

# Final for Calculus-Based Physics: Electricity and Magnetism

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## 1 Equations and constants

1. Volume of a sphere:  $V_s = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ .
2. Density, mass and volume:  $m = \rho V$ .
3. Charge density, charge and volume:  $Q = \rho V$ .
4. Coulomb force:  $\vec{F}_C = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \hat{r}$ .
5. Definition of electric field:  $\vec{F}_C = q\vec{E}$ .
6. Voltage and electric field, one dimension, uniform field:  $|E| = -\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta x}$ .
7. Voltage and electric field, general case:  $\vec{E} = -\nabla V$ .
8. Definition of magnetic flux:  $\phi = \vec{B} \cdot \vec{A}$ . The units are T m<sup>2</sup>, which is called a Weber, or Wb.
9. Faraday's Law:  $emf = -N \frac{d\phi}{dt}$
10. Faraday's Law using **Inductance**, M:  $emf = -M \frac{dI}{dt}$ .
11. Typically, we refer to *mutual inductance* between two objects as  $M$ , and *self inductance* as  $L$ .
12. Inductance of a solenoid:  $L = \mu_0 n^2 V$
13. Magnetic permeability:  $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  T m A<sup>-1</sup>
14. Units of inductance: V s A<sup>-1</sup>, which is called a Henry, or H.
15. Coulomb constant:  $k = 8.9876 \times 10^9$  N m<sup>2</sup> C<sup>-2</sup>.
16. Fundamental charge:  $q_e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19}$  C.

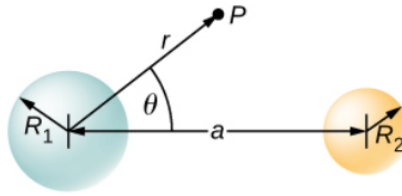


Figure 1: Two charged spheres with radii  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , separated by a distance  $a$ , observed at a point  $P$  at a distance  $r$  from the center of sphere 1, at an angle  $\theta$  with respect to the line between the spheres. Assume that  $P$  is also a distance  $r$  from sphere 2.

## 2 Exercises

### 1. Chapters 5-6: Electrostatics and Gauss' Law

- (a) A spherical water droplet of radius  $25 \times 10^{-6}$  m carries an excess 250 electrons. If the density of water is  $997 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ , what vertical electric field is needed to balance the gravitational force on the droplet at the surface of the earth? (a) First, calculate the mass of the water droplet. (b) Second, work out the total charge of the water droplet. (c) What is the Coulomb force required to balance gravity?
  
- (b) Two non-conducting spheres are uniformly charged with charge densities  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ , respectively. The geometry of the system is depicted in Fig. 1. (a) Write an expression for the total charge of each sphere separately. (b) Write the expression for the electric field of each sphere separately, observed at  $P$  for each. (c) Break each electric field into x and y components. (d) Sum the total electric field due to spheres 1 and 2, observed at point  $P$ .

### 2. Chapters 7-8: Voltage and Capacitance

- (a) The voltage across a membrane forming a cell wall is 80.0 mV and the membrane is 9.00 nm thick. What is the electric field strength? (The value is surprisingly large, but correct.) You may assume a uniform electric field.
  
- (b) An electric potential is defined by  $V(x, y, z) = ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2$ , with  $a = 2.0 \text{ V m}^{-2}$ ,  $b = 1.0 \text{ V m}^{-2}$ , and  $c = 4.0 \text{ V m}^{-2}$ . What is the corresponding electric field?

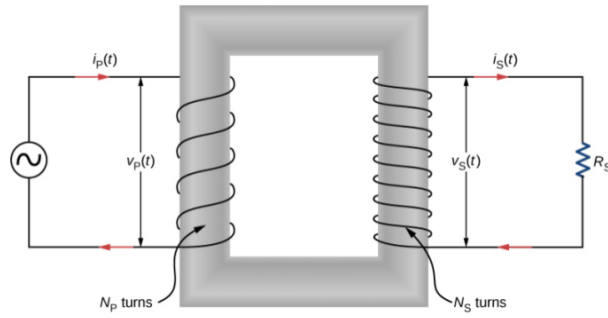


Figure 2: (Left) A magnetic field passes through loops of wire. (Right) The loops are stretched, reducing the area.

### 3. Chapters 13-14: Electromagnetic Induction and Inductance

- (a) In Fig. 2 (left) a *transformer* is depicted. The gray square represents an iron core which ensures that the magnetic flux through the left solenoid **is identical to** the magnetic flux on the right solenoid. Both solenoids are  $L = 5$  cm long. Suppose the left solenoid has  $N_L = 500$  turns, and the right solenoid has  $N_R = 1000$  turns. Let the induced emf in the left solenoid be  $v_L$ , and the induced emf in the right solenoid be  $v_R$ . Show that

$$\frac{v_L}{N_L} = \frac{v_R}{N_R} \quad (1)$$

- (b) The two solenoids each have volume  $V = 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$ . What is the inductance of each, in Henries?

- (c) Suppose the current changes in the left solenoid:  $\frac{dI}{dt} = 100 \text{ A s}^{-1}$ . (a) Using the inductance of the left solenoid, what is the induced emf in the left solenoid? (b) What is the induced emf in the right solenoid?