

The initial conditions are

$$u(r,0) = \frac{\partial u(r,0)}{\partial r} = 0 \quad (14)$$

Our approach in the following derivations is first to obtain a solution for the case of step application of microwave energy at some instant $t = 0$ and then to extend the solution to a square pulse using Duhamel's theorem [16].

Step Function Excitation

If we write the displacement $u(r,t)$ as

$$u(r,t) = u_s(r) + u_t(r,t) \quad (15)$$

and substitute equation (15) into equation (8), the equation of motion becomes two differential equations: a stationary one and a time-varying one. Thus,

$$\frac{d^2 u_s(r)}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{du_s(r)}{dr} - \frac{2}{r^2} u_s(r) = u_o F_r(r) \quad (16)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_t(r,t)}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial u_t(r,t)}{\partial r} - \frac{2}{r^2} u_t(r,t) = \frac{1}{C_1^2} \frac{\partial^2 u_t(r,t)}{\partial t^2} \quad (17)$$

The corresponding boundary conditions at $r = a$ are

$$(\lambda+2\mu) \frac{du_s}{dr} + 2\lambda \frac{u_s}{r} = 0 \quad (18)$$

and

$$(\lambda+2\mu) \frac{\partial u_t}{\partial r} + 2\lambda \frac{u_t}{r} = 0 \quad (19)$$

The solution of equation (16), using the boundary condition of equation (18), is given by

$$u_s(r) = u_o \left[\frac{a}{N\pi} j_1 \left(\frac{N\pi r}{a} \right) \pm \frac{4\mu}{3\lambda+2\mu} \frac{\gamma}{N^2 \pi^2} \right], \quad N = \begin{cases} 1, 3, 5, \dots \\ 0, 2, 4, \dots \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

where $j_1 \left(\frac{N\pi r}{a} \right)$ is the spherical Bessel function.

Now we let

$$u_t(r,t) = R(r) T(t) \quad (21)$$

and use the method of separation of variables to solve equation (17) for the time-varying component. Inserting equation (21) into equation (17) yields the two ordinary differential equations:

$$\frac{d^2 R}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{dR}{dr} + \left(k^2 - \frac{2}{r^2} \right) R = 0 \quad (22)$$