

# Toroidal Harmonics Definition for the DARPA project

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## 1 Definition of toroidal Harmonics

Several work from plasma physics consider toroidal harmonics. Works by Garapati *et al.* [1, 2] suggest defining the general solution to the Laplace equations as:

$$\Phi = f(\mu, \eta) \sum_{n,m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ C_{mn} P_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \mu) + D_{mn} Q_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \mu) \right] \exp(in\eta) \exp(im\phi)$$

$$f(\mu, \eta) = \sqrt{\cosh \mu - \cos \eta}$$

I will therefore define toroidal harmonics as:

$$\Psi_{nm}^{(1,2)}(\eta, \theta, \phi) = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \Psi \\ \Phi \end{array} \right\}_{nm}(\eta, \theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} P \\ Q \end{array} \right\}_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \eta) \exp(in\theta) \exp(im\phi) \quad (1)$$

Where:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \eta < \infty \\ -\pi &< \theta \leq \pi \\ 0 &\leq \phi < 2\pi \\ m, n &= 0, 1, \dots \end{aligned}$$

## 2 Decomposition of a scalar function

Given an arbitrary scalar function  $f = f(\mathbf{r})$ , how do we write it as in terms of toroidal harmonics?

$$f(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{n'm'} a_{n'm'}^{(1)} \Psi_{n'm'}^{(1)}(\mathbf{r}) + \sum_{n''m''} a_{n''m''}^{(2)} \Psi_{n''m''}^{(2)}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \exp(-im\phi) f(\mathbf{r}(\phi)) = \sqrt{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} \sum_{n'} \exp(in'\theta) \left( a_{n'm}^{(1)} P_{n'-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \eta) + a_{n'm}^{(2)} Q_{n'-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \eta) \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{d\theta \exp(-in\theta)}{\sqrt{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \exp(-im\phi) f(\mathbf{r}(\phi)) = a_{nm}^{(1)} P_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \eta) + a_{nm}^{(2)} Q_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \eta)$$

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{\exp(-i(n\theta + m\phi))}{\sqrt{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta}} \cdot f(\eta, \theta, \phi) = a_{nm}^{(1)} P_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \eta) + a_{nm}^{(2)} Q_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m(\cosh \eta)$$

Define:

$$\bar{f} = \frac{f(\eta, \theta, \phi)}{\sqrt{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta}}$$

Now let  $\phi_s = \frac{2\pi}{M} \cdot s$ , for  $s = 0 \dots M-1$  and  $\theta_r = \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot r - \pi$ , for  $r = 0 \dots N-1$ . One question I have is whether

$nm$  coefficients can be only non-negative. Consider:

$$\begin{aligned}
\cos n\theta_r &= \frac{1}{2} (\exp(in\theta_r) + \exp(-in\theta_r)) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left( \exp\left(in \left[ \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot r - \pi \right]\right) + \exp\left(-in \left[ \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot r - \pi \right]\right) \right) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \left( \exp\left(i \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot r \cdot n\right) + \exp\left(-i \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot r \cdot n\right) \right) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \left( \exp\left(i \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot r \cdot n\right) + \exp\left(i \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot (N-r) \cdot n\right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

and similarly for  $\phi$ , thus on a finite domain it is sufficient to consider just positive indices:  $n, m = 0, 1, \dots$ . Moving on, and converting the integrals to sums:

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{nm}^{(1)} P_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m (\cosh \eta) + a_{nm}^{(2)} Q_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m (\cosh \eta) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \exp(-i(n\theta + m\phi)) \cdot \bar{f}(\theta, \phi; \eta) \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_r^{N-1} \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_s^{M-1} \frac{2\pi}{M} \cdot \exp\left(-i2\pi \left( \frac{n \cdot r}{N} + \frac{m \cdot s}{M} \right)\right) \cdot \exp(-in(-\pi)) \cdot \bar{f}_{r,s}(\eta) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^n}{N \cdot M} \cdot \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \sum_{s=0}^{M-1} \exp\left(-i2\pi \left( \frac{n \cdot r}{N} + \frac{m \cdot s}{M} \right)\right) \cdot \bar{f}_{r,s}(\eta)
\end{aligned}$$

This is the 2D DFT of the  $\bar{f}_{r,s}(\eta) = \bar{f}(\theta_r, \phi_s; \eta)$ :

$$a_{nm}^{(1)} P_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m (\cosh \eta) + a_{nm}^{(2)} Q_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^m (\cosh \eta) = \frac{(-1)^n}{N \cdot M} \cdot DFT(r \rightarrow n, N, s \rightarrow m, M) \{ \bar{f}_{r,s}(\eta) \}$$

So need few steps of  $\eta$  with an good grid of  $\theta, \phi$  for each step. Then use DFT to get the  $nm$  coefficients.

