

Claim $Lf = f''$ is self adjoint for differentiable functions $f: [0, L] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $f(0) = 0$ and $f(L) = 0$.

$$(Lf, g) = - \int_0^L f'(x) g'(x) dx$$

are equal

$$(f, Lg) = \int_0^L f(x) Lg(x) dx = \int_0^L Lg(x) f(x) dx = (Lg, f)$$

now from before with the roles of f and g reversed

$$(Lg, f) = - \int_0^L g'(x) f'(x) dx = - \int_0^L f'(x) g'(x) dx$$

Therefore $(Lf, g) = (f, Lg)$ and so L is self adjoint, that is $L^* = L$.

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

$$a < x < b,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_1 \phi(a) + \beta_2 \frac{d\phi}{dx}(a) &= 0 \\ \beta_3 \phi(b) + \beta_4 \frac{d\phi}{dx}(b) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

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**:

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

where the boundary conditions may somewhat simplify this expression.

$$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{d\phi}{dx} \right) + q(x)\phi}_{L\phi(x)} + \lambda \underbrace{\sigma(x)\phi}_{\text{weight is like a diagonal matrix}} = 0, \quad a < x < b,$$

$L\phi(x) = -\lambda \sigma(x) \phi(x)$
 ODE written using an operator
 eigenfunction - eigenvalue equation for L .

$$Ax = \lambda \sum x$$

diagonal matrix. (In 333 we have $\Sigma = \mathbb{I}$).

Lagrange Identity... Is L self adjoint?

Does $(Lu, v) = (u, Lv)$ for all u, v satisfying the boundary cond.

$$\int_a^b Lu(x) v(x) dx = \int_a^b u(x) Lv(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b (u(x) Lv(x) - v(x) Lu(x)) dx = ?$$

Simplify

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

$$u(x) Lv(x) - v(x) Lu(x)$$

$$= u(x) \left(\frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{d v(x)}{dx} \right) + q(x) v(x) \right) - v(x) \left(\frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{d u(x)}{dx} \right) + q(x) u(x) \right)$$

$$u(x) Lv(x) - v(x) Lu(x) = u(x) \frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{d v(x)}{dx} \right) - v(x) \left(\frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{d u(x)}{dx} \right) \right)$$

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