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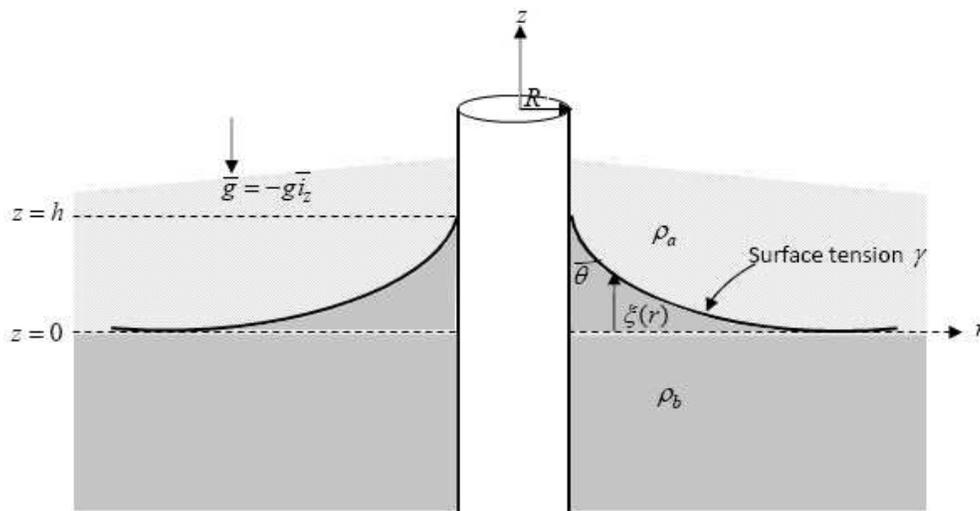
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## Final Exam - Solutions 2008

## Problem 1

A

Figure 1: Two superposed fluids surround and wet a cylindrical rod of radius  $R$ .

Two superposed fluids surround and wet a cylindrical rod of radius  $R$ . The interfacial surface tension is  $\gamma$  and fluid/rod contact angle is  $\theta$ . The lower fluid has mass density  $\rho_b$  and the upper fluid has mass density  $\rho_a$  where  $\rho_b > \rho_a$ . The vertical displacement of the fluid interface  $\xi(r)$  is a function of the radial position  $r$  rising to a height  $h$  at the rod surface at  $r = R$ . Thus the fluid/rod interface at  $r = R$  has the interface height  $h$  and contact angle relationships

$$\xi(r=R) = h, \quad \left. \frac{d\xi}{dr} \right|_{r=R} = -\cot(\theta)$$

We assume that there is no variation with the angle  $\phi$  and that the maximum interfacial displacement  $h$  is small enough that a linear analysis for  $\xi(r)$  can be assumed. Gravity is  $\bar{g} = -g\bar{i}_z$ .

**Question:** Far from the cylinder ( $r \gg R$ ) the fluid interface is at  $z = 0$ . For  $r = \infty$  what is the difference in pressures just below and just above the interface,

$$\Delta P(r = \infty, z = 0) = P_b(r = \infty, z = 0_-) - P_a(r = \infty, z = 0_+)?$$

**Solution:**

Interfacial Force Balance at  $r = \infty, z = 0$ :

$$P_b(r = \infty, z = 0_-) = P_a(r = \infty, z = 0_+)$$

$$\Delta P(r = \infty, z = 0) = P_b(r = \infty, z = 0_-) - P_a(r = \infty, z = 0_+) = 0$$

## B

**Question:** Defining the function  $F(r, z) = z - \xi(r)$ , the interface between the two fluids is located where  $F(r, z) = 0$ . To linear terms in  $\xi(r)$  what is the unit interfacial normal  $\bar{n}$ ?

**Solution:**

$$F(r, z) = z - \xi(r)$$

$$\bar{n} = \frac{\nabla F}{|\nabla F|} \Big|_{F(r,z)=0} = \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial r} \bar{i}_r + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \phi} \bar{i}_\phi + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \bar{i}_z}{\left[ \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial r} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \phi} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}} = \bar{i}_z - \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial r} \bar{i}_r$$

## C

**Question:** The surface tension force per unit area is given by  $\bar{T}_s = -\gamma (\nabla \bullet \bar{n}) \bar{n}$ . What is  $\bar{T}_s$ ?

