

# Analysis of the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions for $y''(x) + \lambda y(x) = 0$ for all possible homogeneous boundary conditions

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The eigenvalues and eigenfunctions for  $y'' + \lambda y = 0$  over  $0 < x < L$  for all possible combinations of homogeneous boundary conditions are derived analytically. For each boundary condition case, a plot of the first few normalized eigenfunctions are given as well as the numerical values of the first few eigenvalues for the special case when  $L = \pi$ .

# 1 Summary of result

This section is a summary of the results. It shows for each boundary conditions the eigenvalues found and the corresponding eigenfunctions, and the full solution. A partial list of the numerical values of the eigenvalues for  $L = \pi$  is given and a plot of the first few normalized eigenfunctions.

## 1.1 case 1: boundary conditions $y(0) = 0, y(L) = 0$

eigenvalues		eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	None	None
$\lambda = 0$	None	None
$\lambda > 0$	$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$\Phi_n(x) = c_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$

Normalized eigenfunctions: For  $L = 1$ ,

$$\Phi_n(x) = \sqrt{2} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$$

For  $L = \pi$ ,

$$\Phi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$$

List of eigenvalues

$$\left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{4\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{9\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{16\pi^2}{L^2}, \dots \right\}$$

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$

$$\{1, 4, 9, 16, 25, \dots\}$$

This is a plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

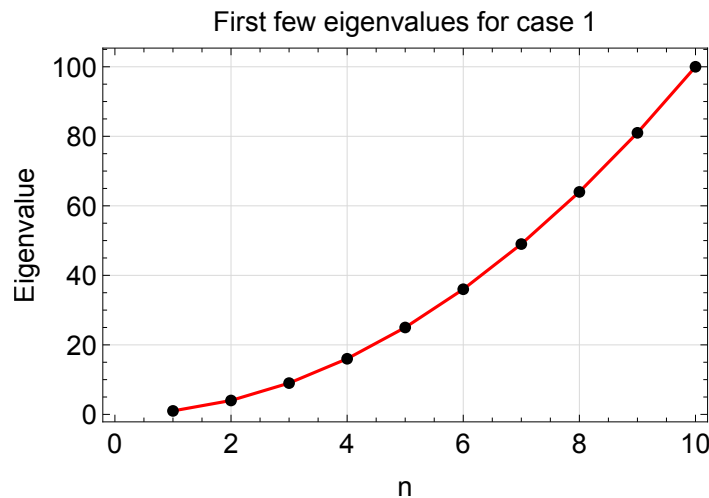


Figure 1: plot of eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues. We see that the number of zeros for  $\Phi_n(x)$  is  $n - 1$  inside the interval  $0 < x < \pi$ . (not counting the end points). Hence  $\Phi_1(x)$  which correspond to  $\lambda_1 = 1$  in this case, will have no zeros inside the interval. While  $\Phi_2(x)$  which correspond to  $\lambda_2 = 4$  in this case, will have one zero and so on.

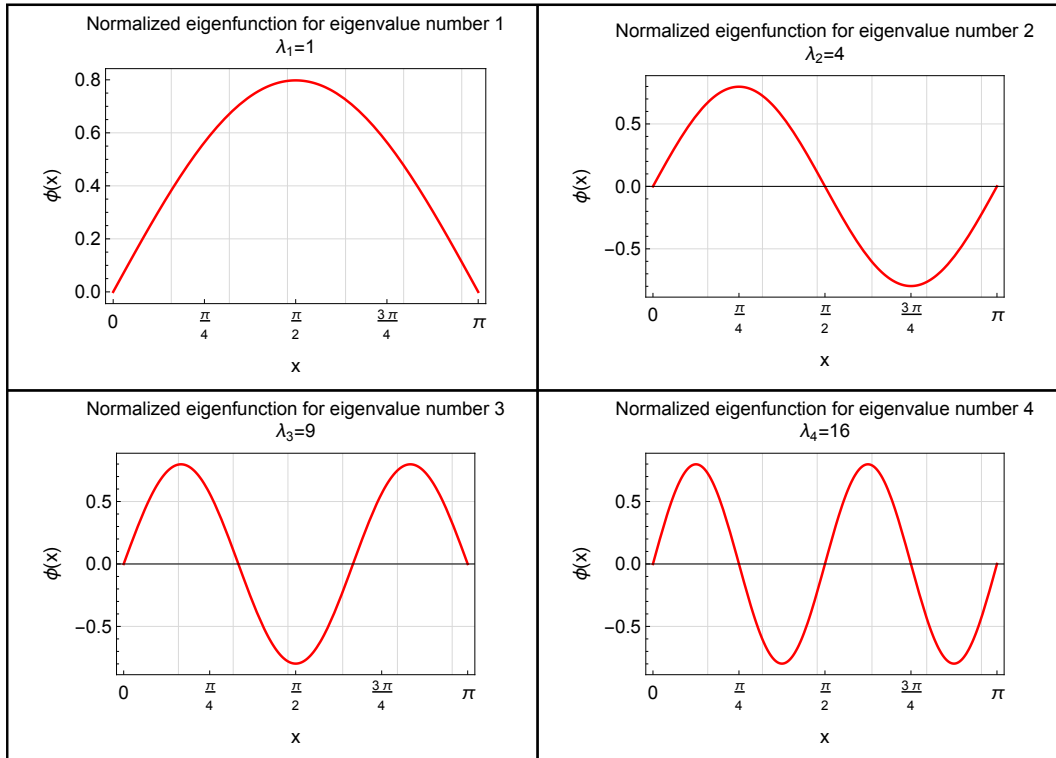


Figure 2: plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunction

## 1.2 case 2: boundary conditions $y(0) = 0, y'(L) = 0$

eigenvalues		eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	None	None
$\lambda = 0$	None	None
$\lambda > 0$	$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{2L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$	$\Phi_n(x) = c_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$

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For  $L = \pi$ ,

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List of eigenvalues

$$\left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{4L^2}, \frac{9\pi^2}{4L^2}, \frac{25\pi^2}{4L^2}, \frac{49\pi^2}{4L^2}, \dots \right\}$$

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$

$$\{0.25, 2.25, 6.25, 12.25, 20.25, \dots\}$$

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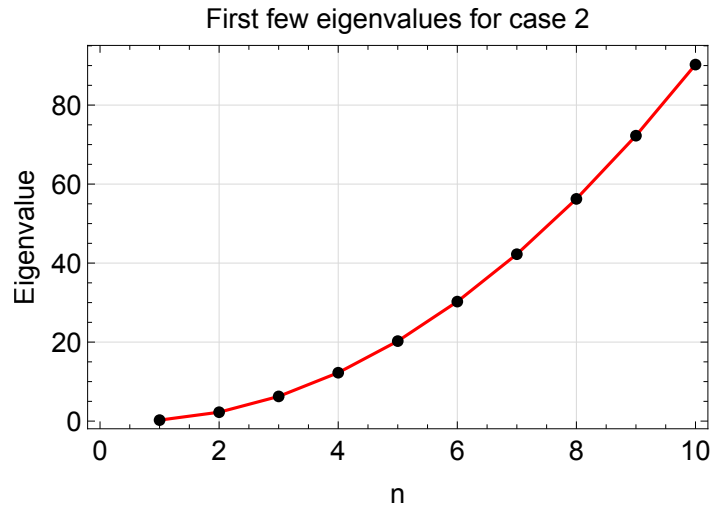


Figure 3: plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues.

