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CHAPTER THREE

TWO DIMENSIONAL WAVES**1 Reflection and transmission of sound at an interface**

Reference : Brekhovskikh and Godin §.2.2.

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it is

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$$\phi(\mathbf{x}, t) = \phi_o e^{i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \omega t)} = \phi_o e^{i(k\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \omega t)} \quad (1.4)$$

Here the phase function is

$$\theta(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \omega t \quad (1.5)$$

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Is (2.40) a solution? Let us check (2.38).

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla\phi &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \phi = i\mathbf{k}\phi \\ \nabla^2\phi &= \nabla \cdot \nabla\phi = i\mathbf{k} \cdot i\mathbf{k}\phi = -k^2\phi \\ \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial t^2} &= -\omega^2\phi \end{aligned}$$

Hence (2.38) is satisfied if

$$\omega = kc \quad (1.8)$$

1.2 Two-dimensional reflection from a plane interface

Consider two semi-infinite fluids separated by the plane interface along $z = 0$. The lower fluid is distinguished from the upper fluid by the subscript "1". The densities and sound speeds in the upper and lower fluids are ρ, c and ρ_1, c_1 respectively. Let a plane incident wave arrive from $z > 0$ at the incident angle of θ with respect to the z axis, the sound pressure and the velocity potential are

$$p_i = P_0 \exp[ik(x \sin \theta - z \cos \theta)] \quad (1.9)$$

The velocity potential is

$$\phi_i = -\frac{iP_0}{\omega\rho} \exp[ik(x \sin \theta - z \cos \theta)] \quad (1.10)$$

The incident wave number vector is

$$\mathbf{k}^i = (k_x^i, k_z^i) = k(\sin \theta, -\cos \theta) \quad (1.11)$$

The motion is confined in the x, z plane.

On the same (incidence) side of the interface we have the reflected wave

$$p_r = R \exp[ik(x \sin \theta + z \cos \theta)] \quad (1.12)$$

where R denotes the reflection coefficient. The wavenumber vector is

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The total pressure and potential are

$$p = P_0 \{ \exp[ik(x \sin \theta - z \cos \theta)] + R \exp[ik(x \sin \theta + z \cos \theta)] \} \quad (1.14)$$

$$\phi = -\frac{iP_0}{\rho\omega} \{ \exp[ik(x \sin \theta - z \cos \theta)] + R \exp[ik(x \sin \theta + z \cos \theta)] \} \quad (1.15)$$

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Applying (2.54), we get

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Clearly we must have

$$k \sin \theta = k_1 \sin \theta_1 \quad (1.20)$$

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which implies

$$1 - R = \frac{\rho k_1 \cos \theta_1}{\rho_1 k \cos \theta} T \quad (1.23)$$

Eqs (2.58) and (2.59) can be solved to give

$$T = \frac{2\rho_1 k \cos \theta}{\rho k_1 \cos \theta_1 + \rho_1 k \cos \theta} \quad (1.24)$$

$$R = \frac{\rho_1 k \cos \theta - \rho k_1 \cos \theta_1}{\rho_1 k \cos \theta + \rho k_1 \cos \theta_1} \quad (1.25)$$

Alternatively, we have

$$T = \frac{2\rho_1 c_1 \cos \theta}{\rho c \cos \theta_1 + \rho_1 c_1 \cos \theta} \quad (1.26)$$

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Let

$$m = \frac{\rho_1}{\rho}, \quad n = \frac{c}{c_1} \quad (1.28)$$

where the ratio of sound speeds n is called the index of refraction. We get after using Snell's law that

$$R = \frac{m \cos \theta - n \cos \theta_1}{m \cos \theta + n \cos \theta_1} = \frac{m \cos \theta - n \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2}}}{m \cos \theta + n \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2}}} \quad (1.29)$$

The transmission coefficient is

$$T = 1 + R = \frac{2m \cos \theta}{m \cos \theta + n \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2}}} \quad (1.30)$$

We now examine the physics.

1. If $n = c/c_1 > 1$, the incidence is from a faster to a slower medium, then R is always real. For normal incidence $\theta = \theta_1 = 0$,

$$R = \frac{m - n}{m + n} \quad (1.31)$$

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, as shown in figure 2.c for $m > n$ and in 2.d. for $m < n$.

When $\theta > \delta$, the square roots above become imaginary. We must then take

$$\cos \theta_1 = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2}} = i \sqrt{\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2} - 1} \quad (1.34)$$

This means that the reflection coefficient is now complex

$$R = \frac{m \cos \theta - in \sqrt{\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2} - 1}}{m \cos \theta + in \sqrt{\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2} - 1}} \quad (1.35)$$

with $|R| = 1$, implying complete reflection. As a check the transmitted wave is now given by

$$p_t = T \exp \left[k_1 \left(ix \sin \theta_1 + z \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta / n^2 - 1} \right) \right] \quad (1.36)$$

so the amplitude attenuates exponentially in z as $z \rightarrow -\infty$. Thus the wave train cannot penetrate much below the interface. The dependence of R on various parameters is best displayed in the complex plane $R = \Re R + i \Im R$. It is clear from (2.71) that $\Im R < 0$ so that R falls on the half circle in the lower half of the complex plane as shown in figure 2.c and 2.d.

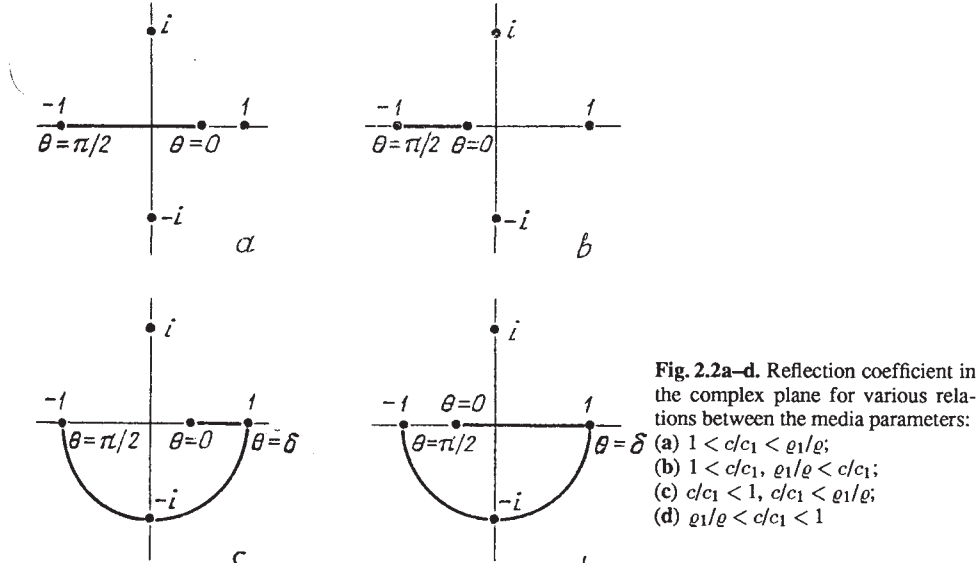


Figure 1: Complex reflection coefficient. From Brekhovskikh and Godin §.2.2.

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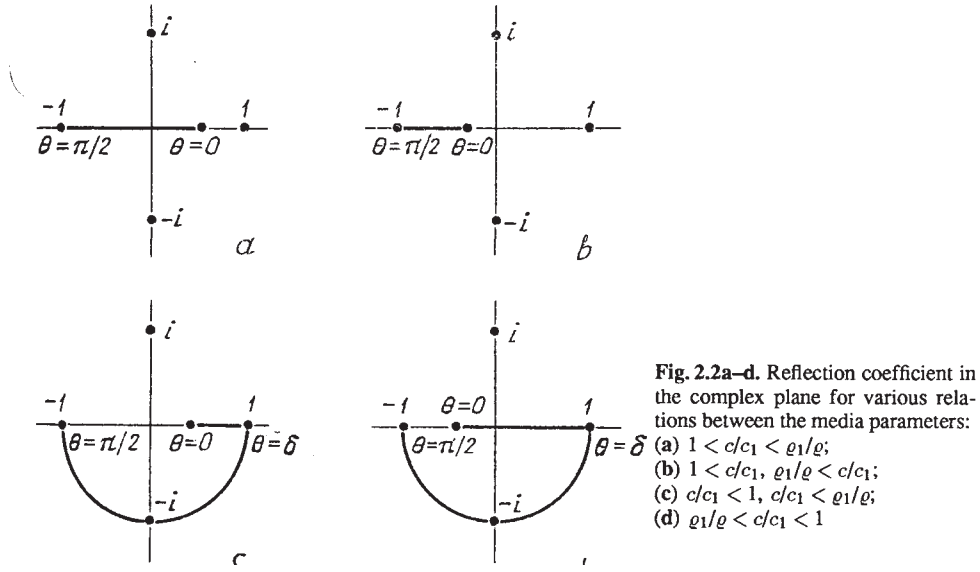


Figure 2: Complex reflection coefficient. From Brekhovskikh and Godin §.2.2.

3 Equations for elastic waves

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Graff: *Wave Motion in Elastic Solids*

Aki & Richards *Quantitative Seismology*, V. 1.

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Let the displacement vector at a point x_j and time t be denoted by $u_i(x_j, t)$, then Newton's law applied to an material element of unit volume reads

$$\rho \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_j} \quad (3.1)$$

where τ_{ij} is the stress tensor. We have neglected body force such as gravity. For a homogeneous and isotropic elastic solid, we have the following relation between stress and strain

$$\tau_{ij} = \lambda e_{kk} \delta_{ij} + 2\mu e_{ij} \quad (3.2)$$

where λ and μ are Lamé constants and

$$e_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \quad (3.3)$$

is the strain tensor. Eq. (3.2) can be inverted to give

$$e_{ij} = \frac{1+\nu}{E}\tau_{ij} - \frac{\nu}{E}\tau_{kk}\delta_{ij} \quad (3.4)$$

where

$$E = \frac{\mu(3\lambda + \mu)}{\lambda + \mu} \quad (3.5)$$

is Young's modulus and

$$\nu = \frac{\lambda}{2(\lambda + \mu)}. \quad (3.6)$$

Poisson's ratio.

Substituting (3.2) and (3.3) into (3.1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_j} &= \lambda \frac{\partial e_{kk}}{\partial x_j} \delta_{ij} + \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \\ &= \lambda \frac{\partial e_{kk}}{\partial x_i} + \mu \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j \partial x_j} + \mu \frac{\partial^2 u_j}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \\ &= (\lambda + \mu) \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} + \mu \nabla^2 u_i \end{aligned}$$

In vector form (3.1) becomes

$$\rho \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}}{\partial t^2} = (\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} \quad (3.7)$$

Taking the divergence of (3.1) and denoting the dilatation by

$$\Delta \equiv e_{kk} = \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_3} \quad (3.8)$$

we get the equation governing the dilatation alone

$$\rho \frac{\partial^2 \Delta}{\partial t^2} = (\lambda + \mu) \nabla \cdot \nabla \Delta + \mu \nabla^2 \Delta = (\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla^2 \Delta \quad (3.9)$$

or,

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Delta}{\partial t^2} = c_L^2 \nabla^2 \Delta \quad (3.10)$$

where

$$c_L = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda + 2\mu}{\rho}} \quad (3.11)$$

Thus the dilatation propagates as a wave at the speed c_L . To be explained shortly, this is a longitudinal waves, hence the subscript L . On the other hand, taking the curl of (3.7) and denoting by $\vec{\omega}$ the rotation vector:

$$\vec{\omega} = \nabla \times \mathbf{u} \quad (3.12)$$

we then get the governing equation for the rotation alone

$$\frac{\partial^2 \vec{\omega}}{\partial t^2} = c_T^2 \nabla^2 \vec{\omega} \quad (3.13)$$

where

$$c_T = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\rho}} \quad (3.14)$$

Thus the rotation propagates as a wave at the slower speed c_T . The subscript T indicates that this is a transverse wave, to be shown later.

The ratio of two wave speeds is

$$\frac{c_L}{c_T} = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda + \mu}{\mu}} > 1. \quad (3.15)$$

Since

$$\frac{\mu}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2\nu} - 1 \quad (3.16)$$

it follows that the speed ratio depends only on Poisson's ratio

$$\frac{c_L}{c_T} = \sqrt{\frac{2 - 2\nu}{1 - 2\nu}} \quad (3.17)$$

There is a general theorem due to Helmholtz that any vector can be expressed as the sum of an irrotational vector and a solenoidal vector i.e.,

$$\mathbf{u} = \nabla \phi + \nabla \times \mathbf{H} \quad (3.18)$$

subject to the constraint that

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0 \quad (3.19)$$

The scalar ϕ and the vector $\mathbf{H}$ are called the displacement potentials. Substituting this into (3.7), we get

$$\rho \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} [\nabla \phi + \nabla \times \mathbf{H}] = \mu \nabla^2 [\nabla \phi + \nabla \times \mathbf{H}] + (\lambda + \mu) \nabla \nabla \cdot [\nabla \phi + \nabla \times \mathbf{H}]$$

Since $\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi = \nabla^2 \phi$, and $\nabla \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = 0$ we get

$$\nabla \left[(\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla^2 \phi - \rho \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} \right] + \nabla \times \left[\mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{H} - \rho \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{H}}{\partial t^2} \right] = 0 \quad (3.20)$$

Clearly the above equation is satisfied if

$$(\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla^2 \phi - \rho \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad (3.21)$$

and

$$\mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{H} - \rho \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{H}}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad (3.22)$$

Although the governing equations are simplified, the two potentials are usually coupled by boundary conditions, unless the physical domain is infinite.

