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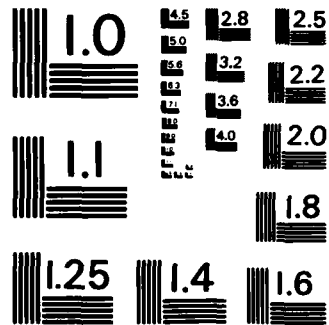
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→ The time harmonic three dimensional finite depth floating body problem is reformulated as a boundary integral equation. Using the elementary fundamental solution that satisfies the boundary condition on the sea bottom but not the linearized free surface condition, the integral equation extends over both the ship hull and the free surface. It is shown that this integral equation is free of irregular frequencies, that is, it has at most one solution. ←

1. Introduction

In his classic work on the floating body problem, F. John (1950), showed how the boundary value problem could be reduced to an integral equation over the wetted portion of the ship hull. The kernel of his integral operator was the Green's function for the entire fluid domain with no ship present that satisfied the boundary condition at the bottom of fluid (assumed flat) and the linearized free surface condition on the entire fluid-air

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boundary. John demonstrated the existence of irregular frequencies, frequencies for which the integral equation was not uniquely solvable. Recently Kleinman (1982) provided two methods of modifying the integral equation so that there were no irregular frequencies. In one case the domain of the integral operator was enlarged and in the other the operator itself changed, but both methods employed John's Green's function which is rather complicated, especially in the three dimensional, finite depth case.

Another way to treat this problem is to employ a much simpler Green's function, one that satisfies only the boundary condition at the bottom of the fluid. Since this does not satisfy the free surface condition, we get an integral equation over both the wetted surface of the ship hull and the free surface. Such an integral equation has been derived and even solved numerically for certain cases, e.g. Yeung (1978) and Bai and Yeung (1974). Numerical evidence indicated that this integral equation did not exhibit irregular frequencies but no conclusive analytical argument has yet appeared to support this conjecture.

The present paper provides a proof of the conjecture that this integral equation has no irregular frequencies.

By irregular frequencies is meant frequencies for which the integral equation is not uniquely solvable even though the solution of the corresponding boundary value problem is unique. What we prove is that the integral equation obtained using a simple combination of elementary sources is uniquely solvable at all frequencies.

It should be emphasized that our concern here is not with uniqueness for the boundary value problem itself. There John required certain geometric restrictions in order to establish uniqueness. These may be somewhat relaxed to include hull forms with corners and non normal intersections with the free surface (see Kleinman, 1982). However, in the three dimensional case treated here, we retain the restriction that vertical rays from the free surface may not intersect the ship hull in order that the boundary value problem be uniquely solvable. Our concern here is with integral equation formulations and the irregular frequencies which are introduced in some cases.

It should be noted that the occurrence of irregular frequencies in integral equation formulations of acoustic scattering problems is entirely analogous to the present case. (See e.g. Smirnov, 1964; Brundrit, 1965; Copley, 1968; Schenck, 1968 and Chertok, 1970, 1971) However, methods for removing the irregular frequencies in acoustic scattering all essentially involve making the kernel of the integral equation more complicated (e.g. Brakhage and Werner, 1965, Burton and Miller, 1971, Kleinman and Roach, 1974, 1982).

In the present case the irregular frequencies are removed by making the kernel simpler but extending the range of integration.

## 2. Notation and Statement of Problem

Specifically, we treat the three dimensional floating body problem with finite depth,  $h$ . If we denote the fluid domain by  $D_+$ , the hull by  $C_0$ , the free surface by  $C_f$  and the bottom by  $C_B$ , and if we denote by  $D_-$  the domain consisting of the upper half space and the interior of the ship hull, then geometry may be illustrated as in Figure 1.