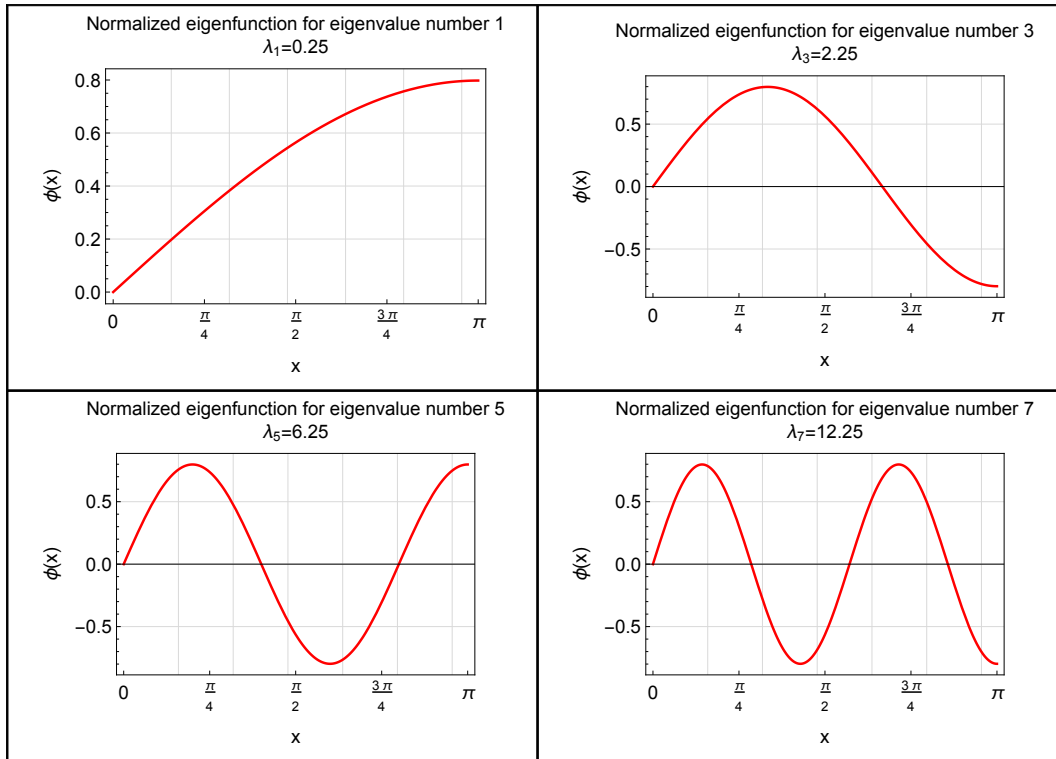


Figure 4: plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions

### 1.3 case 3: boundary conditions $y(0) = 0, y(L) + y'(L) = 0$

eigenvalues		eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	None	None
$\lambda = 0$	None	None
$\lambda > 0$	roots of $\tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) + \sqrt{\lambda} = 0$	$\Phi_n(x) = c_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x)$

Normalized eigenfunctions: For  $L = \pi$ ,

$$\Phi_1 = (0.729448) \sin(\sqrt{0.620}x)$$

$$\Phi_2 = (0.766385) \sin(\sqrt{2.794}x)$$

⋮

The normalization constant in this case depends on the eigenvalue.

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$  (since there is no analytical solution)

$$\{0.620, 2.794, 6.845, 12.865, 20.879, \dots\}$$

This is a plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

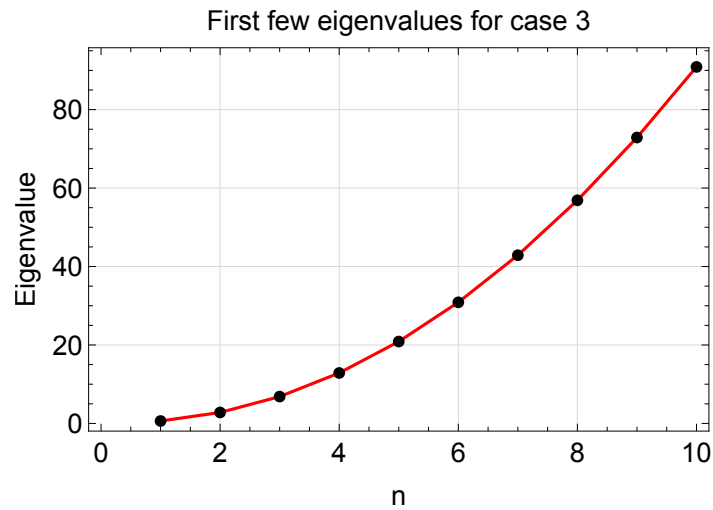


Figure 5: plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues.

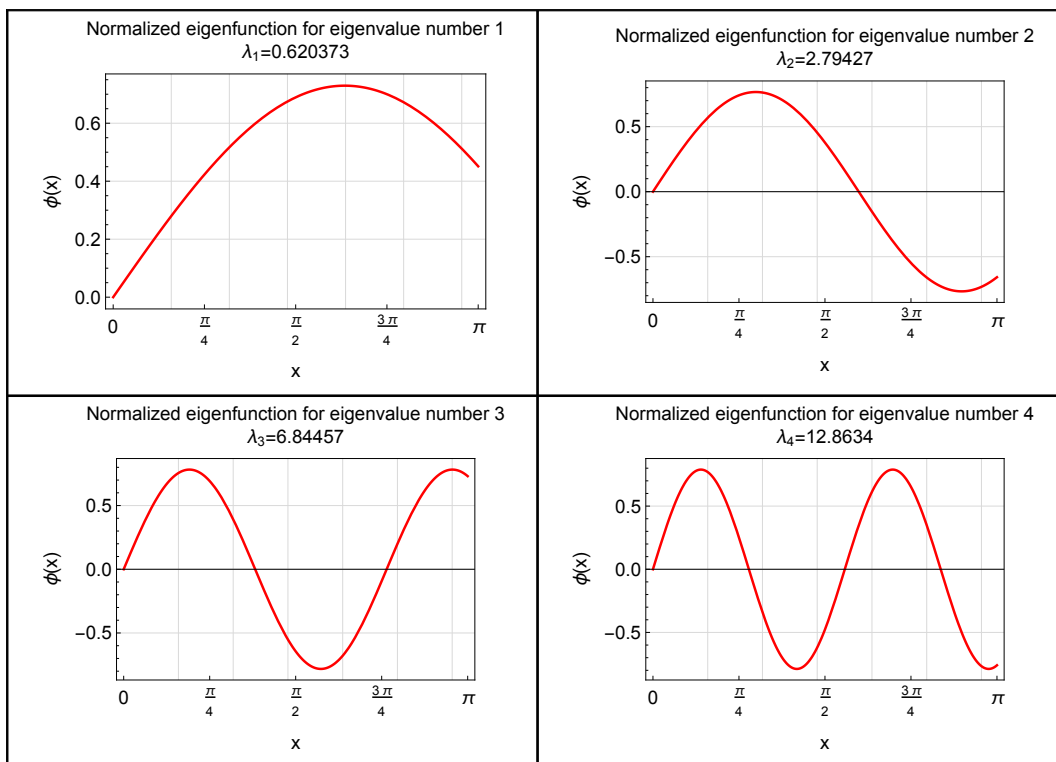


Figure 6: plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions

### 1.4 case 4: boundary conditions $y'(0) = 0, y(L) = 0$

eigenvalues		eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	None	None
$\lambda = 0$	None	None
$\lambda > 0$	$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{2L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$	$\Phi_n(x) = c_n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$

Normalized eigenfunctions for  $L = 1$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{2} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

When  $L = \pi$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

List of eigenvalues

$$\left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{4L^2}, \frac{9\pi^2}{4L^2}, \frac{25\pi^2}{4L^2}, \frac{49\pi^2}{4L^2}, \dots \right\}$$

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$

$$\{0.25, 2.25, 6.25, 12.25, 20.25, \dots\}$$

This is a plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

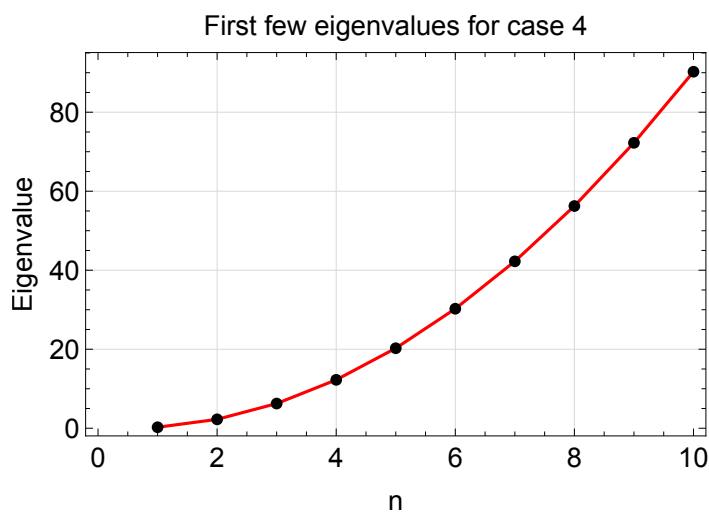


Figure 7: plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues.

