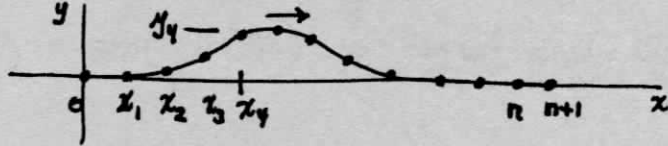


Consider a loaded string with  $n$  mass pts (0 and  $n+1$  are fixed boundary pts).



Consider only purely transverse waves.

equidistant separation  $d$   
on  $x$  axis  
(rest position of string)

we have the recurrence relation

$$m \ddot{y}_i = -K(y_i - y_{i+1}) - K(y_i - y_{i-1}) \quad K \text{ is Hooke's law const.}$$

$$= K(y_{i+1} - 2y_i + y_{i-1}) \quad \text{where } y_0 = 0, y_{n+1} = 0$$

Then we get the system of ODEs: (take  $n=4$ )

$$m \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{y}_1 \\ \ddot{y}_2 \\ \ddot{y}_3 \\ \ddot{y}_4 \end{bmatrix} = K \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Form  $\ddot{y} = Ay$

A is Real & Symmetric

$\Rightarrow$  ~~n distinct~~ EWs and  $n$  O.G. EVs.

Following Strang LAAIA p.284

We want to diagonalize A, but doing that directly is not feasible — instead we use the recurrence relation  $(*)$ .

$\rightarrow$  See Appendix sheet  $\rightarrow$

We assume a solution of the form (periodic motion of each mass pt (=node)).

really  $y_j(t) \rightarrow y_j(t) := S_j^i \rho_j \cos(\omega_j t - \epsilon_j)$   $\leftarrow$  2 parameters to satisfy ICs.

$$= S_j^i \rho_j [\cos(\omega_j t) \cos(\epsilon_j) + \sin(\omega_j t) \sin(\epsilon_j)] \quad |\alpha_j| \leq 1, |\beta_j| \leq 1$$

$\alpha_j := \rho_j \cos(\epsilon_j) \quad \beta_j := \rho_j \sin(\epsilon_j)$

This form is easiest to work with for some things but not solving for ICs.

Then we get

$$-m(-S_j^i \omega_j^2 \rho_j \cos(\omega_j t - \epsilon_j)) = K(S_j^{i+1} \rho_j \cos - 2S_j^i \rho_j \cos + S_j^{i-1} \rho_j \cos)$$

$j=1, \dots, n$

This is saying  $\vec{y}(t) = \rho_j \vec{S}_j \cos(\omega_j t - \epsilon_j)$   
A single "mode".

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & & & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_j^{i-1} \\ S_j^i \\ S_j^{i+1} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \left( \frac{-m \omega_j^2}{K} \right) \begin{bmatrix} S_j^i \\ S_j^i \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

This part specifies the extreme configurations that the mode  $y_j$  oscillates between i.e.  $(\rho_j \vec{S}_j \text{ and } -\rho_j \vec{S}_j)$ .

Now we let  $S_j^i = \sin(i \phi_j)$   $\leftarrow$  angle for some  $\phi_j$  to be determined.

EW  $\lambda_j$

cont'd  $\rightarrow$

plugging  $S_j^i = \sin(i\phi_j)$  into the recurrence relation  $(**)$

$$\sin((i-1)\phi_j) - 2\sin(i\phi_j) + \sin((i+1)\phi_j) \stackrel{!}{=} -\frac{m\omega_j^2}{K} \sin(i\phi_j)$$

$$\sin(i\phi_j - \phi_j)$$

trig:  $\sin(\alpha \pm \beta) = \sin\alpha \cos\beta \pm \sin\beta \cos\alpha$

$$\sin(i\phi_j) \cos\phi_j - \cancel{\sin\phi_j \cos(i\phi_j)} - 2\sin(i\phi_j) + \sin(i\phi_j) \cos(\phi_j) + \cancel{\sin\phi_j \cos(i\phi_j)}$$

$$= \frac{-m\omega_j^2}{K} \sin(i\phi_j)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\cancel{\sin(i\phi_j)} \cos\phi_j - 2\cancel{\sin(i\phi_j)} = \frac{-m\omega_j^2}{K} \cancel{\sin(i\phi_j)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(\cos\phi_j - 1) = \frac{-m\omega_j^2}{K}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\omega_j^2 = -2 \frac{K}{m} (\cos\phi_j - 1)}$$

