

Bessel function for complex variable

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1 Bessel function

The Bessel function $Z_\nu(z)$ is the function which satisfies

$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + \frac{1}{z} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \left(1 - \frac{\nu^2}{z^2} \right) \right] Z_\nu(z) = 0. \quad (1)$$

Three kinds of the solutions of this equation are given by

$$J_\nu(z) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi z}} \left\{ P_\nu(z) \cos \left[z - \left(\nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} \right] - Q_\nu(z) \sin \left[z - \left(\nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \right\} \quad (2)$$

$$N_\nu(z) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi z}} \left\{ P_\nu(z) \sin \left[z - \left(\nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} \right] + Q_\nu(z) \cos \left[z - \left(\nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \right\} \quad (3)$$

($-\pi < \arg z < \pi$)

$$H_\nu^{(\pm)}(z) \equiv J_\nu(z) \pm i N_\nu(z) \\ = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi z}} e^{\pm i [z - (\nu + \frac{1}{2}) \frac{\pi}{2}]} [P_\nu(z) \pm i Q_\nu(z)] \quad \begin{cases} (-\pi < \arg z < 2\pi) \\ (-2\pi < \arg z < \pi) \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

where $P_\nu(z)$ and $Q_\nu(z)$ are polynomials given by

$$P_\nu(z) \equiv 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-)^k C_{\nu,2k}(z) \quad (5)$$

$$Q_\nu(z) \equiv \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-)^{k+1} C_{\nu,2k-1}(z) \quad (6)$$

$$C_{\nu,m}(z) \equiv \frac{(4\nu^2 - 1^2)(4\nu^2 - 3^2) \cdots (4\nu^2 - (2m-1)^2)}{m!(8z)^m}, \quad (m \geq 1) \quad (7)$$

Note that J_ν , N_ν and $H_\nu^{(\pm)}$ are so-called Bessel, Neumann and Hankel functions as the solutions of Eq.(1).

2 Spherical Bessel function

By replacing ν by $n + \frac{1}{2}$ and defining $f_n(z) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2z}} Z_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z)$, then Eq.(1) can be rewritten as

$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + \frac{2}{z} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \left(1 - \frac{n(n+1)}{z^2} \right) \right] f_n(z) = 0. \quad (8)$$

The spherical Bessel $j_n(z)$, Neumann $n_n(z)$, and Hankel $h_n^{(\pm)}(z)$ functions are given by

$$j_n(z) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2z}} J_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) = \frac{1}{z} \left\{ P_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) \cos \left[z - (n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} \right] - Q_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) \sin \left[z - (n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \right\} \quad (9)$$

$$n_n(z) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2z}} N_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) = \frac{1}{z} \left\{ P_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) \sin \left[z - (n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} \right] + Q_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) \cos \left[z - (n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \right\} \quad (10)$$

$$(-\pi < \arg z < \pi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_n^{(\pm)}(z) &\equiv \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2z}} H_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(\pm)}(z) = j_n(z) \pm i n_n(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{z} e^{\pm i[z-(n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}]} \left[P_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) \pm i Q_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) \right] \quad \begin{cases} (-\pi < \arg z < 2\pi) \\ (-2\pi < \arg z < \pi) \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where

$$P_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) \equiv 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n}{2}\right]} (-)^k C_{n+\frac{1}{2}, 2k}(z) \quad (12)$$

$$Q_{n+\frac{1}{2}}(z) \equiv \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n+1}{2}\right]} (-)^{k+1} C_{n+\frac{1}{2}, 2k-1}(z) \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_{n+\frac{1}{2}, m}(z) &\equiv \frac{((2n+1)^2 - 1^2)((2n+1)^2 - 3^2) \cdots ((2n+1)^2 - (2m-1)^2)}{m!(8z)^m}, \\ &= \frac{(n+m)!}{m!(2z)^m(n-m)!}. \quad (1 \leq m < n+1) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Spherical bessel function

