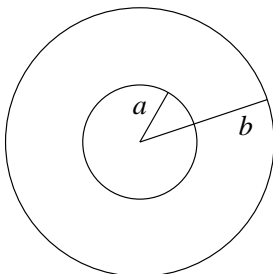


Midterm — Solutions

This midterm is a two hour open book, open notes exam. Do all three problems.

- [30 pts] 1. Consider a two-dimensional problem defined in the region between concentric circles of radii a and b .



- [10] a) Using polar coordinates, the Dirichlet Green's function may be expanded as

$$G(\rho, \phi; \rho', \phi') = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} g_m(\rho, \rho') e^{im(\phi - \phi')}$$

Write down the appropriate differential equation for $g_m(\rho, \rho')$.

In two dimensions, the Green's function satisfies

$$\nabla'^2 G(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = -4\pi \delta^{(2)}(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')$$

Using polar coordinates, we note that

$$\nabla'^2 = \frac{1}{\rho'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} \rho' \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} + \frac{1}{\rho'^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi'^2}$$

and

$$\delta^{(2)}(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') = \frac{1}{\rho} \delta(\rho - \rho') \delta(\phi - \phi')$$

As a result, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{\rho'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} \rho' \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} + \frac{1}{\rho'^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi'^2} \right) G(\rho, \phi; \rho', \phi') &= -\frac{4\pi}{\rho} \delta(\rho - \rho') \delta(\phi - \phi') \\ &= -\sum_m \frac{2}{\rho} \delta(\rho - \rho') e^{im(\phi - \phi')} \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the completeness relation

$$\sum_m e^{im(\phi - \phi')} = 2\pi \delta(\phi - \phi')$$

Inserting the expansion

$$G(\rho, \phi; \rho', \phi') = \sum_m g_m(\rho, \rho') e^{im(\phi - \phi')}$$

into the above and matching powers of $e^{i(\phi - \phi')}$ then gives the differential equation

$$\left(\frac{1}{\rho'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} \rho' \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} - \frac{m^2}{\rho'^2} \right) g_m(\rho, \rho') = -\frac{2}{\rho} \delta(\rho - \rho') \quad (1)$$

- [20] b) Solve the Green's function equation for $g_m(\rho, \rho')$ subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions and write down the result for $G(\rho, \phi; \rho', \phi')$. Note that the $m = 0$ case may need to be treated separately.

We start with the $m \neq 0$ case. The homogeneous equation corresponding to the Green's function equation (1) is

$$\left(\frac{1}{\rho'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} \rho' \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} - \frac{m^2}{\rho'^2} \right) g_m(\rho, \rho') = 0$$

This is easy to solve as it is equidimensional in ρ' . The two independent solutions are of the form ρ'^m and ρ'^{-m} . Because of the delta-function source in (1), we break up the ρ' interval into $a \leq \rho' \leq \rho$ and $\rho \leq \rho' \leq b$. Hence we write

$$g_m(\rho, \rho') = \begin{cases} Au(\rho') & a \leq \rho' \leq \rho \\ Bv(\rho') & \rho \leq \rho' \leq b \end{cases}$$

where

$$u(\rho') = \left(\frac{\rho'}{a} \right)^m - \left(\frac{a}{\rho'} \right)^m, \quad v(\rho') = \left(\frac{\rho'}{b} \right)^m - \left(\frac{b}{\rho'} \right)^m \quad (2)$$

are appropriately chosen to satisfy the Dirichlet boundary conditions $g_m(\rho, a) = 0$ and $g_m(\rho, b) = 0$. Note that these expressions are valid for both positive and negative m . From (1), we must now satisfy the matching and jump conditions

$$g_{<} = g_{>}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} g_{<} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} g_{>} + \frac{2}{\rho} \quad (3)$$

where $g_{<}$ and $g_{>}$ are the values of $g_m(\rho, \rho')$ for ρ' immediately to the left and right of the delta function at ρ , respectively. These conditions give rise to a set of two equations which may be solved to determine the two unknowns A and B . Alternatively, by symmetry of the Green's function, we may write

$$g_m(\rho, \rho') = Au(\rho_{<})v(\rho_{>})$$

where $\rho_{<} = \min(\rho, \rho')$ and $\rho_{>} = \max(\rho, \rho')$, and where A is a ρ and ρ' independent constant. In this case, the first condition of (3) is automatically satisfied, while the second one gives

$$Au'(\rho)v(\rho) = Au(\rho)v'(\rho) + \frac{2}{\rho}$$

or equivalently

$$A = -\frac{2}{\rho} \begin{vmatrix} u(\rho) & v(\rho) \\ u'(\rho) & v'(\rho) \end{vmatrix}^{-1}$$

