

This is very similar to Prob 2.25.

Treating $G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$ as a function in \mathbf{x} , due to the angular boundary condition, its Fourier decomposition must be of the form

$$G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} g_m(\rho, \rho') A_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi\phi}{\beta}\right) \quad (1)$$

Taking the Laplacian, we have

$$\nabla^2 G = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) - \frac{1}{\rho^2} \left(\frac{m\pi}{\beta} \right)^2 \right] g_m(\rho, \rho') A_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi\phi}{\beta}\right) = -4\pi \delta(\phi - \phi') \frac{\delta(\rho - \rho')}{\rho} \quad (2)$$

By Prob 2.24

$$\frac{2}{\beta} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi\phi}{\beta}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi\phi'}{\beta}\right) = \delta(\phi - \phi') \quad (3)$$

we can take

$$A_m = \sin\left(\frac{m\pi\phi'}{\beta}\right) \quad (4)$$

and further require

$$\left[\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) - \frac{1}{\rho^2} \left(\frac{m\pi}{\beta} \right)^2 \right] g_m = -\frac{8\pi}{\beta} \frac{\delta(\rho - \rho')}{\rho} \quad (5)$$

Integrating (5) over the infinitesimal range $[\rho' - \epsilon, \rho' + \epsilon]$ yields

$$\rho \frac{\partial g_m}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho'+\epsilon} - \rho \frac{\partial g_m}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho'-\epsilon} = -\frac{8\pi}{\beta} \quad (6)$$

It's easy to see that the general solution of (5) for $\rho \neq \rho'$ is

$$g_m(\rho, \rho') = \begin{cases} a_m \rho^{m\pi/\beta} & \text{for } \rho < \rho' \\ b_m \rho^{m\pi/\beta} + c_m \rho^{-m\pi/\beta} & \text{for } \rho > \rho' \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Thus

$$\text{by continuity at } \rho = \rho' : \quad b_m \rho'^{m\pi/\beta} + c_m \rho'^{-m\pi/\beta} = a_m \rho'^{m\pi/\beta} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{by derivative discontinuity (6) : } \quad & \left(\frac{m\pi}{\beta} \right) b_m \rho'^{m\pi/\beta} - \left(\frac{m\pi}{\beta} \right) c_m \rho'^{-m\pi/\beta} - \left(\frac{m\pi}{\beta} \right) a_m \rho'^{m\pi/\beta} = -\frac{8\pi}{\beta} \\ & \Rightarrow \quad b_m \rho'^{m\pi/\beta} - c_m \rho'^{-m\pi/\beta} - a_m \rho'^{m\pi/\beta} = -\frac{8}{m} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\text{by boundary condition at } \rho = a : \quad b_m a^{m\pi/\beta} + c_m a^{-m\pi/\beta} = 0 \quad (10)$$

Plugging (8) into (9) gives

$$c_m = \frac{4}{m} \rho'^{m\pi/\beta} \quad (11)$$

Plugging (11) into (10) gives

$$b_m = -\frac{4}{m} \frac{\rho'^{m\pi/\beta}}{a^{2m\pi/\beta}} \quad (12)$$

And finally by (8)

$$a_m = b_m + c_m \rho'^{-2m\pi/\beta} = \frac{4}{m} \left(\frac{1}{\rho'^{m\pi/\beta}} - \frac{\rho'^{m\pi/\beta}}{a^{2m\pi/\beta}} \right) \quad (13)$$

These determine the form of g_m :

$$g_m(\rho, \rho') = \frac{4}{m} \left[\left(\frac{\rho_{\leq}}{\rho_{>}} \right)^{m\pi/\beta} - \left(\frac{\rho \rho'}{a^2} \right)^{m\pi/\beta} \right] \quad (14)$$

which gives the desired Green function

$$G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{m} \left[\left(\frac{\rho_{\leq}}{\rho_{>}} \right)^{m\pi/\beta} - \left(\frac{\rho \rho'}{a^2} \right)^{m\pi/\beta} \right] \sin\left(\frac{m\pi\phi}{\beta}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi\phi'}{\beta}\right) \quad (15)$$