

EE757
Numerical Techniques in Electromagnetics
Lecture 13

2D FEM

- We consider a 2D differential equation of the form

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\alpha_x \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\alpha_y \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} \right) + \beta \varphi = f, \quad (x, y) \in \Omega$$

subject to $\varphi = p$ on Γ_1

$$\left(\alpha_x \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \alpha_y \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} \right) \cdot \mathbf{n} + \gamma \varphi = q \quad \text{on } \Gamma_2$$

where $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2$ is the contour enclosing the domain Ω and \mathbf{n} is the unit outward normal

- Notice that the boundary conditions may be a Dirichlet, Neuman or mixed Dirichlet and Neuman.
- α_x , α_y and β are functions associated with the physical parameters and f is the excitation

2D FEM (Cont'd)

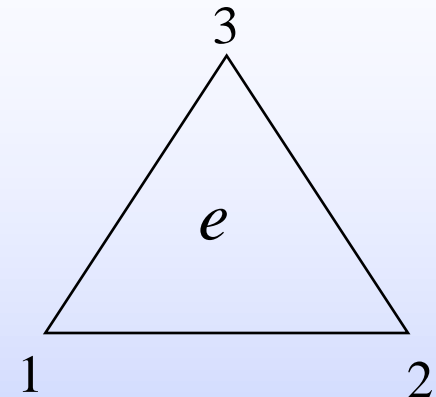
- The functional associated with this problem is

$$F(\varphi) = 0.5 \iint_{\Omega} \left[\alpha_x \left(\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \alpha_y \left(\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \beta \varphi^2 \right] d\Omega$$
$$- \iint_{\Omega} f \varphi d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_2} \left[\frac{\gamma}{2} \varphi^2 - q \varphi \right] d\Gamma$$

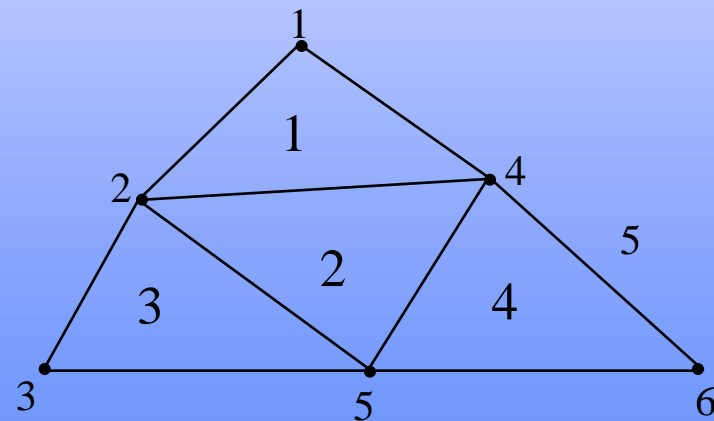
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2D FEM Analysis

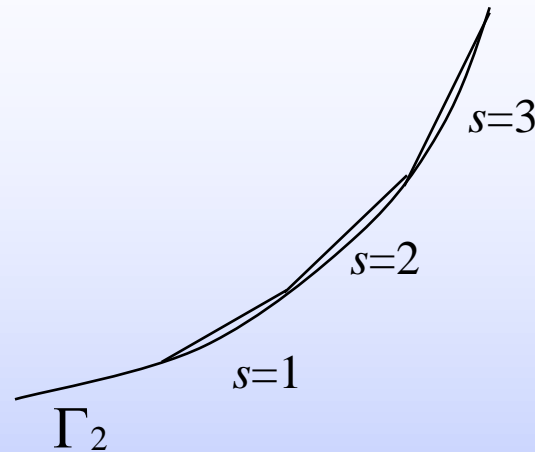
- The computational domain is divided into triangles (elements)
- Each node has both a local and a global index
- A connectivity array $n(i,e)$, $i=1, 2, 3$ and $e=1, 2, \dots, M$ stores the global indices of the nodes



