

# 10.1 Sturm-Liouville problem (part 2)

continue from last time

$$y'' + \lambda y = 0 \quad 0 < x < L$$

$$y(0) = 0$$

$$h y(L) - y'(L) = 0 \quad h > 0$$

we determined that  $\lambda$  can be negative  
we found, for  $\lambda < 0$ ,

$$\lambda_0 = -\frac{\beta_0^2}{L^2}$$
$$y_0 = \sinh\left(\frac{\beta_0}{L}x\right)$$

$\beta_0$  is solution to  
 $\tanh(\beta_0) = \frac{1}{hL}x$

now for  $\lambda = 0$

$$y'' + \lambda y = 0 \rightarrow y'' = 0 \quad \text{so } y = c_1 x + c_2$$

$$y(0) = 0 \rightarrow 0 = c_2, \quad \text{so } y = c_1 x \quad \text{and } y' = c_1$$

$$h y(L) - y'(L) = 0 \rightarrow h c_1 L - c_1 = 0 \rightarrow c_1 (hL - 1) = 0 \quad c_1 \neq 0$$

$$\text{so, } hL = 1 \quad \boxed{\lambda_1 = 0} \quad \boxed{y_1 = x}$$

(nontrivial only)

now for  $\lambda > 0$

let  $\lambda = k^2$

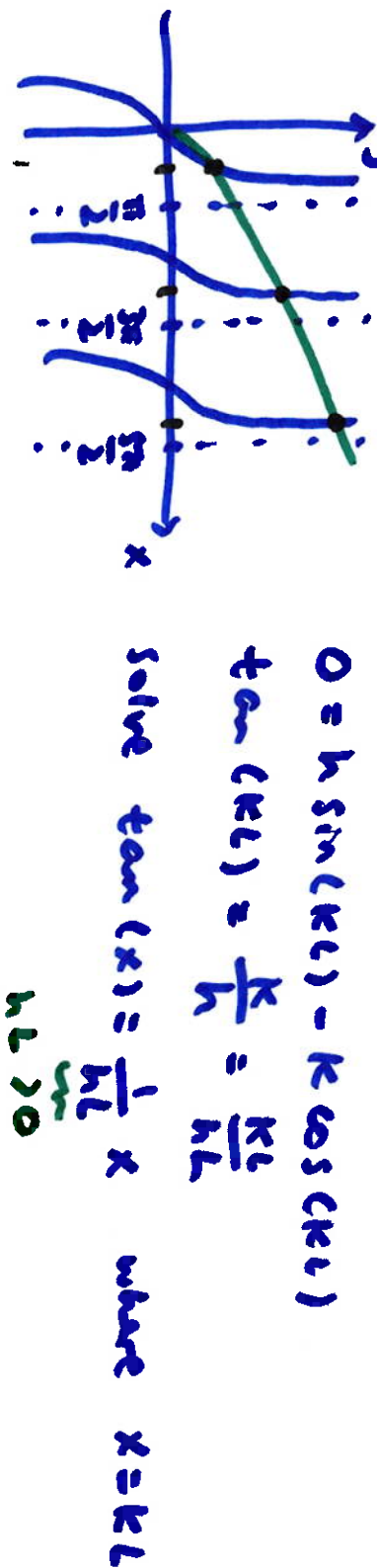
$$y'' + \lambda y = 0 \rightarrow y'' + k^2 y = 0 \rightarrow y = C_1 \cos(kx) + C_2 \sin(kx)$$

$$y(0) = 0 \rightarrow 0 = C_1, \text{ so } y = C_2 \sin(kx) \text{ and } y' = C_2 k \cos(kx)$$

$$h y(L) - y'(L) = 0 \rightarrow 0 = h(C_2 \sin(kL)) - C_2 k \cos(kL) \quad C_2 \neq 0$$

