

Laplace's Equation & Poisson's Equation

Introduction to Electromagnetism with Practice
Theory & Applications

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Poisson & Laplace Equations – Introduction



Remind: Differential Form

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_r \mathbf{E}$$

$$\varepsilon_r = 1$$



Vacuum

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\varepsilon_0}$$



Remind: Poisson's Equation in Homogeneous Materials

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0} & & \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho \\ \text{Already related...} \nearrow & \mathbf{E} = -\nabla V & \nwarrow \text{Need to be related...} \\ & & \mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \mathbf{E} \end{array}$$

Poisson's Equation

$$\nabla \cdot (-\nabla V) = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \quad \longrightarrow \quad -\nabla^2 V = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r}$$

Governing Eq. for Electrostatics in Homogeneous Materials (with B.C.)



Remind: Equation for Inhomogeneous Materials

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho$$

Already related... $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla V$ Need to be related...

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{E}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\epsilon_r(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{E}) = \epsilon_r(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} + (\nabla \epsilon_r(\mathbf{x})) \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

$$-\epsilon_r(\mathbf{x}) \nabla^2 V - (\nabla \epsilon_r(\mathbf{x})) \cdot (\nabla V) = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

Governing Eq. for Electrostatics in Inhomogeneous Materials (with B.C.)



Laplace & Poisson Equations

Poisson's Equation

$$-\nabla^2 V = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r}$$

Laplace's Equation

$$\nabla^2 V = 0$$

$$\rho = 0$$

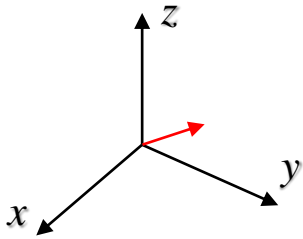


Laplacian Operator in Different Coordinates

$$\nabla^2 V = 0$$

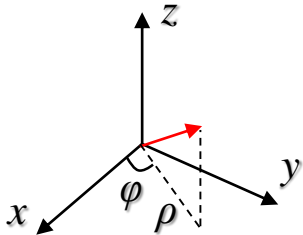
Cartesian Coordinate

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$



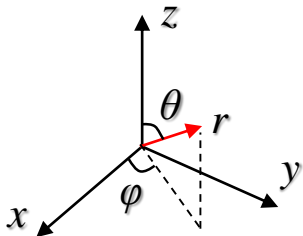
Cylindrical Coordinate

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$



Spherical Coordinate

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2}$$

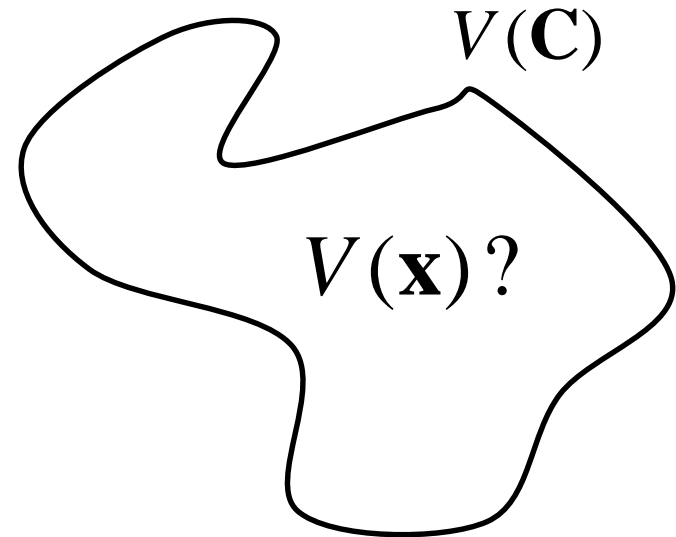


Basic Strategy – General Solution & Boundary Condition

$$\nabla^2 V(x, y, z) = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 V(\rho, \varphi, z) = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 V(r, \theta, \varphi) = 0$$

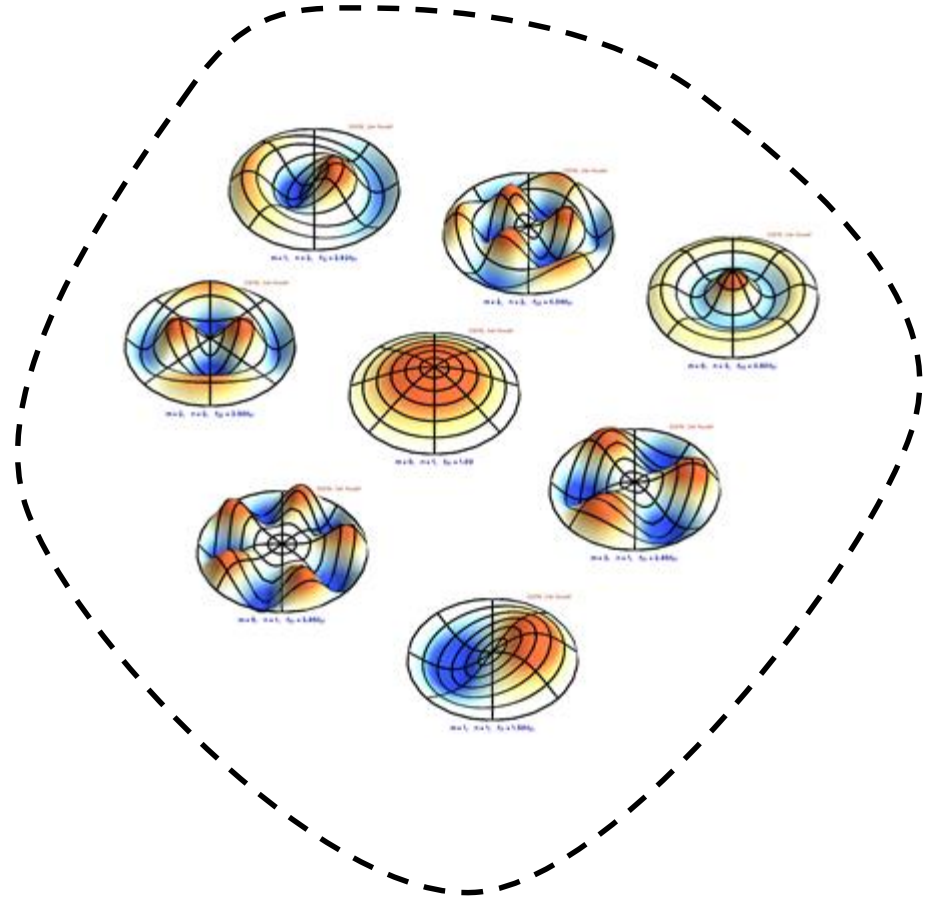


- I. Find the mathematical form of **a general solution**
: it has a “mathematically” different form for each coordinate system
(not physically different)
- II. Applying B.C. → Achieving necessary coefficients!
: **Selecting a proper coordinate system** ~ more easy solving process



Basic Strategy – Illustration of the Solving Process

- I. **A general solution** can be expressed with the linear combination of each building block function (which is called an **eigenmode**)
- II. **Boundary conditions** then determine the ratio of each component (achieving the **coefficients of the superposition**)



<https://www.acs.psu.edu/drussell/Demos/MembraneCircle/Circle.html>

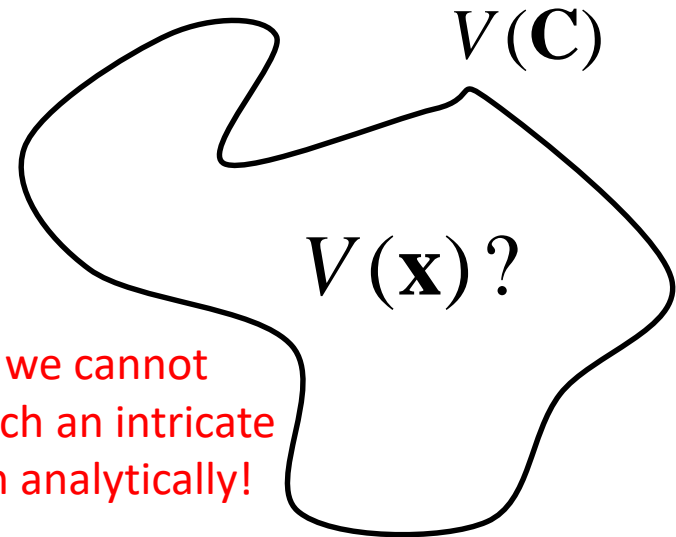


Basic Strategy – Focusing on Solvable Problems

$$\nabla^2 V(x, y, z) = 0$$

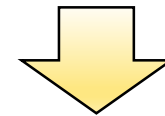
$$\nabla^2 V(\rho, \varphi, z) = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 V(r, \theta, \varphi) = 0$$



