

Group Quiz 1

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1)

The displacement vector starting at P_1 and ending at Q_2 :

$$\begin{aligned}Q_2 - P_1 &= (L_1, L_2, L_3) - (L_1, 0, 0) \\Q_2 - P_1 &= (0, L_2, L_3) \\\vec{v}_{1,2} &= (0, L_2, L_3)\end{aligned}$$

The displacement vector starting at P_1 and ending at Q_3 :

$$\begin{aligned}Q_3 - P_1 &= (0, L_2, L_3) - (L_1, 0, 0) \\Q_3 - P_1 &= (-L, L_2, L_3) \\\vec{v}_{1,3} &= (-L, L_2, L_3)\end{aligned}$$

The displacement vector starting at P_1 and ending at Q_4 :

$$\begin{aligned}Q_4 - P_1 &= (0, 0, L_3) - (L_1, 0, 0) \\Q_4 - P_1 &= (-L, 0, L_3) \\\vec{v}_{1,4} &= (-L, 0, L_3)\end{aligned}$$

The displacement vector starting at P_3 and ending at Q_2 :

$$\begin{aligned}Q_2 - P_3 &= (L, L_2, L_3) - (0, L_2, 0) \\Q_2 - P_3 &= (L_1, 0, L_3) \\\vec{v}_{2,3} &= (L_1, 0, L_3)\end{aligned}$$

The displacement vector starting at P_3 and ending at Q_3 :

$$\begin{aligned}Q_3 - P_3 &= (0, L_2, L_3) - (0, L_2, 0) \\Q_3 - P_3 &= (0, 0, L_3) \\\vec{v}_{3,3} &= (0, 0, L_3)\end{aligned}$$

The displacement vector starting at P_3 and ending at Q_4 :

$$\begin{aligned}Q_4 - P_3 &= (0, 0, L_3) - (0, L_2, 0) \\Q_4 - P_3 &= (0, -L_2, L_3) \\\vec{v}_{4,3} &= (0, -L_2, L_3)\end{aligned}$$

2) Let the differential equation $u''(x) + \lambda u(x) = 0$ for $0 \leq x \leq L$, and subject to the *Dirichlet boundary conditions* $u(0) = 0$ and $u(L_1) = 0$ be given.

Next, suppose that the solutions are of the form $u(x) = e^{kx}$. Then, $u'(x) = ke^{kx}$ and $u''(x) = k^2 e^{kx}$. Plugging back in, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} k^2 e^{kx} + \lambda e^{kx} &= 0 \\ e^{kx}(k^2 + \lambda) &= 0 \\ k^2 + \lambda &= 0, \text{ which is our auxiliary equation.} \end{aligned}$$

3) Consider $\lambda < 0$. Using the auxiliary equation we obtained in question 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} k^2 + \lambda &= 0 \\ k^2 &= -\lambda \\ k &= \pm\sqrt{-\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

So, $v_1(x) = e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} x}$ and $v_2 = e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda} x}$.

Now, check the wronskian:

$$\begin{aligned} w(v_1, v_2) &= \begin{vmatrix} e^{kx} & e^{-kx} \\ ke^{kx} & -ke^{kx} \end{vmatrix} \\ w(v_1, v_2) &= (e^{kx} \cdot -ke^{kx}) - (e^{-kx} \cdot ke^{kx}) \\ w(v_1, v_2) &= (-k(e^{kx})(e^{-kx})) - (k(e^{-kx})(e^{kx})) \\ w(v_1, v_2) &= (-k \cdot 1) - (k \cdot 1) = (-k)(k) = -k^2 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $w(v_1, v_2) \neq 0$, the solutions $v_1(x)$ and $v_2(x)$ are linearly independent and thus form a fundamental set of solutions. Now, the astute reader can observe that plugging in any values (say, $\sqrt{-\lambda}$) will have the same result.

4) Now, consider $\lambda = 0$. Then, the differential equation becomes

$$u''(x) = 0$$

Then, if we integrate, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u'(x) &= c \\ u(x) &= c_1x + c_0, \text{ for some constants } c_1 \text{ and } c_0 \end{aligned}$$

Using $u(0) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u(0) &= c_1(0) + c_0 \\ 0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Using $u(L_1) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u(L_1) &= c_1(L_1) + c_0 \\ 0 &= c_0 \end{aligned}$$

So, our two solutions are $h_1(x) = 1$ and $h_2(x) = x$

Now, check the wronskian:

$$\begin{aligned} w(h_1(x), h_2(x)) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ w(h_1(x), h_2(x)) &= (1 \cdot 1) - (0 \cdot x) \\ w(h_1(x), h_2(x)) &= 1 - 0 = 1 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $w(h_1(x), h_2(x)) \neq 0$, our two solutions are linearly independent and thus form a fundamental set of solutions.