Assume we did this. So now for each  $nm$  we have several values of  $\eta = \eta_1 \dots \eta_K$  and we need to get  $a^{(1,2)}$ . One can write it as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{pmatrix} P_1 & Q_1 \\ P_2 & Q_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ P_K & Q_K \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a^{(1)} \\ a^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ \vdots \\ V_K \end{pmatrix} \\
\mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} a^{(1)} \\ a^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} &= \mathbf{V}
\end{aligned}$$

One should assume that  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  are linearly independent.  $(\mathbf{P} \mathbf{Q}) \begin{pmatrix} a^{(1)} \\ a^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$  is a linear combination of these two vectors. The best thing we can do is to project vector  $\mathbf{V}$  into the subspace spanned by  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$ . Invariably, this will involve multiplying by  $\mathbf{A}^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^\dagger \\ \mathbf{Q}^\dagger \end{pmatrix}$ . Let<sup>1</sup>

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{P} & \mathbf{P}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{Q} \\ \mathbf{Q}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{P} & \mathbf{Q}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{Q} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & h \\ h^\dagger & d_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & h \\ h & d_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{W} = \mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}^\dagger \mathbf{V} \\ \mathbf{Q}^\dagger \mathbf{V} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} W_1 \\ W_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then:

$$\mathbf{H} \begin{pmatrix} a^{(1)} \\ a^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{W}$$

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<sup>1</sup>Bear in mind that  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  are real-valued

Which we can solve for  $a^{(1,2)}$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} a^{(1)} \\ a^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} \approx \frac{1}{d_1 d_2 - h^2} \begin{pmatrix} d_2 & -h \\ -h & d_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_1 \\ W_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a^{(1)} \approx \frac{d_2 W_1 - h W_2}{d_1 d_2 - h^2}$$

$$a^{(2)} \approx \frac{d_1 W_2 - h W_1}{d_1 d_2 - h^2}$$

### 3 Decomposition of the vector field

#### 3.1 Basic arguments

Any sensible 3d vector field can be decomposed into<sup>2</sup>:

$$\mathbf{F} = \nabla \phi + \mathbf{L} \psi + \nabla \times \mathbf{L} \zeta$$

where  $\phi, \psi, \zeta$  are scalar functions and  $\mathbf{L} = -i\mathbf{r} \times \nabla$  is the angular momentum operator. Key to this decomposition is that the first part is that two latter terms have no divergence, so:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \nabla^2 \phi$$

Now, the problem with simply decomposing  $\phi$  in terms of toroidal harmonics is that all toroidal harmonics are solutions to Laplace's Equation, so the divergence would still vanish. A reasonable way to overcome it, IMHO, is to create longitudinal component with a radius:

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{r} \phi + \mathbf{L} \psi + \nabla \times \mathbf{L} \zeta$$

This set should provide enough linear independence for the generic decomposition. So the decomposition we are looking for is (with Einstein summation convention):

$$\mathbf{F} = a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \mathbf{r} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) + b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \mathbf{L} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) + c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{L} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r})$$

Then<sup>3</sup>:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot (3 + \mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) \\ \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{F} &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) + c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{L} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) = \\ &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) + c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot i (2\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla + r^\alpha r^\beta \partial_{\alpha\beta} - r^2 \nabla^2) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) \\ &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) + c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot i (2\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla + r^\alpha r^\beta \partial_{\alpha\beta}) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) \\ \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{F} &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot L^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) = b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot (\partial_r (r^2 \partial_r \dots) - r^2 \nabla^2) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) \\ &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \partial_r (r^2 \partial_r \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r})) = b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot (2r \partial_r \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + r^2 \partial_{rr} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}) \\ &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \nabla) (r \cdot (\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r})) \end{aligned}$$

This is, in principle enough for the decomposition. So what I need is:

$$(3 + \mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = A_{nm, \bar{n} \bar{m}}^{(\lambda, \bar{\lambda})} \Psi_{\bar{n} \bar{m}}^{(\bar{\lambda})} \quad (2)$$

$$r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = B_{nm, \bar{n} \bar{m}}^{(\lambda, \bar{\lambda})} \Psi_{\bar{n} \bar{m}}^{(\bar{\lambda})} \quad (3)$$

$$(2\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla + r^\alpha r^\beta \partial_{\alpha\beta}) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = C_{nm, \bar{n} \bar{m}}^{(\lambda, \bar{\lambda})} \Psi_{\bar{n} \bar{m}}^{(\bar{\lambda})} \quad (4)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \nabla (r \mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}) = D_{nm, \bar{n} \bar{m}}^{(\lambda, \bar{\lambda})} \Psi_{\bar{n} \bar{m}}^{(\bar{\lambda})} \quad (5)$$

<sup>2</sup>See 'HelmholtzDecomposition.pdf' in scanned notes

<sup>3</sup>Bearing in mind that  $\nabla^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = 0$ .

