

Bending vibration of a beam

nodal points and modes

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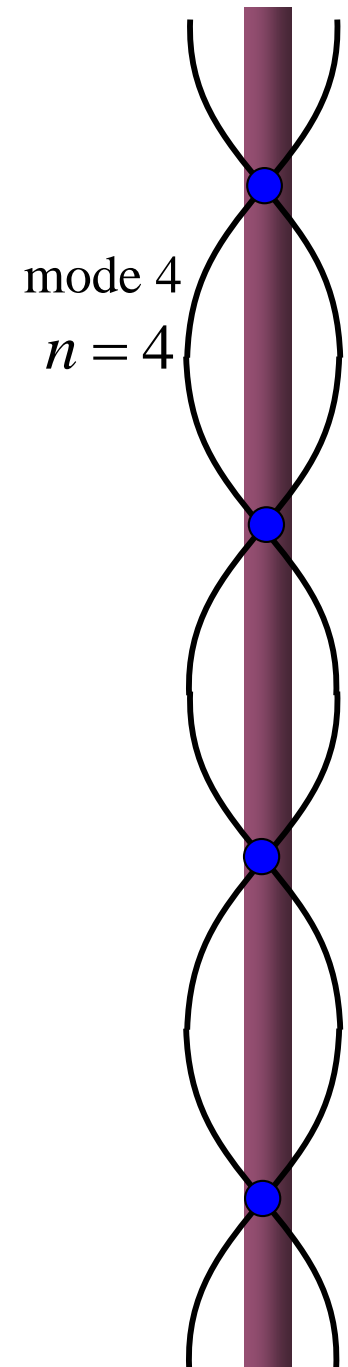
