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d) Finally, show that, by choosing

$$\Psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Q(x)}},$$

the equation becomes

$$x^2 + Q(x)\Psi = -\lambda\Psi,$$

where

$$Q = \frac{\pi^2(a\alpha)^2}{4(b\alpha)^2} - \frac{(a\alpha)^2}{4b^2\alpha^2}.$$

This is called the Liouville normal form of the original equation.

8.2 Regular and Periodic Sturm-Liouville Problems

It turns out that statements 3-5 of the previous section are "nearly" true for the regular Sturm-Liouville problem

$$L\psi = -\psi'' + q\psi = -\lambda\psi, \quad a < x < b, \quad \psi(a) = \psi(b) = 0. \quad (8.2)$$

We'll state here without proof two of the theorems which are too difficult to prove at this level. Then we'll prove the remaining three, using some of the methods of proof of the previous section.

Theorem 8.1 The eigenvalues of the regular Sturm-Liouville problem (8.2) form an infinite sequence

$$\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \lambda_3 < \dots$$

with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n = \infty.$$

Theorem 8.2 The eigenfunctions of the regular Sturm-Liouville problem (8.2) form a complete set in the space of piecewise smooth functions on $a \leq x \leq b$, complete in the sense that functions which differ at finitely many points are equivalent.

For proofs see, e.g., the classic text *Theory of Ordinary Differential Equations* by Coddington and Levinson.

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