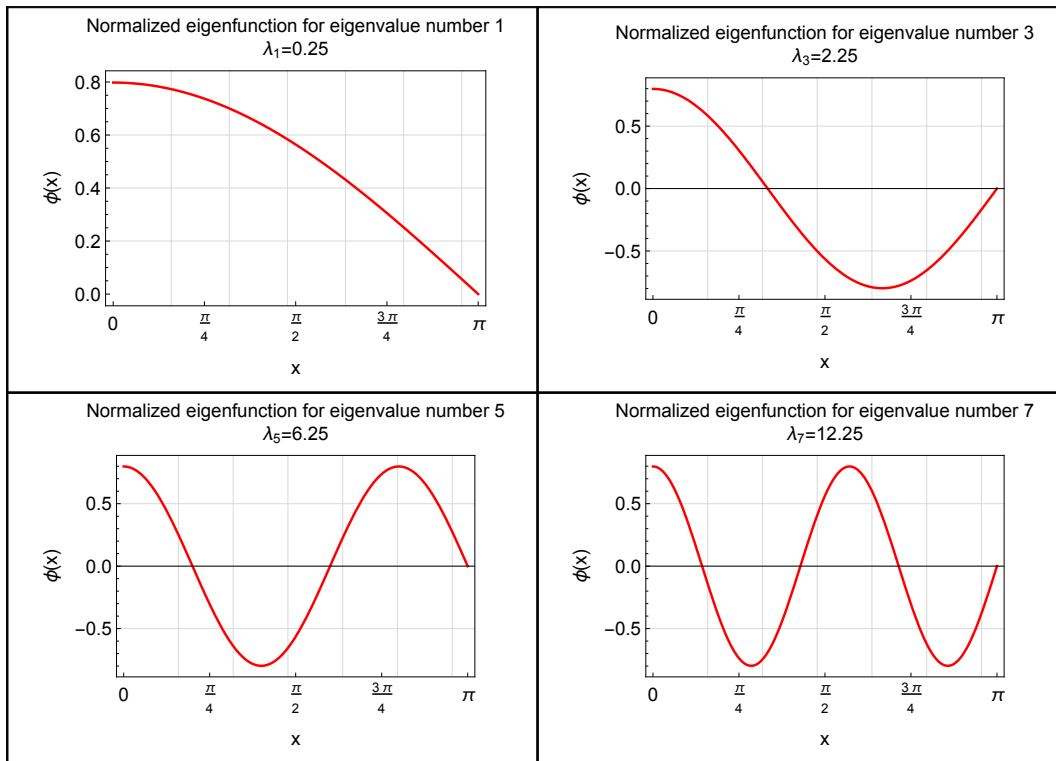


Figure 8: plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions

### 1.5 case 5: boundary conditions $y'(0) = 0, y'(L) = 0$

eigenvalues		eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	None	None
$\lambda = 0$	Yes	constant say 1
$\lambda > 0$	$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$\Phi_n(x) = c_n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)$

Normalized eigenfunction when  $L = 1$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{2} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

When  $L = \pi$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

For  $\tilde{\Phi}_0$ , When  $L = 1$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_0 = 1$$



When  $L = \pi$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_0 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}$$

List of eigenvalues

$$\left\{ 0, \frac{\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{4\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{9\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{16\pi^2}{L^2}, \dots \right\}$$

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$

$$\{0, 1, 4, 9, 16, \dots\}$$

This is a plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

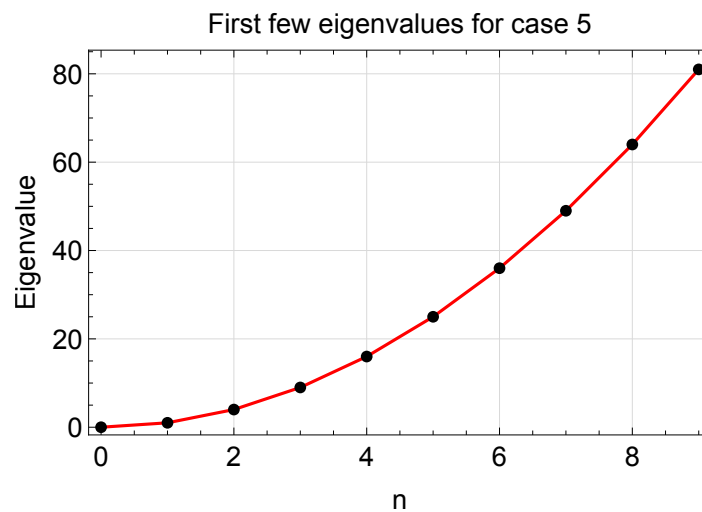


Figure 9: plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues.

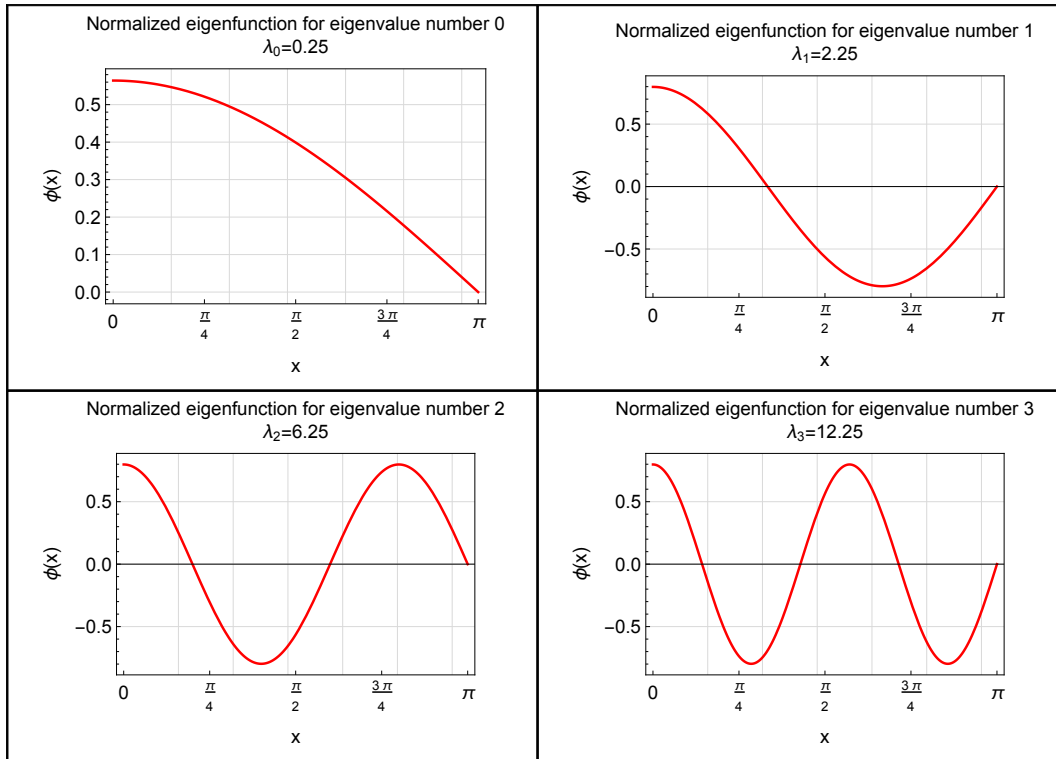


Figure 10: plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions

### 1.6 case 6: boundary conditions $y'(0) = 0, y(L) + y'(L) = 0$

eigenvalues		eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	None	None
$\lambda = 0$	None	None
$\lambda > 0$	Roots of $\sqrt{\lambda} \tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 1$	$\Phi_n(x) = c_n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x)$

Normalized eigenfunctions for  $L = \pi$  are

$$\Phi_1 = (0.705925) \cos(\sqrt{0.147033}x)$$

$$\Phi_2 = (0.751226) \cos(\sqrt{1.48528}x)$$

$\vdots$

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$  (There is no analytical solution for the roots)

$$\{0.147033, 1.48528, 4.576, 9.606, 16.622, \dots\}$$

This is a plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

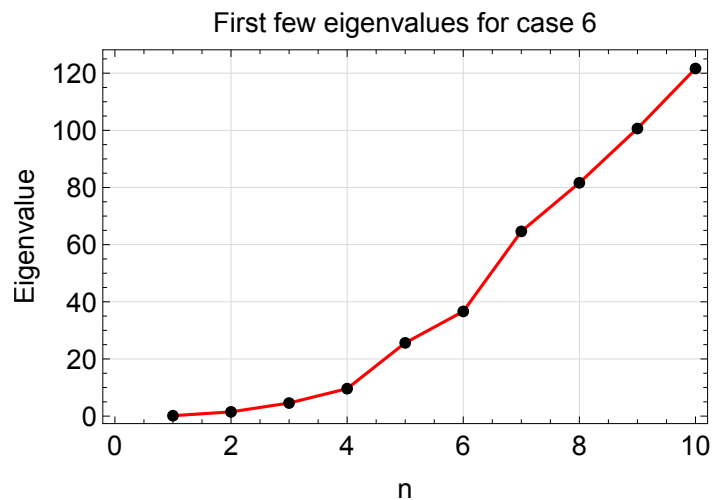


Figure 11: plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues.