Therefore we, finally, obtain

$$h_n^{(\pm)}(z) = (\mp i)^{n+1} \frac{e^{\pm iz}}{z} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{\pm i}{2z} \right)^k \frac{(n+k)!}{k!(n-k)!} \quad (15)$$

Note that the symmetric properties of $h_n^{(\pm)}(z)$ can be obtained from Eq.(15) as

$$h_n^{(+)}(-z) = (-)^n (+i)^{n+1} \frac{e^{-iz}}{z} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-)^k i^k (n+k)!}{k!(2z)^k (n-k)!} = (-)^n h_n^{(-)}(z) \quad (16)$$

$$h_n^{(+)*}(z^*) = (+i)^{n+1} \frac{e^{-iz}}{z} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-i)^k (n+k)!}{k!(2z)^k (n-k)!} = h_n^{(-)}(z) \quad (17)$$

Also Eqs.(9) and (10) can be rewritten as

$$j_n(z) = \frac{1}{2} [h_n^{(+)}(z) + h_n^{(-)}(z)] \quad (18)$$

$$n_n(z) = \frac{1}{2i} [h_n^{(+)}(z) - h_n^{(-)}(z)] \quad (19)$$

Using Eq.(16), the symmetric properties of j_n and n_n can be obtained as

$$j_n(-z) = \frac{1}{2} [h_n^{(+)}(-z) + h_n^{(-)}(-z)] = (-)^n \frac{1}{2} [h_n^{(-)}(z) + h_n^{(+)}(z)] = (-)^n j_n(z) \quad (20)$$

$$n_n(-z) = \frac{1}{2i} [h_n^{(+)}(-z) - h_n^{(-)}(-z)] = (-)^n \frac{1}{2i} [h_n^{(-)}(z) - h_n^{(+)}(z)] = (-)^{n+1} n_n(z) \quad (21)$$

3 Asymtotic behaviour & Wronskian

From Eq.(15), we can get the asymptotic behabiour of the spherical Hankel function at the limit of $|z| \rightarrow \infty$ as

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} h_n^{(\pm)}(z) = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} (\mp i)^{n+1} \frac{e^{\pm iz}}{z} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(\pm i)^k (n+k)!}{k! (2z)^k (n-k)!} \sim (\mp i)^{n+1} \frac{e^{\pm iz}}{z} = (\mp i) \frac{e^{\pm i[z - \frac{n\pi}{2}]}}{z}. \quad (22)$$

Using Eq.(22), the asymptotic behaviour of j_n and n_n can be also obtained as

$$j_n(z) \sim \frac{\sin [z - \frac{n\pi}{2}]}{z}, \quad (23)$$

$$n_n(z) \sim -\frac{\cos [z - \frac{n\pi}{2}]}{z}. \quad (24)$$

Now let us introduce one of the very important quantity, the so-called “Wronskian”.

The “Wronskian” is defined by using two kinds of the linearly independent functions as

$$W_n(f^{(1)}, f^{(2)}) \equiv z f_n^{(1)}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z f_n^{(2)}(z) - z f_n^{(2)}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z f_n^{(1)}(z) \quad (25)$$

Using the fact $z f_n(z)$ obey

$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + \left(1 - \frac{n(n+1)}{z^2} \right) \right] z f_n(z) = 0, \quad (26)$$

the derivative of the Wronskian is given as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial W_n(f^{(1)}, f^{(2)})}{\partial z} &= z f_n^{(1)}(z) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} z f_n^{(2)}(z) - z f_n^{(2)}(z) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} z f_n^{(1)}(z) \\ &= -z f_n^{(1)}(z) \left[\left(1 - \frac{n(n+1)}{z^2} \right) z f_n^{(2)}(z) \right] \\ &\quad + z f_n^{(2)}(z) \left[\left(1 - \frac{n(n+1)}{z^2} \right) z f_n^{(1)}(z) \right] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Then, we can find that the Wronskian is a constant for z . Therefore, the Wronskian can be calculated by using the asymptotic property of $z f_n(z)$ at the limit of $|z| \rightarrow \infty$ as

$$W_n(f^{(1)}, f^{(2)}) = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} \left[z f_n^{(1)}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z f_n^{(2)}(z) - z f_n^{(2)}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z f_n^{(1)}(z) \right] = \text{const.} \quad (28)$$