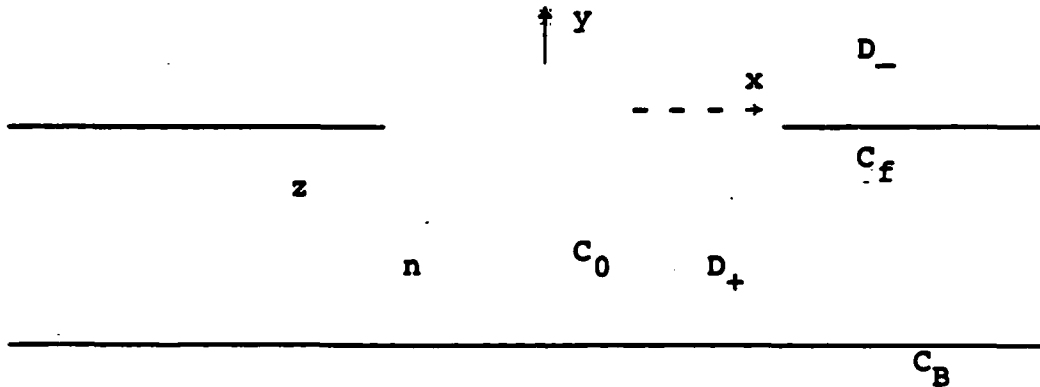


Figure 1

The function  $\phi$  solves the floating body problem if

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 0 \text{ in } D_+, \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} = V \text{ on } C_0, \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} = 0 \text{ on } C_B, \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} + k\phi = 0 \text{ on } C_f,$$

and provided  $\phi$  satisfies a radiation condition. Here  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n}$  is the normal derivative directed into  $D_+$  and  $V$  is a given function. The radiation condition is specified in the form

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \rho} - ik_0 \phi = o(\rho^{-1/2}) \text{ as } \rho \rightarrow \infty \quad (2)$$



uniformly in  $\theta$  and  $y$ . This condition may be shown to guarantee that

$$\phi(p) = \frac{e^{ik_0 \rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}} (f(\theta) + O(\rho^{-1})) \text{ as } \rho \rightarrow \infty, \quad (3)$$

$(\rho, \theta)$  being polar coordinates in the free surface-water plane and  $k_0$  is the positive real of the transcendental equation

$$k = k_0 \tanh k_0 h. \quad (4)$$

Now define the Green's function

$$\gamma(p, q) = - \frac{1}{2\pi|p-q|} - \frac{1}{2\pi|p-q_1|} \quad (5)$$

where  $p = (x_p, y_p, z_p)$ ,  $q = (x_q, y_q, z_q)$  and  $q_1 = (x_q, -2h-y_q, z_q)$ , and we have oriented a rectangular coordinate system so that the plane  $y = 0$  is the water plane and free surface while  $y = -h$  is the bottom.

With the Green's function defined in (5), which has a double strength singularity on  $C_B$ , Green's theorem for solutions of Laplace's equation in  $D_+$  which satisfies the radiation condition (2) takes the form

$$\int_{C_0 \cup C_f \cup C_B} \left( \gamma(p, q) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n_q} - \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} \right) ds_q = \alpha(p) \phi(p) \quad (6)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(p) &= 2 \text{ for } p \in D_+ \cup C_B \\ &= 1 \text{ for } p \text{ on smooth points of } C_0 \cup C_f \\ &= 0 \text{ for } p \in D_- \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

If  $\phi$  satisfies all of the boundary conditions in (1) we obtain the boundary integral equation

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(p) + \int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p,q) ds_q + \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p,q) + k\gamma(p,q) \right] ds_q \\ = \int_{C_0} \gamma(p,q) V(q) ds_q \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where  $p$  lies either on  $C_0$  or  $C_f$ . The integral on  $C_B$  vanishes since both  $\gamma$  and  $\phi$  satisfy a homogeneous Neumann condition and the integral over a large cylinder vanishes since  $\gamma = O(\rho^{-1})$  and  $\phi = O(\rho^{-1/2})$ , the radiation condition ensuring that  $\phi$  has asymptotic growth given by (3). As explained in the introduction, this equation has irregular frequencies if there are certain values of  $k$  for which the homogeneous equation ( $V=0$ ) has nontrivial solutions. We prove here that such irregular frequencies do not exist.

