

# The Laplace Equation in Various Orthogonal Curvilinear Coordinate Systems

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Solve the Laplace equation in the following orthogonal curvilinear coordinate systems:

- Cartesian coordinates
- Cylindrical coordinates
- Spherical polar coordinates
- Parabolic cylindrical coordinates

The Laplacian operator in orthogonal curvilinear coordinates is defined by the equation:

$$\Delta = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\nabla} = \nabla^2 = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial u_1} \left( \frac{h_2 h_3}{h_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_1} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_2} \left( \frac{h_1 h_3}{h_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_3} \left( \frac{h_1 h_2}{h_3} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_3} \right) \right]$$

The line element is defined in terms of the metric tensor and scale factors as:

$$ds^2 = g_{mn} du^m du^n$$

$$h_m = \sqrt{g_{mm}}$$

- Cartesian coordinates

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

The potential equation is given by:

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(x, y, z) = 0$$

$$\Phi(0,0,0) = \Phi(a, b, c) = 0$$

$$\Phi(x, y, z) = X(x)Y(y)Z(z)$$

$$\frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} + \frac{Y''(y)}{Y(y)} + \frac{Z''(z)}{Z(z)} = -k^2 - l^2 - m^2$$

$$X''(x) + k^2 X(x) = 0$$

$$Y''(y) + l^2 Y(y) = 0$$

$$Z''(z) + m^2 Z(z) = 0$$

$$X(x) = A \sin(kx)$$

$$\sin(ka) = 0 \rightarrow ka = n_x \pi, k = \frac{n_x \pi}{a} \forall n_x \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\int_0^a X^2(x) dx = A^2 \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi x}{a}\right)^2 dx$$

$$(e^{ix})^2 = e^{2ix} = \cos(2x) + i \sin(2x) = (\cos x + i \sin x)^2 = (\cos x)^2 + i^2 (\sin x)^2 + 2i \sin x \cos x$$

$$\cos(2x) = (\cos x)^2 - (\sin x)^2 = 1 - 2(\sin x)^2$$

$$(\sin x)^2 = \frac{1}{2}[1 - \cos(2x)]$$

$$\int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi x}{a}\right)^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a \cos\left(\frac{2n_x \pi x}{a}\right) dx = \frac{a}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2n_x \pi} \int_0^a d \sin\left(\frac{2n_x \pi x}{a}\right) = \frac{a}{2}$$

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}}$$

$$\Phi(x, y, z) = \sqrt{\frac{8}{abc}} \sum_{n_x=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_y=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_z=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi y}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_z \pi z}{c}\right)$$

b. Cylindrical coordinates

$$x = \rho \cos \phi$$

$$y = \rho \sin \phi$$

$$z = z$$

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2 = (\cos \phi d\rho - \rho \sin \phi d\phi)^2 + (\sin \phi d\rho + \rho \cos \phi d\phi)^2 + dz^2 \\ &= (\cos \phi)^2 d\rho^2 + (\sin \phi)^2 d\rho^2 - 2\rho \sin \phi \cos \phi d\rho d\phi + 2\rho \sin \phi \cos \phi d\rho d\phi \\ &\quad + \rho^2 [(\cos \phi)^2 + (\sin \phi)^2] d\phi^2 + dz^2 = d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\phi^2 + dz^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$h_\rho = h_z = 1, h_\phi = \rho$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 &= \frac{1}{h_\rho h_\phi h_z} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left( \frac{h_\phi h_z}{h_\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left( \frac{h_\rho h_z}{h_\phi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{h_\rho h_\phi}{h_z} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\rho} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left( \rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(\rho, \phi, z) = 0$$

$$\Phi(0,0,0) = \Phi(r, 2\pi, h) = 0$$

$$\Phi(\rho, \phi, z) = R(\rho)Q(\phi)Z(z)$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \cdot \frac{1}{R} \cdot \frac{d}{d\rho} \left( \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \cdot \frac{1}{Q} \cdot \frac{dQ^2}{d\phi^2} + \frac{1}{Z} \cdot \frac{d^2 Z}{dz^2} = -k^2 - l^2$$