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2D FEM Analysis (Cont'd)



- We assume that there are M_s line segments on Γ_2
- We store the index array $n_s(i,s)$, $i=1, 2$ and $s=1, 2, \dots, M_s$ of global indices of nodes on Γ_2

Input Data to the 2D FEM Analysis

- The coordinates of the nodes $\mathbf{r}_i=(x_i,y_i)$, $i=1, 2, \dots, N$, where N is the total number of nodes
- The values of α_x , α_y , β and f for each element
- The value of p for each node residing on Γ_1
- The value of γ and q for each segment with nodes on Γ_2
- The two arrays $n(i,e)$, $i=1, 2, 3$ and $e=1, 2, \dots, M$ and $n_s(i,s)$, $i=1, 2$ and $s=1, 2, \dots, M_s$

Elemental Interpolation

- Over the e th element we utilize the linear approximation

$$\varphi^e(x, y) = a^e + b^e x + c^e y, \quad (x, y) \in \Omega_e$$

- The three nodes of the e th element must satisfy the linear interpolation relation

$$\varphi_1^e = a^e + b^e x_1^e + c^e y_1^e, \quad \varphi_2^e = a^e + b^e x_2^e + c^e y_2^e,$$

$$\varphi_3^e = a^e + b^e x_3^e + c^e y_3^e$$

- Solving for a^e , b^e and c^e we obtain $\varphi^e(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^3 N_j^e(x, y) \varphi_j^e$
where $N_j^e(x, y) = \frac{1}{2A_e} (a_j^e + b_j^e x + c_j^e y)$, $j = 1, 2, 3$

$$a_1^e = x_2^e y_3^e - y_2^e x_3^e, \quad b_1^e = y_2^e - y_3^e, \quad c_1^e = x_3^e - x_2^e$$

$$a_2^e = x_3^e y_1^e - y_3^e x_1^e, \quad b_2^e = y_3^e - y_1^e, \quad c_2^e = x_1^e - x_3^e$$

$$a_3^e = x_1^e y_2^e - y_1^e x_2^e, \quad b_3^e = y_1^e - y_2^e, \quad c_3^e = x_2^e - x_1^e$$

Elemental Interpolation (Cont'd)

- A_e is the area of the e th element and is given by

$$A_e = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x_1^e & y_1^e \\ 1 & x_2^e & y_2^e \\ 1 & x_3^e & y_3^e \end{vmatrix}$$

- The interpolation functions satisfy

$$N_i^e(x_j^e, y_j^e) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & i = j \\ 0, & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

The Homogenous Neuman BC case

- We first consider the case ($\gamma = q = 0$)
- The functional is expressed as a sum of elemental subfunctions

$$F(\varphi) = \sum_{e=1}^M F^e(\varphi^e)$$

where

$$F^e(\varphi^e) = 0.5 \iint_{\Omega_e} \alpha_x \left(\frac{d\varphi^e}{dx} \right)^2 + \alpha_y \left(\frac{d\varphi^e}{dy} \right)^2 + \beta (\varphi^e)^2 d\Omega - \iint_{\Omega_e} f \varphi^e d\Omega$$

- Substituting with the linear interpolation expression, we write

The Homogenous Neuman BC case

$$F^e(\varphi^e) = 0.5 \iint_{\Omega_e} \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 \alpha_x \varphi_i^e \frac{dN_i^e}{dx} \frac{dN_j^e}{dx} \varphi_j^e + \alpha_y \varphi_i^e \frac{dN_i^e}{dy} \frac{dN_j^e}{dy} \varphi_j^e d\Omega$$

$$+ \iint_{\Omega_e} \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 \beta \varphi_i^e N_i^e N_j^e \varphi_j^e d\Omega - \iint_{\Omega_e} f \sum_{i=1}^3 N_i^e \varphi_i^e d\Omega$$