Using $u(0) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} h_1(0) &= 1 & h_2(0) &= 1 \\ 0 &= 1 & 0 &= 0 \\ h_1(L_1) &= 1 & h_2(L_1) &= 1 \\ 0 &= 1 & 0 &= L_1 \end{aligned}$$

Since the functions don't satisfy the boundary conditions, they are not *Dirichlet-Laplacian eigenfunctions*.

5) Now, consider $\lambda > 0$. Then, suppose the solutions are of the form $u(x) = e^{kx}$. Then, $u'(x) = ke^{kx}$ and $u''(x) = k^2e^{kx}$. Plugging in, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} k^2e^{kx} + \lambda e^{kx} &= 0 \\ e^{kx}(k^2 + \lambda) &= 0 \\ k^2 + \lambda &= 0 \\ k &= \pm\sqrt{-\lambda} \\ k &= \pm i\sqrt{\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

So, $u_1(x) = e^{i\sqrt{\lambda}x}$ and $u_2(x) = e^{-i\sqrt{\lambda}x}$.

Next, let $u_\lambda(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left[u_1(x) + u_2(x) \right]$.

Then,

$$u_\lambda(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + \cos(-\sqrt{\lambda}x) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \right]$$

$$u_\lambda(x) = \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

$$\text{Let } v_\lambda(x) = \frac{1}{2i} \left[\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) - \cos(-\sqrt{\lambda}x) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \right]$$

$$u_\lambda(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

Now, consider $u_\lambda(x) = \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$. Using $u(0) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u_\lambda(0) &= \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}(0)) \\ 0 &= \cos(0) \\ 0 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Then, using $u(L_1) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u_\lambda(0) &= \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L_1) \\ 0 &= \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L_1) \\ \sqrt{\lambda}L_1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now, consider $u_\lambda(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x)$. Using, Using $u(0) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u_\lambda(0) &= \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} (0)) \\ 0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then, using $u(L_1) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u_\lambda(0) &= \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} L_1) \\ 0 &= \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} L_1) \\ \sqrt{\lambda} L_1, n\pi, &\text{ where } n \in \mathbb{N} \end{aligned}$$

So, $\lambda = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L_1}\right)^2$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$. These are the allowable eigenvalues.

Denote this result as $\lambda_{n,D}$. Finally, let $u_{n,D}(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L_1}\right)$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

6) Let the differential equation $u''(y) + \lambda u(y) = 0$ for $0 \leq y \leq L_2$ and subject to the *Neumann boundary conditions* $u'(0) = 0$ and $u'(L_2) = 0$ be given. Next, suppose that the solutions are of the form $u(x) = e^{kx}$. Then, $u'(x) = ke^{kx}$ and $u''(x) = k^2e^{kx}$. Plugging in, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} k^2e^{kx} + \lambda e^{kx} &= 0 \\ e^{kx}(k^2 + \lambda) &= 0 \\ k^2 + \lambda &= 0, \text{ which is, again, our auxiliary equation.} \end{aligned}$$

Note how this auxiliary equation is exactly the same as the one we obtained in number two.

7) Consider $\lambda < 0$. Using the auxiliary equation we obtained in question six, we have

$$\begin{aligned} k^2 + \lambda &= 0 \\ k^2 &= -\lambda \\ k &= \pm\sqrt{-\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

So, $v_1(y) = e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} x}$ and $v_2(y) = e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda} x}$.

Now, check the wronskian:

$$\begin{aligned} w(v_1(y), v_2(y)) &= \begin{vmatrix} e^{ky} & e^{-ky} \\ ke^{ky} & -ke^{ky} \end{vmatrix} \\ w(v_1(y), v_2(y)) &= (e^{ky} \cdot -ke^{ky}) - (e^{-ky} \cdot ke^{ky}) \\ w(v_1(y), v_2(y)) &= (-k(e^{ky})(e^{-ky})) - (k(e^{-ky})(e^{ky})) \\ w(v_1(y), v_2(y)) &= (-k \cdot 1) - (k \cdot 1) = (-k)(k) = -k^2 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $w(v_1(y), v_2(y)) \neq 0$, the solutions $v_1(y)$ and $v_2(y)$ are linearly independent and thus form a fundamental set of solutions. Now, the astute reader can observe that plugging in any values (say, $\sqrt{-\lambda}$) will have the same result.

