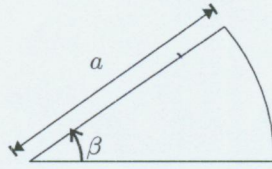


indicated in the sketch. All boundaries, $\rho = a$, $\phi = 0$, $\phi = \beta$, are grounded. Find out the potential inside this geometry.



2. (a) (10%) Show that the Green function $G(x, y; x', y')$ appropriate for Dirichlet boundary conditions for a square two-dimensional region, $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$, has an expansion

$$G(x, y; x', y') = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n(y, y') \sin(n\pi x) \sin(n\pi x')$$

where $g_n(y, y')$ satisfies

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y'^2} - n^2\pi^2\right)g_n(y, y') = -4\pi\delta(y' - y) \text{ and } g_n(y, 0) = g_n(y, 1) = 0$$

- (b) (10%) Taking for $g_n(y, y')$ appropriate linear combinations of $\sinh(n\pi y')$ and $\cosh(n\pi y')$ in the two regions, $y' < y$ and $y' > y$, in accord with the boundary conditions and the discontinuity in slope required by the source delta function, show that the explicit form of G is

$$G(x, y; x', y') = 8 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \sinh(n\pi)} \sin(n\pi x) \sin(n\pi x') \sinh(n\pi y_{<}) \sinh[n\pi(1 - y_{>})]$$

where $y_{<}(y_{>})$ is the smaller (larger) of y and y' .

3. (a) (5%) Solve the Green function for a spherical shell bounded by $r = a$ and $r = b$ ($a < b$), it can be expressed as

$$G(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = 4\pi \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l \frac{Y_{lm}^*(\theta', \phi') Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)}{(2l+1)[1 - (\frac{a}{b})^{2l+1}]} \left(r_{<}^l - \frac{a^{2l+1}}{r_{<}^{l+1}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{r_{>}^{l+1}} - \frac{r_{>}^l}{b^{2l+1}} \right)$$

- (b) (5%) Make use of the result in part(a) to calculate the potential inside the grounded **sphere** with a uniformly charged ring of radius a which is located on the x - y plane, and total charge Q , and b is the radius of the sphere.
- (c) (5%) Calculate the potential inside a grounded **sphere**, inside which a uniformly charged rod with length $2b$ and total charge Q is placed on the z axis between the north and south poles of the sphere.

4.(15%) The Dirac delta function in three dimensions can be taken as the improper limit as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ of the Gaussian function

$$D(\alpha; x, y, z) = (2\pi)^{-3/2} \alpha^{-3} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\alpha^2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \right].$$

Consider a general orthogonal coordinate system specified by the surfaces $u = \text{constant}$, $v = \text{constant}$, $w = \text{constant}$, with the length elements du/U , dv/V , dw/W in the three perpendicular directions. Show that

$$\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') = \delta(u - u')\delta(v - v')\delta(w - w') \cdot UVW$$

by considering the limit of the Gaussian above. Note that as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ only the infinitesimal length element need be used for the distance between the points in the exponent.

5.(20%) (a) Two halves of a long hollow conducting cylinder of inner radius b are separated by small lengthwise gaps on each side, and are kept at different potentials V_1 and V_2 . Show that the potential inside is given by

$$\Phi(\rho, \phi) = \frac{V_1 + V_2}{2} + \frac{V_1 - V_2}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2b\rho}{b^2 - \rho^2} \cos \phi \right),$$

where ϕ is measured from a plane perpendicular to the plane through the gap.

(b) Calculate the surface-charge density on each half of the cylinder.

Note that the Laplacian of a scalar function ψ in the cylindrical coordinate (ρ, ϕ, z) is

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2}.$$

6.(15%) Give a brief explanation on the following items:

- The near zone and the far zone in a radiating system.
- The Born Approximation for the scattering amplitude.
- The blueness of the sky and the redness of the sunset.