

Last Time

- Discussed The Poisson Eq.

$$-\nabla^2 \psi = \rho$$

- Multipoles

$$\psi(\vec{r}) \approx \frac{Q_{\text{TOT}}}{4\pi r} + \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \hat{r}}{4\pi r^2} + \frac{Q_{ij}}{4\pi r^3} (\hat{r}^i \hat{r}^j - \delta^{ij} \hat{r}^2) + \dots$$

- Talked about Green-fcn

$$-\nabla^2 G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \delta^3(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)$$

The potential at \vec{r} due to a unit point charge at \vec{r}_0 . Then the potential is

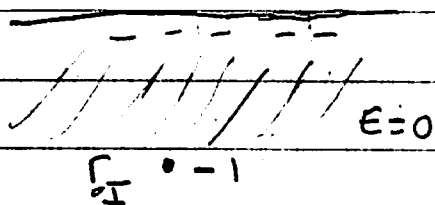
$$\psi(\vec{r}) = \int_V d^3\vec{r}_0 \rho(\vec{r}_0) G(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) + \text{surface term}$$

talk about soon!

Talked about images:

$$\vec{r}_0 \cdot +1 \quad \varphi(\vec{r}) = ?$$

• Boundary conditions $\varphi = 0$
on surface



• Place an image charge of
opposite sign

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|} + \frac{-1}{4\pi|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_{0I}|}$$

self $\rightarrow G_0(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) + \varphi_{\text{ind}}(\vec{r}) \leftarrow$ induced potential
regular in upper
half plane,

Said $-\nabla^2 \varphi_{\text{ind}} = 0$. So interaction energy

$$U_{\text{int}} = q \varphi_{\text{ind}} = q [G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) - G_0(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)]$$

$$\vec{F} = q \vec{E}_{\text{ind}} = q -\nabla [G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) - G_0(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)]$$

C Fourier Series and other eigenfunction expansions

We will often expand a function in a complete set of eigen-functions. Many of these eigen-functions are traditionally not normalized. Using the quantum mechanics notation we have

$$|F\rangle = \sum_n F_n \frac{1}{C_n} |n\rangle \quad \text{where} \quad F_n = \langle n|F\rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle n_1|n_2\rangle = C_{n_1} \delta_{n_1 n_2} \quad (\text{C.1})$$

or more prosaically:

$$F(x) = \sum_n F_n \frac{1}{C_n} [\psi_n(x)], \quad (\text{C.2})$$

$$F_n = \int dx \psi_n^*(x) F(x), \quad (\text{C.3})$$

$$\int dx [\psi_{n_1}^*(x)] [\psi_{n_2}(x)] = C_{n_1} \delta_{n_1 n_2}. \quad (\text{C.4})$$

We require that the functions are complete (in the space of functions which satisfy the same boundary conditions as F) and orthogonal

$$\sum_n \frac{1}{C_n} |n\rangle \langle n| = I, \quad \text{or} \quad \sum_n \frac{1}{C_n} \psi_n(x) \psi_n^*(x') = \delta(x - x'). \quad (\text{C.5})$$

In what follows we show the eigen-function in square brackets

- (a) A periodic function $F(x)$ with period L is expandable in a Fourier series. Defining $k_n = 2\pi n/L$ with n integer:

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} [e^{ik_n x}] F_n \quad (\text{C.6})$$

$$F_n = \int_0^L dx [e^{-ik_n x}] F(x) \quad (\text{C.7})$$

$$\int_0^L dx [e^{-ik_n x}] [e^{ik_{n'} x}] = L \delta_{nn'} \quad (\text{C.8})$$

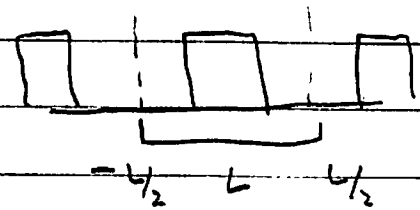
$$\frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ik_n(x-x')} = \sum_m \delta(x - x' + nL) \quad (\text{C.9})$$

Complete Orthogonal Functions (not Orthonormal)

$$\textcircled{1} |F\rangle = \sum_n F_n \frac{|n\rangle}{c_n} \quad \textcircled{2} \langle n_1 | n_2 \rangle = c_n \delta_{n_1, n_2}$$

Ex Fourier Series use e^{ikx} $k_n = 2\pi n/L$

$$\textcircled{1} F(x) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} [e^{ik_n x}] F_k$$



$$\textcircled{2} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} dx [e^{ik_n x}]^* [e^{ik_m x}] = L \delta_{n, m}$$

The F_n are determined by the overlap

$$\textcircled{3} F_n = \langle n | F \rangle$$

For Fourier series this is

$$\textcircled{3} F_n = \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} [e^{ik_n x}]^* F(x) dx$$

