

Lecture # 15

Last lecture we considered problems

$$\begin{cases}
 u_t - c^2 u_{xx} = 0 & 0 < x < l \\
 u(0, t) = u(l, t) = 0 \\
 u(x, 0) = \phi(x) \\
 u_t(x, 0) = \psi(x)
 \end{cases}
 \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{cases}
 u_t = k u_{xx} \\
 u(0, t) = u(l, t) = 0 \\
 u(x, 0) = \phi(x)
 \end{cases}
 \quad (19)$$

Dirichlet Boundary

~~For~~ this problem we looked for solutions of type

$$u(x, t) = X(x) T(t)$$

and the Dirichlet conditions translated into solving the eigenvalue problem

$$(EP) \begin{cases}
 X'' = -\lambda X \\
 X(0) = X(l) = 0
 \end{cases}$$

We found that the only eigenvalues  $\lambda$  for this problem are ~~non~~ with eigenfunctions

$$\lambda = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{l^2} \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

with eigenfunctions

$$X_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

Also we found that

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$$(W) \Rightarrow T'' = -c^2 \lambda T$$

$$T(t) = A_n \cos \frac{n\pi c t}{l} + B_n \sin \frac{n\pi c t}{l}$$

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$$(D) \Rightarrow T' = -k \lambda T$$

$$T(t) = A_n e^{-\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 k t}$$

and linear combination

Combining  $X(x)T(t)$  one obtains the solution

for the Dirichlet problem:

$$(W) \Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_n \left( A_n \cos \frac{n\pi c t}{l} + B_n \sin \frac{n\pi c t}{l} \right) \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}}{e}$$

$$(D) \Rightarrow u(x,t) = \sum_n A_n e^{-\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2 k t} \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}}{e}$$

For the initial data one has to impose conditions.  
For example

$$(D) \Rightarrow u(x,0) = \sum_n A_n \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}}{e} = \phi(x)$$

We did a similar calculation for the Neumann condition. The Eigenvalue problem becomes

$$\begin{cases} X'' = -\lambda X \\ X'(0) = X'(l) = 0 \end{cases}$$

In this case

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eigenvalues  $\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{l}\right)^2$   $n=0, 1, 2$

eigenfunctions  $X_n(x) = \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l}$   $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

### Mixed Boundary Conditions

$u(0,t) = u_x(l,t) = 0$  mixed Dirichlet-Neumann

(EP) 
$$\begin{cases} -x'' = \lambda x \\ x(0) = x'(l) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Exercise: you will prove that

$$\lambda_n = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \frac{\pi^2}{l^2}$$

$$X_n(x) = \sin \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\pi x}{l} \quad n=0, 1, \dots$$

### The Schrödinger Equation:

$$\begin{cases} u_t = i u_{xx} & 0 < x < l \\ u(0,t) = u(l,t) = 0 \\ u(x,0) = \phi(x) \end{cases}$$

$$u(x,t) = X(x) T(t)$$

$$T_t X = i T X_{xx} \quad \frac{T_t}{iT} = \frac{X_{xx}}{X} = -\lambda$$

$$\text{(EP)} \begin{cases} X'' = -\lambda X \\ X(0) = X(l) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \lambda_n = \left( \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{e^2} \right) \quad (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow X_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{e}\right)$$

$$n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\begin{cases} T_t = -cT \\ \text{ } \end{cases}$$

$$T(t) = A e^{-c t} \quad \approx A_n e^{-c t}$$

$$T_n(t) = A_n e^{-c \left(\frac{n\pi}{e}\right)^2 t}$$

$$u(x,t) = \sum_n A_n e^{-c \left(\frac{n\pi}{e}\right)^2 t} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{e}\right)$$

So the initial condition requires the sin expansion

$$\phi(x) = \sum_n A_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{e}\right)$$