### 3.2 Covariant treatment

The problem with the previous section is that I will need to work exclusively in toroidal coordinates, and I feel slightly worried about some of the expressions above. The stuff on the left-hand side is coordinate independent, so it is ok. The right-hand side is coordinate dependent. Something could be missed, so let us re-do it explicitly covariantly. Assuming flat Euclidian space, there exist the Cartesian coordinates  $S$  and some other coordinate system  $\bar{S}$ .

#### 3.2.1 Position vector

We will need to use the position vector. It can be defined as:

$$\mathbf{r} = \hat{\mathbf{e}}_\alpha r^\alpha = \hat{\mathbf{e}}_\alpha g^{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\beta \left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right)$$

In Cartesian coordinates. This definition is then readily convertible to other coordinate systems:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{r}^\alpha &= \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\alpha}{\partial x^\beta} \cdot r^\beta = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^\alpha}{\partial x^\beta} \cdot g^{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\beta \left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right) \\ &= \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} \bar{\nabla}_\beta \left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right) = \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} \bar{\partial}_\beta \left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right) \\ &= r \cdot \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} \bar{\partial}_\beta r \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Where  $r = r(\mathbf{r})$  is a position-dependent scalar, and so is  $r^2 = r \cdot r$ .

#### 3.2.2 Term $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$

We have

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \nabla_\alpha F^\alpha = \bar{\nabla}_\alpha \bar{F}^\alpha = \bar{\partial}_\alpha \bar{F}^\alpha + \bar{\Gamma}_{\alpha\mu}^\alpha \bar{F}^\mu$$

Using [3]:

$$\bar{\Gamma}_{\alpha\mu}^\alpha = \frac{\bar{\partial}_\mu \sqrt{\bar{g}}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}}$$

where  $\bar{g}$  is the determinant of the metric, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} &= \bar{\partial}_\alpha \bar{F}^\alpha + \bar{\Gamma}_{\alpha\mu}^\alpha \bar{F}^\mu = \bar{\partial}_\alpha \bar{F}^\alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{F}^\mu \bar{\partial}_\mu \sqrt{\bar{g}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \bar{\partial}_\alpha (\sqrt{\bar{g}} \cdot \bar{F}^\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

the curl and angular-momentum components will vanish irrespective of coordinate system, so we get (using Eq. (6)):

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{r} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r})) = \frac{a_{nm}^{(\lambda)}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \bar{\partial}_\alpha (\sqrt{\bar{g}} \cdot \bar{r}^\alpha \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}) \\ &= \frac{a_{nm}^{(\lambda)}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \bar{\partial}_\alpha \left( \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{\partial}_\beta \left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right) \right) \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} \bar{\partial}_\beta \left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right) \cdot (\bar{\partial}_\alpha \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}) + a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{\partial}_\alpha \left( \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{\partial}_\beta \left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right) \right) \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

### 3.2.3 Term $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{F}$

Assuming that  $a_{nm}^{(\lambda)}$  is already known, we have<sup>4</sup>:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{F} &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) + c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{L} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) \\
\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{F} - a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} &= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{L} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\
&= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\epsilon^{\beta\gamma\mu}}{\sqrt{g}} \nabla_\gamma \left( \mathbf{L} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)_\mu \\
&= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\epsilon^{\beta\gamma\mu}}{\sqrt{g}} \nabla_\gamma \left( -i \mathbf{r} \times \nabla \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)_\mu \\
&= -i c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^\alpha g_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\epsilon^{\beta\gamma\mu}}{\sqrt{g}} \nabla_\gamma \left( g_{\mu\kappa} \frac{\epsilon^{\kappa\phi\zeta}}{\sqrt{g}} r^\sigma g_{\phi\sigma} \nabla_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

This last expression is written in covariant terms, so will be valid in any coordinate system. It makes sense to adopt the co-radius, then<sup>5</sup>:

$$\begin{aligned}
i \left( \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{F} - a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) &= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \bar{r}_\alpha \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\beta\mu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{\nabla}_\beta \left( \bar{g}_{\mu\kappa} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\kappa\phi\zeta}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\phi \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\
&= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \bar{r}_\alpha \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\beta\mu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \left[ \bar{\partial}_\beta \left( \bar{g}_{\mu\kappa} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\kappa\phi\zeta}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\phi \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) - \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \bar{\Gamma}_{\beta\mu}^\gamma \bar{g}_{\gamma\kappa} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\kappa\phi\zeta}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\phi \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right] \\
i \left( \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{F} - a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) &= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \bar{r}_\alpha \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\beta\mu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \bar{\partial}_\beta \left( \bar{g}_{\mu\kappa} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\kappa\phi\zeta}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\phi \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \tag{8}
\end{aligned}$$

### 3.2.4 Term $\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{F}$

The easiest way is:

$$\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{F} = b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot L^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}$$

