

PDE:  $(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_r - \hat{\mathcal{L}}_t)\phi(\vec{r}, t) = -\rho(\vec{r}, t)$   
 ROI:  $\vec{r} \text{ in } V, t > t_0$   
 IC:  $\phi(\vec{r}, t_0) = \phi_0(\vec{r}), \dot{\phi}(\vec{r}, t_0) = \dot{\phi}_0(\vec{r})$   
 BC:  $\phi|_{\text{surf. of } V}$  or  $\hat{n} \cdot \nabla \phi|_{\text{surf. of } V}$  or Periodic

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$\phi = \phi_h + \phi_p$

1.1  
 $(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_r - \hat{\mathcal{L}}_t)\phi_h = 0$   
 meets IC & BC

1.2  
 $(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_r - \hat{\mathcal{L}}_t)\phi_p = -\rho$   
 IC & BC = 0

$\phi_h = \phi_s(\vec{r}) + \phi_T(\vec{r}, t)$

1.1.1  
 $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_r \phi_s = 0$   
 meets constant BC  
 (not used for periodic BC)

1.1.2  
 $(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_r - \hat{\mathcal{L}}_t)\phi_T = 0$   
 BC = 0  
 IC:  $\phi(\vec{r}, t_0) = \phi_0 - \phi_s, \dot{\phi}(\vec{r}, t_0) = \dot{\phi}_0$

$\phi_T = \sum_n U_n(\vec{r}) T_n(t)$

1.1.2.1  
 $(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_r - \lambda_n)U_n(\vec{r}) = 0$   
 (Sturm-Liouville)  
 B.C. = 0

together meet IC of  $\phi_T$

1.1.2.2  
 $(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_t - \lambda_n)T_n(t) = 0$

Spatial Sep. of Variables  
 $U_{lmn}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{lmn} Q_{1l}(q_1) Q_{2m}(q_2) Q_{3n}(q_3)$



Solving  $(1, 1, 2, 2)$  in special cases

$$\left( \hat{\mathcal{L}}_t - \lambda_n \right) T_n(t) = 0, \quad \text{D.E.}$$

where  $\lambda_n$  is dictated by  $(1, 1, 2, 1)$

$t > t_0$

R.O.I.

Note: This is not a Sturm-Liouville problem, because it has I.C.

• Typical case 1: (Diffusion)

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_t = D \frac{d}{dt}$$

$$D \frac{d}{dt} T_n - \lambda_n T_n = 0$$

$$T_n(t) = \underline{A_n e^{\frac{\lambda_n t}{D}}}$$

$T_n$  with largest  $\lambda_n$  will dominate.

• Typical case 2: (damped oscillation)

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_t = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} + \frac{2\gamma}{v^2} \frac{d}{dt}$$

$$\frac{1}{v^2} \ddot{T}_n + \frac{2\gamma}{v^2} \dot{T}_n - \lambda_n T_n = 0$$

Propose  $T_n(t) = A_n e^{\alpha t}$

$$\frac{\alpha^2}{V^2} + 2\frac{\gamma}{V^2}\alpha - \lambda_n = 0$$

$$\alpha = -\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 + \lambda_n V^2}$$

Three cases:

$$T_n(t) = \begin{cases} A_n e^{-(\gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 + \lambda_n V^2})t} + B_n e^{-(\gamma + \sqrt{\gamma^2 + \lambda_n V^2})t} & \gamma^2 + \lambda_n V^2 > 0 \\ & \text{(overdamped)} \\ A_n e^{-\gamma t} + B_n t e^{-\gamma t} & \gamma^2 + \lambda_n V^2 = 0 \\ & \text{(critically damped)} \\ A_n e^{-\gamma t} \cos(\sqrt{|\gamma^2 + \lambda_n V^2|}t) + B_n e^{-\gamma t} \sin(\sqrt{|\gamma^2 + \lambda_n V^2|}t) & \gamma^2 + \lambda_n V^2 < 0 \\ & \text{(underdamped)} \end{cases}$$

(found using  
 $\phi_2(t) = \phi_1(t) \int \frac{w(t')}{\phi_1^2(t')} dt'$ )

For the overdamped case, the first part of the solution with the largest  $\lambda_n$  will dominate for large  $t$ .

This component of the solution is called the ground state.

