

Sturm-Liouville Problem (part 2)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[p(x) \frac{dy}{dx} \right] + q(x)y + \lambda w(x)y = 0 \quad a \leq x \leq b$$

subject to $\alpha_1 y(a) + \alpha_2 y'(a) = 0$

$$\beta_1 y(b) + \beta_2 y'(b) = 0$$

the SL problem is regular if on $a \leq x \leq b$, $p(x)$, $p'(x)$, $q(x)$, $w(x)$ are continuous and $p(x) > 0$ and $w(x) > 0$

if $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2$ are all non negative, then the eigenvalues λ are also nonnegative.

if SL problem is regular, then the eigenvalues are all real and form an increasing sequence $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \lambda_3 < \dots < \lambda_n < \dots$ $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

each is paired up with an eigenfunction y_n that are ~~each~~ mutually orthogonal with respect to the weight function $w(x)$

$$\int_a^b y_n y_m w(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{if } n \neq m$$

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

$$y(0) = 0$$

$$y(L) = 0$$

$$p=1, q=0, w=1, \alpha_1=1, \alpha_2=0, \beta_1=1, \beta_2=0$$

regular SL problem

w/ nonnegative λ s

equivalent to $X'' + \lambda X = 0$

$$X(0) = X(L) = 0$$

(reason for separation constant = $-\lambda$

because this is a regular SL problem)

solutions: $X_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$

$$\lambda_n = \frac{n^2\pi^2}{L^2}$$

$$\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \lambda_3 < \dots < \lambda_n < \dots$$

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

$$\int_0^L X_n X_m w(x) dx = \int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right) dx = 0$$

Fourier series is just a special case of outcome of SL problem.

example

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

$$p=1, q=0, w=1$$

$$y(0) = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = 0$$

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

$$\beta_1 = h > 0 \quad \beta_2 = -1$$

not nonnegative

still regular SL, but since α, β are not all nonnegative, λ s are not guaranteed to be nonnegative.

→ λ could be negative

we need to check if a negative λ could ~~be~~ satisfy the differential eq.

$$y'' + \lambda y = 0$$

assume a negative λ : let $\lambda = -k^2$ ($k > 0$)

$$y'' - k^2 y = 0$$

k^2 : avoid $\sqrt{\lambda}$ in solution

(convenience only)

$$y = C_1 e^{kx} + C_2 e^{-kx}$$

or $y = A \cosh(kx) + B \sinh(kx)$

} choose whichever that's easier to work with w/ boundary conditions

$y(0) = 0 \rightarrow$ using exponentials we get $0 = C_1 + C_2$
not the best since we usually want one of those to be zero

but if we used $y = A \cosh(kx) + B \sinh(kx)$

we get $0 = A \rightarrow y = B \sinh(kx) \quad B \neq 0$


use the other BC to find out more about $K \quad (\lambda = -K^2)$

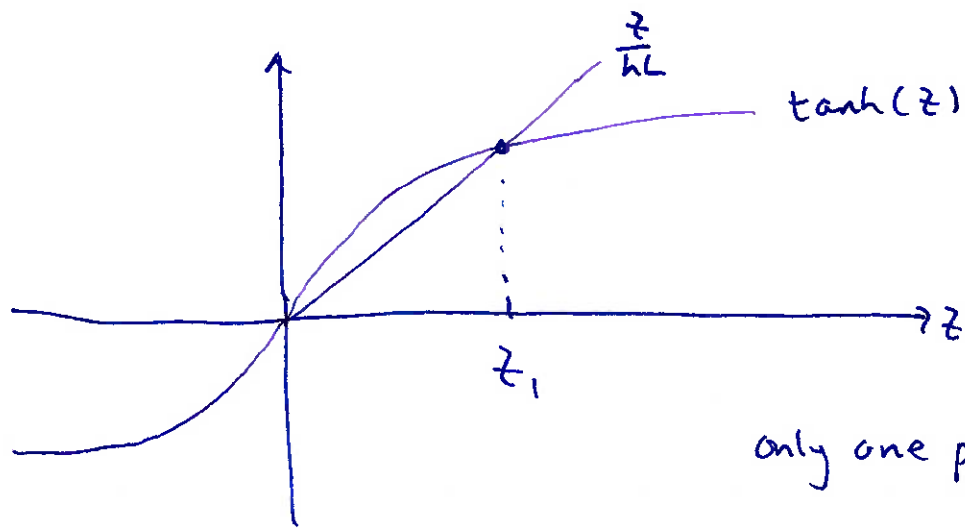
$$h(y(L) - y'(L)) = 0 \quad y = B \sinh(kx)$$
$$y' = kB \cosh(kx)$$

$$hB \sinh(kL) = kB \cosh(kL) \quad B \neq 0, K \neq 0, L \neq 0$$

$$\tanh(kL) = \frac{k}{h} \quad \text{solve for } k$$

$$\tanh(kL) = \frac{kL}{hL} \rightarrow \text{solve } \tanh(z) = \frac{z}{hL} \quad z = kL$$


intersections (positive)
of $\tanh(z)$ and $\frac{z}{hL}$



assume hL such that
there is intersection

only one positive intersection: z_1

$$z = kL \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda = -k^2$$

only one $z \rightarrow$ one $k \rightarrow$ one negative λ

$$\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots < \lambda_n < \dots$$

\uparrow \uparrow
 negative must be ≥ 0

this negative λ is the smallest eigenvalue

$$\lambda_1 = -\left(\frac{z_1}{L}\right)^2 \quad \text{corresponding eigenfunction: } y_1 = \sinh\left(\frac{z_1}{L}x\right)$$

next: see if $\lambda = 0$ is an eigenvalue, then $\lambda > 0$

let's revisit the heat exchange problem from last time

$$u_t = k u_{xx} \quad 0 < x < L$$

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

$$u_x(L, t) = -h u(L, t) \quad (h > 0)$$

$$u(x, 0) = 100 \quad \text{initially heated to } u=100 \text{ uniformly}$$

spatial problem: $y'' + \lambda y = 0$

$$\lambda \geq 0$$

⋮

$$\textcircled{\ast} \lambda_n = \frac{z_n^2}{L^2} \quad \text{where } z_n \text{ are } \cancel{\text{the}} \text{ positive intersections} \\ \text{of } \tan(z) \text{ and } -\frac{z}{hL}$$

time part solved as usual

this led to general solution

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{-k \lambda_n t} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$$

$$u(x, 0) = 100$$

$$100 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$$

NOT sine series since $\sqrt{\lambda_n} \neq \frac{n\pi}{L}$

cannot use $C_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L 100 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) dx$

but, since this is a regular SL problem, the theory guarantees

orthogonality of eigenfunctions

$$\int_0^L y_n y_m w(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{if } n \neq m$$

here, $w(x) = 1$

$$y_n = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$$

find C_n :

$$100 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$$

$$100 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_m} x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_m} x)$$

integrate over $0 < x < L$

$$\int_0^L 100 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx = \int_0^L C_n [\sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)]^2 dx$$

all others are 0
 $\int_0^L y_n y_m dx = 0$

$$C_n = \frac{\int_0^L 100 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx}{\int_0^L \sin^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx}$$

if $\lambda_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{L^2}$ then that will reduce to $\frac{2}{L} \int_0^L 100 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) dx$