

[based on tft.pdf by S. A. Fulling]

Consider the Green function:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \bar{T}}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \bar{T}}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \bar{T}}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{T}}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{2}{r} \delta(t) \delta(r - r') \delta(\theta - \theta') \quad (1)$$

Define a Fourier transformation in θ :

$$\bar{T}(t, r, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta_1} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{in\theta(\frac{2\pi}{\theta_1})} T_n(t, r) \quad (2)$$

$$T_n(t, r) = \int_0^{\theta_1} e^{-in\theta(\frac{2\pi}{\theta_1})} \bar{T}(t, r, \theta) \quad (3)$$

Let $\lambda = \frac{2n\pi}{\theta_1}$ and take $\theta' = 0$ WLOG, hence:

$$\frac{\partial^2 T_n}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T_n}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial T_n}{\partial r} - \frac{\lambda^2}{r^2} T_n = \frac{2}{r} \delta(t) \delta(r - r') \quad (4)$$

Now do a Fourier transform in t :

$$\tilde{T}(\omega, r) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega t} T_n(t, r) dt \quad (5)$$

So that (4) becomes:

$$-\omega^2 \tilde{T} + \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{T}}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \tilde{T}}{\partial r} - \frac{\lambda^2}{r^2} \tilde{T} = \frac{2}{r} \delta(r - r') \quad (6)$$

The solution has the form:

$$\tilde{T} = \begin{cases} C_\omega I_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r) & \text{for } r < r' \\ D_\omega K_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r) & \text{for } r > r' \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Continuity condition implies

$$D_\omega = C_\omega \frac{I_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r')}{K_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r')} \quad (8)$$

Jump condition implies

$$\frac{2}{r'} = D_\omega |\omega| \frac{\partial K_{|\lambda|}}{\partial r}|_{|\omega|r'} - C_\omega |\omega| \frac{\partial I_{|\lambda|}}{\partial r}|_{|\omega|r'} = C_\omega |\omega| \left(\frac{I_{|\lambda|}}{K_{|\lambda|}} \frac{\partial K_{|\lambda|}}{\partial r} - \frac{\partial I_{|\lambda|}}{\partial r} \right)|_{|\omega|r'} \quad (9)$$

Solving for C_ω and D_ω , using the Wronskian determinant, $I_m(x)K'_m(x) - I'_m(x)K_m(x) = -\frac{1}{x}$, we have

$$C_\omega = -2K_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r') \quad (10)$$

$$D_\omega = -2I_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r') \quad (11)$$

So

$$\tilde{T}(|\omega|, r) = -2I_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r_<)K_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r_>) \quad (12)$$

Hence we can invert the Fourier transform:

$$T_n(t, r) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r_<)K_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r_>)e^{i|\omega|t}d\omega \quad (13)$$

$$\bar{T}(t, r, \theta) = -\frac{1}{\pi\theta_1} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{in\theta(\frac{2\pi}{\theta_1})} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r_<)K_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r_>)e^{i|\omega|t}d\omega \quad (14)$$

Following Smith, the ω integral gives a Legendre function of the second kind which can be transformed in another integral

$$2 \int_0^{\infty} I_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r_<)K_{|\lambda|}(|\omega|r_>)e^{i|\omega|t}d\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{rr'}} Q_{|\lambda|-\frac{1}{2}}(\cosh u_0) \quad (15)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2rr'}} \int_{u_0}^{\infty} du \frac{e^{-|\lambda|u}}{\sqrt{\cosh u - \cosh u_0}} \quad (16)$$

where $\cosh u_0 = \frac{r^2 + r'^2 + t^2}{2rr'}$. Our final answer is:

$$\bar{T}(t, r, \theta) = -\frac{1}{\pi\theta_1\sqrt{2rr'}} \int_{u_0}^{\infty} du \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cosh u - \cosh u_0}} \times \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|\lambda|u} e^{i\lambda\theta} \quad (17)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\pi\theta_1\sqrt{2rr'}} \int_{u_0}^{\infty} du \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cosh u - \cosh u_0}} \frac{\sinh(\frac{2\pi}{\theta_1}u)}{\cosh(\frac{2\pi}{\theta_1}u) - \cos(\frac{2\pi\theta}{\theta_1})} \quad (18)$$