The Robin Condition

Recall that Robin conditions are

$$u_x(0,t) - a_0 u(0,t) = 0$$

for given constants

$$u_x(l,t) + a_l u(l,t) = 0$$

at end  $a_0$

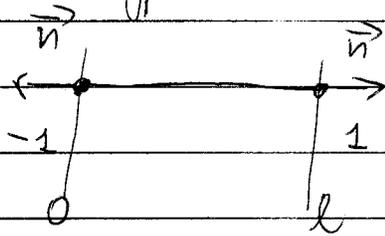
This translates in the following

# Eigendue problem

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$$(EP) = \begin{cases} X'' = -\lambda X \\ X'(0) - a_0 X(0) = 0 & X'(0) = a_0 X(0) \\ X'(l) + a_l X(l) = 0 & X'(l) = -a_l X(l) \end{cases}$$

Why the different signs of  $a_0$  and  $a_l$



$a_0 = a_l = 0 \Rightarrow$  insulation (no heat escapes)

$a_0, a_l > 0 \Rightarrow$  radiation

$a_0, a_l < 0 \Rightarrow$  absorption

Solve EP with  $\lambda = \beta^2 > 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$

The general solution for the first equation in (EP) is

$$X(x) = C \cos \beta x + D \sin \beta x$$

$$X'(x) = -\beta C \sin \beta x + D \beta \cos \beta x$$

$$X'(x) + a X(x) = (\beta D - \beta C) \sin \beta x + (\beta D + a C) \cos \beta x$$

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$x=0$

$$0 = (\pm aD - \beta c) \cdot 0 + (D\beta \pm ac)$$

$$D\beta - a_0 c = 0 \quad D = \frac{a_0 c}{\beta}$$

$x=l$

$$0 = (a_e D - \beta c) \sin \beta l + (D\beta + a_e c) \cos \beta l$$

$$0 = \left( a_e \frac{a_0 c}{\beta} - \beta c \right) \sin \beta l + (a_0 c + a_e c) \cos \beta l$$

$$c \left[ \left( \frac{a_e a_0}{\beta} - \beta \right) \sin \beta l + (a_0 + a_e) \cos \beta l \right] = 0$$

$c \neq 0$  because we don't want the trivial solution

$$(a_e a_0 - \beta^2) \sin \beta l + \beta (a_0 + a_e) \cos \beta l = 0$$

$\cos \beta l = 0$  then from above

$$a_e a_0 = \beta^2 = \lambda \quad \text{only possible if } a_e a_0 > 0$$

$\cos \beta l \neq 0$

$$\left( \beta^2 - a_e a_0 \right) \sin \beta l = \beta (a_0 + a_e) \cos \beta l \quad \text{⑦}$$

One needs to solve for  $\beta$  to get  $\lambda$ .

Once  $\beta$  is found the eigenfunctions are

$$X(x) = C \left( \cos \beta x + \frac{d_o}{\beta} \sin \beta x \right)$$

By power diagram  $\beta^2 - d_e d_o \neq 0$

$$\text{So } \tan \beta l = \frac{\beta (d_o + d_e)}{\beta^2 - d_e d_o}$$

Because we cannot solve (1) directly we will only approximate the values of  $\beta$  solving (2).

Consider the two functions

$$y = \tan \beta l \quad \text{one function of } \beta$$

$$y = \beta \frac{(d_o + d_e)}{\beta^2 - d_e d_o}$$

We look at their graphs and in particular at the point of intersection.

Case 1: Radiation at both ends ( $d_o, d_e > 0$ )

$$\text{We graph first } y = \beta \frac{(d_o + d_e)}{\beta^2 - d_e d_o} \quad \beta > 0$$

"  $f(\beta)$

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow +\infty} f(\beta) = 0$$

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$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \sqrt{ae} a_0^+} f(\beta) = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \sqrt{ae} a_0^-} f(\beta) = -\infty$$

