

1. Consider the heat equation in an insulated one-dimensional rod given by:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0.5 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad 0 < x < 3, \quad t > 0,$$

with the boundary conditions and initial condition:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(3, t) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = 6 - 4 \cos(\pi x).$$

Solve this initial-boundary value problem. Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions for the associated Sturm-Liouville problem. What is the temperature distribution in the rod as $t \rightarrow \infty$?

Let $u(x, t) = \phi(x)h(t)$, then $\phi h' = 0.5h\phi''$ or:

$$\frac{h'}{0.5h} = \frac{\phi''}{\phi} = -\lambda.$$

The time equation is $h' = -0.5\lambda h$, so

$$h = c \cdot e^{-0.5\lambda t}.$$

The S-L problem is

$$\phi'' + \lambda\phi = 0, \quad \phi'(0) = 0, \quad \phi'(3) = 0.$$

This is a Neumann problem, which has been shown before. The results are:

(i) If $\lambda < 0$, then only the trivial solution exists.

(ii) $\lambda_0 = 0$ is an eigenvalue with eigenfunction $\phi_0(x) = 1$.

(iii) If $\lambda > 0$, then take $\lambda = \alpha^2$. It follows that $\phi(x) = c_1 \cos(\alpha x) + c_2 \sin(\alpha x)$. With $\phi'(0) = 0$, then $c_2 = 0$. From $\phi'(3) = 0$, we have $\alpha = \frac{n\pi}{3}$. It follows that the eigenvalues are $\lambda_n = \frac{n^2\pi^2}{9}$ with eigenfunctions $\phi_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$

By the superposition principle,

$$u(x, t) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{-0.5\left(\frac{n^2\pi^2}{9}\right)t} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right).$$

The initial condition gives:

$$u(x, 0) = 6 - 4 \cos(\pi x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right).$$

By orthogonality of the eigenfunctions, we obtain:

$$A_0 = 6, \quad A_3 = -4, \quad A_n = 0 \quad \text{for } n \neq 0, 3.$$

Thus,

$$u(x, t) = 6 - 4e^{-0.5\pi^2 t} \cos(\pi x).$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(x, t) = A_0 = 6.$$

2. a. Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions for the Sturm-Liouville problem:

$$u'' + \lambda u = 0, \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u'(4) = 0.$$

b. Use the eigenfunctions from above to represent the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3, & 0 \leq x < 2, \\ 0, & 2 \leq x \leq 4. \end{cases}$$

and find the Fourier coefficients.

c. To what value does the Fourier series converge at $x = 1$? At $x = 2$? At $x = -\frac{3}{2}$?

a. Have shown before in class and HW that $\lambda \leq 0$ only leads to the trivial solution for this eigenvalue problem, so not an eigenvalue. (Can solve BVP directly or use Raleigh Quotient.)

So let $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$, then $u(x) = c_1 \cos(\alpha x) + c_2 \sin(\alpha x)$. From the BC, $u(0) = 0$, we have $c_1 = 0$. The other BC gives:

$$u'(4) = c_2 \alpha \cos(4\alpha) = 0, \quad \text{so } \alpha_n = \frac{(n - \frac{1}{2})\pi}{4}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

It follows that we have eigenvectors and corresponding eigenfunctions:

$$\lambda_n = \frac{(n - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2}{16} \quad \text{and} \quad u_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{(n - \frac{1}{2})\pi x}{4}\right), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

b. The Fourier series is given by:

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{(n - \frac{1}{2})\pi x}{4}\right).$$

The Fourier coefficients are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= \frac{2}{4} \int_0^4 f(x) \sin\left(\frac{(n - \frac{1}{2})\pi x}{4}\right) dx = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^2 \sin\left(\frac{(n - \frac{1}{2})\pi x}{4}\right) dx \\ &= -\frac{12}{(2n - 1)\pi} \cos\left(\frac{(n - \frac{1}{2})\pi x}{4}\right) \Bigg|_0^2 = \frac{12}{(2n - 1)\pi} \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{(n - \frac{1}{2})\pi x}{4}\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

c. At $x = 1$, the Fourier series converges to 3 (a point of continuity).

At $x = 2$, the Fourier series converges to $\frac{3}{2}$ (midpoint between 3 and 0, the jump discontinuity).

At $x = -\frac{3}{2}$, the Fourier series converges to -3 . (Fourier series is the odd periodic extension).