Solving (1.1.2.1) (and (1.1.1)) in special cases

$$\text{Consider } \hat{\mathcal{L}}_r = \nabla^2 \Rightarrow \lambda = -k^2 < 0$$

(1.1.2.1) becomes Helmholtz equation

$$\text{D.E. } (\nabla^2 + k^2) U(\vec{r}) = 0$$

$$\text{R.O.I } \vec{r} \text{ in } V$$

$$\text{B.C. } U|_{\text{Surface of } V} = 0 \quad (\text{Dirichlet})$$

Use separation of variables. This works in 11 types of coordinate systems:

Cartesian

Cylindrical

Spherical

Confocal ellipsoidal

Confocal paraboloidal

Conical

Paraboloidal

Elliptic cylindrical

Parabolic cylindrical

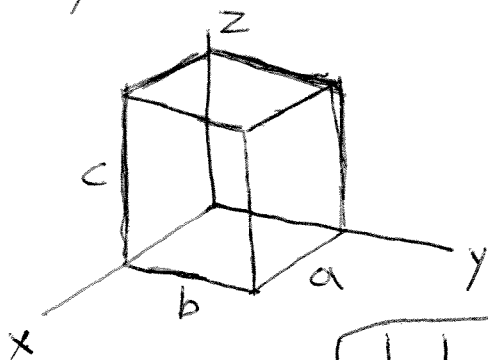
Oblate Spheroidal

Prolate Spheroidal

We will only discuss the typical 3:

Cartesian, Cylindrical, spherical.

1) Cartesian



$$U(\vec{r}) = X(x) Y(y) Z(z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } X(0) &= X(a) = 0 \\ Y(0) &= Y(b) = 0 \\ Z(0) &= Z(c) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(1, 1, 2, 1)

$$0 = \nabla^2 U + k^2 U = X'' Y Z + X Y'' Z + X Y Z'' + k^2 X Y Z$$

divide by  $X Y Z$ :

$$\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} + \frac{Z''}{Z} + k^2 = 0$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{-k_x^2} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{-k_y^2} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{-k_z^2}$

for  $X$ :

$$X'' + k_x^2 X = 0, \quad X(0) = X(a) = 0 \Rightarrow X_l(x) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi l x}{a}\right)$$

with  $k_x = \frac{\pi l}{a}, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots$

Same for  $Y, Z$ , so

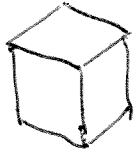
$$U_{lmn}(\vec{r}) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi l x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m y}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi n z}{c}\right)$$

$$\lambda_{lmn} = -k_{lmn}^2 = -(k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) = -\pi^2 \left( \frac{l^2}{a^2} + \frac{m^2}{b^2} + \frac{n^2}{c^2} \right)$$

for  $l, m, n = 1, 2, \dots$

Notice: degeneracy if  $\frac{a}{b}$  or  $\frac{b}{c}$  or  $\frac{a}{c}$  are rationals.

Ground state:  $\lambda_{111} = -\pi^2 (a^{-2} + b^{-2} + c^{-2})$



Can solve (11.1) using a similar technique.

$$\nabla^2 \phi_s = 0, \phi_s|_{\text{surf. of } V} = \text{specified}$$

Again, try  $\phi_s = X Y Z$ . This leads to

$$\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} + \frac{Z''}{Z} = 0$$

Choose first  $X = X_l = \sin\left(\frac{\pi l x}{a}\right), Y = Y_m = \sin\left(\frac{\pi m y}{b}\right)$

$$-\left(\frac{\pi l}{a}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\pi m}{b}\right)^2 + \frac{Z''}{Z} = 0 \Rightarrow Z'' = \pi^2 \left(\frac{l^2}{a^2} + \frac{m^2}{b^2}\right) Z$$

$$Z_l = Z_{lm} \quad \text{where}$$

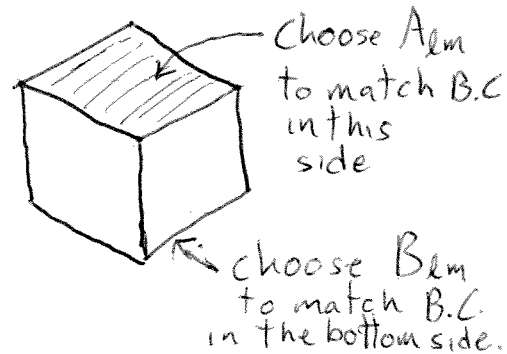
$$Z_{lm}(z) = A_{lm} \sinh\left[\pi \sqrt{\frac{l^2}{a^2} + \frac{m^2}{b^2}} z\right] + B_{lm} \sinh\left[\pi \sqrt{\frac{l^2}{a^2} + \frac{m^2}{b^2}} (c-z)\right]$$

↑  
vanishes at  $z=0$ 
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vanishes at  $z=c$

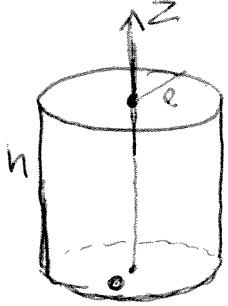
$$\phi_s^{(z)}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{l,m=1}^{\infty} X_l Y_m Z_{lm}$$