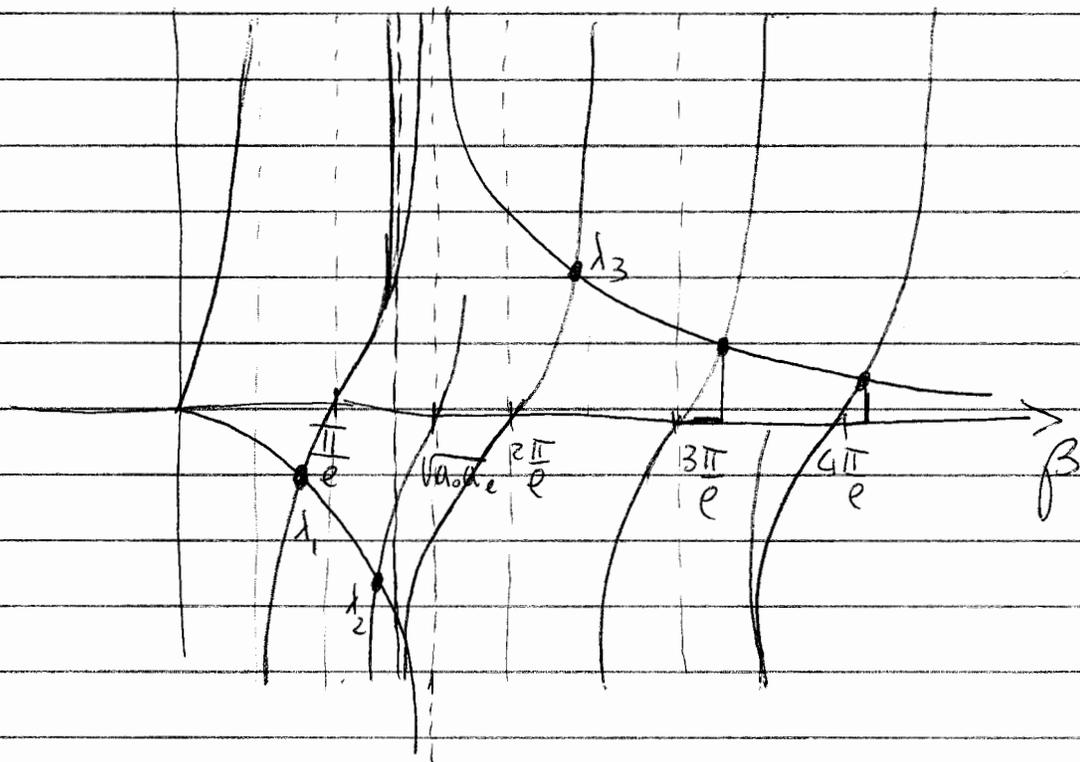
$$a_0 + a_e = a > 0$$

$$a_e a_0 = b > 0$$

$$f'(\beta) = \frac{(a_0 + a_e) - \beta (a_0 + a_e) 2\beta}{\beta^2 - ae a_0} = \frac{a\beta^2 - ae a_0 - 2\beta^2 a}{(\beta^2 - ae a_0)^2}$$

$$= - \frac{a(ae a_0 + \beta^2)}{(\quad)^2} < 0$$

$$f(0) = 0$$



From the graph we have that

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$$\frac{n\pi}{e} < \beta_n < \frac{(n+1)\pi}{e}$$

$$\left(\frac{n\pi}{e}\right)^2 < \lambda_n < \left(\frac{(n+1)\pi}{e}\right)^2 \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \beta_n - \frac{n\pi}{e} \right) = 0$$

Case 2: absorption at  $x=0$   $a_0 < 0$   
 reflection at  $x=l$   $a_l > 0 \Rightarrow d_0 a_l < 0$   
 we also assume that  $d_0 + d_l > 0$   
 more reflection than absorption