**Solution:**

$$\bar{T}_s = -\gamma (\nabla \bullet \bar{n}) \bar{n} = -\gamma \left[ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (rn_r)}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial n_\phi}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\partial n_z}{\partial z} \right] \bar{n}$$

$$n_r = -\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial r}, n_\phi = 0, n_z = 1$$

$$\bar{T}_s = +\gamma \left[ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (r \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial r})}{\partial r} \right] \left( \bar{i}_z - \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial r} \bar{i}_r \right)$$

## D

**Question:** Using Bernoulli's law and interfacial force balance the governing linear equation for interfacial shape  $\xi(r)$  can be written in the form

$$A(r) \frac{d^2 \xi(r)}{dr^2} + B(r) \frac{d\xi(r)}{dr} + C(r, \xi(r)) = 0$$

What are  $A(r), B(r)$  and  $C(r)$ ?

**Solution:**

$$P_b(r, z = \xi_-(r)) + \rho_b g \xi(r) = P_b(r = \infty, z = 0_-)$$

$$P_a(r, z = \xi_+(r)) + \rho_a g \xi(r) = P_a(r = \infty, z = 0_+)$$

$$P_b(r, z = \xi_-(r)) - P_a(r = \xi_+(r)) - \gamma \nabla \bullet \bar{n} = 0$$

$$-g(\rho_b - \rho_a) \xi(r) + \frac{\gamma}{r} \frac{d \left( r \frac{d\xi}{dr} \right)}{dr} = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 \xi(r)}{dr^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{d\xi(r)}{dr} - \frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a) \xi(r)}{\gamma} = 0$$

$$r^2 \frac{d^2 \xi(r)}{dr^2} + r \frac{d\xi(r)}{dr} - \frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma} r^2 \xi(r) = 0$$

$$A(r) \frac{d^2 \xi(r)}{dr^2} + B(r) \frac{d\xi(r)}{dr} - \frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma} r^2 \xi(r) = 0$$

$$A(r) = r^2, B(r) = r, C(r, \xi(r)) = -\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma} r^2 \xi(r)$$

**E**

**Question:** Taking  $\xi(r=R) = h$  and  $\xi(r=\infty) = 0$ , solve for  $\xi(r)$ .

**Solution:**

$$\xi(r) = C_1 I_0(\alpha r) + C_2 K_0(\alpha r), \alpha = \sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}}$$

$$\xi(r=\infty) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = 0$$

$$\xi(r=R) = C_2 K_0(\alpha R) = h \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{h}{K_0(\alpha R)}$$

$$\xi(r) = h \frac{K_0(\alpha r)}{K_0(\alpha R)} = h \frac{K_0\left(\sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}} r\right)}{K_0\left(\sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}} R\right)}$$

**F**

**Question:** How is  $h$  related to the contact angle  $\theta$ ?

**Solution:**

$$\left. \frac{d\xi}{dr} \right|_{r=R} = -\cot \theta = -h \sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}} \frac{K_1\left(\sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}} r\right)}{K_0\left(\sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}} R\right)} \Bigg|_{r=R}$$

$$h = \frac{\cot \theta}{\sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}}} \frac{K_0\left(\sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}} R\right)}{K_1\left(\sqrt{\frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}} R\right)}$$

## Problem 2

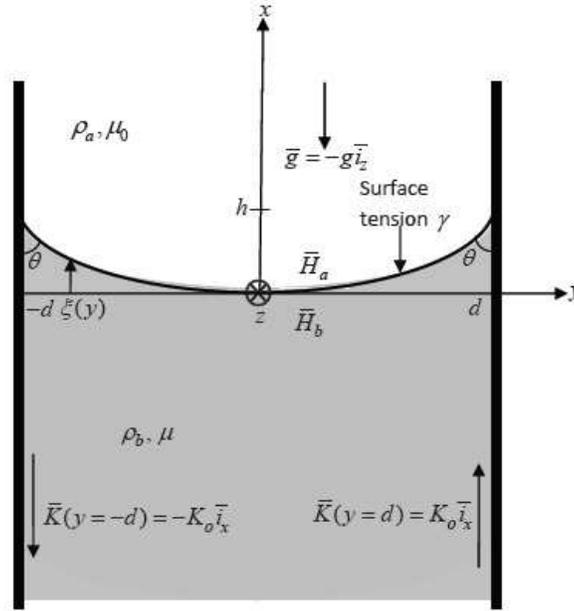


Figure 2: Two superposed and perfectly electrically insulating fluids are contained between parallel plate walls at  $y = \pm d$  carrying surface currents  $\pm K_0 \bar{i}_x$ .