————— Wronskians for Bessel functions ———

Thus we can obtain the following results.

$$W_n(j, n) = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} \left[z j_n(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z n_n(z) - z n_n(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z j_n(z) \right] = 1, \quad (29)$$

$$W_n(j, h_n^{(\pm)}) = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} \left[z j_n(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z h_n^{(\pm)}(z) - z h_n^{(\pm)}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z j_n(z) \right] = \pm i \quad (30)$$

$$W_n(n, h_n^{(\pm)}) = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} \left[z n_n(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z h_n^{(\pm)}(z) - z h_n^{(\pm)}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z n_n(z) \right] = -1 \quad (31)$$

$$W_n(h_n^{(+)}, h_n^{(-)}) = \lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} \left[z h_n^{(+)}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z h_n^{(-)}(z) - z h_n^{(-)}(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z h_n^{(+)}(z) \right] = -2i \quad (32)$$

4 Recurrence formula

Using Eq.(15), we can obtain

$$h_n^{(\pm)}(z) = (\mp i)^{n+1} \frac{e^{\pm iz}}{z} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{\pm i}{2z}\right)^k \frac{(n+k)!}{k!(n-k)!} \quad (33)$$

$$z^{n+1} h_n^{(\pm)}(z) = (\mp i)^{n+1} e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{n-k} \frac{(n+k)!}{k!(n-k)!} \quad (34)$$

$$z^{-n} h_n^{(\pm)}(z) = (\mp i)^{n+1} e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{-(n+k+1)} \frac{(n+k)!}{k!(n-k)!} \quad (35)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [z^{n+1} h_n^{(\pm)}(z)] &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{n-k} \frac{(n+k)!}{k!(n-k)!} \\ &\quad + (\mp i)^{n+1} e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{n-k-1} \frac{(n-k)(n+k)!}{k!(n-k)!} \\ &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^{k+1} z^{n-k-1} \frac{(n+k+1)!}{(k+1)!(n-k-1)!} + (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} z^n \\ &\quad + (\mp i)^{n+1} e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{n-k-1} \frac{(n-k)(n+k)!}{k!(n-k)!} \\ &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^{k+1} \frac{z^{n-k-1}}{(n-k-2)!} \frac{(n+k)!}{(k+1)!} + (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} z^n \\ &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k \frac{z^{n-k}}{(n-k-1)!} \frac{(n+k-1)!}{k!} + (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} z^n \\ &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k \frac{z^{n-k}}{(n-k-1)!} \frac{(n+k-1)!}{k!} = z^{n+1} h_{n-1}^{(\pm)}(z) \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [z^{-n} h_n^{(\pm)}(z)] &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{-(n+k+1)} \frac{(n+k)!}{k!(n-k)!} \\ &\quad - (\mp i)^{n+1} e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{-(n+k+2)} \frac{(n+k+1)!}{k!(n-k)!} \\ &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^{k+1} z^{-(n+k+2)} \frac{(n+k+1)!}{(k+1)!(n-k-1)!} + (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} z^{-(n+1)} \\ &\quad - (\mp i)^{n+1} e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{-(n+k+2)} \frac{(n+k+1)!}{k!(n-k)!} - (\mp i)^{n+1} e^{\pm iz} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^n z^{-(2n+2)} \frac{(2n+1)!}{n!} \\ &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^{k+1} z^{-(n+k+2)} \frac{(n+k+2)!}{(k+1)!(n-k)!} \\ &\quad + (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} z^{-(n+1)} - (\mp i)^{n+1} e^{\pm iz} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^n z^{-(2n+2)} \frac{(2n+1)!}{n!} \\ &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{-(n+k+1)} \frac{(n+k+1)!}{k!(n-k+1)!} \\ &\quad + (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} z^{-(n+1)} + (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^{n+1} z^{-(2n+2)} \frac{(2n+2)!}{(n+1)!} \\ &= (\mp i)^n e^{\pm iz} \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \left(\frac{\pm i}{2}\right)^k z^{-(n+k+1)} \frac{(n+k+1)!}{k!(n-k+1)!} = -z^{-n} h_{n+1}^{(\pm)}(z) \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Recurrence formulas