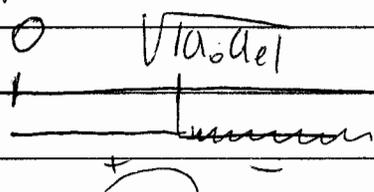
Set  $d_0 d_l = -b^2$  and  $d_0 + d_l = c^2$

$$y = \beta \frac{e^z}{\beta^2 + b^2}$$

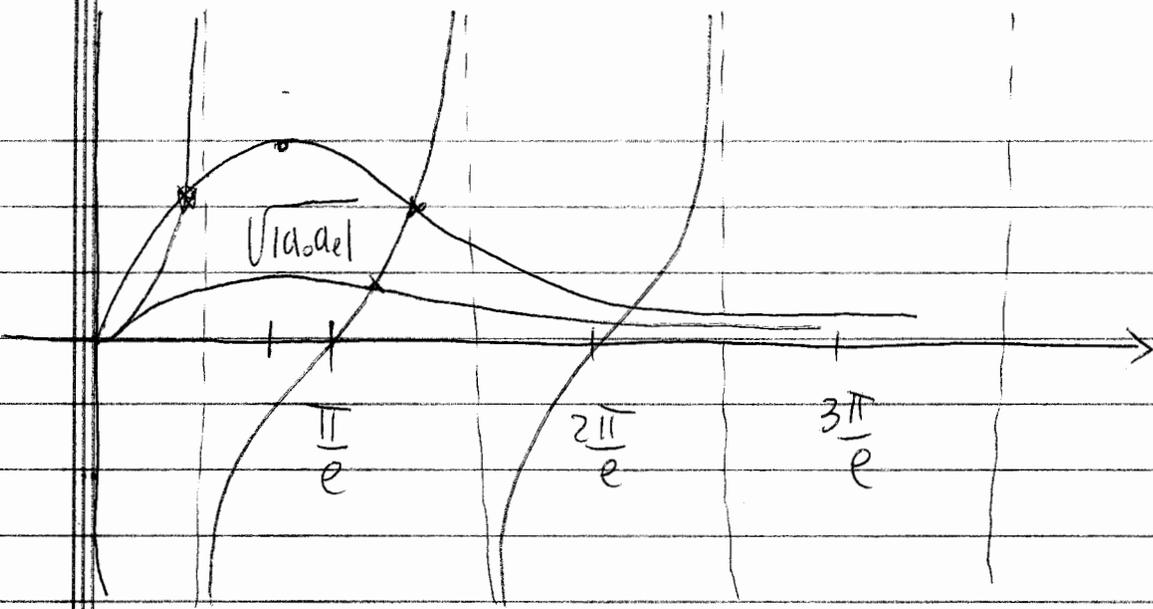
~~Thus~~ So the function is never singular

$$y' = \frac{c^2}{\beta^2 + b^2} - \beta \frac{c^2 \cdot 2\beta}{(\beta^2 + b^2)^2} - \frac{c^2 \cdot 2\beta \cdot b^2 - 2\beta^2 c^2}{(\beta^2 + b^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{c^2 (b^2 - \beta^2)}{(\beta^2 + b^2)^2} = \frac{c^2}{(\beta^2 + b^2)^2} (b - \beta)(\beta + b)$$



$$b = \sqrt{|a_0 a_l|}$$



$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow +\infty} f(\beta) = 0$$

Whether there is an eigenvalue in the interval  $(0, \frac{\pi}{e}]$  depends on the initial slope of the  $e$  function  $f(\beta)$ . We will discuss this in a moment.

Otherwise it is still true that

$$\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{e^2} < \lambda_n < \frac{(n+1)^2 \pi^2}{e^2} \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

Discussion for  $\lambda_0$ :

$\exists \lambda_0 \iff$  slope of  $f(\beta) \big|_{\beta=0} > \text{slope } \tan \beta e \big|_{\beta=0}$

$$f'(\beta) = \frac{c^2 b^2}{(c^2 + b^2)^2} = \frac{(a_0 + a e)}{b^2} = \frac{a_0 + a e}{-a_0 a e}$$

$$(\tan \beta e) \big|_{\beta=0} = e \sec^2(\beta e) \big|_{\beta=0} = e$$

So the condition is

$$\frac{a_0 + a_e}{-a_0 a_e} > l$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{-a_0 a_e l < a_0 + a_e} \quad (\star)$$

So  $l_0$  exists  $\Leftrightarrow (\star)$ .