4 Free waves in infinite space

The dilatational wave equation admits a plane sinusoidal wave solution:

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}, t) = \phi_o e^{ik(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} - c_L t)} \quad (4.1)$$

Here the phase function is

$$\theta(\mathbf{x}, t) = k(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} - c_L t) \quad (4.2)$$

which describes a moving surface. The wave number vector $\mathbf{k} = k\mathbf{n}$ is defined to be

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hence is orthogonal to the surface of constant phase, and represents the direction of wave propagation. The frequency is

$$\omega = kc_T = -\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} \quad (4.4)$$

A general solution is

$$\phi = \phi(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} - c_L t) \quad (4.5)$$

Similarly the the following sinusoidal wave is a solution to the shear wave equation;

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_o e^{ik(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x} - c_T t)} \quad (4.6)$$

A general solution is

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Note:

We can also write (4.5) and (4.9) as

$$\phi = \phi\left(t - \frac{\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x}}{c_L}\right) \quad (4.8)$$

and

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}\left(t - \frac{\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x}}{c_T}\right) \quad (4.9)$$

where

$$\mathbf{s}_L = \frac{\mathbf{n}}{c_L}, \quad \mathbf{s}_T = \frac{\mathbf{n}}{c_T} \quad (4.10)$$

are called the slowness vectors of longitudinal and transverse waves respectively.

In a dilatational wave the displacement vector is parallel to the wave number vector:

$$\mathbf{u}_L = \nabla \phi = \phi' \mathbf{n} \quad (4.11)$$

from (3.5), where ϕ' is the ordinary derivative of ϕ with respect to its argument. Hence the dilatational wave is a *longitudinal* (compression) wave. On the other hand in a rotational wave the displacement vector is perpendicular to the wave number vector,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_T &= \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{e}_x \left(\frac{\partial H_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial H_y}{\partial z} \right) + \mathbf{e}_y \left(\frac{\partial H_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial x} \right) + \mathbf{e}_z \left(\frac{\partial H_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial H_x}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= \mathbf{e}_x (H'_z n_y - H'_y n_z) + \mathbf{e}_y (H'_x n_z - H'_z n_x) + \mathbf{e}_z (H'_y n_x - H'_x n_y) \\ &= \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{H}' \end{aligned} \quad (4.12)$$

from (3.7). Hence a rotational wave is a *transverse* (shear) wave.

4 Elastic waves in a plane

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Let us examine waves propagating in the vertical plane of x, y . All physical quantities are assumed to be uniform in the direction of z , hence $\partial/\partial z = 0$, then

$$u_x = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial y}, \quad u_y = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial x}, \quad u_z = -\frac{\partial H_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial H_y}{\partial x} \quad (4.13)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial H_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial H_y}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (4.14)$$

where

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{1}{c_L^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2}, \quad (4.15)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 H_p}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 H_p}{\partial y^2} = \frac{1}{c_T^2} \frac{\partial^2 H_p}{\partial t^2}, \quad p = x, y, z \quad (4.16)$$

Note that u_z is also governed by (4.16).

Note that the in-plane displacements u_x, u_y depend only on ϕ and H_z , and not on H_x, H_y . Out-of-plane motion u_z depends on H_x, H_y but not on H_z . Hence the in-plane displacement components u_x, u_y are independent of the out-of-plane component u_z . The in-plane displacements (u_x, u_y) are associated with dilatation and in-plane shear, represented respectively by ϕ and H_z , which will be referred to as the P wave and the SV wave. The out-of-plane displacement u_z is associated with H_x and H_y , and will be referred to as the SH wave.

From Hooke's law the stress components can be written

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{xx} &= \lambda \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \right) + 2\mu \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} = (\lambda + 2\mu) \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \right) - 2\mu \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \\ &= (\lambda + 2\mu) \left(\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} \right) - 2\mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial^2 H_z}{\partial y \partial x} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4.17)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{yy} &= \lambda \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \right) + 2\mu \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} = (\lambda + 2\mu) \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \right) - 2\mu \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} \\ &= (\lambda + 2\mu) \left(\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} \right) - 2\mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 H_z}{\partial x \partial y} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4.18)$$

$$\tau_{zz} = \frac{\lambda}{2(\lambda + \mu)} (\tau_{xx} + \tau_{yy}) = \nu (\tau_{xx} + \tau_{yy}) = \lambda \left(\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} \right) \quad (4.19)$$

$$\tau_{xy} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} \right) = \mu \left(2 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 H_z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 H_z}{\partial y^2} \right) \quad (4.20)$$

$$\tau_{yz} = \mu \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial y} = \mu \left(-\frac{\partial^2 H_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 H_y}{\partial y \partial x} \right) \quad (4.21)$$

$$\tau_{xz} = \mu \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial x} = \mu \left(-\frac{\partial^2 H_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 H_y}{\partial x^2} \right) \quad (4.22)$$

Different physical situations arise for different boundary conditions. We shall consider first the half plane problem bounded by the plane $y = 0$.

5 Reflection of elastic waves from a plane boundary

Consider the half space $y > 0$, $-\infty < x < \infty$. Several types of boundary conditions can be prescribed on the plane boundary : (i) dynamic: the stress components only (the traction condition); (ii) kinematic: the displacement components only, or (iii). a combination of stress components and displacement components. Most difficult are (iv) the mixed conditions in which stresses are given over part of the boundary and displacements over the other.

We consider the simplest case where the plane $y = 0$ is completely free of external stresses,

$$\tau_{yy} = \tau_{xy} = 0, \quad (5.23)$$

and

$$\tau_{yz} = 0 \quad (5.24)$$

It is clear that (5.23) affects the P and SV waves only, while (5.24) affects the SH wave only. Therefore we have two uncoupled problems each of which can be treated separately.

5.1 P and SV waves

Consider the case where only P and SV waves are present, then $H_x = H_y = 0$. Let all waves have wavenumber vectors inclined in the positive x direction:

$$\phi = f(y)e^{i\xi x - i\omega t}, \quad H_z = h_z(y)e^{i\xi x - i\omega t} \quad (5.25)$$

It follows from (4.15) and (4.16) that

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dy^2} + \alpha^2 f = 0, \quad \frac{d^2 h_z}{dy^2} + \beta^2 h_z = 0, \quad (5.26)$$

with

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2}{c_L^2} - \xi^2} = \sqrt{k_L^2 - \xi^2}, \quad \beta = \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2}{c_T^2} - \zeta^2} = \sqrt{k_T^2 - \zeta^2} \quad (5.27)$$

We first take the square roots to be real; the general solution to (5.26) are sinusoids, hence,

$$\phi = A_P e^{i(\xi x - \alpha y - \omega t)} + B_P e^{i(\xi x + \alpha y - \omega t)}, \quad H_z = A_S e^{i(\zeta x - \beta y - \omega t)} + B_S e^{i(\zeta x + \beta y - \omega t)} \quad (5.28)$$

On the right-hand sides the first terms are the incident waves and the second are the reflected waves. If the incident amplitudes A_P, A_S and are given, what are the properties of the reflected waves B_P, B_S ? The wave number components can be written in the polar form:

$$(\xi, \alpha) = k_L(\sin \theta_L, \cos \theta_L), \quad (\zeta, \beta) = k_T(\sin \theta_T, \cos \theta_T) \quad (5.29)$$

where (k_L, k_T) are the wavenumbers, the (θ_L, θ_T) the directions of the P wave and SV wave, respectively. In terms of these we rewrite (5.28)

$$\phi = A_P e^{ik_L(\sin \theta_L x - \cos \theta_L y - \omega t)} + B_P e^{ik_L(\sin \theta_L x + \cos \theta_L y - \omega t)} \quad (5.30)$$

$$H_z = A_S e^{ik_T(\sin \theta_T x - \cos \theta_T y - \omega t)} + B_S e^{ik_T(\sin \theta_T x + \cos \theta_T y - \omega t)} \quad (5.31)$$

In order to satisfy (5.23) ($\tau_{yy} = \tau_{xy} = 0$) on $y = 0$ for all x , we must insist:

$$k_L \sin \theta_L = k_T \sin \theta_T, \quad (\xi = \zeta) \quad (5.32)$$

This is in the form of Snell's law:

$$\frac{\sin \theta_L}{c_L} = \frac{\sin \theta_T}{c_T} \quad (5.33)$$

implying

$$\frac{\sin \theta_L}{\sin \theta_T} = \frac{c_L}{c_T} = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda + 2\mu}{\mu}} = \frac{k_T}{k_L} \equiv \kappa \quad (5.34)$$

When (5.23) are applied on $y = 0$ the exponential factors cancel, and we get two algebraic conditions for the two unknown amplitudes of the reflected waves (B_P, B_S) :

$$k_L^2(2 \sin^2 \theta_L - \kappa^2)(A_P + B_P) - k_T^2 \sin 2\theta_T(A_S - B_S) = 0 \quad (5.35)$$

$$k_L^2 \sin 2\theta_L(A_P - B_P) - k_T^2 \cos \theta_T(A_S + B_S) = 0. \quad (5.36)$$

Using (5.34), we get

$$2 \sin^2 \theta_L - \kappa^2 = \kappa^2(2 \sin^2 \theta_T - 1) = -\kappa^2 \cos 2\theta_T$$

The two equations can be solved and the solution expressed in matrix form:

$$\begin{Bmatrix} B_P \\ B_S \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{PP} & S_{SP} \\ S_{PS} & S_{SS} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} A_P \\ A_S \end{Bmatrix} \quad (5.37)$$

where

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{PP} & S_{SP} \\ S_{PS} & S_{SS} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.38)$$

denotes the scattering matrix. Thus S_{PS} represents the reflected S -wave due to incident P wave of unit amplitude, etc. It is straightforward to verify that

$$S_{PP} = \frac{\sin 2\theta_L \sin 2\theta_T - \kappa^2 \cos^2 2\theta_T}{\sin 2\theta_L \sin 2\theta_T + \kappa^2 \cos^2 2\theta_T} \quad (5.39)$$

$$S_{SP} = \frac{-2\kappa^2 \sin 2\theta_T \cos 2\theta_T}{\sin 2\theta_L \sin 2\theta_T + \kappa^2 \cos^2 2\theta_T} \quad (5.40)$$

$$S_{PS} = \frac{2 \sin 2\theta_L \cos 2\theta_T}{\sin 2\theta_L \sin 2\theta_T + \kappa^2 \cos^2 2\theta_T} \quad (5.41)$$

$$S_{SS} = \frac{\sin 2\theta_L \sin 2\theta_T - \kappa^2 \cos^2 2\theta_T}{\sin 2\theta_L \sin 2\theta_T + \kappa^2 \cos^2 2\theta_T} \quad (5.42)$$

In view of (5.33) and

$$\kappa = \frac{c_L}{c_T} = \sqrt{\frac{2-2\nu}{1-2\nu}} \quad (5.43)$$

The scattering matrix is a function of Poisson's ratio and the angle of incidence.

(i) P - wave Incidence : In this case θ_L is the incidence angle. Consider the special case when the only incident wave is a P wave. Then $A_P \neq 0$ and $A_S = 0$ and only S_{PP} and S_{SP} are relevant. . Note first that $\theta_L > \theta_T$ in general . For normal incidence, $\theta_L = 0$, hence $\theta_T = 0$. We find

$$S_{PP} = -1, \quad S_{PS} = 0 \quad (5.44)$$

there is no SV wave. The reflected wave is a P wave. On the other hand if

$$\sin 2\theta_L \sin 2\theta_T - \kappa^2 \cos^2 2\theta_T = 0 \quad (5.45)$$

then $S_{PP} = 0$, hence $B_P = 0$ but $B_S \neq 0$; only SV wave is reflected. This is the case of mode conversion, whereby an incident P waves changes to a SV wave after reflection. The amplitude of the reflected SV wave is

$$\frac{B_S}{A_P} = S_{PS} = \frac{\tan 2\theta_T}{\kappa^2} \quad (5.46)$$

(ii) SV wave Incidence : Let $A_P = 0$ but $A_S \neq 0$. In this case θ_T is the incidence angle. Then only S_{SP} and S_{SS} are relevant. For normal incidence, $\theta_L = \theta_T = 0$, $S_{SS} = -1$, and $S_{SP} = 0$; no P wave is reflected. Mode conversion ($B_P \neq 0, B_S = 0$) also happens when (5.45) is satisfied. Since $\theta_L > \theta_T$, there is a critical incidence angle θ_T beyond which the P wave cannot be reflected back into the solid and propagates only along the x axis. At the critical angle

$$\sin \theta_L = 1, \quad (\theta_L = \pi/2), \quad \text{or} \quad \sin \theta_T = 1/\kappa \quad (5.47)$$

by Snell's law. Thus for $\nu = 1/3$, $\kappa = 2$ and the critical incidence angle is $\theta_T = 30^\circ$.

Beyond the critical angle of incidence, the P waves decay exponentially away from the free surface. The amplitude of the SV wave is linear in y which is unphysical, suggesting the limitation of unbounded space assumption.

