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(EE078) Field Theory

CLOSED BOOK (1 ½ HRS)

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!!! PENALTY 6 TO 1 !!!

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{In all problems below take $\epsilon_0=(10^9/36\pi)$ }

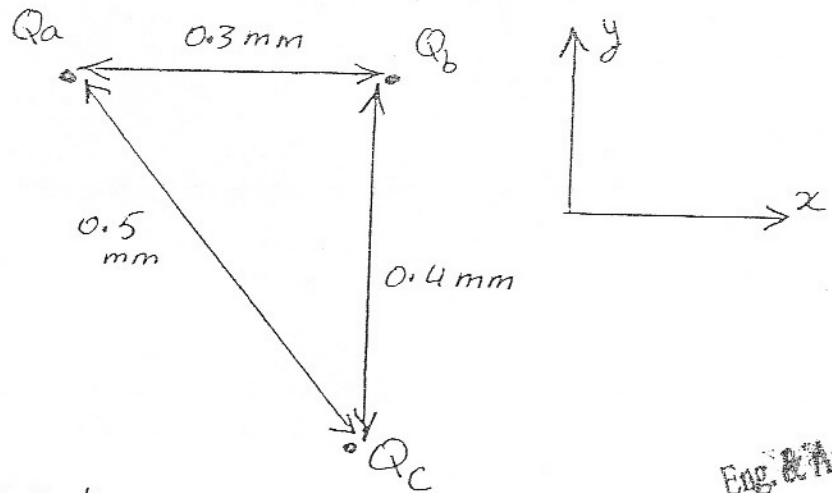
1. A potential field is given by $V=3x^2y-yz$. Which of the following is not true:
 - a. At point $(1,0,-1)$, both V and E vanish
 - b. $x^2y=1$ is an equipotential line on the xy plane
 - c. The equipotential surface $V=-8$ passes through point $P(2,-1,4)$
 - d. The electric field at $P(2,-1,4)$ is $12a_x - 8a_y - a_z$
 - e. None of the above

2. Suppose a uniform electric field exists in the room in which you are working, such that the line of force are horizontal and at right angles to one wall. As you walk toward the wall from which the lines of force emerge into the room, are you walking toward
 - a. Points of lower potential ?
 - b. points of higher potential ?
 - c. Points of the same potential?
 - d. Insufficient information to determine the direction of higher potential
 - e. None of the above

3. Plane $Z=10\text{m}$ carries charge 20nC/m^2 . The electric field intensity at the origin is:
 - a. $-10 a_z \text{ V/m}$
 - b. $-18\pi a_z \text{ V/m}$
 - c. $-72\pi a_z \text{ V/m}$
 - d. $-360\pi a_z \text{ V/m}$
 - e. None of the above

4. Suppose the $Z=0$ plane is the interface between two regions: $Z>0$ has $\epsilon_1=5\epsilon_0$ and $Z<0$ has $\epsilon_2=3\epsilon_0$. If $E_2=10 a_x +20 a_z$, find D_1 and E_1 .
 - a. $D_1=50 a_x +60 a_z, E_1=\epsilon_0(10 a_x +12 a_z)$
 - b. $D_1=50\epsilon_0 a_x +60 a_z, E_1=\epsilon_0(10 a_x +12 a_z)$
 - c. $D_1=\epsilon_0(50 a_x +60 a_z), E_1=10 a_x +12 a_z$
 - d. $D_1=\epsilon_0(30 a_x +60 a_z), E_1=10 a_x +12 a_z$
 - e. None of the above

5. Consider in the xy plane the 3 point charges shown below. If $Q_A = 4 \cdot 10^{-12}$ C and $Q_B = 15 \cdot 10^{-12}$ C and $Q_C = 15 \cdot 10^{-12}$ C, find the electric force exerted on Q_A .

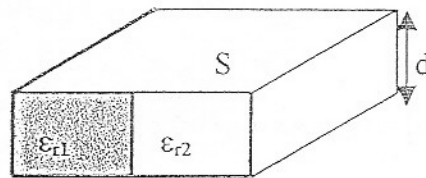


- a. $(7.25 a_x + 1.72 a_y) \mu\text{C}$
 b. $(-7.25 a_x - 1.72 a_y) \mu\text{C}$
 c. $(1.72 a_x - 7.25 a_y) \mu\text{C}$
 d. $(-7.25 a_x + 1.72 a_y) \mu\text{C}$
 e. None of the above
6. Two charges are arranged in the xy plane as follows:
 $Q_1 = 10^{-9}$ C at $(0, 1)$ and $Q_2 = -10^{-9}$ C at $(0, -1)$

Find the electric potential V anywhere along the x -axis.