Two superposed and perfectly electrically insulating fluids are contained between vertical plane walls at  $y = \pm d$ . The fluid interface has surface tension  $\gamma$  and the identical wall contact angles at  $y = \pm d$  are  $\theta$ . The lower fluid is a ferrofluid with mass density  $\rho_b$  and magnetic permeability  $\mu$  and the upper fluid is non-magnetic with mass density  $\rho_a$  and magnetic permeability  $\mu_0$  with  $\rho_b > \rho_a$ . The vertical displacement of the fluid interface  $\xi(y)$  is a function of position  $y$  rising to a height  $h$  at  $y = \pm d$ . Thus the fluid/wall interface at  $y = \pm d$  has the interface height  $h$  and contact angle relationships

$$\xi(y = d) = \xi(y = -d) = h$$

$$\left. \frac{d\xi}{dy} \right|_{y=d} = - \left. \frac{d\xi}{dy} \right|_{y=-d} = \cot(\theta)$$

The vertical plane walls at  $y = \pm d$  are perfectly conducting and carry oppositely directed surface currents  $\bar{K}(y = d) = -\bar{K}(y = -d) = K_0 \bar{i}_x$

We assume that there is no variation with the  $z$  coordinate and that the maximum interfacial displacement  $h$  is small enough that a linear analysis for  $\xi(y)$  can be assumed. Gravity is  $\bar{g} = -g \bar{i}_x$ .

**A**

**Question:** The magnetic field is assumed to be spatially uniform in both fluids given by

$$\bar{H} = \begin{cases} \bar{H}_a & (\text{upper fluid}) \\ \bar{H}_b & (\text{lower fluid}) \end{cases}$$

What are  $\overline{H}_a$  and  $\overline{H}_b$  (magnitude and direction)?

**Solution:**

$$\overline{H}_a = \overline{H}_b = -K_0 \vec{i}_z$$

**B**

**Question:** Defining the function  $F(x, y) = x - \xi(y)$ , the interface between the two fluids is located where  $F(x, y) = 0$ . To linear terms in  $\xi(y)$  what is the interfacial normal  $\overline{n}$ ?

**Solution:**

$$F(x, y) = x - \xi(y)$$

$$\overline{n} = \nabla F = \vec{i}_x - \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} \vec{i}_y$$

**C**

**Question:** The surface tension force per unit area is given by  $\overline{T}_s = -\gamma (\nabla \bullet \overline{n}) \overline{n}$ . What is  $\overline{T}_s$ ?

**Solution:**

$$\overline{T}_s = -\gamma (\nabla \bullet \overline{n}) \overline{n} = -\gamma \overline{n} \left( -\frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial y^2} \right) = \gamma \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial y^2} \overline{n}$$

**D**

**Question:** Using Bernoulli's law within each region find the difference in the pressures just below and above the interface at any position  $\xi(y)$ ,

$$\Delta p(y) = P_b(\xi_-(y)) - P_a(\xi_+(y))$$

in terms of given parameters and the pressures just below and just above the interface at  $y = 0$

$$\Delta p(y=0) = P_b(x=0_-, y=0) - P_a(x=0_+, y=0)$$

**Note:** It is not yet possible to find the pressure difference  $\Delta p(y=0)$ . You will be able to find this in part(f).

**Solution:**

$$P_b(y) + \rho_b g \xi = P_b(x=0_-, y=0) \Rightarrow \Delta p(y) = P_b(y) - P_a(y) = \Delta p(y=0) - g(\rho_b - \rho_a) \xi$$

$$P_a(y) + \rho_a g \xi = P_a(x=0_+, y=0)$$

**E**

**Question:** Using the result of part (D) and interfacial force balance including the magnetic surface force the governing linear equation for  $\xi(y)$  can be written in the form

$$\frac{d^2 \xi(y)}{dy^2} - A \xi(y) = -B$$

What are  $A$  and  $B$ ?

