

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{d\phi}{dx} \right) + q(x)\phi + \lambda\sigma(x)\phi = 0,$$

$$a < x < b,$$

$$\beta_1\phi(a) + \beta_2 \frac{d\phi}{dx}(a) = 0$$

$$\beta_3\phi(b) + \beta_4 \frac{d\phi}{dx}(b) = 0,$$

and $p > 0$ and $\sigma > 0$

1. All the eigenvalues λ are real.
2. There exist an infinite number of eigenvalues:

$$\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots < \lambda_n < \lambda_{n+1} < \dots$$
 - a. There is a smallest eigenvalue, usually denoted λ_1 .
 - b. There is not a largest eigenvalue and $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
3. Corresponding to each eigenvalue λ_n , there is an eigenfunction, denoted $\phi_n(x)$ (which is unique to within an arbitrary multiplicative constant).
 - ? $\phi_n(x)$ has exactly $n - 1$ zeros for $a < x < b$.
4. The eigenfunctions $\phi_n(x)$ form a "complete" set, meaning that any piecewise smooth function $f(x)$ can be represented by a generalized Fourier series of the eigenfunctions:

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \phi_n(x).$$

Furthermore, this infinite series converges to $[f(x+) + f(x-)]/2$ for $a < x < b$ (if the coefficients a_n are properly chosen).

5. Eigenfunctions belonging to different eigenvalues are orthogonal relative to the weight function $\sigma(x)$. In other words,

$$\int_a^b \phi_n(x)\phi_m(x)\sigma(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{if } \lambda_n \neq \lambda_m.$$

6. Any eigenvalue can be related to its eigenfunction by the **Rayleigh quotient**:

$$\lambda = \frac{-p\phi \frac{d\phi}{dx} \Big|_a^b + \int_a^b [p(d\phi/dx)^2 - q\phi^2] dx}{\int_a^b \phi^2 \sigma dx},$$

where the boundary conditions may somewhat simplify this expression.

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Claim there is a constant c such that $\phi_1 = c\phi_2$.

We know $L = L^\dagger$, that is that L is self adjoint

$$(\phi_1, L\phi_2) = (L^\dagger\phi_1, \phi_2) = (L\phi_1, \phi_2)$$

$$(\phi_1, -\lambda\sigma\phi_2) = (-\lambda\sigma\phi_1, \phi_2) \quad (\text{obvious doesn't say anything})$$

Also

$$\int_a^b \phi_1(x)(L\phi_2(x)) dx = \int_a^b (L\phi_1(x))\phi_2(x) dx$$

look at this on its own

Start over...

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$$\phi_2 L\phi_1 = -\lambda\sigma\phi_2\phi_1 \quad \phi_1 L\phi_2 = -\lambda\sigma\phi_1\phi_2$$

same

So I get $\phi_2 L\phi_1 = \phi_1 L\phi_2$ \Leftarrow holds pointwise \because since the eigenvalue was the same...

looks like this \downarrow except without the integral.

$$(\phi_1, L\phi_2) = (L^T\phi_1, \phi_2) = (L\phi_1, \phi_2)$$

Now

$$\phi_2 L\phi_1 = \phi_1 L\phi_2$$

$$L = \frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{d\phi}{dx} \right) + q(x)\phi$$

$$\phi_2(x) \left[\frac{d}{dx} (p(x)\phi_1'(x)) + q(x)\phi_1(x) \right] = \phi_1(x) \left[\frac{d}{dx} (p(x)\phi_2'(x)) + q(x)\phi_2(x) \right]$$

$$\phi_2(x) \frac{d}{dx} (p(x)\phi_1'(x)) + q(x)\phi_1(x)\phi_2(x) = \phi_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} (p(x)\phi_2'(x)) + q(x)\phi_1(x)\phi_2(x)$$

Thus $\phi_2(x) \frac{d}{dx} (p(x) \phi_1'(x)) = \phi_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} (p(x) \phi_2'(x))$

or $\phi_2(x) \frac{d}{dx} (p(x) \phi_1'(x)) - \phi_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} (p(x) \phi_2'(x)) = 0$

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Therefore

$\frac{d}{dx} (\phi_2(x) p(x) \phi_1'(x)) - \frac{d}{dx} (\phi_1(x) p(x) \phi_2'(x)) = 0$

$\frac{d}{dx} (p(x) (\phi_1'(x) \phi_2(x) - \phi_1(x) \phi_2'(x))) = 0$

what's inside is constant

Thus

$p(x) (\phi_1'(x) \phi_2(x) - \phi_1(x) \phi_2'(x)) = \text{const.}$

for all $x \in [a, b]$,

In particular for x on the boundary.

