



DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONIC AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

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Electric and Magnetic Fields 2

Answer **THREE** questions. **No marks will be awarded for solutions to a fourth question.** Solutions will be considered in the order that they are presented in the answer book. Trial answers will be ignored if they are clearly crossed out. **The numbers given after each section of a question indicate the relative weighting of that section.**

1. a. Sketch the form of the field lines and equi-potential surfaces of an electric dipole (2)
- b. A point charge of magnitude $10\mu\text{C}$ is located at the origin and a second point charge of magnitude $5\mu\text{C}$ is located 1 metre to the right of the origin on the horizontal x-axis. Calculate the position on the x-axis at which the magnitude of the electric field is zero. A third charge, q_3 of magnitude $5\mu\text{C}$ is positioned 1 metre above the origin on the vertical y-axis. Calculate the magnitude and direction of the force acting on q_3 . (8)
- c. A *semi*-circular ring of charge of radius a is centred at the origin in the x-y plane as shown in Figure 1. If the total charge on the ring is Q , determine an expression for the electric field at the origin.
- An infinite wire is now placed in the x-y plane parallel to the y-axis and a distance $2a$ from the origin. If the wire carries a charge q_l Coulombs per unit length, calculate the total field at the origin due to the combination the infinite wire and the semi-circular ring of charge.

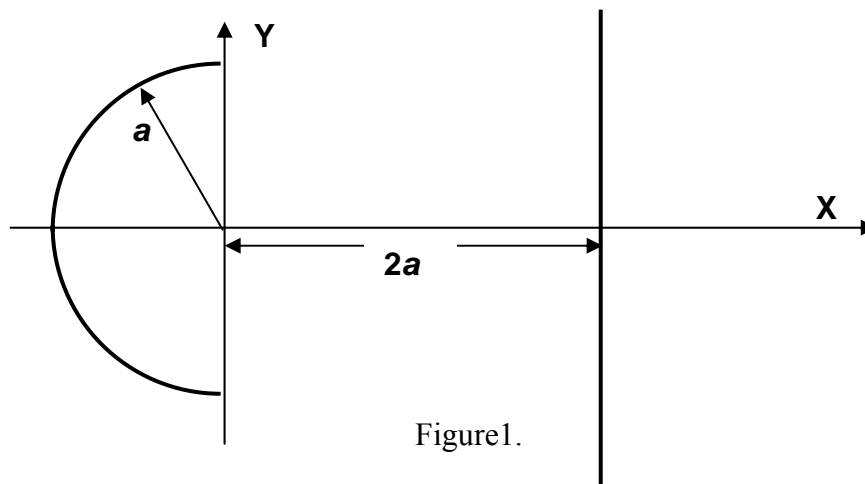


Figure1.

2. a. Use Gauss's law to derive an expression for the electric field at a distance r from an infinite sheet carrying a charge per unit area of q_s (4)
- b. Two hollow spheres of radius 10cm and 20cm carry uniform charge distributions of $-2\mu\text{C}$ and $+3\mu\text{C}$ respectively as shown in Fig 2. Determine the magnitude of the electric field at each of the following radial distances from the origin: i) 5cm; ii) 15cm; iii) 25cm.

Sketch the form of the field lines both inside and outside the spheres

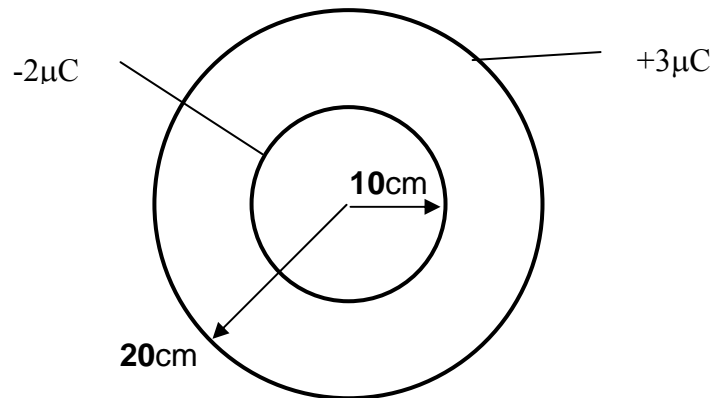


Figure 2

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- c. An air spaced parallel plate capacitor of plate area A and separation distance d is modified to include a slab of perfectly conducting material of thickness t and area A , as shown in Figure 3. The capacitor is charged to a potential V and the voltage source is then removed.

