

Electromagnetism: Pset #2

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Problem 1

Consider, with $\psi_G^R(r) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} R^d} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2R^2}\right)$,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \psi_G^R}{\partial R} &= \frac{1}{R} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} R^d} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2R^2}\right) \left[\frac{-d}{R} - \frac{-2r^2}{2R^3} \right] \\ \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \psi_G^R}{\partial R} &= \frac{\psi_G^R(r)}{R^2} \left[-d + \frac{r^2}{R^2} \right]\end{aligned}$$

Now consider,

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 \psi_G^R &= \frac{1}{r^{d-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^{d-1} \frac{\partial \psi_G^R}{\partial r} \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 \psi_G^R}{\partial r^2} + \frac{d-1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi_G^R}{\partial r} \\ &= -\frac{\psi_G^R}{R^2} + \frac{r^2}{R^4} \psi_G^R + \frac{d-1}{r} \left(\frac{-r}{R^2} \right) \psi_G^R \\ \nabla^2 \psi_G^R &= \frac{\psi_G^R(r)}{R^2} \left[-d + \frac{r^2}{R^2} \right] = \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \psi_G^R}{\partial R}\end{aligned}$$

Consider now Green's vector field,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\mathbf{G}}[\psi_G^R, \phi_\lambda] &= \psi_G^R \vec{\nabla} \phi_\lambda - \phi_\lambda \vec{\nabla} \psi_G^R \\ \implies \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{G}} &= \psi_G^R \nabla^2 \phi_\lambda - \phi_\lambda \nabla^2 \psi_G^R \\ \int d^d \vec{\mathbf{r}} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{G}}) &= \int d^d \vec{\mathbf{r}} (\psi_G^R \nabla^2 \phi_\lambda - \phi_\lambda \nabla^2 \psi_G^R) \\ \int_{S_{d-1}} \vec{\mathbf{G}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{a}} &= \int d^d \vec{\mathbf{r}} (\psi_G^R \nabla^2 \phi_\lambda - \phi_\lambda \nabla^2 \psi_G^R) \\ \implies 0 &= \int d^d \vec{\mathbf{r}} (\psi_G^R \nabla^2 \phi_\lambda - \phi_\lambda \nabla^2 \psi_G^R)\end{aligned}$$

From the above manipulations, we can see that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int d^d \vec{r} (\psi_G^R \nabla^2 \phi_\lambda - \phi_\lambda \nabla^2 \psi_G^R) &= 0 \\
 \int d^d \vec{r} \left(\psi_G^R \lambda \phi_\lambda - \phi_\lambda \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial \psi_G^R}{\partial R} \right) &= 0 \\
 \implies \lambda \int d^d \vec{r} (\psi_G^R \phi_\lambda) &= \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda \psi_G^R \\
 \implies \int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda \psi_G^R &= C \exp\left(\frac{\lambda R^2}{2}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Good, so now we have got an expression for the gaussian average. All that is left is to figure out the parameter C . For this we note that the Gaussian distribution approaches a Dirac delta function as $R \rightarrow 0$, and then write,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda \lim_{R \rightarrow 0} \psi_G^R(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) &= C \lim_{R \rightarrow 0} \exp\left(\frac{\lambda R^2}{2}\right) \\
 \int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) &= C \\
 \implies C &= \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}_0) \\
 \implies \boxed{\int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}) \psi_G^R(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) = \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}_0) \exp\left(\frac{\lambda R^2}{2}\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Part (b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \implies \int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}) \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} R^d} \exp\left(-\frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|^2}{2R^2}\right) &= \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}_0) \exp\left(\frac{\lambda R^2}{2}\right) \\
 \implies \int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}) \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} R^d} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2R^2}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{r_0^2}{2R^2}\right) \exp\left(\frac{\vec{r}_0 \cdot \vec{r}}{R^2}\right) &= \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}_0) \exp\left(\frac{\lambda R^2}{2}\right) \\
 \implies \int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}) \psi_G^R(\vec{r}) \exp\left(-\frac{r_0^2}{2R^2}\right) \exp\left(\frac{\vec{r}_0 \cdot \vec{r}}{R^2}\right) &= \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}_0) \exp\left(\frac{\lambda R^2}{2}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking averages over \vec{r}_0 and noting that $\kappa = \frac{r}{R^2}$,

$$\int d^d \vec{r} \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}) \psi_G^R(\vec{r}) \exp\left(-\frac{r_0^2}{2R^2}\right) I_0\left(d; \frac{r}{R^2} r_0\right) = \langle \phi_\lambda(\vec{r}_0) \rangle \exp\left(\frac{\lambda R^2}{2}\right)$$

