

# Laplace's Equation

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Polar coordinates

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \phi^2} = 0$$

$$V = R(r) \Phi(\phi)$$

$$\frac{d^2 \Phi}{d\phi^2} = -\nu^2 \Phi$$

$$\frac{d^2 R}{dr^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{dR}{dr} - \frac{\nu^2}{r^2} R = 0$$

$$R(r) = r^\alpha$$

$$\alpha = \pm \nu$$

$$\Phi(\phi) = A \cos \nu \phi + B \sin \nu \phi$$

$\nu$  - integer

$$R(r) = C_\nu r^\nu + D_\nu r^{-\nu} \quad \text{for } \nu \neq 0$$

$$= C_0 + D_0 \ln r \quad \text{for } \nu = 0$$

Cylindrical coordinates - Bessel functions

# Complex analysis

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$$z = x + iy$$

$$f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$$

$f(z)$  - analytic at a point  $z_0$  if  $f'(z_0)$  exists in a neighbourhood around  $z_0$ .

Cauchy - Riemann conditions

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} ; \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 ; \quad \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

Analytic mappings - Harmonic functions

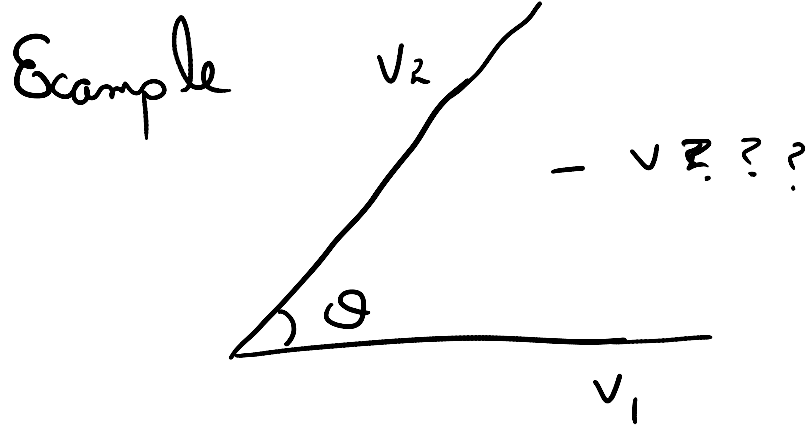
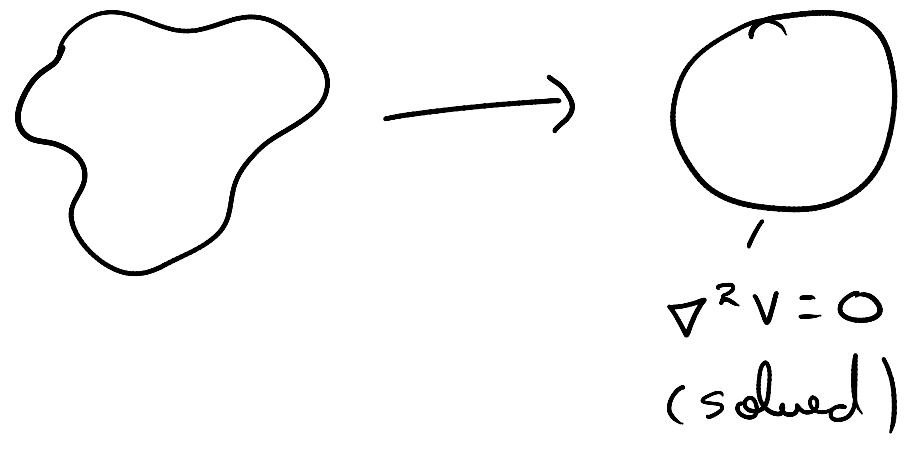
$$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (u, v)$$

(Conformal transformation)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial u^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial v^2} = 0$$

Idea.



$$\nabla^2 V = 0$$

$$V(y=0) = v_1 ; x \in [0, \infty]$$

$$V(y = x \tan \theta) = v_2 ; x \in [0, \infty]$$

$$z = x + iy = R e^{i\phi}$$

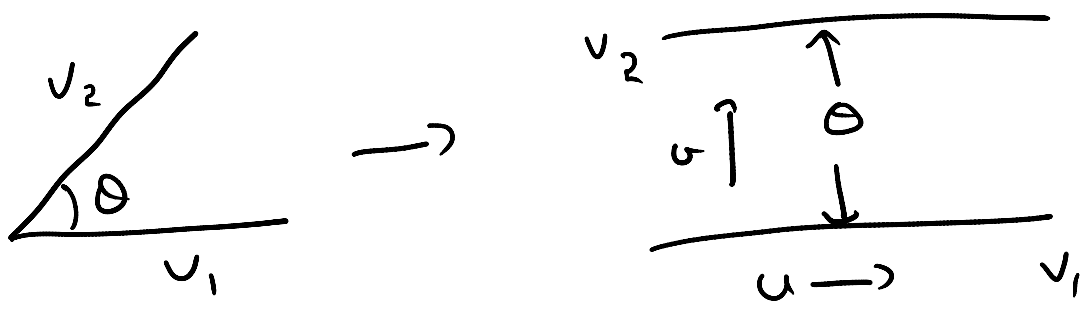
$w = \ln(z)$ ; Show that this transformation is conformal.