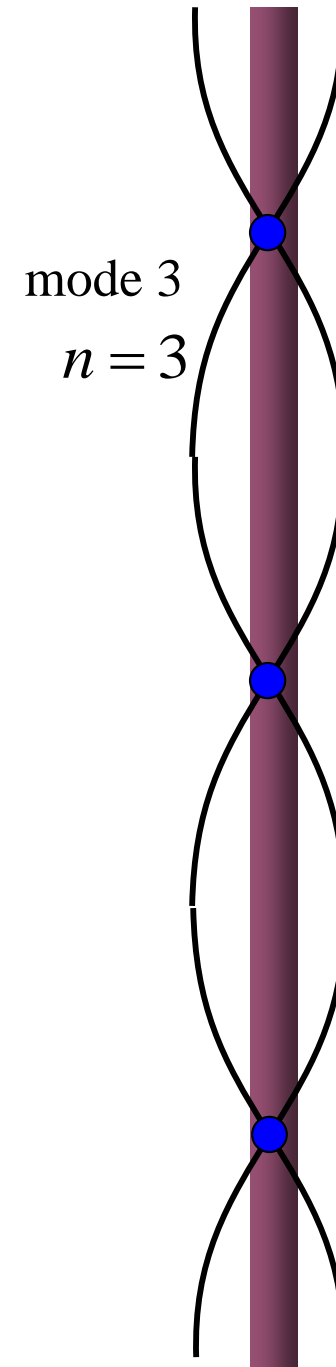
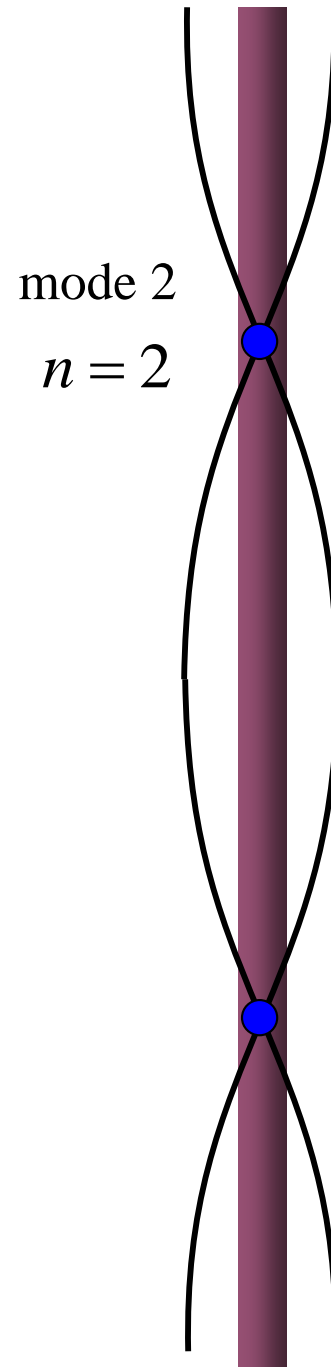
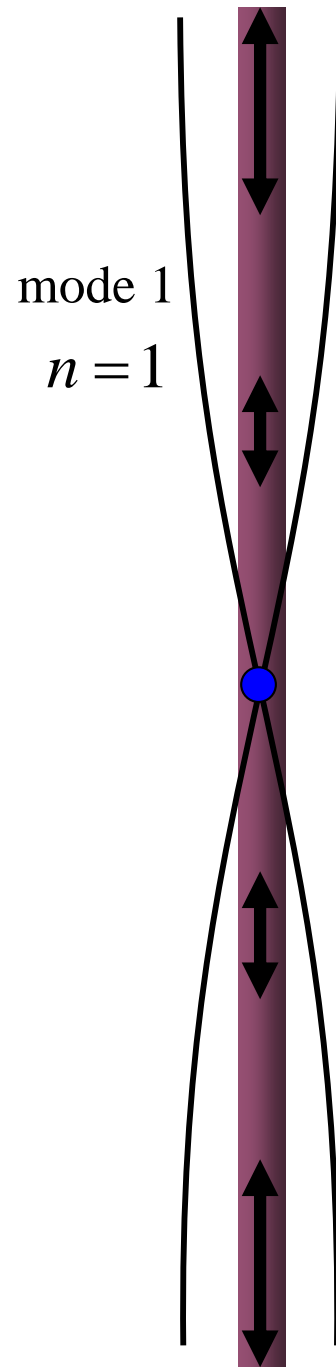
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