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Boundary conditions of the third kind

So far

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| constant coefficients | 1. | Dirichlet | → | Fourier sine series |
| | | Neumann | → | Fourier cosine series |
| | | Periodic | → | Fourier series. |

2. Variable coefficients leading to the (SLP) problem.

Back to the Heat Equation

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

or wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

with

$$u(0, t) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, t) = -hu(L, t). \quad (2)$$

(i) For the heat problem (2) corresponds to Newton's Law of cooling

(ii) Vibrating string - restoring force if $h > 0$

For physical problems $h \geq 0$ but mathematically we analyze $h \leq 0$ case.

Eigenvalue Problem

$$u(x, t) = g(t) \phi(x)$$

Heat flow

$$\frac{dg}{dt} = -\lambda k g$$

String

$$\frac{d^2 g}{dt^2} = -\lambda c^2 g$$

The spatial problem in both cases is

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

$$\phi(0) = 0$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(L) + h\phi(L) = 0$$

$h \geq 0 \rightarrow$ physical case

$h < 0 \rightarrow$ non-physical case.

$\lambda > 0$

$$\phi(x) = c_1 \cos\sqrt{\lambda}x + c_2 \sin\sqrt{\lambda}x$$

$$\phi(0) = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = 0 \text{ and hence}$$

$$\phi(x) = c_2 \sin\sqrt{\lambda}x.$$

we need the sine functions to satisfy $\phi(0) = 0!$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dx} = c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

So the second boundary condition implies

$$c_2(\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) + h \sin\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0.$$

If $c_2 \equiv 0$ then $\phi \equiv 0$ (not an eigenfunction)

So the eigenfunctions exist and satisfy

$$\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) + h \sin\sqrt{\lambda}L = 0. \quad (*)$$

To solve (*) divide by $\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L)$ (because $\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) \neq 0$).

$$\sqrt{\lambda} + h \tan\sqrt{\lambda}L = 0$$

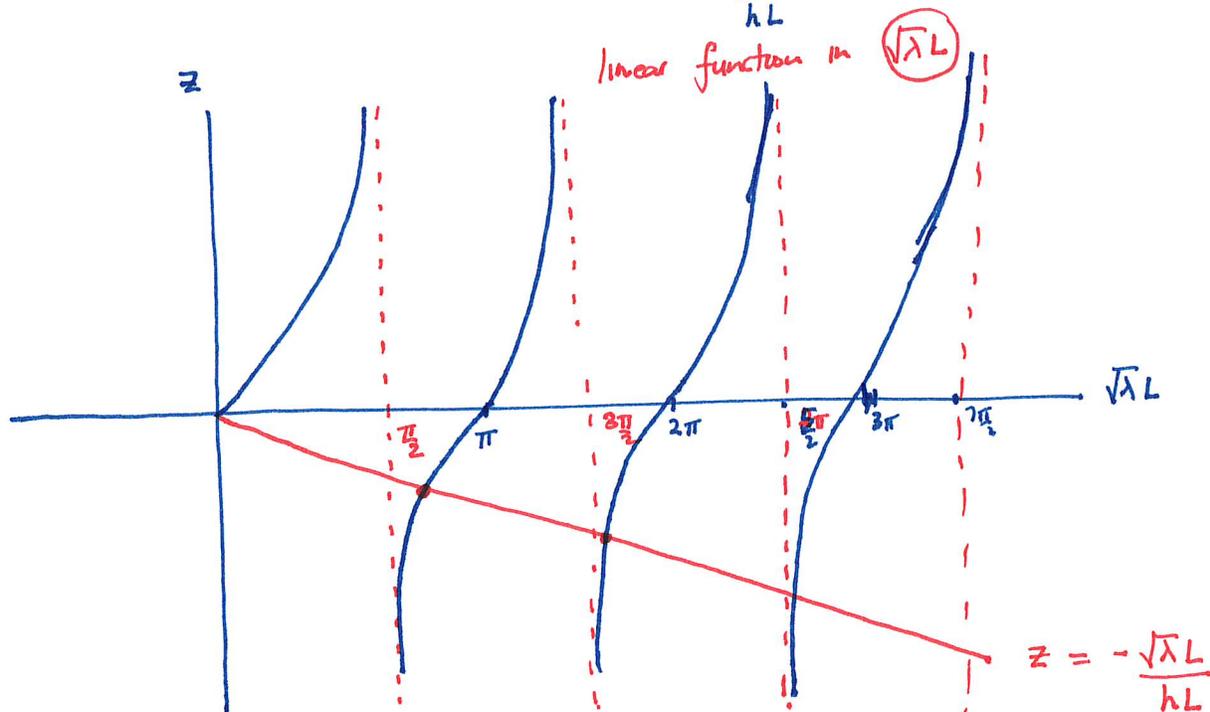
$$\Rightarrow \tan\sqrt{\lambda}L = -\frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{h}$$

