

Today

- Forces on multipoles
- Three examples: one easy, two medium

Last Time

- Differential equation (a wide class of

$$\left[-\frac{d}{dx} p(x) \frac{d}{dx} + q(x) \right] y(x) = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{2nd order} \\ \text{Diffeq} \end{array}$$

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positive

- $p(x) W(x) = \text{const}$

$$p(x) \left[y_1(x) y_2'(x) - y_2(x) y_1'(x) \right] = \text{const}$$

- Constructed Green Fun

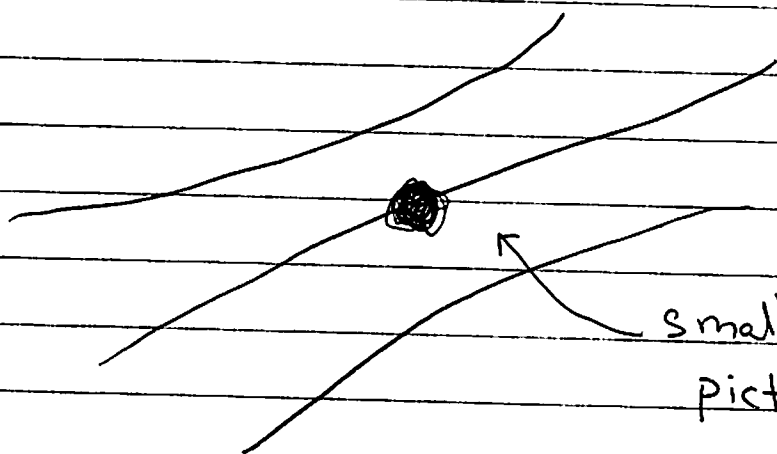
$$\left[-\frac{d}{dx} p(x) \frac{d}{dx} + q(x) \right] G(x, x_0) = \delta(x - x_0)$$

$$G(x, x_0) = C y_{\text{out}}(x_>) y_{\text{in}}(x_<)$$

$$= \frac{y_{\text{out}}(x_>)' y_{\text{in}}(x_<)}{p(x_0) W(x_0)}$$

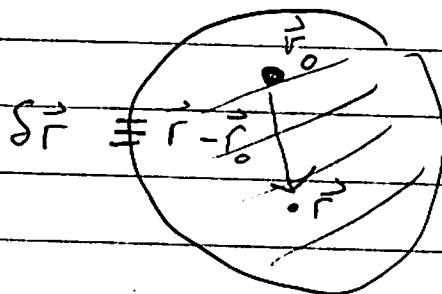
$$p(x_0) W(x_0)$$

Forces on Multipoles



Long wavelength external field $\vec{E}(\vec{r}_0)$,
or $\bar{\Phi}_{\text{ext}}$, $-\nabla^2 \bar{\Phi}_{\text{ext}} = 0$

small object. Magnify this picture:



$$U_{\text{int}} = \int \rho(\vec{r}) \bar{\Phi}_{\text{ext}}(\vec{r}) d^3r$$

Write

$$\bar{\Phi}(\vec{r}) = \bar{\Phi}(r_0) + \frac{\partial \bar{\Phi}(r_0)}{\partial r_0^i} \delta r^i + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{\Phi}(r_0)}{\partial r_0^i \partial r_0^j} \delta r^i \delta r^j + \dots$$

reducible

Use:

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial r^i} \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i} \bar{\Phi} = 0 \quad (\text{Laplace equation})$$

$$\text{or } \delta^{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial r^i} \frac{\partial}{\partial r_j} \bar{\Phi} = 0$$

So write:

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \Phi(\vec{r}_0) + \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial r^i} \delta r^i + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi(\vec{r}_0)}{\partial r^i \partial r^j} (\delta r^i \delta r^j - \frac{1}{3} \delta^{ij} \delta r^2) + \dots$$

So Find

$$U_{\text{int}} = \Phi(\vec{r}_0) Q_{\text{TOT}} + \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial r^i} \vec{p}^i + \frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial r^i \partial r^j} Q^{ij} + \dots$$

Where

$$Q_{\text{TOT}} = \int_V \rho(\vec{r})$$

$$\vec{p} = \int_V \rho(\vec{r}) \delta \vec{r}$$

$$Q^{ij} = \int_V \rho(\vec{r}) (3 \delta r^i \delta r^j - \delta^{ij} \delta r^2)$$

Or

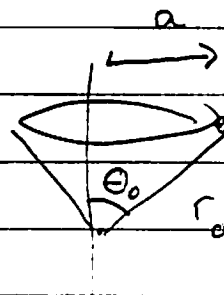
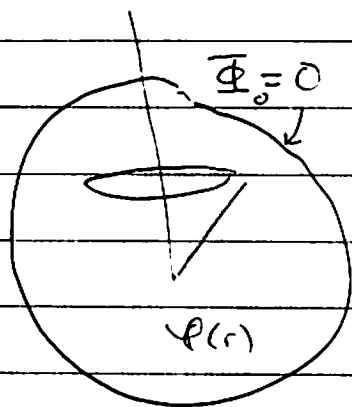
$$U_{\text{int}}(\vec{r}_0) = \Phi(\vec{r}_0) Q_{\text{TOT}} - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{r}_0) - \frac{1}{6} Q^{ij} \partial_i E_j(\vec{r}_0)$$

To find the force:

$$\vec{F} = -\nabla U_{\text{int}}$$

You will need this for homework

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A ring of radius, a , and constant charge per length λ , sits inside a grounded metal sphere of radius R . Determine the force on the ring.

