Homework Assignment 8

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Problem 7.1. Show that

a. $\mathscr{H}_0\left\{(a^2 - r^2)H(a - r)\right\} = \dfrac{4a}{\kappa^3}J_1(a\kappa) - \dfrac{2a^2}{\kappa^2}J_0(a\kappa).$

Solution. a. Let J_n be the integral representation of the Bessel function of order n, i.e.

$$J_n(\kappa r) = \frac{1}{2\pi}\int_{\pi/2-\phi}^{5\pi/2-\phi} \exp\left[i(n\alpha - \kappa r \sin\alpha)\right]d\alpha$$

Then the Hankel transformation of order n of $f(r)$ is defined to be

$$\mathscr{H}_n\left\{f(r)\right\} = \int_0^\infty rJ_n(\kappa r)f(r)dr.$$

Using the table of Hankel transforms we see that

$$\mathscr{H}_0\left\{(a^2 - r^2)H(a - r)\right\} = \frac{4a}{\kappa^3}J_1(a\kappa) - \frac{2a^2}{\kappa^2}J_0(a\kappa),$$

and we are done.

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Problem 7.2. a. Show that the solution of the boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned} u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r + u_{zz} &= 0, \qquad 0 < r < \infty, \quad 0 < z < \infty, \\ u(r,0) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + r^2}}, \qquad 0 < r < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

is

$$u(r,z) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\kappa(z+a)} J_0(\kappa r) d\kappa = \left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]^{-1/2}.$$

Solution. a. Let

$$u(r,z) = \left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]^{-1/2}.$$

Then it is clear that for $0 < r < \infty$ we have that

$$u(r,0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + r^2}}$$

and $u(r,z)$ satisfies the boundary condition.
Now, note from the definition of $u(r,z)$ that

$$\begin{aligned} u_r &= -r\left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]^{-3/2}, \\ u_{rr} &= -\left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]^{-3/2} + 3r^2\left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]^{-5/2}, \\ u_z &= -(z+a)\left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]^{-3/2}, \\ u_{zz} &= -\left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]^{-3/2} + 3(z+a)^2\left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]^{-5/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r + u_{zz} &= \frac{3r^2 + 3(z+a)^2}{[(z+a)^2 + r^2]^{5/2}} - \frac{3}{[(z+a)^2 + r^2]^{3/2}} \\ &= \frac{3r^2 + 3(z+a)^2 - 3\left[(z+a)^2 + r^2\right]}{[(z+a)^2 + r^2]^{5/2}} \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

and we see that $u(r,z)$ is a solution of the boundary value problem.

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Problem 7.9. Solve the problem of the electrified unit disk in the (x, y) plane with center at the origin. The electric potential $u(r, z)$ is axisymmetric and satisfies the boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned}
&u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r + u_{zz} = 0, \qquad 0 < r < \infty, \quad 0 < z < \infty, \\
&u(r, 0) = u_0, \qquad 0 \le r < a \\
&\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0, \qquad \text{on } z = 0 \text{ for } a < r < \infty, \\
&u(r, z) \to 0 \qquad \text{as } z \to \infty \text{ for all } r,
\end{aligned}$$

where u_0 is constant. Show that the solution is

$$u(r, z) = \left(\frac{2au_0}{\pi}\right) \int_0^\infty kJ_0(kr) \left(\frac{\sin ak}{k^2}\right) e^{-kz} dk.$$

Solution. In order to find the solution to the boundary value problem, we will apply the 0-th order Hankel transform to the system of differential equations.

Let $\tilde{u}_0(k, z) = \mathscr{H}_0 \{u(r, z)\}$. Then from a previous theorem we have that

$$\mathscr{H}_0 \left\{ u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r \right\} = -k^2\tilde{u}_0(k, z). \tag{1}$$

Thus, from the above result in combination with Leibniz's integral rule, we see that applying the 0-th order Hankel transform to the boundary value problem yields

$$\frac{d^2}{dz^2} [\tilde{u}_0(k, z)] - k^2\tilde{u}_0(k, z) = 0, \qquad 0 < r < \infty, \quad 0 < z < \infty.$$

This is a homogeneous linear ordinary differential equation and we readily see that the solution to the equation is

$$\tilde{u}_0(k, z) = c_1(k)e^{-kz} + c_2(k)e^{kz}. \tag{2}$$

Note that if $u(r, z) \to 0$ as $z \to \infty$ for all r, then $\tilde{u}_0(k, z) \to 0$ as $z \to \infty$ for all k. Thus, if $\tilde{u}_0(k, z)$ is of the form (2), then $\tilde{u}_0(k, z) \to 0$ as $z \to \infty$ for all k if and only if $c_2(k) = 0$. Thus, (2) reduces to

$$\tilde{u}_0(k, z) = c_1(k)e^{-kz}. \tag{3}$$

Thus, taking the inverse 0-th order Hankel transform of (3), we see that the solution to the original differential equation is

$$u(r, z) = \mathscr{H}_0^{-1} \{\tilde{u}_0(k, z)\} = \int_0^\infty kc_1(k)J_0(kr)e^{-kz}dk.$$

