

Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations and Applications
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Lecture - 29
Sturm-Liouville Problem and its Applications

Hello friends, welcome to this lecture. In this lecture we continue our study of regular Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem. And in our previous lecture we have discussed the existence of eigenvalue and Eigen functions and we have discussed some of the properties of Eigen function which is one very important property of Eigen function that is orthogonality with respect to weight function.

So there we have assumed two type of boundary conditions. So let me write it here.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{SL eq} \quad & (p(x)') + q(x) + \lambda r(x) = 0 \quad A \leq t \leq B \quad (12) \\
 & x' = \frac{dx}{dt} \\
 \text{BCs} \quad & \begin{cases} m_1 x(A) + m_2 x'(A) = 0 \\ m_3 x(B) + m_4 x'(B) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} (a) \\ (b) \end{matrix} \\
 \text{PBCs} \quad & p(A) = p(B), \quad x(A) = x(B), \quad x'(A) = x'(B) \quad (14) \\
 & pW(x_1, x_2) \Big|_A^B = 0 \\
 & W(x_1, x_2) = x_1 x_2' - x_1' x_2
 \end{aligned}$$

We have considered this Sturm-Liouville that is $p(x)'' + q(x) + \lambda r(x) = 0$ here. So this equation is known as Sturm-Liouville equation and here this x' means dx/dt . So t is ranging between A to B here and we have discussed two type of boundary condition that is one is separated boundary condition that is $m_1 x(A) + m_2 x'(A) = 0$ and this is defined at the point $x=A$ -- $t=A$ and then other boundary condition that is $m_3 x(B) + m_4 x'(B) = 0$.

So this is defined at A and this defined at B. So this is one type of boundary condition. And another type of boundary condition is periodic boundary conditions that is $p(A) = p(B)$, p is coefficient of x'' so $p(A) = p(B)$; $x(A) = x(B)$ and $x'(A) = x'(B)$. So this is periodic boundary condition, and with the help of this we have also shown that p w say x_1, x_2 given at A and B is coming out to be 0, that is the content of the last two results.

So here $w(x_1, x_2)$ is Wronskian of x_1 and x_2 where x_1 and x_2 are two independent solutions of SL equations. So here it is $x_1 x_2' - x_1' x_2$. So here we have shown that it satisfies this particular property. Now we are going we are discussing one more important property of Eigen functions which Sturm-Liouville problem.

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Theorem 20

Let the hypothesis of Theorem 15 holds. Suppose that $r(t)$ is positive on $[A, B]$ or $r(t)$ is negative on $[A, B]$. Then all the eigenvalues of BVP (12), (13a), (13b) or (12), (14) are real.

Proof: Let $\lambda = a + ib$ be an eigenvalue and let $x(t) = m(t) + in(t)$ be a corresponding eigenfunction of the given BVP. It is clear that $a, b, m(t)$ and $n(t)$ are real. So, using the values of λ and corresponding eigenfunction, we have

$$(pm' + ipn') + q(m + in) + (a + ib)r(m + in) = 0.$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts, we have the following:

$$(pm') + (q + ar)m - brn = 0$$

$$(pn') + (q + ar)n + brm = 0.$$

So that property is that let the hypothesis of theorem 15 holds, this theorem 15 is the existence of eigenvalues and Eigen functions. And also suppose that $r(t)$ is positive on the entire interval A, B or $r(t)$ is negative on A, B so it means that $r(t)$ is non-zero in this particular interval whether it is positive or negative it will keep one sign on it. Then in this case then all the eigenvalues of boundary value problem 12 along with 13a 13b boundary condition or 12 with 14 r real.

Here 12 is the SL equation and 13a 13b are separated boundary condition and forth 14a is the periodic boundary condition. So it says that if r is positive or r is negative then-- and it satisfies all the condition of the theorem 15 that is that A and B are finite and coefficient p is positive, it

means that it is also non-zero. Then the eigenvalues of this are r all real. So eigenvalues of 12 or 13a or 13a 13b or 12 with 14 r are all real, that is what we wanted to show in this particular theorem.