5.2 SH wave

Because of (5.2)

$$\frac{\partial H_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial H_y}{\partial y} = 0$$

we can introduce a stream function ψ so that

$$H_x = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}, \quad H_y = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \quad (5.48)$$

where

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \frac{1}{c_T^2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} \quad (5.49)$$

Clearly the out-of-plane displacement is

$$u_z = -\frac{\partial H_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial H_y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = \nabla^2 \psi \quad (5.50)$$

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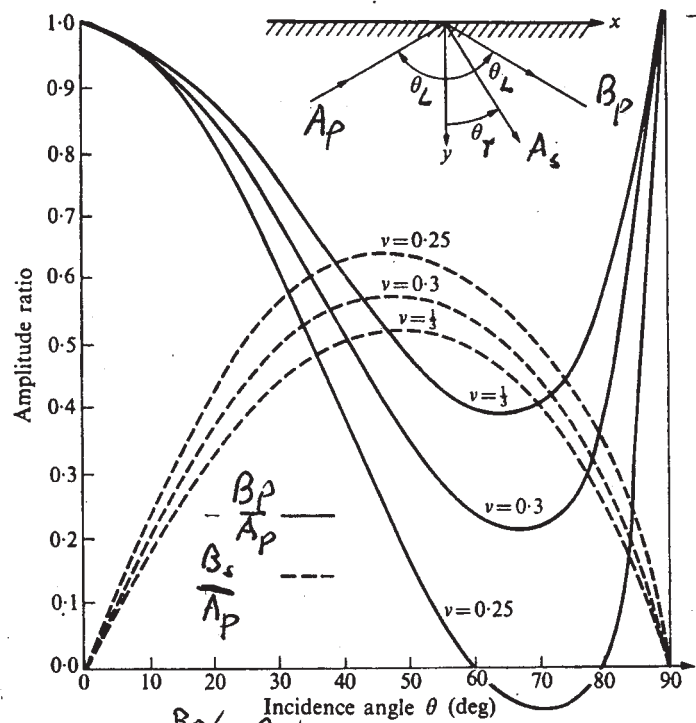


FIG. 6.3. Amplitude ratios B_P/A_P , B_S/A_P for incident P waves, for various Poisson's ratios, with a ray representation of the reflection also shown.

From Graff

Figure 3: Amplitude ratios for incident P waves for various Poisson's ratios. From Graff: *Waves in Elastic Solids*. Symbols should be converted according to : $A_1 \rightarrow A_P$, $A_2 \rightarrow B_P$, $B_1 \rightarrow A_S$, $B_2 \rightarrow B_S$.

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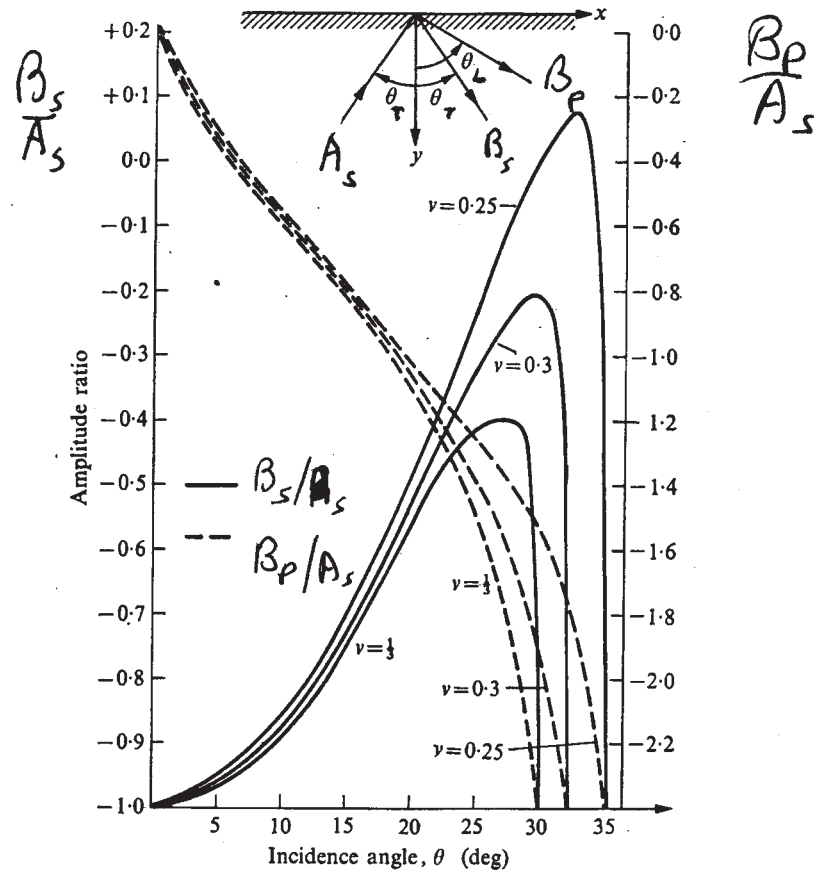


FIG. 6.4. Reflected wave amplitude ratios for incident SV waves and various Poisson's ratios, with the ray representation of the reflection also shown.

From Graff $\frac{B_p}{A_s}, \frac{B_s}{A_s}$

Figure 4: Reflected wave amplitude ratios for incident SV waves for various Poisson's ratios. From Graff: *Waves in Elastic Solids*. Symbols should be converted according to : $A_1 \rightarrow A_P, A_2 \rightarrow B_P, B_1 \rightarrow A_S, B_2 \rightarrow B_S$.

and

$$\tau_{yz} = \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \nabla^2 \psi = \frac{\mu}{c_T^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} \quad (5.51)$$

The zero-stress boundary condition implies

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (5.52)$$

Thus the problem for ψ is analogous to one for sound waves reflected by a solid plane. Again for monochromatic incident waves, the solution is easily shown to be

$$\psi = (Ae^{-i\beta y} - Ae^{i\beta y}) e^{i\alpha x - i\omega t} \quad (5.53)$$

where

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = k_T^2 \quad (5.54)$$

We remark that when the boundary is any cylindrical surface with axis parallel to the z axis, the stress-free condition reads

$$\tau_{zn} = 0, \quad \text{on } B. \quad (5.55)$$

where n is the unit outward normal to B . Since in the pure SH wave problem

$$\tau_{zn} = \mu \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial n} = \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \nabla^2 \psi = \frac{\mu}{c_T^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2}$$

Condition (5.55) implies

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} = 0, \quad \text{on } B. \quad (5.56)$$

Thus the analogy to acoustic scattering by a hard object is true irrespective of the geometry of the scatterer.

6 Scattering of monochromatic SH waves by a circular cavity

6.1 Solution in polar coordinates

We consider the scattering of two-dimensional SH waves of single frequency. The time-dependent potential can be written as

$$\psi(x, y, t) = \Re [\phi(x, y) e^{-i\omega t}] \quad (6.1)$$

where the potential ϕ is governed by the Helmholtz equation

$$\nabla^2 \phi + k^2 \phi = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} + k^2 \phi = 0, \quad k = \frac{\omega}{c_T} \quad (6.2)$$

To be specific consider the scatterer to be a finite cavity of some general geometry. On the stress-free boundary B the shear stress vanishes,

$$\tau_{zn} = -\frac{\mu\omega^2}{c_T^2} \Re \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} e^{-i\omega t} \right) = 0 \quad (6.3)$$

hence

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} = 0 \quad (6.4)$$

Let the incident waves be a plane wave

$$\phi_I = A e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \quad (6.5)$$

and the angle of incidence is θ_o with respect to the positive x axis. In polar coordinates we write

$$\mathbf{k} = k(\cos \theta_o, \sin \theta_o), \quad \mathbf{x} = r(\cos \theta, \sin \theta) \quad (6.6)$$

$$\phi_I = A \exp [ikr(\cos \theta_o \cos \theta + \sin \theta_o \sin \theta)] = A e^{ikr \cos(\theta - \theta_o)} \quad (6.7)$$

It can be shown (see Appendix A) that the plane wave can be expanded in Fourier-Bessel series :

$$e^{ikr \cos(\theta - \theta_o)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \epsilon_n i^n J_n(kr) \cos n(\theta - \theta_o) \quad (6.8)$$

where ϵ_n is the Jacobi symbol:

$$\epsilon_0 = 0, \quad \epsilon_n = 2, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (6.9)$$

Each term in the series (6.8) is called a partial wave.

Let the total wave be the sum of the incident and scattered waves

$$\phi = \phi_I + \phi_S \quad (6.10)$$

then the scattered waves must satisfy the *radiation condition* at infinity, i.e., it can only radiate energy outward from the scatterer.

The boundary condition on the cavity surface is

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} = 0, \quad r = a \quad (6.11)$$

In polar coordinates the governing equation reads

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + k^2 \phi = 0 \quad (6.12)$$

Since ϕ_I satisfies the preceding equation, so does ϕ_S .

By the method of separation of variables,

$$\phi_S(r, \theta) = R(r)\Theta(\theta)$$

we find

$$r^2 R'' + r R' + (k^2 r^2 - n^2) R = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \Theta'' + n^2 \Theta = 0$$

where $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ are eigenvalues in order that Θ is periodic in θ with period 2π .

For each eigenvalue n the possible solutions are

$$\Theta_n = (\sin n\theta, \cos n\theta),$$

$$R_n = (H_n^{(1)}(kr), H_n^{(2)}(kr)),$$

where $H_n^{(1)}(kr), H_n^{(2)}(kr)$ are Hankel functions of the first and second kind, related to the Bessel and Weber functions by

$$H_n^{(1)}(kr) = J_n(kr) + iY_n(kr), \quad H_n^{(2)}(kr) = J_n(kr) - iY_n(kr) \quad (6.13)$$

The most general solution to the Helmholtz equation is

$$\phi_S = A \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (A_n \sin n\theta + B_n \cos n\theta) [C_n H_n^{(1)}(kr) + D_n H_n^{(2)}(kr)], \quad (6.14)$$

For large radius the asymptotic form of the Hankel functions are

$$H_n^{(1)} \sim \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} e^{i(kr - \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{n\pi}{2})}, \quad H_n^{(2)} \sim \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} e^{-i(kr - \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{n\pi}{2})} \quad (6.15)$$

In conjunction with the time factor $\exp(-i\omega t)$, $H_n^{(1)}$ gives an outgoing wave while $H_n^{(2)}$ gives an incoming wave. To satisfy the radiation condition, we must discard all terms involving $H_n^{(2)}$. From here on we shall abbreviate $H_n^{(1)}$ simply by H_n . The scattered wave is now

$$\phi_S = A \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (A_n \sin n\theta + B_n \cos n\theta) H_n(kr) \quad (6.16)$$

The expansion coefficients (A_n, B_n) must be chosen to satisfy the boundary condition on the cavity surface¹ Once they are determined, the wave is found everywhere. In particular in the far field, we can use the asymptotic formula to get

$$\phi_S \sim A \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (A_n \sin n\theta + B_n \cos n\theta) e^{-in\pi/2} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} e^{ikr-i\pi/4} \quad (6.17)$$

Let us define the dimensionless directivity factor

$$\mathcal{A}(\theta) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (A_n \sin n\theta + B_n \cos n\theta) e^{-in\pi/2} \quad (6.18)$$

which indicates the angular variation of the far-field amplitude, then

$$\phi_S \sim A \mathcal{A}(\theta) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} e^{ikr-i\pi/4} \quad (6.19)$$

This expression exhibits clearly the asymptotic behaviour of ϕ_S as an outgoing wave. By differentiation, we readily see that

$$\lim_{kr \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{r} \left(\frac{\partial \phi_S}{\partial r} - \phi_S \right) = 0 \quad (6.20)$$

which is one way of stating the radiation condition for two dimensional SH waves.

At any radius r the total rate of energy outflux by the scattered wave is

$$\begin{aligned} r \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \overline{\tau_{rz} \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial t}} &= \mu r \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \Re \left[-\mu k^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} e^{-i\omega t} \right] \Re [i\omega k^2 \phi e^{-i\omega t}] \\ &= -\frac{\mu \omega k^4 r}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \Re \left[i\phi^* \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right] = -\frac{\mu \omega k^4 r}{2} \Im \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \left[\phi^* \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (6.21)$$

where overline indicates time averaging over a wave period $2\pi/\omega$.

We remark that in the analogous case of plane acoustics where the sound pressure and radial fluid velocity are respectively,

$$p = -\rho_o \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}, \quad \text{and} \quad u_r = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \quad (6.22)$$

the energy scattering rate is

$$r \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \overline{p u_r} = \frac{\omega \rho_o r}{2} \Re \int_C d\theta \left(-i\phi^* \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right) = -\frac{\omega \rho_o r}{2} \Im \int_C d\theta \left(\phi^* \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right) \quad (6.23)$$

¹In one of the numerical solution techniques, one divides the physical region by a circle enclosing the cavity. Between the cavity and the circle, finite elements are used. Outside the circle, (6.16) is used. By constructing a suitable variational principle, finite element computation yields the nodal coefficients as well as the expansion coefficients. See (Chen & Mei, 1974).