$$\frac{\partial F^e}{\partial \varphi_i^e} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \varphi_j^e \left(\iint_{\Omega_e} \alpha_x \frac{dN_i^e}{dx} \frac{dN_j^e}{dx} + \alpha_y \frac{dN_i^e}{dy} \frac{dN_j^e}{dy} + \beta N_i^e N_j^e d\Omega \right)$$

$$- \iint_{\Omega_e} f N_i^e d\Omega \quad i=1, 2, 3$$



$$\begin{Bmatrix} \frac{\partial F^e}{\partial \varphi^e} \end{Bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} = [K^e]_{3 \times 3} [\varphi^e]_{3 \times 1} - [b^e]_{3 \times 1}$$

The Homogenous Neuman BC case (Cont'd)

$$K_{ij}^e = \iint_{\Omega_e} \alpha_x \frac{d N_i^e}{dx} \frac{d N_j^e}{dx} + \alpha_y \frac{d N_i^e}{dy} \frac{d N_j^e}{dy} + \beta N_i^e N_j^e d\Omega$$

$$b_i^e = \iint_{\Omega_e} f N_i^e d\Omega \quad i=1, 2, 3 \text{ and } j=1, 2, 3$$

- If α_x , α_y , β and f are taken as constants over each element, and utilizing the property

$$\iint_{\Omega_e} (N_1^e)^l (N_2^e)^m (N_3^e)^n d\Omega = 2 A_e \frac{l!m!n!}{l!+m!+n!}$$

we get

$$K_{ij}^e = \frac{1}{4 A_e} \left(\alpha_x^e b_i^e b_j^e + \alpha_y^e c_i^e c_j^e \right) + \frac{A_e}{12} \beta^e (1 + \delta_{ij})$$
$$b_i^e = \frac{A_e}{3} f^e$$

The Process of Assembly

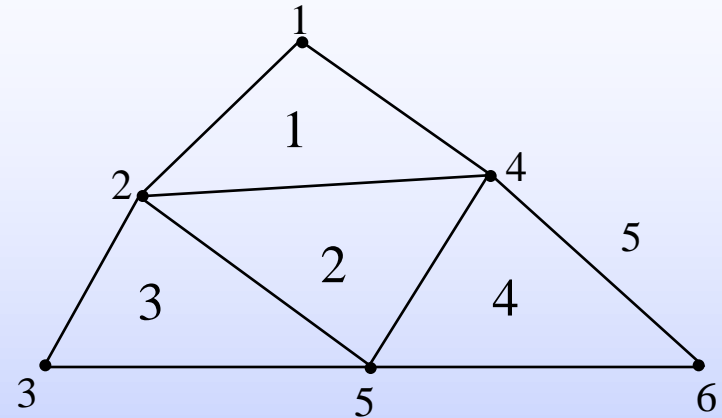
- The process of assembly involves storing the local elemental components into their proper location in the global system of equations

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \boldsymbol{\varphi}} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad [\mathbf{K}]_{N \times N} [\boldsymbol{\varphi}]_{N \times 1} = [\mathbf{b}]_{N \times 1}$$

- The element K_{ij}^e is added to $K_{n(i,e),n(j,e)}$
- The element b_i^e is added to $b_{n(i,e)}$

An Assembly Example

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- There are six nodes $\implies \mathbf{K} \in \mathfrak{R}^{6 \times 6}$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathfrak{R}^{6 \times 1}$
- We initialize \mathbf{K} and \mathbf{b} with zeros
- Evaluate $\mathbf{K}^{(1)}$ and $\mathbf{b}^{(1)}$ and add them to the proper locations to get

An Assembly Example (Cont'd)