Same for  $x$  and  $y$ , so

$$\phi_s = \phi_s^{(x)} + \phi_s^{(y)} + \phi_s^{(z)}$$



Case 2) Cylindrical:  $\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2}$



First solve 1.1.2.1:

$$\nabla^2 U + k^2 U = 0, \quad U|_{\text{boundary}} = 0$$

Propose  $U(\vec{r}) = R(r) \Theta(\theta) Z(z)$

$$\frac{\nabla^2 U}{U} + k^2 = \frac{\frac{1}{r} (rR')'}{R} + \frac{\frac{1}{r^2} \Theta''}{\Theta} + \frac{Z''}{Z} + k^2 = 0$$

these two must be constants.

because  $Z(0) = Z(h) = 0$ ,  
it clearly is given by  $Z_l(z) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi l z}{h}\right)$

$$\text{so } \frac{Z''}{Z} = -\left(\frac{\pi l}{h}\right)^2$$

Also, because  $\Theta$  must be periodic, i.e.  $\Theta(\theta + 2\pi) \equiv \Theta(\theta)$   
it is given by

$$\Theta_m(\theta) = A_m \cos(m\theta) + B_m \sin(m\theta)$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\Theta''}{\Theta} = -m^2$$

The equation for  $R$  is then

$$\frac{1}{r} (rR')' - \frac{m^2}{r^2} + k^2 - \left(\frac{\pi l}{h}\right)^2 = 0$$

Can be rewritten as:

$$\boxed{R'' + \frac{R'}{r} + \left(\alpha^2 - \frac{m^2}{r^2}\right)R = 0}, \text{ where } \alpha^2 = k^2 - \left(\frac{\pi l}{h}\right)^2$$

Bessel's equation.

Solutions: if  $\alpha = 0$ :

$$R'' + \frac{R'}{r} - m^2 \frac{R}{r^2} = 0, \text{ try } R = r^\gamma$$

$$\gamma(\gamma-1)r^{\gamma-2} + \gamma r^{\gamma-2} - m^2 r^{\gamma-2} = 0$$

$$\gamma^2 - m^2 = 0 \quad \therefore \quad \gamma_{\pm} = \pm m, \quad m \neq 0$$

$$R = A r^m + B r^{-m}$$

If  $m=0$  one solution is  $R=A$ .  
can find second solution:

$$p(r) = \frac{1}{r} \quad \therefore \quad P(r) = \int p(r') dr' = \ln r, \quad w = e^{-P} = \frac{1}{r}$$

$$R_2 = R_1(r) \int \frac{w(r')}{R_1^2(r')} dr' = \frac{1}{A} \int \frac{dr'}{r'} = \frac{1}{A} \ln r$$

$$\text{so } R = A + B \ln r$$



$$\alpha \neq 0: \quad R'' + \frac{R'}{r} + \left(\alpha^2 - \frac{m^2}{r^2}\right)R = 0$$

$$p(r) = \frac{1}{r}, \quad q(r) = \frac{\alpha^2 r^2 - m^2}{r^2}, \quad \text{so } r=0 \text{ is a regular singular point}$$

Can use Frobenius:

$$R(r) = A r^\gamma \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n r^n, \quad a_0 = 1$$

$$r p(r) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n r^n = 1, \quad \text{so } P_0 = 1, P_{n>0} = 0.$$

$$r^2 q(r) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q_n r^n = -m^2 + \alpha^2 r^2, \quad \text{so } Q_0 = -m^2, Q_1 = 0, Q_2 = \alpha^2, Q_{n>2} = 0.$$

$$\text{Indicial equation: } \gamma(\gamma-1) + \gamma P_0 + Q_0 = 0$$

$\gamma_{1,2} = \pm m$  differ by an integer.  
to find second solution, need to use a series with a log.

Solutions are Bessel functions:

$$R(r) = A J_m(\alpha r) + B Y_m(\alpha r)$$

Bessel function of the 1<sup>st</sup> type. (1<sup>st</sup> solution)

According to indicial equation, behaves as  $r^m$  for small  $r$ .

As shown in homework, oscillates and decays as  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{r}}$  for large  $r$ .