Use the boundary conditions to find the const.

$$\beta_1 \phi(a) + \beta_2 \frac{d\phi}{dx}(a) = 0$$

$$\beta_3 \phi(b) + \beta_4 \frac{d\phi}{dx}(b) = 0,$$

$\phi_1'(a) = \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_2} \phi_1(a)$

$\phi_2'(a) = \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_2} \phi_2(a)$

$p(a) (\phi_1'(a) \phi_2(a) - \phi_1(a) \phi_2'(a)) = p(a) \left[\frac{\beta_1}{\beta_2} \phi_1(a) \phi_2(a) - \phi_1(a) \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_2} \phi_2(a) \right] = 0$

So the const. is 0,

Thus,

$$p(x) (\varphi_1'(x) \varphi_2(x) - \varphi_1(x) \varphi_2'(x)) = 0$$

since $p > 0$

$$\varphi_1'(x) \varphi_2(x) - \varphi_1(x) \varphi_2'(x) = 0$$

Consider

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\varphi_1}{\varphi_2} \right) = \frac{\varphi_1' \varphi_2 - \varphi_1 \varphi_2'}{\varphi_2^2} = \frac{0}{\varphi_2^2} = 0$$

assuming $(\varphi_2(x))^2 \neq 0$.

Thus $\frac{\varphi_1}{\varphi_2}$ is constant, so $\frac{\varphi_1}{\varphi_2} = c$

or equivalently

$$\varphi_1 = c \varphi_2$$

Recall the minimization principle:

$$\lambda_1 = \min \frac{-pu \, du/dx|_a^b + \int_a^b [p (du/dx)^2 - qu^2] \, dx}{\int_a^b u^2 \sigma \, dx},$$

This came from the Rayleigh quotient.

$$\lambda_i = \frac{(\varphi_i, L\varphi_i)}{(\varphi_i, \sigma \varphi_i)}$$

Thus

$$\lambda_1 = \min \left\{ \frac{(\varphi, L\varphi)}{(\varphi, \sigma \varphi)} : \text{for all } \varphi \text{ that satisfy the boundary conditions} \right\}$$

Example!

OPE $\frac{d^2 \varphi}{dx^2} + \lambda \varphi = 0$

$$L\varphi = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \varphi$$

B.C. $\varphi(0) = 0$ $\varphi(1) = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{d\phi}{dx} \right) + q(x)\phi + \lambda \sigma(x)\phi = 0,$$

$$a < x < b,$$

$$p(x) = 1, \quad q(x) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(x) = 1$$

$$a = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad b = 1$$

Knew there is an basis of orthogonal eigenfunctions

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We've solved this before $\varphi'' = -\lambda \varphi$

General solution $\varphi(x) = a \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x + b \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x$

$$\varphi(0) = a = 0 \quad \text{so} \quad a = 0$$

$$\varphi(1) = b \sin \sqrt{\lambda} = 0 \quad \text{since } b \neq 0$$

Then $\sin \sqrt{\lambda} = 0$ so $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

eigen functions are $\varphi_n(x) = \sin n\pi x$

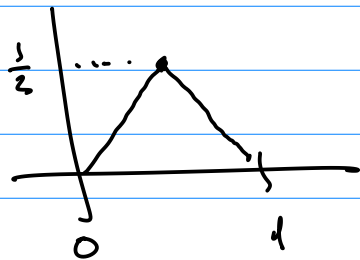
eigen values are $\lambda_n = n^2\pi^2$

What does this say?

$$\lambda_1 = \min \left\{ \frac{-(\varphi, L\varphi)}{(\varphi, \varphi)} : \text{for all } \varphi \text{ that satisfy the boundary conditions} \right\}$$

Let φ be the function

$$\varphi(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{for } x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1-x & \text{for } x \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$



$$\pi^2 = \lambda_1 \leq \frac{-(\varphi, L\varphi)}{(\varphi, \varphi)}$$

$$= \frac{-p\varphi \left. \frac{d\varphi}{dx} \right|_a^b + \int_0^1 [k \left(\frac{d\varphi}{dx} \right)^2 - q\varphi^2] dx}{\int_0^1 u^2 \varphi dx}$$

$$= \frac{\int_0^1 (\varphi'(x))^2 dx}{\int_0^1 (\varphi(x))^2 dx}$$

upper bound on λ_1