Theory of Ship Waves (Wave-Body Interaction Theory)

Supplementary notes on Section 2.1

Meaning of Eq. (2.2)

Let us consider the total amount of flux Q across the boundary C of the fluid (in the 2D problem) denoted as S.

$$Q = \int_C \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} \, d\ell = \int_C \mathbf{n} \cdot \nabla \phi \, d\ell = \iiint_S \nabla \cdot \nabla \phi \, dS = \iiint_S \nabla^2 \phi \, dS$$

If there is no singularity (like source), Q = 0 due to the conservation of mass. However, if there is a source within S, the flux Q must be not zero but equal to the amount coming from the point of source; which is assumed to be unit in the present case. Thus when the source is located at $(x, y) = (0, \eta)$,

$$Q = \iint_{S} \nabla^{2} \phi \, dS = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \nabla^{2} \phi = \delta(x) \, \delta(y - \eta)$$

Because, by the definition of the delta function, it follows that

$$\int_{-\epsilon}^{+\epsilon} \delta(x) \, dx = 1, \quad \int_{\eta-\epsilon}^{\eta+\epsilon} \delta(y-\eta) \, dy = 1$$

Derivation of Laplace Equation in the Polar Coordinates

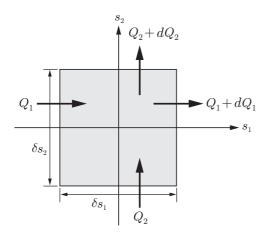


Fig. 1 Flux in $s_1 s_2$ coordinate system

Let us consider the 2D case with the $s_1 s_2$ coordinate system. By considering the flux in the s_1 direction using the velocity potential, we have the followings:

$$Q_{1} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s_{1}} \delta s_{2}$$
$$dQ_{1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial s_{1}} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s_{1}} \delta s_{2} \right) \delta s_{1}$$

Likewise, by considering the flux in the s_2 direction, it follows that

$$Q_{2} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s_{2}} \delta s_{1}$$
$$dQ_{2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial s_{2}} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s_{2}} \delta s_{1} \right) \delta s_{2}$$

Since the total net flux must be zero due to the principle of mass conservation, we have the following relation:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s_1} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s_1} \delta s_2 \right) \delta s_1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial s_2} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s_2} \delta s_1 \right) \delta s_2 = 0 \tag{1}$$

For the case of polar coordinate system, we can find $\delta s_1 = \delta r$ and $\delta s_2 = r \delta \theta$ by calculating $(dx)^2 + (dy)^2$ from the relation: $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$

Then, substituting $\delta s_1 = \delta r$, $\delta s_2 = r \delta \theta$ into Eq. (1) and diving the result by $\delta s_1 \delta s_2$, we have

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

Solution Methods for 2-D Laplace Equation

1. Solution in the Cartesian Coordinate System

The x-axis is taken in the horizontal direction and the positive y-axis is taken vertically downward, with the origin on the undisturbed free surface.

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial y^2} = 0 \tag{2}$$

Let us apply the method of separation of variables; that is, the solution is assumed to be given in a form of $\Phi = X(x)Y(y)$. Substituting this into (2), we have

$$X''Y + XY'' = 0 (3)$$

Therefore

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} \equiv -k^2 \text{ or } +k^2 \tag{4}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{array}{c} X^{\prime\prime} \pm k^2 X = 0 \\ Y^{\prime\prime} \mp k^2 Y = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(5)$$

Constant k is arbitrary, not necessarily integer. If we require that the solution must be finite at infinity $(y \to \infty \text{ or } |x| \to \infty)$, fundamental solutions of (5) are given as

$$-k^2 \longrightarrow e^{-ky} \left\{ A \cos kx + B \sin kx \right\}$$
 (6)

$$+k^2 \longrightarrow e^{-k|x|} \left\{ A \cos ky + B \sin ky \right\}$$
 (7)

Here A and B are constants, possibly functions of parameter k, and thus a general solution may be written in the form

$$-k^2 \longrightarrow \Phi = \int_0^\infty e^{-ky} \left\{ A(k) \cos kx + B(k) \sin kx \right\} dk$$
(8)

$$+k^{2} \longrightarrow \Phi = \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-k|x|} \left\{ A(k)\cos ky + B(k)\sin ky \right\} dk$$
(9)

2. Solution in the Polar Coordinate System

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial \theta^2} = 0 \tag{10}$$

Applying the method of separation of variables, the solution can be assumed to be of the form $\Phi = R(r)\Theta(\theta)$. Substituting this into (10), we have the following:

$$r\frac{d}{dr}\left(r\frac{dR}{dr}\right)\frac{1}{R} = -\frac{d^2\Theta}{d\theta^2}\frac{1}{\Theta} \equiv n^2 \tag{11}$$

Therefore

$$r\frac{d}{dr}\left(r\frac{dR}{dr}\right) - n^2R = 0 \tag{12}$$

$$\frac{d^2\Theta}{d\theta^2} + n^2\Theta = 0\tag{13}$$

Here we should note that the parameter n introduced in (11) must be integer, because fundamental solutions with respect to θ to be given by (13) must be periodic (the values for $\theta = 0$ and $\theta = 2\pi$ must be the same). This situation is different from the case considered in the Cartesian coordinate system.

