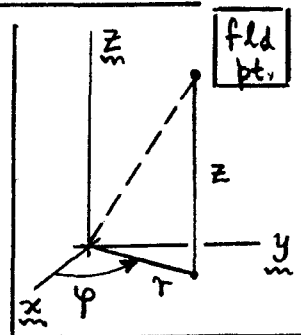


7) $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$ in cylindrical polar cds (r, φ, z) : Jackson Secs. (3.7)-(3.8).

1. Cd. $z \equiv$ the z of rect^r cds, & $\varphi \equiv$ azimuth of sph^d cds, and we use r (instead of Jkn^s ρ) as the radius in the xy -plane

Then, in these (r, φ, z) cds, Laplace's problem is ...

$$\rightarrow \nabla^2 \phi = \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] \phi = 0; \quad (27)$$



... put $\phi(r, \varphi, z) = R(r) Q(\varphi) Z(z)$, so $\frac{1}{\phi} \nabla^2 \phi = 0$ yields ...

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \left[\frac{r}{R} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r \frac{dR}{dr} \right) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{Q} \left(\frac{d^2 Q}{d\varphi^2} \right)}_{=-v^2, \text{ const (fcn } \varphi \text{ only)}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{Z} \left(\frac{d^2 Z}{dz^2} \right)}_{=k^2, \text{ const (fcn } z \text{ only)}} \right] = 0, \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e.} \quad Z'' - k^2 Z = 0 &\Rightarrow \underline{Z(z)} = e^{\pm kz} \text{ (or } \cosh kz \text{ \& } \sinh kz), \\ Q'' + v^2 Q = 0 &\Rightarrow \underline{Q(\varphi)} = e^{\pm i v \varphi} \text{ (or } \cos v\varphi \text{ \& } \sin v\varphi). \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

As for spherical cds, two sepⁿ cnsts and two simple eqns, followed by

$$\boxed{R'' + \frac{1}{r} R' + \left(k^2 - \frac{v^2}{r^2} \right) R = 0} \leftarrow \text{Bessel's ODE.} \quad (30)$$

Which is non-simple. As before, we get one "hard" ODE as the price of separation.

[¶] See Arfken "Math. Methods for Physicists" (3rd ed., 1985), Ch. 2. For general curvilinear (orthogonal) cds: $q_k = f_k(x, y, z)$, $k=1, 2, 3$, the line element in k^{th} direction is: $ds_k = h_k dq_k$, $h_k^2 = (\partial x / \partial q_k)^2 + (\partial y / \partial q_k)^2 + (\partial z / \partial q_k)^2$. If \hat{e}_k is the unit vector along q_k , then in q -cds the gradient operator is: $\nabla_q = \sum_{k=1}^3 (\hat{e}_k / h_k) \frac{\partial}{\partial q_k}$. The \hat{e}_k & h_k are generally fcn's of (x, y, z) . Calculation shows:
$$\left[\nabla_q^2 = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial q_1} \left(\frac{h_2 h_3}{h_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_1} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial q_2} \left(\frac{h_3 h_1}{h_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial q_3} \left(\frac{h_1 h_2}{h_3} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_3} \right) \right] \right]$$

This general result gives the ∇^2 forms quoted on inside back cover of Jackson.

REMARKS

A. For the φ -variation: $Q(\varphi) = e^{\pm i\nu\varphi}$, and -- for $Q(\varphi)$ to be single-valued when $\varphi \rightarrow \varphi + 2\pi$ -- we impose: $\nu = n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$. No such restriction applies to the k -value in $Z(z) = \{\cosh, \sinh\} (kz)$, although usually the cosh or sinh is selected via B.C. POINT: in Bessel's ODE, Eq. (30), ν is not free to be an eigenvalue, but k is.

B. The radial variable r in Bessel's ODE is generally defined over $0 \leq r \leq a$, (where, sometimes, $a \rightarrow \infty$). Change variables in Eq. (30), as...

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r \rightarrow \xi = (\alpha/a)r, \quad a = r_{\max} \text{ \& } \alpha = \text{const}; \\ \text{sgn } \frac{d}{d\xi} \left(\xi \frac{dR}{d\xi} \right) + \left(\lambda \xi - \frac{\nu^2}{\xi} \right) R = 0, \quad \text{w/ } \lambda = \left(\frac{ka}{\alpha} \right)^2 \text{ \& } \nu = n \text{ (usu.)}. \end{array} \right. \quad (31)$$

Bessel's ODE is clearly a Sturm-Liouville type, with $p(\xi) = \xi$, $q(\xi) = -\nu^2/\xi$, weighting fun $w(\xi) = \xi$, and eigenvalues λ related to the scale a of the domain of definition. ν is just a parameter (as was m in the associated Legendre eqn); ν serves as an index for the solutions $R(\xi)$.