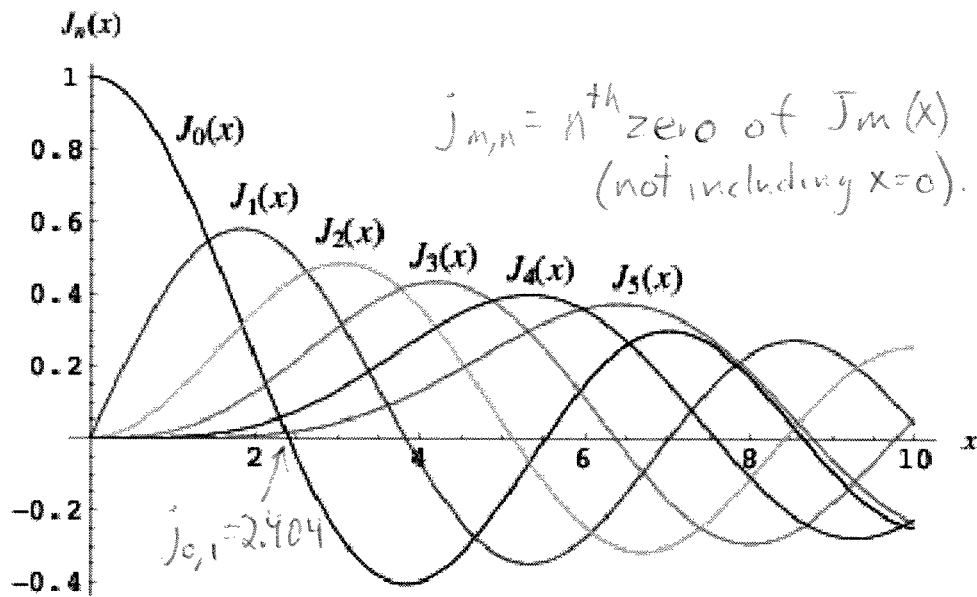
Bessel function of the 2<sup>nd</sup> type (2<sup>nd</sup> solution)

for  $m=0$ , blows up like  $\ln r$ ,  
for  $m>0$ , blows up like  $r^{-m}$  for small  $r$ .

Also decays and oscillates.

# Bessel Functions

1<sup>st</sup> Kind

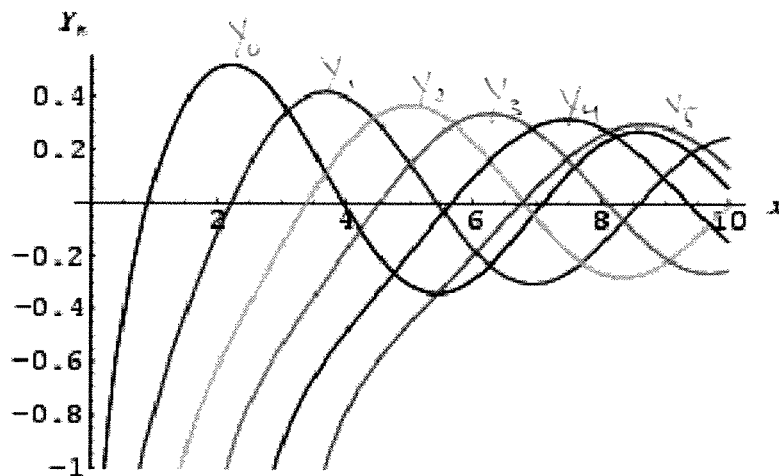


$$J_m = x^m \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^{2n+m} n! (m+n)!} x^{2n}$$

$$J_m = \frac{1}{2\pi i^m} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ix \cos \phi + im\phi} d\phi$$

$$2m J_m = x(J_{m-1} + J_{m+1})$$

2<sup>nd</sup> Kind



so

$$R(r) = \begin{cases} A + B \ln r, & \alpha = 0, m = 0 \\ A r^m + B r^{-m} & \alpha = 0, m \neq 0 \\ A J_m(\alpha r) + B Y_m(\alpha r), & \alpha \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Because our R.O.I. includes  $r=0$ , we set  $B=0$ .

Also, we need  $R(\rho) = 0$ , so  $\alpha$  must be  $\neq 0$ .

$$R_m(r) = J_m(\alpha r)$$

$$R_m(\rho) = J_m(\alpha \rho) = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho}$$

$$R_{m,n}(r) = J_m\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} r\right)$$

so

$$U_{lmn} = J_m\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} r\right) \left[ A_{lmn} \cos(m\theta) + B_{lmn} \sin(m\theta) \right] \sin\left(\frac{j_{l,n} z}{h}\right)$$

$$\lambda_{lmn} = -k^2 = -\left[ \left(\frac{j_{l,n}}{h}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho}\right)^2 \right]$$

$$m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad l, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$


Ground state:  $\lambda_{101} = -\left[ \left(\frac{j_{1,1}}{h}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{j_{0,1}}{\rho}\right)^2 \right]$

$$j_{0,1} = 2.404 \dots$$

Now, let's solve for (1,1,1) for  $\square$ :  $\nabla^2 \phi_s(\vec{r}) = 0$

Let  $\phi_s = \phi_s^{(z)} + \phi_s^{(r)}$ , where:

$\phi_s^{(z)}$  meets B.C. at the caps, and vanishes at the sides 

$\phi_s^{(r)}$  meets B.C. at the sides, and vanishes at the caps 

First, for  $\phi_s^{(z)}$ : use  $\phi_s^{(z)} = R_{m,n} \Theta_m \Sigma$

with:

$$R_{m,n} = J_m\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} r\right), \quad \Theta_m = A \cos m\theta + B \sin m\theta$$

then:

$$\frac{\nabla^2 \phi_s^{(z)}}{\phi_s^{(z)}} = \frac{R_{m,n}'' + r R_{m,n}'}{R_{m,n}} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\Theta_m''}{\Theta_m} + \frac{\Sigma''}{\Sigma} = \frac{\Sigma''}{\Sigma} - \left[ \left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho}\right)^2 - \frac{m^2}{r^2} \right] \frac{\cancel{\Sigma}}{\cancel{\Sigma}} = 0$$

$$\text{so } \Sigma'' = \left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho}\right)^2 \Sigma$$

$$\Sigma_{m,n} = a \sinh\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} z\right) + b \sinh\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} (h-z)\right)$$

putting it all together:

$$\phi_s^{(z)} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ J_m\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} r\right) \sinh\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} z\right) \left( A_{m,n}^{(1)} \cos m\theta + B_{m,n}^{(1)} \sin m\theta \right) + J_m\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} r\right) \sinh\left(\frac{j_{m,n}}{\rho} (h-z)\right) \left( A_{m,n}^{(2)} \cos m\theta + B_{m,n}^{(2)} \sin m\theta \right) \right]$$

Now, for  $\phi_s^{(r)}$ , use  $\phi_s^{(r)} = R \Theta_m \Sigma_l$

with:  $\Theta_m = A \cos m\theta + B \sin m\theta$ ,  $\Sigma_l = \sin\left(\frac{\pi l z}{h}\right)$   
so we get

$$R'' + \frac{R'}{r} + \left( -\left(\frac{\pi l}{h}\right)^2 - \frac{m^2}{r^2} \right) R = 0$$

notice sign.

Solutions: modified Bessel functions

$$R = A I_m\left(\frac{\pi l}{h} r\right) + B K_m\left(\frac{\pi l}{h} r\right)$$

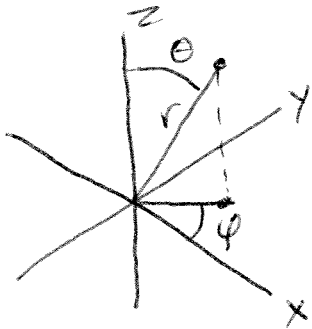
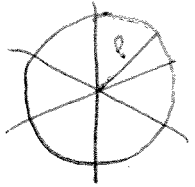
$I_m$  is the "analytic continuation" into the imaginary axis of  $J_m$ ;  $I_m(x) = i^{-m} J_m(ix)$ . It also proportional to  $r^m$  for small  $r$  (because it satisfies the same indicial equation). It does not oscillate, and grows like an exponential.

$K_m$  diverges at zero like  $\ln r$  for  $m=0$  and like  $r^{-m}$  for  $m \neq 0$ . It decays like an exponential. We discard it if the problem includes  $r=0$ .

$$R_{lm} = I_m\left(\frac{\pi l}{h} r\right)$$

$$\phi_s^{(r)} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} I_m\left(\frac{\pi l}{h} r\right) \left[ A_{lm} \cos m\theta + B_{lm} \sin m\theta \right] \sin\left(\frac{\pi l z}{h}\right)$$

### 3) Spherical



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

Try  $U(\vec{r}) = R(r) \Theta(\theta) \Phi(\varphi)$

where

$R(0) = \text{finite}$ ,  $R(r) \xrightarrow{\text{analytic}} 0$   
 $\Theta(\theta) = \text{finite}$   
 $\Phi(\varphi + 2\pi) \equiv \Phi(\varphi)$ .

