

Topic of this homework: Partial differential equations: Wave, diffusion, Poisson; Solution methods: separation of variables, Sturm-Liouville BV Theory Transmission lines. Special functions.

Deliverables: Show your work.

Assuming there is no angular dependence only axial variation, the formula for the Laplacian in N dimensions is

$$\nabla_r^2 T(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \frac{1}{r^{N-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^{N-1} \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{x})}{\partial r} \right). \quad (1)$$

For example, in $N = 1$ dimension, $\nabla_x^2 T = \partial^2 T(x)/\partial x^2$, whereas in spherical coordinates ($N = 3$)

$$\nabla_r^2 T(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial T(\mathbf{x})}{\partial r} \right) \quad (2)$$

1 Laplace' equation

Rectangular coordinate: The Laplacian is the sum of two $N = 1$ independent terms

$$\nabla_{xy} T(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) T(x, y) = 0. \quad (3)$$

The RHS is zero because the only sources of heat are at the walls.

1. Assuming *separation of variables* $T(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$, we rewrite the equation as

$$\nabla_{xy} T(\mathbf{x}) = Y(y) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} X(x) + X(x) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} Y(y) = 0.$$

Dividing by XY

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} X(x) = k^2 = -\frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} Y(y),$$

factors the equation into the two terms,

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} X(x) = k^2 X(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} Y(y) = -k^2 Y(y), \quad (4)$$

each of which are equal to the *separation constant*: k^2 . Once we find X, Y , $T(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$.

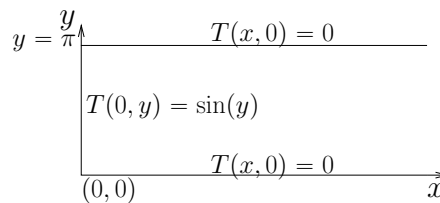


Figure 1: Two grounded parallel conductors at $y = 0$ and $y = \pi$. At $x = 0$ the temperature is $T(0, y) = \sin(y)$. The problem is to find $T(x, y)$ between the conductors.

To Do: A 2 dimensional box (see Fig. 1) having coordinates (x, y) and ∞ long in z direction, is grounded along the $x = 0$ and $x = \pi$ surfaces. Two grounded parallel conductors at $y = 0$ and $y = \pi$. At $x = 0$ the temperature is $T(0, y) = \sin(y)$. The problem is to use Eq. 3 to find $T(x, y)$.

- (a) What are X, Y when $k = 0$?
 - (b) What is the separation constant for the case of Fig. 1?
 - (c) Given k , what are $X(x)$ and $Y(y)$ as defined by Eqs. 4?
 - (d) What is the temperature as $x \rightarrow \infty$?
 - (e) Summarize the four boundary conditions (BC).
 - (f) Write out the final solution for $T(x, y)$, that agrees with the BCs.
 - (g) Verify the solution satisfies Laplace's equation and the BCs.
 - (h) Sketch the solution.
2. Discuss qualitatively what would happen to $T(x, y)$ if the $x = 0$ BC were changed to $T(0, y) = \sin 10\pi y$?

Cylindrical coordinates: ($N = 2$). For detailed examples on separation of variables in cylindrical coordinates, see Greenberg (1988, p. 1077).

3. We are seeking the temperature $T(r, z)$ for a cylinder of radius $d = 1$ meter and infinitely long, having temperature $T(r = 1, z) = 0$ on the boundary?
- (a) As before, assume separation of variables $T(r, z) = R(r)Z(z)$, and find the separation constant for Laplace's equation
 - (b) Note the choice of signs is critically important. Why is the signs of k^2 important?
 - (a) Find $Z(z)$ and $R(r)$ for cylindrical coordinates ($N = 2$).
 - (b) Show that the equation and its solution are

$$\nabla_r^2 R(r) = \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + k^2 R(r) = 0 \quad \text{thus} \quad R(r) = C J_0(kr). \quad (5)$$

- (c) Find the first root of $J_0(r_0) = 0$. Hint: Using either Matlab, Octave or Python,¹ plot $J_0(r)$ to locate the first zero crossing.
- (d) Why do we need to know the zero of $J_0(r)$?
- (e) Write out the solution for $T(r, z)$.

2 Poisson equation.

One of Maxwell's equation is $\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = q(x, y, z)$ where q is the charge distribution. A second relation is $\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$.

