

# Notes for ddCOSMO/ddPCM

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## 1 ddCOSMO

The van der Waals molecular cavity  $\Omega$  is defined as the union of  $M$  spheres  $\Omega_j$ 's with centers  $\{\mathbf{r}_j\}_{1 \leq j \leq M}$  and radii  $\{\rho_j\}_{1 \leq j \leq M}$ . The solvation energy  $E_s$  of the molecule is defined in terms of the solute's density of charge  $\varrho$  and the reaction potential  $W$  as:

$$E_s = \frac{1}{2} f(\varepsilon_s) \int_{\Omega} \varrho(\mathbf{r}) W(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

Here  $f(\varepsilon_s)$  is a constant depending on the solvent dielectric constant  $\varepsilon_s$ . If we assume a classical charge distribution, namely

$$\varrho(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{j=1}^M q_j \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j)$$

the solvation energy reduces to

$$E_s = \frac{1}{2} f(\varepsilon_s) \sum_{j=1}^M q_j W(\mathbf{r}_j) \quad (1)$$

The reaction potential  $W$  is the solution to the boundary value problem

$$-\Delta W = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad ; \quad W(\mathbf{s}) = -\Phi(\mathbf{s}) := -\sum_{j=1}^m \frac{q_j}{|\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{r}_j|} \quad \text{on } \Gamma$$

Since  $W$  is harmonic over  $\Omega$ , it can be represented by means of an apparent surface charge  $\sigma$  through the single layer potential  $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ :

$$W(\mathbf{r}) = \int_{\Gamma} \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{s})}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s}|} d\mathbf{s} =: \tilde{\mathcal{S}}\sigma(\mathbf{r}) \quad , \quad \forall \mathbf{r} \in \Omega$$

The apparent surface charge  $\sigma$  satisfies the integral equation:

$$\mathcal{S}\sigma(\mathbf{s}) := \int_{\Gamma} \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{s}')}{|\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{s}'|} d\mathbf{s}' = -\Phi(\mathbf{s}) \quad , \quad \forall \mathbf{s} \in \Gamma$$

where  $\mathcal{S}$  is the single layer operator. Let us turn to the domain-decomposition approach. Since the restriction  $W_j := W|_{\bar{\Omega}_j}$  is harmonic over  $\Omega_j$ , it can be represented as

$$\begin{aligned} W_j(\mathbf{r}) &= \int_{\Gamma_j} \frac{\sigma_j(\mathbf{s})}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s}|} d\mathbf{s} =: \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_j \sigma_j(\mathbf{r}) \quad , \quad \forall \mathbf{r} \in \Omega_j \\ W_j(\mathbf{s}) &= \int_{\Gamma_j} \frac{\sigma_j(\mathbf{s}')}{|\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{s}'|} d\mathbf{s}' =: \mathcal{S}_j \sigma_j(\mathbf{s}) \quad , \quad \forall \mathbf{s} \in \Gamma_j \end{aligned}$$

for some surface charge  $\sigma_j$ . Each restriction  $W_j$  satisfies the following boundary condition:

$$W_j(\mathbf{s}) = -\Phi(\mathbf{s}) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{|N_j(\mathbf{s})|} \sum_{k \in N_j(\mathbf{s})} \chi_k(\mathbf{s}) \right) + \frac{1}{|N_j(\mathbf{s})|} \sum_{k \in N_j(\mathbf{s})} \chi_k(\mathbf{s}) W_k(\mathbf{s}) \quad \forall \mathbf{s} \in \Gamma_j$$

where  $\chi_k$  is the characteristic function of  $\Omega_k$ . If we employ single layer potentials and operators, and define coefficients

$$\omega_{kj}(\mathbf{s}) = \frac{\chi_k(\mathbf{s})}{|N_j(\mathbf{s})|}$$

we can rewrite the previous equation in terms of surface charges  $\sigma_j$ 's as:

$$\mathcal{S}_j \sigma_j(\mathbf{s}) = -\Phi(\mathbf{s}) \left( 1 - \sum_{k \in N_j(\mathbf{s})} \omega_{kj}(\mathbf{s}) \right) + \sum_{k \in N_j(\mathbf{s})} \omega_{kj}(\mathbf{s}) \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_k \sigma_k(\mathbf{s}) \quad , \quad \mathbf{s} \in \Gamma_j$$