Finally we have completeness

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Then

$$\begin{aligned} |F\rangle &= \sum_n \frac{1}{c_n} |n\rangle \cdot F_n \\ &= \sum_n \underbrace{\frac{1}{c_n} |n\rangle \langle n|}_{\text{Identity}} |F\rangle = |F\rangle = |F\rangle \end{aligned}$$

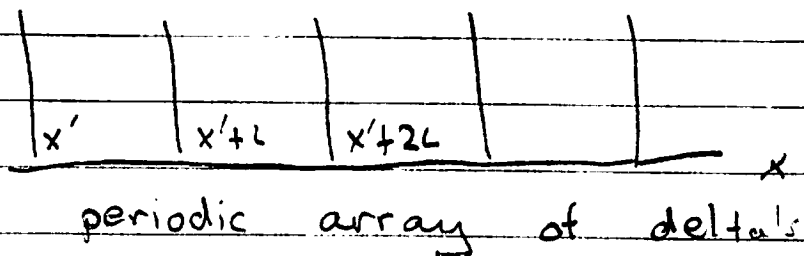
So in terms of Fourier series for $-\frac{L}{2} < x, x' < \frac{L}{2}$

$$\sum_n \frac{1}{L} e^{ik_n x} [e^{ik_n x'}]^* = \frac{1}{L} \sum_n e^{ik_n (x-x')}$$

$$= \delta(x-x')$$

So since the LHS is periodic, with period L
I can change x or x' by any multiple of L

$$\sum_n \frac{1}{L} e^{ik_n (x-x')} = \sum_m \delta(x-x' + mL)$$



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Spherical Harmonics

$$① f(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{lm} f_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

② Orthogonal on Sphere

$$③ F_{lm} = \int Y_{lm}^* f(\theta, \phi) d\Omega$$

④ Complete

$$\sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) Y_{lm}^*(\theta_0, \phi_0) = \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0) \delta(\phi - \phi_0)$$

Points to understand.

a) Y_{lm} are eigen-functions of L^2 operator

$$-\nabla^2 = -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \underbrace{\left[\frac{-1}{\sin\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \sin\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \frac{-1}{\sin^2\theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} \right]}_{\equiv L^2}$$

$$L^2 Y_{lm} = l(l+1) Y_{lm}$$

$$L_z Y_{lm} = m Y_{lm}$$

$$L_z = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$

$l=1^{[1]}$

$$Y_1^{-1}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-i\varphi} \cdot \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x-iy)}{r}$$

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$l=2^{[1]}$

$$Y_2^{-2}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-2i\varphi} \cdot \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x-iy)^2}{r^2}$$

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$$Y_2^0(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \cdot (3\cos^2 \theta - 1) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{(2z^2 - x^2 - y^2)}{r^2}$$

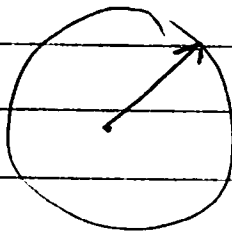
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b) \sim a Fourier series on sphere

c) Take the unit vector on sphere



$$\hat{r} = (\sin\theta \cos\phi, \sin\theta \sin\phi, \cos\theta)$$

$$\hat{r}_i$$

- The three components of \hat{r}_i are linear combinations of Y_{lm} , and vice versa

e.g. $Y_{11} \propto (\hat{r}_x + i\hat{r}_y) = \sin\theta e^{i\phi}$

- Similarly construct a symmetric traceless rank two tensor

$$(\hat{r}\hat{r})_{ij} \equiv \hat{r}_i \hat{r}_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} \quad \sim 5 \text{ components}$$

Y_{2m} is a linear combination of these

$$= Y_{22}, Y_{21}, Y_{20}, Y_{2-1}, Y_{2-2} \quad \text{components}$$

e.g. $Y_{22} \propto (\hat{r}_x + i\hat{r}_y)^2 \propto \sin^2\theta e^{i2\phi}$

- And so forth, Y_{3m} is a linear combination of $\hat{r}_i \hat{r}_j \hat{r}_k$ - traces

Overview of Charged Shell

↳ We will show:

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|} = \sum_{\ell m} g_{\ell}(r, r_0) Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) Y_{\ell m}^*(\theta_0, \phi_0)$$

where

$$g_{\ell}(r, r_0) = \left[\frac{1}{2\ell+1} \left(\frac{r_0}{r}\right)^{\ell} \frac{1}{r} \Theta(r-r_0) + \frac{1}{2\ell+1} \left(\frac{r}{r_0}\right)^{\ell} \frac{1}{r_0} \Theta(r_0-r) \right]$$

usually written

$$g_{\ell}(r, r_0) = \frac{1}{(2\ell+1)} \left(\frac{r_{>}}{r_{<}}\right)^{\ell} \frac{1}{r_{>}}$$

where $r_{>}$ is the greater of r and r_0