- a. 0 V
 b. 3.18 V
 c. $(10^{-9}/4\pi\epsilon_0) / [(1/(x-1)) - (1/(x+1))]$
 d. $(10^{-9}/4\pi\epsilon_0) / [(1/(x+1)) - (1/(x-1))]$
 e. None of the above
7. In problem 6, find the electric field intensity E anywhere along the x -axis
- a. $[-18/(x^2+1)^{3/2}] (a_x - a_y)$ V/m
 b. 0 V/m
 c. $[-18/(x^2+1)^{3/2}] (a_y)$ V/m
 d. $[-18/(x^2+1)^{3/2}] (a_x)$ V/m
 e. None of the above

8. The figure below shows a parallel plate capacitor containing two dielectrics with permittivities $\epsilon_{r1} = 1.5$ and $\epsilon_{r2} = 3.5$. Each of the dielectrics occupies one-half of the volume as shown. If the plate area is $S = 2\text{m}^2$ and the dielectric thickness is $d = 10^{-3}\text{m}$, Calculate the capacitance of this capacitor.



- a- $C = 13.3\text{ nF}$
 b- $C = 44.3\text{ nF}$
 c- $C = 31.0\text{ nF}$
 d- $C = 9.3\text{ nF}$
 e- Non of the above

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9. Calculate the work done in moving a point charge $Q = -20\text{ }\mu\text{C}$ from the origin to point $(4, 2, 0)$ in the field $\mathbf{E} = (x/2 + 2y)\mathbf{a}_x + 2x\mathbf{a}_y$.

- a- $80\text{ }\mu\text{J}$
 b- $320\text{ }\mu\text{J}$
 c- $400\text{ }\mu\text{J}$
 d- $240\text{ }\mu\text{J}$
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10. Calculate the stored energy in a system of four identical point charges $Q = 4\text{ nC}$ located at the corners of a square, each side of which is 1m long.

- a. 780 nJ
 b. 390 nJ
 c. 576 nJ
 d. 204 nJ
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11. A uniform infinite line charge with $\rho_L = 5\text{ }\mu\text{C/m}$ lies along the x-axis ($y=0, z=0$). The electric flux density \mathbf{D} at the point $(3, 2, 1)$, m, is :

- a- $0.356(2\mathbf{a}_y + \mathbf{a}_z)\text{ }\mu\text{C/m}^2$
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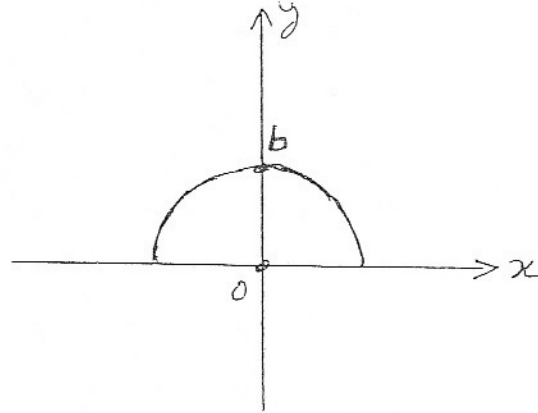
12. A spherical capacitor consists of an inner conducting sphere of radius R_i and an outer conductor with a spherical inner wall of radius R_o . The space in between is filled with a dielectric of permittivity ϵ . The capacitance C is :

- a- $4\pi\epsilon(1/R_i - 1/R_o)^{-1}$
- b- $4\pi\epsilon(1/R_i + 1/R_o)^{-1}$
- c- $4\pi\epsilon(1/R_i - 1/R_o)$
- d- $4\pi\epsilon(1/R_i + 1/R_o)$
- e- Non of the above

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13. A line charge of uniform density $\rho_L = 5 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}$ forms a semicircle of radius b in the upper half of the xy -plane as shown. The electric field at the center of the semicircle is :