Usually, we cannot solve such an intricate problem analytically!

$$V(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = 0$$



$$V(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = V_1(\xi_1)V_2(\xi_2)V_3(\xi_3)$$

**The Separation of Variables (SoV) allows analytical solutions of many important problems!
& also provides efficient numerical assessments!**



Notes on SoV

- Not all solutions have the form of separation of variables
→ Some insights are necessary considering the geometry of structures
- How can we have such insights? → Solve many, many problems!
- $\exp(\kappa x)$ can have different forms and each problem has a more suitable form that enables easy solving process
 - For real κ ($\kappa^2 > 0$), it has the form of $\cosh(\kappa x)$ & $\sinh(\kappa x)$
 - For imaginary κ ($= i\gamma$, $\kappa^2 < 0$), it has the form of $\cos(\gamma x)$ & $\sin(\gamma x)$
- How can we select a proper form? → Solve many, many problems!



Laplace Equations – Cartesian Coordinates



Starting from SoV for Cartesian Coordinates

$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] V = 0$$

Separation of Variables: $V = X(x)Y(y)Z(z)$

$$YZ \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + ZX \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + XY \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$\times \frac{1}{XYZ}$ ↓

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$= K_x^2$$

$$= K_y^2$$

$$= K_z^2$$

$$K_x^2 + K_y^2 + K_z^2 = 0$$



Starting from SoV for Cartesian Coordinates

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$= \kappa_x^2$$

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$$\kappa_x^2 + \kappa_y^2 + \kappa_z^2 = 0$$

(i) $\kappa_x = 0$

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = 0 \Rightarrow X = a_x x + b_x$$



Starting from SoV for Cartesian Coordinates

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

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$$\kappa_x^2 + \kappa_y^2 + \kappa_z^2 = 0$$

(ii) $\kappa_x^2 > 0$

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = \kappa_x^2$$

$$X = c_{x+} e^{+\kappa_x x} + c_{x-} e^{-\kappa_x x} = d_{xc} \cosh(\kappa_x x) + d_{xs} \sinh(\kappa_x x)$$



Starting from SoV for Cartesian Coordinates

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$= \kappa_x^2$$

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$$\kappa_x^2 + \kappa_y^2 + \kappa_z^2 = 0$$

(iii) $\kappa_x^2 < 0 \Rightarrow \kappa_x^2 = -\alpha_x^2$

*Real κ_x & α_x
for "easy" solving process!*

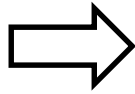
$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = -\alpha_x^2$$

$$X = c_{x+} e^{+i\alpha_x x} + c_{x-} e^{-i\alpha_x x} = d_{xc} \cos(\alpha_x x) + d_{xs} \sin(\alpha_x x)$$



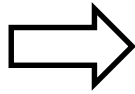
Starting from SoV for Cartesian Coordinates

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = \kappa_x^2$$



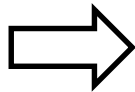
$$\begin{aligned} X &= c_{x+} e^{+i\alpha_x x} + c_{x-} e^{-i\alpha_x x} = d_{xc} \cos(\alpha_x x) + d_{xs} \sin(\alpha_x x) \quad (\kappa_x^2 = -\alpha_x^2 < 0) \\ X &= c_{x+} e^{+\kappa_x x} + c_{x-} e^{-\kappa_x x} = d_{xc} \cosh(\kappa_x x) + d_{xs} \sinh(\kappa_x x) \quad (\kappa_x^2 > 0) \\ X &= a_x x + b_x \quad (\kappa_x = 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} = \kappa_y^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} Y &= c_{y+} e^{+i\alpha_y y} + c_{y-} e^{-i\alpha_y y} = d_{yc} \cos(\alpha_y y) + d_{ys} \sin(\alpha_y y) \quad (\kappa_y^2 = -\alpha_y^2 < 0) \\ Y &= c_{y+} e^{+\kappa_y y} + c_{y-} e^{-\kappa_y y} = d_{yc} \cosh(\kappa_y y) + d_{ys} \sinh(\kappa_y y) \quad (\kappa_y^2 > 0) \\ Y &= a_y y + b_y \quad (\kappa_y = 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = \kappa_z^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} Z &= c_{z+} e^{+i\alpha_z z} + c_{z-} e^{-i\alpha_z z} = d_{zc} \cos(\alpha_z z) + d_{zs} \sin(\alpha_z z) \quad (\kappa_z^2 = -\alpha_z^2 < 0) \\ Z &= c_{z+} e^{+\kappa_z z} + c_{z-} e^{-\kappa_z z} = d_{zc} \cosh(\kappa_z z) + d_{zs} \sinh(\kappa_z z) \quad (\kappa_z^2 > 0) \\ Z &= a_z z + b_z \quad (\kappa_z = 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\kappa_x^2 + \kappa_y^2 + \kappa_z^2 = 0$$



Solution Summary

$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] V = 0$$

B.C. determines
"coefficients"

$$V = \sum_{\kappa_x, \kappa_y, \kappa_z} X_{\kappa_x}(x) Y_{\kappa_y}(y) Z_{\kappa_z}(z)$$

$$\kappa_x^2 + \kappa_y^2 + \kappa_z^2 = 0$$

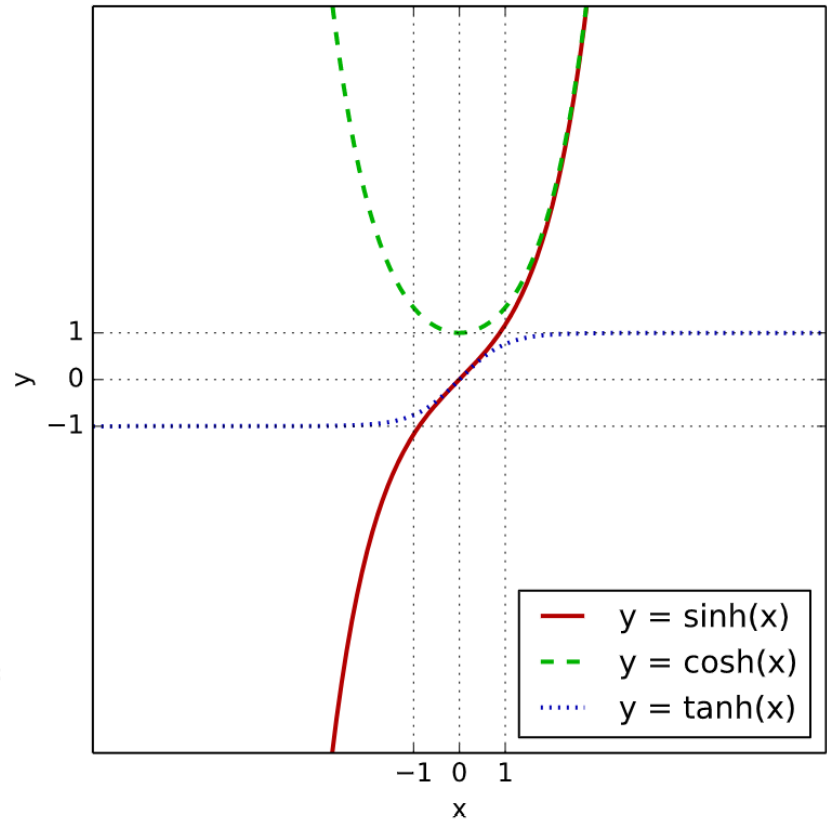
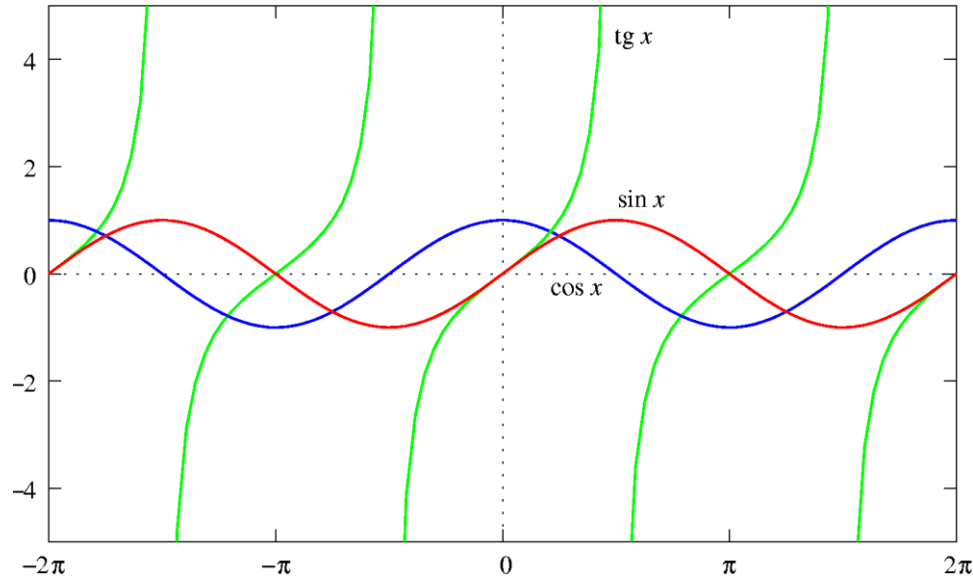
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Important Tip: Be Familiar with the Function Profiles



