

#### 4. Sturm-Liouville BVP

1. For which values of  $\lambda$  does the boundary value problem (BVP)

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

has non-trivial solutions?

2. Write the following ODEs in the form,  $(r(x)y')' + (q(x) + \lambda p(x))y = 0$

(a)  $xy'' + (1 - x)y' + x^2y + \lambda y = 0$

(b)  $(1 - x^2)y'' - 2xy' + n(n + 1)y = 0$

(c)  $x^2y'' - 2x^3y + y \sin x + \lambda y \cos x = 0$ .

(d)  $(\sin^2 x)y'' + (\cos x)y' + g(x)y = 0$ .

3. Determine whether the given boundary value problem is self-adjoint or not.

(a)  $y'' + y' + 2y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y(1) = 0$

(b)  $y'' + y = \lambda y, \quad y(0) - y'(1) = 0, \quad y'(0) - y(1) = 0$

(c)  $(1 + x^2)y'' + 2xy' + y = 0, \quad y'(0) = 0, \quad y(1) + 2y'(1) = 0$

(d)  $(1 + x^2)y'' + 2xy' + y = \lambda(1 + x^2)y, \quad y(0) - y'(1) = 0, \quad y'(0) + 2y(1) = 0$

(e)  $y'' + \lambda y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y(\pi) + y'(\pi) = 0$ .

(Hint: Try to write the above ODEs in  $L(y) + \lambda p(x)y = 0$ , where  $L(y) = (r(x)y')' + q(x)y$  and use Lagrange's Identity with the help of the given boundary conditions )

4. Find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of the following boundary value problems:

(a)  $(e^{2x}y)' + e^{2x}(1 + \lambda)y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y(\pi) = 0$

(b)  $y'' + \lambda y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $y'(1) = 0$

(c)  $x^2 y'' + xy' + \lambda y = 0$ ,  $y(1) = 0$ ,  $y(\ell) = 0$

5. Determine the normalised eigenfunctions of the BVP

$$y'' + \lambda y = 0, \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y(1) = 0.$$