$$0 = h \sin(kL) - k \cos(kL)$$

$$\tan(kL) = \frac{k}{h} = \frac{kL}{hL}$$



intersections  $\rightarrow \beta_n = k_n L = \sqrt{\lambda_n} L$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{\beta_n^2}{L^2}$$

$$y_n = \sin\left(\frac{\beta_n}{L} x\right)$$

$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

solution to the problem is linear combo of all eigenfunctions

fundamental solutions / eigenfunctions solved this way  
are all mutually orthogonal

$$0 < x < b \quad \int_a^b y_i(x) y_j(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{if } i \neq j$$

for example,  $y'' + \lambda y = 0 \quad 0 < x < \pi$

$$y(0) = y(\pi) = 0$$

gives us  $\lambda_n = n^2$  and  $y_n = \sin(nx) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi \sin(\underbrace{m}_\text{integer} x) \sin(\underbrace{n}_\text{integer} x) dx &= \frac{\sin(\underbrace{m-n}_\text{integer} x)}{2(m-n)} - \frac{\sin(\underbrace{m+n}_\text{integer} x)}{2(m+n)} \Big|_0^\pi \quad (m \neq n) \\ &= \frac{\sin(\text{integer } \pi)}{\dots} - \frac{\sin(\text{integer } \pi)}{\dots} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

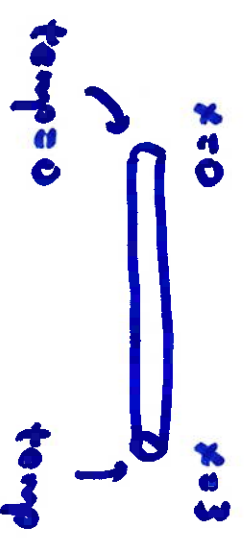
if  $n = m$

$$\int_0^\pi \sin^2(nx) dx = \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos(2nx)) dx = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

we can expand functions using these orthogonal eigenfunctions  
 (Fourier series is one particular example w/  $\sin(\frac{n\pi x}{L})$  and  $\cos(\frac{n\pi x}{L})$  as eigenfunctions)

Example  $y'' + \lambda y = 0 \quad 0 < x < 3$

$y(0) = 0$   
 $y(3) + y'(3) = 0$



such that  
 $y(3) = -y'(3)$

(function of heat flow through  $x=3$ )

this is a regular SL problem

w/  $\lambda_n = \frac{\beta_n^2}{9}$  where  $\beta_n$  are solutions to  $\tan(x) = -\frac{1}{x}$   
 ( $x = 2.8, 5.7, 8.7, 11.7, \dots$ )

and  $y_n = \sin\left(\frac{\beta_n x}{3}\right)$

let's expand f(x) using these  $y_n$ 's

$$f = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 + c_3 y_3 + \dots + c_n y_n + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin\left(\frac{\beta_n x}{3}\right)$$

Since  $\int_0^3 y_i y_j dx = 0$  if  $i \neq j$

if both sides are multiplied by, for example,  $y_1$

$$y_1 = c_1 y_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 y_1 + c_3 y_3 y_1 + \dots$$

$$\int_0^3 y_1 dx = \underbrace{\int_0^3 c_1 y_1 y_1 dx}_{\neq 0} + \underbrace{\int_0^3 c_2 y_2 y_1 dx}_0 + \underbrace{\int_0^3 c_3 y_3 y_1 dx}_0 + \dots$$

Generalized

$$\int_0^3 1 \cdot y_n dx = \int_0^3 c_n (y_n)^2 dx$$

$$c_n = \frac{\int_0^3 1 \cdot y_n dx}{\int_0^3 (y_n)^2 dx} = \frac{\int_0^3 \sin\left(\frac{\beta_n x}{3}\right) dx}{\int_0^3 \sin^2\left(\frac{\beta_n x}{3}\right) dx}$$

$\frac{2 - 2 \cos(\beta_n)}{\beta_n - \sin(\beta_n) \cos(\beta_n)}$
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