You must be familiar with the function profiles
➔ Selecting proper functions to satisfy B.C.!



Example 016

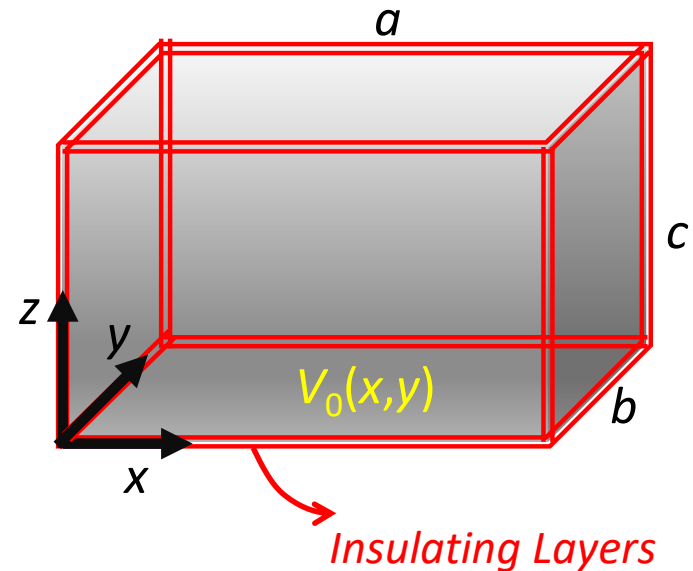
- Calculate $V(x,y,z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = 0$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(x,y)$

For 4 vertical walls, $V = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &= d_{xc} \cos(\alpha_x x) + d_{xs} \sin(\alpha_x x) \quad (\kappa_x^2 = -\alpha_x^2 < 0) \\
 X &= d_{xc} \cosh(\kappa_x x) + d_{xs} \sinh(\kappa_x x) \quad (\kappa_x^2 > 0) \\
 X &= a_x x + b_x \quad \text{zero in everywhere} \quad (\kappa_x = 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

cannot meet B.C.

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y &= d_{yc} \cos(\alpha_y y) + d_{ys} \sin(\alpha_y y) \quad (\kappa_y^2 = -\alpha_y^2 < 0) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$



$$\kappa_{x,y} \neq 0$$

Consider the function profiles, we can set

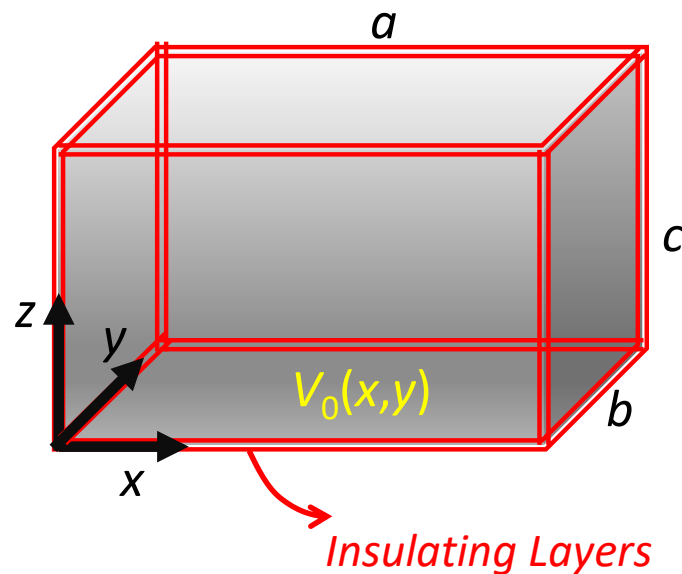
$$X \sim \sin(\alpha_x x) \quad (\kappa_x^2 = -\alpha_x^2 < 0)$$

$$Y \sim \sin(\alpha_y y) \quad (\kappa_y^2 = -\alpha_y^2 < 0)$$



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- Calculate $V(x,y,z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = 0$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(x,y)$



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$$\alpha_x a = l\pi, \quad \alpha_y b = m\pi \quad (l, m = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

$$\alpha_x^2 + \alpha_y^2 = \kappa_z^2 \quad \left(\frac{l\pi}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m\pi}{b}\right)^2 = \kappa_z^2 > 0$$

$$Z = c_{z+} e^{+i\alpha_z z} + c_{z-} e^{-i\alpha_z z} = d_{zc} \cos(\alpha_z z) + d_{zs} \sin(\alpha_z z) \quad (\kappa_z^2 = -\alpha_z^2 < 0)$$

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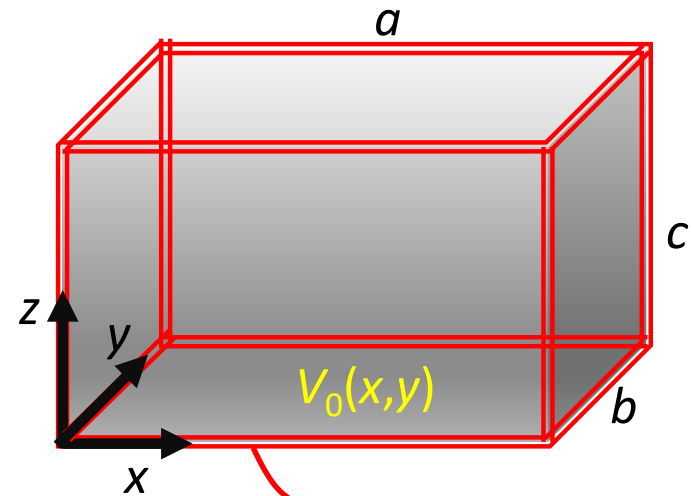
$$Z = a_z z + b_z \quad (\kappa_z = 0)$$

We set $\kappa_z > 0$



Example 016

- Calculate $V(x,y,z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = 0$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(x,y)$



$$V = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{l\pi}{a} x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{b} y\right) \left[d_{zc}^{l,m} \cosh(\kappa_z z) + d_{zs}^{l,m} \sinh(\kappa_z z) \right]$$

Insulating Layers

$$\left(\frac{l\pi}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m\pi}{b}\right)^2 = \kappa_z^2 > 0$$