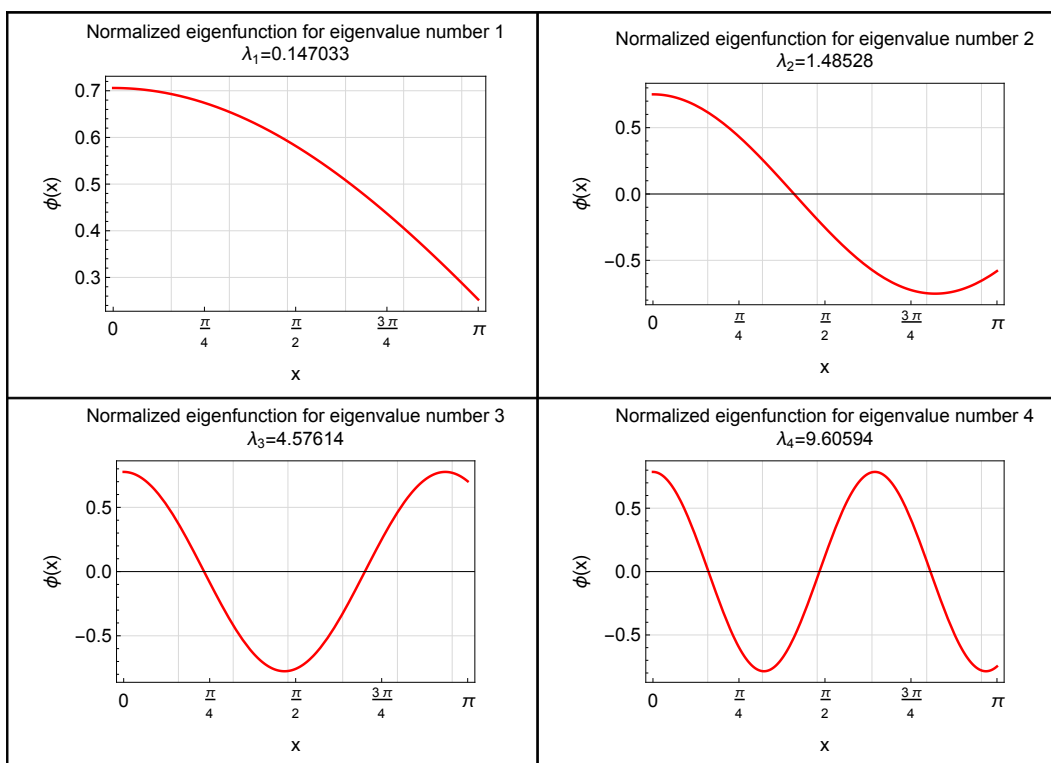


Figure 12: plot showing the corresponding normalized eigenfunctions

### 1.7 case 7: boundary conditions $y(0)+y'(0) = 0, y(L) = 0$

eigenvalues		eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	Root of $\tanh(\sqrt{-\lambda}L) = \sqrt{-\lambda}$ (one root)	$\Phi(x) = \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x) - \sqrt{-\lambda} \cosh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x)$
$\lambda = 0$	None	None
$\lambda > 0$	Roots of $\tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = \sqrt{\lambda}$	$\Phi_n(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) - \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$  (There is no analytical solution for the roots)

$$\{-0.992, 1.664, 5.631, 11.623, \dots\}$$

This is a plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

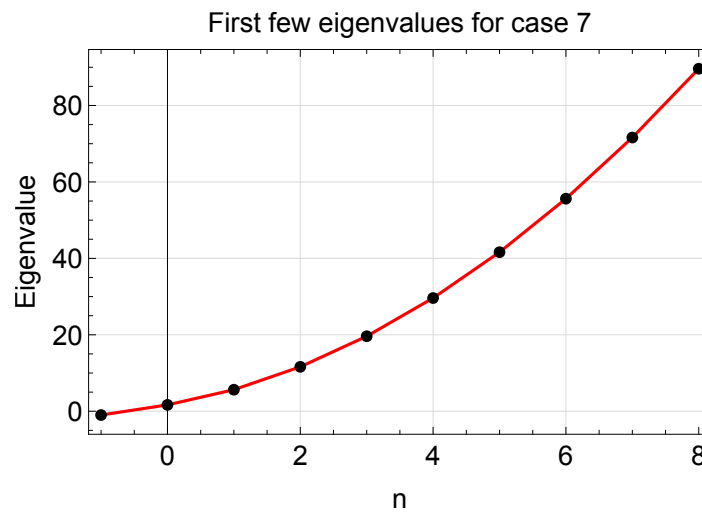


Figure 13: plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues.

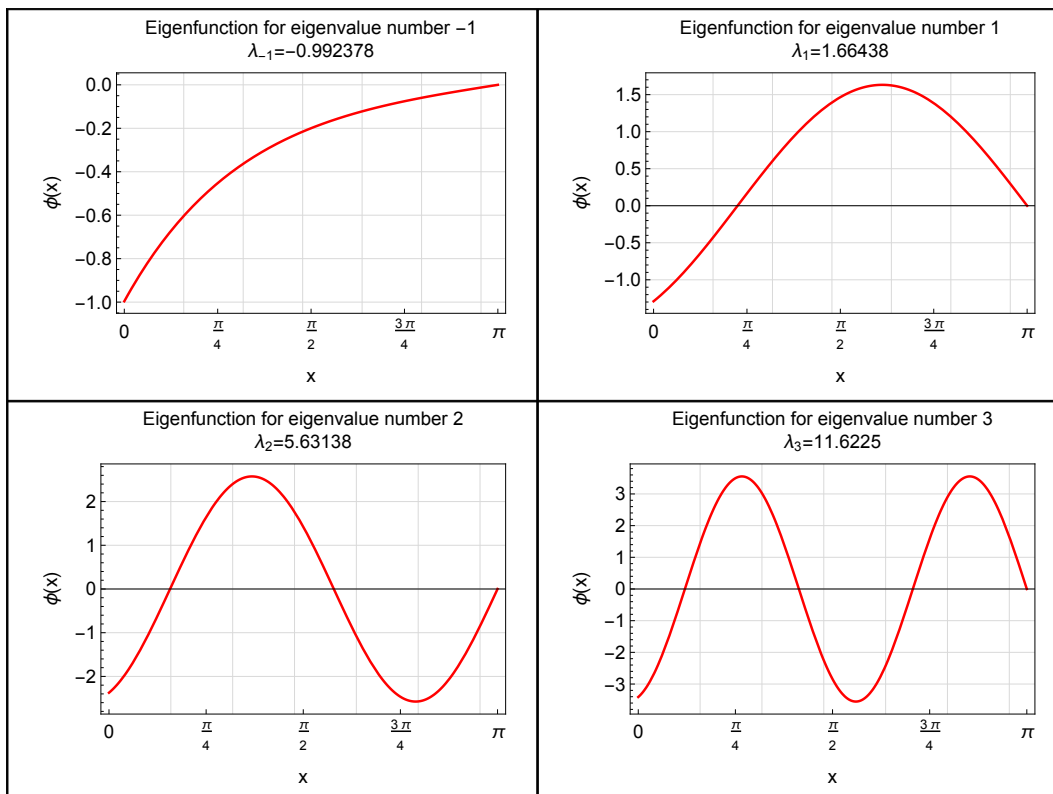


Figure 14: plot showing the corresponding eigenfunctions

### 1.8 case 8: boundary conditions $y(0)+y'(0) = 0, y'(L) = 0$

eigenvalues	eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	Root of $\tanh(\sqrt{-\lambda}L) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-\lambda}}$ (one root)
$\lambda = 0$	None
$\lambda > 0$	Roots of $\tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$
	$\Phi_{-1}(x) = \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x) - \sqrt{-\lambda} \cosh(\sqrt{-\lambda}x)$
	None
	$\Phi_n(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) - \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$  (There is no analytical solution for the roots)

$$\{-1.007, 0.480, 3.392, 8.376, 24, 368, \dots\}$$

This is a plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

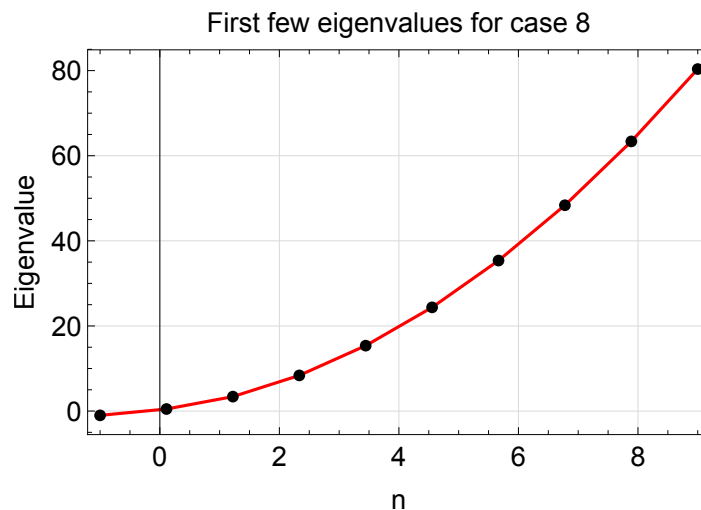


Figure 15: plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues.