The elementary solutions for (12) and (13) are given by

$$R = \left\{ r^{n}, r^{-n} \right\}, \qquad \Theta = \left\{ \cos n\theta, \sin n\theta \right\}$$
(14)

If we require regularity of a solution at infinity $(r \to \infty)$, a general solution can be written as

$$\Phi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r^n} \Big\{ A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta \Big\}$$
(15)

For the case of n = 0, the solution will be independent of θ . (The possibility of $\Theta = \theta$ which may be obtained from (13) should be excluded from the condition of periodicity.) In this case,

$$r\frac{d}{dr}\left(r\frac{dR}{dr}\right) = 0 \longrightarrow r\frac{dR}{dr} = C \longrightarrow R = C\log r$$
(16)

Thus we have the following equation as a general solution:

$$\Phi = C\log r + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r^n} \Big\{ A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta \Big\}$$
(17)

3. Relations of Solutions

There must be some relations between (8) and (17), because both are solutions for the same 2-D Laplace equation. In order to see those relations, let us consider the following integral:

$$I = \int_0^\infty k^{n-1} e^{-ky} (\cos kx + i \sin kx) dk$$

=
$$\int_0^\infty k^{n-1} e^{-ky + ikx} dk = \int_0^\infty k^{n-1} e^{-k(y - ix)} dk$$
 (18)

Introducing the relations $y = r \cos \theta$, $x = r \sin \theta$, we can perform the integral with respect to k as follows:

$$I = \int_{0}^{\infty} k^{n-1} e^{-kr \exp(-i\theta)} dk = \frac{e^{i\theta}}{r} (n-1) \int_{0}^{\infty} k^{n-2} e^{-kr \exp(-i\theta)} dk$$
$$= \left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right)^{n-1} (n-1)! \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-kr \exp(-i\theta)} dk = \left(\frac{e^{i\theta}}{r}\right)^{n} (n-1)!$$
(19)

Therefore, separating the real and imaginary parts, we have

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} k^{n-1} e^{-ky} \cos kx \, dk = (n-1)! \frac{\cos n\theta}{r^{n}} \\
\int_{0}^{\infty} k^{n-1} e^{-ky} \sin kx \, dk = (n-1)! \frac{\sin n\theta}{r^{2}}$$
(20)

As the next, we will consider the following integral as the case of n = 0

$$J = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{k} e^{-ky} \cos kx \, dk \tag{21}$$

Then, differentiating with respect to y, we have

$$\frac{dJ}{dy} = -\int_0^\infty e^{-ky} \cos kx \, dk = -\frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$
$$J = -\int_0^y \frac{\eta}{x^2 + \eta^2} \, d\eta + C$$
$$= -\frac{1}{2} \log(x^2 + y^2) + C(x) = -\log r + C$$

Namely

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{k} e^{-ky} \cos kx \, dk = -\log r + C \tag{22}$$

Equations (20) and (22) are desired relations between the solutions in the Cartesian and polar coordinate systems.

4. Application of Fourier Transform

One-dimensional Fourier transform is defined in the form:

$$\begin{cases}
f^{*}(k,y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) e^{-ikx} dx \\
f(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^{*}(k,y) e^{ikx} dk
\end{cases}$$
(23)

Similarly two-dimensional Fourier transform can be expressed as

$$\begin{cases}
f^{**}(k,\ell) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) e^{-ikx - i\ell y} dx dy \\
f(x,y) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^{**}(k,\ell) e^{ikx + i\ell y} dk d\ell
\end{cases}$$
(24)

Note the following relations in the Fourier transform:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) e^{-ikx} dx = 1$$
(25)

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{df(x)}{dx} e^{-ikx} dx = \left[f(x) e^{-ikx} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + ik \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx = ikf^*(k)$$
(26)

Let us consider a fundamental solution, corresponding to a hydrodynamic source with unit strength situated at $(x, y) = (0, \eta)$, which satisfies

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \delta(x)\delta(y - \eta) \tag{27}$$

Applying the Fourier transform with respect to x to (27) and noting (25) and (26), we have

$$\frac{d^2\phi^*}{dy^2} - k^2\phi^* = \delta(y-\eta) \tag{28}$$

A general solution of (28), valid except at $y = \eta$, is given as

$$\phi^*(k,y) = A \, e^{|k|y} + B \, e^{-|k|y} \tag{29}$$

Unknown coefficients, A and B, must be determined from boundary conditions and by taking account of the singularity at $y = \eta$. First, to avoid the singularity at $y = \eta$ for a moment, we divide the region into the lower (denoted as Region 1) and upper (Region 2) parts, separated at point $y = \eta$. Since the region is considered unbounded (no outer boundaries), the solution must be zero at both infinities $(y \to \pm \infty)$. Thus the solutions in the lower (written as ϕ_1^*) and upper (ϕ_2^*) regions are given as

$$\phi_1^* = A \, e^{|k|y} \,, \quad \phi_2^* = B \, e^{-|k|y} \tag{30}$$

(Here the positive *y*-axis is taken vertically upward.)