6.2 A general theorem on scattering

For the same scatterer and the same frequency ω , different angles of incidence θ_j define different scattering problems ϕ_j . In particular at infinity, we have

$$\phi_j \sim A_j \left\{ e^{ikr \cos(\theta - \theta_j)} + \mathcal{A}_j(\theta) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} e^{ikr - i\pi/4} \right\} \quad (6.24)$$

Let us apply Green's formula to ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 over a closed area bounded by a closed contour C ,

$$\iint_S (\phi_2 \nabla^2 \phi_1 - \phi_1 \nabla^2 \phi_2) dA = \int_B \left(\phi_2 \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial n} - \phi_1 \frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial n} \right) ds + \int_C ds \left(\phi_2 \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial n} - \phi_1 \frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial n} \right) ds$$

where $\mathbf{n}$ refers to the unit normal vector pointing out of S . The surface integral vanishes on account of the Helmholtz equation, while the line integral along the cavity surface vanishes by virtue of the boundary condition, hence

$$\int_C ds \left(\phi_2 \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial n} - \phi_1 \frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial n} \right) ds = 0 \quad (6.25)$$

By similar reasoning, we get

$$\int_C ds \left(\phi_2 \frac{\partial \phi_1^*}{\partial n} - \phi_1^* \frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial n} \right) ds = 0 \quad (6.26)$$

where ϕ_1^* denotes the complex conjugate of ϕ_1 .

Let us choose $\phi_1 = \phi_2 = \phi$ in (6.26), and get

$$\int_C ds \left(\phi \frac{\partial \phi^*}{\partial n} - \phi^* \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} \right) ds = 2\Im \left(\int_C ds \phi \frac{\partial \phi^*}{\partial n} \right) = 0 \quad (6.27)$$

Physically, across any circle the net rate of energy flux vanishes, i.e., the scattered power must be balanced by the incident power.

Making use of (6.24) we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \Im \int_0^{2\pi} r d\theta \left[e^{ikr \cos(\theta - \theta_o)} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} \mathcal{A}_o(\theta) e^{ikr - i\pi/4} \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \left[-ik \cos(\theta - \theta_o) e^{-ikr \cos(\theta - \theta_o)} - ik \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} \mathcal{A}_o^*(\theta) e^{-ikr + i\pi/4} \right] \\ &= \Im \int_0^{2\pi} r d\theta \left\{ -ik \cos(\theta - \theta_o) + \frac{2}{\pi kr} (-ik) |\mathcal{A}_o|^2 \right. \\ &\quad + e^{ikr[\cos \theta - \theta_o] - 1 + i\pi/4} (-ik) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} \mathcal{A}_o^* \\ &\quad \left. + e^{-ikr[\cos \theta - \theta_o] - 1 - i\pi/4} (-ik) \cos(\theta - \theta_o) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} \mathcal{A}_o \right\} \end{aligned}$$

The first term in the integrand gives no contribution to the integral above because of periodicity. Since $\Im(if) = \Im(if^*)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\mathcal{A}_o(\theta)|^2 d\theta \\
&\quad + \Im \int_0^{2\pi} r d\theta \left\{ \mathcal{A}_o(-ik) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} [1 + \cos(\theta - \theta_o)] e^{i\pi/4} e^{ikr(1 - \cos(\theta - \theta_o))} \right\} \\
&= -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\mathcal{A}_o(\theta)|^2 d\theta \\
&\quad - \Re \left\{ e^{-i\pi/4} \left[\mathcal{A}_o(k)r \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi kr}} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta [1 + \cos(\theta - \theta_o)] e^{ikr(1 - \cos(\theta - \theta_o))} \right] \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

For large kr the remaining integral can be found approximately by the method of stationary phase (see Appendix B), with the result

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d\theta [1 + \cos(\theta - \theta_o)] e^{ikr(1 - \cos(\theta - \theta_o))} \sim \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{kr}} e^{i\pi/4} \quad (6.28)$$

We get finally

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |\mathcal{A}|^2 d\theta = -2\Re \mathcal{A}(\theta_o) \quad (6.29)$$

Thus the total scattered energy in all directions is related to the amplitude of the scattered wave in the forward direction. In atomic physics, where this theorem was originated (by Niels Bohr), measurement of the scattering amplitude in all directions is not easy. This theorem suggests an economical alternative.

Homework For the same scatterer, consider two scattering problems ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 . Show that

$$\mathcal{A}_1(\theta_2) = \mathcal{A}_2(\theta_1) \quad (6.30)$$

For general elastic waves, see Mei (1978) : Extensions of some identities in elastodynamics with rigid inclusions. *J. Acoust. Soc. Am.* 64(5), 1514-1522.

6.3 Scattering by a circular cavity continued

Without loss of generality we can take $\theta_o = 0$. On the surface of the cylindrical cavity $r = a$, we impose

$$\frac{\partial \phi_I}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial \phi_S}{\partial r} = 0, \quad r = a$$

It follows that $A_n = 0$ and

$$\epsilon^n i^n A J'_n(ka) + B_n k H'_n(ka) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

where primes denote differentiation with respect to the argument. Hence

$$B_n = -A \epsilon_n i^n \frac{J'_n(ka)}{H'_n(ka)}$$

The sum of incident and scattered waves is

$$\phi = A \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \epsilon_n i^n \left[J_n(kr) - \frac{J'_n(ka)}{H'_n(ka)} H_n(kr) \right] \cos n\theta \quad (6.31)$$

and

$$\psi = A e^{-i\omega t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \epsilon_n i^n \left[J_n(kr) - \frac{J'_n(ka)}{H'_n(ka)} H_n(kr) \right] \cos n\theta \quad (6.32)$$

The limit of long waves can be approximatedly analyzed by using the expansions for Bessel functions for small argument

$$J_n(x) \sim \frac{x^n}{2^n n!}, \quad Y_n(x) \sim \frac{2}{\pi} \log x, \quad Y_n(x) \sim \frac{2^n (n-1)!}{\pi x^n} \quad (6.33)$$

Then the scattered wave has the potential

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\phi_S}{A} &\sim -H_0(kr) \frac{J'_0(ka)}{H'_0(ka)} - 2iH_1(kr) \frac{J'_1(ka)}{H'_1(ka)} \cos \theta + O(ka)^3 \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} (ka)^2 \left(-\frac{i}{2} H_0(kr) - H_1(kr) \cos \theta \right) + O(ka)^3 \end{aligned} \quad (6.34)$$

The term $H_0(kr)$ corresponds to a oscillating source which sends isotropic waves in all directions. The second term is a dipole sending scattered waves mostly in forward and backward directions. For large kr , the angular variation is a lot more complex. The far field pattern for various ka is shown in fig 4.

On the cavity surface surface, the displacement is proportional to $\psi(a, \theta)$ or $\phi(a, \theta)$. The angular variation is plotted for several ka in figure 5.

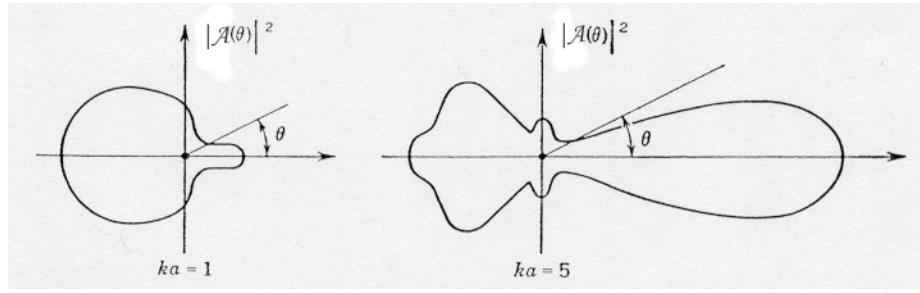
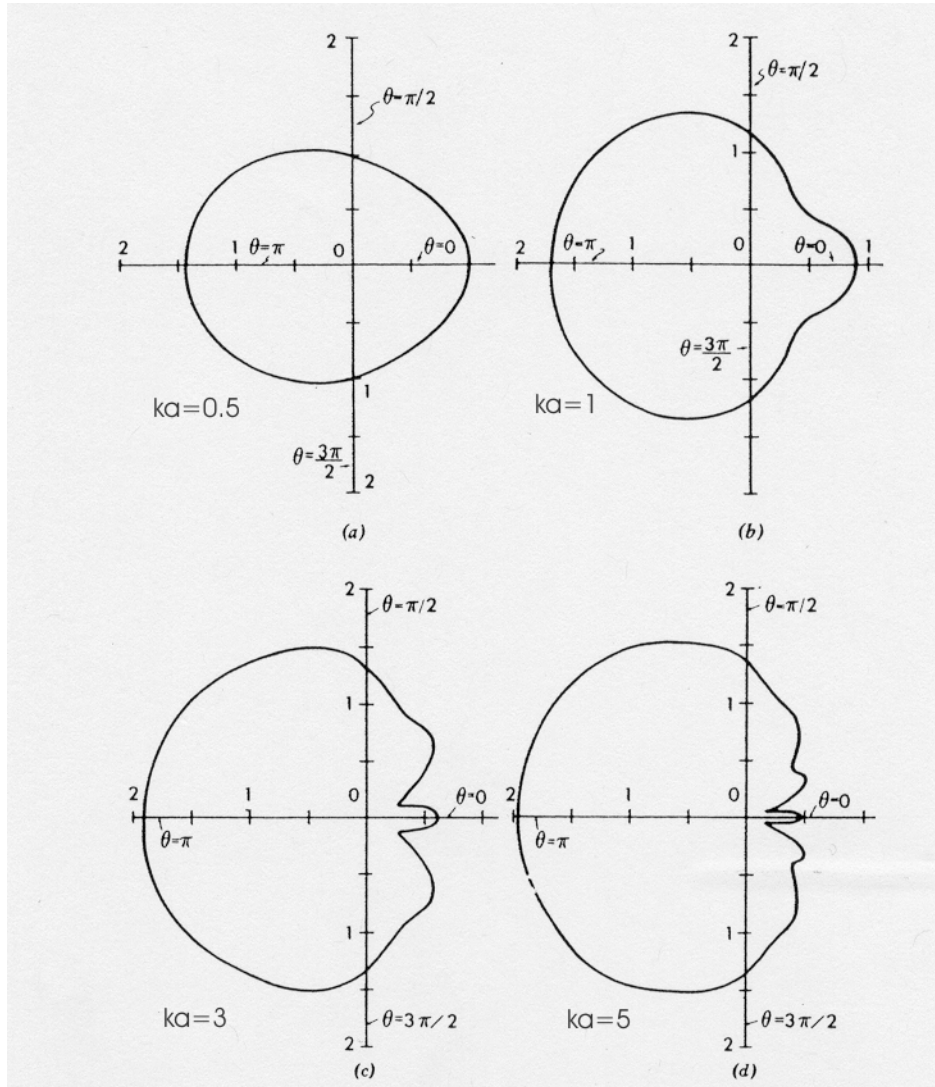


Figure 5: Angular distribution of scattered energy in the far field in cylindrical scattering

Figure 6: Polar distribution of $\phi(a, \theta)$ on a circular cylinder.

7 Diffraction of SH wave by a long crack

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If the obstacle is large, there is always a shadow behind where the incident wave cannot penetrate deeply. The phenomenon of scattering by large obstacles is usually referred to as diffraction.

Diffraction of plane incident SH waves by a long crack is identical to that of a hard screen in acoustics. The exact solution was due to A. Sommerfeld. We shall apply the boundary layer idea and give the approximate solution valid far away from the tip $kr \gg 1$ by the *parabolic approximation*, due to V. Fock.

Referring to figure () let us make a crude division of the entire field into the illuminated zone I, dominated by the incident wave alone, the reflection zone II dominated the sum of the incident and the reflected wave, and the shadow zone III where there is no wave. The boundaries of these zones are the rays touching the crack tip. According to this crude picture the solution is

$$\phi = \begin{cases} A_o \exp(ik \cos \theta x + ik \sin \theta y), & I \\ A_o [\exp(ik \cos \theta x + ik \sin \theta y) + \exp(ik \cos \theta x - ik \sin \theta y)], & II \\ 0, & III \end{cases} \quad (7.1)$$

Clearly (7.1) is inadequate because the potential cannot be discontinuous across the boundaries. A remedy to provide smooth transitions is needed.

Consider the shadow boundary Ox' . Let us introduce a new cartesian coordinate system so that x' axis is along, while the y' axis is normal to, the shadow boundary. The relations between (x, y) and (x', y') are

$$x' = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta, \quad y' = y \cos \theta - x \sin \theta \quad (7.2)$$

Thus the incident wave is simply

$$\phi_I = A_o e^{ikx'} \quad (7.3)$$

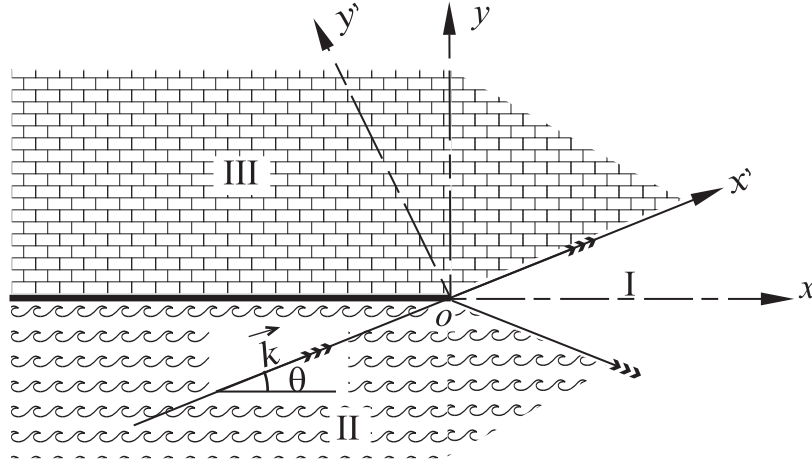


Figure 7: Wave zones near a long crack

Following the chain rule of differentiation,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial x'}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y'} \frac{\partial y'}{\partial x} = \cos \theta \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x'} - \sin \theta \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y'} \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial x'}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y'} \frac{\partial y'}{\partial y} = \sin \theta \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x'} + \cos \theta \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y'}\end{aligned}$$

we can show straightforwardly that

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x'^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y'^2}$$

so that the Helmholtz equation is unchanged in form in the x', y' system.