So let us assume that that λ is a complex we want to prove that it is real. So let us first assume that it is a complex and then we try to show that it is not the case. So let $\lambda = A + iB$ so where A and B are both real constants, be an eigenvalue and corresponding Eigen functions are given at $x = t$ which is again complex we are assuming $m + in$; be a corresponding Eigen function of the given boundary value problem.

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Eliminating $(q + ar)$ in the above two equalities, we get

$$-b(m^2 + n^2)r = m(pn')' - n(pm')' = \frac{d}{dt}[(pn')m - (pm')n].$$

On integrating both the sides with respect to t , we get

$$-b \int_A^B (m^2(s) + n^2(s))r(s) ds = [(pn')m - (pm')n]_A^B. \quad (21)$$

Since m and n satisfy either of the boundary conditions (13a), (13b) or (14), we have, as shown earlier,

$$[p(n'm - m'n)]_A^B = [pW(m, n)]_A^B = 0. \quad (22)$$

Also, $\int_A^B [m^2(s) + n^2(s)]r(s) ds \neq 0$ by the assumptions. Hence, from (21) and (22), it is clear that $b = 0$, which means that λ is real. This completes the proof.

So whether it is 12a 13a, so it is either 12a 13a 13b or 12 of 14 so here boundary value problem is either this one, so any of this. So it is already clear that by assumption A and B are constant and mt and nt are real value function. So using the values of λ and corresponding Eigen function we now put it the values of λ and the corresponding Eigen function here in $p(x) + q(x) + \lambda r(x) = 0$.

So here we are putting the value of x and λ . So it is $p(x) + q(x) + \lambda r(x) = 0$. So here x is basically $m + in$. So we are writing here $p(x) + q(x) + \lambda r(x) = 0$. So once we have put it here then we simplify this in terms of real and imaginary part. So when you equate the real and imaginary part here I can write $0 + i0$. So equating the real and

imaginary part we have the following 2 equations that is $pm - q + ar - mn = 0$ and $pn - q + ar + mn = 0$. That is not very difficult to look at here.

So if you at this is what here it is pm and then okay. So here you have to do little bit of calculation. So once if you do the calculation then you can get that it satisfies these two equations here. Okay. So now once we have these two equation then we want to ultimately our aim is to prove that this B is basically 0. If B is 0 then λ is real. So we want to prove that this B is 0. So what we try to do here, let us simplify this.

And for simplifying this you just multiply the first equation by n and second equation by m and try to simple try to make it simple. So when you eliminate $q + ar$ in the above two equalities means you just multiply n here, you multiply m here then you can eliminate and you subtract these two then you can eliminate these $q + ar$. So when you do this thing then what you will have. Let me write it here. That is $pmn - qn + arn - mn^2 = 0$.

Similarly, second equation is $pm - q + ar$ multiplied by $mn + brm = 0$. When you subtract these two - - - so this will cancel out, so what do you will get it is a following thing that $-b^2m^2 + n^2r$ that is the last term if you look at here, if you look at this thing then we have $brm^2 + m^2r$ that is what it is written her $-b^2m^2 + n^2r$ and the opposite side we have this thing that $mpn - qn - pmn$.

So that is what I have written here. So now we have already seen that this can be simplified further and this can be written as d/dt of $pn - m^2 - pm - n^2$. So this we have because if you simplify this you will see that you will get this. So here we have this equation $-brm^2 + n^2r = d/dt pn - m^2 - pm - n^2$.

Now what we do we just integrate with respect to t from A to B , so what do you will get $-b^2$ is just a constant so we can take it out so $-b^2$ integration from A to B $m^2 ds + n^2 ds + r ds$. And here since it is derivative respect to t and if you integrate you will get $pn - m^2 - pm - n^2$ from B to A , right. Now we already know that this m and n satisfy either the boundary condition 13a 13b or 14.

So we already know this m and n both will satisfy the boundary condition and we have already seen that if they satisfy the boundary condition then this quantity which is $\int_a^b p w m n$ from A to $B = 0$, that is the content of the previous two theorems. So it means that if it is 0 then this part is simply 0 . So it means that $-\int_a^b (m^2 + n^2) r ds = 0$. Now if you look at the integrand, integrand is what, this is all positive and r is either positive or negative but it cannot be 0 .