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{33}^{(1)} & K_{31}^{(1)} & 0 & K_{32}^{(1)} & 0 & 0 \\ K_{13}^{(1)} & K_{11}^{(1)} & 0 & K_{12}^{(1)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K_{23}^{(1)} & K_{21}^{(1)} & 0 & K_{22}^{(1)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_3^{(1)} \\ b_1^{(1)} \\ 0 \\ b_2^{(1)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Evaluate $\mathbf{K}^{(2)}$ and $\mathbf{b}^{(2)}$ and add them to the proper locations

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{33}^{(1)} & K_{31}^{(1)} & 0 & K_{32}^{(1)} & 0 & 0 \\ K_{13}^{(1)} & K_{11}^{(1)} + K_{33}^{(2)} & 0 & K_{12}^{(1)} + K_{32}^{(2)} & K_{31}^{(2)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K_{23}^{(1)} & K_{21}^{(1)} + K_{23}^{(2)} & 0 & K_{22}^{(1)} + K_{22}^{(2)} & K_{21}^{(2)} & 0 \\ 0 & K_{13}^{(2)} & 0 & K_{12}^{(2)} & K_{11}^{(2)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_3^{(1)} \\ b_1^{(1)} + b_3^{(2)} \\ 0 \\ b_2^{(1)} + b_2^{(2)} \\ b_1^{(2)} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

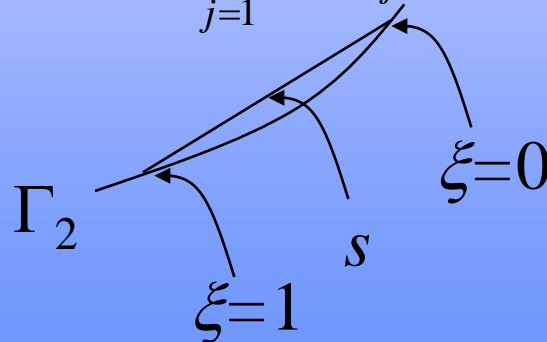
- Repeat the same steps for all elements

Incorporating a Boundary Condition of the 3rd Kind

- In this case γ and q are not zeroes
- The extra subfunctional $F_b(\varphi) = \int_{\Gamma_2} \left[\frac{\gamma}{2} \varphi^2 - q\varphi \right] d\Gamma$ is added to the functional F
- Because Γ_2 is comprised of M_s line segments, we may write

$$F_b(\varphi) = \sum_{s=1}^{M_s} F_b^s(\varphi^s)$$

- We approximate the function φ over the segment s by the linear expression $\varphi^s = \sum_{j=1}^2 N_j^s \varphi_j^s$, $N_1^s = 1 - \xi$, $N_2^s = \xi$



- ξ is the normalized distance from node 1 to node 2

Incorporating a 3rd Kind BC (Cont'd)

$$F_b^s(\varphi) = \int_s \left[\frac{\gamma}{2} \varphi^2 - q\varphi \right] d\Gamma$$

↓ Use the expansion

$$F_b^s(\varphi) = \int_s \left(\frac{\gamma}{2} \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \varphi_i^s N_i^s N_j^s \varphi_j^s - q \sum_{i=1}^2 N_i^s \varphi_i^s \right) d\Gamma$$

↓ Differentiate and use $d\Gamma = l^s d\xi$

$$\frac{\partial F_b^s}{\partial \varphi_i^s} = \sum_{j=1}^2 \varphi_j^s \int_0^1 \gamma N_i^s N_j^s l^s d\xi - \int_0^1 q N_i^s l^s d\xi, \quad i = 1, 2$$

in matrix form $\frac{\partial F_b^s}{\partial \boldsymbol{\varphi}^s} = [\mathbf{K}^s]_{2 \times 2} [\boldsymbol{\varphi}^s]_{2 \times 1} - [\mathbf{b}^s]_{2 \times 1}$

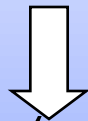
$$K_{ij}^s = \int_0^1 \gamma N_i^s N_j^s l^s d\xi, \quad b_i^s = \int_0^1 q N_i^s l^s d\xi, \quad i = 1, 2 \text{ and } j = 1, 2$$