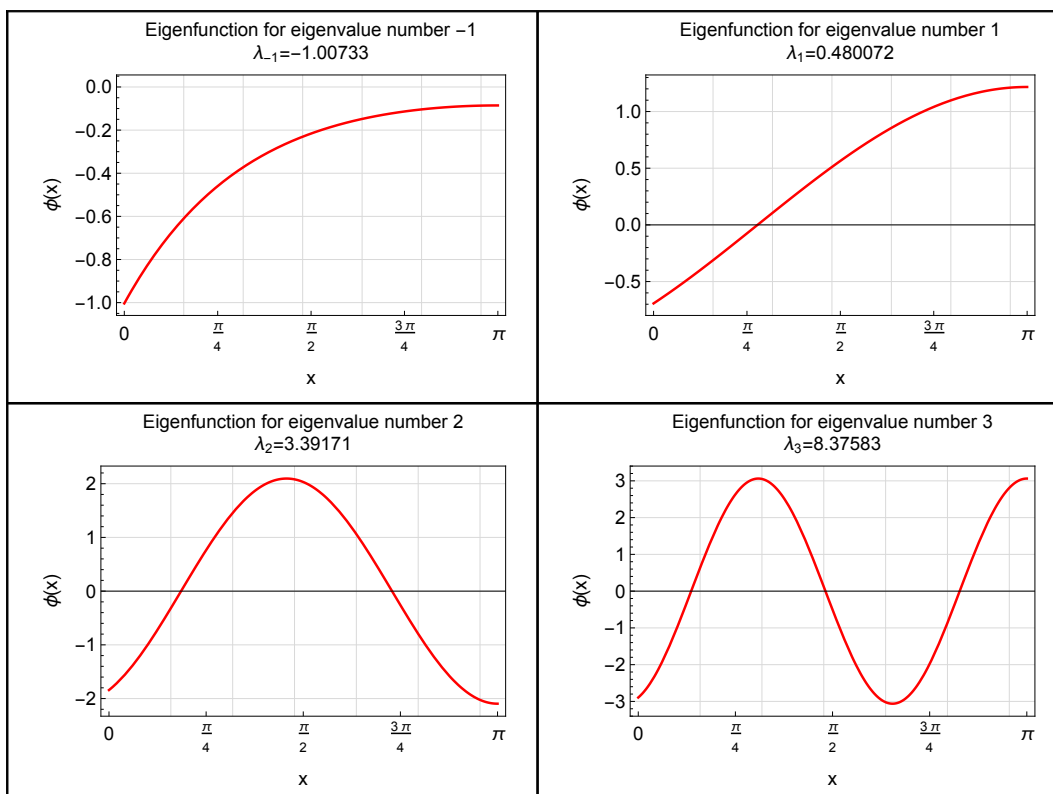


Figure 16: plot showing the corresponding eigenfunctions

### 1.9 case 9: boundary conditions $y(0)+y'(0) = 0, y(L) + y'(L) = 0$

eigenvalues		eigenfunctions
$\lambda < 0$	-1	$\Phi_{-1}(x) = \sinh(x) - \cosh(x)$
$\lambda = 0$	None	None
$\lambda > 0$	$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$\Phi_n(x) = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) - \sqrt{\lambda_n} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x)$

List of eigenvalues

$$\left\{ -1, \frac{\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{4\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{9\pi^2}{L^2}, \frac{16\pi^2}{L^2}, \dots \right\}$$

List of numerical eigenvalues when  $L = \pi$

$$\{-1, 1, 4, 9, 16, \dots\}$$

This is a plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

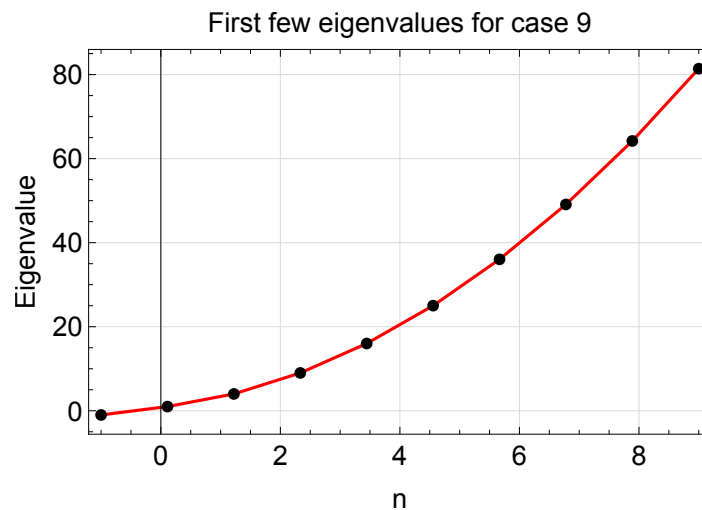


Figure 17: plot showing how the eigenvalues change in value

This is a plot showing the corresponding eigenfunctions for the first 4 eigenvalues.

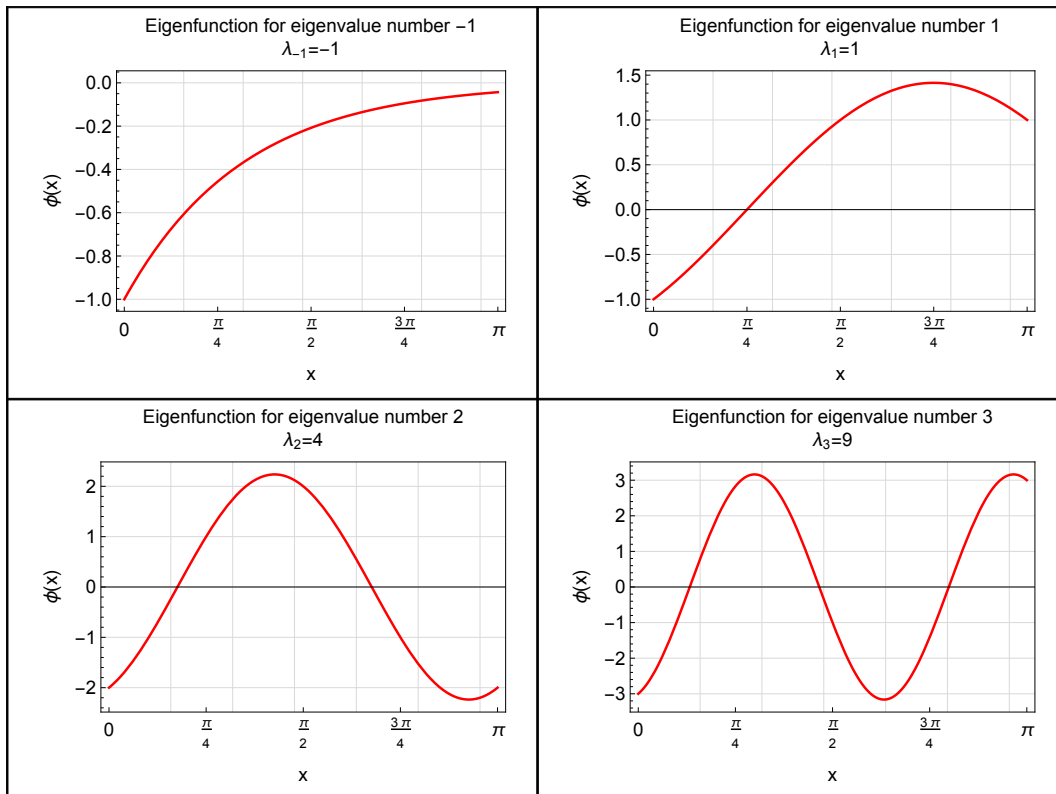


Figure 18: plot showing the corresponding eigenfunctions

## 2 Derivations

### 2.1 case 1: boundary conditions $y(0) = 0, y(L) = 0$

Let the solution be  $y = Ae^{rx}$ . This leads to the characteristic equation

$$r^2 + \lambda = 0$$

$$r = \pm\sqrt{-\lambda}$$

Let  $\lambda < 0$

In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is also positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$y = c_1 \cosh(\mu x) + c_2 \sinh(\mu x)$$

First B.C.  $y(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 \sinh(\mu x)$$



The second B.C.  $y(L) = 0$  results in

$$0 = c_2 \sinh(\mu L)$$

But  $\sinh(\mu L) \neq 0$  since  $\mu L \neq 0$ , hence  $c_2 = 0$ , Leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda < 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda = 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x$$

First B.C.  $y(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 x$$

Applying the second B.C.  $y(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_2 L$$

Therefore  $c_2 = 0$ , leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda > 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x)$$

First B.C.  $y(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} L)$$

Non-trivial solution implies  $\sin(\sqrt{\lambda} L) = 0$  or  $\sqrt{\lambda} L = n\pi$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\lambda_n} &= \frac{n\pi}{L} & n &= 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ \lambda_n &= \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 & n &= 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding eigenfunctions are

$$\Phi_n = c_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The normalized  $\tilde{\Phi}_n$  eigenfunctions are now found. In this problem the weight function is  $r(x) = 1$ , therefore solving for  $c_n$  from

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^L r(x) \Phi_n^2 dx &= 1 \\
\int_0^L c_n^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx &= 1 \\
c_n^2 \int_0^L \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \right) dx &= 1 \\
\int_0^L \frac{1}{2} dx - \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx &= \frac{1}{c_n^2} \\
\frac{1}{2}L - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)}{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \right)_0^L &= \frac{1}{c_n^2} \\
\frac{1}{2}L - \frac{1}{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} L) &= \frac{1}{c_n^2} \\
2\sqrt{\lambda_n} L - \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} L) &= \frac{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{c_n^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L - \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L)}}$$