So it means that $\int_a^b (m^2 + n^2) r ds$ is non-zero because we have assumed so that r is never 0 either it is all the time positive or negative. So it means that this quantity has to be either positive or negative depending on the sign of r . So it means that $-\int_a^b (m^2 + n^2) r ds = 0$ implies that we have only option that is $B=0$. When $B=0$ it means that λ is real.

Why because λ we have assumed that it is $A+iB$. Now if B is 0 then we have only option that is $\lambda=A$. So what we have proved here that your eigenvalue is purely real. And that completely-- it means that what we have proved here that if the hypothesis of theorem 15 holds means we are considering the regular Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem with the boundary condition either separated boundary condition or periodic boundary condition.

And if r is either positive or negative then all the eigenvalues of this Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem are all real that is the content of this theorem. And let us move ahead.

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Sturm- Liouville's problem and its applications

Theorem 21

(Eigenfunction expansion) Let $g(t)$ be a continuous function defined on $[A, B]$ satisfying the boundary conditions (13a), (13b) or (14). Let $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots$ be the set of eigenfunctions of the Sturm- Liouville Problem (12) and (13a), (13b) or (12) and (14). Then

$$g(t) = c_1 x_1(t) + c_2 x_2(t) + \dots + \dots + c_n x_n(t) + \dots \quad (23)$$

where c_n 's are given by

$$c_n \int_A^B r(s) x_n^2(s) ds = \int_A^B r(s) g(s) x_n(s) ds, n = 1, 2, \dots \quad (24)$$

(Note that $r(s)x_n^2(s) > 0$ on $[A, B]$ so that c_n 's in (24) are well defined.)

Let us consider one very important application of the Sturm-Liouville problem and that application is the expansion of a class of function in terms of Eigen functions. So that is the content of this theorem 21. So let $g(t)$ be a continuous function defined on close interval $A B$ and satisfying the boundary condition either 13a 13b or 14 and let us assume that we have certain Eigen function let us say x_1, x_2, x_n be the set of Eigen function of which Sturm-Liouville problem 12 and 13a 13b or 12 along with 14.

Then you can expand your $g(t)$ in terms of these Eigen functions that is $c_1 x_1(t) + c_2 x_2(t) + \dots + c_n x_n(t) + \dots$ and so on. So here all these exercise are Eigen functions of the Sturm-Liouville problem. And here you can calculate the coefficient say c_i by the following formula that is $c_n = \frac{\int_A^B r(s) g(s) x_n(s) ds}{\int_A^B r(s) x_n^2(s) ds}$. Now if you look we already know $r(s)$ we know $g(s)$ we know $x_n(s)$ so we can say that this quantity is also non-zero because $r(s)$ we are assuming that it is positive and this x_n^2 is again positive.

So it means that c_n you can easily find out by dividing this sturm. So it means that you can get the values of c_n and once you have all these c_n you can write $g(t)$ in terms of these x_i , so that is what is the content of this theorem and this is proof is quite easy, let me write it here.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 g(t) &= c_1 x_1(t) + c_2 x_2(t) + \dots + c_n x_n(t) + \dots \\
 r(t) g(t) &= \sum c_i r(t) x_i(t) \\
 \int_A^B r(t) g(t) x_n(t) dt &= \int_A^B r(t) \left(\sum c_i r(t) x_i(t) \right) dt \\
 &= c_1 \int_A^B r(t) x_1(t) x_n(t) dt + c_2 \int_A^B r(t) x_2(t) x_n(t) dt \\
 &\quad + \dots + c_n \int_A^B r(t) x_n^2(t) dt + \dots \\
 \int_A^B r(t) x_m(t) x_n(t) dt &= 0 \quad m \neq n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$C_n = \frac{\int_A^B r(t) g(t) x_n(t) dt}{\int_A^B r(t) x_n^2(t) dt}$$

So a proof is this that you have g of $t = c_1 x_1 t + c_2 x_2 t$ and so on so $c_n x_n t$ and so on. So what we try to do here we just multiply both side by $r t$ so $r t g = c_1 r t x_1 t$ let me write it here in a summation form $c_i r t x_i t$, right. Then what we try to do here, we just multiply by say x_n say. So let us multiply both side by x_n and integrate with respect to t so we will get $\int_A^B r t g x_n t dt$ and here what you will have.