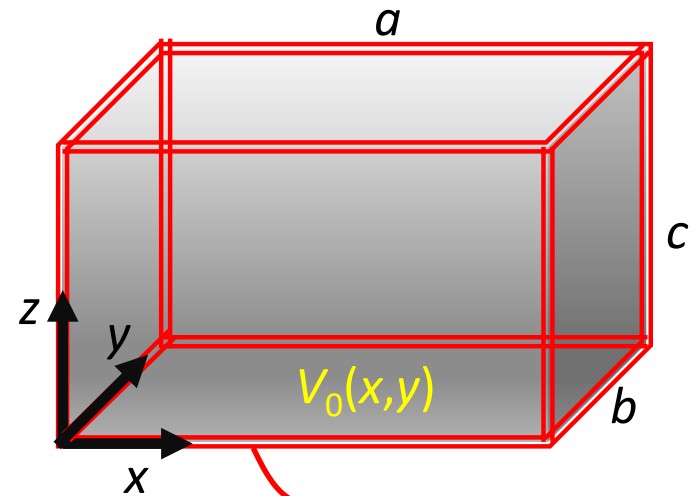
$$V(x, y, z = 0) = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{l\pi}{a} x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{b} y\right) d_{zc}^{l,m} = V_0(x, y)$$

$$V(x, y, z = c) = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{l\pi}{a} x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{b} y\right) \left[d_{zc}^{l,m} \cosh(\kappa_z c) + d_{zs}^{l,m} \sinh(\kappa_z c) \right] = 0$$



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- Calculate $V(x,y,z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = 0$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(x,y)$



$$\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{l\pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{b}y\right) \left[d_{zc}^{l,m} \cosh(\kappa_z c) + d_{zs}^{l,m} \sinh(\kappa_z c) \right] = 0$$

$$d_{zc}^{l,m} \cosh(\kappa_z c) + d_{zs}^{l,m} \sinh(\kappa_z c) = 0 \Rightarrow d_{zs}^{l,m} = -\frac{\cosh(\kappa_z c)}{\sinh(\kappa_z c)} d_{zc}^{l,m}$$

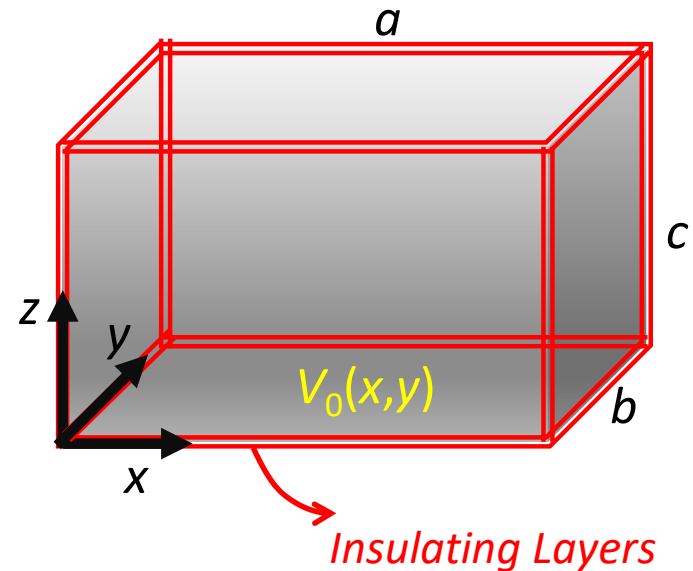
$$\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{l\pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{b}y\right) d_{zc}^{l,m} = V_0(x, y)$$

$$\Rightarrow d_{zc}^{l,m} = \frac{4}{ab} \int_0^a \int_0^b dx dy V_0(x, y) \sin\left(\frac{l\pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{b}y\right) = V_{lm}$$



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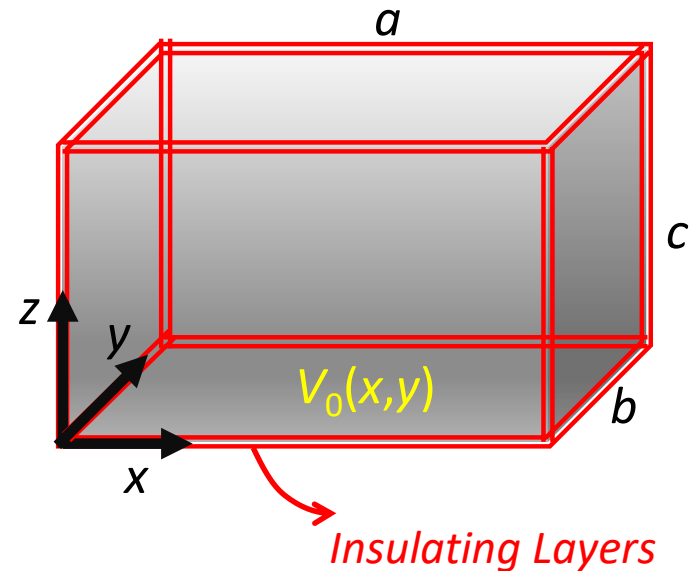
$$\begin{aligned}
 & d_{zc}^{l,m} \cosh(\kappa_z z) + d_{zs}^{l,m} \sinh(\kappa_z z) \\
 &= V_{lm} \cosh(\kappa_z z) - \frac{\cosh(\kappa_z c)}{\sinh(\kappa_z c)} V_{lm} \sinh(\kappa_z z) \\
 &= V_{lm} \frac{\sinh(\kappa_z c) \cosh(\kappa_z z) - \cosh(\kappa_z c) \sinh(\kappa_z z)}{\sinh(\kappa_z c)} \\
 &= V_{lm} \frac{\sinh[\kappa_z (c - z)]}{\sinh(\kappa_z c)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\frac{l\pi}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{m\pi}{b} \right)^2 = \kappa_z^2 = \kappa_{lm}^2 > 0$$



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- Calculate $V(x,y,z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = 0$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(x,y)$



$$V(x, y, z) = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} V_{lm} \sin\left(\frac{l\pi}{a} x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{b} y\right) \frac{\sinh[\kappa_{lm}(c-z)]}{\sinh(\kappa_{lm}c)}$$

$$V_{lm} = \frac{4}{ab} \int_0^a \int_0^b dx dy V_0(x, y) \sin\left(\frac{l\pi}{a} x\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{b} y\right), \quad \kappa_{lm} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{l\pi}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m\pi}{b}\right)^2}$$

B.C. determines the coefficient of each eigenmode



Superposition for Extension

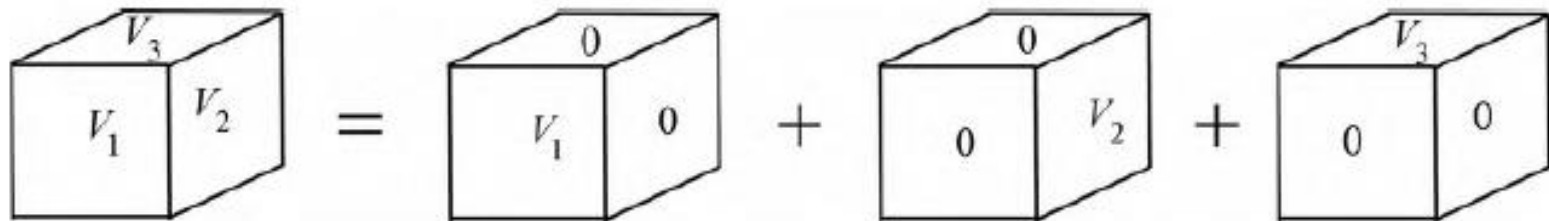


Figure 7.5: The potential in a box with three $\varphi = 0$ walls and three $\varphi \neq 0$ walls represented as the sum of three box potentials, each with five $\varphi = 0$ walls and one $\varphi \neq 0$ wall.



