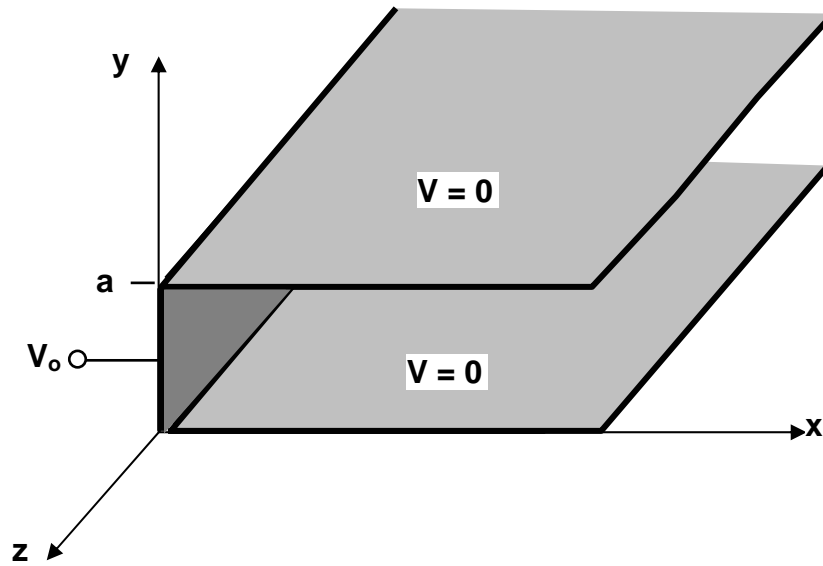


## 29:129 Electricity and Magnetism I

**Griffiths Section 3.3.1**—Two semi-infinite, conducting, grounded plates parallel to the  $x$ - $z$  plane. An infinitely long conducting strip in the  $y$ - $z$  plane is present on the left side of the plates and is biased to a potential  $V_o$ . We calculate the potential in the region between the upper and lower plates. The problem is two-dimensional,  $V = V(x,y)$



$$V(x, y) = \frac{4V_o}{\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{2n+1} \right) e^{-(2n+1)\pi x/a} \sin\left( \frac{(2n+1)\pi y}{a} \right)$$

Griffiths Section 3.3.1 ( $V_o = 1, a = 1$ )  $n$  is replaced by  $2n + 1$  then the sum goes from 0 to infinity

> restart;

>  $V := (x, y) \rightarrow \frac{4}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\exp(- (2 \cdot n + 1) \cdot \pi \cdot x) \cdot \sin( (2 \cdot n + 1) \cdot \pi \cdot y)}{2 \cdot n + 1};$

$$V := (x, y) \rightarrow \frac{4 e^{-(2n+1)\pi x} \sin((2n+1)\pi y)}{\pi(2n+1)}$$