So what is the angular momentum squared in toroidal coordinates?

$$\begin{aligned}
L^2 f &= (-i \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{g} r^\beta g^{\gamma\kappa} \nabla_\kappa) \left( -i \frac{\epsilon^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{g}} r_\mu \nabla_\nu \right) f \\
&= -(\bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\nabla}_\kappa) \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\nabla}_\nu \right) f \\
&= -\bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\nabla}_\kappa \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu f \right) \\
&= -\bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\partial}_\kappa \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu f \right) - \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\Gamma}_{\kappa\zeta}^\alpha \cdot \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu f \right)
\end{aligned}$$

So:

$$\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{F} = b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \left[ -\bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\partial}_\kappa \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) - \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\Gamma}_{\kappa\zeta}^\alpha \cdot \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \right] \tag{9}$$

## 3.3 Toroidal coordinates and vector basis

### 3.3.1 Basics

To get the matrices from Eq. (2-5), I will probably need to find analytical expressions for the relevant left-hand sides, then numerically decompose them into right-hand side. It makes sense to start with the simplest one:  $r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}$ .

<sup>4</sup>Bear in mind that for the Levi-Civita, it is  $\epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma}/\sqrt{g}$  and  $\epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \cdot \sqrt{g}$  that transform like tensors.

<sup>5</sup>Bearing in mind that connection is symmetric and Levi-Civita is anti-symmetric

From Spencer [4] the toroidal coordinates in terms of Cartesian ones are:

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{a \sinh \eta \cos \phi}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} \\y &= \frac{a \sinh \eta \sin \phi}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} \\z &= \frac{a \sin \theta}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta}\end{aligned}$$

### 3.3.2 Metric and basis vectors

We have:

$$\begin{aligned}dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2 &= \frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot d\eta^2 + \frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot d\theta^2 + \frac{a^2 \sinh^2 \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot d\phi^2 \\e_\eta \cdot e_\eta &= \frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \\e_\theta \cdot e_\theta &= \frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \\e_\phi \cdot e_\phi &= \frac{a^2 \sinh^2 \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \\e_\eta \cdot e_\theta &= e_\eta \cdot e_\phi = e_\theta \cdot e_\phi = 0 \\d\mathbf{r} &= d\eta \mathbf{e}_\eta + d\theta \mathbf{e}_\theta + d\phi \mathbf{e}_\phi\end{aligned}$$

It is also convenient to define normalized basis:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}} &= \frac{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta}{a} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\eta \\\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} &= \frac{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta}{a} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\theta \\\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} &= \frac{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta}{a \sinh \eta} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\phi\end{aligned}$$

So then:

$$d\mathbf{r} = \frac{a}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} d\eta \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}} + \frac{a}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} d\theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \frac{a \sinh \eta}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} d\phi \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$$

The metric is and related things are:

$$\bar{g}_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sinh^2 \eta \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha\beta} \quad (10)$$

$$\bar{g} = \det(\bar{g}_{\alpha\beta}) = \frac{a^6 \sinh^2 \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^6} \quad (11)$$

$$\sqrt{\bar{g}} = \frac{a^3 \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \quad (12)$$

$$\bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2}{a^2} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sinh^2 \eta} \end{pmatrix}^{\alpha\beta} \quad (13)$$

### 3.3.3 Chrisoffel symbols

It would seem I also need them. Definition:

$$\bar{\Gamma}_{\alpha\beta}^\mu = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \bar{g}^{\mu\kappa} \cdot (\bar{\partial}_\alpha \bar{g}_{\kappa\beta} + \bar{\partial}_\beta \bar{g}_{\alpha\kappa} - \bar{\partial}_\kappa \bar{g}_{\alpha\beta})$$

I could not bring myself to work it out manually, so here is the Mathematica result:

$$\Gamma_{\dots, \dots}^1 = \Gamma_{\dots, \dots}^\eta = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sinh \eta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & 0 \\ \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & \frac{-\sinh \eta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{(1 - \cos \theta \cosh \eta) \sinh \eta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} \end{pmatrix} \quad (14)$$

$$\Gamma_{\dots, \dots}^2 = \Gamma_{\dots, \dots}^\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-\sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & \frac{\sinh \eta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & 0 \\ \frac{\sinh \eta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-\sin \theta \sinh^2 \eta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} \end{pmatrix} \quad (15)$$

$$\Gamma_{\dots, \dots}^3 = \Gamma_{\dots, \dots}^\phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{(\cos \theta \cosh \eta - 1)}{(\cos \theta - \cosh \eta) \sinh \eta} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} \\ \frac{(\cos \theta \cosh \eta - 1)}{(\cos \theta - \cosh \eta) \sinh \eta} & \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta - \cosh \eta} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (16)$$

### 3.3.4 Position vector

It follows that the radius squared is<sup>6</sup>:

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = a^2 \cdot \frac{\cosh \eta + \cos \theta}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} \quad (17)$$

I will also need the derivatives of  $r^2$ , which I will use primitive functions:

$$\begin{aligned} r_{,\eta}^2 &= \partial_\eta r^2 = -2a^2 \cdot \frac{\sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \\ r_{,\theta}^2 &= \partial_\theta r^2 = -2a^2 \cdot \frac{\cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \\ r_{,\eta\eta}^2 &= \partial_{\eta\eta} r^2 = a^2 \cdot \frac{(\cosh 2\eta + 2 \cosh \eta \cos \theta - 3) \cdot \cos \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \\ r_{,\theta\theta}^2 &= \partial_{\theta\theta} r^2 = 2a^2 \cdot \frac{\cosh \eta \cdot (\sin^2 \theta + 1 - \cosh \eta \cos \theta)}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \\ r_{,\eta\theta}^2 &= \partial_{\eta\theta} r^2 = 2a^2 \cdot \frac{\sinh \eta \cdot (\cosh \eta + \cos \theta) \cdot \sin \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, I may go for actually keeping the radius vector in toroidal basis as a fundamental function. Using Eq. (17) and expressions above, and the metric from Eq. (13) :

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{r}^\eta &= \frac{1}{2} \bar{g}^{\eta\eta} r_{,\eta}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2}{a^2} \cdot (-2a^2) \cdot \frac{\sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \\ \bar{r}^\eta &= -\sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{r}^\theta &= \frac{1}{2} \bar{g}^{\theta\theta} r_{,\theta}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2}{a^2} \cdot (-2a^2) \cdot \frac{\cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \\ \bar{r}^\theta &= -\cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

$$\bar{r}^\phi = 0 \quad (20)$$

Also:

$$\bar{r}_{,\alpha}^\alpha = \bar{\partial}_\alpha \bar{r}^\alpha = \partial_\eta (-\sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta) + \partial_\theta (-\cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta) = -2 \cosh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \quad (21)$$

It is also convenient to use the co-variant position vector:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{r}_\alpha &= \bar{g}_{\alpha\beta} \bar{r}^\beta = \bar{\delta}_\alpha^\eta \bar{g}_{\eta\eta} \bar{r}^\eta + \bar{\delta}_\alpha^\theta \bar{g}_{\theta\theta} \bar{r}^\theta \\ \bar{r}_\eta &= \bar{g}_{\eta\eta} \bar{r}^\eta = \frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot (-\sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta) = -\frac{a^2 \cdot \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

$$\bar{r}_\theta = -\frac{a^2 \cdot \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \quad (23)$$

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<sup>6</sup>Note that Mathematica supports toroidal coordinates, and can compute the necessary associated Legendre functions.

### 3.3.5 Term $\nabla.F$

Using<sup>7</sup> Eq. (7) and Eq. (18, 10, 12, 13):

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla.F &= \nabla \cdot \left( \mathbf{r} a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) = \frac{a_{nm}^{(\lambda)}}{\sqrt{g}} \cdot \bar{\partial}_\alpha \left( \sqrt{g} \cdot \bar{r}^\alpha \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) = \frac{a_{nm}^{(\lambda)}}{\sqrt{g}} \cdot \left( \frac{\bar{g}_{,\alpha}}{2\sqrt{g}} \bar{r}^\alpha \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \sqrt{g} \bar{r}_{,\alpha}^\alpha \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \sqrt{g} \bar{r}^\alpha \bar{\partial}_\alpha \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\ &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \left[ \left( \frac{\bar{g}_{,\alpha} \bar{r}^\alpha}{2\bar{g}} + \bar{r}_{,\alpha}^\alpha \right) \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \bar{r}^\alpha \bar{\partial}_\alpha \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right] \\ &= a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \left[ \left( \frac{\bar{g}_{,\alpha} \bar{r}^\alpha}{2\bar{g}} + \bar{r}_{,\alpha}^\alpha \right) \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right]\end{aligned}$$

Using Eq. (21) and Eq. (11) and some simplification we find:

$$\nabla.F = a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \left( 3 \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \quad (24)$$

which agrees well with Eq. (2).