### 3. Uniqueness

Specifically our central result can be stated as follows:

Theorem: If (a)  $\phi = \frac{e^{ik_0 \rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}} \left( f(\theta) + O(\rho^{-1}) \right)$  as  $\rho \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\text{and (b) } \phi(p) + \int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} ds_q + \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma \right] ds_q = 0$$

for all  $p \in C_0$  and  $C_f$ ,

(c)  $\phi$  is continuous on  $C_0 \cup C_f$

then  $\phi(p) \equiv 0$ .

Proof: The proof of this theorem depends on the growth of potentials with densities satisfying conditions (a), (b), and (c) of the theorem. Assume that  $\phi$  is a function satisfying (a), (b) and (c) of the theorem and define the functions  $u_+$  and  $u_-$  in  $D_+$  and  $D_-$  respectively as

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} u_+ \\ u_- \end{array} \right\} = \int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) ds_q + \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) + k\gamma(p, q) \right] ds_q, \begin{cases} p \in D_+ \\ p \in D_- \end{cases} . \quad (9)$$

As will be seen shortly, an essential ingredient involves the growth of  $u_-$  for large radial distances from the origin. Observe that since  $\gamma$  has no singularities when  $q \in C_0 \cup C_f$ ,  $p \in D_-$  and  $\gamma$  is a solution of Laplace's equation it follows that

$$\nabla^2 u_- = 0, \quad p \in D_- . \quad (10)$$

The jump conditions for the double layer defined on  $C_0 \cup C_f$  take the form

$$\lim_{\substack{p \rightarrow C_0 \cup C_f \\ p \in D_+}} \int_{C_0 \cup C_f} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) ds_q = \bar{\tau} \phi(p) + \int_{C_0 \cup C_f} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) ds_q, \quad p \in C_0 \cup C_f . \quad (11)$$

This, together with the continuity of the single layer, implies that

$$\lim_{\substack{p \rightarrow C_0 \cup C_f \\ p \in D_-}} u_-(p) = \phi(p) + \int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) ds_q + \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma \right] ds_q . \quad (12)$$

But  $\phi$  satisfies the homogeneous equation (b) hence

$$\lim_{\substack{p \rightarrow C_0 \cup C_f \\ p \in D_-}} u_-(p) = 0. \quad (13)$$

However, as established in the appendix,  $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} u_- = 0$ . Hence

the maximum principle, which asserts that  $u_-$  assumes its maximum and minimum values on the boundary, implies that

$$u_- \equiv 0, \quad p \in D_-. \quad (14)$$

Therefore

$$\frac{\partial u_-}{\partial n_-} = 0 \text{ on } C_0 \text{ and } C_f, \quad (15)$$

where  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n_-}$  indicates the normal derivative from  $D_-$ . Using the defining equation (9) for  $u_-$  we find with the usual jump conditions for the single layer

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial n_p} \int_{C_0 \cup C_f} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) ds_q + k \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \frac{\partial}{\partial n_p} \gamma(p, q) ds_q + \beta(p) \phi(p) = 0 \quad (16)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(p) &= 0, \quad p \in C_0 \\ &= -k, \quad p \in C_f. \end{aligned}$$

Note that while existence of the normal derivative of the double layer in some weak sense was needed in order to apply the divergence theorem, once it is established that  $u_- \equiv 0$  and hence has an ordinary normal derivative, namely zero, the defining equation for  $u_-$  ensures that the normal derivative of the double layer exists in the ordinary sense since  $u_-$  and the single layer have ordinary normal derivatives.

Now examine the limiting values of  $u_+$  as  $p$  approaches  $C_0 \cup C_f$  from  $D_+$ . Using the usual jump conditions we find

$$u_+(p) = -\phi(p) + \int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) ds_q + \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma \right] ds_q, \quad p \in C_0 \cup C_f \quad (17)$$

and, since  $\phi$  satisfies the integral equation (b),

$$u_+(p) = -2\phi(p), \quad p \in C_0 \cup C_f. \quad (18)$$

Observe that since  $\phi$  is assumed to have growth as specified in (a), equation (18) ensures that  $u_+(p)$  has the same growth on  $C_f$ .

