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On a boundary value problem with symmetric double well potential and spectral parameter in the boundary condition

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ABSTRACT

The asymptotic expansion of the eigenvalue of Sturm-Liouville problem is presented. The problem has a symmetric double well potential that is continuous, symmetrical to both the midpoint and quarter point of the related interval and non-increasing on the quarter interval.

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INTRODUCTION

We are interested in the following equation

$$y''(t) + [\lambda - q(t)]y(t) = 0, t \in [0, a]. \quad (1)$$

In (1), we accept that t is independent variable, y is dependent variable of t , real spectral parameter λ is independent of t , real potential function q is dependent of t and continuous. We consider (1) with the pair of following equations

$$\alpha_1 y(0) - \alpha_2 y'(0) = \lambda [\alpha'_1 y(0) - \alpha'_2 y'(0)] \quad (2)$$

and

$$y(a) \cos \beta + y'(a) \sin \beta = 0. \quad (3)$$

(2)-(3) are named as boundary conditions; (2) is composed of real $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha'_1, \alpha'_2$ constants and $\beta \in [0, \pi)$ in (3). The problem (1)-(3) is a boundary value problem. We noticed that spectral parameter λ (is also called an eigenvalue) seems not only in (1) but also in (2) and it is desirable to determine all values of λ . Problems of this type arise routinely in solving partial differential equations, but also come up in other applications (see [14], [15] and [18]). Walter [26] proves very important theorem for (1)-(3) that if we have

$$\delta_1 = \alpha'_1 \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 \alpha'_2 > 0, \quad (4)$$

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(1)-(3) is a self-adjoint problem. The problem (1)-(3) described here is one of an eigenvalue problem (or called Sturm-Liouville problem) and this type problem is studied a lot of researchers (see [3,5,8-12,16,20,22]).

The expectation of this study is to achieve asymptotic estimates for eigenvalues of (1)-(3) with symmetric double well potential q . The symmetric single and double well potentials are very important and famous functions especially in quantum mechanics (see [1,2,6,7,13,19,21,23,24]). We note that, on the related interval, a symmetric double well potential means that the function is symmetric not only on the whole related interval but also on the half of the related interval and non-increasing on the quarter of the related interval. So we can write for our continuous q in (1) that $q(t) = q(a - t) = q(\frac{a}{2} - t)$ is satisfied, mathematically. We also take without loss of generality that $q(t)$ has a mean value zero, that is $\int_0^a q(t)dt = 0$ and (4) is provided by (2).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

We know that if a function is monotone on the related interval, the function is also differentiable almost everywhere on that interval [17], so first of all, it should be emphasized that the derivative of the potential of our problem exists.

Our method is based on [9]. If we reconstruct its main theorems for $N = 2$ in pursuit of our goal, we readily get the following results:

Theorem 1. The eigenvalues of (1)-(3) satisfy as $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$
 (i) for $\alpha_2' \neq 0, \beta \neq 0$

$$(n + 1)\pi = \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt - \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_1 - \alpha_2[r_1(0, \lambda) + \rho_1(0, \lambda)] - \lambda[\alpha_1' - \alpha_2'(r_1(0, \lambda) + \rho_1(0, \lambda))]}{(\alpha_2 - \lambda\alpha_2')[r_2(0, \lambda) + \rho_2(0, \lambda)]} \right\} - \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\cos\beta + [r_1(a, \lambda) + \rho_1(a, \lambda)]\sin\beta}{\sin\beta[r_2(a, \lambda) + \rho_2(a, \lambda)]} \right\} + O(\lambda^{-3/2}),$$