### 3.3.6 Term $\mathbf{r}.F$

Using<sup>8</sup> Eq. (8) and Eq. (22, 10, 12, 13):

$$i \left( \mathbf{r}.F - a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) = c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \bar{r}_\alpha \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\beta\mu}}{\sqrt{g}} \cdot \bar{\partial}_\beta \left( \bar{g}_{\mu\kappa} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\kappa\rho\zeta}}{\sqrt{g}} \bar{r}_\rho \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)$$

Let us focus on the inner expression first:

$$\begin{aligned}\left( \bar{g}_{\mu\kappa} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\kappa\rho\zeta}}{\sqrt{g}} \bar{r}_\rho \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)_{\mu \rightarrow \eta} &= \bar{g}_{\eta\eta} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\eta\theta\phi}}{\sqrt{g}} \bar{r}_\theta \partial_\phi \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = \bar{g}_{\eta\eta} \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \bar{r}_\theta (im) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\ &= \frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( -\frac{a^2 \cdot \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \right) \cdot (im) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\ &= -im \cdot \frac{a \cdot \cos \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}\end{aligned}$$

Second component:

$$\begin{aligned}\left( \bar{g}_{\mu\kappa} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\kappa\rho\zeta}}{\sqrt{g}} \bar{r}_\rho \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)_{\mu \rightarrow \theta} &= \bar{g}_{\theta\theta} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\theta\eta\phi}}{\sqrt{g}} \bar{r}_\eta \partial_\phi \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = -\bar{g}_{\theta\theta} \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \bar{r}_\eta (im) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\ &= -im \cdot \frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( -\frac{a^2 \cdot \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \right) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\ &= im \cdot \frac{a \cdot \coth \eta \cdot \sin \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}\end{aligned}$$

<sup>7</sup>As soon as a replace the generic derivatives ( $\bar{\partial}...$ ) with actual ones in toroidal coordinates ( $\partial_{\eta, \theta, \phi}$ ), I will loose the bar to avoid notation overheads.

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Third component:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left( \bar{g}_{\mu\kappa} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\kappa\rho\zeta}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\rho \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)_{\mu \rightarrow \phi} &= \bar{g}_{\phi\phi} \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\phi\rho\zeta}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\rho \bar{\partial}_\zeta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\
&= \bar{g}_{\phi\phi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \left( \bar{\epsilon}^{\phi\eta\theta} \bar{r}_\eta \bar{\partial}_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \bar{\epsilon}^{\phi\theta\eta} \bar{r}_\theta \bar{\partial}_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\
&= \bar{g}_{\phi\phi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \left( \bar{r}_\eta \bar{\partial}_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \bar{r}_\theta \bar{\partial}_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\
&= \frac{a^2 \sinh^2 \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( -\frac{a^2}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \right) \\
&\quad \cdot \left( \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\
&= \frac{a \cdot \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} \cdot \left( \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Now the main bit:

$$\begin{aligned}
i \left( \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{F} - a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) &= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \bar{r}_\alpha \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\beta\mu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \bar{\partial}_\beta (\dots)_\mu \\
&= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \left[ \bar{r}_\eta \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\eta\theta\phi}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \partial_\theta (\dots)_\phi + \bar{r}_\eta \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\eta\phi\theta}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \partial_\phi (\dots)_\theta \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \bar{r}_\theta \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\theta\eta\phi}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \partial_\eta (\dots)_\phi + \bar{r}_\theta \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\theta\phi\eta}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \cdot \partial_\phi (\dots)_\eta \right] \\
&= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \left[ \bar{r}_\eta \cdot \partial_\theta (\dots)_\phi - \bar{r}_\eta \cdot \partial_\phi (\dots)_\theta - \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \bar{r}_\theta \cdot \partial_\eta (\dots)_\phi + \bar{r}_\theta \cdot \partial_\phi (\dots)_\eta \right] \\
&= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \left[ \bar{r}_\eta \cdot \left( (\dots)_{\phi,\theta} - im (\dots)_\theta \right) + \bar{r}_\theta \left( im (\dots)_\eta - (\dots)_{\phi,\eta} \right) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

The expression ends up looking horrible, but it is independent of  $a$ , which is encouraging:

$$\begin{aligned}
i \left( \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{F} - a_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot r^2 \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) &= c_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \\
&\cdot \left\{ \left[ \frac{\sinh 2\eta \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} - (\cosh^2 \eta - \cos^2 \theta) \coth \eta \right] \cdot \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \right. \\
&\quad + \left[ \frac{\cosh \eta (\sin 2\theta - 2 \cosh \eta \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta)}{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} \right] \cdot \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \\
&\quad \left. + [-\cosh^2 \eta \sin^2 \theta] \cdot \partial_{\eta\eta} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + [\sinh^2 \eta \cos^2 \theta] \cdot \partial_{\theta\theta} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

The second derivatives of the toroidal harmonics are also left as primitive functions.