C. In order to fully qualify as a S-L diff. eqn., the solutions $R_\nu(\xi)$ to Eq. (31) must obey S-L B.C.: at the endpts $r=0$ & a of the domain...

$$\rightarrow R_\nu(\xi) p(\xi) R'_\mu(\xi) \big|_{\xi=0} = R_\nu(\xi) p(\xi) R'_\mu(\xi) \big|_{\xi=a},$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} p(\xi) = \xi, \text{ and} \\ R(0) \text{ non-singular} \end{array} \right\} R_\nu(\alpha) R'_\mu(\alpha) = 0 \quad \int \text{ gives solns } \alpha = \alpha_n \text{ with } R_\nu(\alpha_n) = 0. \quad (32)$$

Role of α is now clear: $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha_n$ is the n^{th} zero of $R_\nu(\alpha)$. The quantization of α this way is similar to: $\sin(\alpha x/a) \big|_{x=a} = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = n\pi = \alpha_n$.

D. The lore of Sturm-Liouville theory now prescribes that R_ν 's belonging to different eigenvalues α_m & α_n will be orthogonal, and that the R_ν 's form a complete set on $[0, a]$. Details are worked out in Jackson Eqs. (3.93)-(3.97) [or see Mathews & Walker (2nd ed., 1970), pp. 181-3] with the following results:

$$\left[\int_0^a R_\nu(\alpha_{\nu n} \frac{r}{a}) R_\nu(\alpha_{\nu n} \frac{r}{a}) r dr = \frac{a^2}{2} [R'_\nu(\alpha_{\nu n})]^2 \delta_{mn} \right]. \quad (33)$$

(this is similar to: $\int_0^a \sin(n\pi \frac{x}{a}) \sin(m\pi \frac{x}{a}) dx = \frac{a}{2} [\cos n\pi]^2 \delta_{mn}$). Also...

$$\rightarrow f(r) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_{\nu n} R_\nu(\alpha_{\nu n} \frac{r}{a}) \leftrightarrow A_{\nu n} = \frac{2}{[a R'_\nu(\alpha_{\nu n})]^2} \int_0^a f(r) R_\nu(\alpha_{\nu n} \frac{r}{a}) r dr. \quad (34)$$

The $R'_\nu(\xi)$ to be used here are those which are regular (non-singular) at $\xi=0$.

They are usually denoted by $J_\nu(\xi)$.

2. Bessels ODE, Eq.(31), generally has two indept solns $R_\nu(\xi)$: usu. one is regular at $\xi=0$, and the other blows up. A series solution can be developed. Results are:

fcn $R_\nu(\xi)$	name	definition	asymptote: $\xi \ll 1$	asymptote: $\xi \gg 1$
$J_\nu(\xi)$	Bessel fcn (1 st kind)	$\left(\frac{\xi}{2}\right)^\nu \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\xi^2/4)^n}{n! \Gamma(n+\nu+1)}$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} (\xi/2)^\nu$	$\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi\xi}} \cos(\xi - \frac{\pi}{2}(\nu+\frac{1}{2}))$
$N_\nu(\xi)$ [or $Y_\nu(\xi)$]	Neumann fcn	$\frac{J_\nu(\xi) \cos \nu\pi - J_{-\nu}(\xi)}{\sin \nu\pi}$	$(2/\pi) \ln(\xi/2), \nu=0;$ $-\frac{1}{\pi} \Gamma(\nu) (\frac{2}{\xi})^\nu, \nu \neq 0.$	$\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi\xi}} \sin(\xi - \frac{\pi}{2}(\nu+\frac{1}{2}))$
$H_\nu^{(1)}(\xi)$	Hankel fcn (1 st kind)	$J_\nu(\xi) + i N_\nu(\xi)$	$(2i/\pi) \ln(\xi/2), \nu=0;$ $-\frac{i}{\pi} \Gamma(\nu) (2/\xi)^\nu, \nu \neq 0.$	$\sqrt{2/\pi\xi} e^{+i(\xi - \frac{\pi}{2}(\nu+\frac{1}{2}))}$ ← [outgoing wave] →
$H_\nu^{(2)}(\xi)$	Hankel fcn (2 nd kind)	$J_\nu(\xi) - i N_\nu(\xi)$	$-(2i/\pi) \ln(\xi/2), \nu=0;$ $+\frac{i}{\pi} \Gamma(\nu) (2/\xi)^\nu, \nu \neq 0.$	$\sqrt{2/\pi\xi} e^{-i(\xi - \frac{\pi}{2}(\nu+\frac{1}{2}))}$ → [incoming wave] ←
$I_\nu(\xi)$	modified Bessel (1 st kind)	$i^{-\nu} J_\nu(i\xi)$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} (\xi/2)^\nu$	$\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\xi}} e^{+\xi} [1 + O(1/\xi)]$
$K_\nu(\xi)$	modified Bessel (2 nd kind)	$\frac{\pi}{2} i^{\nu+1} H_\nu^{(1)}(i\xi)$	$-\ln(\xi/2) + \dots, \nu=0;$ $\frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\nu) (2/\xi)^\nu, \nu \neq 0.$	$\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\xi}} e^{-\xi} [1 + O(1/\xi)]$

