

1 Problem 4.1

1.1

charge	r	θ	φ
$+q$	a	$\pi/2$	0
$+q$	a	$\pi/2$	$\pi/2$
$-q$	a	$\pi/2$	π
$-q$	a	$\pi/2$	$3\pi/2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 q_{l,m} &= qa^l [Y_{l,m}^*(\theta = \pi/2, \varphi = 0) + Y_{l,m}^*(\theta = \pi/2, \varphi = \pi/2) \\
 &\quad - Y_{l,m}^*(\theta = \pi/2, \varphi = \pi) - Y_{l,m}^*(\theta = \pi/2, \varphi = 3\pi/2)] \\
 &= qa^l (-1)^m \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l+m)!}{4\pi(l-m)!}} \left[e^{\underbrace{i(-m)(0)}_1} + e^{\underbrace{i(-m)(\pi/2)}_{(-i)^m}} - e^{\underbrace{i(-m)(\pi)}_{(-1)^m}} - e^{\underbrace{i(-m)(3\pi/2)}_{i^m}} \right] P_l^{-m} \left(\cos(\pi/2) \right)^0 \\
 &= qa^l \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l+m)!}{4\pi(l-m)!}} [1 + (-i)^m - (-1)^m - i^m] P_l^{-m}(0) \\
 &= qa^l \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l+m)!}{4\pi(l-m)!}} P_l^{-m}(0) \begin{cases} 0 & m \text{ even} \\ 2 - 2i(-1)^{(m-1)/2} & m \text{ odd} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

$l = 1$:

$$q_{1,1} = -q_{1,-1}^* = -qa\sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}}(1-i)$$

$l = 3$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 q_{3,1} &= -q_{3,-1}^* = qa^3 \sqrt{\frac{7}{\pi}}(2-2i) \left(-\frac{1}{12} \right) \left(-\frac{3}{2} \right) = qa^3 \sqrt{\frac{7}{\pi}}(1-i)\frac{1}{4} \\
 q_{3,3} &= -q_{3,-3}^* = qa^3 \sqrt{\frac{1260}{\pi}}(2+2i) \left(-\frac{1}{720} \right) (-15) = qa^3 \sqrt{\frac{35}{\pi}}(1+i)\frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

1.2

charge	r	θ	φ
$+q$	a	0	0
$-2q$	0	0	0
q	a	π	0

$$\begin{aligned}
q_{l,m} &= q \left[a^l Y_{l,m}^*(\theta = 0, \varphi = 0) - \cancel{20^l Y_{l,m}^*(\theta = 0, \varphi = 0)} + a^l Y_{l,m}^*(\theta = \pi, \varphi = 0) \right] \\
&= qa^l \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l-m)!}{4\pi(l+m)!}} \left[\underbrace{e^{im(0)}}_1 P_l^m(\cos(0)) + \underbrace{e^{im(0)}}_1 P_l^m(\cos(\pi)) \right] \\
&= qa^l \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l-m)!}{4\pi(l+m)!}} [P_l^m(1) + P_l^m(-1)]
\end{aligned}$$

Because we have azimuthal symmetry, only the $m = 0$ terms survive. Noting that that $P_l^0(1) = 1$, $P_l^0(-1) = (-1)^l$:

$$\begin{aligned}
q_{l,m} &= qa^l \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)}{4\pi}} [1 + (-1)^l] \\
&= qa^l \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)}{4\pi}} \begin{cases} 2 & l \text{ even, } m = 0 \\ 0 & l \text{ odd OR } m \neq 0 \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

$l = 2$:

$$q_{2,0} = qa^2 \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}}$$

$l = 4$:

$$q_{4,0} = qa^4 \sqrt{\frac{9}{\pi}}$$

Note that $q_{0,0} = 0$. The formula we obtained for $q_{l,m}$ is only valid for $l \neq 0$ (0^0 is not necessarily zero).