Note that the determinant is simply the Wronskian of $u(\rho)$ and $v(\rho)$. In any case, using (2), we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{vmatrix} u(\rho) & v(\rho) \\ u'(\rho) & v'(\rho) \end{vmatrix} &= \frac{m}{\rho} \left[\left(\left(\frac{\rho}{a} \right)^m - \left(\frac{a}{\rho} \right)^m \right) \left(\left(\frac{\rho}{b} \right)^m + \left(\frac{b}{\rho} \right)^m \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left(\left(\frac{\rho}{a} \right)^m + \left(\frac{a}{\rho} \right)^m \right) \left(\left(\frac{\rho}{b} \right)^m - \left(\frac{b}{\rho} \right)^m \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{2m}{\rho} \left[\left(\frac{b}{a} \right)^m - \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^m \right] \end{aligned}$$

This gives

$$A = -\frac{1}{m} \left[\left(\frac{b}{a} \right)^m - \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^m \right]^{-1}$$

so that

$$g_m(\rho, \rho') = -\frac{u(\rho_{<})v(\rho_{>})}{m[(b/a)^m - (a/b)^m]} \quad (m \neq 0) \quad (4)$$

where $u(\rho)$ and $v(\rho)$ are given in (2).

When $m = 0$, the Green's function equation (1) reduces to

$$\frac{1}{\rho'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} \rho' \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho'} g_0(\rho, \rho') = -\frac{2}{\rho} \delta(\rho - \rho')$$

In this case, the two linearly independent solutions to the homogeneous equation are 1 (ie a constant) and $\log \rho'$. The Dirichlet boundary conditions are then satisfied with

$$u(\rho') = \log \left(\frac{\rho'}{a} \right), \quad v(\rho') = \log \left(\frac{\rho'}{b} \right)$$

This time, the Wronskian is

$$\begin{vmatrix} u(\rho) & v(\rho) \\ u'(\rho) & v'(\rho) \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{\rho} \left[\log \left(\frac{\rho}{a} \right) - \log \left(\frac{\rho}{b} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{\rho} \log \left(\frac{b}{a} \right)$$

so that

$$A = -\frac{2}{\rho} \begin{vmatrix} u(\rho) & v(\rho) \\ u'(\rho) & v'(\rho) \end{vmatrix}^{-1} = -\frac{2}{\log(b/a)}$$

and

$$g_0(\rho, \rho') = -\frac{2 \log(\rho_{<}/a) \log(\rho_{>}/b)}{\log(b/a)} \quad (5)$$

Finally, combining (4) and (5) gives the complete Green's function

$$G(\rho, \phi; \rho', \phi') = -\frac{2 \log(\rho_{<}/a) \log(\rho_{>}/b)}{\log(b/a)} - \sum_{m \neq 0} \frac{[(\rho_{<}/a)^m - (a/\rho_{<})^m][(\rho_{>}/b)^m - (b/\rho_{>})^m]}{m[(b/a)^m - (a/b)^m]} e^{im(\phi - \phi')}$$

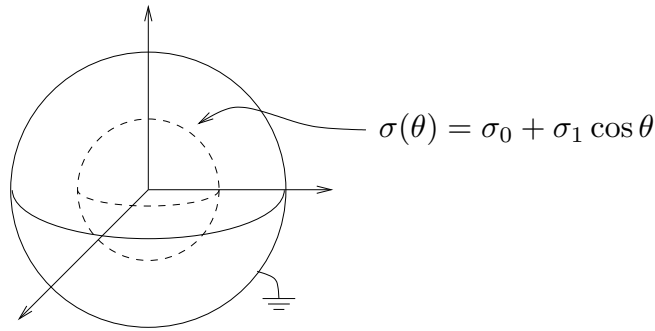
Since the prefactor to $e^{im(\phi - \phi')}$ is even under the replacement $m \rightarrow -m$, the Green's function may equivalently be written as

$$G(\rho, \phi; \rho', \phi') = \frac{2 \log(\rho_{<}/a) \log(b/\rho_{>})}{\log(b/a)} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{2[(\rho_{<}/a)^m - (a/\rho_{<})^m][(b/\rho_{>})^m - (\rho_{>}/b)^m]}{m[(b/a)^m - (a/b)^m]} \cos[m(\phi - \phi')]$$

or

$$G(\rho, \phi; \rho', \phi') = \frac{2 \log(\rho_{<}/a) \log(b/\rho_{>})}{\log(b/a)} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{m} \left(\frac{\rho_{<}}{\rho_{>}} \right)^m \frac{[1 - (a/\rho_{<})^{2m}][1 - (\rho_{>}/b)^{2m}]}{[1 - (a/b)^{2m}]} \cos[m(\phi - \phi')]$$

- [35 pts] 2. A spherical surface of radius a and surface-charge density $\sigma(\theta) = \sigma_0 + \sigma_1 \cos \theta$ is placed concentrically inside a grounded conducting sphere of radius b . Here θ is the standard polar angle in spherical coordinates.