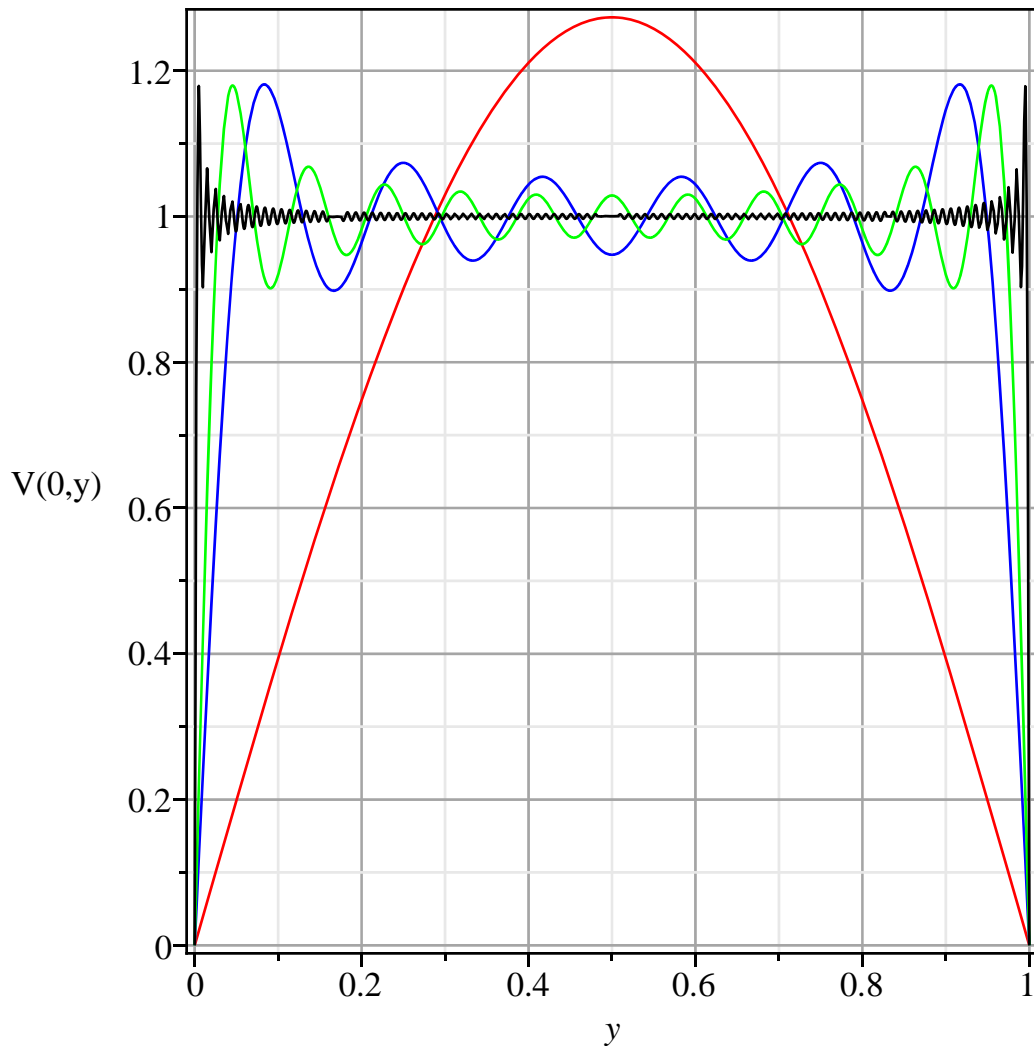
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Plot the potential  $V(x, y)$  for  $x = 0$ , where the boundary condition  $V = V_o = 1$ , for various numbers of terms in the expansion.

We notice that even with 100 terms, there are oscillations near  $y = 0$  and  $y = 1$ , (corners) This is a phenomenon known to occur with Fourier series and is known as "Gibbs Phenomenon". When more terms are included the effect moves closer to the boundaries.

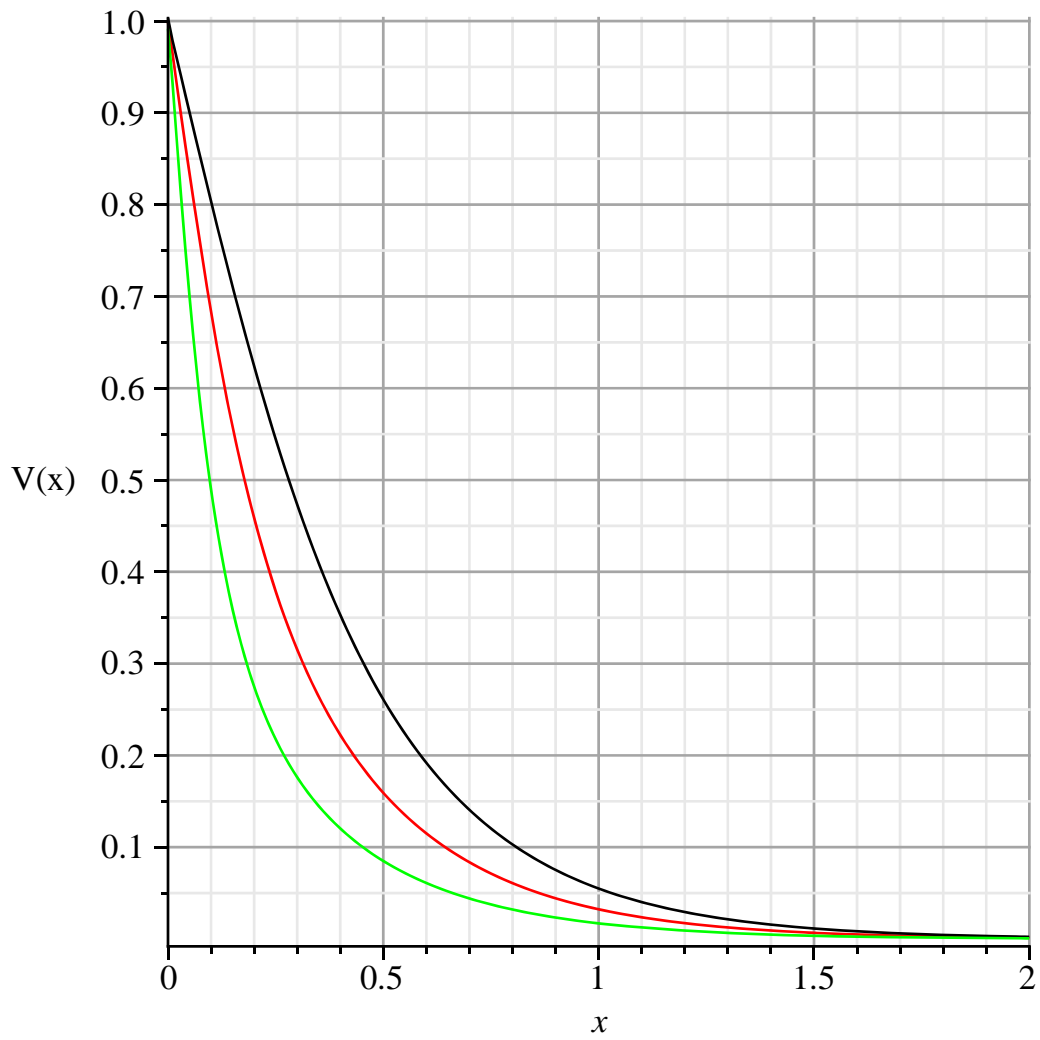
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> `plot([sum(V(0, y), n = 0..0), sum(V(0, y), n = 0..5), sum(V(0, y), n = 0..10), sum(V(0, y), n = 0..100)], y = 0..1, color = [red, blue, green, black]);`



