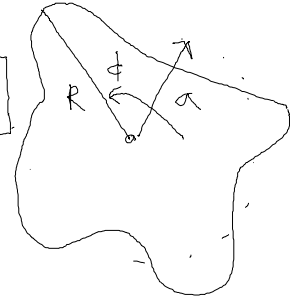


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Lec 38 Nearly Circular Membrane

Expand b.c. in Fourier series

$$R(\phi) = a \left[1 + \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} (\epsilon_p \cos p\phi + \bar{\epsilon}_p \sin p\phi) \right]$$



(A) $[\nabla^2 + k^2] \psi(r, \phi) = 0$

(B) $\psi(r=R(\phi), \phi) = 0$

Choose origin of circle

$$\epsilon_1 = \bar{\epsilon}_1 = 0 \quad \langle R \rangle = a$$

Area of Membrane

$$A = \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^{R(\phi)} r dr = \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{R^2(\phi)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \left[1 + 2 \sum_{p=2}^{\infty} (\epsilon_p \cos p\phi + \bar{\epsilon}_p \sin p\phi) + O(\epsilon^2) \right]$$

$$A = \pi a^2 + O(\epsilon^2)$$

Expand general solution of (A) in solutions for a circular membrane. These don't satisfy our b.c. but are a complete set.

$$\psi(r, \phi) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} J_m(kr) (A_m \cos m\phi + B_m \sin m\phi)$$

Choose k, A_m, B_m to satisfy (B)

[expect $A_0 = 1$ convenient normalization]

$$A_m, B_m = O(\epsilon) \quad m \geq 1$$

Expand

$$\rho(R(\phi), \phi) = 0$$

To First order in ϵ ,

$$J_0 \left\{ k_a \left[1 + \sum_{p=2}^{\infty} (\epsilon_p \cos p\phi + \bar{\epsilon}_p \sin p\phi) \right] \right\}$$

$$+ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} J_m(kR\phi) (A_m \cos m\phi + B_m \sin m\phi) = 0$$

To First order $J_m(kR\phi) \approx J_m(ka)$ because $J_0(x) \approx J_0(x_0) + (x-x_0)J_0'(x_0)$
 side \in A_m, B_m all ready

$$J_0(ka) + k_a J_0'(ka) \sum_{p=2}^{\infty} (\epsilon_p \cos p\phi + \bar{\epsilon}_p \sin p\phi) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} J_m(ka) (A_m \cos m\phi + B_m \sin m\phi) = 0$$

True for all $\phi \Rightarrow$ Must be true for each power of $\cos m\phi, \sin m\phi$

$$m=0: \quad \boxed{J_0(ka) = 0}$$

$$m=1: \quad \begin{matrix} J_0(ka) A_1 \\ J_1'(ka) B_1 = 0 \end{matrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{matrix} A_1 = 0 \\ B_1 = 0 \end{matrix}}$$

$$m \geq 2: \quad \begin{matrix} k_a J_0'(ka) \epsilon_m = -J_m(ka) A_m \\ k_a J_0'(ka) \bar{\epsilon}_m = -J_m(ka) B_m \end{matrix}$$

Note $J_0' = -J_1(ka)$

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} A_m = \epsilon_m k_a J_1(ka) / J_m(ka) & m \geq 2 \\ B_m = \bar{\epsilon}_m k_a J_1(ka) / J_m(ka) \end{matrix}}$$

From $m=0$ equation

$$J_0(ka) = 0 \Rightarrow k = \alpha_{0,n} / a$$

$$\omega_{0,n} = \alpha_{0,n} c / a + O(\epsilon^2)$$

For nearly circularly symmetric modes. Thus ω is unchanged to order ϵ as shape is distorted from a circle

Lowest mode $\alpha_{0,1} = 2.4048$

$$\frac{\omega_{0,1}}{c} = \frac{2.4048}{a} \quad \therefore \frac{2.4048 \pi^{1/2}}{A^{1/2}} = \boxed{\frac{4.2624}{A^{1/2}}}$$

Compare this to a square

$$\frac{\omega_{1,1}}{c} = \frac{(2\pi^2)^{1/2}}{a} = \frac{(2\pi^2)^{1/2}}{A^{1/2}} = \boxed{\frac{4.4429}{A^{1/2}}}$$

square

The frequency for a square is calc 4% higher than for a circle.

Note a square is not a small perturbation on a circle. Nevertheless the result is consistent with the frequency being unchanged to order ϵ .

If one expands to second order in ϵ ($\bar{r} = R(1, \epsilon) = c$) one can show

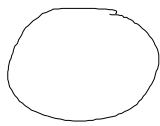
$$\frac{\delta \omega_{0,n}}{\omega_n} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p=2}^{\infty} \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_{0,n} J'_p(\alpha_{0,n})}{J_p(\alpha_{0,n})} \right] \frac{1}{\bar{r}_p^2 + \bar{r}_p^2} \geq 0$$

Since this is a positive function of $\epsilon_p^2, \bar{\epsilon}_p^2$
we conclude

⇒ A circular membrane has the lowest frequency of any shaped membrane of a given area.

It is consistent with the square being 4% higher than a circle.

Clearly in the limit of a long very narrow rectangle the frequency will be much higher than for a circle.



Circle



Long rectangle of same area. Need lots of curvature in y direction