(ii) for $\alpha_2' \neq 0, \beta = 0$

$$\frac{(2n + 3)\pi}{2} = \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt - \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_1 - \alpha_2[r_1(0, \lambda) + \rho_1(0, \lambda)] - \lambda[\alpha_1' - \alpha_2'(r_1(0, \lambda) + \rho_1(0, \lambda))]}{(\alpha_2 - \lambda\alpha_2')[r_2(0, \lambda) + \rho_2(0, \lambda)]} \right\} + O(\lambda^{-3/2})$$

where $r_1(t, \lambda) + \rho_1(t, \lambda)$ and $r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)$ are defined by

$$r_1(t, \lambda) + \rho_1(t, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^t q'(x)\sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(t-x)dx - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^t q'(x) \left[\int_x^t q(s)ds \right] \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(t-x)dx + \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^t q^2(x)\cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(t-x)dx + O(\lambda^{-3/2}) \tag{5}$$

and

$$r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda) = \lambda^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}q(t) + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^t q'(x)\cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(t-x)dx + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^t q'(x) \left[\int_x^t q(s)ds \right] \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(t-x)dx - \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^t q^2(x)\sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(t-x)dx + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \tag{6}$$

Theorem 2. The eigenvalues of (1)-(3) satisfy as $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$
 (i) for $\alpha_2' = 0, \beta \neq 0$

$$(n + 1)\pi = \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt - \cot^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_2[r_2(0, \lambda) + \rho_2(0, \lambda)]}{\alpha_1 - \alpha_2[r_1(0, \lambda) + \rho_1(0, \lambda)] - \lambda\alpha_1'} \right\} - \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\cos\beta + [r_1(a, \lambda) + \rho_1(a, \lambda)]\sin\beta}{\sin\beta[r_2(a, \lambda) + \rho_2(a, \lambda)]} \right\} + O(\lambda^{-3/2})$$

(ii) for $\alpha_2' = 0, \beta = 0$

$$\frac{(2n + 3)\pi}{2} = \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt - \cot^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_2[r_2(0, \lambda) + \rho_2(0, \lambda)]}{\alpha_1 - \alpha_2[r_1(0, \lambda) + \rho_1(0, \lambda)] - \lambda\alpha_1'} \right\} + O(\lambda^{-3/2}).$$

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Our aim is to find the following asymptotic approximations for eigenvalues λ_n of (1)-(3) with symmetric double well potential q :

Theorem 3. Let $q(t)$ be double symmetric in (1). Then, the eigenvalues λ_n of (1)-(3) satisfy as $n \rightarrow \infty$
 (i) for $\alpha_2' \neq 0, \beta \neq 0$

$$\lambda_n^{1/2} = \frac{(n + 1)\pi}{a} + \frac{1}{(n + 1)\pi} \left[\frac{\alpha_1'}{\alpha_2'} + \cot\beta \right] - \frac{a}{2(n + 1)^2\pi^2} [1 + \cos(n + 1)\pi] \int_0^{a/4} q'(x)\sin \left(\frac{2(n + 1)\pi}{a}x \right) dx + O(n^{-3}),$$

(ii) for $\alpha_2' \neq 0, \beta = 0$

$$\lambda_n^{1/2} = \frac{(2n + 3)\pi}{2a} + \frac{2}{(2n + 3)\pi} \frac{\alpha_1'}{\alpha_2'} + O(n^{-3}),$$

(iii) for $\alpha_2' = 0, \beta \neq 0$

$$\lambda_n^{1/2} = \frac{(2n + 3)\pi}{2a} + \frac{2}{(2n + 3)\pi} \left[\frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1'} + \cot\beta \right] + O(n^{-3}),$$

(iv) for $\alpha_2' = 0, \beta = 0$

$$\lambda_n^{1/2} = \frac{(n + 2)\pi}{a} + \frac{1}{(n + 2)\pi} \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1'} + \frac{a}{2(n + 2)^2\pi^2} [1 + \cos n\pi] \int_0^{a/4} q'(x)\sin \left(\frac{2(n + 2)\pi}{a}x \right) dx + O(n^{-3}).$$

Proof. (i) We compute the terms in Theorem 1-i). Firstly, from (5) and (6), we write that

$$r_1(0, \lambda) + \rho_1(0, \lambda) = O(\lambda^{-3/2}),$$

$$r_2(0, \lambda) + \rho_2(0, \lambda) = \lambda^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}q(0) + O(\lambda^{-3/2}),$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_1(a, \lambda) + \rho_1(a, \lambda) &= \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^a q'(x) \left[\int_x^a q(s) ds \right] \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^a q^2(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx + O(\lambda^{-3/2}) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} r_2(a, \lambda) + \rho_2(a, \lambda) &= \lambda^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}q(a) + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^a q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^a q'(x) \left[\int_x^a q(s) ds \right] \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^a q^2(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if we define