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$$\frac{1}{Z} \cdot \frac{d^2 Z}{dz^2} = -l^2$$

$$\frac{\rho}{R} \cdot \frac{d}{d\rho} \left( \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} \right) + \frac{1}{Q} \cdot \frac{dQ^2}{d\phi^2} = -k^2 \rho^2$$

$$\frac{\rho}{R} \cdot \frac{d}{d\rho} \left( \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} \right) + k^2 \rho^2 + \frac{1}{Q} \cdot \frac{dQ^2}{d\phi^2} = m^2$$

$$\frac{\rho}{R} \cdot \frac{d}{d\rho} \left( \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} \right) + k^2 \rho^2 - m^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{Q} \cdot \frac{dQ^2}{d\phi^2} = m^2$$

$$\rho^2 R''(\rho) + \rho R'(\rho) + k^2 \rho^2 R(\rho) - m^2 R(\rho) = 0, R(0) = R(r) = 0$$

$$Q''(\phi) - m^2 Q(\phi) = 0, Q(0) = Q(2\pi) = 0$$

$$Z''(z) + l^2 Z(z) = 0, Z(0) = Z(h) = 0$$

$$R(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j \rho^{\alpha+j}$$

$$R'(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha + j) a_j \rho^{\alpha+j-1}$$

$$R''(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha + j)(\alpha + j - 1) a_j \rho^{\alpha+j-2}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha + j)(\alpha + j - 1)a_j \rho^{\alpha+j} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha + j)a_j \rho^{\alpha+j} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} k^2 a_j \rho^{\alpha+j+2} - \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} m^2 a_j \rho^{\alpha+j} = 0$$

$$a_0[\alpha(\alpha - 1) + \alpha - m^2] = a_0(\alpha^2 - m^2) = 0 \rightarrow \alpha = m$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_1[(\alpha + 1)(\alpha + 1 - 1) + \alpha + 1 - m^2] &= a_1(\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + 1 - m^2) = a_1[(\alpha + 1)^2 - m^2] = 0 \\ a_2[(\alpha + 2)(\alpha + 2 - 1) + (\alpha + 2) - m^2] + a_0 k^2 & \\ &= a_2[\alpha^2 + 2\alpha - \alpha + 2\alpha + 4 - 2 + \alpha + 2 - m^2] + a_0 k^2 \\ &= a_2[\alpha^2 + 4\alpha + 4 - m^2] + a_0 k^2 = a_2[(\alpha + 2)^2 - m^2] + a_0 k^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_j[(\alpha + j)^2 - m^2] + a_{j-2} k^2 = 0$$

$$a_j = -\frac{k^2}{(m + j)^2 - m^2} a_{j-2} = -\frac{k^2}{j(2m + j)} a_{j-2}$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{k^2}{2(2m + 2)} a_0$$

$$a_4 = -\frac{k^2}{4(2m + 4)} a_2 = \frac{k^4}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot (2m + 2) \cdot (2m + 4)} a_0$$

$$a_6 = -\frac{k^2}{6(2m + 6)} a_4 = -\frac{k^6}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot (2m + 2) \cdot (2m + 4) \cdot (2m + 6)} a_0$$

$$a_{2j} = \frac{(-1)^j k^{2j}}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2j) \cdot 2^j \cdot (m + 1) \cdot (m + 2) \cdot (m + 3) \cdots (m + j)} a_0$$

$$a_{2j} = \frac{(-1)^j}{j! (m + j)!} \cdot \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^{2j}$$

$$R(\rho) = A \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j}{j! (m + j)!} \cdot \left(\frac{k\rho}{2}\right)^{2j} + BY_m(k\rho) = AJ_m(k\rho) + BY_m(k\rho)$$

$$R(\rho) = AJ_m(k\rho), R(0) = 0 \rightarrow m > 0, R(r) = AJ_m(kr) = 0 \rightarrow J_m(kr) = 0$$

$$\int_0^r R^2(\rho) \rho d\rho = A^2 \int_0^r J_m^2(k\rho) \rho d\rho = 1$$

$$A = \left[ \int_0^r J_m^2(k\rho) \rho d\rho \right]^{-1/2}$$

$$Q(\phi) = C \cosh(m\phi) + D \sinh(m\phi)$$

$$Q(0) = C \cosh(0) \rightarrow C = 0$$

$$Q(2\pi) = D \sinh(2\pi m) = 0 \rightarrow m = 0$$

$$Z(z) = E \sin(lz)$$

$$Z(h) = E \sin(lh) \rightarrow lh = n\pi \rightarrow l = \frac{n\pi}{h}$$

$$Z(z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{h}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi z}{h}\right)$$

$$\Phi(\rho, \phi, z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{h}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \int_0^r J_m^2(k\rho) \rho d\rho \right]^{-1/2} J_0(k\rho) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi z}{h}\right)$$

c. Spherical polar coordinates

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$x = r \sin \vartheta \cos \varphi$$