Now form the normal derivative of  $u_+$  from  $D_+$  obtaining

$$\frac{\partial u_+}{\partial n_+} = \frac{\partial}{\partial n_p} \int_{C_0 \cup C_f} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) ds_q + k \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_p}(p, q) ds_q - \beta(p)\phi(p). \quad (19)$$

Since the normal derivatives of the double layer with continuous density are the same from either side provided one of them exists, we use equations (16) and (18) to obtain

$$\frac{\partial u_+}{\partial n_+} = -2\beta(p)\phi(p) = \beta(p)u_+. \quad (20)$$

With the definition of  $\beta(p)$  (cf. eqn. (16)) we see that

$$\frac{\partial u_+}{\partial n_+} = 0, \quad p \in C_0, \quad (21)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial u_+}{\partial n_+} = -ku_+, \quad p \in C_f. \quad (22)$$

Also,

$$\frac{\partial u_+}{\partial n_+} = 0, \quad p \in C_B \quad (23)$$

since this property is inherited from  $\gamma(p, q)$ . Furthermore by its construction  $u_+$  satisfies Laplace's equation in  $D_+$  and since  $u_+$  also satisfies the Neumann condition on  $C_B$  and the free surface condition on  $C_f$ ,  $u_+$  has the representation, following John (1950),

$$u_+ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(\rho, \theta) \cosh k_n(y+h), \quad \rho = \sqrt{x^2 + z^2} \geq a, \quad (24)$$

where  $k_n$  are the roots of the transcendental equation (4) and  $a$  is any number greater than the diameter of the ship hull i.e.

$$a > \max_{p \in C_0} \rho.$$

Recall that  $(\rho, \theta, y)$  are the cylindrical coordinates of the point  $p$ . Moreover, as shown in the Appendix,  $u_+ = 0$   $\left(\frac{1}{\rho^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}}\right)$

hence

$$\int_{-h}^0 u_+(p, \theta, h) \cosh k_n(y+h) dy = 0 \left(\frac{1}{\rho^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}}\right) \quad (25)$$

which implies, with the orthogonality of  $\{\cosh k_n(y+h)\}$

on  $L_2(-h, 0)$ , that

$$u_n(p, \theta) = 0 \left(\frac{1}{\rho^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}}\right) \quad (26)$$

This in turn implies that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} u_n(\rho, \theta) e^{-im\theta} d\theta = 0 \quad \left(\frac{1}{\rho^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}}\right) \quad (27)$$

and since the most general form of  $u_n(\rho, \theta)$  is

$$u_n(\rho, \theta) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} [a_{nm} H_{|m|}^{(1)}(k_n \rho) + b_{nm} H_{|m|}^{(2)}(k_n \rho)] e^{im\theta} \quad (28)$$

it follows that

$$a_{nm} H_{|m|}^{(1)}(k_n \rho) + b_{nm} H_{|m|}^{(2)}(k_n \rho) = 0 \quad \left(\frac{1}{\rho^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}}\right) \quad (29)$$

Here  $H_m^{(1)}, (2)$  are Hankel functions of the first and second kind respectively. The fact that  $k_n$  is positive imaginary for  $n > 0$  then ensures that

$$b_{nm} = 0, \quad n > 0.$$

Then

$$u_+(\rho, \theta, 0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} a_{nm} H_{|m|}^{(1)}(k_n \rho) e^{im\theta} \cosh k_n h \\ + \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} b_{0m} H_{|m|}^{(2)}(k_0 \rho) e^{im\theta} \cosh k_0 h \quad (30)$$

and because  $u_+(\rho, \theta, 0)$  has the same asymptotic growth as  $H_m^{(1)}(k_0 \rho)$ , cf eqn. (18), uniformly in  $\theta$  we may conclude that  $b_{0m} = 0$  which then implies that

$$u_+(\rho, \theta, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} a_{nm} H_{|m|}^{(1)}(k_n \rho) e^{im\theta} \cosh k_n (y+h) \quad (31)$$

hence  $u_+$  satisfies the radiation condition for  $-h < y < 0$ .