- i) Sketch a diagram to show the charge distribution and field structure within the capacitor
- ii) Determine an expression for the capacitance of the structure, and check your answer by considering the case when $t=0$.

If the metal slab is removed

- i) does the energy stored in the capacitor increase or decrease?
- ii) does the voltage across the capacitor increase or decrease?

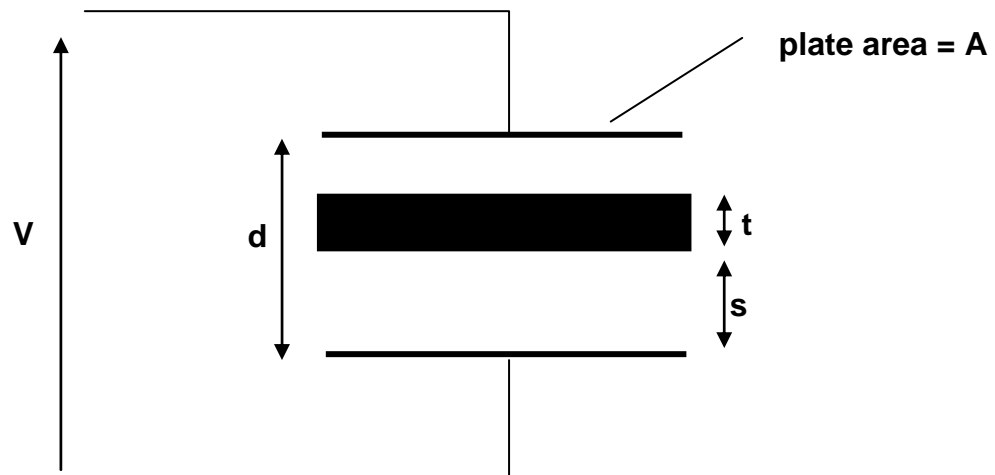


Figure 3

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3. a. The magnetic flux density at a point a perpendicular distance x from the centre of a thin straight conductor of length L which is carrying a current I , is given by

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi x} \left[\frac{1}{1 + (2x/L)^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

Use this expression to deduce an expression for the B field at the centre of a square circuit of side L .

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- b. Figure 4 shows part of a circuit in the form of a regular plane polygon of n sides carrying a current I . The distance from the centre of the polygon to the vertices is a . Deduce an expression for the B field at the centre of the polygon. Use this result to find an expression for the B field at the centre of a circular loop.

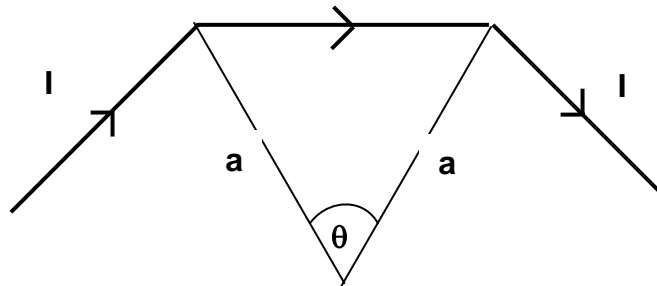


Figure 4

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- c. The circuit shown in Figure 5 consists of a square of side $2a$ carrying a current I_s and a circular loop of radius b carrying a current I_c . The directions of the currents are defined in the diagram. Derive an expression for the magnetic field at the common centre of the two loops. If $b = a\sqrt{2}$ and $I_c = 1$, determine the value of I_s required to produce zero magnetic field at the common centre of the two loops.

