

3.13 Find the potential in the infinite slot of Ex. 3.3 if the boundary at  $x = 0$  consists of two metal strips: one from  $y = 0$  to  $y = a/2$ , is held at a constant potential  $V_0$ , and the other, from  $y = a/2$  to  $y = a$ , is held at potential  $-V_0$ .

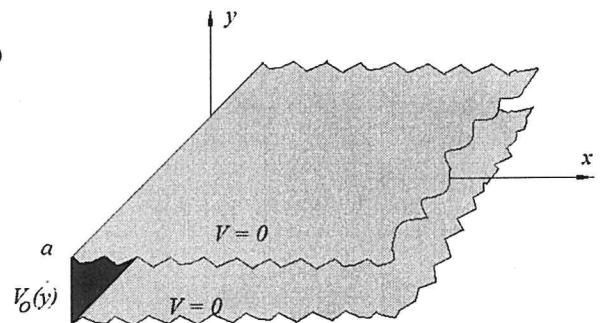


Figure 3.17

2 dimensions  
The form of the Solution is

$$V(x, y) = (C_1 e^{kx} + C_2 e^{-kx})(D_1 \cos ky + D_2 \sin ky)$$

Since  $V \rightarrow 0$  at  $x \rightarrow \infty$   $C_1 = 0$

Since  $V=0$  at  $y=0$   $D_1 = 0$

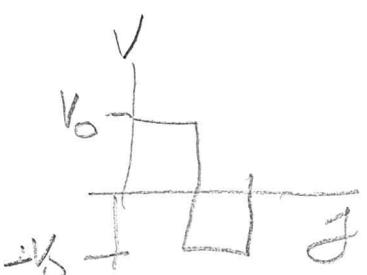
$$V(x, y) = C e^{-ky} \sin ky$$

Since  $V=0$  at  $y=a$   $\sin ka = 0$

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$$V(x, y) = C_n e^{-\frac{n\pi y}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a} y\right)$$

$$\text{At } x=0 \quad V(0, y) = \begin{cases} V_0 & 0 \leq y \leq a/2 \\ -V_0 & a/2 \leq y \leq a \end{cases}$$



$$\int_0^a V(0, y) \sin \frac{n\pi y}{a} dy = \sum_n C_n \int_0^a \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} y \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} y dy$$

$$= C_m \frac{a}{2}$$

$$C_m = \frac{2}{a} \cdot \int_0^a V(0, y) \sin \frac{n\pi y}{a} dy$$

$$C_n = \frac{2}{a} \int_0^{a/2} V_0 \sin \frac{n\pi y}{a} dy - \frac{2}{a} \int_{a/2}^a -V_0 \sin \frac{n\pi y}{a} dy$$

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$$C_n = \frac{2V_0}{a} \left[ \int_0^{\frac{a}{2}} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} y dy - \int_{\frac{a}{2}}^a \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} y dy \right]$$

$$= \frac{2V_0}{a} \left[ \left. -\frac{\cos \frac{n\pi}{a} y}{\frac{n\pi}{a}} \right|_0^{\frac{a}{2}} + \left. \frac{\cos \frac{n\pi}{a} y}{\frac{n\pi}{a}} \right|_{\frac{a}{2}}^a \right]$$

$$\cos \frac{n\pi}{a} \frac{a}{2} = \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} \cdot 1$$

$$\cos \frac{n\pi}{2} = \cos n\pi$$

$$C_n = \frac{2V_0}{n\pi} \left[ -\left( \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} - 1 \right) + \left( \cos n\pi - \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{2V_0}{n\pi} \left[ -2 \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} + 1 + \cos n\pi \right]$$

$n$	$\cos \frac{n\pi}{2}$	$\cos n\pi$	$(-\cos \frac{n\pi}{2} + 1 + \cos n\pi)$
0	1	1	0
1	0	-1	0
2	-1	1	4
3	0	-1	0
4	1	1	0
5	0	-1	0
6	-1	1	4

$$C_n = \frac{8V_0}{n\pi} \quad n = 2, 4, 10, 14, \dots$$

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$$V(x,y) = \sum C_n e^{-\frac{n\pi}{a}x} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a}y$$