Here you will have let me expand it, it is $x_n t * \sum_{i=A}^B c_i r t x_i A dt$, right. Or if you want to write it in a simpler form this is what $c_1 \int_A^B r t x_1 t x_n t dt + c_2 \int_A^B r t x_2 t x_n t dt$ and so on. Here it is $c_n \int_A^B r t x_n^2 t dt$ and so on. Now we have already discussed that these Eigen functions are orthogonal to each other with respect to weight function $r t$.

So it means that if n is not equal to 1 then x_1 and x_n are two distinct Eigen function. So this has to be 0. So by orthogonal property this has to be 0 similarly this has to be 0 similarly this has to be 0 the only term which is left non-zero is this term where we have $m=n$, so it means that here using this property that $\int_A^B r t x_n t x_m t dt = 0$ when m is not equal to n . So using this orthogonal property we can see that $\int_A^B r t g x_n t dt = c_n \int_A^B r t x_n^2 t dt$.

And we already know that this term is going to be non-zero. So by dividing this term we have $c_n = \frac{\int_A^B r t g x_n t dt}{\int_A^B r t x_n^2 t dt}$. So once we have c_n and this you can write for all

$n \geq 1$ so it means that you can expand your g in terms of x_n . I am using the following formula to find out the coefficient here. So that is very, very important use of Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem and we have seen some of the applications in expanding, say given function in terms of Legendre polynomial or Bessel polynomial and so on.

In Legendre polynomial we do not have any weight function and we do not require any boundary conditions, so we simply say that we have already seen this kind of application in terms of Legendre polynomial and Bessel functions. So now let us move ahead and discuss one another important boundary value problem. So here this boundary value problem is that you consider that--

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Application of Boundary Value Problems

Let us consider an application of the BVP to a real world problem in engineering. Consider a model consists of a BVP for the temperature $u(x, t)$ in a finite slab of a metal bounded by the planes $x = 0$ and $x = c$. We assume that its faces are insulated. Further assume that the temperature distribution in the slab is denoted by $f(x), 0 < x < c$. Let k , a constant, denote thermal diffusivity for the given material. Such a model is presented in terms of the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t), (0 < x < c, t > 0) \quad (25)$$

$x=0$ $x=c$

and

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(c, t) = 0 (t > 0) \quad \text{B.C.S} \quad (26)$$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x), (0 < x < c). \quad \text{I.C.S} \quad (27)$$

You consider a finite rod, right. So here finite rod is that it maybe consider a metal rod so one end is $x=0$ another end is $x=c$ and we want to look at the temperature distribution on this finite length rod. So we assume that its faces are insulated. And further assume that the temperature distribution in this slab is denoted by f of x from x from 0 to c . So this is temperature distribution at the initial is given by f of x between x to c .

Let k is the constant denote thermal diffusivity for the given material. So this k is a constant depending on the material of the metal basically metal of the-- that rod. So now if we use model to write down the mathematical formula for this temperature distribution then we have the

following partial differential equation that is $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$, x, t and x is lying between 0 to c and $t > 0$. And on the boundary since it is insulated and so $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$ at $x=0$ is 0 and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$ at $x=c, t=0$ for all $t > 0$.

So these are the boundary conditions and this is your initial conditions, initial condition is that the initial temperature at time $t=0$ your initial temperature is $u(x,0)=f(x)$ that is what we have given here. So now we wanted to solve this using this Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem. So far we have not discussed this how to obtain this problem and we have not discussed any property of this equation this partial differential equation which is commonly known as heat conduction problem or heat equation.

So let us assume that we know how to define partial derivative. So let us if you not gone through the partial differential equation, so let us assume that we have a partial differential equation some equation related with partial derivative and let us try to solve this.

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This is a linear boundary value problem given as a partial differential equation representing conduction of heat in a finite slab under preassigned boundary conditions.