It gives the same result for  $\phi_j$  at the end pts  
 $S_j^{(2)} - 2S_j^{(1)} \stackrel{!}{=} \frac{-m\omega_j^2}{K} S_j^{(1)}$

To solve for  $\phi_j$ , we use the fixed end pt conditions

(see Corben & Steele p.127 for non-fixed end pts)

$0 = y_0 = S_j^{(0)} \sin(0\phi_j) = 0$  so no help to us.

$0 = y_{n+1} = S_j^{(n+1)} \sin((n+1)\phi_j) \Rightarrow \sin((n+1)\phi_j) \stackrel{!}{=} 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (n+1)\phi_j \stackrel{!}{=} p\pi$  for some  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 w.l.o.g. take  $p=j$

$$\boxed{\phi_j = \frac{j\pi}{n+1}}$$

Now we can solve for  $\omega_j$

where  $\omega_0 := \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}$  natural freq of harmonic oscillator

$$\omega_j^2 = -2\omega_0^2 (\cos\phi_j - 1)$$

$$= 2\omega_0^2 \cdot 2 \left( \frac{1 - \cos\phi_j}{2} \right) \quad \text{trig}$$

$$= 4\omega_0^2 \sin^2 \left( \frac{\phi_j}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_j = 2\omega_0 \sin \left( \frac{j}{2} \frac{\pi}{n+1} \right) \quad j=1, \dots, n.$$

How do we know we have found all the EVs?  
 For  $j=1, \dots, n$  we know the first  $n$  eig, thus the whole vector, is distinct. since there can't be more than  $n$  EVs, we know we have them all!  
 FALSE

Eigen Function

Thus we have  $\vec{y}_j(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \sin(1 \cdot j \frac{\pi}{n+1}) \\ \vdots \\ \sin(n \cdot j \frac{\pi}{n+1}) \end{bmatrix}$

This is called "Normal Mode"  $j$

eigen fn

$\rho_j \cos(\omega_j t - \epsilon_j)$   
 $\omega_j = 2\omega_0 \sin(j \frac{\pi}{2(n+1)})$

And the general soln (see appendix sheet)

$\vec{y}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j \vec{s}_j \cos(\omega_j t - \epsilon_j)$

$$\vec{y}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & \dots & | \\ s_1 & s_2 & \dots & s_n \\ | & | & \dots & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \rho_1 \cos(\omega_1 t - \epsilon_1) \\ \vdots \\ \rho_n \cos(\omega_n t - \epsilon_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

$\alpha_j = \rho_j \cos(\epsilon_j)$   
 $\beta_j = \rho_j \sin(\epsilon_j)$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} | & | & \dots & | \\ s_1 & s_2 & \dots & s_n \\ | & | & \dots & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \cos(\omega_1 t) + \beta_1 \sin(\omega_1 t) \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \cos(\omega_n t) + \beta_n \sin(\omega_n t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus to incorporate the initial conds

$$\vec{y}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} | & \dots & | \\ s_1 & \dots & s_n \\ | & \dots & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dot{\vec{y}}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} | & \dots & | \\ s_1 & \dots & s_n \\ | & \dots & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \omega_n \beta_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$S^T S = R$   
 $R^{-1} S^T S = I$   
 $R^{-1} S^T = S^{-1}$

call this matrix R

$$S^T S = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11}^2 & & \\ & r_{22}^2 & \\ & & \dots \\ & & & r_{nn}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $S^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{r_{11}} & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & \frac{1}{r_{nn}} \end{bmatrix} S^T$

$\Rightarrow S^{-1} = S^T$

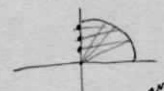
NOT TRUE!  
 $Ix = 1x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Now since A is Real, symmetric, S is O.G. NOT O.N.!