- a- $-(\rho_L/2\pi\epsilon_0 b) a_y$
- b- $-(\rho_L/4\pi\epsilon_0 b) a_y$
- c- $(\rho_L/2\pi\epsilon_0 b) (a_x + a_y)$
- d- $(\rho_L/2\pi\epsilon_0 b) (a_x - a_y)$
- e- Non of the above



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Quiz #1, Fall 2001-2002

1. A potential field is given by $V = 3x^2y - yz$.

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- b) $x^2y = 1$ is an equipotential line in the xy-plane
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- d) More information is needed to determine ^{the direction} points of higher potential
- e) none of the above.

3) plane $z = 10\text{m}$ carries charge 20nC/m^2 . The electric field intensity at the origin is:

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- c) $-72\pi\vec{a}_z$ V/m
- d) $-360\pi\vec{a}_z$ V/m
- e) none of the above

$$\left\{ E = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{20 \times 10^{-9}}{2 \cdot \frac{10^{-9}}{36\pi}} = 360\pi \text{ V/m} \right.$$

4- Suppose the $z=0$ plane is the interface between 2 regions: $z > 0$ has $\epsilon_1 = 5\epsilon_0$ and $z < 0$ has $\epsilon_2 = 3\epsilon_0$.

If $\vec{E}_2 = 10\vec{a}_x + 20\vec{a}_z$, find \vec{D}_1 & \vec{E}_1 .

- a) $\vec{D}_1 = 50\vec{a}_x + 60\vec{a}_z$; $\vec{E}_1 = \epsilon_0(10\vec{a}_x + 12\vec{a}_z)$
 b) $\vec{D}_1 = 50\epsilon_0\vec{a}_x + 60\vec{a}_z$; $\vec{E}_1 = \epsilon_0(10\vec{a}_x + 12\vec{a}_z)$
 → c) $\vec{D}_1 = \epsilon_0(50\vec{a}_x + 60\vec{a}_z)$; $\vec{E}_1 = 10\vec{a}_x + 12\vec{a}_z$
 d) $\vec{D}_1 = \epsilon_0(30\vec{a}_x + 60\vec{a}_z)$; $\vec{E}_1 = 10\vec{a}_x + 12\vec{a}_z$
 e) none of the above

$$D_2 = \epsilon_2 E_2 = \epsilon_0(30\vec{a}_x + 60\vec{a}_z)$$

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Tangential E & normal D are continuous, so

$$E_{x1} = E_{t1} = E_{t2} = 10$$

$$\& D_{z1} = D_{n1} = D_{n2} = +60\epsilon_0$$

$$\text{now: } D_{x1} = \frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2} D_{x2} = \frac{5}{3}(30\epsilon_0) = 50\epsilon_0$$

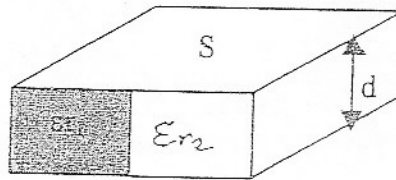
$$\& E_{z1} = \frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1} E_{z2} = \frac{3}{5}(+20) = +12$$

$$\text{thus, } \vec{D}_1 = \epsilon_0(50\vec{a}_x + 60\vec{a}_z)$$

$$\& \vec{E}_1 = 10\vec{a}_x + 12\vec{a}_z$$

D)

The capacitance of a parallel plate capacitor containing two dielectrics, $\epsilon_{r1} = 1.5$ and $\epsilon_{r2} = 3.5$, each comprising one-half the volume, as shown where $S = 2\text{m}^2$ and $d = 10^{-3}\text{m}$.



