

Last Time

$$\nabla \cdot E = \rho$$

$$\nabla \times B = \frac{j}{c} + \frac{1}{c} \partial_t E$$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$-\nabla \times E = \frac{1}{c} \partial_t E$$

For $c \gg L/T$ find

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot E = \rho \\ \nabla \times E = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad B = 0$$

Since $\nabla \times E = 0$ $E = -\nabla \Phi$ and

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

Last Time Discussed Separation of Vars

• For spherical coords & spherical bc found

$$\Phi = \sum_l (A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}}) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

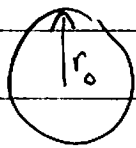
or for cylindrically symmetric cases:

$$\Phi = \sum_l (A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}}) P_l(\cos \theta)$$

} Adjust coefficients
to satisfy B.C.

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Ex 1 Charged Sphere



$$S(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{lm} S_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$\Phi^{in} = \sum_{lm} \left(A_{lm} r^l + \frac{B_{lm}^0}{r^{l+1}} \right) Y_{lm}$$

$$\Phi^{out} = \sum_{lm} \left(A_{lm}^0 r^l + \frac{B_{lm}}{r^{l+1}} \right) Y_{lm}$$

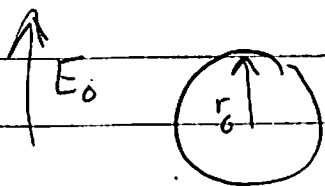
• Continuity

• Jump $E_r^{out} - E_r^{in} = \sigma$

$$-\frac{\partial R_{lm}}{\partial r} - \frac{\partial R_{lm}}{\partial r} = \frac{S_{lm}}{r_0^2}$$

lm component of this gives

Ex 2 Metal Sphere in External Field



$$\Phi = \sum_l \left(A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta)$$

bc.

$$\Phi \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} -E_0 r \cos \theta$$

$$\Phi \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow r_0} \text{const}$$

Fixes

$$A_1 = -E_0 \quad B_1 = E_0 r_0^3$$

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Derived a useful expression for $G_0(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)$

$$G_0(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi |\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|} = \sum_{lm} \frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} \frac{1}{2l+1} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) Y_{lm}^*(\theta_0, \phi_0)$$

The notation means

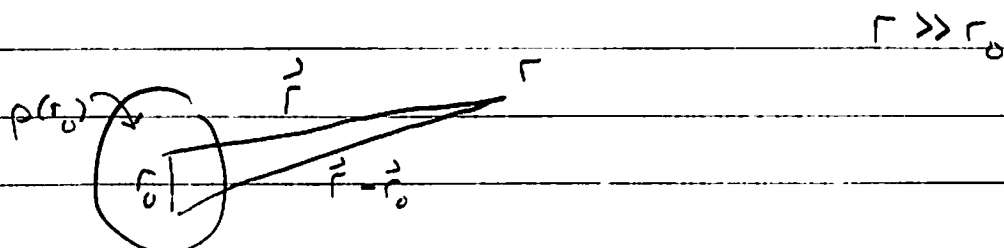
$r_{<} \equiv$ lesser of r & r_0

$r_{>} \equiv$ greater of r & r_0

or

$$\frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} = \frac{r_0^l}{r^{l+1}} \theta(r-r_0) + \frac{r^l}{r_0^{l+1}} \theta(r_0-r)$$

Multipole Expansion Redo



$$\Phi(r) = \int d^3r_0 \frac{\rho(r_0)}{4\pi |\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|}$$

For $r_> = r$ and $r_< = r_0$ have

$$\frac{1}{4\pi |\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|} = \sum_{\ell m} \frac{r_0^\ell}{r^{\ell+1}} \frac{Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) Y_{\ell m}^*(\theta_0, \phi_0)}{2\ell+1}$$

Then find

$$\Phi(r) = \sum_{\ell m} \frac{q_{\ell m}}{2\ell+1} \frac{Y_{\ell m}}{r^{\ell+1}} = \underbrace{q_{00} Y_{00}}_r + \frac{1}{3} \underbrace{q_{1m} Y_{1m}}_{r^2} + \frac{1}{5} \underbrace{q_{2m} Y_{2m}}_{r^3}$$