1.3

Equation 4.1 in Jackson:

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} q_{l,m} \frac{Y_{l,m}(\theta, \varphi)}{r^{l+1}}$$

Substituting in $q_{l,m}$ from part b:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi(\vec{x}) &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{4\pi}{4l+1} \left(qa^{2l} \sqrt{\frac{(4l+1)}{4\pi}} \right) \frac{Y_{2l,0}(\theta, \varphi)}{r^{2l+1}} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{4\pi}{4l+1} \left(qa^{2l} \sqrt{\frac{(4l+1)}{4\pi}} \right) \frac{\sqrt{\frac{(4l+1)}{4\pi}} P_{2l}^0(\cos\theta)}{r^{2l+1}} \\
&= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} a^{2l} \frac{P_{2l}(\cos\theta)}{r^{2l+1}}
\end{aligned}$$

The lowest-order ($l = 1$) term is:

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{a^2}{r^3} \left(\frac{1}{2} (3\cos^2\theta - 1) \right) + \dots$$

in the x - y plane, $\theta = \pi/2$:

$$\Phi_{x-y}(\vec{x}) = -\frac{q}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{a^2}{r^3}$$

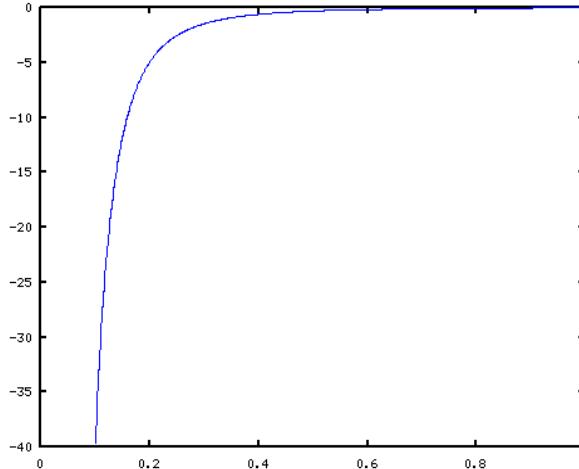


Figure 1:

1.4

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{\sqrt{r^2 + a^2}} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{\sqrt{r^2 + a^2}} - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{r}$$

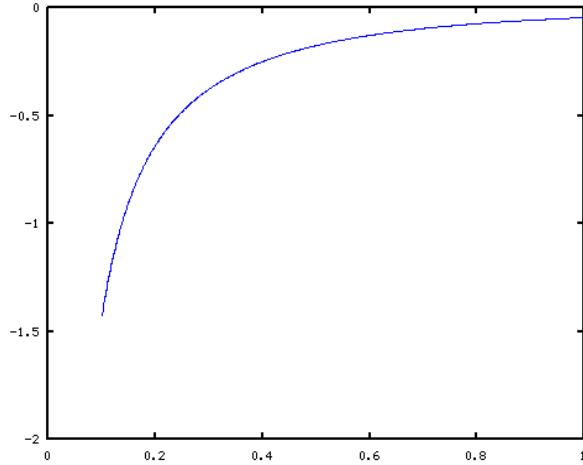


Figure 2:

The two plots have the same general shape. We don't expect them to be identical since the first figure represents a rough approximation.

2 Problem 4.7

2.1

Note:

$$\sin^2 \theta = 1 - \cos^2 \theta = \frac{2}{3}P_0^0(\cos \theta) - \frac{2}{3}P_2^0(\cos \theta)$$

Hence, $\rho(\vec{r})$ becomes:

$$\rho(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{64\pi} \frac{2}{3} r^2 e^{-r} (P_0^0(\cos \theta) - P_2^0(\cos \theta)) \quad (1)$$

Equation 4.3 in Jackson:

$$\begin{aligned}
q_{l,m} &= \int Y_{l,m}^*(\theta', \varphi') r'^l \rho(\vec{x}') d^3 x' \\
&= \iiint Y_{l,m}^*(\theta', \varphi') r'^l \left[\frac{1}{64\pi} \frac{2}{3} r'^2 e^{-r'} (P_0^0(\cos \theta') - P_2^0(\cos \theta')) \right] r'^2 \sin \theta' dr' d(\cos \theta') d\varphi' \\
&= \frac{1}{96\pi} \iiint r'^{4+l} e^{-r'} (P_0^0(\cos \theta') - P_2^0(\cos \theta')) Y_{l,m}^*(\theta', \varphi') dr' d(\cos \theta') d\varphi' \\
&= \frac{1}{96\pi} \iiint r'^{4+l} e^{-r'} (P_0^0(\cos \theta') - P_2^0(\cos \theta')) \left(\sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l-m)!}{4\pi(l+m)!}} P_l^m(\cos \theta) e^{im\varphi} \right) dr' d(\cos \theta') d\varphi' \\
&= \frac{1}{96\pi} \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l-m)!}{4\pi(l+m)!}} \iiint r'^{4+l} e^{-r'} e^{im\varphi} P_l^m(\cos \theta) (P_0^0(\cos \theta') - P_2^0(\cos \theta')) dr' d(\cos \theta') d\varphi' \\
&= \frac{1}{96\pi} \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)(l-m)!}{4\pi(l+m)!}} \iiint r'^{4+l} e^{-r'} e^{im\varphi} P_l^m(\cos \theta) (P_0^0(\cos \theta') - P_2^0(\cos \theta')) dr' d(\cos \theta') d\varphi'
\end{aligned}$$

By orthogonality, only the $m = 0, l = 0, 2$ terms survive. Because $\int [P_0(x)]^2 dx = 2$ and $\int [P_2(x)]^2 dx = \frac{2}{5}$:

$$q_{l,m} = \frac{1}{96\pi} \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)}{4\pi}} \iint r'^{4+l} e^{-r'} e^{i(0)\varphi} dr' d\varphi' \times \begin{cases} 2 & l = 0 \\ -\frac{2}{5} & l = 2 \end{cases}$$

The integral evaluates to:

$$\int_{\varphi'=0}^{2\pi} \int_{r'=0}^{\infty} r'^{4+l} e^{-r'} dr' d\varphi' = 2\pi \int_{r'=0}^{\infty} r'^{4+l} e^{-r'} dr' d\varphi' = 2\pi \Gamma(l+5) = 2\pi(l+4)!$$

where Maple command `int(r^(4+l)*exp(-r), r=0..infinity)`; was used to evaluate the last integral. Thus,

$$q_{l,0} = \frac{1}{96} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}} \begin{cases} 4! & l = 0 \\ -\sqrt{5} \cdot 6! & l = 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Specifically,

$$\begin{aligned}
q_{0,0} &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}} \\
q_{2,0} &= -6 \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}}
\end{aligned}$$

Plugging this into equation 4.1 in Jackson:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi(\vec{r}) &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} q_{l,m} \frac{Y_{l,m}(\theta, \varphi)}{r^{l+1}} \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} 4\pi \left(\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}} \right) \frac{Y_{0,0}(\theta, \varphi)}{r} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{4\pi}{5} \left(-6 \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \right) \frac{Y_{2,0}(\theta, \varphi)}{r^3} \\
&= \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0 r \sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}} \right) - \frac{6}{5\epsilon_0 r^3} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1) \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - \frac{6}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} \underbrace{(3 \cos^2 \theta - 1)}_{2P_2(\cos \theta)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\Phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - \frac{3}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} P_2(\cos \theta)}$$

2.2

Because we have no conducting surfaces, the Green function is simply:

$$G_D = \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} = \sum_l \frac{r_-^l}{r_>^{l+1}} P_l(\cos \theta') P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (2)$$

Note that we have azimuthal symmetry due to having no surfaces.

We only need to consider the first integral in equation 1.44 in Jackson (since we have no surfaces):

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \rho(\vec{r}') G_D(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') d^3 r'$$

Plugging in equation (2) for $G_D(\vec{r}, \vec{r}')$ and equation (1) for $\rho(\vec{r}')$:

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \iiint \sum_l \frac{r_-^l}{r_>^{l+1}} P_l(\cos \theta') P_l(\cos \theta) \left[\frac{1}{64\pi} \frac{2}{3} r'^2 e^{-r'} (P_0(\cos \theta') - P_2(\cos \theta')) \right] r'^2 dr' d(\cos \theta) d\varphi$$

By orthogonality, only the $l = 0, 2$ terms survive. $\int [P_0(x)]^2 dx = 2$ and $\int [P_2(x)]^2 dx = \frac{2}{5}$:

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{384\pi^2\epsilon_0} P_l(\cos \theta) \iint \frac{r_-^l}{r_>^{l+1}} r'^4 e^{-r'} dr' d\varphi \times \begin{cases} 2 & l = 0 \\ -\frac{2}{5} & l = 2 \end{cases}$$

The integral evaluates to:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\varphi'=0}^{2\pi} \int_{r'=0}^{\infty} \frac{r'_l}{r'^{l+1}} r'^4 e^{-r'} dr' d\varphi &= 2\pi \int_{r'=0}^{\infty} \frac{r'_l}{r'^{l+1}} r'^4 e^{-r'} dr' \\
&= 2\pi \int_{r'=0}^r \frac{r'^l}{r'^{l+1}} r'^4 e^{-r'} dr' + 2\pi \int_{r'=r}^{\infty} \frac{r'^l}{r'^{l+1}} r'^4 e^{-r'} dr' \\
&= \frac{2\pi}{r'^{l+1}} \int_{r'=0}^r r'^{l+4} e^{-r'} dr' + 2\pi r^l \int_{r'=r}^{\infty} r'^{3-l} e^{-r'} dr' \\
&= \begin{cases} -2\pi [e^{-r} (r^2 + 6r + 18 + 24r^{-1}) - 24r^{-1}] & l = 0 \\ -10\pi [e^{-r} (r^2 + 6r + 24r + 72r^{-1} + 144r^{-2} + 144r^{-3}) - 144r^{-3}] & l = 2 \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

Plugging this back into $\Phi(\vec{r})$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi(\vec{r}) &= -\frac{P_0(\cos \theta)}{96\pi\varepsilon_0} [e^{-r} (r^2 + 6r + 18 + 24r^{-1}) - 24r^{-1}] \\
&\quad + \frac{P_2(\cos \theta)}{96\pi\varepsilon_0} [e^{-r} (r^2 + 6r + 24r + 72r^{-1} + 144r^{-2} + 144r^{-3}) - 144r^{-3}]
\end{aligned}$$

For small r , this reduces to:

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{4} - \frac{r^2}{120} P_2(\cos \theta) \right]$$

2.3

Near the nucleus Φ is as we found at the end of part b multiplied by the electron charge e . The interaction energy is found using equation 4.21 in Jackson:

$$\begin{aligned}
W &= \int \rho(\vec{r}) \Phi(\vec{r}) d^3 r \\
&= \int \rho(\vec{r}) \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{4} - \frac{r^2}{120} P_2(\cos\theta) \right] d^3 r \\
&= \frac{1}{16\pi\epsilon_0} \int \rho(\vec{r}) d^3 r - \frac{1}{480\pi\epsilon_0} \int r^2 P_2(\cos\theta) \rho(\vec{r}) d^3 r \\
&= \frac{1}{16\pi\epsilon_0} \int \rho(\vec{r}) d^3 r - \frac{1}{480\pi^2\epsilon_0} \int r^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} (3\cos^2\theta - 1) \right] \rho(\vec{r}) d^3 r \\
&= \frac{1}{16\pi\epsilon_0} \int \rho(\vec{r}) d^3 r - \frac{1}{960\pi^2\epsilon_0} \int \left(3\underbrace{r^2 \cos^2\theta}_{z^2} - r^2 \right) \rho(\vec{r}) d^3 r \\
&= \underbrace{\frac{1}{16\pi\epsilon_0} \int \rho(\vec{r}) d^3 r}_e - \underbrace{\frac{1}{960\pi^2\epsilon_0} \int (3z^2 - r^2) \rho(\vec{r}) d^3 r}_{Q_{z,z}}
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the definition of the quadrupole moment tensor (equation 4.9 in Jackson). Since we are given that $Q_{i,i} = (e/a_0^3) \cdot 10^{-28} \text{ m}^3$:

$$W = \frac{1}{16\pi\epsilon_0} e - \frac{1}{960\pi^2\epsilon_0} \frac{e}{a_0^3} \cdot 10^{-28} \text{ m}^3$$

$$\frac{W}{h} = \frac{e}{h} \left(\frac{1}{16\pi\epsilon_0} - \frac{10^{-28} \text{ m}^3}{960\pi^2\epsilon_0 a_0^3} \right)$$