1.1.2.1  $\frac{\nabla^2 U + k^2 U}{U} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{(r^2 R')'}{R} + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{(\sin \theta \Theta')'}{\Theta} + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\Phi'' + k^2 \Phi}{\Phi} = 0$

clearly  $\Phi = \Phi_m(\varphi) = A \cos m\varphi + B \sin m\varphi$

$$\frac{R'' + 2R'/r + \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \frac{\Theta'' + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \Theta'}{\Theta} \right) + k^2 - \frac{m^2}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta}}{R} = 0$$

or:

$$\frac{R'' + 2R'/r + \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \frac{\Theta'' + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \Theta' - \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta}}{\Theta} \right) + k^2}{-B} = 0$$

so:

$$R'' + \frac{2R'}{r} + \left( k^2 - \frac{B}{r^2} \right) R = 0, \quad \Theta'' + \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \Theta' + \left( B - \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta} \right) \Theta = 0$$

Do radial first:  $R'' + \frac{2R'}{r} + (k^2 - \frac{\beta}{r^2})R = 0$   
 Looks like Bessel's eq. except for this two

can remove it using  $R = \frac{u}{\sqrt{r}}$ ,

$$R' = \frac{u'}{\sqrt{r}} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{u}{r^{3/2}}, \quad R'' = \frac{u''}{r^{1/2}} - \frac{u'}{r^{3/2}} + \frac{3}{4} \frac{u}{r^{5/2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \left[ u'' - \frac{u'}{r} + \frac{3}{4} \frac{u}{r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \left( u' - \frac{u}{2r} \right) + \left( k^2 - \frac{\beta}{r^2} \right) u \right] = 0$$

$$u'' + \frac{u'}{r} + \left( k^2 - \frac{\beta + \frac{1}{4}}{r^2} \right) u = 0$$

Again,  $r=0$  is a regular singular point.

$$p(r) = \frac{1}{r} \Rightarrow P_0 = 1, \quad q(r) = k^2 - \frac{\beta + \frac{1}{4}}{r^2} \Rightarrow Q_0 = -(\beta + \frac{1}{4})$$

indicial Eq.  $\gamma(\gamma-1) + P_0\gamma + Q_0 = \gamma^2 - (\beta + \frac{1}{4}) = 0$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = \pm \sqrt{\beta + \frac{1}{4}}, \text{ so, for small } r, u_{\pm} \propto r^{\sqrt{\beta + \frac{1}{4}}}$$

$$R_1 = \frac{u_1}{\sqrt{r}} \propto r^{\sqrt{\beta + \frac{1}{4}} - \frac{1}{2}}, \text{ but we want } R_1 \propto r^l \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{non-negative} \\ \text{integer} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{so } l = \sqrt{\beta + \frac{1}{4}} - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \beta = \left( l + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} = \underline{l(l+1)}$$

and

$$u'' + \frac{u'}{r} + \left( k^2 - \frac{(l + \frac{1}{2})^2}{r^2} \right) u = 0$$

$$u_l = A J_{l+\frac{1}{2}}(kr) + B Y_{l+\frac{1}{2}}(kr)$$

because it diverges as  $r^{-l-1}$

$$l = 0, 1, \dots$$

Notice, for  $l=0$   $u'' + \frac{u'}{r} + \left(k^2 + \frac{1}{4r^2}\right)u = 0$

$$\text{try } u = \frac{V}{\sqrt{r}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} (V'' + k^2 V) = 0$$

$$V = a \sin kr + b \cos kr$$

$$R = \frac{u}{\sqrt{r}} = \frac{V}{r} = \frac{a \sin kr}{r} + \frac{b \cos kr}{r}$$

$$\text{in fact } J_{1/2}(kr) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\sin kr}{\sqrt{kr}}$$

Boundary conditions:  $R(\rho) = \frac{J_{l+1/2}(k\rho)}{\sqrt{\rho}} = 0$

$$k_{l,n} = \frac{j_{l,n}}{\rho}, \quad j_{l,n} = n^{\text{th}} \text{ zero of } J_{l+1/2}$$

$$\text{f. ex. } j_{0,1} = \pi$$

$$R_{l,n} = \frac{J_{l+1/2}\left(\frac{j_{l,n}}{\rho} r\right)}{\sqrt{r}}$$

Notice, we haven't done (4) yet, but we already know

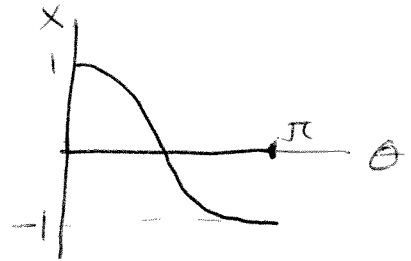
$$\lambda_{l,n} = -k_{l,n}^2 = -\left(\frac{j_{l,n}}{\rho}\right)^2$$

$$\text{Ground state: } \lambda_{0,1} = -\frac{\pi^2}{\rho^2}$$



Finally,  $\mathbb{H}'' + \frac{\cos\theta}{\sin\theta} \mathbb{H}' + \left( \beta - \frac{m^2}{\sin^2\theta} \right) \mathbb{H} = 0, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

change variables to  $x = \cos\theta$



$$\mathbb{H}(\theta) = P(\cos\theta)$$

$$\mathbb{H}'(\theta) = -\sin\theta P', \text{ so } \frac{\mathbb{H}'}{\sin\theta} = -P'$$

$$\mathbb{H}''(\theta) = -\cos\theta P' + \sin^2\theta P'' = (1-x^2) P'' - x P'$$

$$(1-x^2) P'' - x P' - x P' + \left[ \ell(\ell+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] P = 0$$

$$(1-x^2) P'' - 2x P' + \left[ \ell(\ell+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] P = 0$$