Preview – Cylindrical Coordinates



Starting from SoV for Cylindrical Coordinates

$$\left[\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] V = 0$$

Separation of Variables: $V = R(\rho)Q(\phi)Z(z)$

$$\frac{QZ}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial R}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{RZ}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \phi^2} + RQ \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\rho}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial R}{\partial \rho} \right) + \boxed{\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \phi^2}} + \boxed{\frac{\rho^2}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2}} = 0$$

$$\boxed{= -m^2} \quad \boxed{= k_z^2}$$

$$\times \frac{\rho^2}{RQZ} \downarrow$$



$$\rho^2 \frac{d^2 R}{d\rho^2} + \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} + \{k_z^2 \rho^2 - m^2\} R = 0$$



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$$\left[\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] V = 0$$

Separation of Variables: $V = R(\rho)Q(\phi)Z(z)$

$$\frac{QZ}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial R}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{RZ}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \phi^2} + RQ \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\rho}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial R}{\partial \rho} \right) + \boxed{\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \phi^2}} + \boxed{\frac{\rho^2}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2}} = 0$$

$\boxed{= -m^2} \quad \boxed{= k_z^2}$

$$\times \frac{\rho^2}{RQZ} \downarrow$$



$$\rho^2 \frac{d^2 R}{d\rho^2} + \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} + \{k_z^2 \rho^2 - m^2\} R = 0$$



SoV for Cylindrical Coordinates: Height z

$$\frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = k_z^2$$



$$Z = c_{z+} e^{+i\alpha_z z} + c_{z-} e^{-i\alpha_z z} = d_{zc} \cos(\alpha_z z) + d_{zs} \sin(\alpha_z z) \quad (k_z^2 = -\alpha_z^2 < 0)$$

$$Z = c_{z+} e^{+k_z z} + c_{z-} e^{-k_z z} = d_{zc} \cosh(k_z z) + d_{zs} \sinh(k_z z) \quad (k_z^2 > 0)$$

$$Z = a_z z + b_z \quad (k_z = 0)$$

The same condition as Cartesian z



SoV for Cylindrical Coordinates: Azimuth φ

$$\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \varphi^2} = -m^2$$

$$Q(\varphi) = Q(\varphi + 2\pi)$$

(i) $m = 0$

$$\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \varphi^2} = 0 \Rightarrow Q = a\varphi + b$$

$$a\varphi + b = a(\varphi + 2\pi) + b$$

$$Q = b$$



SoV for Cylindrical Coordinates: Azimuth φ

$$\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \varphi^2} = -m^2$$

$$Q(\varphi) = Q(\varphi + 2\pi)$$

(ii) $m^2 > 0$

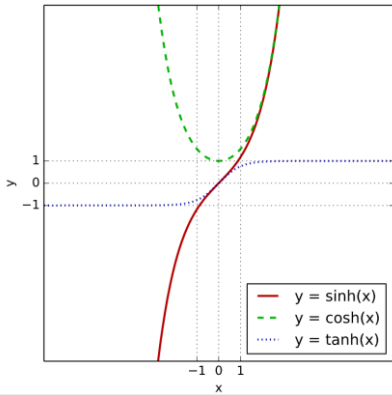
$$\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \varphi^2} = -m^2$$

$$Q = c_{\varphi+} e^{+im\varphi} + c_{\varphi-} e^{-im\varphi} = d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi)$$

B.C. Integer $m \rightarrow$ We assume $m = 1, 2, \dots$



SoV for Cylindrical Coordinates: Azimuth φ



$$\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \varphi^2} = -m^2$$

$$Q(\varphi) = Q(\varphi + 2\pi)$$

(iii) $m^2 < 0 \Rightarrow m^2 = -\alpha^2$

*Real m & α
for “easy” solving process!*

$$\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \varphi^2} = \alpha^2$$

$$Q = c_{\varphi+} e^{+\alpha\varphi} + c_{\varphi-} e^{-\alpha\varphi} = d_{\varphi c} \cosh(\alpha\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sinh(\alpha\varphi)$$

$Q(\varphi) = Q(\varphi + 2\pi)$ is not generally satisfied for the entire φ



SoV for Cylindrical Coordinates: Azimuth φ

$$\frac{1}{Q} \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \varphi^2} = -m^2$$

$$Q(\varphi) = Q(\varphi + 2\pi)$$



(i) $m = 0$

$$Q = b$$

(ii) $m^2 > 0$

$$Q = c_{\varphi+} e^{+im\varphi} + c_{\varphi-} e^{-im\varphi} = d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi)$$

$$(m = 1, 2, \dots)$$




$$Q = c_{\varphi+} e^{+im\varphi} + c_{\varphi-} e^{-im\varphi} = d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi) \quad (m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$



SoV for Cylindrical Coordinates: Radial Distance ρ

$$\rho^2 \frac{d^2 R}{d\rho^2} + \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} + (k_z^2 \rho^2 - m^2) R = 0$$

 $x = k_z \rho$

Bessel's Equation

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 R}{dx^2} + x \frac{dR}{dx} + (x^2 - m^2) R = 0$$

$$Q = c_{\varphi+} e^{+im\varphi} + c_{\varphi-} e^{-im\varphi} = d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi) \quad (m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$Z = c_{z+} e^{+i\alpha_z z} + c_{z-} e^{-i\alpha_z z} = d_{zc} \cos(\alpha_z z) + d_{zs} \sin(\alpha_z z) \quad (k_z^2 = -\alpha_z^2 < 0)$$

$$Z = c_{z+} e^{+k_z z} + c_{z-} e^{-k_z z} = d_{zc} \cosh(k_z z) + d_{zs} \sinh(k_z z) \quad (k_z^2 > 0)$$

$$Z = a_z z + b_z \quad (k_z = 0)$$



Interim Summary

$$\left[\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] V = 0$$

$$V = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_z \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} R_{m,k_z}(\rho) Q_m(\phi) Z_{k_z}(z)$$

$$Q_m = d_{\phi c} \cos(m\phi) + d_{\phi s} \sin(m\phi) \\ (m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

Bessel's Equation

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 R_{m,k_z}}{dx^2} + x \frac{dR_{m,k_z}}{dx} + (x^2 - m^2) R_{m,k_z} = 0$$

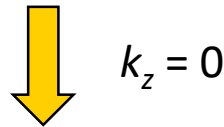
$$Z_{k_z} = d_{zc} \cos(\alpha_z z) + d_{zs} \sin(\alpha_z z) \\ (k_z^2 = -\alpha_z^2 < 0) \\ Z_{k_z} = d_{zc} \cosh(k_z z) + d_{zs} \sinh(k_z z) \\ (k_z^2 > 0) \\ Z_{k_z} = a_z z + b_z \\ (k_z = 0)$$

$$x = k_z \rho$$




The Radial Functions: $k_z = 0$

$$\rho^2 \frac{d^2 R}{d\rho^2} + \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} + (k_z^2 \rho^2 - m^2) R = 0$$



$$\rho^2 \frac{d^2 R}{d\rho^2} + \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} - m^2 R = 0$$

Diverging at $\rho \rightarrow 0$

(i) $m = 0$ $\rho \frac{d^2 R}{d\rho^2} = -\frac{dR}{d\rho}$  $R_{m,k_z}(\rho) = A_{m=0,k_z=0} + B_{m=0,k_z=0} \ln(\rho)$

Diverging at $\rho \rightarrow \infty$ Diverging at $\rho \rightarrow 0$

(ii) $m \neq 0$ $R_{m,k_z}(\rho) = A_{m,k_z=0} \rho^{+m} + B_{m,k_z=0} \rho^{-m}$



The Radial Functions: $k_z \neq 0$ – Bessel Functions

Bessel's Equation

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 R}{dx^2} + x \frac{dR}{dx} + (x^2 - m^2) R = 0$$

$$\Downarrow R = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+s}$$

$$(s^2 - m^2)a_0 = 0, \quad [(s+1)^2 - m^2]a_1 = 0$$

$$a_k = -\frac{1}{(k+s)^2 - m^2} a_{k-2} \quad (k \geq 2)$$

$$\boxed{a_0 \neq 0, a_1 = 0, s = \pm m}$$

$$\Downarrow k = 2q$$

$$a_{2q} = -\frac{a_{2q-2}}{2^2 q(q \pm m)} \quad (q \geq 1, \text{ integer})$$

$$\Gamma(m+1) = m\Gamma(m) \quad a_0 = \frac{1}{2^m \Gamma(m+1)}$$

The Bessel Function of the first kind of order " m "