Assume that a solution of $u(x, t)$ of (25) and (26) has the form

$$u(x, t) = X(x)T(t). \quad \checkmark$$

Observe that here X and T are functions of x and t respectively. Thus we have separated variables x and t . Then it follows that

$$\checkmark \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t) = X'(x)T(t), \quad \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t) = X''(x)T(t)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) = X(x)T'(t).$$

By substitution of these values in (25), we get

$$\checkmark \frac{T'(t)}{kT(t)} = \frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = -\lambda(\text{say}). \quad \frac{T'(t)X(x)}{XT} = k \frac{X''(x)T}{XT} \quad (28)$$

$$X' = \frac{d}{dx} X(x)$$

$$T' = \frac{d}{dt} T(t)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

So to solve this we simply say that observe that this is a linear boundary value problem given as a partial differential equation representing conduction of heat in a finite slab under preassigned boundary conditions. So now let us assume that the solution of this problem which is solution means $u(x, t)$ we are searching for $u(x, t)$ represent the temperature distribution at the point x at the time t , right.

And we want to show that let us assume that the solution of $u(x, t)$ has the following form that is x of $x \cdot t$ of t . So it means that here solution can be separated function of x and t . So let us assume that $u(x, t) = X(x) \cdot T(t)$. We will discuss later on that why we assume this form of the solution. This is known as the separation variable form of the solution. So here we assume that here X is the function of small x and T is function of temperature here.

So let us calculate $\frac{du}{dx}$ by $\frac{du}{dx}$, so when you calculate this then it is total derivative of X and T and $\frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$ is $X'' \cdot T$. Here this X'' is basically two T derivative $\frac{d}{dx}$ of X and T' is basically $\frac{d}{dt}$ of T . So here this represents the total derivative and partial derivative is given by this $\frac{du}{dx}$ and $\frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$. And similarly we can calculate the $\frac{du}{dt}$ and it is $X \cdot T'$.

So if you look at our equation is what equation is basically $\frac{du}{dt} = k \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$ X square. So when you use this, this is what $T' \cdot X = k \cdot X'' \cdot T$. So divide by your $X \cdot T$. So let us divide by $X \cdot T$ here also you will write $\frac{T'}{T} = k \frac{X''}{X}$. So when you divide by this what you will left this will cancel out and here this X will cancel out. So we have $\frac{T'}{T} = k \frac{X''}{X}$ you take k here so $\frac{T'}{T} = k \frac{X''}{X}$.

Now here if you look at this is the function of t alone and this is the function of x alone and this can be equal only when the ratio is a constant value. So let us say that the constant value is some $-\lambda$. Now see why it is $-\lambda$ you can use $+\lambda$ no problem, it is just a constant. So using that since this ratio this is a function of t this is a function of x this can be equal only when each ratio has to be a constant. So let us denote that constant as $-\lambda$.

So we have this equation L we have also boundary condition, boundary condition means what that $\frac{du}{dx} = 0$ at $x = 0$, so if you simplify this is, this is what $X'(0) \cdot T = 0$ and here we have $X'(c) \cdot T = 0$. Now since we are assuming that we are looking for non-trivial solution so it means that none of this X or T are trivial solution means these are not 0 solution.

So it means that if T is non-zero so this condition satisfies means that we have $x(0) = 0$ and similarly, since T is not eigenvalue 0 solution so we can say that $x(c) = 0$. So it means that not only we have two set of conditions that is T upon k T equal x double dash upon $x = -\lambda$ also we have boundary condition, that is--

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Note that the BVP (30) is Sturm-Liouville problem and we get a non-trivial solution for only particular real values of λ for which we need a search. There are three possibilities: (i) $\lambda = 0$, (ii) $\lambda > 0$, and (iii) $\lambda < 0$, which we consider below:

(i) $\lambda = 0$ implies that

$$X''(x) = 0, X'(0) = 0 \text{ and } X'(c) = 0.$$

Solving this, we get

$$X(x) = \text{constant} = 1/2(\text{say}).$$

$$X = C_1 \\ X(x) = C_1 x + C_2 \\ 0 = C_1 \\ 0 = C_1$$

(32)

(ii) $\lambda > 0$. Assume that $\lambda = \alpha^2 (\alpha > 0)$. Then from (30) we have

$$X''(x) + \alpha^2 X(x) = 0, X'(0) = X'(c) = 0.$$

Solving this, we obtain

$$X(x) = C_1 \cos \alpha x + C_2 \sin \alpha x$$

$x(0) = x(c) = 0$. And here we have assumed that t of t is not equal to 0 . So it means that now our partial differential equation is now reduced to two set of boundary value problem in terms of ordinary differential equation. So this is one set of boundary value problem that is x double dash $x + \lambda x$ of $x = 0$ and x dash $0 = x$ dash $c = 0$, so this is a boundary value problem in terms of x of x .