- Assembly is then applied to store these coefficients

The Dirichlet Boundary Condition

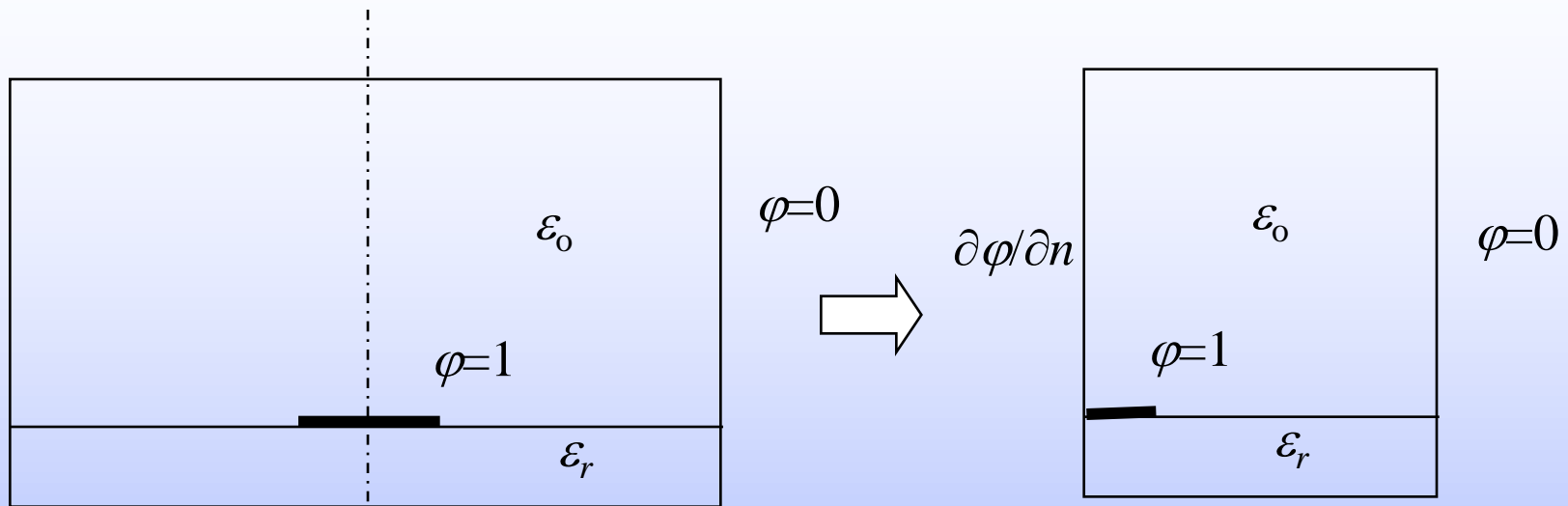
- The Dirichlet boundary conditions are imposed by eliminating the known nodes by substituting for their values

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{pp} & \mathbf{K}_{pu} \\ \mathbf{K}_{up} & \mathbf{K}_{uu} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varphi}_p \\ \boldsymbol{\varphi}_u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_p \\ \mathbf{b}_u \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Original system}$$



$$\mathbf{K}_{uu} \boldsymbol{\varphi}_u = (\mathbf{b}_u - \mathbf{K}_{up} \boldsymbol{\varphi}_p) \quad \text{Reduced system}$$

An Example: A Shielded Microstrip Line



- The microstrip is kept at potential $\varphi=1$ while the external shielding box is kept at potential $\varphi=0$
- Symmetry may be employed to reduce the computational domain by one half
- The governing BVP is

An Example: A Shielded Microstrip Line (Cont'd)

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\epsilon_r \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\epsilon_r \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\rho_c}{\epsilon_0}$$