**Solution:** 
$$\left( \underbrace{P_b(y) - P_a(y)}_{\Delta p(y)} + \gamma \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial y^2} \right) n_i + \|T_{ij} n_j\| = 0$$

Take  $i = x \Rightarrow n_x = 1, n_y = -\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y}, n_z = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{ij}n_j &= T_{xx}n_x + T_{xy}n_y + T_{xz}n_z \overset{0}{\rightarrow} \\
T_{xx} &= \frac{\mu}{2} \left( H_x^2 - H_y^2 - H_z^2 \right) = -\frac{\mu}{2} K_0^2; \|T_{xx}n_x\| = -\frac{(\mu_0 - \mu)}{2} K_0^2 \\
T_{xy} &= \mu H_x H_y = 0 \\
\Delta p_y + \gamma \frac{d^2 \xi}{dy^2} + \frac{\mu - \mu_0}{2} K_0^2 &= 0 \\
\gamma \frac{d^2 \xi}{dy^2} - g(\rho_b - \rho_a) \xi + \Delta p(y=0) + \frac{(\mu - \mu_0)}{2} K_0^2 &= 0 \\
\frac{d^2 \xi}{dy^2} - \frac{(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma} \xi + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[ \Delta p(y=0) + \frac{(\mu - \mu_0)}{2} K_0^2 \right] &= 0 \\
A = \frac{g(\rho_b - \rho_a)}{\gamma}, B = \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[ \Delta p(y=0) + \frac{(\mu - \mu_0)}{2} K_0^2 \right] \\
\frac{d^2 \xi}{dy^2} - A \xi &= -B
\end{aligned}$$

**F**

**Question:** Taking  $\xi(y=d) = \xi(y=-d) = h$  and that  $\xi(y=0) = 0$  solve for  $\xi(y)$  in terms of given parameters and  $\Delta p(y=0)$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
\xi(y) &= \frac{B}{A} + C_1 \cosh \sqrt{A}y + C_2 \sinh \sqrt{A}y \\
\xi(y=d) = h &= \frac{B}{A} + C_1 \cosh \sqrt{A}d + C_2 \sinh \sqrt{A}d \\
\xi(y=-d) = h &= \frac{B}{A} + C_1 \cosh \sqrt{A}d - C_2 \sinh \sqrt{A}d \\
\text{Subtract:} \\
2C_2 \sinh \sqrt{A}d &= 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = 0 \\
h &= \frac{B}{A} + C_1 \cosh \sqrt{A}d \Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{h - \frac{B}{A}}{\cosh \sqrt{A}d} \\
\xi(y) &= \frac{B}{A} + \frac{h - \frac{B}{A}}{\cosh \sqrt{A}d} \cosh \sqrt{A}y
\end{aligned}$$

**G**

**Question:** Solve for the pressure difference just below and just above the interface at  $y=0$ ,  $\Delta p(y=0)$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
\xi(y=0) &= \frac{B}{A} + \frac{h - \frac{B}{A}}{\cosh \sqrt{A}d} = 0 \Rightarrow h = \frac{B}{A} \left( 1 - \cosh \sqrt{A}d \right) \\
B &= \frac{Ah}{1 - \cosh \sqrt{A}d} = \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu - \mu_0}{2} \right) K_0^2 + \underbrace{P_b(x=0_-, y=0) - P_a(x=0_+, y=0)}_{\Delta p(y=0)} \right] \\
\Delta p(y=0) &= P_b(x=0_-, y=0) - P_a(x=0_+, y=0) = - \left( \frac{\mu - \mu_0}{2} \right) K_0^2 - \frac{Ah\gamma}{\cosh \sqrt{A}d - 1}
\end{aligned}$$

**H****Question:** How is  $h$  related to the contact angle  $\theta$ ?**Solution:**

$$\left. \frac{d\xi}{dy} \right|_{y=d} = \cot \theta = \frac{\sqrt{A} \left( h - \frac{B}{A} \right)}{\cosh \sqrt{Ad}} \sinh \sqrt{Ad} = \sqrt{A} \left( h - \frac{B}{A} \right) \tanh \sqrt{Ad}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{B}{A} &= \frac{1}{\gamma A} \left[ \Delta p(y=0) + \frac{(\mu - \mu_0)}{2} K_0^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\gamma A} \left[ \cancel{-\left(\mu - \mu_0\right) \frac{K_0^2}{2}} + \frac{Ah\gamma}{\cosh \sqrt{Ad} - 1} + \cancel{\left(\frac{\mu - \mu_0}{2}\right) K_0^2} \right] \\ &= \frac{h}{\cosh \sqrt{Ad} - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\cot \theta = \sqrt{A} h \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\cosh \sqrt{Ad} - 1} \right) \tanh \sqrt{Ad}$$