Any of the pairs (J_ν, N_ν) , $(H_\nu^{(1)}, H_\nu^{(2)})$, (I_ν, K_ν) are linearly independent for all ν , and -- in linear combination [e.g. $AJ_\nu(\xi) + BN_\nu(\xi)$] -- serve as a complete soln to Bessel's Eqn. Much more information can be found in Ch. 9 of the NBS Handbook (ed. Abramowitz & Stegun). (35)

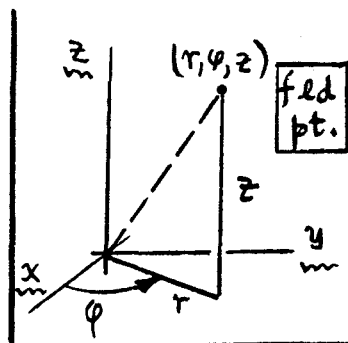
3. All this arithmetic gives us a fully separated solution in cylindrical cds:

$$\phi(r, \varphi, z) = \sum_{v, k} R_v(kr) Q_v(\varphi) Z_k(z); \quad (36)$$

$$\text{w// } Q_v(\varphi) = \begin{cases} \sin \\ \cos \end{cases} (v\varphi), \quad v = m = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad \begin{matrix} (Q_v \text{ single}) \\ (\text{valued}) \end{matrix};$$

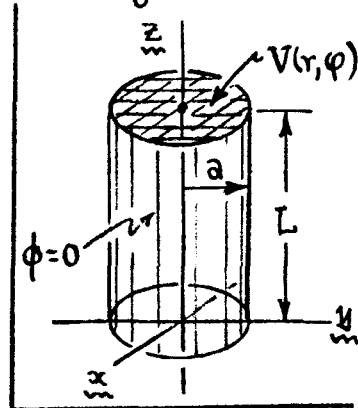
$$Z_k(z) = \begin{cases} \sinh \\ \cosh \end{cases} (kz), \quad k \text{ is free};$$

$$\text{d// } R_v(kr) = \begin{cases} J_v \\ N_v \end{cases} (kr) \quad \text{solutions to Bessel's Eqn, in form:} \\ R_v'' + \frac{1}{x} R_v' + (1 - \frac{v^2}{x^2}) R_v = 0, \quad x = kr.$$



Now we can do problems like the example cited in Jackson Eqs. (3.105) - (3.109)... cylindrical counterpart of the rect² box problem in Fig. 2.9.

A conducting cylinder of radius a and length L is held at potential $\phi = 0$ everywhere but on its top cap, where: $\phi(r, \varphi, z=L) = V(r, \varphi)$. The problem is to find ϕ everywhere inside the (charge-free) cylinder, i.e. $\phi(r, \varphi, z)$ for $0 \leq r \leq a$, $0 \leq \varphi \leq 2\pi$, $0 \leq z \leq L$. To



"sculpt" a solution out of Eq. (36), note...

$$(1) Q_v(\varphi) \text{ single-valued} \Rightarrow v = m = 0, 1, 2, \dots \text{ \& } Q_v(\varphi) = \begin{cases} \sin \\ \cos \end{cases} m\varphi.$$

$$(2) \phi \equiv 0 \text{ at } z=0 \Rightarrow Z_k(z) = \sinh kz \text{ only.}$$

$$(3) \phi \text{ regular @ } r=0 \text{ \& } \phi \equiv 0 \text{ @ } r=a \Rightarrow R_v(kr) = J_m(k_{mn}r) \text{ only, with } k \rightarrow k_{mn} = \alpha_{mn}/a, \text{ quantized in terms of zeros } \alpha_{mn} \text{ of } J_m \text{ [i.e. } J_m(\alpha_{mn}) \equiv 0].$$

$$(4) \text{ The series of Eq. (36) assumes the form, for this problem...}$$

$$\rightarrow \phi(r, \varphi, z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} J_m(k_{mn}r) \sinh k_{mn}z [A_{mn} \sin m\varphi + B_{mn} \cos m\varphi]. \quad (37)$$

[NOTE: must keep both \sin & \cos here to accommodate $V(r, \varphi)$]. The A_{mn} & B_{mn} are fixed by the B.C.: $V(r, \varphi) = \sum_{m,n} [\sinh k_{mn}L] J_m(k_{mn}r) [A_{mn} \sin m\varphi + B_{mn} \cos m\varphi]$, using orthogonality in the usual fashion. Results are given in Jk² Eq. (3.109). They are not exceedingly lovely.