To take account of the singularity at $y = \eta$, let us integrate (27) over a small region crossing $y = \eta$; i.e. $\eta - \epsilon < y < \eta + \epsilon$ (where ϵ is assumed to very small). The result takes a form

$$\left[\frac{d\phi^*}{dy}\right]_{\eta-\epsilon}^{\eta+\epsilon} - k^2 \int_{\eta-\epsilon}^{\eta+\epsilon} \phi^* \, dy = \int_{\eta-\epsilon}^{\eta+\epsilon} \delta(y-\eta) \, dy = 1 \tag{31}$$

This relation can be satisfied, provided that

$$\phi_2^* = \phi_1^*, \quad \frac{d\phi_2^*}{dy} - \frac{d\phi_1^*}{dy} = 1 \quad \text{at } y = \eta$$
 (32)

Substituting (30) in (32) gives the followings:

$$B e^{-|k|\eta} - A e^{|k|\eta} = 0
-|k| (B e^{-|k|\eta} + A e^{|k|\eta}) = 1$$
(33)

From these we can determine A and B as follows:

$$A = -\frac{1}{2|k|} e^{-|k|\eta}, \quad B = -\frac{1}{2|k|} e^{|k|\eta}$$
(34)

Substituting these into (30) gives the desired solution in the form

$$\phi_{1}^{*} = -\frac{1}{2|k|} e^{|k|(y-\eta)} \quad \text{for } y - \eta < 0 \\
\phi_{2}^{*} = -\frac{1}{2|k|} e^{-|k|(y-\eta)} \quad \text{for } y - \eta > 0$$
(35)

These two can be written as a unified form

$$\phi^*(k,y) = -\frac{1}{2|k|} e^{-|k||y-\eta|}$$
(36)

As the next step for obtaining the solution in the physical domain, the inverse Fourier transform must be considered, which becomes

$$\phi(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2|k|} e^{-|k||y-\eta|} \right\} e^{ikx} dk = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{|k|} e^{-|k||y-\eta|+ikx} dk$$
$$= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} e^{-k|y-\eta|} \cos kx \, dk = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} e^{ik(x+i|y-\eta|)} \, dk \tag{37}$$

In relation to this integral, let us consider the following integral:

$$F(r) = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{k} e^{ikr} dk$$
(38)

This integral can be evaluated as follows:

$$\frac{dF}{dr} = i \int_0^\infty e^{ikr} dk = \left[\frac{1}{r}e^{ikr}\right]_0^\infty = -\frac{1}{r}$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad F(r) = -\log r + C \tag{39}$$

Therefore we can recast the result of (37) in the form

$$\phi(x,y) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \left[-\log\left(x+i|y-\eta|\right) \right] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \log r \,, \quad r = \sqrt{x^2 + (y-\eta)^2} \tag{40}$$

The procedure explained above looks complicated, but it will be useful in understanding derivation of the free-surface Green function. To see another method using the Fourier transform, let us apply the two-dimensional Fourier transform to the following Laplace equation:

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = \delta(x)\delta(y) \tag{41}$$

With relations of (25) and (26), it follows that

$$-(k^{2} + \ell^{2})\phi^{**} = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \phi^{**}(k,\ell) = -\frac{1}{k^{2} + \ell^{2}}$$
(42)

Thus the inverse Fourier transform provides the following expression:

$$\phi(x,y) = -\frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2 + \ell^2} e^{ikx + i\ell y} \, dk d\ell \tag{43}$$

Let us first perform the integral with respect to $\ell :$

$$I(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i\ell y}}{\ell^2 + k^2} d\ell$$
(44)

Since there are singular points at $\ell = \pm i |k|$, a contour integral taken in the upper half complex plane (for the case of y > 0) gives the following result:

$$I(k) = 2\pi i \frac{e^{-|k|y}}{2i|k|} = \frac{\pi}{|k|} e^{-|k|y} \quad \text{for } y > 0$$
(45)

Substituting this in (43), we have the result:

$$\phi(x,y) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{|k|} e^{-|k||y| + ikx} dk = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} e^{-k|y|} \cos kx dk$$
(46)

This is the same as (37) and thus the final expression will be the same as (40), as expected.