The charge density is

$$\rho = \frac{\lambda a}{r^2} \delta(r-r_0) \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0)$$

So

$$Q = \int r^2 dr d(\cos\theta) d\phi \rho(r)$$

$$Q = \int r^2 dr dx d\phi \frac{\lambda a}{r^2} \delta(r-r_0) \delta(x-x_0)$$

$$Q = \lambda 2\pi a \quad \checkmark$$

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So

$$-\nabla^2 \varphi = \lambda a \frac{1}{r^2} \delta(r-r_0) \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0)$$

φ is, up to a constant λa the green fn in the space of fns which are azimuthally symmetric. Define

$$\varphi = \lambda a G(\vec{r}).$$

Where $-\nabla^2 G = \frac{1}{r^2} \delta(r-r_0) \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0)$ (Eq. A)

• Want to expand in eigen fns for the coordinates // to where the B.C. are applied and solve for \perp direction. Recall:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad -\nabla^2 = -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{r^2} \quad \textcircled{2} \quad L^2 P_l(\cos\theta) = l(l+1) P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$P_l \propto Y_{l0}$$

$\textcircled{3}$ Completeness

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2l+1)}{2} P_l(\cos\theta) P_l(\cos\theta_0) = \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0)$$

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$$\text{So try, } G = \sum_l g_l(r) P_l(\cos\theta) P_l(\cos\theta_0) \frac{2l+1}{2}$$

Find plugging into \star on previous page

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

So we need to solve for $r < r_0$ and $r > r_0$

can choose norm constant

$$y_{in} = A r^l + \frac{B}{r^{l+1}} \Rightarrow y_{in} = \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^l$$

For $r > r_0$. Need that at $r=R$ potential is zero

$$y_{out} = A r^l + \frac{B}{r^{l+1}}$$

$$y_{out} = -\left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^l + \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^{l+1}$$

Then

$$p(r) W(r) = r^2 (y_0 y'_{in} - y'_{in} y_0) = -R(2l+1)$$

$$\text{So } g(r, r_0) = \frac{1}{R(2l+1)} \left(\frac{r <}{R}\right)^l \left(\left(\frac{R}{r >}\right)^{l+1} - \left(\frac{r >}{R}\right)^l \right)$$

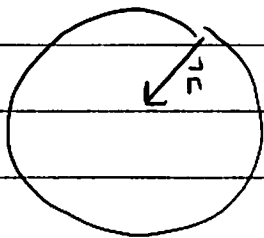
$$\varphi(r, r_0) = \sum_l \frac{\lambda a}{2R} P_l(x) P_l(x_0) \left[\left(\frac{r <}{R}\right)^l \left(\left(\frac{R}{r >}\right)^{l+1} - \left(\frac{r >}{R}\right)^l \right) \right]$$

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The total induced charge on the surface of the sphere should be:

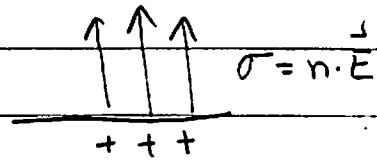
$$-Q = -\lambda (2\pi a)$$

The induced charge



$$\sigma = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{E} = -\hat{r} \cdot (-\nabla\psi)$$

$$= + \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial r} \Big|_{r=R}$$



Now with $r_> = r$ and $r_< = r_0$ find: do it

$$\sigma = \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial r} \Big|_{r=R} = -\frac{Q}{4\pi R^2} \sum_{\ell} P_{\ell}(x) P_{\ell}(x_0) (2\ell+1) \left(\frac{r_0}{R}\right)^{\ell} \quad \left(\frac{E_q}{A}\right)$$

used $\lambda a = Q/2\pi$

So integrating

$$dx = \sin\theta d\theta$$

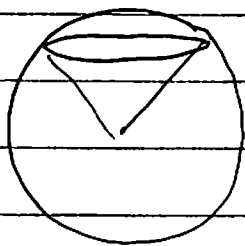
$$Q_{ind} = \int R^2 d\Omega \sigma = R^2 \int_{-1}^1 dx \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \sigma$$

$$= 2\pi R^2 \int_{-1}^1 dx \left[\frac{-Q}{4\pi R^2} \sum_{\ell} P_{\ell}(x) P_{\ell}(x_0) (2\ell+1) \left(\frac{r_0}{R}\right)^{\ell} \right]$$

$$Q_{ind} = -Q$$

only $\ell=0$ contributes to integral

Also check that as $r_0 \rightarrow R$



Then the induced charge should approach

$$\sigma = \frac{-Q}{2\pi R^2} \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0)$$

charge per area

of a ring

Setting $r_0 = R$ in Eq. \star on previous page:

$$\sigma \Big|_{r_0=R} = \frac{-Q}{4\pi R^2} \sum_{\ell} \underbrace{P_{\ell}(\cos\theta) P_{\ell}(\cos\theta_0) (2\ell+1)}_{= 2\delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0)} \cdot 1$$

completeness

$$\sigma \Big|_{r_0=R} = \frac{-Q}{2\pi R^2} \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0)$$