$$y = r \sin \vartheta \sin \varphi$$

$$z = r \cos \vartheta$$

$$dx = \sin \vartheta \cos \varphi dr + r \cos \vartheta \cos \varphi d\vartheta - r \sin \vartheta \sin \varphi d\varphi$$

$$dy = \sin \vartheta \sin \varphi dr + r \cos \vartheta \sin \varphi d\vartheta + r \sin \vartheta \cos \varphi d\varphi$$

$$dz = \cos \vartheta dr - r \sin \vartheta d\vartheta$$

$$\begin{aligned} (dx)^2 &= (\sin \vartheta)^2 (\cos \varphi)^2 (dr)^2 + r^2 (\cos \vartheta)^2 (\cos \varphi)^2 (d\vartheta)^2 + r^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 (\sin \varphi)^2 (d\varphi)^2 \\ &\quad + 2r \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta (\cos \varphi)^2 dr d\vartheta - 2r (\sin \vartheta)^2 \cos \varphi \sin \varphi dr d\varphi \\ &\quad - 2r^2 \cos \vartheta \sin \vartheta \cos \varphi \sin \varphi d\vartheta d\varphi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (dy)^2 &= (\sin \vartheta)^2 (\sin \varphi)^2 (dr)^2 + r^2 (\cos \vartheta)^2 (\sin \varphi)^2 (d\vartheta)^2 + r^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 (\cos \varphi)^2 (d\varphi)^2 \\ &\quad + 2r \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta (\sin \varphi)^2 dr d\vartheta + 2r (\sin \vartheta)^2 \cos \varphi \sin \varphi dr d\varphi \\ &\quad + 2r^2 \cos \vartheta \sin \vartheta \cos \varphi \sin \varphi d\vartheta d\varphi \end{aligned}$$

$$(dz)^2 = (\cos \vartheta)^2 (dr)^2 + r^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 (d\vartheta)^2 - 2r \cos \vartheta \sin \vartheta dr d\vartheta$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ds)^2 &= (dx)^2 + (dy)^2 + (dz)^2 \\ &= (\sin \vartheta)^2 [(\cos \varphi)^2 + (\sin \varphi)^2] (dr)^2 + (\cos \vartheta)^2 (dr)^2 \\ &\quad + r^2 (\cos \vartheta)^2 [(\cos \varphi)^2 + (\sin \varphi)^2] (d\vartheta)^2 + r^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 (d\vartheta)^2 \\ &\quad + r^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 [(\sin \varphi)^2 + (\cos \varphi)^2] (d\varphi)^2 = (dr)^2 + r^2 (d\vartheta)^2 + r^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 (d\varphi)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$h_r = 1, h_\vartheta = r, h_\varphi = r \sin \vartheta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 &= \frac{1}{h_r h_\vartheta h_\varphi} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{h_\vartheta h_\varphi}{h_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \left( \frac{h_r h_\varphi}{h_\vartheta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \left( \frac{h_r h_\vartheta}{h_\varphi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \vartheta} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \sin \vartheta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \left( \frac{r \sin \vartheta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \left( \frac{r}{r \sin \vartheta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \vartheta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \left( \sin \vartheta \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(r, \vartheta, \varphi) = 0$$

$$\Phi(r, \vartheta, \varphi) = R(r)S(\vartheta, \varphi)$$

$$\Phi(0, -\pi, 0) = \Phi(a, \pi, 2\pi) = 0, R(0) = R(a) = 0, S(-\pi, 0) = S(\pi, 2\pi) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{Rr^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dR}{dr} \right) + \frac{1}{Sr^2 \sin \vartheta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \left( \sin \vartheta \frac{\partial S}{\partial \vartheta} \right) + \frac{1}{Sr^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2} \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial \varphi^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{R} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dR}{dr} \right) = -\frac{1}{S \sin \vartheta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \left( \sin \vartheta \frac{\partial S}{\partial \vartheta} \right) - \frac{1}{S (\sin \vartheta)^2} \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial \varphi^2} = k^2$$

$$r^2 R''(r) + 2rR'(r) - k^2 R(r) = 0$$

$$\sin \vartheta \frac{\partial}{\partial \vartheta} \left( \sin \vartheta \frac{\partial S}{\partial \vartheta} \right) + \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial \varphi^2} + k^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 S = 0$$