Solving

$$\tan \sqrt{\lambda} L = -\frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{h}$$

Let $z = \tan(\sqrt{\lambda} L)$ and $z = -\frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{h} \cdot \frac{L}{L}$

$$z = -\frac{\sqrt{\lambda} L}{hL}$$



From the graph

$$\frac{\pi}{2} < \sqrt{\lambda_1} L < \pi$$

$$\frac{3\pi}{2} < \sqrt{\lambda_2} L < 2\pi$$

Notice that as $n \rightarrow \infty$ $\sqrt{\lambda_n} L \sim \left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi$

In practice we can solve using Newton for small n and use the formula

$$\sqrt{\lambda_n} L = \left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi$$

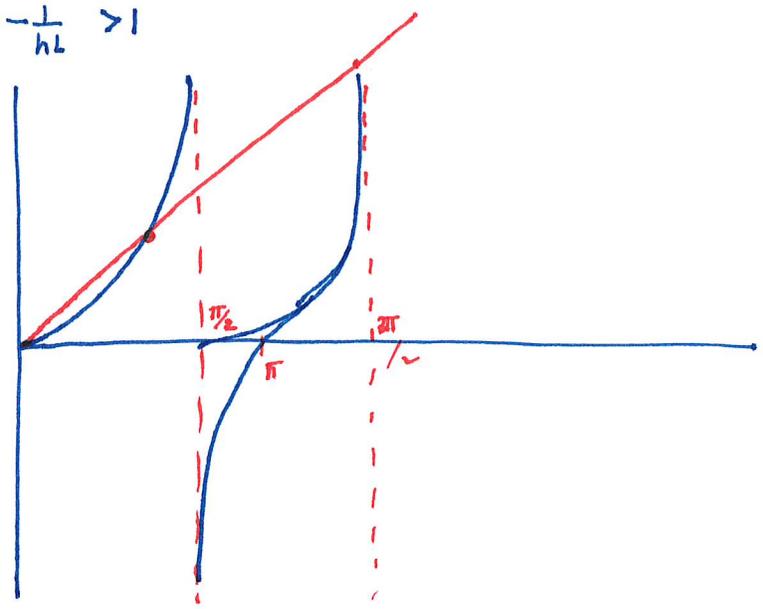
for reasonably large n .

$h < 0$

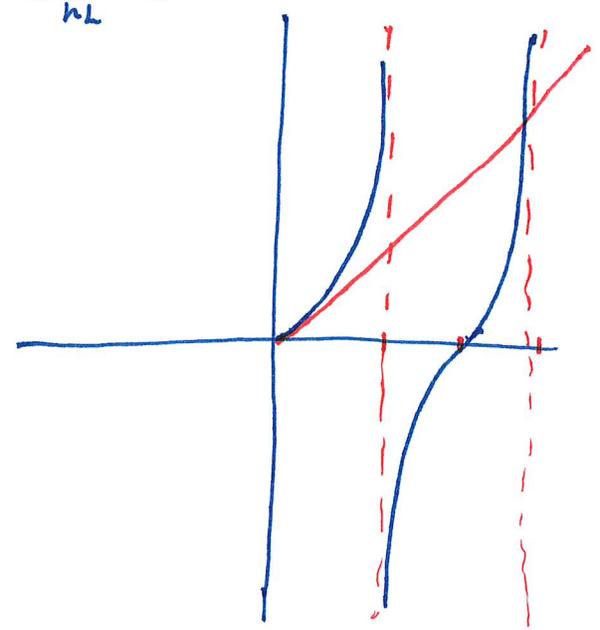
$$z = \tan \sqrt{\lambda} L \quad z = -\frac{\sqrt{\lambda} L}{h}$$