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The interaction energy:

$$U_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\vec{r}} \rho(\vec{r}) \bar{\Phi}_{\text{ind}}(\vec{r})$$

Where

$$\bar{\Phi}_{\text{ind}} = \bar{\Phi}(\vec{r}) - \bar{\Phi}_0(\vec{r})$$

↑
potential
with sphere

← potential w. out sphere
just a ring of charge

$$U_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\vec{r}} \rho(\vec{r}) \bar{\Phi}_0(\vec{r})$$

You can compute $\bar{\Phi}_0$
in exactly the same way,
except

is the energy required to
assemble the ring in free
space.

$$y_{\text{out}} = \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^{2l+1} \quad \text{instead of} \quad y_{\text{out}} = \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^{2l+1} - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^{2l}$$

So

$$\bar{\Phi}_0 = \sum_l \frac{\lambda a}{2R} P_l(x) P_l(x_0) \left(\frac{r_{<}}{R}\right)^l \left(\frac{R}{r_{>}}\right)^{2l+1}$$

and

$$\bar{\Phi}_{\text{ind}} = \bar{\Phi} - \bar{\Phi}_0 = \sum_l \frac{\lambda a}{2R} P_l(x) P_l(x_0) \left(\frac{r_{<}}{R}\right)^l \left(\frac{r_{>}}{R}\right)^l$$

$$= \sum_l -\frac{\lambda a}{2R} P_l(x) P_l(x_0) \left(\frac{r_{>} r_{<}}{R^2}\right)^l \quad \leftarrow \text{regular}$$

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So U_{int} is, using $\lambda a = Q/2\pi$

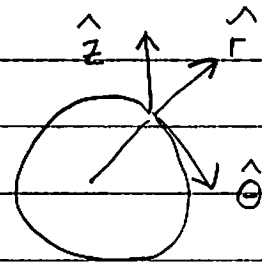
$$U_{int} = \frac{1}{2} \int r^2 d(\cos\theta) d\phi \left[\frac{Q}{2\pi} \frac{1}{r^2} \delta(r-r_0) \delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0) \right] \\ \times \bar{\Phi}_{ind}(r, \theta)$$

$$U_{int} = \frac{1}{2} Q \bar{\Phi}_{ind}(r_0, \theta_0)$$

$$U_{int} = -\frac{Q^2}{8\pi R} \sum_l (P_l(x_0))^2 \left(\frac{r_0}{R}\right)^{2l}$$

The Force:

$$F^z = \hat{z} \cdot (-\nabla U_{int}) \quad \text{on ring}$$



$$\hat{z} = \cos\theta \hat{r} - \sin\theta \hat{\theta}$$

$$-\nabla U = -\hat{r} \frac{\partial U}{\partial r} + \hat{\theta} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\text{And } -\hat{z} \cdot \nabla U = -\cos\theta \frac{\partial U}{\partial r} + \frac{\sin\theta}{r_0} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \theta} = F^z$$

Using

$$-\cos\theta \frac{\partial U}{\partial r} = \frac{Q^2}{8\pi R} \sum_l 2l \left(\frac{r_0}{R}\right)^{2l-1} \frac{1}{R} \cos\theta P_l^2(\cos\theta)$$

$$\frac{\sin\theta}{r_0} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \theta} = \frac{Q^2}{8\pi R^2} \sum_l \left(\frac{r_0}{R}\right)^{2l-1} \frac{1}{R} \underbrace{2 \sin^2\theta P_l'(\cos\theta) P_l(\cos\theta)}_{(1-x^2) P_l' P_l}$$

Using recurrence relation:

$$(1-x^2) P_l'(x) = l P_{l-1}(x) - l x P_l(x) \quad \text{cancels with } -\cos\theta \frac{\partial U}{\partial r}$$

Find

$$F^z = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi R^2} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} l P_l(x_0) P_{l-1}(x_0) \left(\frac{r_0}{R}\right)^{2l-1}$$

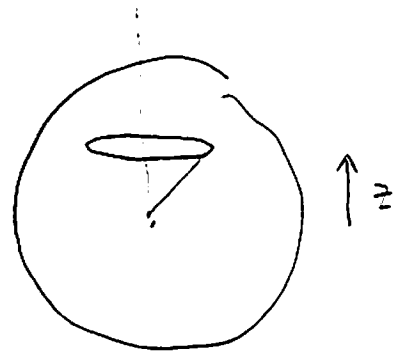
ring radius



$$a = \frac{1}{2} R$$

Sphere Radius

Force



5 terms