Legendre's Eq.

can write as  $P'' + p(x) P' + q(x) P = 0$   
with

$$p(x) = -\frac{2x}{1-x^2}, \quad q(x) = \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{1-x^2} - \frac{m^2}{(1-x^2)^2}$$

regular singular points at  $x = \pm 1$

Take, for example,  $x = -1$ .

$$(x+1)p(x) = \frac{-2x}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x+1)^n \Rightarrow P_0 = \frac{-2x}{1-x} \Big|_{-1} = 1$$

$$(x+1)^2 q(x) = \frac{\ell(\ell+1)(x+1)}{1-x} - \frac{m^2}{(1-x)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q_n(x+1)^n \Rightarrow Q_0 = -\frac{m^2}{4}$$

indicial:  $\gamma(\gamma-1) + P_0\gamma + Q_0 = \gamma^2 - \frac{m^2}{4} \Rightarrow \gamma_2 = \pm \frac{m}{2}$

$\gamma_1 - \gamma_2$  is integer, so need prescription for 2<sup>nd</sup> solution.  
It diverges, however, at  $x = \pm 1$ , so we ignore it.

By doing Frobenius, can find solutions

$$P_l^m(x) = (-1)^m (1-x^2)^{m/2} \frac{d^m}{dx^m} P_l(x) \quad \text{Associated Legendre Polynomials}$$

$$P_l(x) = \frac{1}{2^l l!} \frac{d^l}{dx^l} (x^2-1)^l \quad \text{Legendre Polynomials}$$

So, putting everything together:

$$U_{lmn}(\vec{r}) = \frac{J_{l+1/2}(\frac{l+1}{r} r)}{\sqrt{r}} \left[ A_{lmn} \cos m\varphi + B_{lmn} \sin m\varphi \right] P_l^m(\cos\theta)$$

can combine into spherical harmonics:

$$Y_l^m(\theta, \varphi) = \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi} \frac{(l-m)!}{(l+m)!}} P_l^m(\cos\theta) e^{im\varphi}$$

Now, do (1.1.1):  $\nabla^2 \phi_s = 0$ .  $\phi_s|_{\text{surface of sphere}} = \text{prescribed.}$

choose  $\phi_s = R \Theta_{lm} \Phi_m$ , where  $\Theta_{lm} = P_l^m(\cos\theta)$ ,  
 $\Phi_m = A \cos m\varphi + B \sin m\varphi$ .

because  $k=0$ :

$$R'' + \frac{2R'}{r} - \frac{\beta}{r^2} R = 0.$$

Try  $R = r^\gamma$ :  $\gamma(\gamma-1) + 2\gamma - \beta = 0$ ,  $\gamma(\gamma+1) = \beta = l(l+1)$

$$\gamma = \begin{cases} l \\ -l-1 \end{cases} \quad R(r) = A r^l + B r^{-l-1}$$

$$\phi_s(\vec{r}) = \sum_{l,m=0}^{\infty} r^l \left[ A_{lm} \cos m\varphi + B_{lm} \sin m\varphi \right] P_l^m(\cos\theta)$$

Finally, consider solving (1.2):

$$\left( \hat{\mathcal{L}}_r - \hat{\mathcal{L}}_t \right) \phi_p = -\rho(\vec{r}, t) \quad \text{D.E.}$$

$$\vec{r} \text{ in } \mathcal{V}, \quad t > t_0 \quad \text{R.O.I.}$$

$$\phi_p(\vec{r}, t_0) = 0, \quad \dot{\phi}_p(\vec{r}, t_0) = 0 \quad \text{I.C.}$$

$\uparrow$  for 2<sup>nd</sup> order  $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_t$

$$\phi_p(\vec{r}, t) \Big|_{\text{surf}} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{n} \cdot \nabla \phi_p(\vec{r}, t) \Big|_{\text{surf}} = c \quad \text{or periodic B.C.}$$

Let us consider the case

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_r = \nabla^2, \quad \hat{\mathcal{L}}_t = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}$$

Fourier transform in time:

$$\int_{t \rightarrow \omega} \left[ \left( \nabla^2 - \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) \phi_p(\vec{r}, t) \right] = \int_{t \rightarrow \omega} [-\rho(\vec{r}, t)]$$

$$\left( \nabla^2 + \frac{\omega^2}{v^2} \right) \tilde{\phi}_p(\vec{r}, \omega) = -\tilde{\rho}(\vec{r}, \omega)$$

Inhomogeneous  
Helmholtz  
Equation.