Thus  $\vec{\alpha} = R^{-1} S^T y(0)$   
 $\vec{\omega\beta} = R^{-1} S^T \dot{y}(0)$

Aside: we know we have found all the EVs of A with our  $\vec{s}_j$   $j=1, \dots, n$  because

$\lambda_j = \frac{-m \omega_j^2}{k}$   
 $\omega_j = 2\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \sin(j \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{\pi}{2})$   $j=1, \dots, n$   
 we know  $\sin(\theta) = \sin(\pi - \theta)$  but these values are all distinct because the angle is always between 0 and  $\frac{\pi}{2}$



Thus  $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n$  distinct  $\Rightarrow \omega_1^2, \dots, \omega_n^2$  distinct  
 $\Rightarrow \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  distinct  
 $\Rightarrow$  the associated  $\vec{s}_1, \dots, \vec{s}_n$  are distinct, LI and a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

If  $Aw = \eta w$  for  $w \neq \vec{s}_j$  some  $j$   
 $w = \sum \beta_j \vec{s}_j$  since  $\{\vec{s}_j\}$  basis  $\Rightarrow \sum \beta_j \lambda_j \vec{s}_j = \eta \sum \beta_j \vec{s}_j$   
 $Aw = A \sum \beta_j \vec{s}_j = \sum \beta_j \lambda_j \vec{s}_j = \eta \sum \beta_j \vec{s}_j = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \sum (\lambda_j - \eta) \beta_j \vec{s}_j = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \eta = \lambda_j$  for all  $j$ , but  $\lambda_j$  distinct  $\Rightarrow$

so we have all the EVs in  $\{\vec{s}_j\}$ .  $\square$

Real symmetric  $\Rightarrow A = Q^T \Lambda Q$  by Spectral Thm strong p. 307 & p. 296

If  $\ddot{u} = Au$

then a solution is given by  $\vec{u}(t) = e^{i\omega t} \vec{x}$  where  $\vec{x}$  is EV of  $A$ .

$\ddot{u} = (i\omega)^2 e^{i\omega t} x = A e^{i\omega t} x$

we get  $\lambda = -\omega^2$  for EVs of  $A$

$\Rightarrow -\omega^2 x = Ax$

$Ax = \lambda x$

$\Rightarrow -\omega^2 = \lambda$

$= -\omega^2 x$

Thus  $\lambda = -\omega^2$ , or what is more relevant to us

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

Thus we had better have  $\lambda$  neg. if we want  $\omega$  Real.

A basis for the space of all solutions is given by:

For each EW  $\lambda_j$ , there are 2 solutions  $\omega_+ = \sqrt{-\lambda_j}$  and  $\omega_- = -\sqrt{-\lambda_j}$   
call these  $\omega_j$  and  $-\omega_j$

then  $u(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n (c_j e^{i\omega_j t} + d_j e^{-i\omega_j t}) \vec{x}_j$  This is the general solution

Boyce & diPrima p. 106

If  $e^{i\omega t}$  and  $e^{-i\omega t}$  are a basis for the Complex solution space to

$\ddot{u} = L(u)$   
Then we know that  $\sin(\omega t)$  and  $\cos(\omega t)$  are a basis for the Real Solution space.

$u(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n (\alpha_j \cos(\omega_j t) + \beta_j \sin(\omega_j t)) \vec{x}_j$   $\vec{x}$  is Real by Spectral Thm

then

$u(t) = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & \dots & | \\ x_1 & x_2 & & x_n \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \cos(\omega_1 t) + \beta_1 \sin(\omega_1 t) \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \cos(\omega_n t) + \beta_n \sin(\omega_n t) \end{bmatrix}$

Then at  $t=0$  we can solve for  $\alpha, \beta$

$u(0) = \begin{bmatrix} | & \dots & | \\ x_1 & & x_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix}$

Remember that this matrix is O.G.

and

$\dot{u}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} X \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \omega_n \beta_n \end{bmatrix}$