Thus  $u_+$  is a solution of the homogeneous floating body problem in  $D_+$  (cf. (1) and (2)) and therefore, provided that  $C_0$  satisfies the geometric restrictions of the uniqueness proof (John (1950), Kleinman (1982)), it follows that  $u_+ = 0$  in  $D_+$  and hence also on  $C_0 \cup C_f$ . Equation (20) then ensures that  $\phi(\rho) = 0$  on  $C_0 \cup C_f$ . That is, the only solution of the integral equation (b) satisfying (a) and (c) is  $\phi = 0$ . This means that the integral equation (7) has no irregular frequencies and has at most one solution. Existence of this solution for all  $k$  will be discussed elsewhere.

We remark that if the integral equation (7) has a solution  $\phi$  on  $C_0 \cup C_f$  then the solution of the inhomogeneous floating body problem (1) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(p) = & -\frac{1}{2} \int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) ds_q - \frac{1}{2} \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma(p, q) \right] ds_q \quad (32) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \int_{C_0} V(q) \gamma(p, q) ds_q \end{aligned}$$

for  $p \in D_+ \cup C_B$ .

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Appendix: On the growth of  $u_{\pm}$ .

Here we prove the Lemma needed in establishing uniqueness of solutions of the integral equation. For convenience we restate it as follows:

Lemma: If a)  $\phi = \frac{e^{ik_0 \rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}} (f(\theta) + o(\rho^{-1}))$  as  $\rho \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$b) \phi(p) + \int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} ds_q + \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma \right] ds_q = 0,$$

$$p \in C_0 \cup C_f,$$

c)  $\phi$  is continuous on  $C_0 \cup C_f$ ,

and d)  $u_{\pm} = \int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} ds_q + \int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma \right] ds_q$ ,  $p \in D_{\pm}$

then  $u_{-} = o\left(\frac{1}{r_p^{1/2-\delta}}\right)$ , as  $r_p \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\delta < 1/2$

and

$$u_{+} = o\left(\frac{1}{\rho_p^{1/2-\delta}}\right) \text{ as } \rho_p \rightarrow \infty$$

where  $r_p = |p| = \sqrt{\rho_p^2 + y_p^2}$ .

Proof With  $\gamma$  as defined in equation (5) it is clear that

$$\int_{C_0} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} ds_q = o\left(\frac{1}{r_p^2}\right) \quad (A.1)$$

and

$$\int_{C_f} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma \right] ds_q = o\left(\frac{1}{r_p}\right), \quad (A.2)$$

where  $C_f \cap B_a$  is that portion of the free surface contained in the ball of radius  $a$ . It is a bit more work to establish the growth of

$$\int_{C_f \cap B_a^c} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma \right] ds_q$$

where  $B_a^c$  is the complement of the ball. Considering first the term involving the normal derivative, which on  $C_f$  is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial n_q} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial y_q} \Big|_{y_q = 0},$$

we find that

$$\int_{C_f \cap B_a^c} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} ds_q = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^\infty \phi(q) \left[ \frac{y_p}{R(0)^3} - \frac{y_p + 2h}{R^3(h)} \right] \rho d\rho d\theta \quad (A.3)$$

where  $(\rho, \theta)$  are the cylindrical coordinates of  $q$  on  $C_f$  and

$$R(h) = \sqrt{(x_p - x_q)^2 + (z_p - z_q)^2 + (y_p + 2h)^2}.$$

Introduce two sets of spherical coordinates of the form

$$\begin{aligned} z_p &= r_p \sin \alpha \cos \theta_p & z_p &= r' \sin \alpha' \cos \theta_p \\ x_p &= r_p \sin \alpha \sin \theta_p \quad \text{and} & x_p &= r' \sin \alpha' \sin \theta_p \\ y_p &= r_p \cos \alpha & y_p + 2h &= r' \cos \alpha' \end{aligned}$$

where  $0 \leq \theta_p < 2\pi$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \pi$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha' \leq \pi/2$ ,  $r_p, r' \geq 0$ .