Case 1

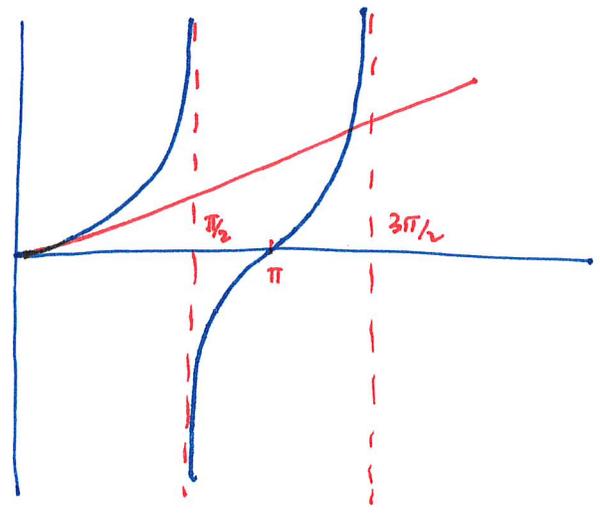
$$-\frac{1}{hL} > 1$$



$$-\frac{1}{hL} = 0$$



$$-\frac{1}{hL} < 0$$



As before $\sqrt{\lambda} L \sim \left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

We have an infinite number of eigenvalues with $\phi_n(x) = \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x$.

Example : Wave Equation

$$\underline{h > 0}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, t) - h u(0, t) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L, t) = 0 \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = g(x).$$

- (a) Show that there are an infinite number of different frequencies of oscillation.
- (b) Estimate the large frequencies of oscillation
- (c) Solve the initial value problem.

From separation of variables, $u(x, t) = \phi(x) S(t)$

$$\frac{1}{c^2 S} \frac{d^2 S}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{\phi} \frac{d^2 \phi}{dx^2} = -\lambda.$$

$$\frac{1}{\phi} \frac{d^2 \phi}{dx^2} = -\lambda \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 \phi}{dx^2} + \lambda \phi = 0$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(0) - h\phi(0) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(L) = 0. \quad (2)$$

Since $\lambda > 0$,

$$\phi(x) = C_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x + C_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x.$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dx} = -C_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda} x + C_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x$$

From the first B.C

$$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(0) - h\phi(0) \Rightarrow C_2 \sqrt{\lambda} - h C_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{C_1 = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{h} C_2} \Rightarrow \frac{C_2}{C_1} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$$

The second B.C implies

$$-C_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda} L + C_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos \sqrt{\lambda} L = 0.$$

$$c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = c_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)$$

$$\tan \sqrt{\lambda}L = \frac{c_2}{c_1} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$$