$$\xi := \frac{\alpha_1 - \lambda\alpha'_1 + O(\lambda^{-1/2})}{-\lambda^{3/2}\alpha'_2 + \lambda^{1/2}\alpha_2 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{1/2}\alpha'_2q(0) - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}\alpha_2q(0) + O(\lambda^{-1/2})}, \quad (7)$$

and

$$\varpi := \frac{\cos\beta + \sin\beta \left[\frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}S_1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}C_2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-1}C_3 \right] + O(\lambda^{-3/2})}{\sin\beta \left[\lambda^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}q(a) + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}C_1 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}S_2 - \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-1}S_3 \right] + O(\lambda^{-3/2})}, \quad (8)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &:= \int_0^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx \\ C_1 &:= \int_0^a q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx, \\ S_2 &:= \int_0^a q'(x) \left[\int_x^a q(s) ds \right] \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx, \\ C_2 &:= \int_0^a q'(x) \left[\int_x^a q(s) ds \right] \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx, \\ S_3 &:= \int_0^a q^2(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx, \\ C_3 &:= \int_0^a q^2(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

we can rearrange Theorem 1-i) as follows:

$$(n+1)\pi = \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt - \tan^{-1}(\xi) - \tan^{-1}(\varpi) + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \quad (10)$$

We will gain the asymptotic formula of the eigenvalue from (10). Also, we get ξ by using series expansion

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= \frac{-\lambda\alpha'_1 + \alpha_1 + O(\lambda^{-1/2})}{-\lambda^{3/2}\alpha'_2 \left[1 - \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha'_2}\lambda^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}q(0) + O(\lambda^{-2}) \right]} \\ &= \left\{ \lambda^{-1/2} \frac{\alpha'_1}{\alpha'_2} - \lambda^{-3/2} \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha'_2} + O(\lambda^{-2}) \right\} \left\{ 1 + \lambda^{-1} \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha'_2} + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}q(0) + O(\lambda^{-2}) \right\} \\ &= \lambda^{-1/2} \frac{\alpha'_1}{\alpha'_2} + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \end{aligned}$$

By using this ξ in inverse tangent expansion $\tan^{-1}(\xi) = \xi - \frac{\xi^3}{3} + \dots$, we obtain

$$\tan^{-1}(\xi) = \lambda^{-1/2} \frac{\alpha'_1}{\alpha'_2} + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \quad (11)$$

For ϖ , we manage similar manner, thus we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \varpi &= \frac{\cot\beta + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}S_1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}C_2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-1}C_3 + O(\lambda^{-3/2})}{\lambda^{1/2} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}q(a) + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}C_1 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-3/2}S_2 - \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-3/2}S_3 + O(\lambda^{-2}) \right]} \\ &= \left\{ \lambda^{-1/2} \cot\beta + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}S_1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-3/2}C_2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-3/2}C_3 + O(\lambda^{-2}) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}q(a) - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}C_1 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-3/2}S_2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda^{-3/2}S_3 + O(\lambda^{-2}) \right\} \\ &= \lambda^{-1/2} \cot\beta + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1}S_1 + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \end{aligned}$$

By putting this calculated ϖ with S_1 in (9) into inverse tangent expansion, we have that

$$\tan^{-1}(\varpi) = \lambda^{-1/2} \cot\beta + \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1} \int_0^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx + O(\lambda^{-3/2}).$$

The potential is symmetric double well in our problem, i.e. $q(x)$ is symmetric, $q'(x)$ exists and $q'(x) = -q'(a-x)$. So we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{a/2}^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx &= - \int_{a/2}^0 q'(a-u) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}u du \\ &= \int_{a/2}^0 q'(u) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}u du. \end{aligned}$$