$$w = \ln R + i\phi ; \phi = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$$

$$= u + iv \quad w = -\infty \text{ to } +\infty$$

$$\phi = \theta \Rightarrow y = x \tan \theta$$

$$w = -\infty + i\theta \text{ to } \infty + i\theta$$



$V$  is independent of  $u$  and linear in  $v$

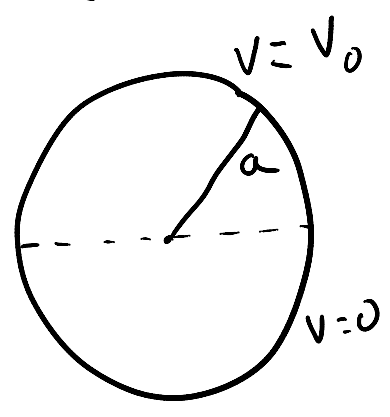
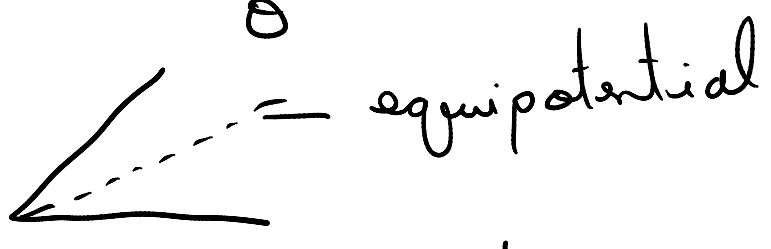
$$V = Av + B$$

$$B = V_1; \quad A = \frac{V_2 - V_1}{\theta}$$

$$V = \frac{V_2 - V_1}{\theta} v + V_1$$

$$v = \varphi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$V(x, y) = \frac{V_2 - V_1}{\theta} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + V_1$$



$$z = R e^{i\phi}$$

Conformal transformation 1

$$w_1 = i \left( \frac{a-z}{a+z} \right)$$

$$u_1 + i v_1 = w_1$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1 = \frac{2aR \sin \phi}{(a^2 + R^2 + 2aR \cos \phi)}; v_1 = \frac{a^2 - R^2}{R^2 + a^2 + 2aR \cos \phi}$$

$$x \text{ axis} \Rightarrow \sin \phi = 0 \quad u_1 = 0$$

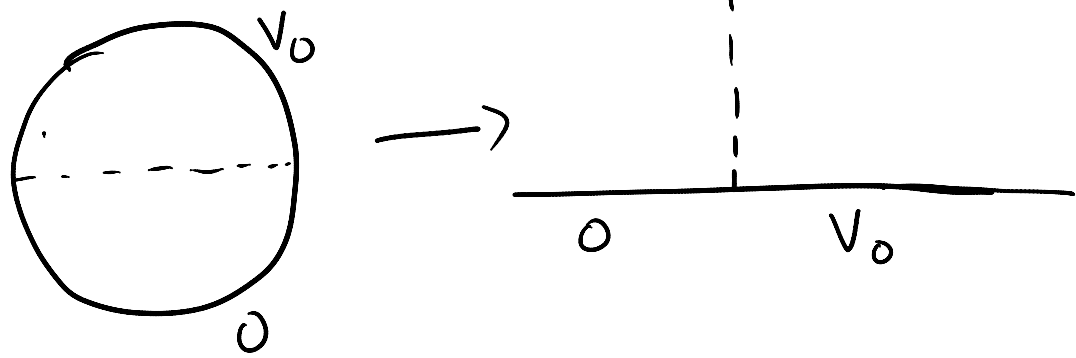
$$v_1 = \frac{a-R}{a+R} \text{ for } x > 0$$

$$= \frac{a+R}{a-R} \text{ for } x < 0$$

$v_1$  goes from 1 to 0 for  $R$  from 0 to  $a$   
for  $x > 0$

$v_1$  goes from 1 to  $\infty$  for  $R$  from 0 to  $a$   
for  $x < 0$

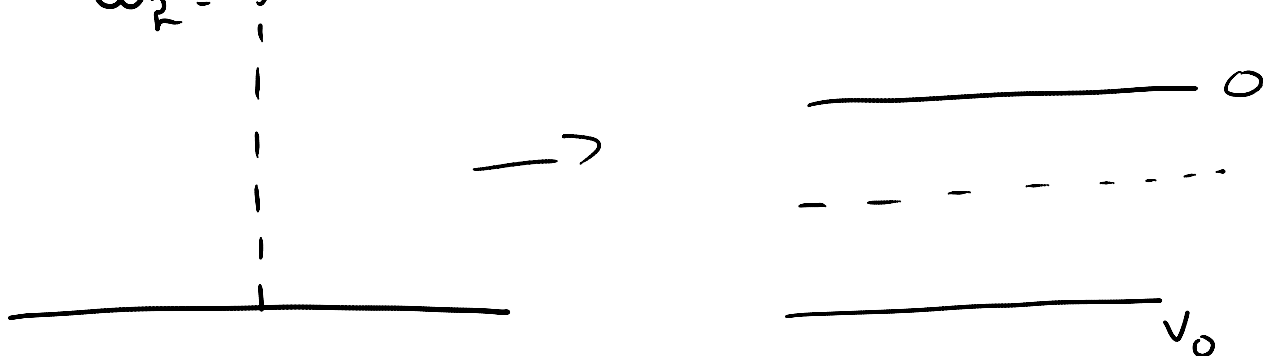
$$z = a e^{i\phi}; w_1 = \tan \frac{\phi}{2}$$



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Second conformal transformation

$$w_2 = \ln(w_1) = u_2 + i v_2$$



$$V = -\frac{V_0}{\pi} v_2 + V_0$$

$$v_2 = \arg(w_1) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a^2 - R^2}{2aR \sin \phi} \right)$$

$$V(R, \phi) = V_0 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a^2 - R^2}{2aR \sin \phi} \right) \right]$$

Equipotential  $\frac{a^2 - R^2}{2aR \sin \phi} = \text{const}$