Clearly  $(r_p, \theta_p, \alpha)$  are the usual spherical coordinates while  $r'$  and  $\alpha'$  will depend on  $h$ . Explicitly

$$r' = \sqrt{x_p^2 + z_p^2 + (y_p + 2h)^2} = \sqrt{r_p^2 + 2hy_p + 4h^2}$$

hence  $\frac{r_p}{r'} \leq 1$  for  $2h^2 + hy_p > 0$ , a condition always satisfied

for  $p \in D_+ \cup D_-$ . Note that  $y_p > -h$  when  $p \in D_+ \cup D_-$  hence  $\alpha' \leq \pi/2$  whereas  $\alpha$  varies over a larger interval, in fact  $\alpha > \pi/2$  when  $p \in D_+$ . In this notation

$$R(h) = \sqrt{r'^2 + \rho^2 - 2r' \rho \sin \alpha' \cos(\theta - \theta_p)} \quad (A.4)$$

and

$$\int_{C_f \cap B_a^c} \phi(q) \frac{\partial y}{\partial n_q} ds_q = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^\infty \phi(q) \left( \frac{r_p \cos \alpha}{(r_p^2 + \rho^2 - 2r_p \rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \right. \\ \left. \frac{r' \cos \alpha'}{r'^2 + \rho^2 - 2r' \rho \sin \alpha' \cos(\theta - \theta_p)} \right) \rho d\rho d\theta \quad (A.5)$$

It suffices to consider the first integral on the right, the analysis for the second being identical with  $r'$ ,  $\alpha'$ ,  $y'$  replacing  $r_p$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $y$ . For brevity we omit the subscript and denote  $r_p$  by  $r$  in the ensuing analysis and consider

$$r \cos \alpha \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^\infty \frac{\phi(q) \rho d\rho d\theta}{(r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \text{ for } 0 \leq \alpha \leq \pi. \quad (A.6)$$

Using the asymptotic form of  $\phi$  and the substitution  $\rho = rt$  we find

$$r \cos \alpha \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^\infty \frac{\phi(q) \rho d\rho d\theta}{(r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \\ = \frac{\cos \alpha}{r^{1/2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\frac{a}{r}}^\infty \frac{e^{ik_0 r t}}{\sqrt{t}} \frac{(f(\theta) + o(1)) t dt d\theta}{(1 + t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}}$$

hence the integral is  $O(\frac{1}{r^{1/2}})$  for  $\alpha \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Note that this expression does not obviously exist when  $\alpha \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$ . To see what happens as  $\alpha \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$  observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \pi/2^+} r \cos \alpha \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^{\infty} \frac{\phi(q) \rho \, d\rho \, d\theta}{(r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \\
 &= \lim_{y_p \rightarrow 0^+} - \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^{\infty} \phi(q) \frac{d}{dy_q} \frac{1}{((x_p - x_q)^2 + (y_p - y_q)^2 + (z_p - z_q)^2)^{1/2}} \Big|_{y_q=0} \rho \, d\rho \, d\theta \\
 &= \lim_{\substack{p \rightarrow C_f \\ p \in D_f^-}} + 2\pi \int_{C_f \cup B_a^C} \phi(q) \frac{\partial}{\partial n_q} \gamma_0(p, q) \, ds_q, \\
 &= +2\pi \phi(p), \quad \rho_p > a
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\gamma_0 = - \frac{1}{2\pi ((x_p - x_q)^2 + (y_p - y_q)^2 + (z_p - z_q)^2)^{1/2}}$

and the jump-condition for a double layer is used. Here we make no use of the assumption that  $\phi$  is a solution of the integral equation b). The integral in the jump condition vanishes for  $p$  on  $C_f$ , ( $y_p = 0$ ). Now we use a) which asserts that on  $C_f$ ,  $\phi$  is assumed to grow as  $O(\frac{1}{\rho^{1/2}})$ , which is the desired growth. Hence

the integral (A.6) is  $O(\frac{1}{r^{1/2}})$  for  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \pi$ . Redoing the analysis

with  $r', \alpha', y'$  replacing  $r, \alpha, y$  leads to a similar result.

