

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \int_{x^2+y^2=R^2} \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-h)^2+y^2}} \, ds \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \int_{x^2+y^2=R^2} \ln((x-h)^2+y^2) \, ds \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} R \ln(R^2 - 2Rh \cos t + h^2) \, dt \\
&= -R \int_0^\pi \ln(R^2 - 2Rh \cos t + h^2) \, dt \tag{1}
\end{aligned}$$

不妨设 $R > h$, 令 $R/h = a$, 则 $a > 1$, 由 (1) 有

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= -R \int_0^\pi \ln(h^2) + \ln\left(\left(\frac{R}{h}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{R}{h}\right) \cos t + 1\right) \, dt \\
&= -2\pi R \ln h - R \int_0^\pi \ln(a^2 - 2a \cos t + 1) \, dt
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{令 } f(a) = \int_0^\pi \ln(a^2 - 2a \cos t + 1) \, dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(a) &= \int_0^\pi \frac{2a - 2 \cos t}{a^2 - 2a \cos t + 1} \, dt \\
&= \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{a} + \frac{a - \frac{1}{a}}{a^2 - 2a \cos t + 1} \, dt \\
&= \frac{\pi}{a} + \left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right) \int_0^\pi \frac{dt}{a^2 - 2a \cos t + 1}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{令 } \tan \frac{t}{2} = u, \text{ 则 } dt = \frac{2}{1+u^2} \, du, \cos t = \frac{1-u^2}{1+u^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(a) &= \frac{\pi}{a} + 2\left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right) \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{du}{(a^2+1)(u^2+1) + 2a(u^2-1)} \\
&= \frac{\pi}{a} + \frac{2(a - \frac{1}{a})}{(a+1)^2} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{du}{u^2 + \left(\frac{a-1}{a+1}\right)^2} \\
&= \frac{2\pi}{a}
\end{aligned}$$

而

$$\begin{aligned}f(1) &= \int_0^\pi \ln(2 - 2 \cos t) \, dt \\&= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln(2 - 2 \cos t) \, dt + \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^\pi \ln(2 + 2 \cos(\pi - t)) \, dt \\&= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln(2 - 2 \cos t) \, dt + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln(2 + 2 \cos t) \, dt \\&= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln(4 \sin^2 t) \, dt \\&= \frac{\pi \ln 4}{2} + 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln \sin t \, dt\end{aligned}$$

并且

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln \sin t \, dt &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \ln \sin t \, dt + \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - t\right) \, dt \\&= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \ln \sin t \, dt + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \ln \cos t \, dt \\&= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \ln \frac{\sin 2t}{2} \, dt \\&= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln \sin t \, dt - \frac{\pi \ln 2}{4}\end{aligned}$$

得到

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \ln \sin t \, dt = -\frac{\pi \ln 2}{2}$$

所以 $f(1) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}f(a) &= f(1) + \int_1^a f'(s) \, ds \\&= 2\pi \ln a\end{aligned}$$

所以

$$\begin{aligned}I &= -2\pi R \ln h - R f(a) \\&= -2\pi R \ln R\end{aligned}$$

同理当 $R < h$ 时, 令 $h/R = a$, 则 $a > 1$ 由 (1) 有

$$\begin{aligned} I &= -R \int_0^\pi \ln(R^2) + \ln\left(\left(\frac{h}{R}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{h}{R}\right) \cos t + 1\right) dt \\ &= -2\pi R \ln R - R \int_0^\pi \ln(a^2 - 2a \cos t + 1) dt \\ &= -2\pi R \ln R - R f(a) \\ &= -2\pi R \ln h \end{aligned}$$

所以 $I = -2\pi R \ln(\max(h, R))$