$$S(\vartheta, \varphi) = T(\vartheta)U(\varphi)$$

$$\frac{\sin \vartheta}{T} \frac{d}{d\vartheta} \left( \sin \vartheta \frac{dT}{d\vartheta} \right) + \frac{1}{U} \frac{d^2 U}{d\varphi^2} + k^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{\sin \vartheta}{T} \frac{d}{d\vartheta} \left( \sin \vartheta \frac{dT}{d\vartheta} \right) + k^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 = -\frac{1}{U} \frac{d^2 U}{d\varphi^2} = m^2$$

$$\sin \vartheta \frac{d}{d\vartheta} \left( \sin \vartheta \frac{dT}{d\vartheta} \right) + k^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 T - m^2 T = 0$$

$$U''(\varphi) + m^2 U(\varphi) = 0$$

$$k^2 = l(l+1)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sin \vartheta} \frac{d}{d\vartheta} \left( \sin \vartheta \frac{dT}{d\vartheta} \right) + l(l+1)T - \frac{m^2}{(\sin \vartheta)^2} T = 0$$

$$x = \cos \vartheta, y(x) = T(\vartheta)$$

$$\vartheta = \cos^{-1} x$$

$$\frac{dT}{d\vartheta} = \frac{dx}{d\vartheta} \frac{dT}{dx} = -\sin \vartheta \frac{dT}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d^2 T}{d\vartheta^2} = \left( \frac{dx}{d\vartheta} \right)^2 \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{d^2 T}{d\vartheta^2} \frac{dT}{dx} = (\sin \vartheta)^2 \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} - 2 \cos x \frac{dT}{dx} = (1-x^2) \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} - 2x \frac{dT}{dx}$$

$$(1-x^2)y''(x) - 2xy'(x) + \left[l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2}\right]y(x) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ (1-x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} \right] + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] y(x) = 0$$

$$y(x) = P_l^m(x)$$

$$P_l^m(x) = \frac{(-1)^m}{2^l l!} (1-x^2)^{m/2} \frac{d^{l+m}}{dx^{l+m}} (x^2-1)^l = \frac{(-1)^m}{2^l l!} (1-x^2)^{m/2} \frac{d^{l+m}}{dx^{l+m}} \sum_{n=0}^l \binom{l}{n} x^{2l} (-1)^{l-n}$$

$$U(\varphi) = B \sin(m\varphi)$$

$$A \sin(2\pi m) = 0 \rightarrow m \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$R(r) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2r}} J_{l+1/2}(r)$$

$$\Phi(r, \vartheta, \varphi) = A_{l,m} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2r}} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} J_{l+1/2}(r) P_l^m(\cos \vartheta) \sin(m\varphi)$$

d. Parabolic cylindrical coordinates

$$x = \xi^2 - \eta^2$$

$$y = 2\xi\eta$$

$$z = z$$

$$dx = 2(\xi d\xi - \eta d\eta)$$

$$dy = 2(\eta d\xi + \xi d\eta)$$

$$dz = dz$$

$$ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2 = 4\xi^2 d\xi^2 + 4\eta^2 d\eta^2 - 8\xi\eta d\xi d\eta + 4\eta^2 d\xi^2 + 4\xi^2 d\eta^2 + 8\xi\eta d\xi d\eta + dz^2 \\ = 4(\xi^2 + \eta^2)(d\xi^2 + d\eta^2) + dz^2$$

$$ds^2 = g_{\xi\xi} d\xi^2 + g_{\eta\eta} d\eta^2 + g_{zz} dz^2$$

$$h_\xi = h_\eta = 2\sqrt{\xi^2 + \eta^2}, h_z = 1$$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{h_\xi h_\eta h_z} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{h_\eta h_z}{h_\xi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{h_\xi h_z}{h_\eta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{h_\xi h_\eta}{h_z} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{\xi^2 + \eta^2} \right) \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} + 4(\xi^2 + \eta^2) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{\xi^2 + \eta^2} \right) \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} \right) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(x, y, z) = 0$$

$$\Phi(\xi, \eta, z) = Q(x, y)Z(z)$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{\xi^2 + \eta^2} \right) \frac{1}{Q} \left( \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \eta^2} \right) + \frac{1}{Z} \frac{d^2 Z}{dz^2} = -k^2$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{\xi^2 + \eta^2} \right) \frac{1}{Q} \left( \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \eta^2} \right) + k^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{Z} \frac{d^2 Z}{dz^2} + k^2 = 0$$

$$\left( \frac{1}{\xi^2 + \eta^2} \right) \left( \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \eta^2} \right) + 4k^2 Q = 0$$