Hence we conclude that

$$\int_{C_f \cap B_a^C} \phi(q) \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q}(p, q) \, ds_q = O\left(\frac{1}{r^{1/2}}\right) \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty, \quad y_p \geq -h. \tag{A.7}$$

Next we consider

$$\int_{C_f \cap B_a^C} \phi(q) \gamma(p, q) \, ds_q = - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^{\infty} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{1}{R(0)} + \frac{1}{R(h)} \right] \rho \, d\rho \, d\theta. \tag{A.8}$$

Using the notation previously introduced and the asymptotic form of  $\phi$  we must treat integrals of the form

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^{\infty} \frac{e^{ik_0\rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}} \frac{[f(\theta) + O(\frac{1}{\rho})] \rho d\rho d\theta}{(r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{1/2}} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

and a similar integral with  $r', \alpha'$  replacing  $r, \alpha$ .

The term involving  $O(\frac{1}{\rho})$  is easily handled since

$$\left| \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^{\infty} \frac{e^{ik_0\rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}} \frac{O(\frac{1}{\rho}) \rho d\rho d\theta}{(r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{1/2}} \right| \quad (\text{A.10})$$

$$\leq c \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^{\infty} \frac{d\rho d\theta}{\sqrt{\rho} (r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos \theta)^{1/2}}$$

$$\leq \frac{c}{r^{1/2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt d\theta}{\sqrt{t} (1 + t^2 - 2t \cos \theta)^{1/2}}$$

where  $c$  is independent of  $r$  and  $\alpha$ . This is seen to be  $O(\frac{1}{r^{1/2}})$  since

the integral on the right exists and is independent of  $r$ .

The remaining integral is of the form

$$I_1 = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^{\infty} \frac{e^{ik_0\rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}} \frac{\rho f(\theta) d\rho d\theta}{(r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{1/2}} \quad (\text{A.11})$$

$$= \frac{-1}{ik_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(\theta) \sqrt{a} e^{ik_0 a} d\theta}{(r^2 + a^2 - 2ar \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{1/2}}$$

$$- \frac{1}{ik_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^{\infty} e^{ik_0\rho} \frac{d}{d\rho} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{\rho}}{(r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{1/2}} \right] d\rho d\theta$$

The first term on the right is clearly  $O(\frac{1}{r})$  hence, on performing the indicated differentiation, we have

$$I_1 = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) - \frac{1}{2ik_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^\infty \frac{e^{ik_0\rho} (r^2 - \rho^2) f(\theta) d\rho d\theta}{\sqrt{\rho} (r^2 + \rho^2 - 2r\rho \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}}$$

and letting  $\rho = rt$

$$I_1 = O\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) - \frac{1}{2ik_0 r^{1/2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{a/r}^\infty \frac{e^{ik_0 rt} (1-t^2) f(\theta)}{t^{1/2} (1+t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} dt d\theta.$$

We break up the  $t$  integration into three parts and use the estimates

$$\left| \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{a/r}^{1/2} \frac{e^{ik_0 rt} (1-t^2) f(\theta) dt d\theta}{\sqrt{t} (1+t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \right| \leq c \|f\|_\infty \int_0^{1/2} \frac{(1-t^2) dt}{\sqrt{t}(t-1)^3} = c_1 \|f\|_\infty,$$

and

$$\left| \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{1/2}^\infty \frac{e^{ik_0 rt} (1-t^2) f(\theta) dt d\theta}{\sqrt{t} (1+t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \right| \leq c \|f\|_\infty \int_{1/2}^\infty \frac{(t^2-1) dt}{\sqrt{t}(t-1)^3} = c_2 \|f\|_\infty,$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  is the sup norm and the constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are independent of  $\alpha$ ,  $\theta_p$ ,  $r$  and  $f$ , to obtain

$$I_1 = O\left(\frac{1}{r^{1/2}}\right) - \frac{1}{2ik_0 r^{1/2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{1/2}^\infty \frac{e^{ik_0 rt} (1-t^2) f(\theta) dt d\theta}{t^{1/2} (1+t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}}$$



which we write as

$$I_1 = O\left(\frac{1}{r^{1/2}}\right) - \frac{1}{2ik_0 r^{1/2}} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \left\{ \int_{1/2}^1 \frac{e^{ik_0 r t} (1-t^2) dt}{t^{1/2} (1+t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \right. \\ \left. + \int_1^2 \frac{e^{ik_0 r u} (1-u^2) du}{u^{1/2} (1+u^2 - 2u \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \right\} d\theta .$$