- [20] a) Find the potential $\Phi(r, \theta, \phi)$ everywhere inside the conducting sphere.

Since this problem focuses on the interior of a conducting sphere of radius b , we may use the Dirichlet Green's function

$$G(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = \sum_{l,m} \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} r_{<}^l \left(\frac{1}{r_{>}^{l+1}} - \frac{r_{>}^l}{b^{2l+1}} \right) Y_l^m(\Omega) Y_l^{m*}(\Omega') \quad (6)$$

In general, the potential inside the conducting sphere is given by

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V G(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \rho(\vec{x}') d^3x' - \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_S \Phi(\vec{x}') \frac{\partial G}{\partial n'} da'$$

However the surface term does not contribute since the potential $\Phi(\vec{x}')$ vanishes on the surface of the grounded conducting sphere. As a result, we are left to evaluate

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V G(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \rho(\vec{x}') d^3x'$$

where

$$\rho(\vec{x}') = \sigma(\theta') \delta(r' - a) = [\sigma_0 + \sigma_1 \cos \theta'] \delta(r' - a)$$

Using the Green's function of (6) and using the $\delta(r' - a)$ to kill the r' integral gives

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l,m} \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} r_{<}^l \left(\frac{1}{r_{>}^{l+1}} - \frac{r_{>}^l}{b^{2l+1}} \right) Y_l^m(\Omega) \int \sigma(\theta') Y_l^{m*}(\Omega') a^2 d\Omega'$$

where $r_{<} = \min(r, a)$ and $r_{>} = \max(r, a)$. Since the charge distribution $\sigma(\theta')$ is azimuthally symmetric, only the $m = 0$ terms survive in the sum, and we are left with a Legendre polynomial series

$$\Phi(r, \theta) = \frac{2\pi a^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_l r_{<}^l \left(\frac{1}{r_{>}^{l+1}} - \frac{r_{>}^l}{b^{2l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta) \int_{-1}^1 \sigma(\theta') P_l(\cos \theta') d(\cos \theta')$$

We now use

$$\sigma(\theta') = \sigma_0 P_0(\cos \theta') + \sigma_1 P_1(\cos \theta')$$

and the orthogonality of Legendre polynomials

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_l(x) P_{l'}(x) dx = \frac{2}{2l+1} \delta_{l,l'}$$

to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(r, \theta) &= \frac{a^2}{\epsilon_0} \sum_l r_{<}^l \left(\frac{1}{r_{>}^{l+1}} - \frac{r_{>}^l}{b^{2l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta) \left[\sigma_0 \delta_{l,0} + \frac{1}{3} \sigma_1 \delta_{l,1} \right] \\ &= \frac{a^2}{\epsilon_0} \left[\sigma_0 \left(\frac{1}{r_{>}} - \frac{1}{b} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \sigma_1 r_{<} \left(\frac{1}{r_{>}^2} - \frac{r_{>}}{b^3} \right) \cos \theta \right] \end{aligned}$$

Explicitly, this gives

$$\Phi(r, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{a^2}{\epsilon_0} \left[\sigma_0 \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \sigma_1 r \left(\frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{a}{b^3} \right) \cos \theta \right] & r < a \\ \frac{a^2}{\epsilon_0} \left[\sigma_0 \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{b} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \sigma_1 a \left(\frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{r}{b^3} \right) \cos \theta \right] & r > a \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

An alternate means of solving this problem is to solve Laplace's equation separately for $r < a$ and for $a < r < b$, and to match the two solutions at the location of the charged surface, $r = a$. Taking boundary conditions into account, we may write