If we now expand each local surface charge in series of spherical harmonics  $Y_\ell^m$  as

$$\sigma_j(\mathbf{s}) = \sum_{\ell, m} [X_j]_\ell^m Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}) \quad (2)$$

we can discretize the previous equation as:

$$[L_{jj}]_{\ell\ell'}^{mm'} [X_j]_{\ell'}^{m'} = [g_j]_\ell^m - [L_{jk}]_{\ell\ell'}^{mm'} [X_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} \quad , \quad \forall j$$

where summation is understood over repeated indices. Equivalently, we can consider the following linear system

$$\begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & \cdots & L_{1M} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ L_{M1} & \cdots & L_{MM} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ \vdots \\ X_M \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ \vdots \\ g_M \end{pmatrix}$$

or  $LX = g$  in short. Let us now return to the solvation energy in the presence of a classical charge distribution, i.e., equation (1). Since  $W(\mathbf{r}_j) = W_j(\mathbf{r}_j)$ , by means of single layer potentials we obtain that:

$$E_s = \frac{1}{2}f(\varepsilon_s) \sum_{j=1}^M q_j \int_{\Gamma_j} \frac{\sigma_j(\mathbf{s})}{|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{s}|} d\mathbf{s} = \frac{1}{2}f(\varepsilon_s) \sum_{j=1}^M \frac{q_j}{\rho_j} \int_{\Gamma_j} \sigma_j(\mathbf{s}) d\mathbf{s}$$

Without loss of generality, let us replace  $\sigma_j(\mathbf{s}) \rightarrow \rho_j \sigma_j(\mathbf{s}) \rightarrow \rho_j \sigma_j(\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s})$ , so that we can reduce the computation of the energy to a integrals on the unit sphere  $\mathbb{S}^2$ :

$$E_s = \frac{1}{2}f(\varepsilon_s) \sum_{j=1}^M q_j \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} \sigma_j(\mathbf{s}) d\mathbf{s}$$

Let us now expand each surface charge  $\sigma_j$  in series of spherical harmonics as in equation (2). Since only the first mode has non-zero average, we obtain:

$$E_s = \frac{1}{2}f(\varepsilon_s) \sum_{j=1}^M q_j [X_j]_0^0$$

Thus, if we define

$$[\Psi_j]_\ell^m = \frac{1}{2}f(\varepsilon_s) q_j \delta_{\ell 0} \delta_{m 0}$$

we can write the polarization energy as

$$E_s = \sum_j \sum_{\ell, m} [\Psi_j]_\ell^m [X_j]_\ell^m =: \langle \Psi, X \rangle$$

Let us recall that  $L = L(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_M)$ , and  $g = g(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_M)$ , thus the solution vector  $X = L^{-1}g$  does depend on  $\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_M$  as well. The force acting on the  $j$ -th particle can be computed as:

$$F_j = -\nabla_j \langle \Psi, \sigma \rangle$$

where  $\nabla_j$  is the gradient with respect to the position of the  $j$ -th atom. In the following we should just refer to it with the symbol  $\cdot'$ . Let  $s$  be the solution of the adjoint problem  $L^*s = \Psi$ . Then, in the case that  $\Psi$  is independent of  $\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_M$ , we obtain

$$F_j = -\langle \Psi, X' \rangle = -\langle L^*s, X' \rangle = -\langle s, LX' \rangle$$

Recalling that  $LX = g$ , Leibnitz formula yields  $L'X + LX' = g'$ , hence:

$$F_j = -\langle s, g' - L'X \rangle = -\langle s, h \rangle$$

where we set  $h = g' - L'X$ . Thus, the computation of  $F_j$  amounts to the adjoint solve  $L^*s = \Psi$  contracted with  $h = g' - L'X$ .