### Problem 3

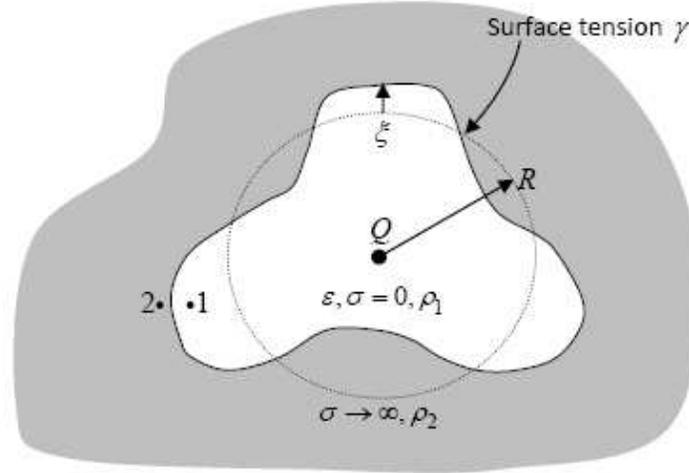


Figure 3: A point charge  $Q$  is located at the center of a perfectly insulating liquid spherical drop surrounded by a perfectly conducting liquid of infinite extent.

A point charge  $Q$  is located at the center of a perfectly insulating liquid spherical drop with mass density  $\rho_1$  with dielectric permittivity  $\epsilon$ . This drop is surrounded by a perfectly conducting liquid of mass density  $\rho_2$  that extends to  $r = \infty$ . The point charge  $Q$  is fixed to  $r = 0$  and cannot move from this position. The fluid interface has surface tension  $\gamma$ . As the interface is radially perturbed by displacement  $\xi(\theta, \phi, t) = \text{Re} \left[ \hat{\xi} P_n^m(\cos \theta) e^{j(\omega t - m\phi)} \right]$  all perturbation variables change as:

$$\text{Fluid velocity: } \bar{v}(r, \theta, \phi, t) = \text{Re} \left[ (\hat{v}_r(r) \bar{i}_r + \hat{v}_\theta(r) \bar{i}_\theta + \hat{v}_\phi(r) \bar{i}_\phi) P_n^m(\cos \theta) e^{j(\omega t - m\phi)} \right] \quad 0 < r < \infty \quad (\text{both regions})$$

$$\text{Pressure: } p(r, \theta, \phi, t) = \text{Re} \left[ \hat{p}(r) P_n^m(\cos \theta) e^{j(\omega t - m\phi)} \right] \quad 0 < r < \infty \quad (\text{both regions})$$

$$\text{Electric field: } \bar{e}(r, \theta, \phi, t) = \text{Re} \left[ (\hat{e}_r(r) \bar{i}_r + \hat{e}_\theta(r) \bar{i}_\theta + \hat{e}_\phi(r) \bar{i}_\phi) P_n^m(\cos \theta) e^{j(\omega t - m\phi)} \right] \quad 0 < r < R + \xi \quad (\text{inner droplet})$$

$$\text{Electric potential: } \bar{e} = -\nabla \Phi, \Phi(r, \theta, \phi, t) = \text{Re} \left[ \hat{\Phi}(r) P_n^m(\cos \theta) e^{j(\omega t - m\phi)} \right] \quad 0 < r < R + \xi \quad (\text{inner droplet})$$

A position just inside the interface at  $r = (R + \xi)_-$  is labeled 1 and just outside the interface at  $r = (R + \xi)_+$  is labeled 2.

**A**

**Question:** What is the equilibrium electric potential  $\Phi(r)$ , and electric field  $\bar{E}(r) = -\nabla \Phi$  within the inner droplet for  $0 < r < R$ .

**Solution:**

$$\Phi(r) = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r}, E_r(r) = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \quad 0 < r < R$$

**B**

**Question:** What is the equilibrium jump in pressure across the spherical interface  $\Delta p(r = R) =$

$p_1(r = R_-) - p_2(r = R_+)$ ?