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{<} &= \sum_l \alpha_l r^l P_l(\cos \theta) & (r < a) \\ \Phi_{>} &= \sum_l \beta_l \left(\frac{1}{r^{l+1}} - \frac{r^l}{b^{2l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta) & (a < r < b)\end{aligned}\tag{8}$$

where these forms have been chosen to satisfy the boundary conditions at $r = 0$ and $r = b$, respectively. The matching conditions at the surface $r = a$ are that the potential is continuous, $\Phi_{<} = \Phi_{>}|_{r=a}$ and that the jump in the perpendicular component of the electric field is given by σ/ϵ_0 , namely $E_r^> = E_r^< + \sigma/\epsilon_0|_{r=a}$ or $\partial\Phi_{<}/\partial r = \partial\Phi_{>}/\partial r + \sigma/\epsilon_0|_{r=a}$. These two conditions lead to the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_l a^{2l+1} - \beta_l (1 - (a/b)^{2l+1}) &= 0 \\ l\alpha_l a^{2l+1} + \beta_l ((l+1) + l(a/b)^{2l+1}) &= \sigma_l a^{l+2}/\epsilon_0\end{aligned}$$

which may be written in matrix form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 + (a/b)^{2l+1} \\ l & l+1 + l(a/b)^{2l+1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_l a^{2l+1} \\ \beta_l \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sigma_l a^{l+2}/\epsilon_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This may be solved to give

$$\begin{aligned}\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_l a^{2l+1} \\ \beta_l \end{pmatrix} &= \frac{1}{2l+1} \begin{pmatrix} l+1 + l(a/b)^{2l+1} & 1 - (a/b)^{2l+1} \\ -l & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sigma_l a^{l+2}/\epsilon_0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{\sigma_l a^{l+2}}{(2l+1)\epsilon_0} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - (a/b)^{2l+1} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

In particular

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{\sigma_0 a}{\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \frac{a}{b}\right), \quad \alpha_1 = \frac{\sigma_1}{3\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^3\right)$$

and

$$\beta_0 = \frac{\sigma_0 a^2}{\epsilon_0}, \quad \beta_1 = \frac{\sigma_1 a^3}{3\epsilon_0}$$

Substituting these coefficients into (8) reproduces the potential (7) obtained above using the Green's function method.

- [10] b) What is the induced surface-charge density on the interior surface of the conducting sphere?

The induced surface-charge density is given by

$$\sigma = -\epsilon_0 E_r \Big|_{r=b} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial r} \Big|_{r=b}$$

Using the expression for $\Phi(r > a)$ obtained in (7), we see that

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= a^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[\sigma_0 \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{b} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \sigma_1 a \left(\frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{r^3}{b} \right) \cos \theta \right]_{r=b} \\ &= - \left[\sigma_0 \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^2 + \sigma_1 \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^3 \cos \theta \right]\end{aligned}\quad (9)$$

- [5] c) What is the total induced charge on the interior surface of the conducting sphere?

The total induced charge is obtained by integrating (9) over the area of the conducting sphere

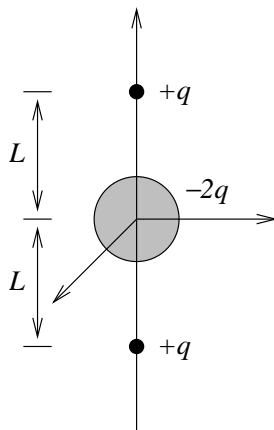
$$Q_{\text{induced}} = \int_{r=b} \sigma da = -\sigma_0 \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^2 (4\pi b^2) = -4\pi a^2 \sigma_0$$

Note that the dipole term proportional to σ_1 integrates to zero over the entire surface of the sphere. This is just the negative of the total charge of the surface at $r = a$

$$q = (\text{average surface charge density}) \times (\text{area}) = \sigma_0(4\pi a^2)$$

Even without knowing the result of part b, this can be obtained directly by elementary application of Gauss' law inside a hollow conductor.

- [35 pts] 3. A solid (ungrounded) conducting sphere of radius a and charge $-2q$ is located at the origin. A point charge of $+q$ is placed above the conducting sphere at a distance L from the origin, and another one (also of charge $+q$) is placed at a distance L below the origin.



- [15] a) Find the potential $\Phi(\vec{x})$ everywhere outside the conducting sphere. (Take $\Phi = 0$ at infinity.)

Perhaps the most straightforward way to approach this problem is to use the method of images. The image charge corresponding to the $+q$ charge located at

a distance L from the center is $-q(a/L)$, and its location is a^2/L from the center. If the conducting sphere is grounded, the potential is then

$$\Phi_{\text{grounded}} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - L\hat{z}|} + \frac{1}{|\vec{x} + L\hat{z}|} - \frac{a/L}{|\vec{x} - (a^2/L)\hat{z}|} - \frac{a/L}{|\vec{x} + (a^2/L)\hat{z}|} \right]$$

However, the conducting sphere is actually ungrounded, and has a total charge $-2q$ on it. Taking into account the two image charges, the effective charge on the sphere is $q_{\text{eff}} = -2q + 2q(a/L)$. Hence the potential is

$$\Phi = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{-2 + 2a/L}{|\vec{x}|} + \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - L\hat{z}|} + \frac{1}{|\vec{x} + L\hat{z}|} - \frac{a/L}{|\vec{x} - (a^2/L)\hat{z}|} - \frac{a/L}{|\vec{x} + (a^2/L)\hat{z}|} \right] \quad (10)$$

[5] b) What is the potential of the conducting sphere?