$m = -1, 0, 1$ $m = -2, \dots$

with

$$q_{\ell m} = \int d^3r_0 r_0^\ell Y_{\ell m}^*(\theta_0, \phi_0) \rho(\vec{r}_0)$$

↑ spherical multipole moments

This is entirely equivalent to the cartesian expansion

$$\Phi(r) = \frac{Q_{\text{tot}}}{4\pi r} + \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \hat{r}}{4\pi r^2} + \dots$$

E.g. for the dipole moment

$$\vec{p} = \int d^3\vec{r}'_0 \vec{r}'_0 \rho(\vec{r}'_0) = \int d^3\vec{r}'_0 r'_0 \hat{r}'_0 \rho(\vec{r}'_0)$$

This is a linear combo of Y_{lm}^*

So,

p^x, p^y, p^z can be written as a linear combo of q_{lm}

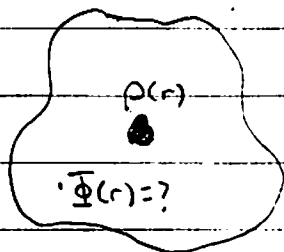
The relations are defined so that the series agree, e.g.

$$\frac{\vec{p} \cdot \hat{r}}{4\pi} = \sum_m \frac{1}{3} q_{1m} Y_{1m}(\theta, \phi)$$

$\leftarrow 3 = 2l+1 = 2 \cdot 1 + 1$

Green Functions & Green Theorem

Bndry $\Phi(r_0) = 0$

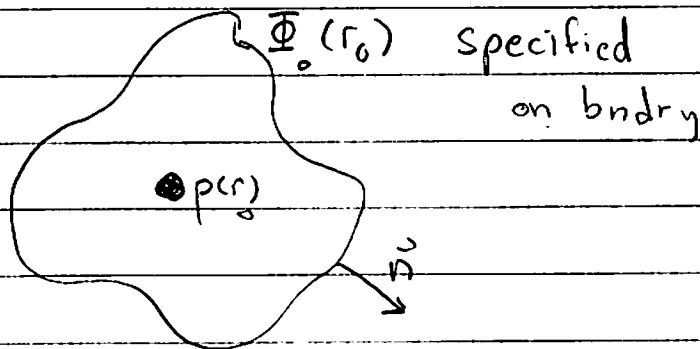


So far we treated $\Phi_0(r_0) = 0$ case

$$\Phi(r) = \int G_D(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) \rho(\vec{r}_0) d^3\vec{r}_0$$

← green fcn which vanishes on bndry (Dirichlet Green Fcn)

The Green function can also be used to treat more general boundary condition. And to construct a general formal solution:



Will show that:

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \underbrace{\int_V d^3r_0 G_D(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) \rho(\vec{r}_0)}_{\text{Vol integral}} - \underbrace{\int_{\partial V} dS_0 \frac{\partial G_D(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)}{\partial n_0} \Phi(r_0)}_{\text{Surface integral}}$$

where

$$\frac{\partial G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)}{\partial n_0} \equiv \vec{n}_0 \cdot \nabla_{\vec{r}_0} G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)$$

Prf.

First note (Green's second identity)

$$\nabla \cdot (u \nabla v - v \nabla u) = u \nabla^2 v - v \nabla^2 u$$

Now construct the wronskian of the green function and the solution we are looking for

$$-\nabla_0^2 \varphi(\vec{r}_0) = \rho(\vec{r}_0)$$

$$\vec{W}(\vec{r}_0) = G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) \vec{\nabla}_0 \varphi(\vec{r}_0) - \varphi(\vec{r}_0) \vec{\nabla}_0 G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)$$

Then taking the divergence

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{W}(\vec{r}_0) = G \nabla_0^2 \varphi(\vec{r}_0) - \varphi_0 \nabla_0^2 G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)$$

$$= -G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) \rho(\vec{r}_0) + \varphi_0 \delta^3(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)$$

Then integrating

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{W} = \int_{\partial V} \vec{W} \cdot \vec{n}$$

we choose $G(r, r_0)$ such that

Find $\int d\vec{S}_0 \cdot \vec{n}_0 \cdot [G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) \vec{\nabla}_0 \varphi(r, r_0) - \varphi(r_0) \nabla_0 G(r, r_0)]$ since $G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)$ vanishes on boundary (Dirichlet B.C.)