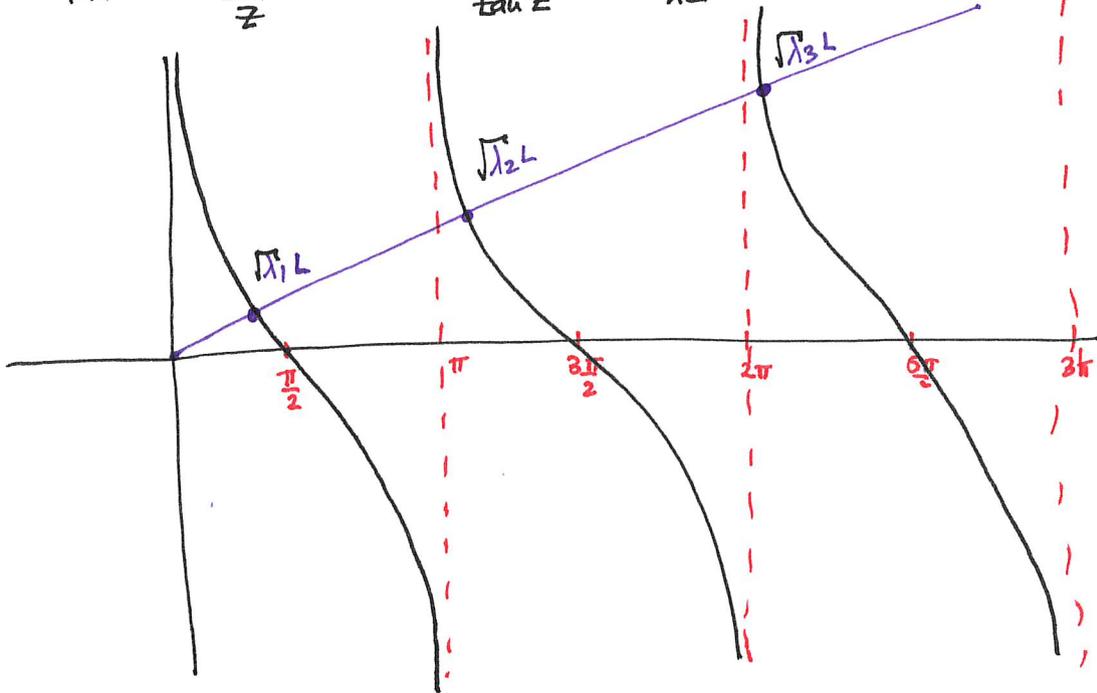
$$\tan \sqrt{\lambda}L = \frac{h}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \Rightarrow \tan \sqrt{\lambda}L = \frac{hL}{\sqrt{\lambda}L}$$

Let $z = \sqrt{\lambda}L$

$$\tan z = \frac{hL}{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\tan z} = \frac{z}{hL}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot z = \frac{z}{hL}$$



For large n

$$\sqrt{\lambda_n}L \sim (n-1)\pi \quad \text{so} \quad \lambda_n \approx \left(\frac{(n-1)\pi}{L} \right)^2 \quad \text{for large } n, \quad n=2, 3, \dots$$

which proves that there are an infinite number of frequencies of vibration.

assuming we have the eigen values, then

$$\phi(x) = c_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda_n}x + \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{h} c_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x)$$

$$= c_1 \left(\cos \sqrt{\lambda_n}x + \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{h} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \right)$$

The time dependent problem is of the form

$$\frac{1}{c^2 g} \cdot \frac{d^2 g}{dt^2} = -\lambda, \quad \lambda > 0$$

has a general solution

$$g(t) = d_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} c t) + d_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} c t)$$

So our product solution takes the form

$$u(x,t) = \phi(x) g(t)$$

then super-position means

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi_n(x) (a_n \cos \sqrt{\lambda_n} c t + b_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} c t))$$

From the initial conditions:

$$u(x,0) = f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi_n(x) a_n$$

$$\int_0^L f(x) \phi_m(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_0^L \phi_n(x) \phi_m(x) dx$$

$$\int_0^L f(x) \phi_n(x) dx = a_n \int_0^L \phi_n^2 dx \quad \text{because } \{\phi_n\} \text{ is orthogonal.}$$

$$a_n = \frac{\int_0^L f(x) \phi_n(x) dx}{\int_0^L \phi_n^2 dx}$$

Similarly

$$g(x) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x,0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi_n(x) b_n \sqrt{\lambda_n} c \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} c t)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi_n(x) \cdot a_n \sqrt{\lambda_n} c (-1) \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} c t) + b_n \sqrt{\lambda_n} c \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} c t)$$

$$b_n \sqrt{\lambda_n} c = \frac{\int_0^L g(x) \phi_n(x) dx}{\int_0^L \phi_n^2 dx}$$