

2) Boundary conditions $u(0,t) = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{X}(0)\Pi(t) = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{X}(0) = 0$
 $u(L,t) = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{X}(L)\Pi(t) = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{X}(L) = 0$

So $\underline{X}(x)$ satisfies
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{d^2\underline{X}}{dx^2} + \lambda \underline{X} = 0 \\ \underline{X}(0) = 0 \\ \underline{X}(L) = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$
 A "well-known" eigenvalue problem.

3) Solution: eigenvalues $\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2, \left(\frac{2n\pi}{L}\right)^2, \dots \quad \lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$

eigenfunctions $\sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}, \sin \frac{2n\pi x}{L}, \dots \quad \underline{X}_n = \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$
 (Modes of oscillation.)

4) T_n must satisfy $\frac{d^2 T_n}{dt^2} + c^2 \lambda_n T_n = 0$

$$\frac{d^2 T_n}{dt^2} + c^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 T_n = 0$$

Solutions: $\sin \frac{cn\pi t}{L}, \cos \frac{cn\pi t}{L}$

$$T_n(t) = A_n \cos \frac{cn\pi t}{L} + B_n \sin \frac{cn\pi t}{L}$$

So $u_n(x,t) = \left(A_n \cos \frac{cn\pi t}{L} + B_n \sin \frac{cn\pi t}{L}\right) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$

5) The conditions $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, u(0,t) = 0, u(L,t) = 0$

are linear homogeneous. so the general solution is

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(A_n \cos \frac{cn\pi t}{L} + B_n \sin \frac{cn\pi t}{L}\right) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$$