Zero eigenvalues

We go back to (EP)

$$\begin{cases} x'' = 0 & x(x) = Ax^2 + B \\ x'(0) - a_0 x(0) = 0 \\ x'(l) + a_e x(l) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$x'(x) = A \quad A - a_0 B = 0$$

$$A + a_e (Al + B) = 0$$

$$a_0 B + a_e (+l a_0 B + B) = 0$$

$$B \neq 0 \quad +a_0 + a_e (+l a_0 + 1) = 0$$

$$+a_0 + l a_e a_0 + a_e = 0$$

$$a_0 + a_e = -l a_e a_0$$

So  $0$  is eigenvalue  $\Leftrightarrow a_0 + a_e = -\lambda a_e a_0$

In particular  $a_0, a_e$  have to have opposite signs!

Negative eigenvalues

Le nous donne  $\lambda = -\gamma^2 < 0, \gamma > 0$

If one reports the argument  $\gamma$  is the selection of

$$\tanh \gamma l = \frac{-(a_0 + a_e) \gamma}{\gamma^2 + a_0 a_e}$$

with eigen functions

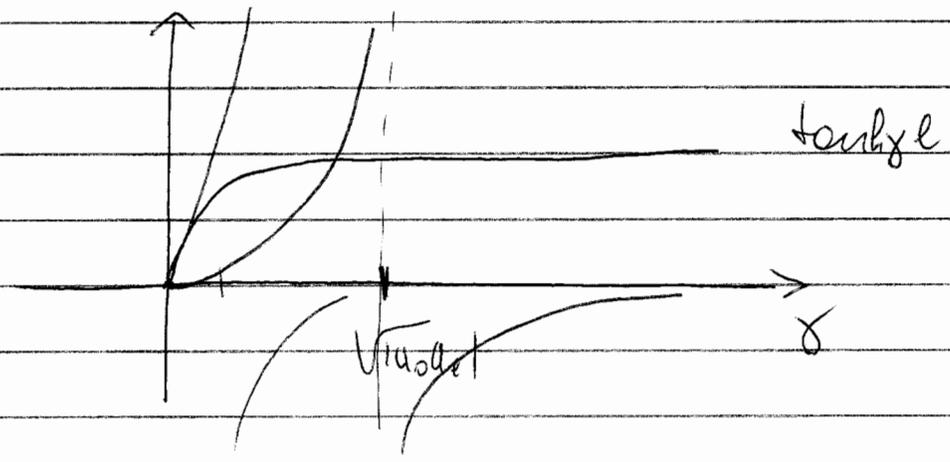
$$X(x) = \bullet \cosh \gamma x + \frac{a_0 \sinh \gamma x}{\gamma}$$

Case 1:  $a_0, a_1 > 0$

Observe that for  $\gamma > 0$   $\tanh \gamma l > 0$

So this cannot happen  $\Rightarrow$  no negative eigenvalues

Case 2  $a_0 < 0, a_e > 0, a_0 + a_e > 0$



$$\tanh z = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{e^z + e^{-z}}$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow +\infty} \tanh z = 1$$

$$\tanh 0 = 0$$

$$f(y) = \frac{(a_0 + a_e)y}{y^2 + a_0 a_e} \quad \begin{aligned} y^2 &= -a_0 a_e \\ y &= \sqrt{|a_0 a_e|} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow +\infty} f(y) = 0$$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow \sqrt{|a_0 a_e|} \pm} f(y) = \pm \infty \quad f(0) = 0$$

Either there is 1 equilibrium  $\lambda_0$  or none.  
It depends on the slope of  $f(y)$ .

$$(*) \quad \frac{-(a_0 + a_e)}{a_0 a_e} < 1$$

↓  
slope  $f$  at 0      slope  $\tanh y$  at zero

~~(\*)~~  $(\nabla) \Leftrightarrow \exists$  one equilibrium  $\lambda_0$

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