¹or your hand calculator

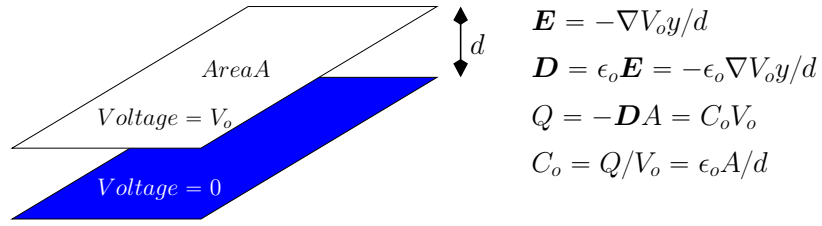


Figure 2: Capacitor made from two conduction plates having areas A , separated by a distance d .

To do:

1. Find $\vec{D}(x, y, z)$ if the charge consists of two sheets of two sheets having area $1 \text{ [cm}^2] = 10^{-4} \text{ [m}^2]$, $d = \mu\text{-meter} (10^{-6} \text{ [m]})$ apart, with a voltage of 1 volt between the two plates. Find the capacitance [Fd].
2. What is ϵ ? Give its value along with SI units.
3. Compute C_o
4. Find $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}$.
5. Assuming that $\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$, rewrite these relations to derive the *Poisson Equation*

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(x, y, z) = -q(x, y, z)/\epsilon_o.$$

3 Wave equation

For detailed examples on separation of variables of the wave equation, see (Greenberg, 1988, p. 1077).

1. Show that d'Alembert's solution, is in fact a solution to the wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 p(x, t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p(x, t)}{\partial t^2}$$

where $p(x, t) = f(t - x/c) + g(t + x/c)$ and $f(\xi)$ and $g(\xi)$ are any functions, where $f'(\xi) \equiv \partial f(\xi)/\partial \xi$.

2. Solution to the wave equation in spherical coordinates:

- (a) Write down the wave equation in spherical coordinates.
- (b) Show that the following is true (Hint, expand both sides):

$$\nabla_{\rho}^2 R(\rho) \equiv \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \rho^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} R(\rho) = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \rho^2} \rho R(\rho) \tag{6}$$

- (c) Using the results of Eq. 6, show that the solution to the spherical wave equation is

$$\nabla_{\rho}^2 p(\rho, t) = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} p(\rho, t) \quad \text{thus: } R(\rho, t) = \frac{f(t - \rho/c)}{\rho} + \frac{g(t + \rho/c)}{\rho} \tag{7}$$

- (d) With $f(\xi) = \sin(\xi)U(\xi)$ and $g(\xi) = e^{\xi}U(\xi)$, where $U(\cdot)$ is the Heaviside step function, write down the solutions to the spherical wave equation.
- (e) Sketch the above solutions at several different times, as a function of ρ .

(f) What happens when the inbound wave reaches the center at $\rho = 0$?

3. Webster horn equation:

(a) Rewrite the Webster horn equation [Class notes; Olson, p. 101 (1947); Morse, p. 269, (1948)]

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{bmatrix} p(x, t) \\ \nu(x, t) \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{\rho_0}{A(x)} \\ \frac{A(x)}{\eta_0 P_0} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{bmatrix} p(x, t) \\ \nu(x, t) \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

as a 2d order differential equation in the pressure $p(x, t)$. Here $\nu(x, t) = A(x)u(x, t)$ is the *volume velocity*, more formally defined as the integral over the normal component of the particle velocity $u(x, t)$, over the cross-sectional area $A(x)$ of the tube, or

$$\nu \equiv \int_S \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{A}.$$

(b) Compare the Webster horn equation to the Spherical wave equation in ρ . That is let $A(\rho) = A_0\rho^2$ be the area of the surface of a sphere of radius ρ .

(c) Compare the Webster horn equation to the cylindrical wave equation in r , namely let set $A(r) = A_0r$.

4 Special functions:

In Matlab or Octave, use the symbolic Taylor series command for each function and show that:

1. Use the defining series for the Bessel function to obtain $J_{1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x$ given the general definition of $J_\nu(x)$:

$$J_\nu(x) = \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^\nu \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k! \Gamma(\nu + k + 1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2k},$$

2. $J_{1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x$.

3. $J_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n J_n(x)$

5 Symmetry:

Find the symmetric, anti-symmetric, real and imaginary parts of

1. e^{ix} .

2. $e^{i(x-4)}$

3. 1

4. $U(t)$, the step function 0 for $t < 0$, 1 for $t > 0$, undefined at $t = 0$.

5. $1/t$

6. $\text{sgn}(t) \equiv \frac{|t|}{t}$

References

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