And we have another differential equation T dash $t + \lambda k$ T $t = 0$ here. So here we do not have any boundary condition in terms of T , but we have a one condition left that is the condition initial condition of u of $x = 0 = f$ of x that we can utilize little bit later. So first we try to solve this equation number 13, this is a boundary value problem and if you look at this is a Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem.

So here we can apply our discussion of Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem to solve this boundary value problem. So let us solve this and here since λ is a parameter and λ can take distinct value so $\lambda = 0$; $\lambda > 0$ or $\lambda < 0$. So we look at these conditions

separately. So let us consider condition that $\lambda=0$. So when $\lambda=0$ our equation reduce to that $x'' = 0$ and $x' = 0$ and $x = c$ are 0. These are the boundary conditions. So when you solve this $x'' = 0$ your condition is $x = c_1 x + c_2$.

You have to find out this c_1 and c_2 using this condition. So when you see that you will say that $x' = 0$ means this is $0 = c_1$ and means because x' is basically c_1 basically. So $x' = 0$ means $c_1 = 0$ and $x = c = 0$ means you have what $0 = c_1$ so that is what we get. So it means that we have only $c_1 = 0$ so means that x has to be c_2 so it means that solving this we get $x =$ just a constant value.

So let us for simplification let us assume this as $1/2$ and see why this we are assuming $1/2$, in fact you can use any constant α , β , γ anything you want to use it. But for the simplification we are assuming it is $1/2$. Now let us-- so it means that this $\lambda=0$ is an Eigen function-- is an eigenvalue and the corresponding Eigen function is a constant value. Let us say that it is $1/2$. So the $\lambda=0$ is an eigenvalue.

So now let us consider $\lambda > 0$. So assume that $\lambda = \alpha^2$ because λ is positive so let us assume that α^2 and α is belonging to real number. So when you put this value $\lambda = \alpha^2$ then we have equation as $x'' + \alpha^2 x = 0$ and boundary condition $x' = 0$ and $x = c = 0$. So when you solve this equation $x'' + \alpha^2 x = 0$ we have relation $c_1 \cos \alpha x + c_2 \sin \alpha x$.

And now let us find out this c_1 and c_2 using the boundary condition.

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and

$$X'(x) = -C_1 \alpha \sin \alpha x + \alpha C_2 \cos \alpha x$$

Now $X'(0) = \alpha C_2 = 0$ implies that $C_2 = 0$ (since $\alpha \neq 0$) and $X'(c) = -C_1 \alpha \sin \alpha c = 0$. ✓

$$\sin \alpha c = \sin n\pi$$

Here $C_1 \neq 0$ since we are searching $u(x, t) \neq 0$.

Therefore the only choice left is $\alpha = \frac{n\pi}{c}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Hence, when $C_1 = 1$, we write

$$X(x) = \cos \frac{n\pi x}{c}, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (33)$$

$$\lambda = \alpha^2 = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{c^2}, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

So let us find out see derivatives of this $x \dashv x = -c_1 \alpha \sin \alpha x + \alpha c_2 \cos \alpha x$. And we have $x \dashv 0 = 0$ so this implies the your $\alpha c_2 = 0$. Now α cannot be 0 so c_2 has to be 0 because α is positive real number. α is any real number and if we take $\alpha = 0$ then λ has to be 0 and which in this case we have already considered. So here we assume that α is some value which is not 0 basically.

So here c_2 has to be 0 and $x \dashv c = -c_1 \alpha \sin \alpha c = 0$. Now since c_2 is already 0 so if we take $c_1 = 0$ then we have only trivial solution which we really do not want. So what we try to do here we try to show that this $\alpha \sin \alpha c$ has to be 0. So we want see non-zero since we are searching for non-trivial solution of the problem, so therefore only choice left is that α has to be $n\pi/c$.