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This parallel plate capacitor is equivalent to two parallel capacitors:

$$C = C_1 + C_2.$$

$$C_1 = \frac{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_{r1} S_1}{d}, \quad S_1 = 1\text{ m}^2 \Rightarrow C_1 = 13.3\text{ nF}$$

Similarly $C_2 = 31.0\text{ nF}$

$$\Rightarrow C = C_1 + C_2 = 44.3\text{ nF}.$$

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II) The work done in moving a point charge $Q = -20\text{ }\mu\text{C}$ from the origin to $(4, 2, 0)$, in the field: $\vec{E} = (x/2 + 2y)\vec{a}_x + 2x\vec{a}_y$ is:

- a- $80\text{ }\mu\text{J}$
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$$W = -Q \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

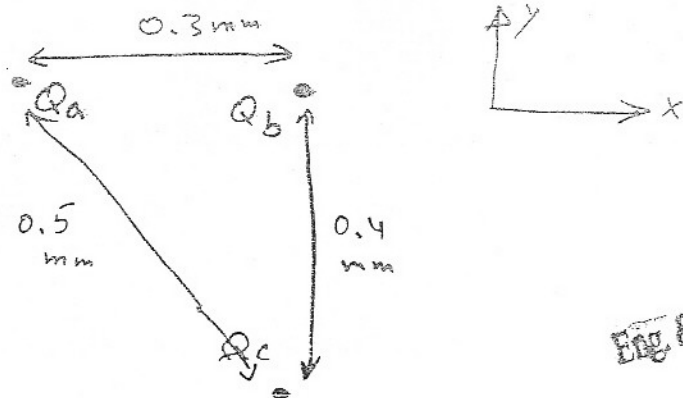
If we move the charge along the straight line connecting the points, then:

$$x = 2y \quad \& \quad dx = 2dy, \quad dz = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow W = 20 \times 10^{-6} \int [(x+2y) dx + 2x dy] \cdot [dx \vec{a}_x + dy \vec{a}_y]$$

Substituting for $y = \frac{x}{2}$, $dy = \frac{dx}{2}$ & integrating from $x=0$ to $x=4$, we get:

$$W = (20 \times 10^{-6}) \int_0^4 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = 400\text{ }\mu\text{J}$$

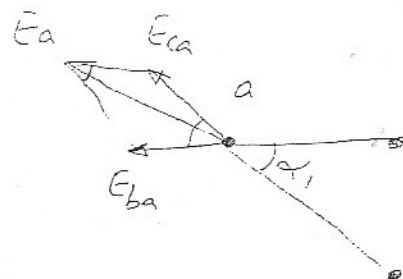


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If $Q_a = 4 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ C}$; $Q_b = 15 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ C}$ & $Q_c = 5 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ C}$
 find the force exerted on Q_a .

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$$F_a = Q_a E_a \text{ where } \vec{E}_a = \vec{E}_{ca} + \vec{E}_{ba}$$

$$= \frac{Q_c \vec{a}_{ca}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{ca}^2} + \frac{Q_b \vec{a}_{ba}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{ba}^2}$$

$$\text{or } \vec{E}_a = - \left(\frac{Q_c \cos \alpha_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{ca}^2} + \frac{Q_b}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{ba}^2} \right) \vec{a}_x + \frac{Q_c \sin \alpha_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{ca}^2} \vec{a}_y$$

$$\text{here: } \cos \alpha_1 = \frac{R_{ba}}{R_{ca}} = \frac{0.3}{0.5} = 0.6$$

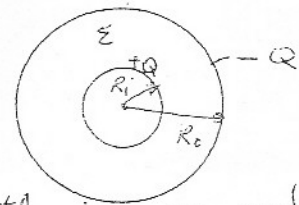
$$\sin \alpha_1 = \frac{R_{cb}}{R_{ca}} = \frac{0.4}{0.5} = 0.8$$

$$\text{so } F_a = (-7.25 \vec{a}_x + 1.72 \vec{a}_y) \checkmark$$

V)

A spherical capacitor consists of an inner conducting sphere of radius R_i and an outer conductor with a spherical inner wall of radius R_o . The space in between is filled with a dielectric of permittivity ϵ . The capacitance C is :

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- d- $4\pi\epsilon (1/R_i + 1/R_o)$
- e- Non of the above



Assume charges $+Q$ and $-Q$ on the inner and outer conductors, respectively.