Letting  $u = \frac{1}{t}$  in the second integral we get

$$I_1 = O\left(\frac{1}{r^{1/2}}\right) - \frac{1}{2ik_0 r^{1/2}} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \int_{1/2}^1 \frac{(e^{ik_0 r t} - e^{ik_0 \frac{r}{t}}) (1-t^2) dt}{t^{1/2} (1+t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \\ \text{(A.12)}$$

The integral in (A.12) which we denote as  $I_2$  satisfies the inequality

$$I_2 = \left| \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \int_{1/2}^1 \frac{(e^{ik_0 r t} - e^{ik_0 \frac{r}{t}}) (1-t^2) dt}{t^{1/2} (1+t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos(\theta - \theta_p))^{3/2}} \right| \\ \leq \|f\|_{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{1/2}^1 \frac{|e^{ik_0 r t} - e^{ik_0 \frac{r}{t}}|^{\delta} |e^{ik_0 r t} - e^{ik_0 \frac{r}{t}}|^{1-\delta}}{t^{1/2} (1+t^2 - 2t \sin \alpha \cos \theta)^{3/2}} (1-t^2) dt d\theta \\ \text{(A.13)}$$

for arbitrary  $\delta \in (0,1)$  (we further restrict  $\delta$  subsequently) and using the estimates

$$\frac{1+t}{\sqrt{t}} \leq 2\sqrt{2}, \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1,$$

$$\left| \begin{matrix} ik_0 r t & ik_0 \frac{r}{t} \\ e & -e \end{matrix} \right| \leq 2,$$

$$\left| \begin{matrix} ik_0 r t & ik_0 \frac{r}{t} \\ e & -e \end{matrix} \right| \leq 4 k_0 r(1-t), \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1,$$

we obtain

$$I_2 \leq c \|f\|_{\infty} r^{\delta} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{1/2}^1 \frac{(1-t)^{1+\delta} dt d\theta}{(1+t^2-2t \sin \alpha \cos \theta)^{3/2}} \quad (\text{A.14})$$

where  $c$  is independent of  $r$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\theta_p$  and  $f$ .

But for  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \pi$  and  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$  we may show that

$$\frac{1}{1+t^2-2t \sin \alpha \cos \theta} \leq \frac{2}{1+t^2-2t \cos \theta} \leq \frac{2}{(1-t)^2}$$

hence

$$I_2 \leq c_1 \|f\|_{\infty} r^{\delta} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{1/2}^1 \frac{dt d\theta}{(1+t^2-2t \cos \theta)^{1-\frac{\delta}{2}}}$$

The kernel is weakly singular at  $t=1$ ,  $\theta=0$  hence the integral exists. Thus there is a constant,  $c_2$ , such that

$$I_2 \leq c_2 \|f\|_{\infty} r^{\delta}$$

which with (A.12) establishes that

$$I_1 = o(r^{\delta - 1/2}) \quad (\text{A.15})$$

We may choose  $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$  to ensure that  $I_1$  decays with  $r$ .  
A similar growth estimate is obtained if  $r', \alpha'$  replace  $r, \alpha$   
hence, with (A.8) we see that

$$\int_{C_f^n B_a^c} \phi(q) \gamma(p, q) ds_q = O(r^\delta - 1/2) \quad (A.16)$$

This result taken together with (A.7) ensures that

$$\int_{C_f^n B_a^c} \phi(q) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial n_q} + k\gamma \right] ds_q = O(r^\delta - 1/2) \quad (A.17)$$

which with (A.1) and (A.2) establishes that

$$u_{\pm} = O(r_p^{\delta - 1/2}) \quad (A.18)$$

which implies, for  $-h \leq u \leq 0$ , that

$$u_{+} = O(\rho_p^{\delta - 1/2}) .$$

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