We try to fit a boundary layer along the x' axis and expect the potential to be almost like a plane wave

$$\phi(x', y') = A(x', y') e^{ikx'} \quad (7.4)$$

, but the amplitude is slowly modulated in both x' and y' directions. Substituting (7.4) into the Helmholtz equation, we get

$$e^{ikx'} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x'^2} + 2ik \frac{\partial A}{\partial x'} - k^2 A + \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial y'^2} + k^2 A \right\} = 0 \quad (7.5)$$

Expecting that the characteristic scale L_x of A along x' is much longer than a wavelength, $kL_x \gg 1$, we have

$$2ik \frac{\partial A}{\partial x'} \gg \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x'^2}$$

Hence we get as the first approximation the Schrödinger equation²

$$2ik \frac{\partial A}{\partial x'} + \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial y'^2} \approx 0 \quad (7.7)$$

In this transition zone where the remaining terms are of comparable importance, hence the length scales must be related by

$$\frac{k}{x'} \sim \frac{1}{y'^2}, \quad \text{implying} \quad ky' \sim \sqrt{kx'}$$

Thus the transition zone is the interior of a parabola.

Equation (7.7) is of the parabolic type. The boundary conditions are

$$A(x, \infty) = 0 \quad (7.8)$$

$$A(x, -\infty) = A_o \quad (7.9)$$

The initial condition is

$$A(0, y') = \begin{cases} 0, & y' > 0, \\ A_o, & y' < 0 \end{cases} \quad (7.10)$$

the initial-boundary value for A has no intrinsic length scales except x', y' themselves. Therefore the condition $kL_x \gg 1$ means $kx' \gg 1$ i.e., far away from the tip. This problem is somewhat analogous to the problem of one-dimensional heat diffusion across a boundary. A convenient way of solution is the method of similarity.

Assume the solution

$$A = A_o f(\gamma) \quad (7.11)$$

where

$$\gamma = \frac{-ky'}{\sqrt{\pi kx'}} \quad (7.12)$$

is the similarity variable. We find upon substitution that f satisfies the ordinary differential equation

$$f'' - i\pi\gamma f' = 0 \quad (7.13)$$

²In one-dimensional quantum mechanics the wave function in a potential-free field is governed by the Schrödinger equation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2M} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad (7.6)$$

subject to the boundary conditions that

$$f \rightarrow 0, \quad \gamma \rightarrow -\infty; \quad f \rightarrow 1, \quad \gamma \rightarrow \infty. \quad (7.14)$$

Rewriting (7.13) as

$$\frac{f''}{f'} = i\pi\gamma$$

we get

$$\log f' = i\pi\gamma/2 + \text{constant}.$$

One more integration gives

$$f = C \int_{-\infty}^{\gamma} \exp\left(\frac{i\pi u^2}{2}\right) du$$

Since

$$\int_0^{\infty} \exp\left(\frac{i\pi u^2}{2}\right) du = \frac{e^{i\pi/4}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

we get

$$C = \frac{e^{-i\pi/4}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

and

$$f = \frac{A}{A_o} = \frac{e^{-i\pi/4}}{\sqrt{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\gamma} \exp\left(\frac{i\pi u^2}{2}\right) du = \frac{e^{-i\pi/4}}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \frac{e^{i\pi/4}}{\sqrt{2}} + \int_0^{\gamma} \exp\left(\frac{i\pi u^2}{2}\right) du \right\} \quad (7.15)$$

Defining the cosine and sine Fresnel integrals by

$$C(\gamma) = \int_0^{\gamma} \cos\left(\frac{\pi v^2}{2}\right) dv, \quad S(\gamma) = \int_0^{\gamma} \sin\left(\frac{\pi v^2}{2}\right) dv \quad (7.16)$$

we can then write

$$\frac{e^{-i\pi/4}}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{2} + C(\gamma) \right] + i \left[\frac{1}{2} + S(\gamma) \right] \right\} \quad (7.17)$$

In the complex plane the plot of $C(\gamma) + iS(\gamma)$ vs. γ is the famous Cornu's spiral, shown in figure (??).

The wave intensity is given by

$$\frac{|A|^2}{A_o^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{2} + C(\gamma) \right]^2 + \left[\frac{1}{2} + S(\gamma) \right]^2 \right\} \quad (7.18)$$

Since $C, S \rightarrow 0$ as $\gamma \rightarrow -\infty$, the wave intensity diminishes to zero gradually into the shadow. However, $C, S \rightarrow 1/2$ as $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$ in an oscillatory manner. The wave

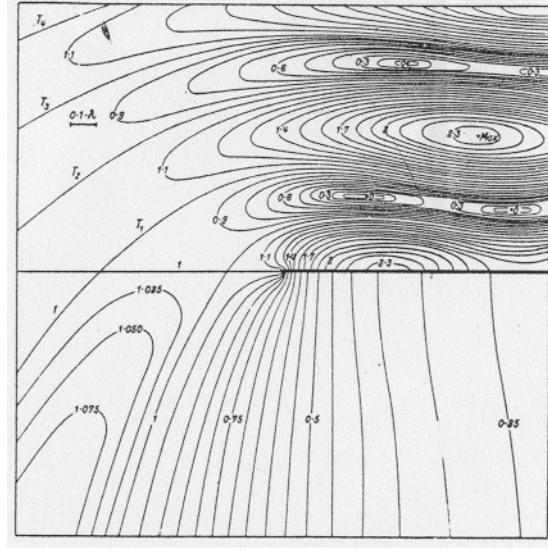


Figure 8: Amplitude contours of H_z . From Born and Wolf *Optics* according to the exact theory.

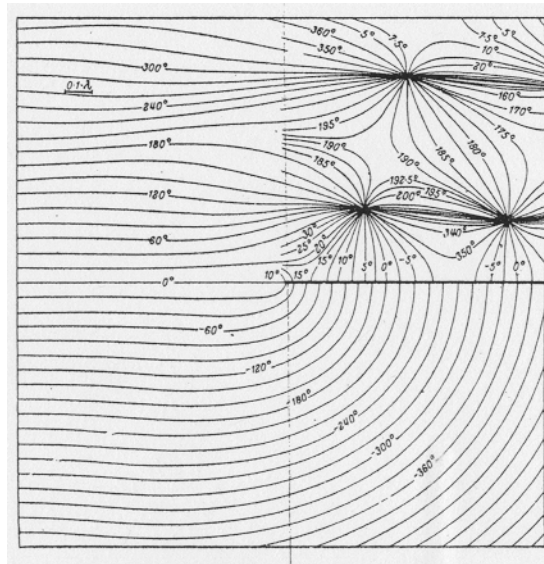


Figure 9: Phase contours of H_z . From Born and Wolf *Optics* according to the exact theory.

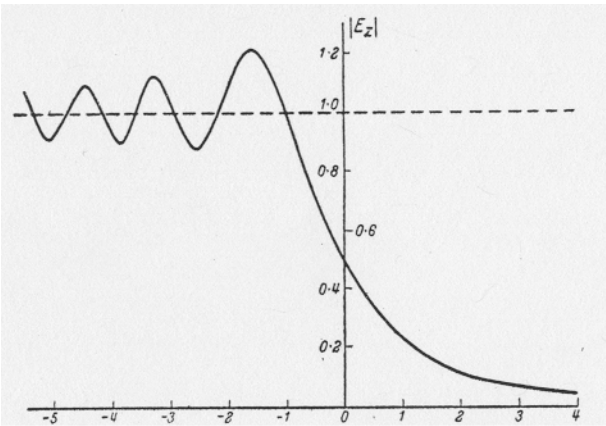


Figure 10: Diffraction of a normally incident E -polarized plane wave

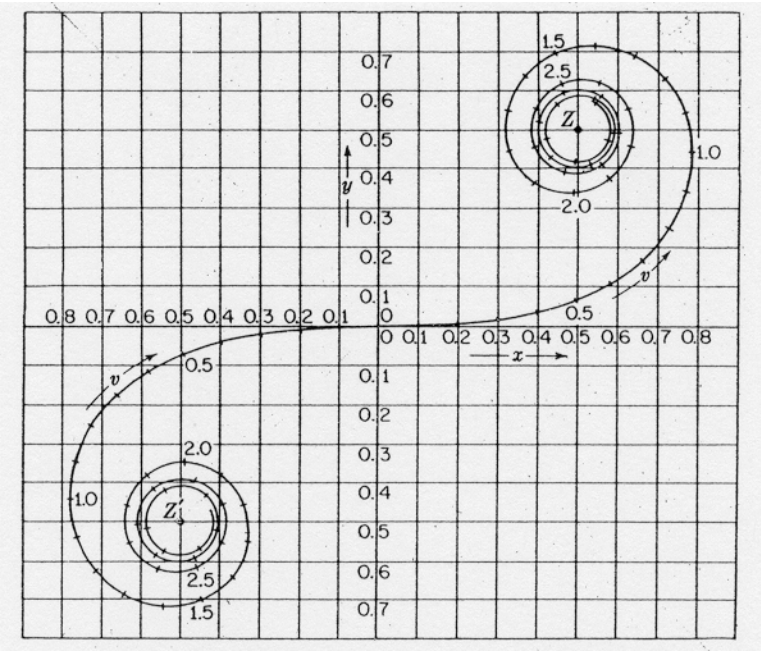


Figure 11: Cornu's spiral, a plot of the Fresnel integrals

intensity oscillates while approaching to unity asymptotically. In optics this shows up as alternately light and dark diffraction bands.

In more complex propagation problems, the parabolic approximation can simplify the numerical task in that an elliptic boundary value problem involving an infinite domain is reduced to an initial boundary value problem. One can use Crank-Nicholson scheme to march in "time", i.e., x' .

Homework Find by the parabolic approximation the transition solution along the edge of the reflection zone.

8 Rayleigh surface waves

Refs. Graff, Achenbach, Fung

In a homogeneous elastic half plane, in addition to P, SV and SH waves, another wave which is trapped along the surface of a half plane can also be present. Because most of the action is near the surface, this *surface wave* is of special importance to seismic effects on the ground surface.

Let us start from the governing equations again

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{1}{c_L^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2}, \quad (8.1)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 H_z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 H_z}{\partial y^2} = \frac{1}{c_T^2} \frac{\partial^2 H_z}{\partial t^2} \quad (8.2)$$

We now seek waves propagating along the x direction

$$\phi = \Re \left(f(y) e^{i\xi x - i\omega t} \right), \quad H_z = \Re \left(h(y) e^{i\xi x - i\omega t} \right) \quad (8.3)$$

Then $f(y), h(y)$ must satisfy

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dy^2} + (\omega^2/c_L^2 - \xi^2) f = 0, \quad \frac{d^2 h}{dy^2} + (\omega^2/c_T^2 - \xi^2) h = 0, \quad (8.4)$$

To have surface waves we insist that

$$\bar{\alpha} = \sqrt{\xi^2 - \omega^2/c_L^2}, \quad \bar{\beta} = \sqrt{\xi^2 - \omega^2/c_T^2} \quad (8.5)$$

be real and postive. Keeping only the solutions which are bounded for $y \sim \infty$, we get

$$\phi = A e^{-\bar{\alpha} y} e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)}, \quad H_z = B e^{-\bar{\beta} y} e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)}. \quad (8.6)$$

The expressions for the displacements and stresses can be found straightforwardly.

$$u_x = \left(i\xi A e^{-\bar{\alpha} y} - \bar{\beta} B e^{-\bar{\beta} y} \right) e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)}, \quad (8.7)$$

$$u_y = - \left(\bar{\alpha} A e^{-\bar{\alpha} y} + i\xi B e^{-\bar{\beta} y} \right) e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)}, \quad (8.8)$$

$$\tau_{xx} = \mu \left\{ \left(\bar{\beta}^2 - \xi^2 - 2\bar{\alpha}^2 \right) A e^{-\bar{\alpha} y} - 2i\bar{\beta}\xi B e^{-\bar{\beta} y} \right\} e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)}, \quad (8.9)$$

$$\tau_{yy} = \mu \left\{ \left(\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2 \right) A e^{-\bar{\alpha} y} + 2i\bar{\beta}\xi B e^{-\bar{\beta} y} \right\} e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)}, \quad (8.10)$$

$$\tau_{xy} = \mu \left\{ -2i\bar{\alpha}\xi A e^{-\bar{\alpha} y} + \left(\xi^2 + \bar{\beta}^2 \right) B e^{-\bar{\beta} y} \right\} e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)} \quad (8.11)$$