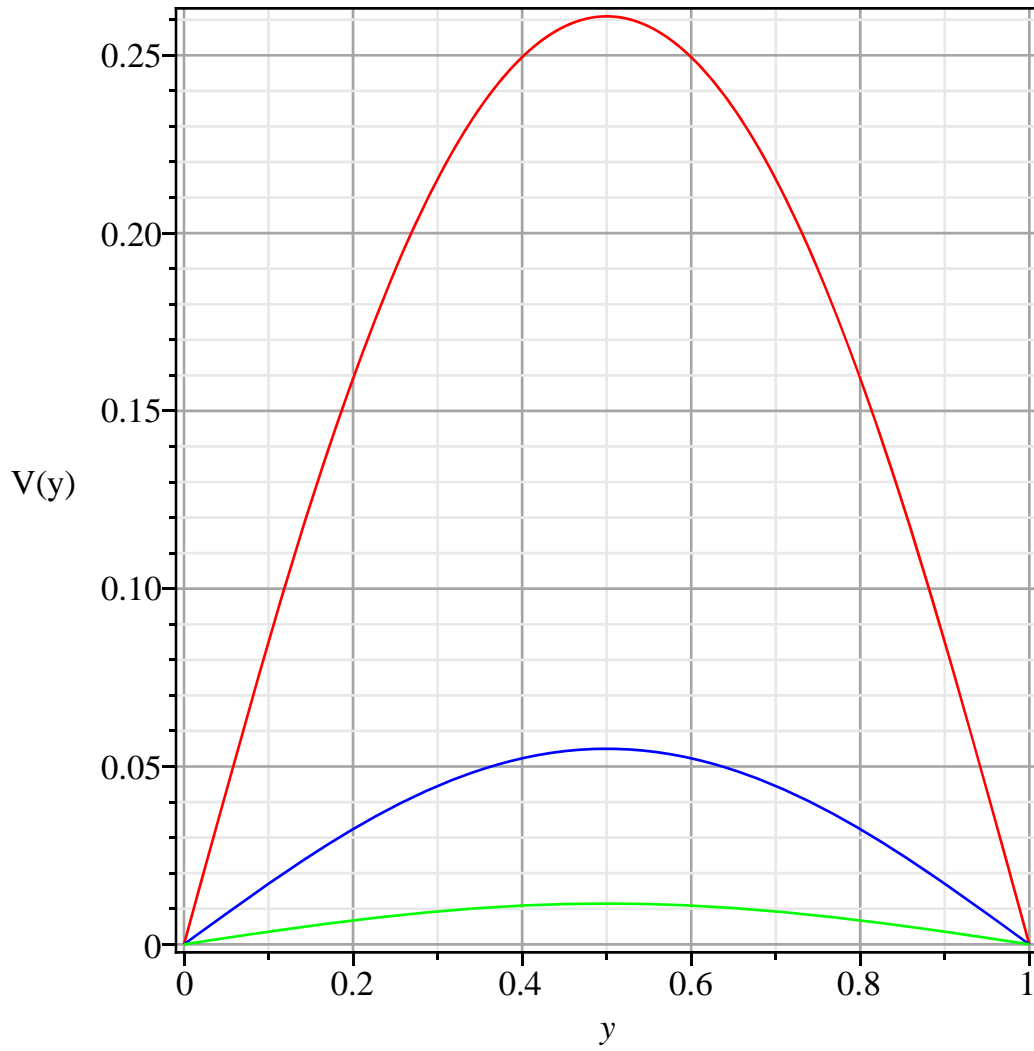
For specific values of  $y$ , plot  $V(x)$  --- the potential falls off exponentially with  $x$