## 2 ddPCM

Let  $\phi$  be the total electrostatic potential of the solute/solvent system, and  $\Phi$  be the potential of the solute in vacuum. The reaction potential is  $W = \phi - \Phi$ . Let us define:

$$\varepsilon = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{in } \Omega \\ \varepsilon_s & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \Omega \end{cases}$$

where  $\varepsilon_s$  is the macroscopic dielectric permittivity of the solvent. Then the reaction potential satisfies the boundary value problem:

$$-\Delta W = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \Gamma \quad ; \quad \llbracket W \rrbracket = 0 \quad , \quad \llbracket \varepsilon \partial_n W \rrbracket = (\varepsilon_s - 1) \partial_n \Phi \quad \text{on } \Gamma$$

As previously, since  $W$  is harmonic over  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \Omega$ , we can write

$$W(\mathbf{r}) = \int_{\Gamma} \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{s})}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s}|} d\mathbf{s} \quad \forall \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \Gamma$$

for some apparent surface charge  $\sigma$ , defined on  $\Gamma$ , that satisfies:

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{4\pi} \llbracket \partial_n W \rrbracket \quad \text{on } \Gamma$$

Then it can be shown that  $\sigma$  satisfies the integral equation

$$\mathcal{R}_\varepsilon \mathcal{S} \sigma = -\mathcal{R}_\infty \Phi \quad \text{on } \Gamma$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{R}_\varepsilon &= 2\pi \frac{\varepsilon + 1}{\varepsilon - 1} I - \mathcal{D} \\ \mathcal{R}_\infty &= 2\pi I - \mathcal{D} \\ \mathcal{D}\sigma(\mathbf{s}) &= \int_\Gamma \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{s}'|} \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{s}') \sigma(\mathbf{s}') d\mathbf{s}' \quad , \quad \forall \mathbf{s} \in \Gamma\end{aligned}$$

Here  $\mathcal{D}$  is known as the double layer operator. Thus, if we set  $\mathcal{S}\sigma = -\Phi_\varepsilon$ , namely a ddCOSMO solve, we obtain:

$$\mathcal{R}_\varepsilon \Phi_\varepsilon = \mathcal{R}_\infty \Phi \quad \text{on } \Gamma \quad (3)$$

In order to treat this integral equation through a domain-decomposition approach, let us define the trivial extensions

$$\Phi_j = \begin{cases} \Phi & \text{on } \Gamma_j \cap \Gamma \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad , \quad \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} = \begin{cases} \Phi_\varepsilon & \text{on } \Gamma_j \cap \Gamma \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Those extensions can be more compactly written as

$$\Phi_j = U_j \Phi \quad , \quad \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} = U_{\varepsilon,j} \Phi_\varepsilon \quad ; \quad U_j(\cdot) = 1 - \sum_{k \in N_j(\cdot)} \omega_{jk}(\cdot)$$

Notice that  $U_j$  is the characteristic function of  $\Gamma_j \cap \Gamma$ , while  $1 - U_j$  is the characteristic function of  $\Gamma_j \setminus \Gamma_j \cap \Gamma$ . If we define:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{D}_j \sigma(\mathbf{s}) &= \int_{\Gamma_j} \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{s}'|} \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{s}') \sigma(\mathbf{s}') d\mathbf{s}' \quad , \quad \forall \mathbf{s} \in \Gamma_j \\ \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_j \sigma(\mathbf{r}) &= \int_{\Gamma_j} \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s}|} \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{s}) \sigma(\mathbf{s}) d\mathbf{s} \quad , \quad \forall \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \Gamma_j\end{aligned}$$

then, for every  $\mathbf{s} \in \Gamma_j \cap \Gamma$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{D}\Phi(\mathbf{s}) &= \int_\Gamma \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{s}'|} \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{s}') \Phi(\mathbf{s}') d\mathbf{s}' \\ &= \sum_k \int_{\Gamma_k} \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{s} - \mathbf{s}'|} \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{s}') \Phi_k(\mathbf{s}') d\mathbf{s}' = \mathcal{D}_j \Phi_j(\mathbf{s}) + \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_k \Phi_k(\mathbf{s})\end{aligned}$$