For example, when  $L = 1$  the normalization constant becomes (since now  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{L} = n\pi$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{4n\pi}{2n\pi - \sin(2n\pi)}} \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{4n\pi}{2n\pi}} \\
c_n &= \sqrt{2}
\end{aligned}$$

For  $L = \pi$ , the normalization constant becomes (since now  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{\pi} = n$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{4n}{2n\pi - \sin(2n\pi)}} \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{4n}{2n\pi}} \\
c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}
\end{aligned}$$

The normalization  $c_n$  value depends on the length. When  $L = 1$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{2} \sin \left( \sqrt{\lambda_n} x \right) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

When  $L = \pi$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \sin \left( \sqrt{\lambda_n} x \right) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

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In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is also positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$y = c_1 \cosh(\mu x) + c_2 \sinh(\mu x)$$

First B.C. gives

$$0 = c_1$$

Hence solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 \sinh(\mu x)$$

Second B.C. gives

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= \mu c_2 \cosh(\mu x) \\ 0 &= \mu c_2 \cosh(\mu L) \end{aligned}$$

But  $\cosh(\mu L)$  can not be zero, hence only other choice is  $c_2 = 0$ , leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda < 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda = 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x$$

First B.C. gives

$$0 = c_1$$

Hence solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 x$$

Second B.C. gives

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= c_2 \\ 0 &= c_2 \end{aligned}$$

Leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda > 0$ , the solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

First B.C. gives

$$0 = c_1$$

Hence solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

Second B.C. gives

$$y'(x) = \sqrt{\lambda}c_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

$$0 = \sqrt{\lambda}c_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L)$$

Non-trivial solution implies  $\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0$  or  $\sqrt{\lambda}L = \frac{n\pi}{2}$  for  $n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\lambda_n}L &= \frac{n\pi}{2} \\ \sqrt{\lambda_n} &= \frac{n\pi}{2L} \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues are

$$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{2L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

The corresponding eigenfunctions are

$$\Phi_n = c_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

The normalized  $\tilde{\Phi}_n$  eigenfunctions are now found. Since the weight function is  $r(x) = 1$ , therefore solving for  $c_n$  from

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^L r(x) \Phi_n^2 dx &= 1 \\ \int_0^L c_n^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) dx &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

As was done earlier, the above results in

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L - \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L)}} \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

For  $L = 1$  the normalization constant becomes (since now  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{2L} = \frac{n\pi}{2}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{4 \frac{n\pi}{2}}{2 \frac{n\pi}{2} - \sin(2 \frac{n\pi}{2})}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2n\pi}{n\pi}} \\ c_n &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

For  $L = \pi$ , the normalization constant becomes (since now  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{2\pi} = \frac{n}{2}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{4 \frac{n}{2}}{2 \frac{n}{2} \pi - \sin(2 \frac{n}{2} \pi)}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2n}{n\pi}} \\ c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for  $L = 1$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{2} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

For  $L = \pi$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

### 2.3 case 3: boundary conditions $y(0) = 0, y(L) + y'(L) = 0$

Let the solution be  $y = Ae^{rx}$ . This leads to the characteristic equation

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

Let  $\lambda < 0$

In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is also positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$y = c_1 \cosh(\mu x) + c_2 \sinh(\mu x)$$

First B.C.  $y(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1$$

Hence solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 \sinh(\mu x)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) + y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_2(\sinh(\mu L) + \mu \cosh(\mu L))$$

But  $\sinh(\mu L) \neq 0$  since  $\mu L \neq 0$  and  $\cosh(\mu L)$  can not be zero, hence  $c_2 = 0$ , Leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda < 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda = 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x$$

First B.C.  $y(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 x$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) + y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_2 L + c_2 \\ &= c_2(1 + L) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $c_2 = 0$ , leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda > 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x)$$

First B.C.  $y(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) + y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_2 \left( \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} L) + \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} L) \right)$$

For non-trivial solution, we want  $\sin(\sqrt{\lambda} L) + \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} L) = 0$  or  $\tan(\sqrt{\lambda} L) + \sqrt{\lambda} = 0$   
Therefore the eigenvalues are given by the solution to

$$\tan(\sqrt{\lambda} L) + \sqrt{\lambda} = 0$$

And the corresponding eigenfunction is

$$\Phi_n = c_n \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The normalized  $\tilde{\Phi}_n$  eigenfunctions are now found. Since the weight function is  $r(x) = 1$ , therefore solving for  $c_n$  from

$$\int_0^L r(x) \Phi_n^2 dx = 1$$

$$\int_0^L c_n^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx = 1$$

As was done earlier, the above results in

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L - \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L)}} \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Since there is no closed form solution to  $\lambda_n$  as it is a root of nonlinear equation  $\tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) + \sqrt{\lambda} = 0$ , the normalized constant is found numerically. For  $L = \pi$ , the first few roots are

$$\lambda_n = \{0.620, 2.794, 6.845, 12.865, 20.879, \dots\}$$

In this case, the normalization constants depends on  $n$  and are not the same as in earlier cases. The following small program was written to find the first 10 normalization constants and to verify that each will make  $\int_0^L c_n^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx = 1$

The normalized constants are found to be (for  $L = \pi$ )

$$c_n = \{0.729448, 0.766385, 0.782173, 0.788879, 0.792141, 0.79393, 0.795006, 0.7957, 0.796171, 0.796506\}$$

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In[137]= L = Pi;
eig = lam /. NSolve[Tan[Sqrt[lam] L] + Sqrt[lam] == 0 && 0 < lam < 110, lam];
c[lam_] := Sqrt[ $\frac{4 \text{Sqrt}[Lam]}{2 \text{Sqrt}[Lam] \text{Pi} - \text{Sin}[2 \text{Sqrt}[Lam] \text{Pi}]}$ ];
normalizedC = c[#] & /@ eig

Out[140]= {0.729448, 0.766385, 0.782173, 0.788879, 0.792141, 0.79393, 0.795006, 0.7957, 0.796171, 0.796506}

In[141]= MapThread[Integrate[#1^2 * Sin[Sqrt[#2] x]^2, {x, 0, Pi}] &, {normalizedC, eig}]
Out[141]= {1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1.}

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Figure 19: normalized constants

The above implies that the first normalized eigenfunction is

$$\Phi_1 = (0.729448) \sin \left( \sqrt{0.620}x \right)$$

And the second one is

$$\Phi_2 = (0.766385) \sin \left( \sqrt{2.794}x \right)$$

And so on.

## 2.4 case 4: boundary conditions $y'(0) = 0, y(L) = 0$

Let the solution be  $y = Ae^{rx}$ . This leads to the characteristic equation

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

Let  $\lambda < 0$

In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is also positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$\begin{aligned} y &= c_1 \cosh(\mu x) + c_2 \sinh(\mu x) \\ y' &= c_1 \mu \sinh(\mu x) + c_2 \mu \cosh(\mu x) \end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_2 \mu \\ c_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1 \cosh(\mu x)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 \cosh(\mu L)$$

But  $\cosh(\mu L)$  can not be zero, hence  $c_1 = 0$ , Leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda < 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda = 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_2$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1$$



Second B.C.  $y(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1$$

Therefore  $c_1 = 0$ , leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda > 0$ , The solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \\ y'(x) &= -c_1\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_2\sqrt{\lambda} \\ c_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L)$$

For non-trivial solution, we want  $\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0$  or  $\sqrt{\lambda}L = \frac{n\pi}{2}$  for odd  $n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$   
Therefore

$$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{2L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

The corresponding eigenfunctions are

$$\Phi_n = c_n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

The normalized  $\tilde{\Phi}_n$  eigenfunctions are now found. In this problem the weight function is  $r(x) = 1$ , therefore solving for  $c_n$  from

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^L r(x) \Phi_n^2 dx &= 1 \\
\int_0^L c_n^2 \cos^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx &= 1 \\
c_n^2 \int_0^L \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) \right) dx &= 1 \\
\int_0^L \frac{1}{2} dx + \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} x) dx &= \frac{1}{c_n^2} \\
\frac{1}{2}L + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} x)}{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \right)_0^L &= \frac{1}{c_n^2} \\
\frac{1}{2}L + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} L) &= \frac{1}{c_n^2} \\
2\sqrt{\lambda_n} L + \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n} L) &= \frac{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{c_n^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L + \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L)}}$$

For example, when  $L = 1$  the normalization constant becomes (since now  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{2L} = \frac{n\pi}{2}$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{4\frac{n\pi}{2}}{2\frac{n\pi}{2} + \sin(2\frac{n\pi}{2})}} \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{2n\pi}{n\pi}} \\
c_n &= \sqrt{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Which is the same when the eigenfunction was  $\sin(\frac{n\pi}{2L}x)$ . For  $L = \pi$ , the normalization constant becomes (since now  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{2L} = \frac{n}{2}$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{4\frac{n}{2}}{2\frac{n}{2}\pi + \sin(2\frac{n}{2}\pi)}} \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{2n}{2n\pi}} \\
c_n &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}
\end{aligned}$$

The normalization  $c_n$  value depends on the length. When  $L = 1$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{2} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

When  $L = \pi$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

## 2.5 case 5: boundary conditions $y'(0) = 0, y'(L) = 0$

Let the solution be  $y = Ae^{rx}$ . This leads to the characteristic equation

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

Let  $\lambda < 0$

In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is also positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$\begin{aligned} y &= c_1 \cosh(\mu x) + c_2 \sinh(\mu x) \\ y' &= c_1 \mu \sinh(\mu x) + c_2 \mu \cosh(\mu x) \end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_2 \mu \\ c_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1 \cosh(\mu x)$$

Second B.C.  $y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 \mu \sinh(\mu L)$$

But  $\sinh(\mu L)$  can not be zero since  $\mu L \neq 0$ , hence  $c_1 = 0$ , Leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda < 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda = 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_2$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1$$

Second B.C.  $y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = 0$$

Therefore  $c_1$  can be any value. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue and the corresponding eigenfunction is any constant, say 1.