$s = +m$

$$R = J_m(x) = \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^q}{\Gamma(q+1)\Gamma(q+1+m)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2q+m}$$

$s = -m$

$$R = J_{-m}(x) = \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^q}{\Gamma(q+1)\Gamma(q+1-m)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2q-m}$$

When m is not an integer,
 J_m and J_{-m} are linearly independent

But, in our prob. m is integer:

Linearly dependent! $J_{-m}(x) = (-1)^m J_m(x)$

The Bessel Function of the second kind of order " m "

$$R = N_m(x) = \frac{\cos(\pi m)J_m(x) - J_{-m}(x)}{\sin(\pi m)}$$

$$\boxed{R_{m,k_z}(x = k_z \rho) = A_{m,k_z} J_m(x) + B_{m,k_z} N_m(x)}$$



Bessel Functions: Modified Bessel Functions

Bessel Functions of the First & Second Kinds

$$R_{m,k_z}(x = k_z \rho) = A_{m,k_z} J_m(x) + B_{m,k_z} N_m(x)$$

~ **cos & sin**

Two Degrees of Freedom

$$x = k_z \rho \quad \rightarrow$$

The 1st & 2nd Bessel functions are proper to real k_z (or $k_z^2 > 0$)

Then, what are the proper forms for imaginary k_z (or $k_z^2 < 0$)

Modified Bessel Functions

$$I_m(x) = i^{-m} J_m(ix)$$

$$K_m(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} i^{m+1} [J_m(ix) + iN_m(ix)]$$

~ **cosh & sinh**



Bessel Functions: Other Kinds

Bessel Functions of the First & Second Kinds

$$R_{m,k_z}(x = k_z \rho) = A_{m,k_z} J_m(x) + B_{m,k_z} N_m(x)$$

~ cos & sin

Two Degrees of Freedom

Hankel Functions (or Bessel Functions of the Third Kind)

$$H_m^{(1)}(x) = J_m(x) + iN_m(x)$$

$$H_m^{(2)}(x) = J_m(x) - iN_m(x)$$

~ exp($\pm ix$)

$$\text{Assume } m = r + \frac{1}{2} \quad (r = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

Spherical Bessel Functions (Spherical Coordinates!)

$$j_r(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2x}} J_{r+1/2}(x) = (-1)^r x^r \left(\frac{1}{x} \frac{d}{dx} \right)^r \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)$$

$$n_r(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2x}} N_{r+1/2}(x) = -(-1)^r x^r \left(\frac{1}{x} \frac{d}{dx} \right)^r \left(\frac{\cos x}{x} \right)$$

$$h_r^{(1)}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2x}} H_{r+1/2}^{(1)}(x) = -i(-1)^r x^r \left(\frac{1}{x} \frac{d}{dx} \right)^r \left(\frac{e^{ix}}{x} \right)$$

$$h_r^{(2)}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2x}} H_{r+1/2}^{(2)}(x) = i(-1)^r x^r \left(\frac{1}{x} \frac{d}{dx} \right)^r \left(\frac{e^{-ix}}{x} \right)$$



The Radial Functions: Summary

• $k_z = 0$ (i) $m = 0$ \longrightarrow $R_{m,k_z}(\rho) = A_{m=0,k_z=0} + B_{m=0,k_z=0} \ln(\rho)$ Diverging at $\rho \rightarrow 0$

(ii) $m \neq 0$ \longrightarrow $R_{m,k_z}(\rho) = A_{m,k_z=0} \rho^{+m} + B_{m,k_z=0} \rho^{-m}$ Diverging at $\rho \rightarrow \infty$ Diverging at $\rho \rightarrow 0$

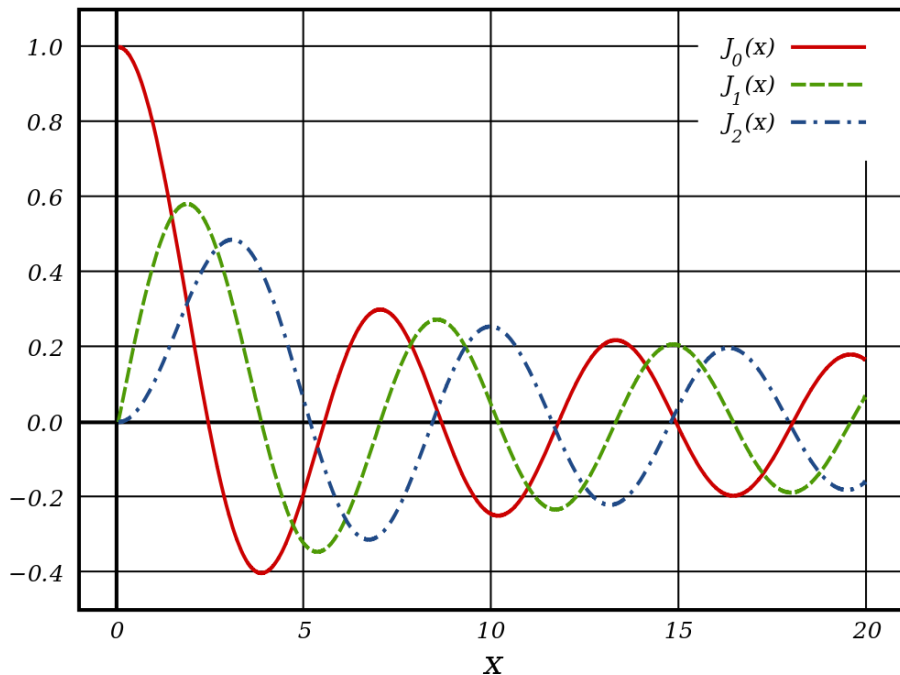
• $k_z^2 > 0$ $R_{m,k_z}(\rho) = A_{m,k_z} J_m(k_z \rho) + B_{m,k_z} N_m(k_z \rho)$

• $k_z^2 = -\alpha_z^2 < 0$
 $\alpha_z = ik_z$ $R_{m,k_z}(\rho) = A_{m,k_z} I_m(\alpha_z \rho) + B_{m,k_z} K_m(\alpha_z \rho)$