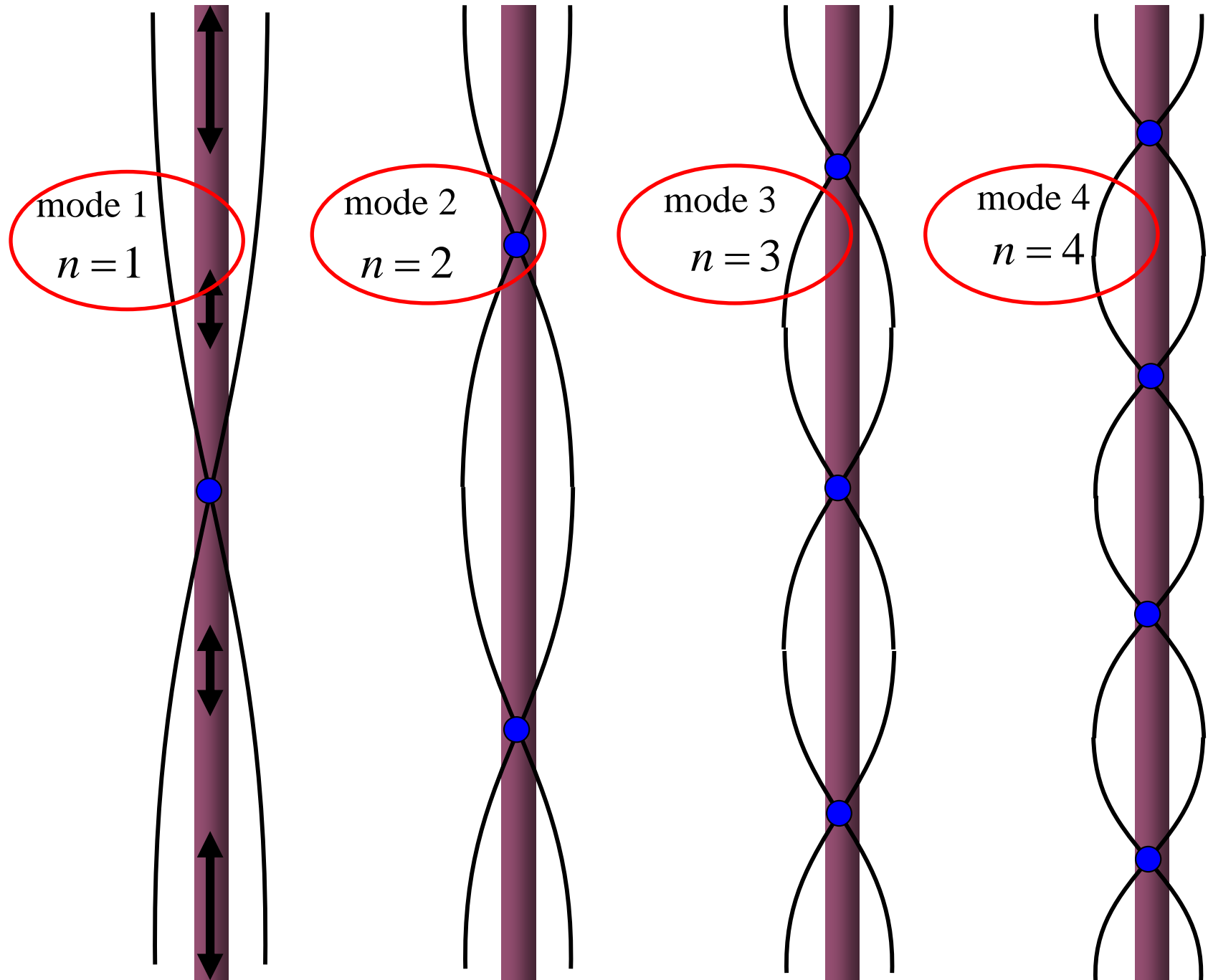
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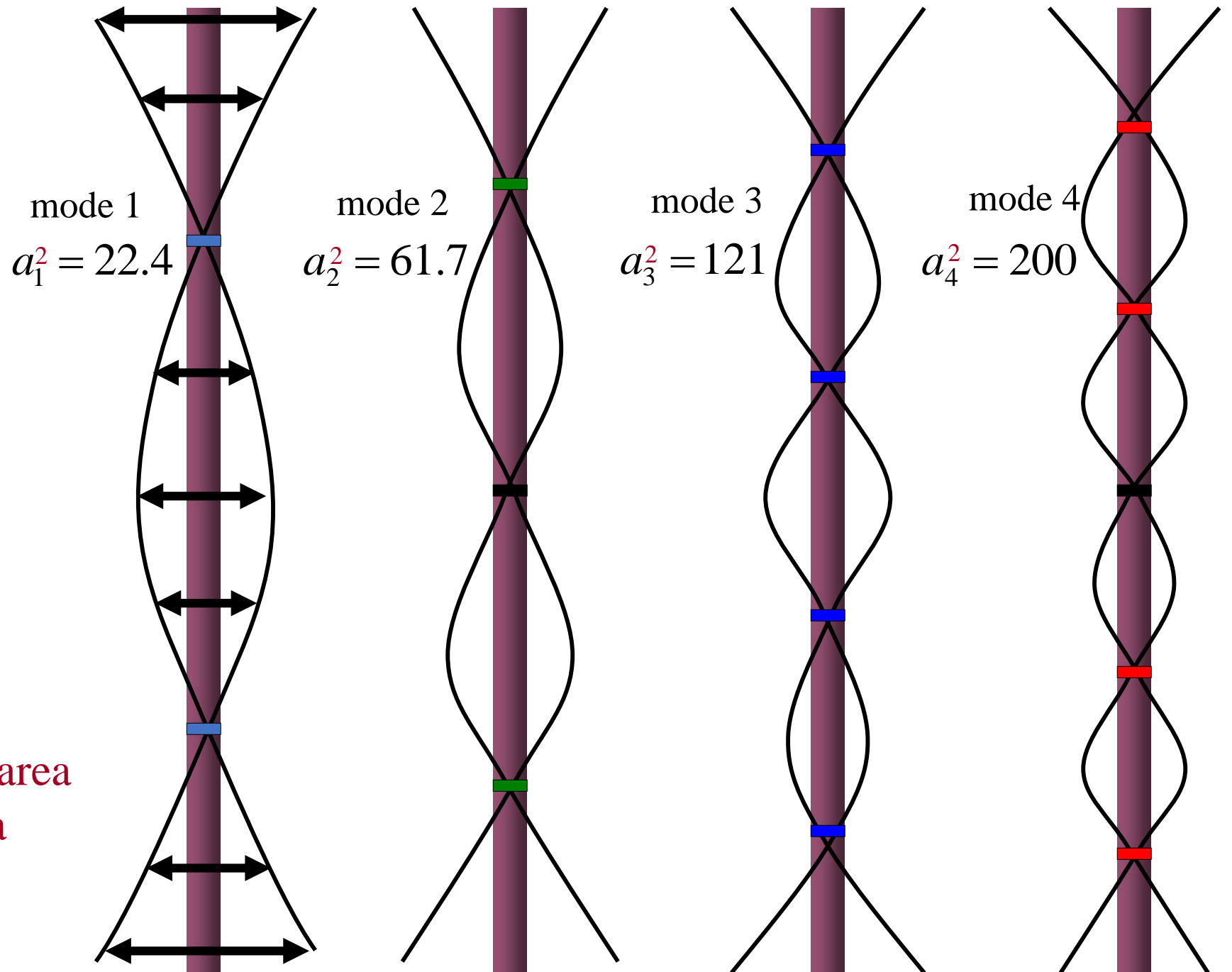
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