### 3.3.7 Term $L \cdot \mathbf{F}$

From Eq. (9) and others we have:

$$L \cdot \mathbf{F} = b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \left[ -\bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\partial}_\kappa \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) - \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\Gamma}_{\kappa\zeta}^\alpha \cdot \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\zeta\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \right]$$

First, it makes sense to define a vector, and it will be a vector:

$$\bar{V}^\alpha = \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}$$

and see what it evaluates to. First component:

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{V}^\eta &= \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( \bar{\epsilon}^{\eta\theta\phi} \bar{r}_\theta \partial_\phi \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) = \frac{im (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \bar{r}_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\ &= \frac{im (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( -\frac{a^2 \cdot \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \right) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = -\frac{im}{a} \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta) \cdot \sin \theta}{\tanh \eta} \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}\end{aligned}$$

Second component:

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{V}^\theta &= \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \bar{\epsilon}^{\theta\eta\phi} \bar{r}_\eta \partial_\phi \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = -\frac{im (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \bar{r}_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\ &= -\frac{im (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( -\frac{a^2 \cdot \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \right) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\ &= \frac{im}{a} \cdot (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta) \cdot \cos \theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}\end{aligned}$$

Third component:

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{V}^\phi &= \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( \bar{\epsilon}^{\phi\eta\theta} \bar{r}_\eta \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \bar{\epsilon}^{\phi\theta\eta} \bar{r}_\theta \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) = \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( \bar{\epsilon}^{\phi\eta\theta} \bar{r}_\eta \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \bar{\epsilon}^{\phi\theta\eta} \bar{r}_\theta \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\ &= \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( \bar{r}_\eta \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \bar{r}_\theta \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\ &= \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3}{a^3 \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( \frac{a^2 \cdot \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \frac{a^2 \cdot \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\ &= \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)}{a \sinh \eta} \cdot \left( \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} - \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Next we can consider the full expression:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{F} &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \left[ -\bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\partial}_\kappa \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) - \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \bar{\Gamma}_{\kappa\zeta}^\alpha \cdot \left( \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\zeta\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{r}_\mu \bar{\partial}_\nu \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \right] \\ &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{a^3 \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \cdot \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} \left[ -\bar{\partial}_\kappa \bar{V}^\alpha - \bar{\Gamma}_{\kappa\zeta}^\alpha \cdot \bar{V}^\zeta \right] \\ &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{a^3 \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \cdot \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \bar{r}^\beta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} [\dots]_\kappa^\alpha \\ &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{a^3 \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \cdot \left( \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\eta\gamma} \bar{r}^\eta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} [\dots]_\kappa^\alpha + \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\theta\gamma} \bar{r}^\theta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} [\dots]_\kappa^\alpha \right) \\ &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{-a^3 \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \cdot \left( \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\eta\gamma} \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} [\dots]_\kappa^\alpha + \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\theta\gamma} \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \bar{g}^{\gamma\kappa} [\dots]_\kappa^\alpha \right) \\ &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{-a^3 \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \cdot \left\{ \bar{\epsilon}_{\theta\eta\phi} \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \bar{g}^{\phi\phi} [\dots]_\phi^\theta + \bar{\epsilon}_{\phi\eta\theta} \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \bar{g}^{\theta\theta} [\dots]_\theta^\phi \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \bar{\epsilon}_{\eta\theta\phi} \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \bar{g}^{\phi\phi} [\dots]_\phi^\eta + \bar{\epsilon}_{\phi\theta\eta} \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \bar{g}^{\eta\eta} [\dots]_\eta^\phi \right\} \\ &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{-a^3 \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^3} \cdot \left\{ -\sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2}{a^2 \sinh^2 \eta} [\dots]_\phi^\theta + \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2}{a^2} [\dots]_\theta^\phi \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2}{a^2 \sinh^2 \eta} [\dots]_\phi^\eta - \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \frac{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2}{a^2} [\dots]_\eta^\phi \right\} \\ \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{F} &= b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{-a \sinh \eta}{(\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} \cdot \left\{ -\frac{\cos \theta}{\sinh \eta} [\dots]_\phi^\theta + \sinh \eta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot [\dots]_\theta^\phi + \frac{\cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta}{\sinh^2 \eta} [\dots]_\phi^\eta - \cosh \eta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot [\dots]_\eta^\phi \right\}\end{aligned}$$

The full expression was implemented on Mathematica and evaluated there. The end result is:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{L.F} = & b_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \cdot \left\{ \right. \\ & + \frac{m^2 \cdot (\cosh^2 \eta - \cos^2 \theta)}{\sinh^2 \eta} \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \\ & + \frac{\cosh \eta \cdot (\cosh 2\eta \cos 2\theta - 1)}{2 \sinh \eta} \cdot \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \\ & + \cosh^2 \eta \sin 2\theta \cdot \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sinh 2\eta \sin 2\theta \cdot \partial_{\eta\theta} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \\ & + (-\cosh^2 \eta \sin^2 \theta) \cdot \partial_{\eta\eta} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \\ & \left. + (-\sinh^2 \eta \cos^2 \theta) \cdot \partial_{\theta\theta} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