Use Green's functions:

If  $\tilde{\phi}_p$  is the response to  $\tilde{p}$ , i.e.

$$\tilde{p} \rightarrow \tilde{\phi}_p,$$

then we can write

$$\tilde{p}(\vec{r}, \omega) = \int_V \tilde{p}(\vec{r}', \omega) \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') d^3 r',$$

so that

$$\tilde{\phi}_p(\vec{r}, \omega) = \int_V \tilde{p}(\vec{r}', \omega) \tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega) d^3 r',$$

where  $\tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega)$  is the response to  $\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$

This means that

$$\left( \nabla^2 + \frac{\omega^2}{v^2} \right) \tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega) = - \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \quad \text{D.E.}$$

$\vec{r}$  in  $V$

R.O.I

$\tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega)$  vanishes at prescribed B.C.

- Let us consider the case when  $V = \underline{\text{all space}}$ .

Due to shift invariance

$$\tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega) = \mathcal{G}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}'; \omega)$$

$$\left( \nabla^2 + \frac{\omega^2}{v^2} \right) \mathcal{G}(\vec{r}; \omega) = - \delta(\vec{r})$$

$\omega$   
 $k^2$



$$\int_{S_\varepsilon} \nabla^2 g(|\vec{r}|, \omega) d^3 r \stackrel{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Sof } S_\varepsilon \\ \text{Gauss theorem}}}{=} \int \nabla g(|\vec{r}|, \omega) \cdot d\vec{\sigma}$$

$$= \int_{\text{Sof } S_\varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} g(r, \omega) \cdot d\sigma = 4\pi \varepsilon^2 g'(\varepsilon, \omega)$$

$$= 4\pi \varepsilon^2 \left[ -Ak \frac{\sin kr}{r} - A \frac{\cos kr}{r^2} + Bk \frac{\cos kr}{r} - B \frac{\sin kr}{r^2} \right]_{\varepsilon}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{-4\pi A} \text{ as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\int_{S_\varepsilon} \frac{\omega^2}{v^2} g(|\vec{r}|, \omega) d^3 r = \frac{\omega^2}{v^2} 4\pi \int_0^\varepsilon r^2 \left[ A \frac{\cos kr}{r} + B \frac{\sin kr}{r} \right] dr$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0.$$

Therefore

$$-4\pi A = -1, \quad A = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

No conditions on B, because

$$\frac{B \sin(k|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|)}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} \text{ is a mode!}$$

In summary

$$g(r, \omega) = \frac{\cos(kr)}{4\pi r} + B \frac{\sin(kr)}{r},$$

$$\tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega) = \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\omega}{v} |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|\right)}{4\pi |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} + B \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\omega}{v} |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|\right)}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

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Note: In diffraction theory one chooses

$$B = \frac{i}{4\pi}$$

$$\text{so } \tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega) = \frac{e^{i\frac{\omega}{v} |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}}{4\pi |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

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This is so  $\tilde{G}$  satisfies the so-called "Sommerfeld Radiation Condition". The reason for this will become apparent later.

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Note 2: Notice that the above Green's functions correspond to Helmholtz's equation. If instead we are dealing with Laplace's equation:

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 0,$$

the Green's function results from letting  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ :

$$\tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') = \frac{1}{4\pi |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}.$$

The mode disappears.

Finally, we must inverse-Fourier transform to find

$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', t)$ , such that

$$\left( \nabla^2 - \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', t) = -\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \delta(t).$$

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', t) = \hat{\mathcal{F}}_{\omega \rightarrow t}^{-1} \tilde{G}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{4\pi} + \frac{\beta}{i} \right) \delta\left(t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{v}\right) \right. \quad \text{retarded} \\ \left. + \left( \frac{1}{4\pi} - \frac{\beta}{i} \right) \delta\left(t + \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{v}\right) \right\} \quad \text{advanced.}$$

Due to causality, we must cancel the "advanced" part, so we choose  $\beta = \frac{i}{4\pi}$ .

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', t) = \frac{1}{4\pi|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \delta\left(t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{v}\right)$$

Therefore

$$\phi_p(\vec{r}, t) = \int_{\text{all space}} \int_{t_0}^{\infty} \rho(\vec{r}', t') G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', t - t') dt' d^3r'$$



or

$$\phi_p(\vec{r}, t) = \int_{\text{all space}} \frac{\rho(\vec{r}', t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{v})}{4\pi |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3r'$$