So here we assume that $\sin \alpha c = \sin n\pi$. So it means that $\alpha c = n\pi$ is running from 0, 1, 2 in fact n is coming from integer values. So here let us assume that c_1 can be any constant so let us assume that it is one for the timing and Eigen functions we have x of $x = \cos$ of $n\pi x / c$ where n is from 0, 1, 2 and your λ is basically n is α square that is n square π square / c square. So it means that here we have another set of and n is from 0, 1, 2 any number here any natural number, in fact any integer number.

So here eigenvalues are $n^2 \pi^2 / c^2$ and the corresponding Eigen function x of $x = \cos$ of $n \pi x / c$.

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(iii) $\lambda < 0$. Assume that $\lambda = -\alpha^2, \alpha > 0$. Then the BVP (30) takes the form

$$X''(x) - \alpha^2 X(x) = 0, X'(0) = X'(c) = 0.$$

Then we have

$$X(x) = c_1 e^{\alpha x} + c_2 e^{-\alpha x}$$

and

$$X'(x) = c_1 \alpha e^{\alpha x} - c_2 \alpha e^{-\alpha x}.$$

Here $X'(0) = 0$ implies $c_1 = c_2$ and hence $X(x) = c_1 (e^{\alpha x} + e^{-\alpha x}) = 2c_1 \cosh \alpha x$.

Further $X'(c) = c_1 \alpha \sinh \alpha c = 0$ implies that $c_1 = 0$.

These two facts together mean that $X(x) = 0$ or $u(x, t) = 0$. The above conclusions provide us a non-trivial solution $u(x, t)$ only when $\lambda = \lambda_0 = 0$ and

$\lambda = \lambda_n = \alpha^2 = \left(\frac{n\pi}{c}\right)^2, n = 1, 2, \dots$ These are the eigenvalues and the respective

solutions of the BVP (30) namely $X(x) = X_0(x) = 1/2$ and

$X(x) = X_n(x) = \cos \frac{n\pi x}{c}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ are the eigenfunctions.

So now let us consider one more term that one more possibility that is $\lambda < 0$ and here assume that $\lambda = -\alpha^2, \alpha$ is positive. Then the boundary value takes the following form $x=0$ and $x=c=0$. So when you simplify we have this relation $x = c_1 \alpha x + c_2 e^{-\alpha x}$.

I leave it to you that when you put this condition $x=0 = x=c=0$ then we have only this thing that x has to be 0, so when you use these condition then we have only a trivial solution. So we do not want trivial solution so it means that this $\lambda < 0$ is not eigenvalues. So it means that we get only two set of eigenvalues one is corresponding to 0, so $\lambda \neq 0$ is an eigenvalue and corresponding Eigen function is basically some constant.

Let us assume that it is $1/2$. And another set of eigenvalues we have obtained for the case when λ is positive that in that case we assume that $\lambda = \alpha^2$ which is given as $n^2 \pi^2 / c^2$. So here we write λ_n as $n^2 \pi^2 / c^2$ where n is 1, 2, 3 because if we put $n=0$ then this reduce to this $\lambda=0$. So here we assume that n is non-zero integer value. So these are the eigenvalue and the respective solutions of boundary value 30 is corresponding to $\lambda \neq 0$ we have this solution so it is Eigen function corresponding to $\lambda \neq 0$.

And corresponding to λ_n we have Eigen functions given by this. So when we basically Eigen function means non-trivial solution of the boundary value problem. So when you summarize this we can get all the possibilities of x of x .

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and

$$u(x, t) = u_n(x, t) = X_n(x)T_n(t)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\frac{n^2\pi^2 kt}{c^2}\right) \cos\frac{n\pi x}{c}$$

$\lambda = \lambda_n, n=1, 2, \dots$
 u_0, u_1, \dots, u_n
 $a_0 u_0 + a_1 u_1 + \dots + a_n u_n$

Hence a closed form solution of (25), (26) is obtained.

By superposition principle, linear combination of solutions is also a solution.

Hence general solution of (25), (26) is given by

$$u(x, t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \exp\left(-\frac{n^2\pi^2 kt}{c^2}\right) \cos\frac{n\pi x}{c}$$

This solution satisfies the boundary conditions (26).