and a similar result holds for  $\Phi_\varepsilon$ . Thus, for every  $\mathbf{s} \in \Gamma_j \cap \Gamma$ , we can write equation (3) as:

$$\begin{aligned} 2\pi \frac{\varepsilon + 1}{\varepsilon - 1} \Phi_{\varepsilon,j}(\mathbf{s}) - \mathcal{D}_j \Phi_{\varepsilon,j}(\mathbf{s}) - \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_k \Phi_{\varepsilon,k}(\mathbf{s}) \\ = 2\pi \Phi_j(\mathbf{s}) - \mathcal{D}_j \Phi_j(\mathbf{s}) - \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_k \Phi_k(\mathbf{s}) \end{aligned}$$

By setting

$$\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon,j} = 2\pi \frac{\varepsilon + 1}{\varepsilon - 1} I - \mathcal{D}_j, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{\varepsilon,j} = -\tilde{\mathcal{D}}_j$$

with obvious extension to the case  $\varepsilon = \infty$ , we obtain:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon,j} \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} + \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{\varepsilon,j} \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} = \mathcal{R}_{\infty,j} \Phi_j + \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{\infty,j} \Phi_j \quad \text{on } \Gamma_j \cap \Gamma$$

which, together with the condition  $\Phi_{\varepsilon,j} = 0$  on  $\Gamma_j \setminus \Gamma_j \cap \Gamma$  is the local problem. In order to lump those two equations into a single one, we resort to characteristic functions. In fact, we can equivalently write:

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - U_j) \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} &= 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_j \\ U_j \left( \mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon,j} \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} + \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{\varepsilon,j} \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} - \mathcal{R}_{\infty,j} \Phi_j - \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{\infty,j} \Phi_j \right) &= 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_j \end{aligned}$$

and, after premultiplying the first equation by a non-zero constant  $\alpha$ , side-wise addition yields:

$$\alpha(1 - U_j) \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} + U_j \left( \mathcal{R}_{\varepsilon,j} \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} + \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{\varepsilon,j} \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} \right) = U_j \left( \mathcal{R}_{\infty,j} \Phi_j - \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{\infty,j} \Phi_j \right) \quad \text{on } \Gamma_j$$

If we choose  $\alpha = 2\pi(\varepsilon + 1)/(\varepsilon - 1)$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} 2\pi \frac{\varepsilon + 1}{\varepsilon - 1} \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} - U_j \left( \mathcal{D}_j \Phi_{\varepsilon,j} + \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\varepsilon,k} \Phi_{\varepsilon,k} \right) &= 2\pi U_j \Phi_j - U_j \left( \mathcal{D}_j \Phi_j + \sum_{k \neq j} \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_k \Phi_k \right) \\ &\quad \text{on } \Gamma_j \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

Let us recall that the load  $\Phi_j$  can be computed as  $\Phi_j = U_j \Phi$ . In order to define an approximation, we interpret equation (4) in a variational setting, with test functions given by spherical harmonics. We obtain the following linear system:

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11}^\varepsilon & \cdots & A_{1M}^\varepsilon \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{M1}^\varepsilon & \cdots & A_{MM}^\varepsilon \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_1^\varepsilon \\ \vdots \\ \Phi_M^\varepsilon \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11}^\infty & \cdots & A_{1M}^\infty \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{M1}^\infty & \cdots & A_{MM}^\infty \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \Phi_M \end{pmatrix}$$

or, in short

$$A_\varepsilon \Phi_\varepsilon = A_\infty \Phi$$

The entries are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} [A_{jj}^\varepsilon]_{\ell\ell'}^{mm'} &= 2\pi \frac{\varepsilon+1}{\varepsilon-1} \delta_{\ell\ell'} \delta_{mm'} - \frac{2\pi}{2\ell'+1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) U_j^n Y_{\ell'}^{m'}(\mathbf{s}_n) \\ [A_{jk}^\varepsilon]_{\ell\ell'}^{mm'} &= -\frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell'+1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) U_j^n \left( \frac{\rho_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right)^{\ell'+1} Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where, for convenience, we set