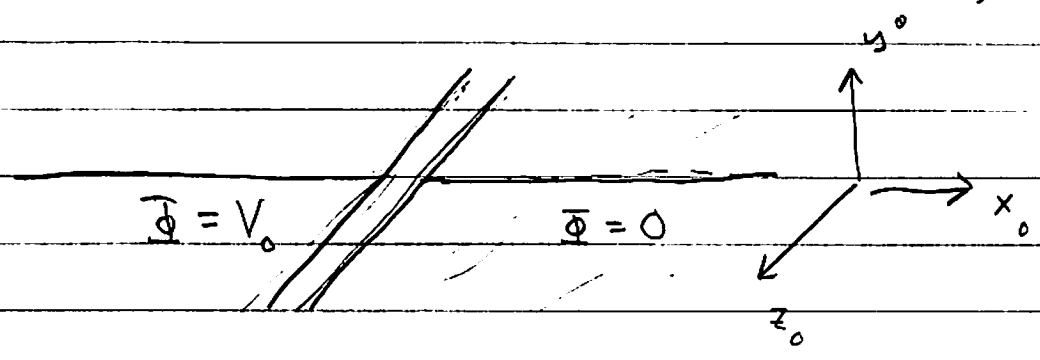
$$\int d\vec{S}_0 \cdot \vec{n}_0 \cdot [G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) \vec{\nabla}_0 \varphi(r, r_0) - \varphi(r_0) \nabla_0 G(r, r_0)]$$

$$= - \int_{V_0} G(r, r_0) \rho(r_0) d^3 r_0 + \varphi(r_0)$$

Find as claimed:

$$- \int dS_0 \varphi(\vec{r}_0) \frac{\partial G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)}{\partial n_0} + \int_{V_0} G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) \rho(\vec{r}_0) d^3 r_0 = \varphi(r_0)$$

Example: The left half of a semi-infinite plane is maintained at $\Phi = V_0$, find Φ everywhere



Sol: The Dirichlet green fcn is just the image solution

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

$\downarrow n$
 $\varphi = 0$

So using green theorem

$$\varphi(\vec{r}) = - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_0 V_0 \left(\frac{-2}{2y_0} \right) \left[\frac{1}{4\pi ((x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 + (z-z_0)^2)^{1/2}} - \frac{1}{4\pi ((x-x_0)^2 + (y+y_0)^2 + (z-z_0)^2)^{1/2}} \right]$$

The rest is algebra. (see handout)

$$\varphi(\vec{r}) = \frac{V_0}{\pi} \text{atan} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right)$$

I. FINISHING UP PROBLEM ON GREEN THEOREM

First we have

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{V_o}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz_o \int_{-\infty}^0 dx_o \frac{-\partial}{\partial y_o} \left[\frac{1}{((x-x_o)^2 + (y-y_o)^2 + (z-z_o)^2)^{1/2}} - \frac{1}{((x-x_o)^2 + (y+y_o)^2 + (z-z_o)^2)^{1/2}} \right]_{y_o=0} \quad (1.1)$$

In the first step we integrate over z_o getting

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = - \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^0 dx_o V_o \frac{-\partial}{\partial y_o} \left[-\frac{1}{2\pi} \log(\sqrt{(x-x_o)^2 + (y-y_o)^2}) + \frac{1}{2\pi} \log(\sqrt{(x-x_o)^2 + (y+y_o)^2}) \right]}_{\text{Green theorem in 2D!}} \Big|_{y_o=0} \quad (1.2)$$

Now we perform do the differentiation with respect to y_o ; then set $y_o = 0$, yielding

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{V_o}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^0 dx_o \frac{4y}{(x-x_o)^2 + y^2} \quad (1.3)$$

Finally doing the integral over x_o we have

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{V_o}{2\pi} (\pi - 2\text{atan}(x/y)) \quad (1.4)$$

We can use some geometric identities of the arctan

$$\text{atan}(x/y) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \text{atan}(y/x) \quad (1.5)$$

yielding

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{V_o}{\pi} \text{atan}(y/x) \quad (1.6)$$

Remarks:

- This satisfies the boundary conditions.
- As might have been anticipated the solution is only a function of y/x . This could have been anticipated on the basis of dimensional analysis. There is no other length scale L so that the potential could be written as $\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = f(x/L, y/L)$. Further the only quantity which has dimensions of voltage is V_o thus from the get go we know that

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = V_o f(y/x) \quad (1.7)$$

Another way to approach this problem is just substitute this form into the Laplace equation and integrate to determine $f(y/x)$.