3. Find the steady-state temperature distribution for the Figure below (assuming the faces are insulated). The region is a semi-circular region satisfying Laplace's equation:

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} \right) = 0,$$

where the edge along the x -axis is fixed at 0. Along the semi-circular edge, we have:

$$u(2, \theta) = g(\theta) = \begin{cases} 6, & 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}, \\ 0, & \frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \pi. \end{cases}$$

Soln: Let $u(r, \theta) = h(r)\phi(\theta)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\phi}{r} \frac{d}{dr} (rh') + \frac{h}{r^2} \phi'' &= 0, \\ \frac{r}{h} (rh')' &= -\frac{\phi'}{\phi} = \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

The SL problem is

$$\phi'' + \lambda\phi = 0, \quad \text{with BCs } \phi(0) = 0, \phi(\pi) = 0.$$

This is the Dirichlet problem worked in class many times. The eigenvalues are positive. The eigenvalues and corresponding eigenfunctions are given by:

$$\lambda_n = n^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_n(\theta) = \sin(n\theta).$$

The r -equation is expanded into the Cauchy-Euler ODE with solutions $h(r) = r^\mu$:

$$r^2 h'' + r h' - n^2 h = 0,$$

which has the auxiliary equation $\mu(\mu - 1) + \mu - n^2 = \mu^2 - n^2 = 0$, so $\mu = \pm n$. It follows that:

$$h_n(r) = c_1 r^n + c_2 r^{-n}.$$

The BC at the origin of solutions being bounded implies that $c_2 = 0$.

The superposition principle gives:

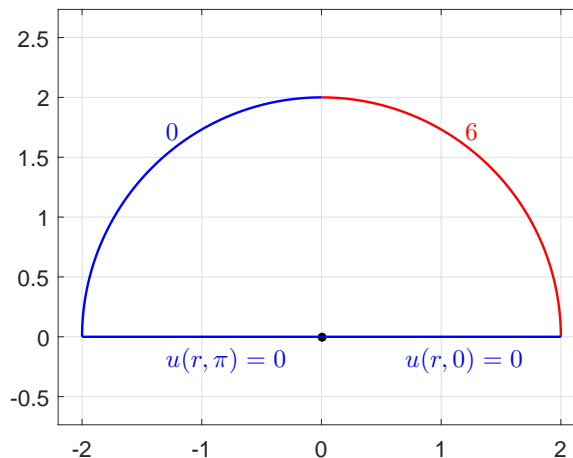
$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n r^n \sin(n\theta).$$

The other boundary condition and orthogonality give

$$u(2, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n 2^n \sin(n\theta) = g(\theta), \quad \text{so} \quad b_n 2^n \int_0^\pi \sin^2(n\theta) d\theta = \int_0^\pi g(\theta) \sin(n\theta) d\theta = 6 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin(n\theta) d\theta.$$

It follows that

$$b_n = \frac{12}{2^n \pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin(n\theta) d\theta = \frac{12}{n\pi 2^n} \left(-\cos(n\theta) \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \right) = \frac{12}{n\pi 2^n} \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right).$$



4. Consider the eigenvalue problem given by:

$$\phi'' - 2\phi' + (1 + \lambda)\phi = 0, \quad (1)$$

with boundary conditions $\phi(0) = 0$ and $\phi(2) = 0$.

a. This problem becomes a Sturm-Liouville problem if it has the form:

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

Make Eqn. (1) into a Sturm-Liouville problem, giving the appropriate functions $p(x)$, $q(x)$, and $\sigma(x)$ for this transformation.

b. Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions for this Sturm-Liouville problem. Be sure to check the different cases when $\lambda < 0$, $\lambda = 0$, and $\lambda > 0$ for eigenfunctions.

c. Let a smooth piecewise continuous function $f(x)$ be represented by a Fourier series:

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

Find an expression for b_n using the appropriate orthogonality relationship from the Sturm-Liouville problem.

a. Expand the SL problem, multiply (1) by $H(x)$, and compare terms.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} p\phi'' + p'\phi + q\phi + \lambda\sigma\phi &= 0, \\ H\phi'' - 2H\phi' + H\phi + \lambda H\phi &= 0, \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} p(x) = H(x) = q(x) = \sigma(x) \\ p' = H' = -2H, \quad \text{so } H(x) = e^{-2x} \\ p(x) = q(x) = \sigma(x) = e^{-2x}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dx} \left(e^{-2x} \frac{d\phi}{dx} \right) + (1 - \lambda)e^{-2x}\phi = 0$$

b. The SL Problem is written: $e^{-2x}(\phi'' - 2\phi' + (1 - \lambda)\phi) = 0$ with BCs $\phi(0) = 0 = \phi(2)$, which has the characteristic equation, $r^2 - 2r + 1 + \lambda = 0$. This has roots: $r = 1 \pm \sqrt{\lambda}$. There are 3 cases:

Case(i) : $\lambda = -\alpha^2 < 0$, so $\phi(x) = e^x (c_1 \cosh(\alpha x) + c_2 \sinh(\alpha x))$, with $\phi(0) = c_1 = 0$ and $\phi(2) = e^2 c_2 \sinh(2\alpha) = 0$, so $c_2 = 0$, *i.e.*, trivial solution.