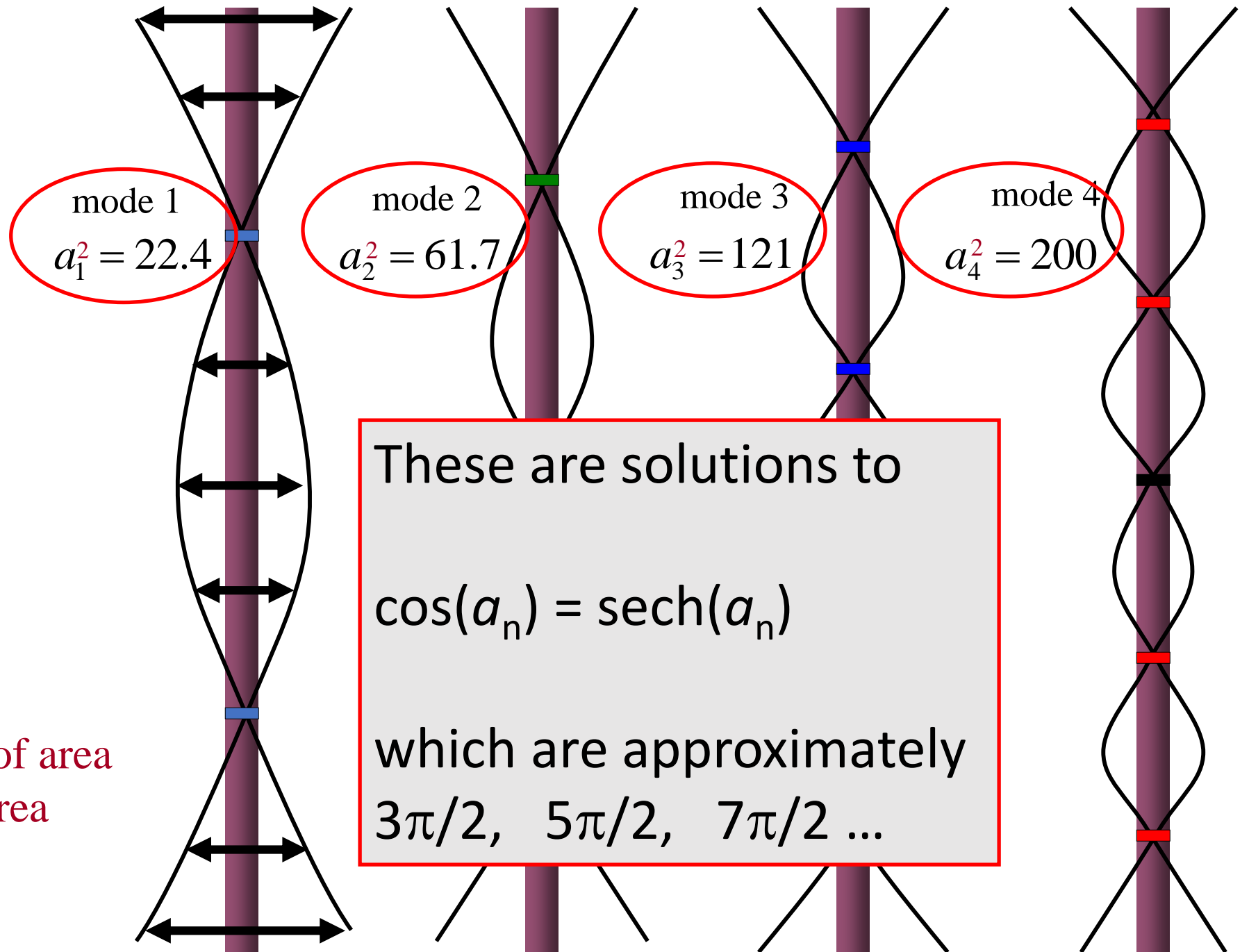
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The location of the nodal points for a vibrating beam are:

beam length $L=1000\text{mm}$

(distance x measured in mm from one end)

mode 1: 224 776

mode 2: 132 500 868

mode 3: 94 356 644 906

mode 4: 73 277 500 723 927

mode 5: 60 226 409 591 774 940

mode 6: 51 192 346 500 654 808 949

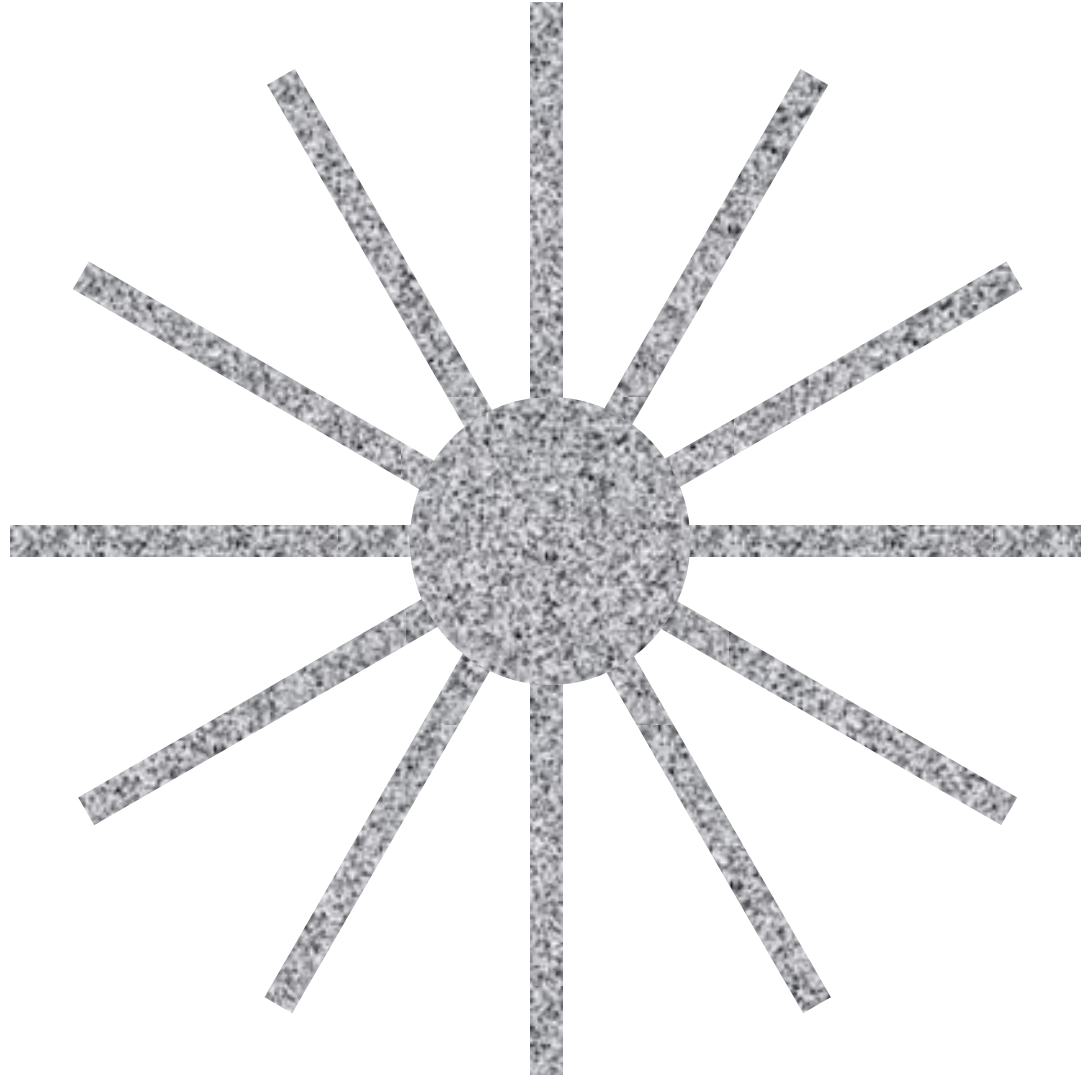
mode 7: 44 166 300 433 567 700 834 956

mode 8: 39 147 265 382 500 618 735 853 961

These are zeros of

$$u = (\cos(a_n L) - \cosh(a_n L)) (\cos(a_n z) + \cosh(a_n z)) + (\sin(a_n L) + \sinh(a_n L)) (\sin(a_n z) + \sinh(a_n z))$$

with $z = x/L$



Axisymmetric bodies

Turbocharger blade vibration

Very weird behaviour!