Let  $\lambda > 0$ , The solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \\ y'(x) &= -c_1\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_2\sqrt{\lambda} \\ c_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

Second B.C.  $y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = -c_1\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)$$

For non-trivial solution, we want  $\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0$  or  $\sqrt{\lambda}L = n\pi$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . Therefore

$$\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

And the corresponding eigenfunctions are

$$\Phi_n(x) = c_n \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The normalized  $\tilde{\Phi}_n$  eigenfunctions are now found. In this problem the weight function is  $r(x) = 1$ , therefore solving for  $c_n$  from

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^L r(x) \Phi_n^2 dx &= 1 \\ \int_0^L c_n^2 \cos^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) dx &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

As before, the above simplifies to

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L + \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L)}}$$

For example, when  $L = 1$  the normalization constant becomes (since now  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{L} = n\pi$ )

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{4n\pi}{2n\pi + \sin(2n\pi)}}$$

$$c_n = \sqrt{2}$$

For  $L = \pi$ , the normalization constant becomes (since now  $\sqrt{\lambda_n} = \frac{n\pi}{L} = n$ )

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{4n}{2n\pi + \sin(2n\pi)}}$$

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$$

The normalization  $c_n$  value depends on the length. When  $L = 1$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{2} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

When  $L = \pi$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

For  $n = 0$ , corresponding to the  $\lambda_0$  eigenvalue, since the eigenfunction is taken as the constant 1, then

$$\int_0^L c_0^2 dx = 1$$

$$c_0 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{L}}$$

Therefore, When  $L = 1$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_0 = 1$$

When  $L = \pi$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_0 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}$$

## 2.6 case 6: boundary conditions $y'(0) = 0, y(L) + y'(L) = 0$

Let the solution be  $y = Ae^{rx}$ . This leads to the characteristic equation

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

Let  $\lambda < 0$

In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is also positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$\begin{aligned} y &= c_1 \cosh(\mu x) + c_2 \sinh(\mu x) \\ y' &= c_1 \mu \sinh(\mu x) + c_2 \mu \cosh(\mu x) \end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_2 \mu \\ c_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1 \cosh(\mu x)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) + y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1(\cosh(\mu L) + \mu \sinh(\mu L))$$

But  $\sinh(\mu L)$  can not be negative since its argument is positive here. And  $\cosh \mu L$  is always positive. In addition  $\cosh(\mu L) + \mu \sinh(\mu L)$  can not be zero since  $\sinh(\mu L)$  can not be zero as  $\mu L \neq 0$  and  $\cosh(\mu L)$  is not zero. Therefore  $c_1 = 0$ , Leading to trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda < 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda = 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2 x$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_2$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) + y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1$$

This gives trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda > 0$ , The solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x) \\ y'(x) &= -c_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda} x) + c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda} x) \end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \\ c_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) + y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) - c_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) \\ &= c_1 (\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) - \sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)) \end{aligned}$$

For non-trivial solution, we want  $\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) - \sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0$  or  $\sqrt{\lambda} \tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 1$   
Therefore the eigenvalues are the solution to

$$\sqrt{\lambda} \tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 1$$

And the corresponding eigenfunctions are

$$\Phi_n = \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Where  $\lambda_n$  are the roots of  $\sqrt{\lambda} \tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 1$ .

The normalized  $\tilde{\Phi}_n$  eigenfunctions are now found. Since the weight function is  $r(x) = 1$ , therefore solving for  $c_n$  from

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^L r(x) \Phi_n^2 dx &= 1 \\ \int_0^L c_n^2 \cos^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) dx &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

As was done earlier, the above results in

$$c_n = \sqrt{\frac{4\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L + \sin(2\sqrt{\lambda_n}L)}} \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Since there is no closed form solution to  $\lambda_n$  as it is a root of nonlinear equation  $\sqrt{\lambda} \tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 1$ , the normalized constant is found numerically. For  $L = \pi$ , the first few roots are

$$\lambda_n = \{0.147033, 1.48528, 4.57614, 9.60594, 25.6247, 36.6282, 64.6318, 81.6328, 100.634, 121.634, \dots\}$$

In this case, the normalization constants depends on  $n$  and are not the same as in earlier cases. The following small program was written to find the first 10 normalization constants and to verify that each will make  $\int_0^L c_n^2 \cos^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) dx = 1$

The normalized constants are found to be (for  $L = \pi$ )

$$c_n = \{0.705925, 0.751226, 0.776042, 0.786174, 0.790773, 0.793157, 0.794531, \dots\}$$

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In[247]:= ClearAll[lam, c, eig];
L = Pi;
eig = lam /. NSolve[Sqrt[lam] Tan[Sqrt[lam] L] == 1 && 0 < lam < 110, lam];
c[Lam_] := Sqrt[ $\frac{4 \text{Sqrt}[Lam]}{2 \text{Sqrt}[Lam] \text{Pi} + \text{Sin}[2 \text{Sqrt}[Lam] \text{Pi}]}$ ];
normalizedC = c[#] & /@ eig
Out[251]:= {0.705925, 0.751226, 0.776042, 0.786174, 0.790773, 0.793157, 0.794531, 0.795388, 0.795957, 0.796352, 0.796638}

In[252]:= MapThread[Integrate[#1^2 * Cos[Sqrt[#2] x]^2, {x, 0, Pi}] &, {normalizedC, eig}]
Out[252]:= {1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1.}
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Figure 20: normalized constants

The above implies that the first normalized eigenfunction is

$$\Phi_1 = (0.705925) \cos(\sqrt{0.147033}x)$$

And the second one is

$$\Phi_2 = (0.751226) \cos(\sqrt{1.48528}x)$$

And so on.

## 2.7 case 7: boundary conditions $y(0) + y'(0) = 0, y(L) = 0$

Let the solution be  $y = Ae^{rx}$ . This leads to the characteristic equation

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

Let  $\lambda < 0$

In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$\begin{aligned} y &= c_1 \cosh(\mu x) + c_2 \sinh(\mu x) \\ y' &= c_1 \mu \sinh(\mu x) + c_2 \mu \cosh(\mu x) \end{aligned}$$



First B.C.  $y(0) + y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 + c_2\mu \quad (1)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 \cosh(\mu L) + c_2 \sinh(\mu L)$$

From (1)  $c_1 = -c_2\mu$  and the above now becomes

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -c_2\mu \cosh(\mu L) + c_2 \sinh(\mu L) \\ &= c_2(\sinh(\mu L) - \mu \cosh(\mu L)) \end{aligned}$$

For non-trivial solution, we want  $\sinh(\mu L) - \mu \cosh(\mu L) = 0$ . This means  $\tanh(\mu L) = \mu$ . Therefore  $\lambda < 0$  is an eigenvalue and these are given by  $\lambda_n = -\mu_n^2$ , where  $\mu_n$  is the solution to

$$\tanh(\mu L) = \mu$$

Or equivalently, the roots of

$$\tanh(\sqrt{-\lambda}L) = \sqrt{-\lambda}$$

There is only one negative root when solving the above numerically, which is  $\lambda_{-1} = 0.992$ . The corresponding eigenfunction is

$$\Phi_{-1} = c_{-1} \left( \sinh(\sqrt{-\lambda_{-1}}x) - \sqrt{-\lambda_{-1}} \cosh(\sqrt{-\lambda_{-1}}x) \right)$$

Let  $\lambda = 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2x$$

First B.C.  $y(0) + y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 + c_2$$

The solution becomes

$$y(x) = c_1(1 - x)$$

Second B.C.  $y(L)$  gives

$$0 = c_1(1 - L)$$

This gives trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda > 0$ , The solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \\ y'(x) &= -c_1\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y(0) + y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 + c_2\sqrt{\lambda}$$

The solution now becomes

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= -c_2\sqrt{\lambda}\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \\ &= c_2\left(\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) - \sqrt{\lambda}\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)\right) \end{aligned}$$

Second B.C.  $y(L) = 0$  the above becomes

$$0 = c_2\left(\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) - \sqrt{\lambda}\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L)\right)$$

For non-trivial solution, we want  $\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) - \sqrt{\lambda}\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0$  or  $\tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) - \sqrt{\lambda} = 0$  or

$$\sqrt{\lambda} = \tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L)$$

Therefore the eigenvalues are the solution to the above (must be done numerically) And the corresponding eigenfunctions are

$$\Phi_n(x) = c_n\left(\sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) - \sqrt{\lambda_n}\cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x)\right)$$

for each root  $\lambda_n$ .