$$U_j^n = U_j(\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n)$$

Let us recall that  $LX = -\Phi_\varepsilon$ , so that the full discretization reads as  $A_\varepsilon LX = -A_\infty \Phi$ . We follow the same approach we used in the ddCOSMO case and set  $(A_\varepsilon L)^* s = \Psi$ . The force acting on the  $j$ -th particle is computed as:

$$F_j = -\langle \Psi, X' \rangle = -\langle s, A_\varepsilon L X' \rangle$$

and, using Leibnitz rule, we obtain that

$$F_j = -\langle s, -A'_\infty \Phi - A_\infty \Phi' - A'_\varepsilon L X - A_\varepsilon L' X \rangle = -\langle s, h \rangle$$

where we set  $h = -A'_\infty \Phi - A_\infty \Phi' + A'_\varepsilon \Phi_\varepsilon - A_\varepsilon L' X$ . Thus we need to compute the analytical derivatives of  $A_\varepsilon$  or, more specifically, their action. To this aim, let us drop the  $\varepsilon$ -dependency for ease of notation, and refer to the partial derivatives as  $\partial_{i,\alpha} = \partial/\partial r_{i,\alpha}$ . Since the entries of  $[A_{jj}]_{\ell\ell'}^{mm'}$  are functions of  $\mathbf{r}_j$  only, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} [(\partial_{i,\alpha} A) \phi_j]_\ell^m &= \sum_{k \neq j} \sum_{\ell', m'} \partial_{i,\alpha} [A_{jk}]_{\ell\ell'}^{mm'} [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} & i \neq j \\ [(\partial_{j,\alpha} A) \phi_j]_\ell^m &= \sum_{k \neq j} \sum_{\ell', m'} \partial_{j,\alpha} [A_{jk}]_{\ell\ell'}^{mm'} [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} + \sum_{\ell', m'} \partial_{j,\alpha} [A_{jj}]_{\ell\ell'}^{mm'} [\phi_j]_{\ell'}^{m'} \end{aligned}$$

Then, in the case  $i \neq j$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
[(\partial_{i,\alpha} A)\phi_j]_\ell^m &= - \sum_{k \neq j} \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) U_j^n \times \\
&\quad \partial_{i,\alpha} \left[ \left( \frac{\rho_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right)^{\ell'+1} Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right) \right] [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} \\
&= - \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) U_j^n \times \\
&\quad \sum_{k \neq j} \partial_{i,\alpha} \left[ \left( \frac{\rho_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right)^{\ell'+1} Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right) \right] [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} \\
&= - \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) U_j^n \times \\
&\quad \partial_{i,\alpha} \left[ \left( \frac{\rho_i}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|} \right)^{\ell'+1} Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|} \right) \right] [\phi_i]_{\ell'}^{m'}
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, when  $i = j$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
[(\partial_{j,\alpha} A)\phi_j]_\ell^m &= - \sum_{k \neq j} \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) \times \\
&\quad \partial_{j,\alpha} \left[ U_j^n \left( \frac{\rho_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right)^{\ell'+1} Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right) \right] [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} + \\
&\quad - \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{2\pi}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) \partial_{j,\alpha} U_j^n Y_{\ell'}^{m'}(\mathbf{s}_n) [\phi_j]_{\ell'}^{m'}
\end{aligned}$$

Notice that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_{i,\alpha} \left( \frac{\rho_i}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|} \right)^{\ell'+1} &= (\ell' + 1) (\cdot)^{\ell'} \rho_i \frac{r_{j,\alpha} + \rho_j s_{n,\alpha} - r_{i,\alpha}}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|^3} \\
\partial_{j,\alpha} \left( \frac{\rho_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right)^{\ell'+1} &= -(\ell' + 1) (\cdot)^{\ell'} \rho_k \frac{r_{j,\alpha} + \rho_j s_{n,\alpha} - r_{k,\alpha}}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|^3}
\end{aligned}$$