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

$$f(x) \cos\frac{n\pi x}{c} = \frac{a_0}{2} \cos\frac{n\pi x}{c} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\frac{n\pi x}{c}$$

Now solve the other part that is in terms of T of t so that is the problem we have here that is $T' = -\lambda T$. Here already, you already know λ_n is already given because material is given so we can simply solve this simple ordinary differential first order ordinary differential equation and the solution of this problem is given as $T = c_3 \exp(-\lambda kt)$ and see there is a arbitrary constant so let us assume that $c_3=1$, if you do not assume then also you can write it but $c_3=1$.

Then substituting the eigenvalues so eigenvalues is that $\lambda \neq 0$ so when you put $\lambda \neq 0$ then your $T(t)$ which we denote as $T(t)$ it is coming out to be 1. And when you take λ as λ_n then your T and t which is the solution corresponding to λ_n it is exponential of $-\lambda_n^2 \pi^2 kt / c^2$. So here we have solution obtained for $\lambda \neq 0$ solution is given by $X(x) * T(t)$.

And since $X(x)$ is $1/2$ and $T(t)$ is coming out to be 1 here. So this is for $\lambda=0$ equal to 0. So $u(x, t) = u(x, t)$ for $\lambda=0$ equal to 0. Similarly, $u(x, t)$ is $u(x, t)$ when we are

assuming $\lambda = \lambda_n$ and $n=1, 2$ and so on. So in this case the solution $x_n(x) = T_n(t)$. So $x_n(x)$ is $\cos(n\pi x/c)$ and $T_n(t)$ is exponential of e to the power $-n^2 \pi^2 k t / c^2$. So we obtain this solution in different cases that is $\lambda = 0$ which is 0 and $\lambda = \lambda_n$ when n is from 1 to ∞

And we here we utilize one more thing if we have some solution say y_1 and y_2 as a solution of linear problem then their linear combination is also a solution of the-- that linear homogeneous problem. So here we are utilizing the property of homogeneity that your boundary value problem that your problem is homogeneous and problem is linear. So here we can apply that if we have solutions then linear combination of solution will also be a solution.

So here linear combination of so here you say that A_0 and u_n so $A_0 u_n$ is $A_0/2 + A_n$ and this is your $x_n u_n(x, t)$. So we already have solution u_n and u_0 . So we say that, that $A_0 u_n + A_1 u_1 + A_n u_n$ will also be a solution. So if these are solution then linear combination of this will also be a solution. So utilizing this we have solution $u(x, t) = A_0/2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \exp(-n^2 \pi^2 k t / c^2) \cos(n\pi x/c)$. So here we have this solution.

Now the only thing is that this is a complete solution provided we know these coefficient A_0 and A_n 's and because so far we have utilized only the boundary condition we have not utilized the initial condition so we have the possibilities of A_i 's. So to obtain this A_i 's we can use the initial condition that is $u(x, 0) = f(x)$. So using this we can simplify this so we can write it $f(x) = A_0/2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(n\pi x/c)$, right.

And then we can obtain our coefficient A_n . So here what we do here we just multiply by $\cos(n\pi x/c)$ so here what we do here we utilize the orthogonality of $\cos(n\pi x/c)$. So you multiply by $\cos(m\pi x/c)$ on both the side and integrate. So it means that you just multiply here $f(x)$ and between interval I think it is 0 to c , we have written 0 to c ; $\int_0^c f(x) \cos(n\pi x/c) \cos(m\pi x/c) dx =$ this $A_0/2 \int_0^c \cos(n\pi x/c) \cos(m\pi x/c) dx +$ here it is what, here we have this $A_n \int_0^c \cos(n\pi x/c) \cos(m\pi x/c) dx$ and 0 to c .

So here using orthogonality you can find out the value of $A_0/2$, so you consider the case when m is not equal to n then you can find out the corresponding values of coefficient. So this part I am leaving it to you and you can easily find out the coefficient A_0 using orthogonality of $\cos n \pi x/c$, as we have done the expansion of $g(x)$ in terms of Eigen functions. So here I will end our lecture.

And in this lecture what we have seen we have seen that how this Sturm-Liouville boundary value problem is useful in solving many important problems. So first is that it is used in expansion of a given class of function in terms of Eigen functions another is solving real world problems such as partial differential equations in terms of separation variable form. So we have seen one example based on this.

So here we end. I will continue our discussion in next lecture. Thank you very much for listening. Thank you.