On the free surface the traction-free conditions $\tau_{yy} = \tau_{xy} = 0$ require that

$$(\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2) A + 2i\bar{\beta}\xi B = 0, \quad (8.12)$$

$$-2i\bar{\alpha}\xi A + (\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2) B = 0. \quad (8.13)$$

For nontrivial solutions of A, B the coefficient determinant must vanish,

$$(\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2)^2 - 4\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}\xi^2 = 0, \quad (8.14)$$

or

$$\left[2\xi^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c_T^2}\right]^2 - 4\xi^2 \sqrt{\xi^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c_L^2}} \sqrt{\xi^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{c_T^2}} = 0 \quad (8.15)$$

which is the dispersion relation between frequency ω and wavenumber ξ . From either (8.12) or (8.13) we get the amplitude ratio:

$$\frac{A}{B} = -\frac{2i\bar{\beta}\xi}{\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2} = \frac{\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2}{2i\bar{\alpha}\xi}, \quad (8.16)$$

In terms of the wave velocity $c = \omega/\xi$, (8.15) becomes

$$\left(2 - \frac{c^2}{c_T^2}\right)^2 = 4 \left(1 - \frac{c^2}{c_L^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{c^2}{c_T^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (8.17)$$

or, upon squaring both sides, finally

$$\frac{c^2}{c_T^2} \left\{ \left(\frac{c}{c_T}\right)^6 - 8 \left(\frac{c}{c_T}\right)^4 + \left(24 - \frac{16}{\kappa^2}\right) \left(\frac{c}{c_T}\right)^2 - 16 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\kappa^2}\right) \right\} = 0. \quad (8.18)$$

where

$$k = \frac{c_L}{c_T} = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda + 2\mu}{\mu}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 - 2\nu}{1 - 2\nu}}$$

The first solution $c = \omega = 0$ is at best a static problem. In fact $\bar{\alpha} = \bar{\beta} = \xi$ and $A = -iB$, so that $u_x = u_y \equiv 0$ which is of no interest.

We need only consider the cubic equation for c^2 . Note that the roots of the cubic equation depend only on Poisson's ratio, through $\kappa^2 = 2(1 - \nu)/(1 - 2\nu)$. There can be three real roots for c or ω , or one real root and two complex-conjugate roots. We rule out the latter because the complex roots imply either temporal damping or instability; neither of which is a propagating wave. When all three roots are real we must pick the one so that both $\bar{\alpha}$ and $\bar{\beta}$ are real. We shall denote the speed of Rayleigh wave by c_R .

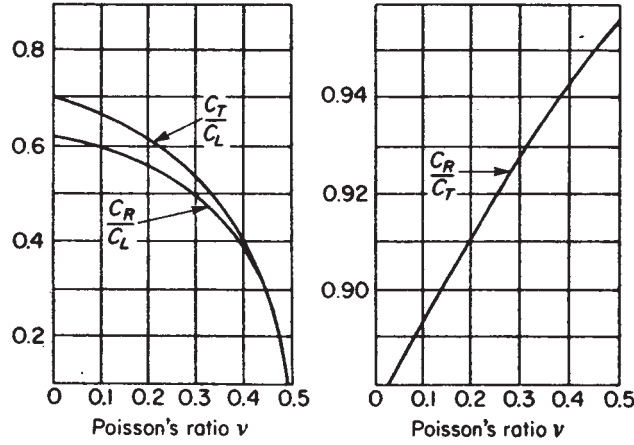


Figure 12: The velocity of Rayleigh surface waves c_R . From Fung *Foundations of Solid Mechanics*.

For $c = 0$, the factor in curly brackets is

$$\{.\} = -16 \left(1 - \frac{c_T^2}{c_L^2} \right) < 0$$

For $c = c_T$ the same factor is equal to unity and hence positive. There must be a solution for c such that $0 < c < c_T$. Furthermore, we cannot have roots in the range $c/c_T > 1$. If so,

$$\bar{\beta}^2 = \xi^2 \left(1 - \frac{c^2}{c_T^2} \right) < 0$$

which is not a surface wave. Thus the surface wave, if it exists, is slower than the shear wave.

Numerical studies for the entire range of Poisson's ratio ($0 < \nu < 0.5$) have shown that there are one real and two complex conjugate roots if $\nu > 0.263 \dots$ and three real roots if $\nu < 0.263 \dots$. But there is only one real root that gives the surface wave velocity c_R . A graph of c_R for all values of Poisson's ratio, due to Knopoff, is shown in Fig. 8. A curve-fitted expression for the Rayleigh wave velocity is

$$c_R/c_T = (0.87 + 1.12\nu)/(1 + \nu). \quad (8.19)$$

For rocks, $\lambda = \mu$ and $\nu = \frac{1}{4}$, the roots are

$$(c/c_T)^2 = 4, 2 + 2/\sqrt{3}, 2 - 2/\sqrt{3}. \quad (8.20)$$

The only acceptable root for Rayleigh wave speed c_R is

$$(c_R/c_T)^2 = (2 - 2/\sqrt{3})^{\frac{1}{2}} = 0.9194 \quad (8.21)$$

or

$$c_R = 0.9588c_T. \quad (8.22)$$

The particle displacement of a particle on the free surface is, from (8.7) and (8.8)

$$u_x = iA \left(\xi - \frac{\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2}{2\xi} \right) e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)} \quad (8.23)$$

$$u_y = A \left(-\bar{\alpha} + \frac{\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2}{2\xi} \right) e^{i(\xi x - \omega t)} \quad (8.24)$$

Note that

$$a = A \left[\xi - \frac{\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2}{2\xi} \right] = A \left[\xi + \frac{k_T^2}{2\xi} \right] > 0$$

$$b = A \left[-\bar{\alpha} + \frac{\bar{\beta}^2 + \xi^2}{2\xi} \right] = A \left[\frac{(\bar{\alpha} - \bar{\beta})^2 + k_L^2}{2\bar{\beta}} \right] > 0$$

hence

$$u_x = a \sin(\omega t - \xi x), \quad u_y = b \cos(\omega t - \xi x)$$

and

$$\frac{u_x^2}{a^2} + \frac{u_y^2}{b^2} = 1 \quad (8.25)$$

The particle trajectory is an ellipse. In complex form we have

$$\frac{u_x}{a} + i \frac{u_y}{b} = \exp \{ i (\omega t - \xi x - \pi/2) \} \quad (8.26)$$

Hence as t increases, a particle at $(x, 0)$ traces the ellipse in the counter-clockwise direction. See figure (8).

9 Elastic waves due to a load traveling on the ground surface

Refs: Fung: *Foundations of Solid Mechanics*

Cole and Huth: (1956, Elastic half space ; *J Appl Mech* 25, 433-436.)

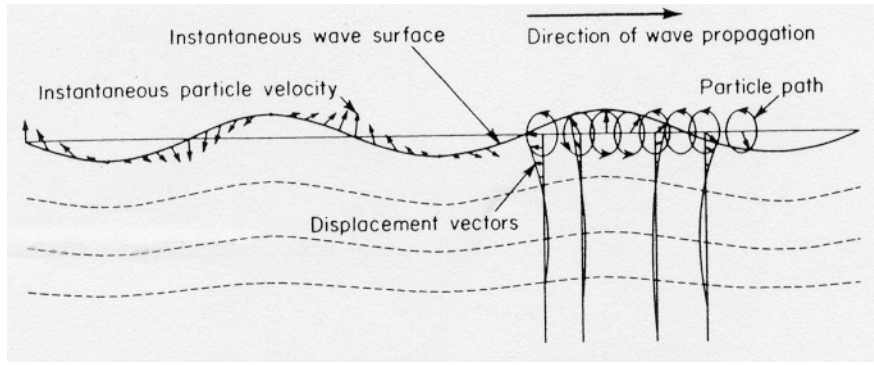


Figure 13: Displacement of particles on the ground surface in Rayleigh surface wave
From Fung *Foundations of Solid Mechanics*.

Mei, Si & Chen , (1985, Poro-elastic half space, *Wave Motion*, 7, 129-141.).

In this section the y axis is positive if pointing upwards.

Let the traction on the ground surface be :

$$\tau_{yy} = -P(x + Ut). \quad \tau_{xy} = 0, \quad \text{on } y = 0 \quad (9.1)$$

Let us make a (Galilean) transformation to a coordinate system moving to the left at the speed of U , so that the load appears stationary, Then, by the chain rule, derivatives are changed accorindg

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \quad (9.2)$$

In the moving coordinates, the wave equations are changed to

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{1}{c_L^2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^2 \Phi, \quad (9.3)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial y^2} = \frac{1}{c_T^2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^2 H \quad (9.4)$$

where we have abbreviated H_z simply by H .

In the steady state limit they become

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{U^2}{c_L^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} \quad (9.5)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial y^2} = \frac{U^2}{c_T^2} \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2} \quad (9.6)$$

Introducing the Mach numbers:

$$M_1 = \frac{U}{c_L}, \quad M_2 = \frac{U}{c_T} \quad (9.7)$$

then (9.5) and (9.6) become

$$(1 - M_1^2) \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad (9.8)$$

$$(1 - M_2^2) \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad (9.9)$$

Because $c_L > c_T$, we must have $M_2 > M_1$. The stress components can be derived straightforwardly in terms of the potentials

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{xx} &= (\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla^2 \Phi - 2\mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x \partial y} \right) \\ &= (\lambda + 2\mu) \frac{U^2}{c_L^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} - 2\mu(M_1^2 - 1) \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + 2\mu \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x \partial y} \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that $(\lambda + 2\mu)/\mu = c_L^2/c_T^2$, we further get

$$\tau_{xx} = \mu \left[(M_2^2 - 2M_1^2 + 2) \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x \partial y} \right] \quad (9.10)$$

Similarly we find

$$\tau_{yy} = \mu \left[(M_2^2 - 2) \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} - 2 \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x \partial y} \right] \quad (9.11)$$

$$\tau_{xy} = \mu \left[2 \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x \partial y} + (M_2^2 - 2) \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2} \right] \quad (9.12)$$

We now examine the special pressure distribution, as shown in figure (9):

$$p(x, 0) = P_o \mathcal{P}(x) \equiv P_0 \begin{cases} e^{-\alpha_1 x}, & x > 0, \\ e^{\alpha_2 x}, & x < 0 \end{cases} \quad (9.13)$$

We shall define a length scale

$$L = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{P}(x) dx = \frac{1}{\alpha_1} + \frac{1}{\alpha_2} \quad (9.14)$$

Thus the traction boundary conditions (9.3) on the ground surface become

$$(M_2^2 - 2) \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} - 2 \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x \partial y} = -\frac{P_o}{\mu} \mathcal{P}(x), \quad y = 0; \quad (9.15)$$

$$2 \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x \partial y} + (M_2^2 - 2) \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial x^2} = 0, \quad y = 0. \quad (9.16)$$

Three cases will be distinguished:

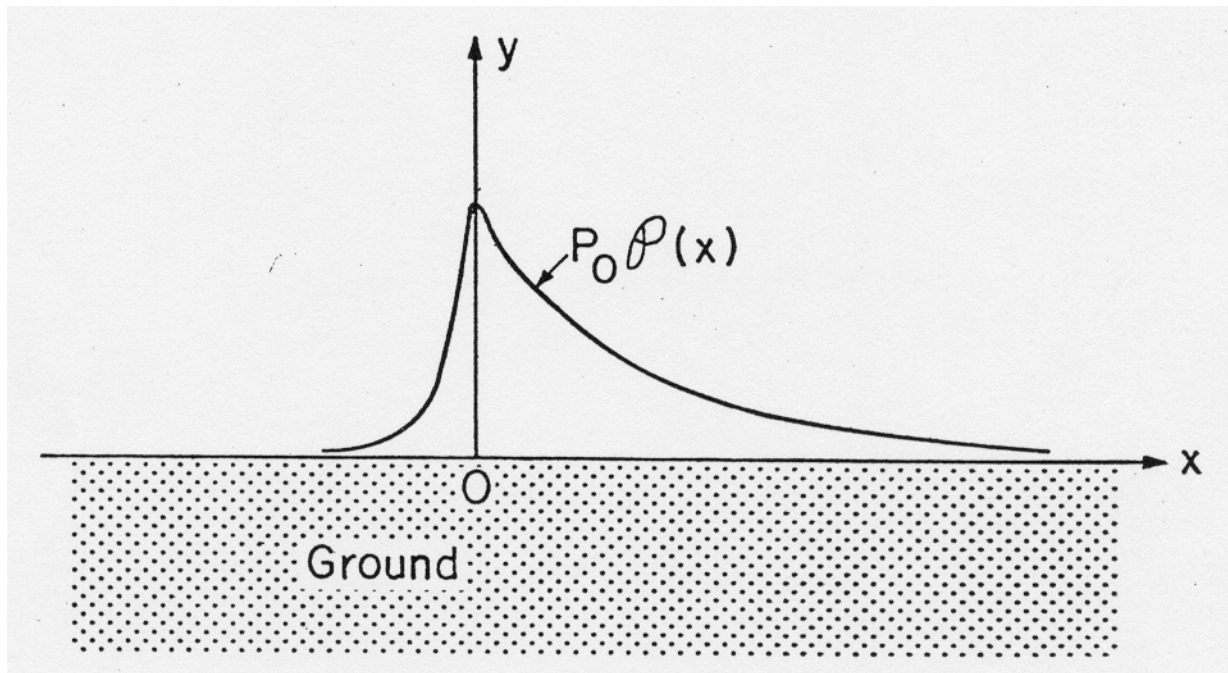


Figure 14: A moving pressure distribution on an elastic half space. Shown in a moving coordinate system, the pressure appears stationary.