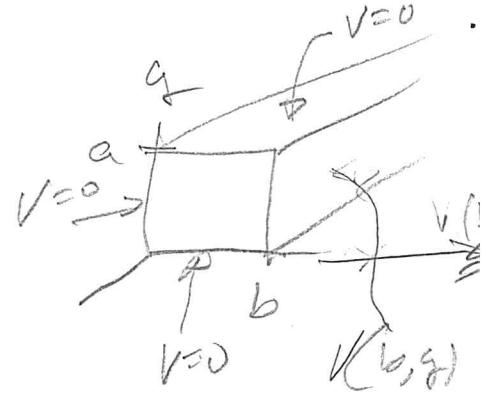
$$V(x,y) = \frac{8V_0}{\pi} \sum \frac{1}{n} e^{-\frac{n\pi}{a}x} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a}y$$

$n = 3, 4, 10, 14, \dots$

- 3.15 A rectangular pipe, running parallel to the z axis (from minus infinity to plus infinity), has three grounded metal sides, at  $y = 0$ ,  $y = a$ , and  $x = 0$ . The fourth side, at  $x = b$ , is maintained at a specific potential  $V_0(y)$ .

- Develop a general formula for the potential inside the pipe.
- Find the potential explicitly, for the case  $V_0(y) = V_0$  (a constant).

$$V=0 \quad x=0 \\ y=0 \\ y=a$$



The form of the solution is

$$V(x,y) = (A_1 e^{kx} + A_2 e^{-kx})(B_1 \sin ky + B_2 \cosh ky)$$

$$\text{OR } V(x,y) = (A_1 \sinh ky + A_2 \cosh ky)(B_1 \sin ky + B_2 \cosh ky)$$

$$\text{Since } V=0 \text{ at } x=0 \quad A_2 = 0$$

$$V=0 \text{ at } y=0 \quad B_2 = 0$$

$$V=0 \text{ at } y=a \Rightarrow \sin ka = 0 \quad ka = n\pi \quad k = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

$$V(x,y) = C \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right)$$

$$V(x,y) = \sum C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right)$$

$$\text{at } x=b \quad V(b,y) = \underbrace{C \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}b\right)}_{\text{CONSTANT}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right)$$

$$V_0 = V(b,y) = \sum_n C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}b\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right)$$

$$\int_0^a V_0 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right) dy = \sum_n C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}b\right) \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right) dy \\ = C_n \sinh\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}b\right) \frac{a}{2} \quad n=m$$

$$\int_0^a V_0 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right) dy = C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \frac{a}{2}$$

$$\int_0^a V_0 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right) dy = V_0 \left[ -\frac{\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}y\right)}{\frac{n\pi}{a}} \right]_0^a$$

$$= V_0 \frac{a}{n\pi} \left[ 1 - (-1)^n \right]$$

$$= \frac{2V_0 a}{n\pi}$$

$$= C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \frac{a}{2}$$

$$\frac{2V_0 a}{n\pi} = C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \frac{a}{2} \quad n \text{ odd}$$

$$C_n = \frac{4V_0}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right) \quad C_n = 0 \quad n \text{ even}$$

$$V(x,y) = \sum C_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right)$$

$$V(x,y) = \frac{4V_0}{\pi} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi b}{a}\right)}$$

**3.16** A cubical box (sides of length  $a$ ) consists of five metal plates, which are welded together and grounded (Fig 3.23). The top is made of a separate sheet of metal, insulated from the others, and held at a constant potential  $V_0$ . Find the potential inside the box. [What should the potential be at the center  $(a/2, a/2, a/2)$  be? Check numerically that your formula is consistent with this value.]

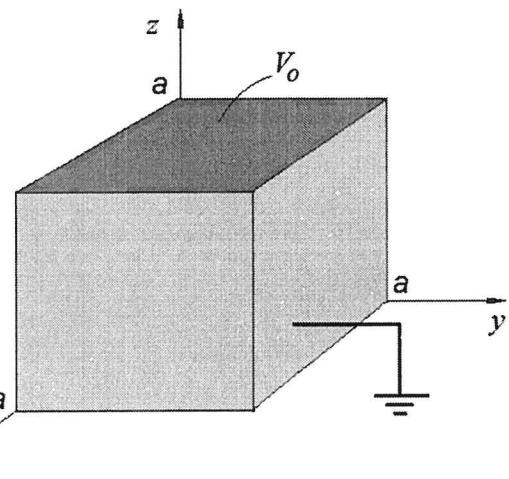


Figure 3.23

$$V(x, y, z) = X(x) Y(y) Z(z)$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z^2} = 0 = \frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} = -k^2$$

