

$\lambda = 0$: $y = Ax + B$ $y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$ $y'(L) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0$
 $\lambda = 0$ is not an eigenvalue

$\lambda = \alpha^2 > 0$: $y = A \cos \alpha x + B \sin \alpha x$ $y(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0$

$$\text{so } y = B \sin \alpha x$$

$$y'(x) = B\alpha \cos \alpha x \quad y'(L) = 0 \Rightarrow B\alpha \cos \alpha L = 0$$

so to be an eigenvalue, must have $\cos \alpha L = 0$.

$$\text{Thus } \alpha L = \left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi = \left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\right)\pi \quad n=1,2,3,\dots$$

$$\alpha_n = \left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\right)\frac{\pi}{L} \quad \lambda_n = \alpha_n^2 = \left[\left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\right)\frac{\pi}{L}\right]^2$$

Eigenfunctions $y_n(x) = \sin \alpha_n x = \sin \left[\left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\right)\frac{\pi}{L} x\right]$

Orthogonality: If $n \neq m$, $\int_0^L \sin \left[\left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\right)\frac{\pi}{L} x\right] \sin \left[\left(\frac{2m-1}{2}\right)\frac{\pi}{L} x\right] dx = 0$

Eigenfunction series

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin \left[\left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\right)\frac{\pi}{L} x\right]$$

Where

$$c_n = \frac{\int_0^L f(x) \sin \left[\left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\right)\frac{\pi}{L} x\right] dx}{\int_0^L \sin^2 \left[\left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\right)\frac{\pi}{L} x\right] dx}$$

This is the so-called odd-half multiple sine series for $f(x)$.

It comes up, for instance in the heat problem.

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

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

where the $x=0$ end is held fixed at zero temp,
but the $x=L$ end is insulated.