Now, let's make the substitution, $r_0 = \kappa R^2$ and $\phi_\lambda(r) = J_0(d; \kappa r) \implies \lambda = -\kappa^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int d^d \vec{r} J_0(d; \kappa r) \psi_G^R(\vec{r}) \exp\left(-\frac{\kappa^2 R^2}{2}\right) I_0(d; \kappa r) &= \langle J_0(d; \kappa r_0) \rangle \exp\left(-\frac{\kappa^2 R^2}{2}\right) \\
 \int d^d \vec{r} J_0(d; \kappa r) I_0(d; \kappa r) \psi_G^R(\vec{r}) &= J_0(d; \kappa R^2) \exp\left(\frac{(\kappa^2 - \kappa'^2) R^2}{2}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, taking $\phi_\lambda(r) = I_0(d; \kappa' r) \implies \lambda = \kappa'^2$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int d^d \vec{r} I_0(d; \kappa' r) \psi_G^R(\vec{r}) \exp\left(-\frac{\kappa'^2 R^2}{2}\right) I_0(d; \kappa r) &= \langle I_0(d; \kappa' r_0) \rangle \exp\left(\frac{\kappa'^2 R^2}{2}\right) \\
 \int d^d \vec{r} I_0(d; \kappa' r) I_0(d; \kappa r) \psi_G^R(\vec{r}) &= I_0(d; \kappa' \kappa R^2) \exp\left(\frac{(\kappa^2 + \kappa'^2) R^2}{2}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, let's make the substitution, $r_0 = ik_2 R^2$ and $\phi_\lambda(r) = J_0(d; k_1 r) \implies \lambda = -k_1^2$,

$$\int d^d \vec{r} J_0(d; k_1 r) \psi_G^R(\vec{r}) \exp\left(\frac{k_2^2 R^2}{2}\right) I_0(d; ik_2 r) = \langle J_0(d; ik_1 k_2 R^2) \rangle \exp\left(-\frac{k_1^2 R^2}{2}\right)$$

$$\int d^d \vec{r} J_0(d; k_1 r) J_0(d; k_2 r) \psi_G^R(\vec{r}) = I_0(d; k_1 k_2 R^2) \exp\left(-\frac{(k_1^2 + k_2^2) R^2}{2}\right)$$

Part (c)

Part (d)

Consider,

$$I = \int_0^\infty \frac{dR}{R^{2\Delta+1}} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2R^2}\right)$$

$$\text{Substitute } R^2 = \frac{r^2}{2u} \implies du = -\frac{r^2}{R^3} dR \implies dR = -\frac{r du}{(2u)^{3/2}},$$

$$I = \int_0^\infty \frac{r du}{(2u)^{3/2}} \left(\frac{2u}{r^2}\right)^{\Delta+1/2} \exp(-u)$$

$$= \frac{2^{\Delta-1}}{r^\Delta} \int_0^\infty du u^{\Delta-1} \exp(-u)$$

$$= \frac{2^{\Delta-1}}{r^\Delta} \Gamma(\Delta) \quad ; \quad \text{for } \Delta > 1$$

Problem 2

Part (a)

We know,

$$I_0(d; x) = \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{m! \Gamma(d/2 + m)} \frac{x^{2m}}{2^{2m}}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{d^2} I_0(d+2; x) = \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(d/2 + 1)}{m! \Gamma(d/2 + m + 1)} \frac{x^{2m+2}}{2^{2m}}$$

$$= \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(d/2) \cdot d/2}{m! \Gamma(d/2 + m + 1)} \frac{x^{2m+2}}{2^{2m+2}} \frac{2^2}{d^2}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{d^2} I_0(d+2; x) = \frac{2}{d} \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{m! \Gamma(d/2 + m + 1)} \frac{x^{2m+2}}{2^{2m+2}}$$