And then,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx &= \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx + \int_{a/2}^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx - \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}x dx \\ &= \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}a \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}x dx \\ &\quad - \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}a \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}x dx \\ &\quad - \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}x dx \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}(a-x) dx &= \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}a \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}x dx \\ &\quad - [1 + \cos 2\lambda^{1/2}a] \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2}x dx. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Also, since $q(x)$ is double symmetric and $q'(x)$ exists, we can compose $q'(x) = -q'(\frac{a}{2} - x)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{a/4}^{a/2} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx &= - \int_{a/4}^{a/2} q' \left(\frac{a}{2} - x \right) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &= \int_{a/4}^0 q'(u) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} \left(\frac{a}{2} - u \right) du \\ &= -\cos \lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(u) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} u du \\ &\quad - \sin \lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(u) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} u du, \end{aligned}$$

hence, we gain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx &= \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx + \int_{a/4}^{a/2} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &= [1 - \cos \lambda^{1/2} a] \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &\quad - \sin \lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx. \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{a/4}^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx &= - \int_{a/4}^{a/2} q' \left(\frac{a}{2} - x \right) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &= \int_{a/4}^0 q'(u) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} \left(\frac{a}{2} - u \right) du \\ &= -\sin \lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(u) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} u du \\ &\quad + \cos \lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(u) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} u du, \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx &= \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx + \int_{a/4}^{a/2} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &= [1 + \cos \lambda^{1/2} a] \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &\quad - \sin \lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

By substituting (13) and (14) in (12), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} (a-x) dx &= \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &\quad - 2\cos \lambda^{1/2} a [1 + \cos \lambda^{1/2} a] \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

If we use the last equality in $\tan^{-1}(\omega)$, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \tan^{-1}(\omega) &= \lambda^{-1/2} \cot \beta + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1} \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &\quad - \lambda^{-1} \cos \lambda^{1/2} a [1 + \cos \lambda^{1/2} a] \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx. \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Now, we should calculate $\int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt$ to compute asymptotic eigenvalues of (10). From (6)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt &= \lambda^{1/2} \int_0^a 1 dt - \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^a q(t) dt \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1/2} I_1 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1} I_2 - \frac{1}{4} \lambda^{-1} I_3 + O(\lambda^{-3/2}) \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &:= \int_0^a \left\{ \int_0^t q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} (t-x) dx \right\} dt, \\ I_2 &:= \int_0^a \left\{ \int_0^t q'(x) \left[\int_x^t q(s) ds \right] \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} (t-x) dx \right\} dt \end{aligned}$$

and

$$I_3 := \int_0^a \left\{ \int_0^t q^2(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} (t-x) dx \right\} dt.$$

In the equation (17), since $q(t)$ has a mean value zero, the term $\frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^a q(t) dt$ is zero. We need to calculate I_1, I_2, I_3 . Let us adapt Leibniz Formula for these integrals, right away:

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \frac{1}{2\lambda^{1/2}} \left\{ \int_0^t q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} (t-x) dx \right\} \Big|_{t=0}^a \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^a q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} (a-x) dx, \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\lambda^{1/2}} \int_0^t q'(x) \left[\int_x^t q(s) ds \right] \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} (t-x) dx \right\} \Big|_{t=0}^a \\ &\quad + \left\{ \frac{1}{2\lambda^{1/2}} \int_0^t q(t) q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} (t-x) dx \right\} \Big|_{t=0}^a \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^a q'(x) \left[\int_x^a q(s) ds \right] \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} (a-x) dx \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1/2} q(a) \int_0^a q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} (a-x) dx \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

and since we know $q(t) = q(a-t)$

$$\begin{aligned} I_3 &= \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\lambda^{1/2}} \int_0^t q^2(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} (t-x) dx \right\} \Big|_{t=0}^a \\ &\quad + \left\{ \frac{1}{2\lambda^{1/2}} q^2(t) \right\} \Big|_{t=0}^a \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1/2} \int_0^a q^2(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} (a-x) dx. \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

Consequently, in the equation (17), the terms $\frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1} I_2$ and $\frac{1}{4} \lambda^{-1} I_3$ get into error term $O(\lambda^{-3/2})$ because of (19) and (20). So by using (15) and (18), we reorganize (17) as following:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt &= \lambda^{1/2} a + \frac{1}{4} \lambda^{-1} \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} a \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \cos 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-1} \cos \lambda^{1/2} a [1 + \cos \lambda^{1/2} a] \int_0^{a/4} q'(x) \sin 2\lambda^{1/2} x dx \\ &\quad + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Finally, substituting (11), (16) and (21) into (10) and using reversion, we demonstrate the theorem.