Next, taking derivatives, we have:

$$v'_1(y) = \sqrt{-\lambda} e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} y} \text{ and } v'_2(y) = -\sqrt{-\lambda} e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda} y}.$$

Using $u'(0) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} v'_1(0) &= \sqrt{-\lambda} e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} (0)} & v'_2(0) &= -\sqrt{-\lambda} e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} (0)} \\ v'_1(0) &= \sqrt{-\lambda} & v'_2(0) &= -\sqrt{-\lambda} \\ 0 &= \sqrt{-\lambda} & 0 &= -\sqrt{-\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

Using $u'(L_2) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} v'_1(L_2) &= \sqrt{-\lambda} e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} (L_2)} & v'_2(L_2) &= -\sqrt{-\lambda} e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} (L_2)} \\ 0 &= \sqrt{-\lambda} e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} (L_2)} & 0 &= -\sqrt{-\lambda} e^{\sqrt{-\lambda} (L_2)} \end{aligned}$$

Since the functions $v_1(y)$ and $v_2(y)$ do not satisfy the boundary conditions, they are not *Neumann-Laplacian eigenfunctions*.

8) Now, consider $\lambda = 0$. Then, the differential equation becomes

$$u''(y) = 0$$

Then, if we integrate, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u'(y) &= c \\ u(y) &= c_1 y + c_0, \text{ for some constants } c_1 \text{ and } c_0 \end{aligned}$$

Using $u(0) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u(0) &= c_1(0) + c_0 \\ 0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Using $u(L_1) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u(L_1) &= c_1(L_1) + c_0 \\ 0 &= c_0 \end{aligned}$$

Similar to the *Dirichlet-Laplacian eigenproblem*, our two solutions are $h_1(y) = 1$ and $h_2(y) = y$

Now, check the wronskian:

$$\begin{aligned} w(h_1(y), h_2(y)) &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ w(h_1(y), h_2(y)) &= (1 \cdot 1) - (0 \cdot y) \\ w(h_1(y), h_2(y)) &= 1 - 0 = 1 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $w(h_1(y), h_2(y)) \neq 0$, our two solutions are linearly independent and thus form a fundamental set of solutions.

Calculating some derivatives, we have:

$$h'_1(y) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad h'_2(y) = 1$$

Using $u'(0) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} h'_1(0) &= 0 & h'_2(0) &= 1 \\ 0 &= 0 & 0 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Using $u'(L_2) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} h'_1(L_2) &= 0 & h'_2(L_2) &= 1 \\ 0 &= 0 & 0 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Just as in the *Dirichlet-Laplacian eigenproblem*, the corresponding harmonic functions do not satisfy the boundary conditions, and in this case, are not *Neumann-Laplacian eigenfunctions*.

9) Now, consider $\lambda > 0$. Then, suppose the solutions are of the form $u(y) = e^{ky}$. Then, $u'(y) = ke^{ky}$ and $u''(y) = k^2e^{ky}$. Plugging in, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} k^2e^{ky} + \lambda e^{ky} &= 0 \\ e^{ky}(k^2 + \lambda) &= 0 \\ k^2 + \lambda &= 0 \\ k &= \pm\sqrt{-\lambda} \\ k &= \pm i\sqrt{\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

So, $u_1(y) = e^{i\sqrt{\lambda}y}$ and $u_2(y) = e^{-i\sqrt{\lambda}y}$.

Next, let $u_\lambda(y) = \frac{1}{2} \left[u_1(y) + u_2(y) \right]$.

Then,

$$u_\lambda(y) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}y) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}y) + \cos(-\sqrt{\lambda}y) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}y) \right]$$

$$u_\lambda(y) = \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}y)$$

$$\text{Let } v_\lambda(y) = \frac{1}{2i} \left[\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}y) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}y) - \cos(-\sqrt{\lambda}y) + i\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}y) \right]$$

$$v_\lambda(y) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}y)$$

Now, calculating some derivatives, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u'_\lambda(y) &= -\sqrt{\lambda}\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}y) \\ v_\lambda(y) &= \sqrt{\lambda}\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}y) \end{aligned}$$

Now, consider $u_\lambda(x) = \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$. Using $u'(0) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u'_\lambda(0) &= -\sqrt{\lambda}\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}y) \\ u'_\lambda(0) &= 0 \\ 0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then, using $u'(L_2) = 0$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} u'_\lambda(L_2) &= -\sqrt{\lambda}\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}l_2) \\ 0 &= \sqrt{\lambda}\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L_2) \\ 0 &= \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L_2) \\ \sqrt{\lambda}L_2, n\pi, &\text{ where } n \in \mathbb{N} \end{aligned}$$

So, $\lambda = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L_2} \right)^2$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$. These are the allowable eigenvalues.

Denote this result as $\lambda_{n,N}$. Finally, let $u_{n,N}(y) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L_2}\right)$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

10) The two sets of *eigendata* that were obtained from the two problems for the one-dimensional *Laplacian* are identical except for some notation changes here and there.