**Solution:** Equilibrium ( $\xi(r = R) = 0$ ):  $p_1 - p_2 - \frac{2\gamma}{R} - T_{rr1} = 0$

$$T_{rr1} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \left( E_r^2 - \cancel{E_\theta^2} - \cancel{E_\phi^2} \right) \Big|_{r=R} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} [E_r(r = R)]^2 = \left( \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{2\epsilon}$$

$$\Delta p = p_1 - p_2 = \frac{2\gamma}{R} + \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \left( \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2} \right)^2$$

### C

**Question:** What boundary condition must the total electric field satisfy at the  $r = R + \xi$  interface? Apply this boundary condition to determine the perturbation electric scalar potential complex amplitude  $\hat{\Phi}(r = R_-)$  in terms of interfacial displacement complex amplitude  $\hat{\xi}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\bar{n} \times \bar{E}(r = R + \xi) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\left[ \bar{i}_r - \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \theta} \bar{i}_\theta - \frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \phi} \bar{i}_\phi \right] \times \left[ \left( E_r(r = R) + \frac{dE_r}{dr} \Big|_{r=R} \xi + e_{r1} \right) \bar{i}_r + e_{\theta 1} \bar{i}_\theta + e_{\phi 1} \bar{i}_\phi \right]_{r=R} \xi = 0$$

$$\bar{i}_\phi \left( e_{\theta 1} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \theta} E_r(r = R) \right) - \bar{i}_\theta \left( e_{\phi 1} + \frac{E_r(r = R)}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \phi} \right) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{e} = -\nabla \Phi' &\Rightarrow e_\theta = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \Phi'}{\partial \theta} \Big|_{r=R} = -\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \Phi'}{\partial \theta} \Big|_{r=R} \\ e_\phi &= -\frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \Phi'}{\partial \phi} \Big|_{r=R} = -\frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \Phi'}{\partial \phi} \Big|_{r=R} \end{aligned}$$

$$e_{\theta 1} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \theta} \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon R^2} = -\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \left[ \Phi'(r = R) - \frac{Q\xi}{4\pi \epsilon R^2} \right]}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

$$\Phi'(r = R) = \frac{Q\xi}{4\pi \epsilon R^2}$$

$$e_{\phi 1} + \frac{E_r(r = R)}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \phi} = -\frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \left[ \Phi'(r = R) - \frac{Q\xi}{4\pi \epsilon R^2} \right]}{\partial \phi} = 0$$

$$\Phi'(r = R) = \frac{Q\xi}{4\pi \epsilon R^2}$$

$$\hat{\Phi}(r = R) = \frac{Q\hat{\xi}}{4\pi \epsilon R^2}$$

### D

**Question:** What are the perturbation pressure complex amplitudes  $\hat{p}_1$  and  $\hat{p}_2$  at both sides of the  $r = R + \xi$  interface in terms of interfacial displacement complex amplitude  $\hat{\xi}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\hat{p}_1 = j\omega \rho_1 [F_n(0, R) \hat{v}_{r1} + G_n(R, 0) \hat{v}_r(r = 0)]$$

$$\hat{p}_2 = j\omega\rho_2 [G_n(R, \infty) \hat{v}_r(r = \infty) + F_n(\infty, R) \hat{v}_{r2}]$$

$$\hat{v}_{r1} = \hat{v}_{r2} = j\omega\hat{\xi}$$

$$F_n[x, y] = \frac{\frac{y}{x} \left[ \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^n + \frac{1}{n+1} \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{n+1} \right]}{\left[ \frac{1}{y} \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^n - \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^n \right]}$$

$$G_n[x, y] = \frac{y}{x} \frac{2n+1}{n(n+1)} \frac{1}{\left[ \frac{1}{y} \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^n - \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^n \right]}$$

$$F_n[0, R] = -\frac{R}{n}, F_n[\infty, R] = \frac{R}{n+1}$$

$$G_n[R, 0] = 0, G_n[R, \infty] = 0 \quad (n \neq 0, 1)$$

$$\hat{p}_1 = j\omega\rho_1 F_n(0, R) (j\omega\hat{\xi}) = +\frac{\rho_1\omega^2 R}{n} \hat{\xi}$$

$$\hat{p}_2 = j\omega\rho_2 F_n(\infty, R) (j\omega\hat{\xi}) = -\frac{\rho_2\omega^2 R}{n+1} \hat{\xi}$$

### E

**Question:** What is the radial component of the perturbation interfacial stress complex amplitude  $\hat{T}_{sr}$  due to surface tension in terms of interfacial displacement complex amplitude  $\hat{\xi}$ ?