(ii) Similar to (i), we write Theorem 1-ii) as follows:

$$\frac{(2n+3)\pi}{2} = \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt - \tan^{-1}(\xi) + O\left(\lambda^{-\frac{3}{2}}\right).$$

Theorem 3-ii) eventually is proved by using substitution of (11), (21) and ξ is defined by (7) into the this equation, and then reversion.

(iii) We can reformulate Theorem 2-i) as following:

$$(n+1)\pi = \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt - \cot^{-1}(\zeta) - \tan^{-1}(\varpi) + O(\lambda^{-3/2}) \quad (22)$$

where ϖ is defined by (8) and ζ is defined by

$$\zeta := \frac{\lambda^{1/2}\alpha_2 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}\alpha_2 q(0) + O(\lambda^{-3/2})}{\alpha_1 - \lambda\alpha_1' + O(\lambda^{-3/2})}. \quad (23)$$

By using series expansion, ζ is found as

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta &= \frac{\lambda^{1/2}\alpha_2 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{-1/2}\alpha_2 q(0) + O(\lambda^{-3/2})}{-\lambda\alpha_1' \left[1 - \lambda^{-1} \frac{\alpha_1'}{\alpha_1} + O(\lambda^{-5/2}) \right]} \\ &= \left\{ -\lambda^{-1/2} \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1'} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{-3/2} \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1'} q(0) + O(\lambda^{-5/2}) \right\} \\ &\times \left\{ 1 + \lambda^{-1} \frac{\alpha_1'}{\alpha_1} + \lambda^{-2} \frac{\alpha_1'^2}{(\alpha_1')^2} + O(\lambda^{-5/2}) \right\} \\ &= -\lambda^{-1/2} \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1'} + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \end{aligned}$$

By using this ζ in inverse cotangent expansion $\cot^{-1}(\zeta) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \zeta + \frac{\zeta^3}{3} + \dots$, we write that

$$\cot^{-1}(\zeta) = \frac{\pi}{2} + \lambda^{-1/2} \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1'} + O(\lambda^{-3/2}). \quad (24)$$

Substituting (16), (21) and (24) into (22), we verify the theorem.

(iv) We reduce Theorem 2-ii) as following:

$$\frac{(2n+3)\pi}{2} = \int_0^a [r_2(t, \lambda) + \rho_2(t, \lambda)] dt - \cot^{-1}(\zeta) + O(\lambda^{-3/2}).$$

Here ζ is given by (23). Theorem 3-iv) is a result of substituting of (21) and (24) into the last equation and using reversion.

An Example. $q(t) = \cos 2t$ is an important, double symmetric function and used with different types in differential equations as potential. For example, Equation (1) with $q(t) = \epsilon \cos 2t$ is named as Mathieu Equation. We note that ϵ is a real parameter and independent of t . Mathieu equation occurs in a broad spectrum of physical (for example, see [25]). If we express our conclusions Theorem 3 for $q(t) = \cos 2t$ on $[0, 2\pi]$, we get as $n \rightarrow \infty$

(i) for $\alpha_2' \neq 0, \beta \neq 0$

$$\lambda_n^{1/2} = \frac{n+1}{2} + \frac{1}{n+1} \left[\frac{\alpha_1'}{\alpha_2'} + \cot \beta \right] + O(n^{-3}),$$

(ii) for $\alpha_2' \neq 0, \beta = 0$

$$\lambda_n^{1/2} = \frac{(2n+3)}{2} + \frac{2}{(2n+3)} \frac{\alpha_1'}{\alpha_2'} + O(n^{-3}),$$

(iii) for $\alpha_2' = 0, \beta \neq 0$

$$\lambda_n^{1/2} = \frac{(2n+3)}{4} + \frac{2}{(2n+3)} \left[\frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1'} + \cot \beta \right] + O(n^{-3}),$$

(iv) for $\alpha_2' = 0, \beta = 0$

$$\lambda_n^{1/2} = \frac{n+2}{2} + \frac{1}{(n+2)} \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1'} + O(n^{-3}).$$

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