- Differentiating the potential to find the electric field

$$\sigma = E_y|_{y=0} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{-V_o}{x} \quad (1.8)$$

This seems reasonable to me.

Note there is no scale, so a priori
we know that the potential must take the form

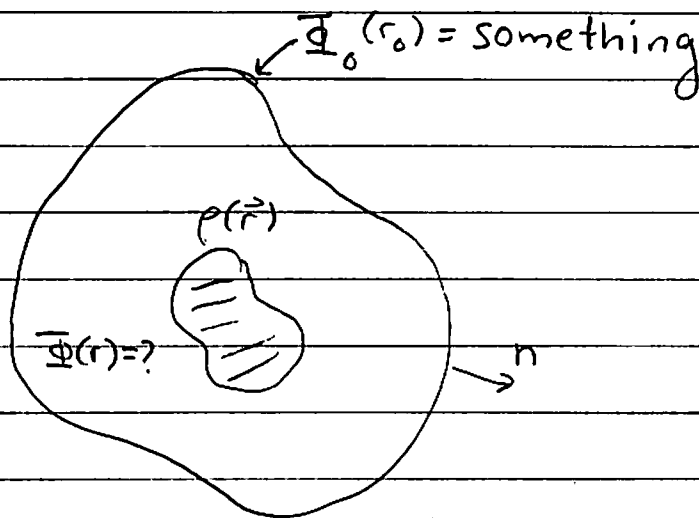
$$\varphi(\vec{r}) = V_0 f\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$$

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Green Theorem

$$\nabla \cdot (u \nabla v - v \nabla u) = u \nabla^2 v - v \nabla^2 u$$

Using Green Theorem:



$G_D(r, r_0) \equiv$ Dirichlet Green fcn
 Vanishes on boundary

$$\Phi(r) = \underbrace{\int_V d^3r_0 G_D(r, r_0) \rho(r_0)}_{\text{inhomogeneous sol}} - \underbrace{\int_{\partial V} dS_0 \frac{\partial G_D(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)}{\partial n_0} \Phi_0(r_0)}_{\text{homogeneous solution}}$$

Bulk to Bulk Green fcn
Boundary to Bulk Green fcn.

Determining Green Fcn - Full Eigen Expansion

- Theoretically useful

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

- Find a complete set of normalized eigenfns satisfying the B.C.

$$-\nabla^2 \psi_n(\vec{r}) = \lambda_n \psi_n \quad \underbrace{\sum_n \psi_n(\vec{r}) \psi_n^*(\vec{r}_0)}_{\text{Complete}} = \delta^3(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)$$

- Then

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \sum_n \frac{\psi_n(\vec{r}) \psi_n^*(\vec{r}_0)}{\lambda_n}$$

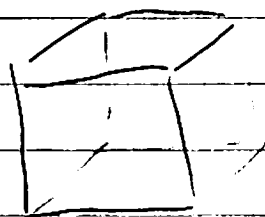
i.e.

$$-\nabla_r^2 G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \sum_n \frac{-\nabla_r^2 \psi_n(\vec{r}) \psi_n^*(\vec{r}_0)}{\lambda_n} =$$

$$= \sum_n \psi_n(\vec{r}) \psi_n^*(\vec{r}_0) = \delta^3(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)$$

Ex : Green fcn of a cube @ periodic B.C.

$$-\nabla^2 e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} = k^2 e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}$$



$$k_x = n_x \frac{2\pi}{L} \quad k_y = n_y \frac{2\pi}{L}$$

$$k_z = n_z \frac{2\pi}{L}$$

Then

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{n_x, n_y, n_z} \frac{e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}_0}}{k^2}$$

↑ since our eigen fns are not normalized to one. Orthogonality:

$$\int_V e^{i\vec{k}_n \cdot \vec{r}} e^{-i\vec{k}_{n'} \cdot \vec{r}} = L^3 \delta_{\vec{n}, \vec{n}'}$$

Taking $L \rightarrow \infty$, $\sum_{n_x} \rightarrow \int dn_x = L \int \frac{dk_x}{2\pi}$, find