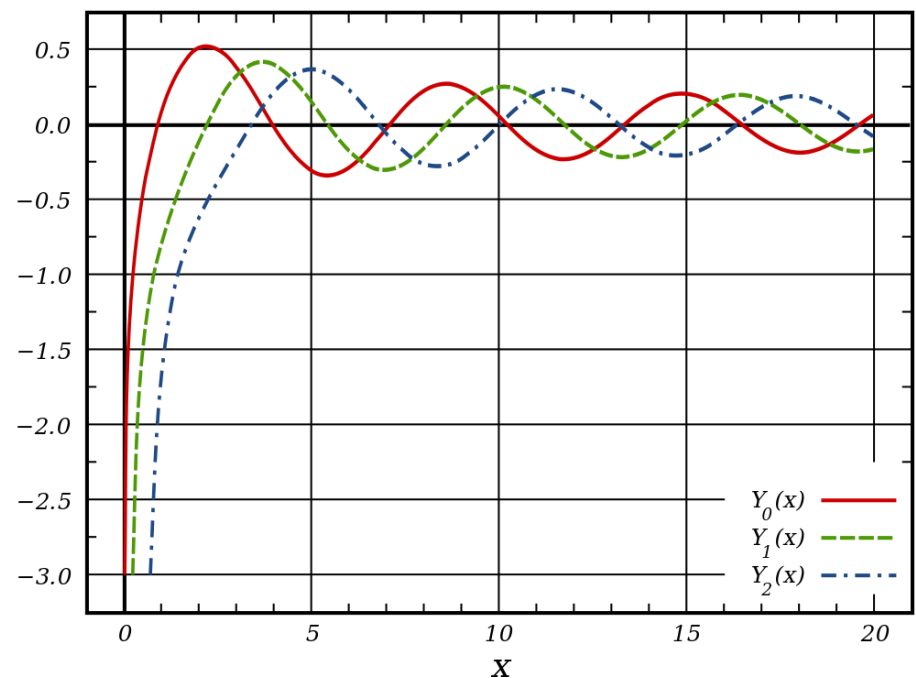
The 1st & 2nd Bessel Functions

$$J_m(x)$$



Diverging
at $\rho \rightarrow 0$

$$N_m(x)$$



Modified Bessel Functions

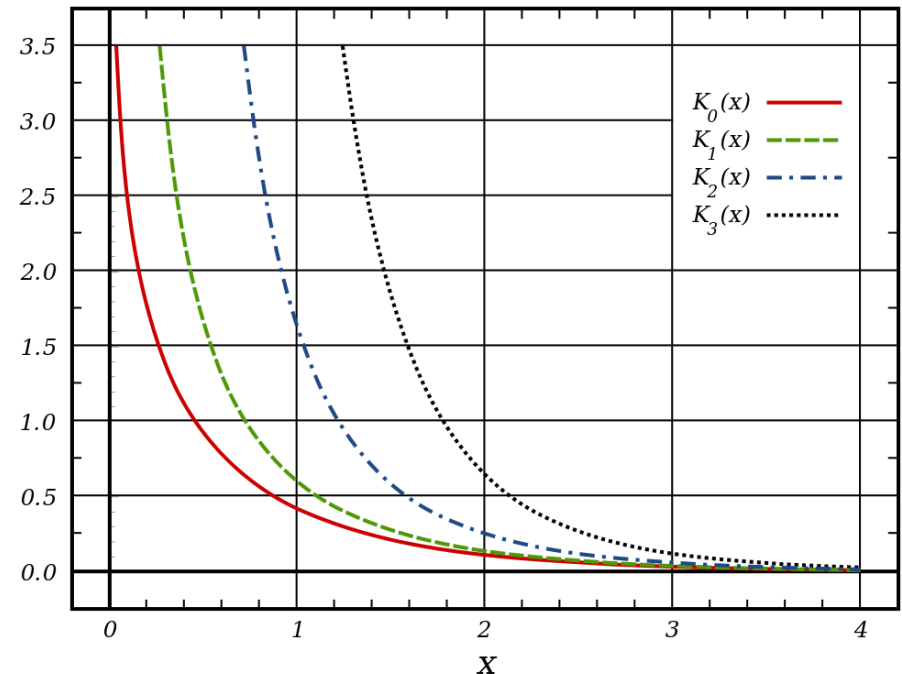
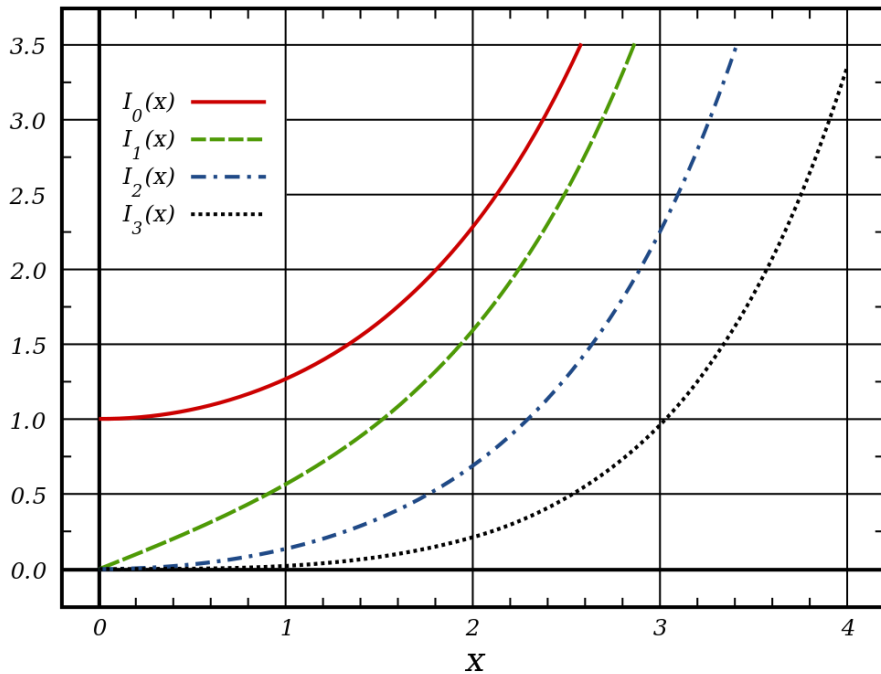
$$I_m(x)$$

Diverging
at $\rho \rightarrow \infty$



Diverging
at $\rho \rightarrow 0$

$$K_m(x)$$



Solution Summary

$$\left[\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] V = 0$$

$$V = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_z \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} R_{m,k_z}(\rho) Q_m(\phi) Z_{k_z}(z) \quad (k_z^2 > 0)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\alpha_z \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} R_{m,\alpha_z}(\rho) Q_m(\phi) Z_{\alpha_z}(z) \quad (k_z^2 = -\alpha_z^2 < 0)$$

$$Q_m = d_{\phi c} \cos(m\phi) + d_{\phi s} \sin(m\phi)$$

$$(m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

Bessel's Equation

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 R_{m,k_z}}{dx^2} + x \frac{dR_{m,k_z}}{dx} + (x^2 - m^2) R_{m,k_z} = 0$$

$$Z_{k_z} = d_{zc} \cos(\alpha_z z) + d_{zs} \sin(\alpha_z z)$$

$$(k_z^2 = -\alpha_z^2 < 0)$$

$$Z_{k_z} = d_{zc} \cosh(k_z z) + d_{zs} \sinh(k_z z)$$

$$(k_z^2 > 0)$$

$$Z_{k_z} = a_z z + b_z$$

$$(k_z = 0)$$

$$x = k_z \rho$$

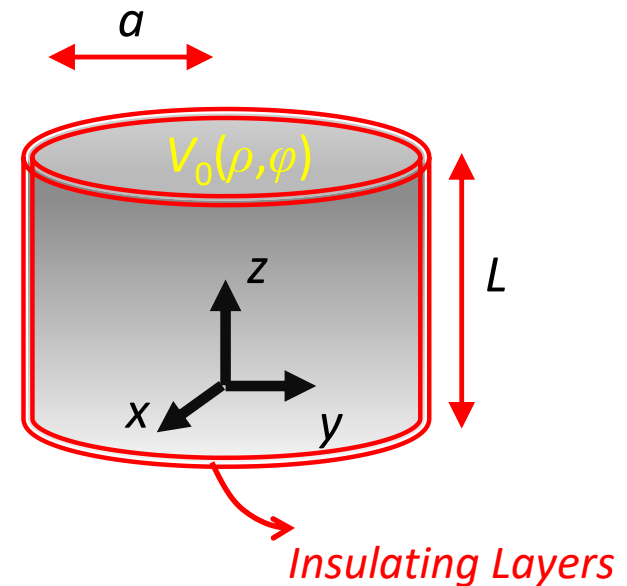


Example 017

- Calculate $V(\rho, \varphi, z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = L$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(\rho, \varphi)$

$$Q_m = d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi)$$

$$(m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$



(i) $k_z = 0$

$$Z_{k_z} = a_z z + b_z$$

$$Z_{k_z}(z = 0) = b_z = 0$$

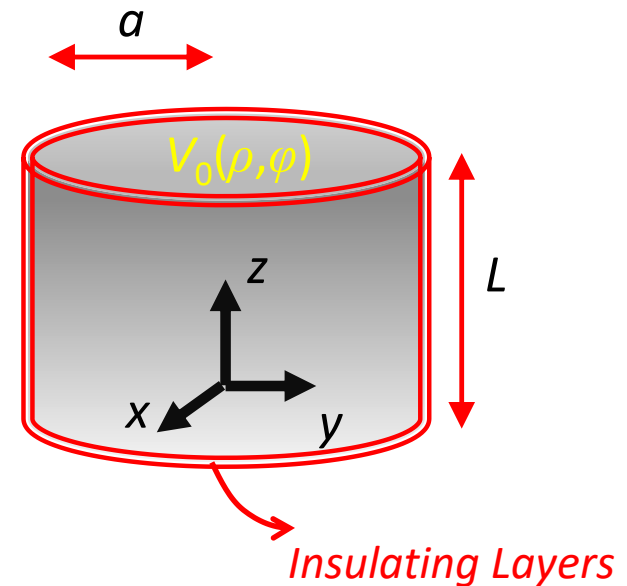
(1) $m = 0$: $Q_m = d_{\varphi c}$ cannot match $z = L$ B.C.