**Solution:**

$$\hat{T}_{sr} = -\frac{\gamma}{R^2} (n-1)(n+2) \hat{\xi}$$

### F

**Question:** What is the perturbation radial electric field complex amplitude  $\hat{e}_r(r = R_-)$  in terms of  $\hat{\Phi}(r = R_-)$ ? Using the results of part (C) express  $\hat{e}_r(r = R_-)$  in terms of  $\hat{\xi}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\hat{e}_{r1} = -\frac{n}{R} \hat{\Phi}_1 = -\frac{nQ\hat{\xi}}{4\pi\epsilon R^3}$$

### G

**Question:** Find the dispersion relation. Is the spherical droplet stabilized or destabilized by the electric field from the point charge  $Q$ ?

**Solution:**

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 - \frac{\gamma}{R^2} (n-1)(n+2) \hat{\xi} - T_{rj} n_j = 0$$

$$T_{rj} n_j = T_{rr} n_r + T_{r\theta} n_\theta + T_{r\phi} n_\phi, n_r = 1, n_\theta = -\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \theta}, n_\phi = -\frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \phi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{rr}|_{r=R+\xi} &= \frac{\epsilon}{2} \left[ (E_r(r=R+\xi) + e_r(r=R))^2 - e^2(r=R) - e_\phi^2(r=R) \right] \\ &= \frac{\epsilon}{2} \left[ \left( E_r(r=R) + \left. \frac{dE_r}{dr} \right|_{r=R} \xi + e_r(r=R) \right)^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$T_{rr}(r=R+\xi) = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \left[ E_r^2(r=R) + 2E_r(r=R) \left[ \left. \frac{dE_r}{dr} \right|_{r=R} \xi + e_r(r=R) \right] \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} T'_{rr}(r=R+\xi) &= \epsilon E_r(r=R) \left[ \left. \frac{dE_r}{dr} \right|_{r=R} \xi + e_r(r=R) \right] \\ &= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon R^2} \left[ -\frac{Q}{2\pi\epsilon R^3} \xi - \frac{n}{R} \Phi'_1 \right] \\ &= -\frac{Q^2}{8\pi^2\epsilon R^5} \xi - \frac{Q}{4\pi R^3} n \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon R^2} \xi \\ &= -\frac{Q^2}{8\pi^2\epsilon R^5} \xi \left[ 1 + \frac{n}{2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r\theta n_\theta}|_{r=R+\xi} &= \epsilon E_r(r=R+\xi) e_\theta(r=R) \left( -\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \theta} \right) \\ &= 0 \quad (\text{Second Order}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r\phi n_\phi}|_{r=R+\xi} &= \epsilon E_r(r=R+\xi) e_\phi(r=R) \left( -\frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \phi} \right) \\ &= 0 \quad (\text{Second Order}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 - \frac{\gamma}{R^2} (n-1)(n+2) \hat{\xi} + \frac{Q^2 \hat{\xi}}{8\pi^2 \epsilon R^5} \left( 1 + \frac{n}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\omega^2 R \left( \frac{\rho_1}{n} + \frac{\rho_2}{n+1} \right) = \frac{\gamma}{R^2} (n-1)(n+2) - \frac{Q^2}{8\pi^2 \epsilon R^5} \left( 1 + \frac{n}{2} \right)$$

Electric field destabilizes interface.

## H

**Question:** If (G) is stabilizing, what is the lowest oscillation frequency? If (G) is destabilizing, what is the lowest value of  $n$  that is unstable and what is the growth rate of the instability? What value of  $Q$  will only have one unstable mode?

**Solution:**

$n = 1$  First unstable mode.  $n = 2$  and larger are stable if  $\frac{4\gamma}{R^2} > \frac{Q^2}{8\pi^2 \epsilon R^5}$  (2) or  $Q^2 < 16\gamma R^3 \pi^2 \epsilon$

$$|Q| < 4\pi [\epsilon \gamma R^3]^{1/2}$$