Let  $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{r}/|\mathbf{r}| \in \mathbb{S}^2$ . Using index notation we have that:

$$\partial_{i,\alpha} Y = \frac{\partial Y}{\partial s_\beta} \frac{\partial s_\beta}{\partial r_\gamma} \frac{\partial r_\gamma}{\partial r_{i,\alpha}}$$

and:

$$\frac{\partial s_\beta}{\partial r_\gamma} = \frac{\delta_{\beta\gamma}}{|\mathbf{r}|} - \frac{r_\beta r_\gamma}{|\mathbf{r}|^3}$$

Finally, we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{i,\alpha} \left[ Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|} \right) \right] &= \frac{\partial Y_{\ell'}^{m'}}{\partial s_\beta} \left( \frac{\delta_{\beta\gamma}}{|\mathbf{r}|} - \frac{r_\beta r_\gamma}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} \right) (-\delta_{\gamma\alpha}) = \frac{\partial Y_{\ell'}^{m'}}{\partial s_\beta} \left( \frac{r_\beta r_\alpha}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} - \frac{\delta_{\beta\alpha}}{|\mathbf{r}|} \right) = \\ &= \frac{\partial Y_{\ell'}^{m'}}{\partial s_\beta} \left( \frac{(r_{j,\beta} + \rho_j s_{n,\beta} - r_{i,\beta})(r_{j,\alpha} + \rho_j s_{n,\alpha} - r_{i,\alpha})}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|^3} - \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta}}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{j,\alpha} \left[ Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right) \right] &= \frac{\partial Y_{\ell'}^{m'}}{\partial s_\beta} \left( \frac{\delta_{\beta\gamma}}{|\mathbf{r}|} - \frac{r_\beta r_\gamma}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} \right) \delta_{\gamma\alpha} = \frac{\partial Y_{\ell'}^{m'}}{\partial s_\beta} \left( \frac{\delta_{\beta\alpha}}{|\mathbf{r}|} - \frac{r_\beta r_\alpha}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} \right) = \\ &= \frac{\partial Y_{\ell'}^{m'}}{\partial s_\beta} \left( \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta}}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} - \frac{(r_{j,\beta} + \rho_j s_{n,\beta} - r_{k,\beta})(r_{j,\alpha} + \rho_j s_{n,\alpha} - r_{k,\alpha})}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|^3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Let us now discuss how to efficiently compute the contraction  $\langle s, A'\phi \rangle$ . To this aim let us split the computation as

$$\langle s, A'\phi \rangle = \sum_j \sum_{\ell, m} [s_j]_\ell^m [A'\phi_j]_\ell^m = \sum_{j \neq i} \sum_{\ell, m} [s_j]_\ell^m [A'\phi_j]_\ell^m + \sum_{\ell, m} [s_i]_\ell^m [A'\phi_i]_\ell^m = I_1 + I_2$$

We shall begin with the case  $j \neq i$ , and rearrange summations so that the computation is efficient. Let us recall that

$$I_1 = - \sum_{j \neq i} \sum_{\ell, m} \sum_{\ell', m'} \sum_n \frac{4\pi \ell'}{2\ell' + 1} w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) U_j^n f_1(j, n, \ell', m') [\phi_i]_{\ell'}^{m'} [s_j]_\ell^m$$

where, for ease of notation, we set

$$f_1(j, n, \ell', m') = \left[ \left( \frac{\rho_i}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|} \right)^{\ell'+1} Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_i|} \right) \right]'$$

Let us remark that summation occurs over six indices, namely  $j, \ell, m, \ell', m', n$ . We can rearrange summations as follow

$$I_1 = - \sum_n w_n \sum_{j \neq i} \left( \sum_{\ell'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_{m'} [\phi_i]_{\ell'}^{m'} f_1(j, n, \ell', m') \right) \left( U_j^n \sum_{\ell, m} Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) [s_j]_\ell^m \right)$$