$$Z''(z) + k^2 Z(z) = 0$$

$$Z(z) = A \sin(kz)$$

$$\xi = \rho \cos \zeta$$

$$\eta = \rho \sin \zeta$$

$$\rho^2 = \xi^2 + \eta^2$$

$$\rho = \sqrt{\xi^2 + \eta^2}$$

$$\zeta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\eta}{\xi} \right)$$

$$d\xi = \cos \zeta d\rho - \rho \sin \zeta d\zeta$$

$$d\eta = \sin \zeta d\rho + \rho \cos \zeta d\zeta$$

$$d\xi^2 = (\cos \zeta)^2 d\rho^2 + \rho^2 (\sin \zeta)^2 d\zeta^2$$

$$d\eta^2 = (\sin \zeta)^2 d\rho^2 + \rho^2 (\cos \zeta)^2 d\zeta^2$$

$$ds^2 = d\xi^2 + d\eta^2 = d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\zeta^2$$

$$g_{\rho\rho} = 1, g_{\zeta\zeta} = \rho^2$$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha^i} \left( \sqrt{|g|} g^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha^j} \right)$$

$$|g| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \rho^2 \end{vmatrix} = \rho^2$$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left( \rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta} \left( \frac{\rho}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta} \right) = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left( \rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \zeta^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho^2} \nabla^2 Q(\rho, \zeta) + 4k^2 Q(\rho, \zeta) = 0$$

$$Q(\rho, \zeta) = R(\rho)S(\zeta)$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho^3 R} \frac{d}{d\rho} \left( \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^4 S} \frac{d^2 S}{d\zeta^2} + 4k^2 = 0$$



$$\rho \frac{d}{d\rho} \left( \rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} \right) + 4k^2 \rho^4 = -\frac{1}{S} \frac{d^2 S}{d\zeta^2} = l^2$$

$$\rho^2 R''(\rho) + \rho R'(\rho) + (4k^2 \rho^4 - l^2) R(\rho) = 0$$

$$S''(\zeta) + l^2 S(\zeta) = 0$$

$$S = B \sin(l\zeta)$$

$$R(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j \rho^{\alpha+j}$$

$$R'(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha+j) a_j \rho^{\alpha+j-1}$$

$$R''(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha+j)(\alpha+j-1) a_j \rho^{\alpha+j-2}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha+j)(\alpha+j-1) a_j \rho^{\alpha+j} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha+j) a_j \rho^{\alpha+j} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 4k^2 a_j \rho^{\alpha+j+4} - \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} l^2 a_j \rho^{\alpha+j} = 0$$

$$a_0 [\alpha(\alpha-1) + \alpha - l^2] = a_0 (\alpha^2 - l^2) = 0 \rightarrow \alpha = l$$

$$[l(l+1) + (l+1) - l^2] a_1 = (l^2 + 2l + 1 - l^2) a_1 = 0 \rightarrow a_1 = 0$$

$$[(l+1)(l+2) + (l+2) - l^2] a_2 = 0 \rightarrow a_2 = 0$$

$$[(l+2)(l+3) + (l+3) - l^2] a_3 = 0 \rightarrow a_3 = 0$$

$$[(l+3)(l+4) + (l+4) - l^2] a_4 + 4k^2 a_0 = (8l+16) a_4 + 4k^2 a_0 = 0$$

$$a_4 = -\frac{k^2}{2l+4} a_0$$

$$[(l+7)(l+8) + (l+8) - l^2] a_8 + 4k^2 a_4 = (16l+64) a_8 + 4k^2 a_4 = 0$$

$$a_8 = -\frac{k^2}{4l+16} a_4 = \frac{k^4}{(2l+4)(4l+16)} a_0$$

$$[(l+11)(l+12) + (l+12) - l^2] a_{12} + 4k^2 a_8 = (24l+144) a_{12} + 4k^2 a_8 = 0$$

$$a_{12} = -\frac{k^2}{6l+36} a_8 = -\frac{k^6}{(2l+4)(4l+16)(6l+36)} a_0 = -\frac{k^6}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot (l+2)(l+4)(l+6)} a_0$$

$$a_{4j} = \frac{(-1)^j k^j}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots j \cdot (l+2)(l+4)(l+6) \cdots (l+j)} a_0 = \frac{(-1)^j k^j}{j!! (l+j)!!} a_0$$

$$R(\rho) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j k^j}{j!! (l+j)!!} \rho^{4j}$$

$$Q(\rho, \zeta) = A_{jl} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j k^j}{j!! (l+j)!!} \rho^{4j} \sin(l\zeta)$$