \neq m) \iff$$

$$(y_n, y_m) = \delta_{mn} = \begin{cases} 1 & m = n \\ 0 & m \neq n \end{cases}$$

Kronecker symbol

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{1} \\ 0 = (\vec{x}, \vec{y}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \\ \|\vec{x}\| &= \sqrt{(\vec{x}, \vec{x})} \end{aligned}$$

Ex. 1 $\begin{cases} y'' + \lambda y = 0, [0, \pi] \quad p=1, q=0, r=1 \\ y(0)=0, y(\pi)=0 \end{cases}$ $k_1=1, k_2=0, l_1=1, l_2=0$ $\lambda=?$ $y_{\text{NF}}?$
 $A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}, \lambda \neq 0$

$\lambda = -\nu^2 < 0$ ($\nu > 0$) $0 = s^2 + \lambda = s^2 - \nu^2 \Rightarrow s^2 = \nu^2 = s = \pm\sqrt{\nu^2} = \pm\nu$
 $y(x) = c_1 e^{-\nu x} + c_2 e^{\nu x}$
 $0 = y(0) = c_1 + c_2$
 $0 = y(\pi) = c_1 e^{-\nu\pi} + c_2 e^{\nu\pi}$
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ e^{-\nu\pi} & e^{\nu\pi} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 $|A| = e^{\nu\pi} - e^{-\nu\pi} \neq 0$
 $c_1 = c_2 = 0$

$\lambda = 0$
 $y'' = 0 \quad y = c_1 + c_2 x$
 $0 = y(0) = c_1$
 $0 = y(\pi) = c_2 \pi \Rightarrow c_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y(x) \equiv 0$

$\lambda = \nu^2 > 0$ ($\nu > 0$) $\lambda = \nu^2$ with $\nu = 1, 2, 3, \dots$; $y(x) = \sin(\nu x)$
 $0 = s^2 + \lambda = s^2 + \nu^2 \Rightarrow s = \pm\sqrt{-\nu^2} = \pm\nu i \quad e^{\nu i x} = (\cos \nu x + i \sin \nu x)$

$y(x) = c_1 \cos \nu x + c_2 \sin \nu x$
 $0 = y(0) = c_1$
 $0 = y(\pi) = c_2 \sin \nu \pi$
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \sin \nu \pi = 0 \\ \lambda = \nu^2 = 1, 4, 9, \dots, n^2, \dots \text{ eigenvalues} \\ y(x) = \sin \nu x = \sin x, \sin 2x, \dots, \sin nx, \dots \text{ eigenfunct.} \end{array} \right\} \nu = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n, \dots$

$\lambda = 1, 4, 9, \dots, n^2, \dots$ eigenvalues

$y = \sin x, \sin 2x, \sin 3x, \dots, \sin nx, \dots$ eigenfunctions

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\sin mx}{\sqrt{\pi}} dx = \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq m \\ \pi & n = m \end{cases}$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\sin 2x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \dots, \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \dots \right\}$$

orthonormal system

Ex. 2 $\left\{ \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\sin 2x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \dots \right\}$ w.r.t $r=1$ and $[a, b] = [-\pi, \pi]$

Thm 1 (Orthogonality of Eigenfunctions of S-L Prob.)

Assumptions (1) p, q, r, p' — real-valued, cont. on $[a, b]$

(2) $r > 0$ on $[a, b]$

(3) λ_m — eigenvalue, y_m — eigenfunction

$$\Rightarrow (y_m, y_n) = \int_a^b r(x) y_m(x) y_n(x) dx = 0 \quad (m \neq n)$$

BCs

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad p(a)=0 &\implies [k_1 y + k_2 y'](a)=0 \text{ can be dropped} \\ p(b)=0 &\implies [l_1 y + l_2 y'](b)=0 \text{ can be dropped} \end{aligned} \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} (1) \quad p(a)=0 \\ p(b)=0 \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{singular problem}$$

$$(2) \quad p(a)=p(b) \implies \text{periodic BCs: } \begin{cases} y(a)=y(b) \\ y'(a)=y'(b) \end{cases}$$

Ex. 4 Legendre Polynomials

$$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + n(n+1)y = [(1-x^2)y']' + \lambda y = 0$$

$$p = 1-x^2, \quad q = 0, \quad r = 1$$
$$[-1, 1] \quad \lambda = n(n+1)$$

$p(-1) = p(1) = 0 \Rightarrow$ no BCs needed.

singular S-L prob on $[-1, 1]$

eigenvalue $\lambda = 0, 1 \cdot 2, 2 \cdot 3, 3 \cdot 4, \dots$

eigenfunction $P_0, P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots$

$$= 1$$

$$= x$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P_{n+1}(x) = \frac{2n+1}{n+1}xP_n(x) - \frac{n}{n+1}P_{n-1}(x)$$

$$P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \left[(x^2-1)^n \right]^{(n)} \quad \text{Rodrigues' Formula}$$

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$$\begin{cases} y'' + \lambda y = 0 \text{ on } [0, L] \\ y(0) = 0, y'(L) = 0 \end{cases}$$

• $\lambda = -\nu^2 < 0$ ($\nu > 0$)

$$0 = s^2 + \lambda = s^2 - \nu^2 \Rightarrow s = \pm \nu, e^{-\nu x}, e^{\nu x}$$

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{-\nu x} + c_2 e^{\nu x}, \quad 0 = y(0) = c_1 + c_2$$

$$y'(x) = -\nu c_1 e^{-\nu x} + \nu c_2 e^{\nu x}, \quad 0 = y'(L) = \nu [-c_1 e^{-\nu L} + c_2 e^{\nu L}]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -e^{-\nu L} & e^{\nu L} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = e^{\nu L} + e^{-\nu L} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y(x) \equiv 0$$

• $\lambda = 0$ $y'' = 0, y' = c_2, 0 = y'(L) = c_2 \Rightarrow y'(x) = 0$

$$y(x) = c_1, \quad 0 = y(0) = c_1 \Rightarrow y(x) \equiv 0$$

• $\lambda = \nu^2$ ($\nu > 0$)

$$0 = s^2 + \lambda = s^2 + \nu^2 \Rightarrow s = \pm \nu i$$

$$\nu L = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots; \frac{2l+1}{2}\pi, \dots$$

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$$y(x) = c_1 \cos \nu x + c_2 \sin \nu x, \quad 0 = y(0) = c_1$$

$$y'(x) = -\nu c_1 \sin \nu x + \nu c_2 \cos \nu x, \quad 0 = y'(L) = \nu c_2 \cos \nu L$$

$$\nu = \frac{\pi}{2L}, \frac{3\pi}{2L}, \dots, \frac{2\ell+1}{2L}\pi, \dots \quad \ell = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\lambda = \left(\frac{\pi}{2L}\right)^2, \left(\frac{3\pi}{2L}\right)^2, \dots, \left(\frac{2\ell+1}{2L}\pi\right)^2, \dots$$

$$y(x) = \sin \nu x = \sin \frac{\pi x}{2L}, \sin \frac{3\pi x}{2L}, \dots, \sin \frac{(2\ell+1)\pi x}{2L}, \dots$$

$[0, L]$

$r=1$