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Problem Set 7 - Solutions

Problem 8.12.2

Stress equilibrium at the interface requires that

$$-\Pi - p'_d + p'_e - T_{rr}|_{R+\xi} = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{p}^d = -\mu_0 H_0^2 \frac{\hat{\xi}}{R} + \mu_0 H_0 h_\theta^e; \quad \Pi = \frac{1}{2} \mu_0 H_0^2. \quad (1)$$

Also, at the interface flux is conserved, so

$$\bar{n} \cdot \bar{H}|_{R+\xi} = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{h}_r^e = -j \frac{H_0 m}{R} \hat{\xi}, \quad (2)$$

while at the inner rod surface

$$\hat{h}_r^f = 0. \quad (3)$$

At the outer wall,

$$\hat{\xi}^c = 0. \quad (4)$$

Bulk transfer relations are

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{p}^c \\ \hat{p}^d \end{bmatrix} = -\rho \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} F_m(R, a) & G_m(a, R) \\ G_m(R, a) & F_m(a, R) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \hat{\xi} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{h}_\theta^e \\ \hat{h}_\theta^f \end{bmatrix} = \frac{j m}{R} \begin{bmatrix} F_m(b, R) & G_m(R, b) \\ G_m(b, R) & F_m(R, b) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{h}_r^e \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (6)$$

The dispersion equation follows by substituting Eq. (1) for \hat{p}^d in Eq. (5b) with \hat{h}_θ^e from Eq. (6a). On the right in Eq. (5b), Eq. (2) is substituted. Hence,

$$-\frac{\mu_0 H_0^2}{R} \hat{\xi} + \mu_0 H_0 j m F_m(b, R) \frac{(-j H_0 m)}{R} \hat{\xi} = -\rho \omega^2 F_m(a, R) \hat{\xi}. \quad (7)$$

Thus, the dispersion equation is

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\mu_0 H_0^2}{\rho R F_m(a, R)} \left[1 - \frac{m^2}{R} F_m(b, R) \right]. \quad (8)$$

From the reciprocity energy conditions discussed in Sec. 2.17, $F_m(a, R) > 0$ and $F_m(b, R) < 0$, so Eq. (8) gives real values of ω regardless of k . The system is stable.

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Solution to Problem 8.12.2 in Melcher, James R. *Solutions Manual for Continuum Electromechanics*, 1982, p. 8.18.

Problem 8.13.1

In static equilibrium, the radial stress balance becomes

$$[p] = [T_{rr}] - \gamma \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) \quad (9)$$

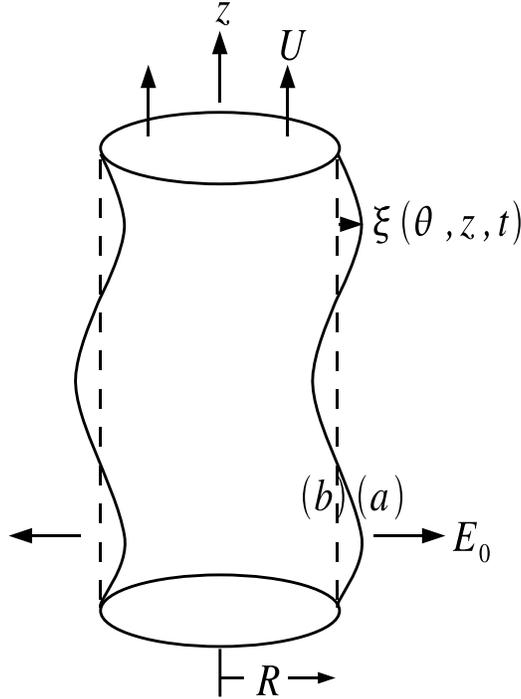


Figure 1: A cylindrical liquid column of equilibrium radius R moves with velocity U in the z direction and has a radial electric field for $r > R + \xi(\theta, z, t)$ (Image by MIT OpenCourseWare.)

so that the pressure jump under this condition is

$$[\Pi] = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E_0^2 - \frac{\gamma}{R}. \quad (10)$$

In the region surrounding the column, the electric field intensity takes the form

$$\bar{E} = E_0 \frac{R}{r} \bar{i}_r + \bar{e}; \quad \bar{e} = -\nabla\Phi \quad (11)$$

while inside the column the electric field is zero and the pressure is given by

$$p = \Pi_b + p'(r, \theta, z, t) = \Pi_b + \Re[\hat{p}(r)e^{j(\omega t - m\theta - kz)}]. \quad (12)$$

Electrical boundary conditions require that the perturbation potential vanish as r becomes large and that the tangential field vanish on the deformable surface of the column.

$$\bar{n} \times \bar{E}|_{r=R+\xi} \cong \begin{bmatrix} \bar{i}_r & \bar{i}_\theta & \bar{i}_z \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \theta} & -\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial z} \\ E_0 \frac{R}{r} + e_r & e_\theta & e_z \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow e_z = -E_0 \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial z}. \quad (13)$$

In terms of complex amplitudes, with $\hat{e}_z = jk\hat{\Phi}$,

$$\hat{\Phi}^a = E_0 \hat{\xi}. \quad (14)$$

Stress balance in the radial direction at the interface requires that (with some linearization) ($p'_a \approx 0$)

$$\Pi_a - \Pi_b - p'_b = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 \left[E_0 \frac{R}{R+\xi} + e_r \right]^2 + (T_s)_r. \quad (15)$$

To linear terms, this becomes (Eqs. (f) and (h), Table 7.6.2 for \bar{T}_s)

$$\hat{p}_b = \frac{\epsilon_0 E_0^2}{R} \hat{\xi} - \epsilon_0 E_0 \hat{e}_r^a - \frac{\gamma}{R^2} (1 - m^2 - (kR)^2) \hat{\xi}. \quad (16)$$

Bulk relations representing the fields surrounding the column and the fluid within are Eq. (a) of Table 2.16.2 and (f) of Table 7.9.1:

$$\hat{e}_r^a = f_m(\infty, R) \hat{\Phi}^a, \quad (17)$$

$$\hat{p}^b = j(\omega - kU) \rho F_m(0, R) \hat{\vartheta}_r. \quad (18)$$

Recall that $\hat{\vartheta}_r = j(\omega - kU) \hat{\xi}$, and it follows that Eqs. (17), (18) and (14) can be substituted into the stress balance equation to obtain

$$-(\omega - kU)^2 \rho F_m(0, R) \hat{\xi} = \frac{\epsilon_0 E_0^2}{R} \hat{\xi} - \epsilon_0 E_0^2 f_m(\infty, R) \hat{\xi} - \frac{\gamma}{R^2} (1 - m^2 - k^2 R^2) \hat{\xi}. \quad (19)$$

If the amplitude is to be finite, the coefficients must equilibrate. The result is the dispersion equation given with the problem.

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Solution to Problem 8.13.1 in Melcher, James R. *Solutions Manual for Continuum Electromechanics*, 1982, pp. 8.23-8.24.