$$X(x) = A_1 \sin(kx) + A_2 \cos(kx)$$

$$\frac{1}{Y} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} = -l^2$$

$$Y(y) = B_1 \sin(l y) + B_2 \cos(l y)$$

$$\frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} = g^2$$

$$Z(z) = C_1 e^{gz} + C_2 e^{-gz}$$

$$\text{Since } \nabla^2 V = 0$$

$$-k^2 - l^2 + g^2 = 0$$

$$g = \sqrt{k^2 + l^2}$$

Boundary Conditions

$$@ x=0, V=0 \therefore A_2 = 0$$

$$@ y=0, V=0 \therefore B_2 = 0$$

$$@ z=0, V=0 \therefore C_1 = -C_2$$

$$Z(z) = C_1 (e^{gz} - e^{-gz}) \\ = 2 \sinh(gz)$$

$$V(x, y, z) = C_n \sin(kx) \sin(l y) \sinh(gz)$$

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Since  $V=0$  at  $x=a$   $\sin ka = 0$

$V=0$  at  $y=a$

$$k = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

$$\sin(lg) = 0 \quad l = \frac{m\pi}{a}$$

$$V(x,y,z) = C_{n,m} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y \sinh(gz)$$

$$g^2 = \sqrt{\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m\pi}{a}\right)^2}$$

We need a sum of these solutions to satisfy the boundary condition at  $z=a$

$$V(x,y,z) = \sum_n \sum_m C_{nm} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y \sinh(gz)$$

at  $z=a$

$$V(x,y,a) = V_0 = \sum_n \sum_m C_{nm} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y \sinh(ga)$$

Use Fourier Series

$$V_0 = \sum_n \sum_m B_{nm} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} x$$

$$\text{Where } B_{nm} = C_{nm} \sinh(ga)$$

$$g = \sqrt{\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m\pi}{a}\right)^2}$$
$$= \pi \sqrt{n^2 + m^2}$$

$$V_0 = \sum_n \sum_m B_{nm} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y$$

$$\int_0^a V_0 \sin \frac{n'\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m'\pi}{a} y dx dy =$$

$$\sum B_{nm} \int_0^a \int_0^a \sin \frac{n'\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m'\pi}{a} y *$$

$$\sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y dx$$

$$\int_0^a \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y dx = \frac{a}{2} \quad \begin{matrix} \\ \text{if } n=m \\ = 0 \quad n \neq m \end{matrix}$$

$$\int_0^a \int_0^a V_0 \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y dx dy = \frac{a^2}{4} B_{n'm'}$$

$$V_0 \int_0^a \int_0^a \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y dx dy = V_0 \left( \int_0^a \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x dx \right) \left( \int_0^a \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y dy \right)$$

$$= V_0 \left[ -\frac{\cos \frac{n\pi}{a} x}{\frac{n\pi}{a}} \Big|_0^a \right] \left[ -\frac{\cos \frac{m\pi}{a} y}{\frac{m\pi}{a}} \Big|_0^a \right]$$

$$= \frac{V_0 4 a^2}{nm\pi} \quad \text{odd } n \text{ and odd } m$$

$$\frac{V_0 4a^2}{nm\pi^2} = \frac{a^2}{4} B_{n,m}$$

$$B_{n,m} = \frac{16V_0}{nm\pi^2} = C_{n,m} \sinh(ga)$$

$$V(x,y,z) = \sum_{\substack{\text{odd} \\ n}} \sum_{\substack{\text{odd} \\ m}} C_{n,m} \sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y \sinh g z$$

where  $g = \frac{\pi}{a} \sqrt{n^2 + m^2} = \sqrt{k^2 + l^2}$ .

$$V(x,y,z) = \frac{16V_0}{\pi^2} \sum_{\substack{\text{odd} \\ n}} \sum_{\substack{\text{odd} \\ m}} \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi}{a} x \sin \frac{m\pi}{a} y \sinh \left( \frac{\pi}{a} \sqrt{n^2 + m^2} z \right)}{nm \sinh \left( \pi \sqrt{n^2 + m^2} \right)}$$