The surface of the conducting sphere is given by $r = a$. Since the method of images guarantees that $\Phi_{\text{grounded}}(r = a) = 0$, and since we may rewrite (10) as

$$\Phi = \Phi_{\text{grounded}} - \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1 - a/L}{|\vec{x}|}$$

we immediately see that

$$\Phi(r = a) = -\frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{L} \right)$$

This is the potential of the conducting sphere.

[15] c) Calculate the multipole moments q_{lm} . Make sure to indicate which moments are non-vanishing.

In order to calculate the multipole moments, we first rewrite (10) using the azimuthally symmetric expansion

$$\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} = \sum_l \frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} P_l(\cos \gamma)$$

where $\cos \gamma = \hat{x} \cdot \hat{x}'$, and where $r_{<} = \min(r, r')$ and $r_{>} = \max(r, r')$. Since the charges are on the \hat{z} axis, the angle γ is either θ or $\pi - \theta$. The expansion of (10) is then

$$\Phi = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{-2 + 2a/L}{r} + \sum_l \left(\frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} - \frac{a}{L} \frac{(a^2/L)^l}{r^{l+1}} \right) (P_l(\cos \theta) + P_l(-\cos \theta)) \right]$$

Since $P_l(-x) = (-1)^l P_l(x)$, this expression simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi &= \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{-1 + a/L}{r} + \sum_{l=0,2,4,\dots} \left(\frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} - \frac{a^{2l+1}}{(rL)^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta) \right] \\ &= \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\left(\frac{1}{r_{>}} - \frac{1}{r} \right) + \sum_{l=2,4,\dots} \left(\frac{r_{<}^l}{r_{>}^{l+1}} - \frac{a^{2l+1}}{(rL)^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta) \right] \end{aligned}$$

The asymptotic potential far away from the charges is obtained by taking $r_< = L$ and $r_> = r$. In this case

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=2,4,\dots} \left(\frac{L^l}{r^{l+1}} - \frac{a^{2l+1}}{(rL)^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos\theta) \\ &= \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=2,4,\dots} L^l \left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{L} \right)^{2l+1} \right) \frac{P_l(\cos\theta)}{r^{l+1}} \\ &= \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=2,4,\dots} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2l+1}} L^l \left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{L} \right)^{2l+1} \right) \frac{Y_l^0(\Omega)}{r^{l+1}}\end{aligned}$$

Comparing with with the multipole expansion

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l,m} \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} q_{lm} \frac{Y_l^m(\Omega)}{r^{l+1}}$$

allows us to identify the multipole moments

$$q_{l,0} = \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{\pi}} q L^l \left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{L} \right)^{2l+1} \right) \quad l = 2, 4, 6, \dots \quad (11)$$

Alternatively, these moments may be obtained by realizing that this problem is equivalent to a five point charge problem by the method of images. The five point charges are the obvious ones leading to the potential (10)

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(\vec{x}) &= q \left[-2(1 - a/L)\delta^{(3)}(\vec{x}) + \delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - L\hat{z}) + \delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} + L\hat{z}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (a/L)\delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - (a^2/L)\hat{z}) - (a/L)\delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} + (a^2/L)\hat{z}) \right]\end{aligned}$$

In general, the multipole moments are defined by

$$q_{lm} = \int \rho(\vec{x}) r^l Y_l^m(\Omega) d^3x$$

However, because of azimuthal symmetry, only the $m = 0$ moments are non-vanishing. In this case

$$\begin{aligned}q_{l,0} &= \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi}} \int \rho(\vec{x}) r^l P_l(\cos\theta) d^3x \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi}} q \left[-2 \left(1 - \frac{a}{L} \right) \delta_{l,0} + L^l P_l(1) + L^l P_l(-1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{a}{L} \left(\frac{a^2}{L} \right)^l P_l(1) - \frac{a}{L} \left(\frac{a^2}{L} \right)^l P_l(-1) \right]\end{aligned}$$

Since $P_l(1) = 1$ and $P_l(-1) = (-1)^l$, this simplifies to

$$q_{l,0} = \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{\pi}} q \left[- \left(1 - \frac{a}{L} \right) \delta_{l,0} + L^l \left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{L} \right)^{2l+1} \right) \right] \quad l \text{ even}$$

Noting that the $l = 0$ term vanishes, we see that this result is identical to (11).