From this solution the boundary conditions become

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^\infty kc_1(k)J_0(kr)dk &= u_0 \\
\int_0^\infty k^2c_1(k)J_0(kr)dk &= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Using our table of Hankel transforms, we see that

$$\mathscr{H}_0\left\{\frac{\sin ak}{k^2}\right\} = \int_0^\infty k\left(\frac{\sin ak}{k^2}\right)J_0(ak)dk = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } k < a \\ \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{k}\right) & \text{if } k > a \end{cases}$$

$$\mathscr{H}_0\left\{\frac{\sin ak}{k}\right\} = \int_0^\infty k\left(\frac{\sin ak}{k}\right)J_0(ak)dk = \begin{cases} (a^2-k^2)^{-1/2} & \text{if } k < a \\ 0 & \text{if } k > a \end{cases}$$

These transforms imply that the solution to the system of integral equations resulting from the boundary conditions is

$$c_1(k) = \left(\frac{2u_0}{\pi}\right)\frac{\sin ak}{k^2}.$$

Therefore, the solution to the transformed equation is

$$\tilde{u}_0(k,z) = \left(\frac{2u_0}{\pi}\right)\left(\frac{\sin ak}{k^2}\right)e^{-kz}$$

and the solution to the original equation is

$$u(r,z) = \mathscr{H}_0^{-1}\left\{\tilde{u}_0(k,z)\right\} = \int_0^\infty k\left(\frac{2u_0}{\pi}\right)\left(\frac{\sin ak}{k^2}\right)e^{-kz}J_0(rk)dk.$$

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Problem 7.12. Solve the Cauchy problem for the wave equation in a dissipating medium

$$u_{tt} + 2\kappa u_t = c^2\left(u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r\right), \qquad 0 < r < \infty, \quad 0 < t,$$
$$u(r,0) = f(r), \quad u_t(r,0) = g(r), \qquad 0 < r < \infty.$$

where κ is a constant.

Solution. We begin by applying the 0-th order Hankel transform to the first equation. Letting $\tilde{u}_0(k,t) = \mathscr{H}_0\{u(r,t)\}$ and using (1), we see this results in the following transformed equation

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\left[\tilde{u}_0(k,t)\right] + 2\kappa\frac{d}{dt}\left[\tilde{u}_0(k,t)\right] = -(kc)^2\tilde{u}_0(k,t),$$

or, equivalently,

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\left[\tilde{u}_0(k,t)\right] + 2\kappa\frac{d}{dt}\left[\tilde{u}_0(k,t)\right] + (kc)^2\tilde{u}_0(k,t) = 0.$$

This is a homogeneous, linear ordinary differential equation, the solution to which we readily see is

$$\tilde{u}_0(k,t) = c_1 e^{\left(-\kappa-\sqrt{\kappa^2-(ck)^2}\right)t} + c_2 e^{\left(-\kappa+\sqrt{\kappa^2-(ck)^2}\right)t}. \tag{4}$$

Taking the 0-th order Hankel transform of the boundary conditions, we see that

$$\tilde{u}_0(k,0) = \tilde{f}_0(k), \qquad 0 < r < \infty$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}\left[\tilde{u}_0(k,0)\right] = \tilde{g}_0(k), \qquad 0 < r < \infty$$

Using the solution (4) and the first transformed boundary condition, we see that

$$c_1 + c_2 = \tilde{f}_0(k).$$

Similarly, using the solution (4) and the second transformed initial condition, we see that

$$\left(-\kappa - \sqrt{\kappa^2 - (ck)^2}\right)c_1 + \left(-\kappa + \sqrt{\kappa^2 - (ck)^2}\right)c_2 = \tilde{f}_0(k).$$

Solving the resulting system of equation for c_1 and c_2 shows that

$$c_1 = -\frac{\tilde{g}_0(k) + \tilde{f}_0(k)\kappa - \tilde{f}_0(k)\sqrt{\kappa^2 - (ck)^2}}{2\sqrt{\kappa^2 - (ck)^2}}$$
$$c_2 = \frac{\tilde{g}_0(k) + \tilde{f}_0(k)\kappa + \tilde{f}_0(k)\sqrt{\kappa^2 - (ck)^2}}{2\sqrt{\kappa^2 - (ck)^2}}.$$

Thus, letting $c_1(k) = c_1$ and $c_2(k) = c_2$, the solution to the transformed differential equation with the specified initial conditions is

$$\tilde{u}_0(k,t) = c_1(k)e^{\left(-\kappa-\sqrt{\kappa^2-(ck)^2}\right)t} + c_2(k)e^{\left(-\kappa+\sqrt{\kappa^2-(ck)^2}\right)t}.$$

Therefore, the solution to the original differential equation satisfying the specified initial conditions is

$$u(r,t) = \mathscr{H}_0^{-1}\{\tilde{u}_0(k,t)\} = \int_0^\infty kJ_0(kr)\left[c_1(k)e^{\left(-\kappa-\sqrt{\kappa^2-(ck)^2}\right)t} + c_2(k)e^{\left(-\kappa+\sqrt{\kappa^2-(ck)^2}\right)t}\right]dk.$$

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Problem 7.14.

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Problem 7.19.

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