Case(ii) : $\lambda = 0$, so $\phi(x) = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^x$, with $\phi(0) = c_1 = 0$, $\phi(2) = 2c_2 e^2 = 0$, so $c_2 = 0$, *i.e.*, trivial solution.

Case(iii) : $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$, so $\phi(x) = e^x (c_1 \cos(\alpha x) + c_2 \sin(\alpha x))$, with $\phi(0) = c_1 = 0$, $\phi(2) = e^2 c_2 \sin(2\alpha)$, giving $\alpha_n = \frac{n\pi}{2}$, e.v. $\lambda_n = \frac{n^2\pi^2}{4}$ and e.f. $\phi_n(x) = e^x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right)$.

c. The Fourier representation is:

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n e^x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right).$$

With orthogonality, we have:

$$b_n = \frac{\int_0^2 f(x) e^x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) e^{-2x} dx}{\int_0^2 \left(e^x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right)\right)^2 e^{-2x} dx} = \int_0^2 f(x) e^{-x} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx.$$

5. a. Consider the Sturm-Liouville problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\rho} \left(\rho^2 \frac{du}{d\rho} \right) + \lambda \rho^2 u &= 0, & 1 < \rho < 4, \\ u(1) &= 0, & u(4) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

You are given that when $\lambda = -\alpha^2 < 0$, two linearly independent solutions are

$$u_1(\rho) = \frac{\sinh(\alpha(\rho-1))}{\rho} \quad \text{and} \quad u_2(\rho) = \frac{\cosh(\alpha(\rho-1))}{\rho},$$

and when $\lambda = \gamma^2 > 0$, two linearly independent solutions are

$$u_1(\rho) = \frac{\sin(\gamma(\rho-1))}{\rho} \quad \text{and} \quad u_2(\rho) = \frac{\cos(\gamma(\rho-1))}{\rho}.$$

(You are not to show this, but must solve for $\lambda = 0$.) Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions, and state the orthogonality relationship.

b. Let $\phi_n(\rho)$ be the eigenfunctions in Part a. Find the generalized Fourier coefficients b_n for

$$f(\rho) = \frac{5}{\rho} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \phi_n(\rho).$$

a. The SL problem has no complex eigenvalues, so examine the 3 real cases:

Case(i) : $\lambda = -\alpha^2 < 0$, so $u(\rho) = c_1 \frac{\sinh(\alpha(\rho-1))}{\rho} + c_2 \frac{\cosh(\alpha(\rho-1))}{\rho}$, with $u(1) = c_2 = 0$,
 $u(4) = \frac{c_1}{4} \sinh(3\alpha) = 0$, so $c_1 = 0$, *i.e.*, trivial solution.

Case(ii) : $\lambda = 0$, so integrating the ODE gives $\rho^2 \frac{du}{d\rho} = c_1$. Integrating again,
 $u(\rho) = -\frac{c_1}{\rho} + c_2$. BCs imply, $u(1) = -c_1 + c_2 = 0$ and $u(4) = -\frac{c_1}{4} + c_2 = 0$,
so $c_1 = c_2 = 0$, *i.e.*, trivial solution.

Case(iii) : $\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$, so $u(\rho) = c_1 \frac{\sin(\alpha(\rho-1))}{\rho} + c_2 \frac{\cos(\alpha(\rho-1))}{\rho}$, with $u(1) = c_2 = 0$,
 $u(4) = \frac{c_1}{4} \sin(3\alpha) = 0$, giving $\alpha_n = \frac{n\pi}{3}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Thus, we have eigenvalues $\lambda_n = \frac{n^2\pi^2}{9}$ with eigenfunctions:

$$u_n(\rho) = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

The orthogonality relationship satisfies:

$$\langle u_n, u_m \rangle = \int_1^4 \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{m\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho} \cdot \rho^2 d\rho = \begin{cases} 0, & m \neq n \\ \frac{3}{2}, & m = n \end{cases}$$

b. With the eigenfunctions above, we find the generalized Fourier coefficients:

$$f(\rho) = \frac{5}{\rho} \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho}.$$

We multiply both sides above by $\frac{\sin\left(\frac{m\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho} \rho^2$, including the weighting factor ρ^2 , then integrate from 1 to 4. It follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^4 \frac{5}{\rho} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{m\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho} \rho^2 d\rho &= \int_1^4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{m\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho} \rho^2 d\rho \\ &= \int_1^4 b_m \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{m\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right)}{\rho^2} \rho^2 d\rho = \frac{3b_m}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

from the orthogonality relationship, so:

$$b_m = \frac{2}{3} \int_1^4 5 \sin\left(\frac{m\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right) d\rho = -\frac{10}{3} \frac{3}{m\pi} \left(\cos\left(\frac{m\pi(\rho-1)}{3}\right) \right) \Big|_1^4 = \frac{10}{m\pi} (1 - (-1)^m).$$