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> plot([sum(V(x, 0.2), n = 0 ..100), sum(V(x, 0.5), n = 0 ..100), sum(V(x, 0.9), n = 0 ..100) ], x  
= 0 ..2, color = [red, black, green]);
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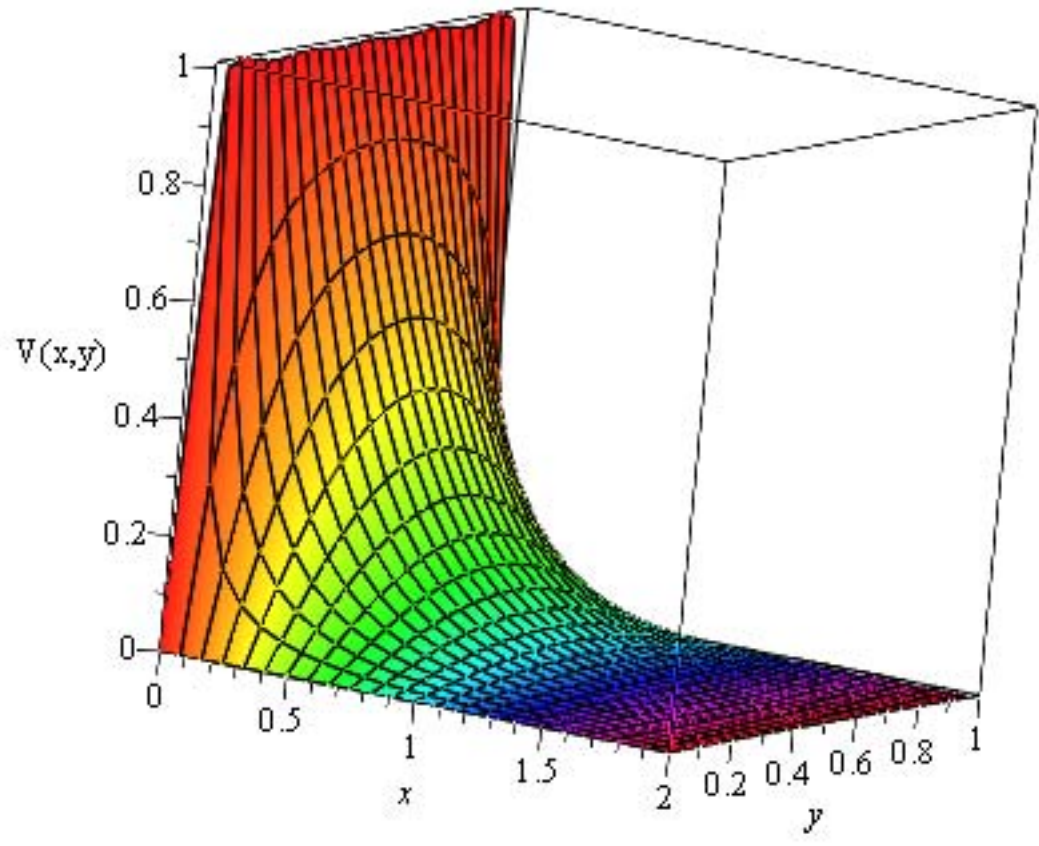
Plot  $V(y)$  for fixed  $x$  values (use 100 terms in the sum) The potential goes to zero at the boundaries

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> plot([sum(V(0.5, y), n = 0 ..100), sum(V(1, y), n = 0 ..100), sum(V(1.5, y), n = 0 ..100), ], y = 0 ..1, color = [red, blue, green]);
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Show a "3D" plot of the potential (use 100 terms in the sum)

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> SUMV := sum(V(x, y), n = 0..100) :  
> plot3d(SUMV, x = 0..2, y = 0..1, color = x);
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