(2) $m \neq 0$: $R_{m, k_z}(\rho) = A_{m, k_z=0} \rho^{+m} + B_{m, k_z=0} \rho^{-m}$
cannot match B.C. at $z = L$



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- Calculate $V(\rho, \varphi, z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = L$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(\rho, \varphi)$



$$Q_m = d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi)$$

$$(m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

(ii) $k_z \neq 0$ We set $k_z^2 > 0$; otherwise, the coefficient becomes imaginary

$$Z_{k_z} = d_{z c} \cosh(k_z z) + d_{z s} \sinh(k_z z) \quad (k_z^2 > 0)$$

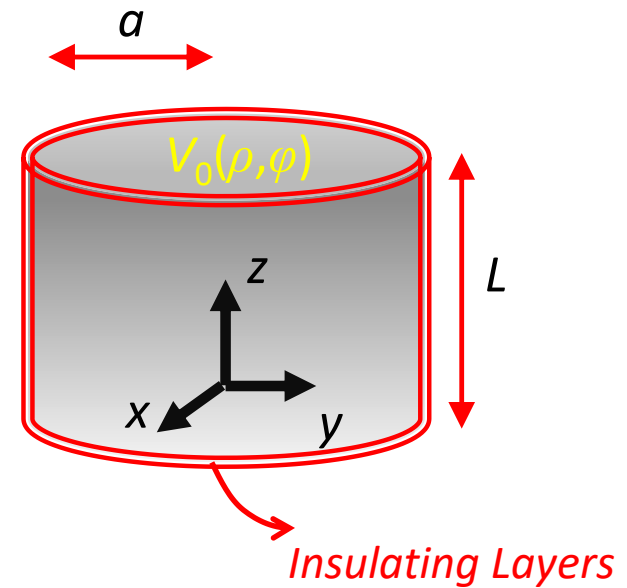
$$Z_{k_z}(z=0) = d_{z c} = 0$$

$$Z_{k_z}(z) = d_{z s} \sinh(k_z z) \quad (k_z^2 > 0)$$



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- Calculate $V(\rho, \varphi, z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = L$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(\rho, \varphi)$



$$Q_m = d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi)$$

$$(m = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

(ii) $k_z \neq 0$

- $k_z^2 > 0$

$$R_{m,k_z}(\rho) = A_{m,k_z} J_m(k_z \rho) + B_{m,k_z} N_m(k_z \rho)$$

Diverging

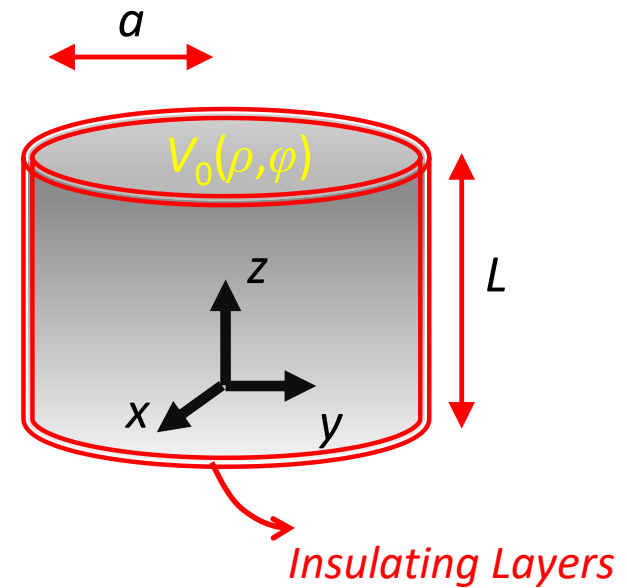
$$J_m(k_z a) = 0: k_z = k_{mn} = \frac{x_{mn}}{a}$$

(x_{mn} : zeros of $J_m(x)$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$)



Example 017

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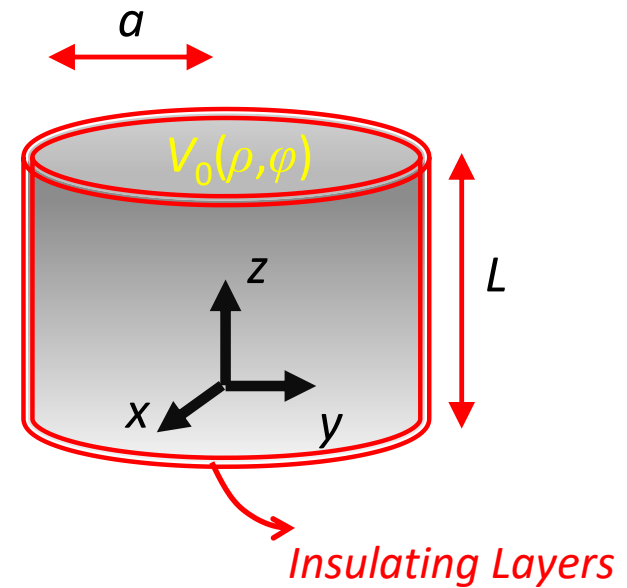
$$V = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} J_m\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} \rho\right) \sinh\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} z\right) \left[d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi) \right]$$

$$V(\rho, \varphi, z = L) = V_0(\rho, \varphi)$$



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- Calculate $V(\rho, \varphi, z)$ when all the walls are fixed at zero potential except for the $z = L$ wall, where the potential takes specific values $V_0(\rho, \varphi)$

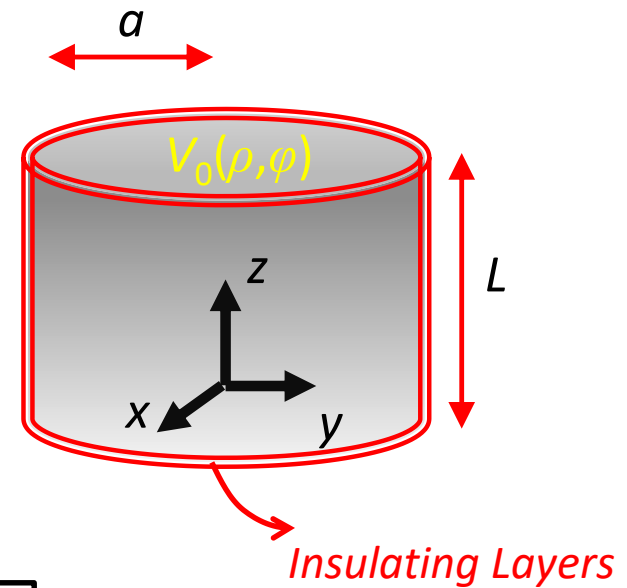


$$\begin{aligned} V(\rho, \varphi, z = L) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} J_m\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} \rho\right) \sinh\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} L\right) \left[d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi) \right] \\ &= V_0(\rho, \varphi) \end{aligned}$$



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$$V = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} J_m\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} \rho\right) \sinh\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} z\right) \left[d_{\varphi c} \cos(m\varphi) + d_{\varphi s} \sin(m\varphi) \right]$$

$$d_{\varphi c} = \frac{2 \operatorname{csch}\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} L\right)}{\pi a^2 J_{m+1}^2\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} a\right)} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \int_0^a d\rho \rho V_0(\rho, \varphi) J_m\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} \rho\right) \cos(m\varphi)$$

B.C. determines
the coefficient of each eigenmode

$$d_{\varphi s} = \frac{2 \operatorname{csch}\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} L\right)}{\pi a^2 J_{m+1}^2\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} a\right)} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \int_0^a d\rho \rho V_0(\rho, \varphi) J_m\left(\frac{x_{mn}}{a} \rho\right) \sin(m\varphi)$$