### 3.4 Derivatives of the harmonics

From previous sections it is clear that we will need to compute  $\partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}$  and  $\partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}$ . Lets work them out<sup>9</sup>:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\eta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = & \partial_\eta \left( \sqrt{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} Z_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^{(\lambda)m} (\cosh \eta) \exp(in\theta) \exp(im\phi) \right) \\ = & \frac{\cosh \eta \cdot ((2n+1) \cos \theta - 2n \cosh \eta) - 1}{2 \sinh \eta \cdot (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \frac{(n + \frac{1}{2} - m) \cdot \exp(-i\theta)}{\sinh \eta} \cdot \Psi_{n+1,m}^{(\lambda)} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Also:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\theta \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = & \partial_\theta \left( \sqrt{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} Z_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^{(\lambda)m} (\cosh \eta) \exp(in\theta) \exp(im\phi) \right) \\ = & \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{2 \cdot (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} + in \right) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

And:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\phi \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = & \partial_\phi \left( \sqrt{\cosh \eta - \cos \theta} Z_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^{(\lambda)m} (\cosh \eta) \exp(in\theta) \exp(im\phi) \right) \\ = & (im) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Let us obtain the diagonal second derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{\eta\eta} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} = & \partial_\eta \left( \frac{\cosh \eta \cdot ((2n+1) \cos \theta - 2n \cosh \eta) - 1}{2 \sinh \eta \cdot (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \frac{(n + \frac{1}{2} - m) \cdot \exp(-i\theta)}{\sinh \eta} \cdot \Psi_{n+1,m}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\ = & \frac{1}{16 \sinh \eta (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \cdot \left\{ \frac{-4 \cos \theta ((4n^2 + 2n + 1) \cosh 2\eta + 5 + 2n(7 + 2n))}{\tanh \eta} + \right. \\ & + \frac{6(3 + 4n(2 + n)) + (1 + 2n)(5 + 2n + (1 + 2n) \cosh 2\eta) \cos 2\theta}{\sinh \eta} + 18 \sinh \eta + \\ & \left. + 8n(5 + 4n + n \cosh 2\eta) \sinh \eta \right\} \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \\ & + \frac{(2m - 2n - 1) \exp(-i\theta)}{2 (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} \cdot \left\{ \frac{2(n+1)}{\tanh^2 \eta} - \frac{(3 + 2n) \cos \theta}{\tanh \eta \sinh \eta} + \frac{1}{\sinh^2 \eta} \right\} \Psi_{n+1,m}^{(\lambda)} + \\ & + \frac{\exp(-i2\theta) (2m - 3 - 2n) (2m - 2n - 1)}{4 \sinh^2 \eta} \cdot \Psi_{n+2,m}^{(\lambda)} \end{aligned}$$

<sup>9</sup>Luckily, since Mathematica supports these functions as `LegendreP[n-1/2, m, 3, z]` and `LegendreQ[n-1/2, m, 3, z]`, and can differentiate using recurrence relations.

and the other one:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{\theta\theta}\Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} &= \partial_{\theta} \left( \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{2 \cdot (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} + in \right) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\ \partial_{\theta\theta}\Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} &= \left( \frac{4 \cosh \eta \cos \theta - \cos 2\theta - 3}{8 (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \right) \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}\end{aligned}$$

The off-diagonal one:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{\eta\theta}\Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} &= \partial_{\eta} \left( \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{2 \cdot (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} + in \right) \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} \right) \\ &= \left( -\frac{\sin \theta \cdot \sinh \eta}{2 (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)^2} \right) \cdot \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)} + \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{2 \cdot (\cosh \eta - \cos \theta)} + in \right) \partial_{\eta} \Psi_{nm}^{(\lambda)}\end{aligned}$$

### 3.5 Getting out the constants

Once a suitable analytic expression has been found, for all the terms in Eq. (2-5), we have a generic problem like this:

$$h(\mathbf{r}) = q_{nm}^{(\lambda)} Q_{nm}^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r})$$

Where we need the constants  $q_{nm}^{(\lambda)}$ . It makes sense to convert the problem into a matrix form:

$$h_{ijk} = Q_{ijk,\lambda nm} q_{\lambda nm}$$

We then contract it with a suitable tensor, e.g.<sup>10</sup>:

$$(\sqrt{g}\Psi)_{\bar{\lambda}\bar{n}\bar{m},ijk}^* Q_{ijk,\lambda nm} q_{\lambda nm} = (\sqrt{g}\Psi)_{\bar{\lambda}\bar{n}\bar{m},ijk}^* h_{ijk} = \Lambda_{\bar{\lambda}\bar{n}\bar{m}}$$

We can calculate:

$$M_{\bar{\lambda}\bar{n}\bar{m},\lambda nm} = (\sqrt{g}\Psi)_{\bar{\lambda}\bar{n}\bar{m},ijk}^* Q_{ijk,\lambda nm}$$

Finally, all we need to do is solve the tensor equation:

$$M_{\bar{\lambda}\bar{n}\bar{m},\lambda nm} q_{\lambda nm} = \Lambda_{\bar{\lambda}\bar{n}\bar{m}}$$

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