If we further define

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(j, n) &= \sum_{\ell'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_{m'} [\phi_i]_{\ell'}^{m'} f_1(j, n, \ell', m') \\ f_3(j, n) &= U_j^n \sum_{\ell, m} Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) [s_j]_\ell^m \end{aligned}$$

we can compactly write

$$I_1 = - \sum_n w_n \sum_{j \neq i} f_2(j, n) f_3(j, n)$$

Let us recall the bounds on the summation indices:

$$1 \leq n \leq N \quad , \quad 0 \leq \ell, \ell' \leq L \quad , \quad -\ell \leq m \leq \ell \quad , \quad 1 \leq j \leq M$$

Then, provided we can precompute  $f_1$ , the cost of one evaluation of  $f_2$  is  $O(L^2)$  and similarly for  $f_3$ . Thus the total cost of evaluating  $I_1$  is  $O(M N L^2)$ .

Let us now consider the case  $j = i$ :

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 = - \sum_{\ell, m} \left[ \sum_{k \neq j} \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) f_1(k, \ell', m', n) [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} + \right. \\ \left. - \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{2\pi}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) (U_j^n)' Y_{\ell'}^{m'}(\mathbf{s}_n) [\phi_j]_{\ell'}^{m'} \right] [s_j]_\ell^m \end{aligned}$$

where, for ease of notation, we set

$$f_1(k, \ell', m', n) = \left[ U_j^n \left( \frac{\rho_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right)^{\ell'+1} Y_{\ell'}^{m'} \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k}{|\mathbf{r}_j + \rho_j \mathbf{s}_n - \mathbf{r}_k|} \right) \right]'$$

Let us break  $I_2$  down into two contributions:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{2,1} &= - \sum_{\ell, m} \sum_{k \neq j} \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) f_1(k, \ell', m', n) [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} [s_j]_\ell^m \\ I_{2,2} &= \sum_{\ell, m} \sum_{\ell', m'} \frac{2\pi}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_n w_n Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) (U_j^n)' Y_{\ell'}^{m'}(\mathbf{s}_n) [\phi_j]_{\ell'}^{m'} [s_j]_\ell^m \end{aligned}$$

In the case of  $I_{2,1}$ , the summation occurs over six indices, namely  $\ell, m, k, \ell', m', n$ . We can rearrange such summation as

$$I_{2,1} = - \sum_n w_n \sum_{k \neq j} \left( \sum_{\ell'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_{m'} [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} f_1(k, \ell', m', n) \right) \left( \sum_{\ell, m} Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) [s_j]_\ell^m \right)$$

and, by setting

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(k, n) &= \sum_{\ell'} \frac{4\pi\ell'}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_{m'} [\phi_k]_{\ell'}^{m'} f_1(k, \ell', m', n) \\ f_3(k, n) &= \sum_{\ell, m} Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) [s_j]_\ell^m \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$I_{2,1} = - \sum_n w_n \sum_{k \neq j} f_2(k, n) f_3(k, n)$$

As before, this quantity can be computed in  $O(M N L^2)$  operations. Finally, for  $I_{2,2}$ , we can rearrange summations as

$$I_{2,2} = \sum_n w_n \left( \sum_{\ell'} \frac{2\pi}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_{m'} Y_{\ell'}^{m'}(\mathbf{s}_n) [\phi_j]_{\ell'}^{m'} \right) \left( (U_j^n)' \sum_{\ell, m} Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) [s_j]_\ell^m \right)$$

and, by setting

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(n) &= \sum_{\ell'} \frac{2\pi}{2\ell' + 1} \sum_{m'} Y_{\ell'}^{m'}(\mathbf{s}_n) [\phi_j]_{\ell'}^{m'} \\ f_3(n) &= (U_j^n)' \sum_{\ell, m} Y_\ell^m(\mathbf{s}_n) [s_j]_\ell^m \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$I_{2,2} = \sum_n w_n f_2(n) f_3(n)$$