9.1 Supersonic: $M_2 > M_1 > 1$

Let us apply the exponential Fourier transform defined by

$$\begin{aligned} f(\lambda) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(x) e^{-i\lambda x} dx, \\ F(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\lambda) e^{i\lambda x} d\lambda. \end{aligned} \quad (9.17)$$

From the governing wave equations we get

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{dy^2} + \bar{\beta}_1^2 \lambda^2 \phi = 0, \quad \frac{d^2h}{dy^2} + \bar{\beta}_2^2 \lambda^2 h = 0; \quad y < 0. \quad (9.18)$$

where

$$\bar{\beta}_j^2 = M_j^2 - 1, \quad j = 1, 2. \quad (9.19)$$

The general solutions of the Fourier Transforms are

$$\phi = A(\lambda) e^{i\bar{\beta}_1 y} + B(\lambda) e^{-i\bar{\beta}_1 y},$$

$$h = C(\lambda) e^{i\bar{\beta}_2 y} + D(\lambda) e^{-i\bar{\beta}_2 y}$$

so that

$$\Phi(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[A(\lambda) e^{i\lambda(x+\bar{\beta}_1 y)} + B(\lambda) e^{i\lambda(x-\bar{\beta}_1 y)} \right] d\lambda. \quad (9.20)$$

$$H(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[C(\lambda) e^{i\lambda(x+\bar{\beta}_2 y)} + D(\lambda) e^{i\lambda(x-\bar{\beta}_2 y)} \right] d\lambda. \quad (9.21)$$

In order that waves below the ground surface trail behind the surface load, we discard the second term in each integral. Thus

$$\phi = A(\lambda) e^{i\bar{\beta}_1 y}, \quad h = C(\lambda) e^{i\bar{\beta}_2 y} \quad (9.22)$$

Now the boundary conditions require

$$2i\lambda \frac{d\phi}{dy} - \lambda^2 \bar{\beta}_2^2 h = 0 \quad (9.23)$$

and

$$-\lambda^2 \bar{\beta}_2^2 \phi - 2i\lambda \frac{dh}{dy} = \frac{iP_o}{\mu} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) \quad (9.24)$$

Use has been made of the result

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\lambda x} \mathcal{P}(x) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-i\lambda x} e^{\alpha_2 x} dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-i\lambda x} e^{-\alpha_1 x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{i} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right)\end{aligned}\quad (9.25)$$

It follows that

$$-2\lambda^2 \bar{\beta}_1 A - \bar{\beta}_2^2 \lambda^2 C = 0 \quad (9.26)$$

and

$$-\beta_2^2 \lambda^2 A + 2\lambda^2 \bar{\beta}_2 C = \frac{iP_o}{\mu} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) \quad (9.27)$$

The last two equations can be solved to give

$$A = \frac{iP_o}{\mu} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} + \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) \frac{-\bar{\beta}_2^2}{\lambda^2(\bar{\beta}_2^4 + 4\bar{\beta}_1\bar{\beta}_2)} \quad (9.28)$$

$$C = \frac{iP_o}{\mu} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} + \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) \frac{2\bar{\beta}_1}{\lambda^2(\bar{\beta}_2^4 + 4\bar{\beta}_1\bar{\beta}_2)} \quad (9.29)$$

The inverse transforms of ϕ and h are:

$$\begin{aligned}\begin{bmatrix} \Phi \\ -H \end{bmatrix} &= \frac{iP_o}{2\pi\mu} \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \left[\exp i\lambda \left(x + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\beta}_1 \\ \bar{\beta}_2 \end{bmatrix} y \right) \right] \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda^2}\end{aligned}\quad (9.30)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}k_1 &= \frac{-(M_2^2 - 2)}{(M_1^2 - 2)^2 + 4\bar{\beta}_1\bar{\beta}_2}, \\ k_2 &= \frac{-2\bar{\beta}_1}{(M_2^2 - 2)^2 + 4\bar{\beta}_1\bar{\beta}_2}.\end{aligned}\quad (9.31)$$

Using (9.10), (9.11) and (9.12), we get the stress components. For example

$$\frac{\tau_{xy}}{P_o} = \frac{2\bar{\beta}_1 k_1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) e^{i\lambda \xi_1} d\lambda \quad (9.32)$$

$$- \frac{(M_2^2 - 2)k_2}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) e^{i\lambda \xi_2} d\lambda \quad (9.33)$$

where

$$\xi_1 = x + \bar{\beta}_1 y, \quad \xi_2 = x + \bar{\beta}_2 y \quad (9.34)$$

In view of (9.25), the inverse transform is immediate,

$$\frac{\tau_{xy}}{P_o} = 2\bar{\beta}_1 k_1 \mathcal{P}(\xi_1) - (M_2^2 - 2)k_2 \mathcal{P}(\xi_2) \quad (9.35)$$

As a check, the shear stress on the ground surface $y = 0$ is

$$\frac{\tau_{xy}}{P_o} = [2\bar{\beta}_1 k_1 - (M_2^2 - 2)k_2] \mathcal{P}(x) = 0 \quad (9.36)$$

in view of (9.31).

It can be shown that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\tau}_{xx} &= \frac{\tau_{xx}^0}{P_o} = (M_2^2 - M_1^2 + 2) k_1 \mathcal{P}(\xi_1) - 2\bar{\beta}_2 k_2 \mathcal{P}(\xi_2), \\ \tilde{\tau}_{yy} &= (\text{to be worked out}) \end{aligned} \quad (9.37)$$

Note that the disturbances in the half space indeed trail behind the surface pressure. The front of the P wave forms the first Mach wedge, followed by the front of the SV wave. Disturbances are concentrated essentially along the characteristics $x + \bar{\beta}_1|y| = \text{constant}$ and $x + \bar{\beta}_2|y| = \text{constant}$.

Homework: Verify the above results by the method of characteristics.

9.2 Subsonic case, $1 > M_2 > M_1$

In this case (9.8) and (9.9) are elliptic. Let

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_1^2 &= 1 - M_1^2, & \beta_2 &= 1 - M_2^2, \\ k_3 &= \frac{-M_2^2 + 2}{(M_2^2 - 2)^2 - 4\beta_1\beta_2}, \\ k_4 &= \frac{-2\beta_1}{(M_2^2 - 2)^2 - 4\beta_1\beta_2}. \end{aligned} \quad (9.38)$$

The formal solutions for Φ and H are

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi &= \frac{iP_0 k_3}{2\pi\mu} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) \\ &\quad \times e^{|\lambda|\beta_1 y} e^{i\lambda x} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda^2}, \\ -H &= \frac{P_0 k_4}{2\pi\mu} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right) \\ &\quad \times e^{|\lambda|\beta_2 y} e^{i\lambda x} \frac{\text{sgn } \lambda}{\lambda^2} d\lambda. \end{aligned} \quad (9.39)$$

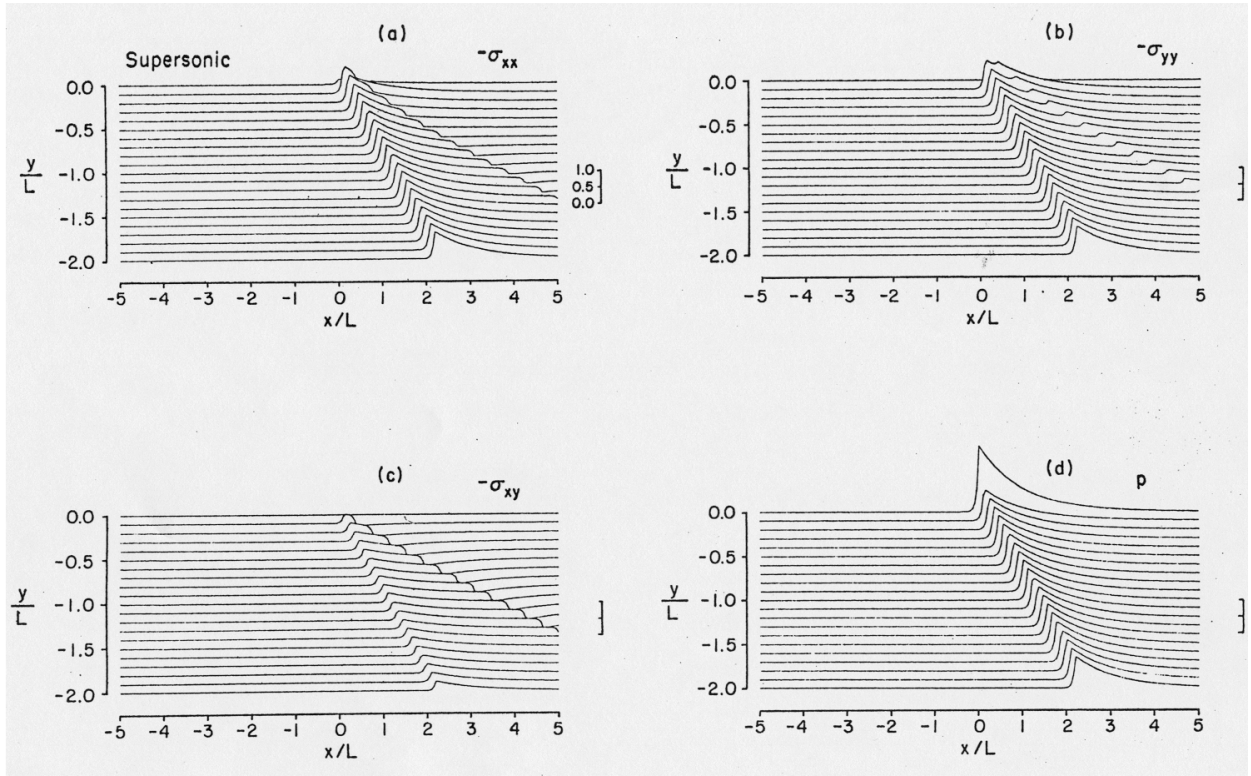


Figure 15: Stress variations in the ground under supersonic load on the surface. From Mei, Si & Chen, 1985. (In this article, the ground is poroelastic, p stands for the pore pressure.)

By using (9.10), (9.11) and (9.12), the stress components can be expressed as Fourier integrals, which can be evaluated in terms of the exponential integral defined by

$$\begin{aligned} E_1(z) &= \int_x^\infty \frac{e^{-\tau}}{\tau} d\tau \\ &= -\gamma - \ln z - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^n}{nn!}. \end{aligned} \quad (9.40)$$

Let

$$z_1 = x + i\beta_1 y, \quad z_2 = x + i\beta_2 y \quad (9.41)$$

and

$$G(z) = e^{-\alpha_1 z} E_1(-\alpha_1 z) - e^{\alpha_2 z} E_1(\alpha_2 z). \quad (9.42)$$

Then the stress components are

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\tau}_{xx} = \frac{\tau_{xx}^o}{P_0} &= - (M_2^2 - 2M_1^2 + 2) \frac{k_3}{\pi} \Im G(z_1) - \frac{2\beta_2 k_4}{\pi} \Im G(z_2), \\ \tilde{\tau}_{yy} = \frac{\tau_{yy}^o}{P_0} &= - (M_2^2 - 2) \frac{k_3}{\pi} \Im G(z_1) + \frac{2\beta_2 k_4}{\pi} \Im G(z_2) \\ \tilde{\tau}_{xy} = \frac{\tau_{xy}^o}{P_0} &= \frac{2\beta_1 k_3}{\pi} \Re [G(z_2) - G(z_1)] \end{aligned} \quad (9.43)$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{y \uparrow 0^-} E_1(-\alpha_1 z_1) &= \begin{cases} E_1(\alpha|x|) & \text{if } x < 0, \\ -Ei(\alpha x) - i\pi & \text{if } x > 0, \end{cases} \\ \lim_{y \uparrow 0^-} E_1(\alpha z_1) &= \begin{cases} -Ei(\alpha|x|) + \pi i & \text{if } x < 0, \\ E_1(\alpha x) & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (9.44)$$

where

$$Ei(x) = -\text{PV} \int_x^\infty \frac{e^{-\tau}}{\tau} d\tau \quad (9.45)$$

with the integral being a principal value.

From the definitions k_3 and k_4 become infinite when their denominators vanish. This occurs when the external load travels at the speed of the Rayleigh surface wave and indicates resonance. This is possible because Rayleigh wave speed is less than both c_L and c_T . The unbounded resonance need not be a threat in practise because the model of steady two-dimensional line load is an idealization not usually realized.