Let's proceed and take the derivative,

$$\frac{x}{d} \frac{d}{dx} I_0(d; x) = \frac{x}{d} \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{m! \Gamma(d/2 + m)} \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^{2m}}{2^{2m}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m=1}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{m! \Gamma(d/2 + m)} \frac{(2m)x^{2m}}{2^{2m}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{(m+1)! \Gamma(d/2 + m + 1)} \frac{2(m+1)x^{2m+2}}{2^{2m+2}} \iff (m \rightarrow m+1)$$

$$\frac{x}{d} \frac{d}{dx} I_0(d; x) = \frac{2}{d} \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{m! \Gamma(d/2 + m + 1)} \frac{x^{2m+2}}{2^{2m+2}}$$

Let's now consider the third part,

$$\begin{aligned}
I_0(d-2; x) - I_0(d, x) &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\Gamma(d/2-1)}{\Gamma(d/2+m-1)} - \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{\Gamma(d/2+m)} \right] \frac{x^{2m}}{m! 2^{2m}} \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\Gamma(d/2-1)}{\Gamma(d/2+m-1)} - \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{\Gamma(d/2+m)} \right] \frac{x^{2m}}{m! 2^{2m}} \\
&= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\Gamma(d/2-1)}{\Gamma(d/2+m)} - \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{\Gamma(d/2+m+1)} \right] \frac{x^{2m+2}}{(m+1)! 2^{2m}} \\
&= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{\Gamma(d/2+m+1)} \frac{(d/2+m)}{(d/2-1)} - \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{\Gamma(d/2+m+1)} \right] \frac{x^{2m+2}}{(m+1)! 2^{2m}} \\
&= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{2(m+1)}{d-2} \right] \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{\Gamma(d/2+m+1)} \frac{x^{2m+2}}{(m+1)! 2^{2m}} \\
&= \frac{2}{d-2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{\Gamma(d/2+m+1)} \frac{x^{2m+2}}{m! 2^{2m}} \\
\frac{d-2}{d} (I_0(d-2; x) - I_0(d, x)) &= \frac{2}{d} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{m! \Gamma(d/2+m+1)} \frac{x^{2m+2}}{2^{2m+2}} \\
\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{x}{d} \frac{d}{dx} I_0(d; x) = \frac{x^2}{d^2} I_0(d+2; x) = \frac{d-2}{d} [I_0(d-2; x) - I_0(d, x)]}
\end{aligned}$$

Part (b)

Schaffli's contour integral is given by,

$$I_0(d; x) = \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{z^{d/2}} \exp\left(z + \frac{x^2}{4z}\right)$$

where the contour $\mathcal{C} = C[-\infty - i0, 0+, -\infty + i0]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{x}{d} \frac{d}{dx} I_0(d; x) &= \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{x}{d} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{z^{d/2}} \frac{x}{2z} \exp\left(z + \frac{x^2}{4z}\right) \\
&= \frac{x^2}{d^2} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \frac{(d/2) \cdot \Gamma(d/2)}{z^{(d+2)/2}} \exp\left(z + \frac{x^2}{4z}\right) \\
&= \frac{x^2}{d^2} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \frac{\Gamma((d+2)/2)}{z^{(d+2)/2}} \exp\left(z + \frac{x^2}{4z}\right) \\
\Rightarrow \frac{x}{d} \frac{d}{dx} I_0(d; x) &= \frac{x^2}{d^2} I_0(d+2; x) \\
I_0(d-2; x) - I_0(d, x) &= \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \left[\frac{\Gamma(d/2-1)}{z^{d/2-1}} - \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{z^{d/2}} \right] \exp\left(z + \frac{x^2}{4z}\right) \\
&=
\end{aligned}$$

Part (c)

We are given,

$$\begin{aligned}
I_0(d; x) &\approx \frac{e^x}{|S^{d-1}|} \left(\frac{2\pi}{x}\right)^{\frac{d-1}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \Gamma(\frac{d-1}{2} + n)}{(2x)^n n! \Gamma(\frac{d-1}{2} - n)} \\
\Rightarrow \frac{x}{d} \frac{d}{dx} I_0(d; x) &\approx \frac{x}{d} \left[\frac{e^x}{|S^{d-1}|} \left(\frac{2\pi}{x}\right)^{\frac{d-1}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \Gamma(\frac{d-1}{2} + n)}{(2x)^n n! \Gamma(\frac{d-1}{2} - n)} \right]
\end{aligned}$$