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \hat{a}_R E_R = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon R^2} \hat{a}_R$$

$$\Rightarrow V = - \int_{R_o}^{R_i} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} \quad \text{But } d\vec{l} = dr \hat{a}_R + R d\theta \hat{a}_\theta + R \sin\theta d\phi \hat{a}_\phi$$

$$\Rightarrow V = - \int_{R_o}^{R_i} \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon R^2} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon} \left[\frac{1}{R_i} - \frac{1}{R_o} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Q}{V} = C = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 \epsilon r}{\left[\frac{1}{R_i} - \frac{1}{R_o} \right]}$$

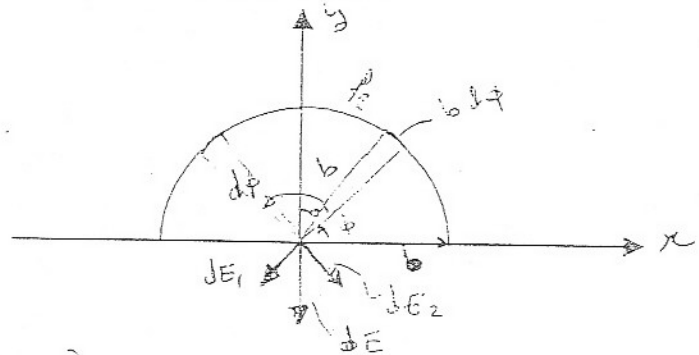
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VI)

A line charge of uniform density ρ_L $5 \mu\text{C/m}$ forms a semicircle of radius b in the upper half xy -plane. The electric field at the center of the semicircle is :

- a- $-(\rho_L/2\pi\epsilon_0 b) \hat{a}_y$
- b- $-(\rho_L/4\pi\epsilon_0 b) \hat{a}_y$
- c- $(\rho_L/2\pi\epsilon_0 b) (\hat{a}_x + \hat{a}_y)$
- d- $(\rho_L/2\pi\epsilon_0 b) (\hat{a}_x - \hat{a}_y)$
- e- Non of the above

$$d\vec{E} = \frac{\rho_L d\ell}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{a}_r$$



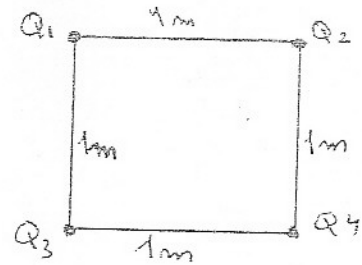
$$d\vec{E} = dE_1 + dE_2 = \frac{-\rho_L (b d\phi)}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b^2} \sin\phi \hat{a}_y$$

$$\Rightarrow E = - \frac{\rho_L}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b} \int_0^\pi \sin\phi d\phi \hat{a}_y = \frac{-\rho_L}{2\pi\epsilon_0 b} \hat{a}_y$$

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111)
The stored energy in a system of four identical point charges $Q = 4 \text{ nC}$, at the corners of a square 1 m on a side is :

- a- ** 780 nJ
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$$W_E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^4 Q_i V_i = \frac{1}{2} [Q_1 V_1 + Q_2 V_2 + Q_3 V_3 + Q_4 V_4]$$

But $Q_1 = Q_2 = Q_3 = Q_4$.

$$\& V_1 = V_2 = V_3 = V_4 = \frac{4 \times 10^{-9}}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right] = 97.5$$

$$\Rightarrow W_E = 2 Q_1 V_1 = 2 \times 4 \times 10^{-9} \times 97.5 = 780 \text{ nJ.}$$

IV)

A uniform infinite line charge with $\rho_L 5 \mu\text{C/m}$ lies along the x-axis. The electric flux density \mathbf{D} at $(3, 2, 1) \text{ m}$ is :

- a- $0.356 (2\mathbf{a}_y + \mathbf{a}_z) \mu\text{C/m}^2$
- b- ** $0.159 (2\mathbf{a}_y + \mathbf{a}_z) \mu\text{C/m}^2$
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$$\vec{E} = \frac{\rho_L}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \hat{a}_r \quad \text{where } \vec{r} = 2\hat{a}_y + 1\hat{a}_z$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{a}_r = \frac{2\hat{a}_y + 1\hat{a}_z}{\sqrt{4+1}} \quad \& r = \sqrt{4+1} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-6}}{2\pi\epsilon_0 \sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{(2\hat{a}_y + 1\hat{a}_z)}{\sqrt{5}} \text{ V/m}$$

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} = \frac{10^{-6}}{2\pi} (2\hat{a}_y + 1\hat{a}_z)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{D} = 0.159 (2\hat{a}_y + 1\hat{a}_z) \mu\text{C/m}^2.$$