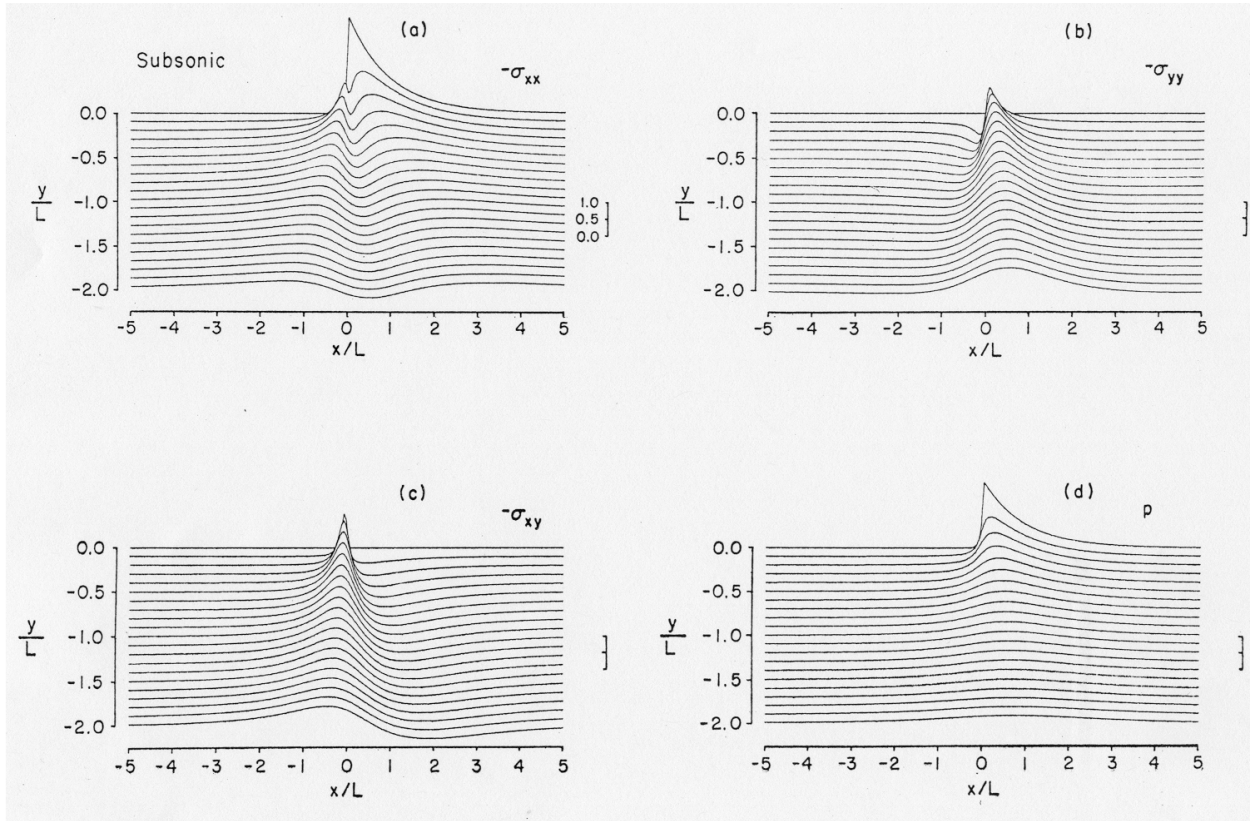


Figure 16: Stress variations in the ground under subsonic load on the surface. From Mei, Si & Chen, 1985.

9.3 Transonic case, $M_1 > 1 > M_2$

The scalar potentials are

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= \frac{P_0}{2\pi\mu} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\lambda e^{i\lambda x} A(\lambda) e^{|\lambda|\beta_1 y}, \\ -H &= \frac{P_0}{2\pi\mu} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\lambda e^{i\lambda x} B(\lambda) e^{i\lambda\bar{\beta}_2 y}\end{aligned}\quad (9.46)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}A(\lambda) &= -(M_2^2 - 2) \left(k_5 + \frac{i|\lambda|}{\lambda} k_6 \right) \frac{i}{\lambda^2} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right), \\ B(\lambda) &= 2i\beta_1 \left(\frac{|\lambda|}{\lambda} k_5 + ik_6 \right) \frac{i}{\lambda^2} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda - i\alpha_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda + i\alpha_2} \right), \\ k_5 &= \frac{-(M_2^2 - 2)^2}{(M_2^2 - 2)^4 + 16\beta_1^2\bar{\beta}_2^2}, \\ k_6 &= \frac{-4\beta_1\bar{\beta}_2}{(M_2^2 - 2)^4 + 16\beta_1^2\bar{\beta}_2^2}.\end{aligned}\quad (9.47)$$

In terms of $z_1 = x + i\beta_1 y$ and $\xi_2 = x + \bar{\beta}_1|y|$ all the integrals in (3.18) can again be evaluated. The results involve the following functions:

$$\begin{aligned}H(\xi) &= e^{\alpha_2\xi} E_1(\alpha_2\xi) + e^{-\alpha_1\xi} Ei(\alpha_1\xi), \\ H^*(\xi) &= e^{\alpha_1|\xi|} E_1(\alpha_1|\xi|) + e^{-\alpha_2|\xi|} Ei(\alpha_2|\xi|) \\ &\equiv H(|\xi|).\end{aligned}\quad (9.48)$$

The stresses are

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\tau}_{xx} &= \frac{\tau_{xx}^0}{P_0} = -(M_2^2 - 2M_1^2 + 2) (M_2^2 - 2) \frac{1}{\pi} \Im \{ (k_5 - ik_6) G(z_1) \} \\ &\quad - \frac{4\beta_1\bar{\beta}_2}{\pi} \begin{cases} k_5 H(\xi_2) + \pi k_6 e^{-\alpha_1\xi_2}, & \xi_2 > 0, \\ -k_5 H^*(\xi_2) + \pi k_6 e^{-\alpha_2|\xi_2|}, & \xi_2 < 0, \end{cases}\end{aligned}\quad (9.49)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\tau}_{yy} &= \frac{\tau_{yy}^0}{P_0} = -(M_2^2 - 2)^2 \frac{1}{\pi} \Im \{ (k_5 - ik_6) G(z_1) \} \\ &\quad + \frac{4\beta_1\bar{\beta}_2}{\pi} \begin{cases} k_5 H(\xi_2) + \pi k_6 e^{-\alpha_1\xi_2}, & \xi_2 > 0, \\ -k_5 H^*(\xi_2) + \pi k_6 e^{-\alpha_2|\xi_2|}, & \xi_2 < 0 \end{cases}\end{aligned}\quad (9.50)$$

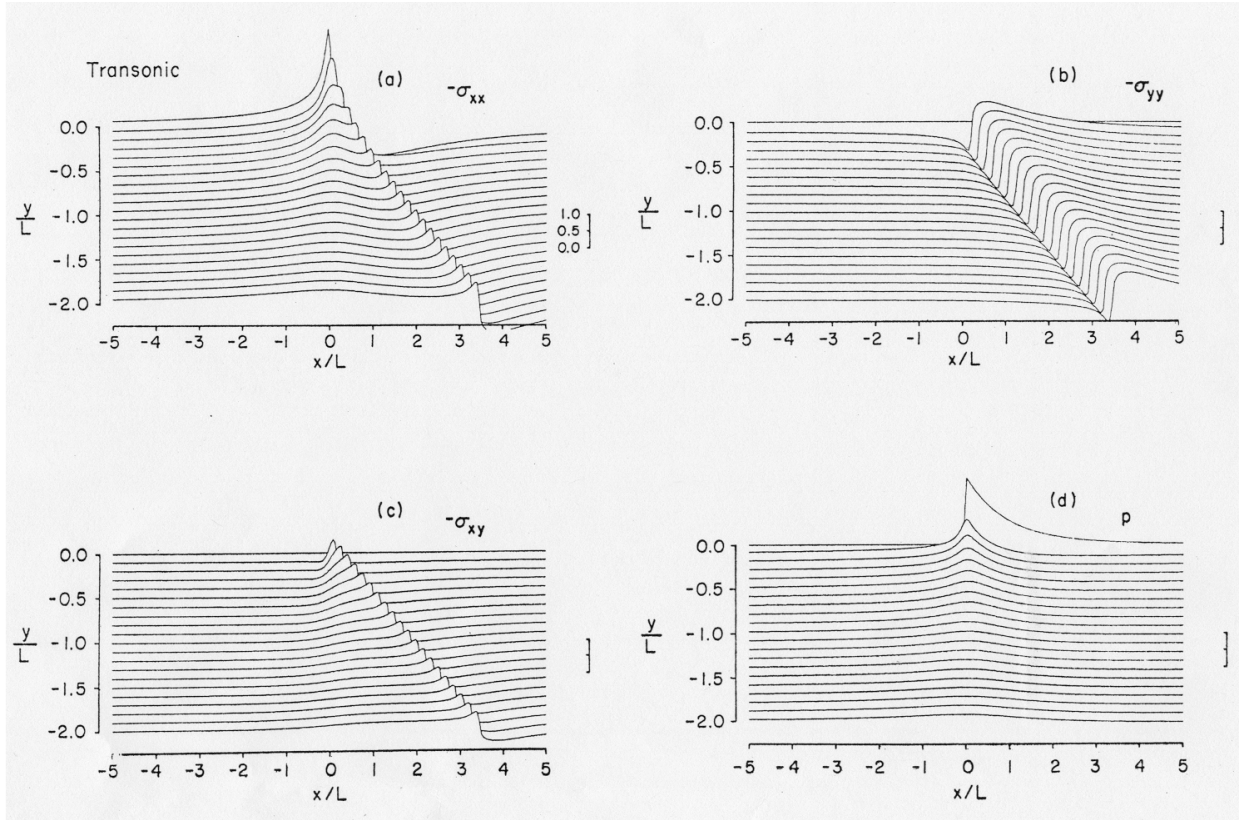


Figure 17: Stress variations in the ground under transonic load on the surface. From Mei, Si & Chen, 1985.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{\tau}_{xy} &= \frac{\tau_{xy}^0}{P_0} = - (M_2^2 - 2) \frac{2\beta_1}{\pi} \Re \{ (k_5 - ik_6) G(z_1) \} \\
 &- (M_2^2 - 2) \frac{2\beta_1}{\pi} \begin{cases} k_5 H(\xi_2) + \pi k_6 e^{-\alpha_1 \xi_2}, & \xi_2 > 0, \\ -k_5 H^*(\xi_2) + \pi k_6 e^{-\alpha_2 |\xi_2|}, & \xi_2 < 0 \end{cases} \quad (9.51)
 \end{aligned}$$

Note Computations are for the following inputs:

$$\nu = 1/2, \quad \mu = 10^8 N/m^2, \quad \alpha_1 = 0.005m, \quad \alpha_2 = 0.1m, \quad L = 210m$$

A Partial wave expansion

A useful result in wave theory is the expansion of the plane wave in a Fourier series of the polar angle θ . In polar coordinates the spatial factor of a plane wave of unit

amplitude is

$$e^{ikx} = e^{ikr \cos \theta}.$$

Consider the following product of exponential functions

$$\begin{aligned} e^{zt/2} e^{-z/2t} &= \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{zt}{2} \right)^n \right] \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{-z}{2t} \right)^n \right] \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} t^n \left[\frac{(z/2)^n}{n!} - \frac{(z/2)^{n+2}}{1!(n+1)!} + \frac{(z/2)^{n+4}}{2!(n+2)!} + \cdots + (-1)^r \frac{(z/2)^{n+2r}}{r!(n+r)!} + \cdots \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The coefficient of t^n is nothing but $J_n(z)$, hence

$$\exp \left[\frac{z}{2} \left(t - \frac{1}{t} \right) \right] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} t^n J_n(z).$$

Now we set

$$t = ie^{i\theta} \quad z = kr.$$

The plane wave then becomes

$$e^{ikx} = \sum_{N=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{in(\theta+\pi/2)} J_n(z).$$

Using the fact that $J_{-n} = (-1)^n J_n$, we finally get

$$e^{ikx} = e^{ikr \cos \theta} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \epsilon_n i^n J_n(kr) \cos n\theta, \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where ϵ_n is the Jacobi symbol. The above result may be viewed as the Fourier expansion of the plane wave with Bessel functions being the expansion coefficients. In wave propagation theories, each term in the series represents a distinct angular variation and is called a *partial wave*.

Using the orthogonality of $\cos n\theta$, we may evaluate the Fourier coefficient

$$J_n(kr) = \frac{2}{\epsilon_n i^n \pi} \int_0^\pi e^{ikr \cos \theta} \cos n\theta d\theta, \quad (\text{A.2})$$

which is one of a host of integral representations of Bessel functions.

B Approximate evaluation of an integral

Consider the integral

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d\theta [1 + \cos(\theta - \theta_o)] e^{ikr(1 - \cos(\theta - \theta_o))}$$

For large kr the stationary phase points are found from

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} [1 - \cos(\theta - \theta_o)] = \sin(\theta - \theta_o) = 0$$

or $\theta = \theta_o, \theta_o + \pi$ within the range $[0, 2\pi]$. Near the first stationary point the integrand is dominated by

$$2\mathcal{A}(\theta_o) e^{ikt(\theta - \theta_o)^2/2}.$$

When the limits are approximated by $(-\infty, \infty)$, the integral can be evaluated to give

$$\mathcal{A}(\theta_o) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikr\theta^2/2} d\theta = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{kr}} e^{i\pi/4} \mathcal{A}(\theta_o)$$

Near the second stationary point the integral vanishes since $1 + \cos(\theta - \theta_o) = 1 - 1 = 0$.

Hence the result (6.28) follows.