

## Lecture Outline for Wednesday, Oct. 18

## 1. Converting second-order ODEs to self-adjoint Sturm-Liouville form

a. A second-order ODE of the form

$$a(x)y'' + b(x)y' + c(x)y + \lambda d(x)y = 0$$

can be converted to the equivalent Sturm-Liouville equation in adjoint form

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ r(x) \frac{dy}{dx} \right] + q(x)y + \lambda p(x)y = 0.$$

b. Conversion steps:

i. Compute the integrating factor  $\mu(x)$  (watch out for  $a(x) = 0$  for any  $x$  over the bounded interval):

$$\mu(x) = \exp \left( \int \frac{b(x)}{a(x)} dx \right)$$

ii. Compute the elements of the S-L adjoint form:

$$r(x) = \mu(x)$$

$$q(x) = \frac{c(x)}{a(x)} \mu(x)$$

$$p(x) = \frac{d(x)}{a(x)} \mu(x)$$

iii. Verify that  $r(x), p(x) > 0$  over interval of solution

## 2. Example: Convert parametric Bessel's equation to Sturm-Liouville equation in self-adjoint form:

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

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Identify the variable coefficients:

$$a(x) = x^2 \quad b(x) = x \quad c(x) = -v^2 \quad d(x) = x^2$$

Compute the integrating factor:

$$\mu(x) = \exp\left(\int \frac{b(x)}{a(x)} dx\right) = \exp\left(\int \frac{x}{x^2} dx\right) = \exp\left(\int \frac{1}{x} dx\right) = e^{\ln x} = x$$

$$\rightarrow r(x) = \mu(x) = x \quad q(x) = \frac{c(x)}{a(x)} \mu(x) = \frac{-v^2}{x^2} x = \frac{-v^2}{x} \quad p(x) = \frac{d(x)}{a(x)} \mu(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2} x = x$$

Self-adjoint form of Bessel's equation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ x \frac{dy}{dx} \right] - \frac{v^2}{x} y + \lambda xy = 0$$

Significance: We now know the kernel  $p(x)$  used in the inner product;  $p(x) = x$ :

$$\langle y_m, y_n \rangle = \int_a^b xy_m(x) y_n(x) dx = \begin{cases} 0, & m \neq n \\ C_m, & m = n \end{cases}$$

3. Example: Solve the BVP

$$x^2 y'' + xy' + \lambda x^2 y = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad y'(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad y(1) = 0$$

a. Compare to general form  $x^2 y'' + xy' + (\lambda x^2 - v^2) y = 0 \rightarrow v = 0$

b. Solution:

$$y(x) = c_1 J_0(\sqrt{\lambda} x) + c_2 Y_0(\sqrt{\lambda} x) \rightarrow y'(x) = -c_1 \sqrt{\lambda} J_1(\sqrt{\lambda} x) - c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} Y_1(\sqrt{\lambda} x)$$

Apply BC #1:

$$y'(0) = 0 = -c_1 \sqrt{\lambda} J_1(0) - c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} Y_1(0) = -c_1 \sqrt{\lambda} (0) - c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} (-\infty)$$

Since  $Y_1(0) \rightarrow -\infty$  (as does  $Y_0(0)$ ),  $Y_0(\sqrt{\lambda} x)$  is not a viable solution. Apply BC #2:

$$y(1) = 0 = c_1 J_0(\sqrt{\lambda})$$

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This implies that  $\lambda$  can only have values for which  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = r_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , where  $r_n$  are the roots (zeros) of  $J_0$ .

c. First four roots of  $J_0$ : 2.4048, 5.5201, 8.6537, 11.7915

d. Try evaluating inner product with and without  $p(x)$ ; this is the focus of Lab #6:

$$\left\langle J_0\left(\sqrt{\lambda_m}x\right), J_0\left(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x\right) \right\rangle = \int_0^1 J_0\left(\sqrt{\lambda_m}x\right) J_0\left(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x\right) dx = ?$$

or

$$\left\langle J_0\left(\sqrt{\lambda_m}x\right), J_0\left(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x\right) \right\rangle = \int_0^1 x J_0\left(\sqrt{\lambda_m}x\right) J_0\left(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x\right) dx = ?$$