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{e^{i\vec{k} \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)}}{k^2}$$

Which says that $G_0(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)$ is the fourier transform of $1/k^2$

Determining Green fcn By Eigenfcn expansion and Direct integration

- Consider the green-fcn in free space without bndrys for simplicity. We know the answer is

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

but pretend we didnt. The green fcn satisfies

$$-\nabla^2 G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0) = \frac{1}{r^2} \delta(r-r_0) \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0) \delta(\phi - \phi_0)$$

any two dimensions θ, ϕ and expand $G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_0)$. Since

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

And

$$-\nabla^2 = \left[-\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{L^2}{r^2} \right]$$

We can write $G(r, r_0) = \sum_{lm} g_{lm}(r, r_0) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) Y_{lm}^*(\theta_0, \phi_0)$

And find that

$$\left[-\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] g_{lm}(r, r_0) = \frac{1}{r^2} \delta(r-r_0)$$

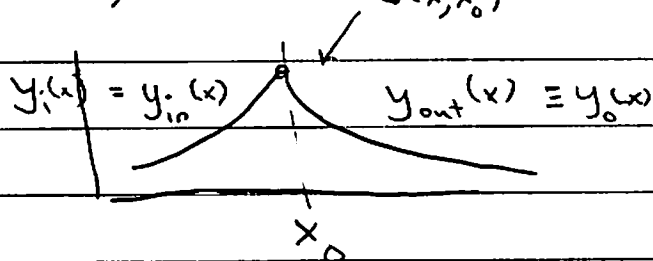
So we only need to find the 1D Green fn:

$$\left[-\frac{d}{dr} r^2 \frac{d}{dr} + l(l+1) \right] g_l(r, r_0) = \delta(r-r_0)$$

Thus we are led to search for Grn-fns of the familiar form

$$\left[-\frac{d}{dx} p(x) \frac{d}{dx} + q(x) \right] G(x, x_0) = \delta(x-x_0) \quad (**)$$

This equation says that the first derivative is discontinuous, but G is continuous



Outside of x_0 ($x > x_0$) the homogeneous solution is $y_o(x)$.
 Inside of x_0 ($x < x_0$) " " " " $y_i(x)$

So a continuous solution is:

$$G(x, x_0) = C \left[y_o(x) y_i(x_0) \Theta(x-x_0) + y_o(x_0) y_i(x) \Theta(x_0-x) \right]$$

So integrating Eq ** across x_0

$$-p(x) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx} \Big|_{x=x_0+bit} + p(x) \frac{dG(x, x_0)}{dx} \Big|_{x=x_0-Lit} = 1$$

Substitution gives:

$$C \left[-p(x_0) y_0'(x_0) y_1(x_0) + p(x_0) y_0(x_0) y_1'(x_0) \right] = 1$$

$$p(x_0) W(x_0) = p(x) \times \text{Wronskian}$$

$$\text{So } C = 1 / (p(x_0) W(x_0))$$

$$W(x) = y_{\text{out}} y_{\text{in}}' - y_{\text{in}} y_{\text{out}}'$$

And

$$G(x, x_0) = \left[y_0(x) y_{\text{in}}(x_0) \Theta(x - x_0) + y_{\text{in}}(x) y_0(x_0) \Theta(x_0 - x) \right]$$

$$p(x) W(x_0)$$

$$G(x, x_0) = \frac{y_0(x_>) y_{\text{in}}(x_<)}{p(x_0) W(x_0)}$$

$x_>$ = the greater of x and x_0

$x_<$ = the lesser of x and x_0

For the problem at hand

$$y_0 = A r^l + B r^{l+1}$$

$$\left[-\frac{\partial}{\partial r} r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + l(l+1) \right] \equiv \mathcal{L}$$

So

$$y_0 = \frac{1}{r^{l+1}}$$

$$y_{\text{in}} = r^l$$

$$p(r) W(r) = 2l+1 \quad (\text{do it!})$$

So find

$$g_l(r, r_0) = \frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{2l+1}} \frac{1}{2l+1}$$

And

$$G_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi |\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|} = \sum_{lm} \frac{1}{2l+1} \frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{2l+1}} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) Y_{lm}^*(\theta_0, \phi_0)$$