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Eletrodynamics-1, Midterm, Nov. 3, 2015.

Single Choice (10 % each) Just collect and summarize your answers(only) inside the boxes 1-4 on the cover page. No explanation is needed.

- 1. Consider a vector field $\vec{F} = (xy, 2, 0)$ and three line integral paths: P_I : from (0, 0, 0) to (1, 0, 0), P_{II} : from (1, 0, 0) to (0, 1, 0), and P_{III} : from (0, 1, 0) to (0, 0, 0). Which of the following is incorrect? (A) $\int_{P_{II}} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} = 13/6$. (B) $\int_{P_{III}} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} = -2$. (C) $\oint_{I,II,III} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} = -1/6$. (D) $\oint_{P_I} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} = 0$.
 - 2. Consider a vector field $\vec{F} = (x, y, z)$, and the volume \mathcal{V} which is the region $x \geq 0, y \geq 0, z \geq 0$, and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$. The 4 boundary facets of \mathcal{V} are denoted as $S_1: (z = 0, x^2 + y^2 \leq 1, x \geq 0, y \geq 0)$, $S_2: (x = 0, z^2 + y^2 \leq 1, z \geq 0, y \geq 0)$, $S_3: (y = 0, x^2 + z^2 \leq 1, x \geq 0, z \geq 0)$, and $S_4: (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \neq 1, x \geq 0, y \geq 0, z \geq 0)$. Which of the following is incorrect? (A) $\int_{\mathcal{V}} \nabla \cdot \vec{F} d\tau = \pi/2$. (B) $\int_{S_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{a} = 0$. (C) $\int_{S_4} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{a} = \pi/2$. (D) \vec{F} can be expressed as $-\overrightarrow{\nabla}(r^2/2 + 7)$.
 - 3. A static charge distribution produces a radial electric field, \$\vec{E} = A \frac{e^{-br}}{r^2} \hat{r}\$, where \$A, b\$ are constants. Which of the following is incorrect? (A) The charge density is \$A\epsilon_0 [4πδ^3(\vec{r}) be^{-br}/r^2]\$. (Y) \$\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0\$. (C) The total charge is \$-4πA\epsilon_0\$. (D) The electric potential is continuous at the origin.
 4. A uniformly charged spherical volume of radius \$R\$ which contains a total charge \$Q\$. Which \$\frac{V^2}{\phi} \frac{V^2}{\phi} \frac
 - A uniformly charged spherical volume of radius R which contains a total charge Q. Which of the following is incorrect? (A) The potential difference between r=0 and r=R/2 is $3Q/(32\pi\epsilon_0 R)$. (B) If r< R, $\vec{E}(r)=\frac{Q\hat{r}}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\frac{r}{R^3}$. (C) If r>R, $V(r)=\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\frac{Q}{r}$. (D) The work required to move a test charge q' from the point (a,0,0) to the point (0,0,b) is $\frac{Qq'}{4\pi\epsilon_0}[\frac{3}{2R}+\frac{b^2}{2R^3}-\frac{1}{a}]$, where b< R and a>R.

Long Questions For the long questions, all answers must be supported by detailed calculation or reasoning. It is your responsibility to clearly state the logic of your answers. I will not make any attempt to "guess" your results. No credit points will be granted if fail to do so.

- 1. (10+10%) (a) A ring of radius R has a total charge +Q uniformly distributed on it. Calculate the electric field and potential at the center of the ring.
 - (b) Consider a charge -Q' constrained to slid along the axis of the ring. Show that the charge will execute simple harmonic motion for small displacements perpendicular to the plane of the ring.
- 2. (10+10%) A sphere of radius R has uniform charge density ρ within its volume, except for a small spherical hollow region of radius R_2 and its center is located at (a, 0, 0) relative to sphere's center.
 - (a) Find the electric field at the center of the hollow sphere.
 - (b) What is the electric potential at the same point? (Infinity is set as the reference point for electric potential and $(a + R_2) < R$.)

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- 3. (10+10%) (a) Two equal charges +Q are separated by a distance 2d. A grounded conducting sphere is placed midway between them. What is the approximate radius, R, of the sphere if the two charges are to experience zero total force?
 - (b) What is the force on each of the two charges if the same sphere, with the radius determined in (a), is now charged to a potential V?

Hint: just keep the Taylor expansion to the leading order of (R/d)

- 4. (10+10+10%) An air-filled capacitor is made from two concentric cylinders. The outer cylinder has a radius of 1 cm.
 - (a) What is the radius of the inner conductor which allows a maximum potential difference between the conductors before breakdown of the air dielectric?
 - (b) What is the radius of the inner conductor which allows a maximum energy to be stored in the capacitor before breakdown of the air dielectric?
 - (c) Calculate the maximum potentials for cases (a) and (b) for a breakdown field in air. Note: (1)Use the numerical values that $e^{-1}=0.37$ and $e^{-1/2}=0.61$ to get your final answers. (2) The breakdown field in air is $\left|\frac{d\vec{E}}{dr}\right|=3\times10^6V/m$.