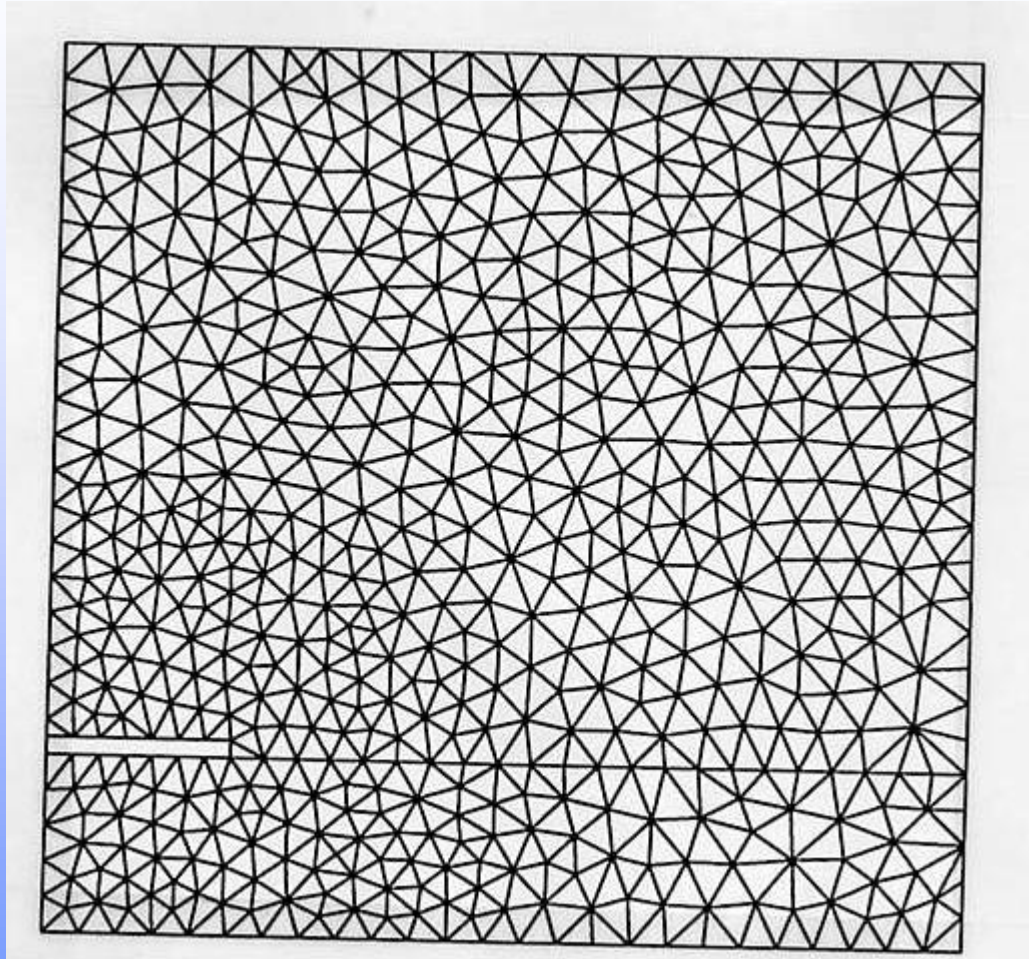
with $\phi = 0$ on the outer conductor, $\phi = 1$ on the microstrip and $\partial\phi / \partial n = 0$ on the plane of symmetry

- It follows that we have $\alpha_x = \alpha_y = \epsilon_r$, $\beta = 0$, $f = 0$
- The electric field is obtained through $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla\phi$. But ϕ over each element is approximated by

$$\phi^e(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^3 N_j^e(x, y) \phi_j^e, \quad N_j^e(x, y) = \frac{1}{2A_e} (a_j^e + b_j^e x + c_j^e y), \quad j = 1, 2, 3$$