We can derive the following recurrence formulas using Eqs.(36) and (37) as

$$\frac{2n+1}{z} h_n^{(\pm)}(z) = h_{n-1}^{(\pm)}(z) + h_{n+1}^{(\pm)}(z) \quad (38)$$

$$(2n+1) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} h_n^{(\pm)}(z) = nh_{n-1}^{(\pm)}(z) - (n+1)h_{n+1}^{(\pm)}(z) \quad (39)$$

5 Wave function of free particle

The Schrodinger equation for the free particle can be expressed as

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta \chi(k, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}) = E(k) \chi(k, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}), \quad (40)$$

$$-i\hbar \nabla \chi(k, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}) = \hbar \mathbf{k} \chi(k, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}), \quad (41)$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ is a unit vector which gives the direction of the momentum vector, i.e., $\mathbf{k} = k\hat{\mathbf{k}}$. Also $E(k) = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m}$ with complex k . $\chi(k, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r})$ is known to be

$$\chi(k, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} e^{+i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{r}} = \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sum_{lm} i^l j_l(kr) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}). \quad (42)$$

The complex conjugate of this function is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{r}} &= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \chi^*(k^*, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}) = \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sum_{lm} (-i)^l j_l^*(k^*r) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \\ \chi(-k, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}) = \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sum_{lm} i^l j_l(-kr) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \\ \chi(k, -\hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}) = \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sum_{lm} i^l j_l(-kr) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(-\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sum_{lm} (-i)^l j_l(kr) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

(Note that $k^* = k$ if k is real. In this study, we consider the complex k in most of the cases.)

From the definition of the Delta function, we get

$$\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \equiv \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d\mathbf{k} e^{+i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}')} = \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) \left[\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty dk k^2 j_l(kr) j_l(kr') \right] Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \quad (44)$$

$$\delta(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}') \equiv \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int dr e^{+i(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}')\mathbf{r}} = \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \left[\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty dr r^2 j_l(kr) j_l(k'r) \right] Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}'). \quad (45)$$

the orthogonal & completeness relation for the spherical Bessel function

Thus we obtain the orthogonal & completeness relation for the spherical Bessel function as

$$\delta(r - r') = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty dk (kr)^2 j_l(kr) j_l(kr') \quad (46)$$

$$\delta(k - k') = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty dr (kr)^2 j_l(kr) j_l(k'r) \quad (47)$$

the orthogonal and completeness relation for χ

In terms of the free particle wave function χ , the orthogonal and completeness relation is given by

$$\int d\mathbf{r} \chi^*(k^*, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}) \chi(k', \hat{\mathbf{k}}'; \mathbf{r}) = \delta(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}') \quad (48)$$

$$\int d\mathbf{k} \chi(k, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}) \chi^*(k^*, \hat{\mathbf{k}}; \mathbf{r}') = \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \quad (49)$$

6 Free particle Green's function

The free particle Green's function is defined by

$$\left[E(k) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta \right] G_F(\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}'; k) = \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'). \quad (50)$$

It is very easy to prove $G_F(\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}'; k)$ can be represented as

$$G_F(\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}'; k) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \int d\mathbf{q} \frac{\chi(q, \hat{\mathbf{q}}; \mathbf{r}) \chi^*(q^*, \hat{\mathbf{q}}; \mathbf{r}')}{q^2 - k^2}. \quad (51)$$

