

Laplacian $\Rightarrow \nabla^2 T$ or $\nabla^2 V$ is called Laplacian of V .

$$\boxed{\nabla^2 V = 0}$$

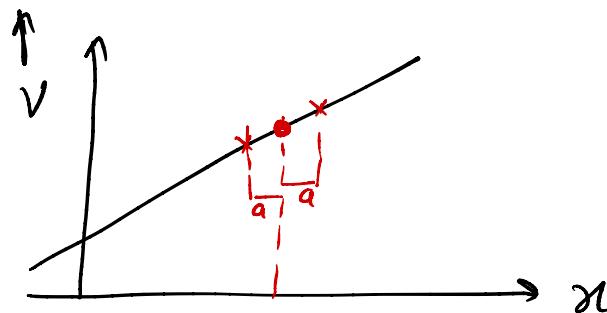
is called Laplacian eqⁿ. & its solⁿ is called harmonic funⁿ.

For 1D \Rightarrow

$$\frac{d^2 V}{dx^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{dV}{dx} = a$$

$$V = ax + b$$



Conclusions \Rightarrow

$$\textcircled{1} \quad V(x) = \frac{V(x+a) + V(x-a)}{2}$$

$V(x)$ is the average of $V(x+a)$ & $V(x-a)$.

\textcircled{2} V has no local maxima or minima

\Rightarrow Extreme values of V must occur at the end point.

* Acc. to Laplace eqⁿ V_3 can not have local max or min. & all extrema occur on the boundaries..

$$\nabla^2 T = \frac{1}{\rho_1 \rho_2 \rho_3} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial u_1} \left(\frac{\rho_2 \rho_3}{\rho_1} \frac{\partial T}{\partial u_1} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_2} \left(\frac{\rho_3 \rho_1}{\rho_2} \frac{\partial T}{\partial u_2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_3} \left(\frac{\rho_1 \rho_2}{\rho_3} \frac{\partial T}{\partial u_3} \right) \right]$$

Electrostatic Boundary value Problem \Rightarrow

* Given $Q \longrightarrow$ determine V_E

We use Coulomb's Law or Gauss's law.

* Then, $E = -\nabla V$

• Practical problems \Rightarrow Charge & pot are known at some boundary & we want to find E & V throughout the region.

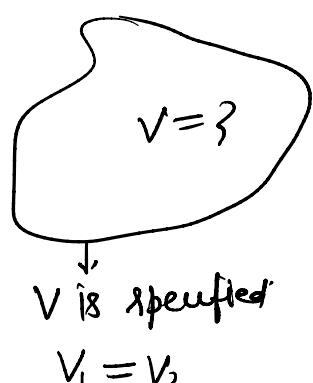
• They can be tackled using -

- ① Laplace's eqⁿ.
- ② Poisson's eqⁿ
- ③ Method of Images. ~~XX~~

* Uniqueness theorem \Rightarrow The solⁿ to the Laplace eqⁿ in some volume is uniquely determined if the pot is specified on the boundary surface.

Proof \Rightarrow Let us say there are two solⁿ V_1 & V_2 to the Laplace eqⁿ.

Then V_1 must be equal to V_2



* $\nabla^2 V_1 = 0$ & $\nabla^2 V_2 = 0$

Let say $V_3 = V_1 - V_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \nabla^2 V_3 &= \nabla^2 V_1 - \nabla^2 V_2 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore V_3$ satisfies Laplace eqⁿ, V_3 can not have local max or minima & all extrema occur on the boundaries. Therefore V_3 must be zero everywhere. Hence $V_1 = V_2$

Q.1 → Find the potential function and the electric field intensity for the region b/w two concentric right circular cylinders, where, $V=0$ at $r=1\text{ mm}$ & $V=150\text{ V}$ at $r=20\text{ mm}$.

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$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r \frac{dV}{dr} \right) = 0$$

$$r \frac{dV}{dr} = A$$

$$V = A \ln r + B$$

$$V = 50 \cdot 1 \ln r + 345 \cdot 9 \quad \underline{\text{Ans.}}$$

$$E = \frac{50 \cdot 1}{r} (\hat{a}_r) \quad \underline{\text{Ans.}}$$