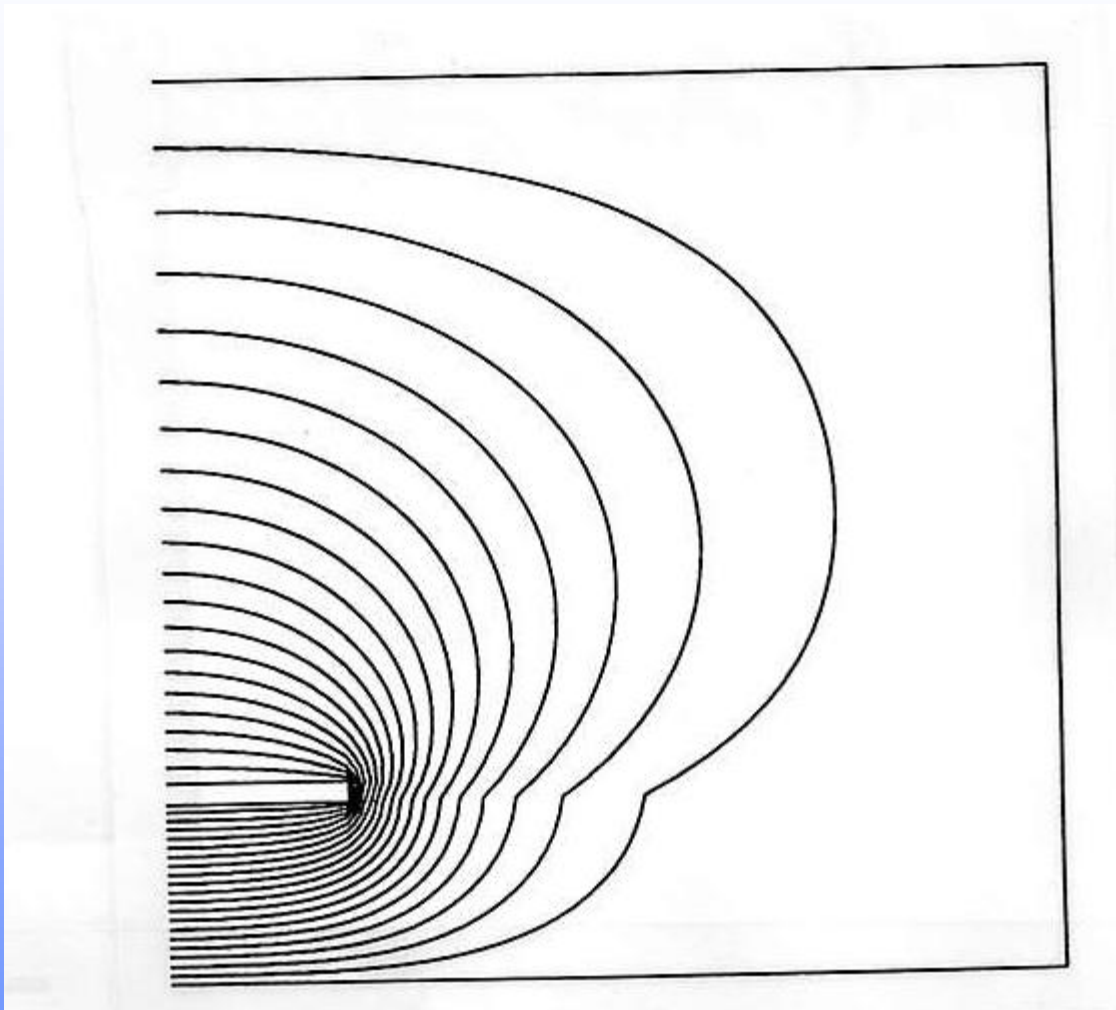
$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} - \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} = -\frac{1}{2A_e} \sum_{j=1}^3 (b_j^e \mathbf{i} + c_j^e \mathbf{j}) \phi_j^e \quad \text{Over the } e\text{th element}$$

An Example: A Shielded Microstrip Line (Cont'd)



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The equi-potential lines

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