In the expression of the partial wave expansion, this can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} G_F(\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}'; k) &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \int_0^\infty dq \frac{q^2 j_l(qr) j_l(qr')}{q^2 - k^2} \\ &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \int_{-\infty}^\infty dq \left[\frac{1}{q-k} + \frac{1}{q+k} \right] q j_l(qr) j_l(qr') \\ &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \int_{-\infty}^\infty dq \left[\frac{1}{q-k} + \frac{1}{q+k} \right] q j_l(qr<) \left[h_l^{(+)}(qr>) + h_l^{(-)}(qr>) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

If we suppose $k = |k|e^{i\theta}$ with $0 < \theta < \pi$, then Eq.(52) can be calculated as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eq.(52)} &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \oint_{C_+} dq \frac{1}{q-k} q j_l(qr<) h_l^{(+)}(qr>) \\ &\quad -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \oint_{C_-} dq \frac{1}{q+k} q j_l(qr<) h_l^{(-)}(qr>) \\ &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{i}{2} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') k j_l(kr<) h_l^{(+)}(kr>) \\ &\quad -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{i}{2} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') k j_l(-kr<) h_l^{(-)}(-kr>) \\ &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} ik \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') j_l(kr<) h_l^{(+)}(kr>) = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{e^{+ik|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}}{4\pi |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

where C_+ (C_-) is the contour integral path on the upper (lower) region of the complex momentum q plane (see Fig.1). We consider that $h^{(+)}(qr)(h^{(-)}(qr))$ is converged at the limit of $|q| \rightarrow \infty$ on the upper(lower) region of the complex q -plane.

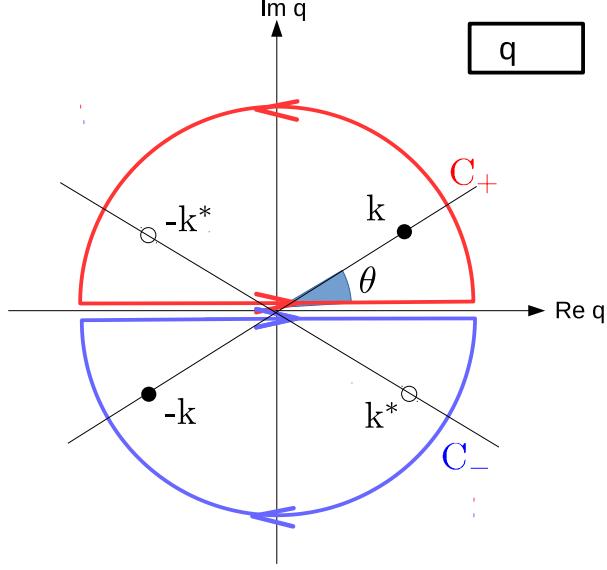


Figure 1: Contour path C_{\pm} on the complex momentum q -plane.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_F(\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}'; k^*) &= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}'}) \oint_{C_+} dq \frac{1}{q + k^*} q j_l(qr_<) h_l^{(+)}(qr_>) \\
 &\quad -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}'}) \oint_{C_-} dq \frac{1}{q - k^*} q j_l(qr_<) h_l^{(-)}(qr_>) \\
 &= \frac{2m i}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}'}) k^* j_l(-k^* r_<) h_l^{(+)}(-k^* r_>) \\
 &\quad + \frac{2m i}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}'}) k^* j_l(k^* r_<) h_l^{(-)}(k^* r_>) \\
 &= \frac{2m i k^*}{\hbar^2} \sum_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}'}) j_l(k^* r_<) h_l^{(-)}(k^* r_>) = -\frac{2m e^{-ik^*|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}}{\hbar^2 4\pi |\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|} \quad (54)
 \end{aligned}$$