## 2.8 case 8: boundary conditions $y(0) + y'(0) = 0, y'(L) = 0$

Let the solution be  $y = Ae^{rx}$ . This leads to the characteristic equation

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

Let  $\lambda < 0$

In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is also positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$\begin{aligned} y &= c_1\cosh(\mu x) + c_2\sinh(\mu x) \\ y' &= c_1\mu\sinh(\mu x) + c_2\mu\cosh(\mu x) \end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y(0) + y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 + c_2\mu \tag{1}$$

Second B.C.  $y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1\mu\sinh(\mu L) + c_2\mu\cosh(\mu L)$$

From (1)  $c_1 = -c_2\mu$  and the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -c_2\mu^2\sinh(\mu L) + c_2\mu\cosh(\mu L) \\ &= c_2\mu(-\mu\sinh(\mu L) + \cosh(\mu L)) \end{aligned}$$

For non-trivial solution, we want  $-\mu \sinh(\mu L) + \cosh(\mu L) = 0$ . This means  $-\mu \tanh(\mu L) + 1 = 0$ . Or  $\tanh(\mu L) = \frac{1}{\mu}$ , therefore  $\lambda < 0$  is eigenvalues and these are given by  $\lambda_n = -\mu_n^2$ , where  $\mu_n$  is the solution to

$$\begin{aligned}\tanh(\mu L) &= \frac{1}{\mu} \\ \tanh(\sqrt{-\lambda}L) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{-\lambda}}\end{aligned}$$

This has one root, found numerically which is  $\lambda_{-1} = -1$ . Hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = 1$ . The corresponding eigenfunction is

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{-1}(x) &= c_{-1}(-\mu \cosh(\mu x) + \sinh(\mu x)) \\ &= c_{-1}(-\cosh(x) + \sinh(x))\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\lambda = 0$ , The solution is

$$y(x) = c_1 + c_2x$$

First B.C.  $y(0) + y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 + c_2$$

The solution becomes

$$\begin{aligned}y(x) &= c_1(1 - x) \\ y' &= -c_1\end{aligned}$$

Second B.C.  $y'(L)$  gives

$$0 = -c_1$$

This gives trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is not eigenvalue.

Let  $\lambda > 0$ , The solution is

$$\begin{aligned}y(x) &= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \\ y'(x) &= -c_1\sqrt{\lambda} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)\end{aligned}$$

First B.C.  $y(0) + y'(0) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_1 + c_2\sqrt{\lambda}$$

The solution becomes

$$\begin{aligned}y(x) &= -c_2\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \\ &= c_2(\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) - \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x))\end{aligned}$$

Second B.C.  $y'(L) = 0$  gives

$$0 = c_2(\sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) + \lambda \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L))$$

For non-trivial solution, we want  $\lambda \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) + \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0$  or  $\lambda \tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = -\sqrt{\lambda}$   
Therefore the eigenvalues are the solution to

$$\tan(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = \frac{-\sqrt{\lambda}}{\lambda} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$$

And the corresponding eigenfunction is

$$\Phi_n(x) = c_n \left( \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) - \sqrt{\lambda} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \right)$$

## 2.9 case 9: boundary conditions $y(0) + y'(0) = 0, y(L) + y'(L) = 0$

Let the solution be  $y = Ae^{rx}$ . This leads to the characteristic equation

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

Let  $\lambda < 0$

In this case  $-\lambda$  is positive and hence  $\sqrt{-\lambda}$  is also positive. Let  $\sqrt{-\lambda} = \mu$  where  $\mu > 0$ . Hence the roots are  $\pm\mu$ . This gives the solution

$$y = c_1 \cosh(\mu x) + c_2 \sinh(\mu x)$$

Hence

$$y' = \mu c_1 \sinh(\mu x) + \mu c_2 \cosh(\mu x)$$

Left B.C. gives

$$0 = c_1 + \mu c_2 \tag{1}$$

Right B.C. gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_1 \cosh(\mu L) + c_2 \sinh(\mu L) + \mu c_1 \sinh(\mu L) + \mu c_2 \cosh(\mu L) \\ &= \cosh(\mu L) (c_1 + \mu c_2) + \sinh(\mu L) (c_2 + \mu c_1) \end{aligned}$$

Using (1) in the above, it simplifies to

$$0 = \sinh(\mu L) (c_2 + \mu c_1)$$

But from (1) again, we see that  $c_1 = -\mu c_2$  and the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sinh(\mu L) (c_2 - \mu(\mu c_2)) \\ &= \sinh(\mu L) (c_2 - \mu^2 c_2) \\ &= c_2 \sinh(\mu L) (1 - \mu^2) \end{aligned}$$

But  $\sinh(\mu^2 L) \neq 0$  since  $\mu^2 L \neq 0$  and so either  $c_2 = 0$  or  $(1 - \mu^2) = 0$ .  $c_2 = 0$  results in trivial solution, therefore  $(1 - \mu^2) = 0$  or  $\mu^2 = 1$  but  $\mu^2 = -\lambda$ , hence  $\lambda = -1$  is the eigenvalue. Corresponding eigenfunction is

$$y = c_1 \cosh(x) + c_2 \sinh(x)$$

Using (1) the above simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} y &= -\mu c_2 \cosh(x) + c_2 \sinh(x) \\ &= c_2(-\mu \cosh(x) + \sinh(x)) \end{aligned}$$

But  $\mu = \sqrt{-\lambda} = 1$ , hence the eigenfunction is

$$y(x) = c_2(-\cosh(x) + \sinh(x))$$

Let  $\lambda = 0$  Solution now is

$$y = c_1 x + c_2$$

Therefore

$$y' = c_1$$

Left B.C.  $0 = y(0) + y'(0)$  gives

$$0 = c_2 + c_1 \tag{2}$$

Right B.C.  $0 = y(L) + y'(L)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (c_1 L + c_2) + c_1 \\ 0 &= c_1(1 + L) + c_2 \end{aligned}$$

But from (2)  $c_1 = -c_2$  and the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -c_2(1 + L) + c_2 \\ 0 &= -c_2 L \end{aligned}$$

Which means  $c_2 = 0$  and therefore the trivial solution. Therefore  $\lambda = 0$  is not an eigenvalue.

Assuming  $\lambda > 0$  Solution is

$$y = c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) \tag{A}$$

Hence

$$y' = -\sqrt{\lambda}c_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + \sqrt{\lambda}c_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

Left B.C. gives

$$0 = c_1 + \sqrt{\lambda}c_2 \tag{3}$$

Right B.C. gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= c_1 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) + c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) - \sqrt{\lambda}c_1 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) + \sqrt{\lambda}c_2 \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L) \\ &= \cos(\sqrt{\lambda}L)(c_1 + \sqrt{\lambda}c_2) + \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)(c_2 - \sqrt{\lambda}c_1) \end{aligned}$$

Using (3) in the above, it simplifies to

$$0 = \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)(c_2 - \sqrt{\lambda}c_1)$$

But from (3), we see that  $c_1 = -\sqrt{\lambda}c_2$ . Therefore the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)(c_2 - \sqrt{\lambda}(-\sqrt{\lambda}c_2)) \\ &= \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)(c_2 + \lambda c_2) \\ &= c_2 \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L)(1 + \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

Only choice for non trivial solution is either  $(1 + \lambda) = 0$  or  $\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) = 0$ . But  $(1 + \lambda) = 0$  implies  $\lambda = -1$  but we said that  $\lambda > 0$ . Hence other choice is

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda}L) &= 0 \\ \sqrt{\lambda}L &= n\pi \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ \lambda_n &= \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned}$$

The above are the eigenvalues. The corresponding eigenfunction is from (A)

$$\Phi_n(x) = c_{1_n} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) + c_{2_n} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x)$$

But  $c_{1_n} = -\sqrt{\lambda_n}c_{2_n}$  and the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_n(x) &= -\sqrt{\lambda_n}c_{2_n} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) + c_{2_n} \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \\ &= C_n \left( -\sqrt{\lambda_n} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) + \sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x) \right) \end{aligned}$$