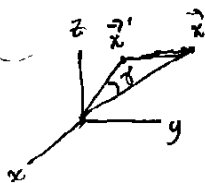


Summary:



$$\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} \frac{r_<^l}{r_>^{l+1}} \sum_{m=-l}^{+l} Y_{lm}(\Omega) Y_{lm}^*(\Omega') \quad (3.70)$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{r_<^l}{r_>^{l+1}} P_l(\cos \gamma) \quad (3.38)$$

where $\gamma = \angle(\vec{r}, \vec{r}')$, $\cos \gamma = \cos \theta \cos \theta' + \sin \theta \sin \theta' \cos(\phi - \phi')$

1. Derive Addn. Thm.

2. Intro to tensors, in prep for multipole expansion.

For now...

A tensor is an object with indices on it. The rank is the # of indices.

A scalar has 0 indices

" vector has 1 index

" tensor of rank 2:

" " " " 3:

S

V_i

T_{ij}

K_{ijk}

etc.

Define δ_{ij}

ϵ_{ijk}

We work in 3D space, so all indices take on values 1, 2, 3 or x, y, z.

Summation convention: Let $\vec{A} = M \cdot \vec{B}$ (vector = matrix · vector)

$$A_i = \sum_j M_{ij} B_j$$

j index is repeated; it is a dummy index; it is summed.

i " " not repeated; it is free. Summ. Conv. is to omit \sum on repeated indices. Thus:

$$A_i = M_{ij} B_j$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = A_i B_i$$

$$\text{tr}(M) = M_{ii}$$

Now irreducible tensors.

Let B_{ij}, C_{ij} be rank 2 tensors.

Define scalar product,

$$\langle B, C \rangle \equiv B_{ij} C_{ij} = \text{tr}(B^t C)$$

↑
matrix product.

Note: Every antisymmetric tensor \perp every symmetric.

$$\text{Let } A_{ij} = -A_{ji} \\ S_{ij} = +S_{ji}$$

$$\langle A, S \rangle = A_{ij} S_{ij} = A_{ji} S_{ji} = (-A_{ij})(+S_{ij}) = -\text{self.} = 0.$$

In particular, every antisymm. tensor is \perp identity:

$$\diamond \quad \cancel{A_{ij} S_{ij}} \quad S_{ij} A_{ij} = \langle I, A \rangle = A_{ii} = 0.$$

Some symmetric tensors are also \perp to identity:

$$\langle I, S \rangle = \delta_{ij} S_{ij} = S_{ii} = \text{tr } S.$$

So,

$$\text{tr } S = 0 \iff \langle I, S \rangle = 0.$$

So, we see that space of rank 2, 3×3 tensors breaks up into 3 orthog. subspaces:

① Multiples of I: $\begin{pmatrix} k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k \end{pmatrix} = kI, \quad k \delta_{ij} \quad 1$

② Antisymmetric $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ -A_{12} & 0 & A_{21} \\ -A_{13} & -A_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad 3$

③ Symm. and traceless: $S = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & S_{13} \\ S_{12} & S_{22} & S_{23} \\ S_{13} & S_{23} & -S_{11} - S_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad 5$

Note, $3 \times 3 = 9 = 1 + 3 + 5.$

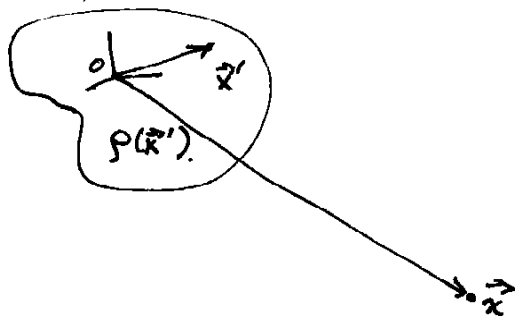
of indep. components \uparrow

cf. $1 \otimes 1 = 0 \oplus 1 \oplus 2$

So an arb. rank 2 tensor can be uniquely written as an l.c. of these.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} M_{ij} &= \frac{1}{2} (M_{ij} + M_{ji}) + \frac{1}{2} (M_{ij} - M_{ji}) = S_{ij} + A_{ij} \\ S_{ij} &= \left[S_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} \text{tr}(S) \right] + \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} (\text{tr } S) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{irreducible} \\ \text{subspaces} \end{array}$$

3. Now multipole expansion in electrostatics. Localized charge distri, distant field pt.



Let $r = |\vec{x}|$
 $r' = |\vec{x}'|$
 $r' < r$

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int dV' \rho(\vec{x}') \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \right)$$

2 approaches: Cartesian, Spherical. Do Cartesian 1st.

Expand in \vec{x}' :

$$\rightarrow = \frac{1}{r} + \vec{x}' \cdot \frac{\vec{x}}{r^3} + \frac{1}{2} x'_i x'_j \left(\frac{3x_i x_j - r^2 \delta_{ij}}{r^5} \right) + \dots$$

monopole dipole quadrupole.

For monopole term get $\int dV' \rho(\vec{x}') = q = \text{total charge} = \text{monopole moment.}$

accum. answers.

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{q}{r} + \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}}{r^3} + \frac{1}{2} Q_{ij} \frac{x_i x_j}{r^5} + \dots \right\}$$

For dipole,

$$\vec{p} = \int dV' \vec{x}' \rho(\vec{x}')$$

For quadrupole: $\frac{3x_i x_j - r^2 \delta_{ij}}{r^5} = \text{Symm. + traceless.}$

So can replace $x'_i x'_j \rightarrow x'_i x'_j - \frac{1}{3} r'^2 \delta_{ij}$

Then can drop $\frac{-r'^2 \delta_{ij}}{r^5}$.

So quadrupole term in expansion can be written:

$$\frac{1}{2} (3x_i x_j - \delta_{ij} r'^2) \cdot \frac{x_i x_j}{r^5}$$

So define $Q_{ij} = \int dv' (3x_i x_j - \delta_{ij} r'^2) \rho(\vec{x}')$ *symm. + traceless.*

This is the Cartesian approach, illustrated thru $l=2$ term.

Now, spherical approach.

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int dv' \rho(\vec{x}') \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{r'^l}{r^{l+1}} \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} Y_{lm}(\Omega) Y_{lm}^*(\Omega')$$

define $q_{lm} = \int dv' r'^l Y_{lm}^*(\Omega') \rho(\vec{x}')$

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_m \frac{q_{lm}}{r^{l+1}} Y_{lm}(\Omega)$$

q_{lm} = spherical components of multipole moments.

leave as exercise to explore relation betw. sph., Cartesian components.
Just note count: $l=0 \quad n=1 \quad \text{etc.}$
 $\quad \quad \quad 1 \quad \quad 3$
 $\quad \quad \quad 2 \quad \quad 5$

We know $\nabla^2 \Phi = 0$ outside chg. distn, so Φ certainly has expansion,

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \sum_{lm} \frac{\Phi_{lm}}{r^{l+1}} Y_{lm}(\Omega) \quad \text{or } B_{lm}$$

because that's what you get by separating the Laplace eqn. in sph. coords. in the exterior region. But question is, what are the coefs. Φ_{lm} in terms of chg. distn? Formalism above gives the answer.

bzh.