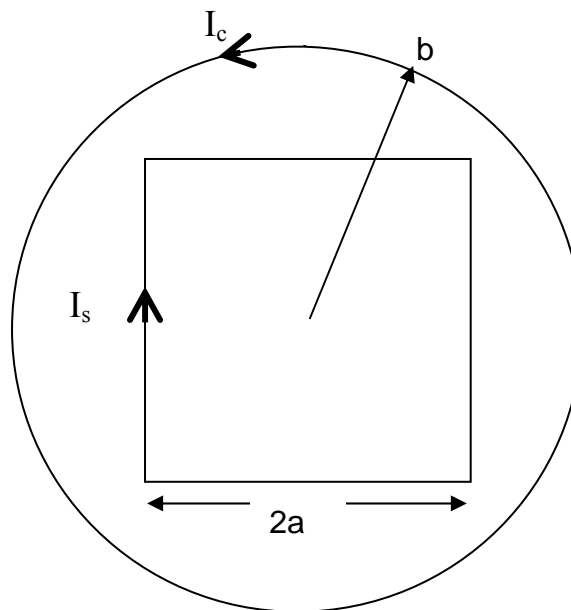


Figure 5

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4. a. The magnetic field through the circular loop of radius a varies with time according to the equation $B = B_0(1 - e^{-\lambda t})$, as indicated in Figure 4. Derive an expression for the induced voltage in the loop. If $a = 1\text{cm}$, $B_0 = 500\mu\text{T}$ and $\lambda = 0.1$, calculate the induced voltage at $t = 20\text{s}$.

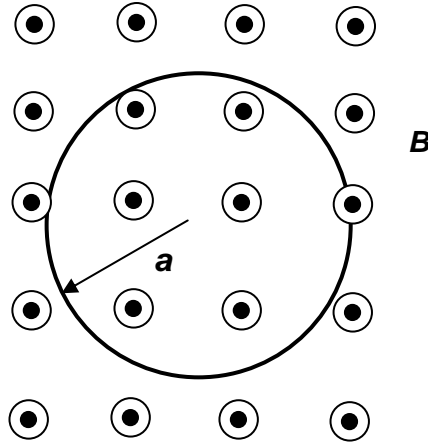


Figure 4

- (8)
- b. Use Ampere's law to derive expressions for the magnetic field inside *and* outside a circular wire of radius a carrying a uniformly distributed current I . Sketch the variation of the field as a function of distance from the centre of the wire.
- (6)
- c. A 1000 turns solenoid is 10cm long, 2cm in diameter and carries a current of 1A. Calculate
- i) The magnetic field at the centre of the solenoid;
 - ii) The self inductance of the solenoid.
- (6)

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	$\epsilon_o = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Fm}^{-1}$	charge on electron = $-1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
	$\mu_o = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ Hm}^{-1}$	mass of electron = $9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$

1. ELECTROSTATICS

Coulomb's Law

Force between two point charges, q_1 and q_2 has magnitude $F = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_o R^2}$ in direction along line joining charges. In vector notation $\underline{F} = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_o R^3} \underline{R}$ or $\underline{F} = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_o R^2} \underline{\hat{R}}$

Electric Field

Defined by $\underline{E} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_o R^3} \underline{R}$, and then force is $\underline{F} = q\underline{E}$. In electrostatics we want to solve for \underline{E} .

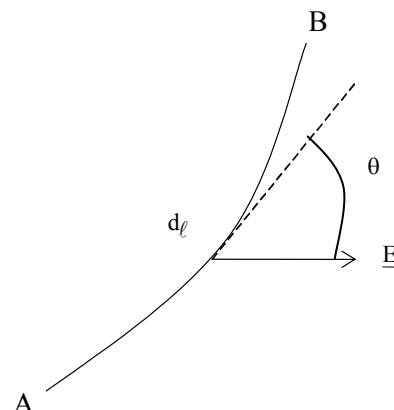
Potential

Work done in moving q_1 from A to B is $W = q_1 (\phi(A) - \phi(B))$ where ϕ is potential.

Potential due to charge q is $\phi = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_o R}$, and ϕ and \underline{E} are related by

$$\phi(B) - \phi(A) = - \int_A^B \underline{E} \cdot d\underline{l} = - \int_A^B E \cos \theta \, dl$$

$$\underline{E} = -\nabla\phi = \left(-\frac{d\phi}{dx}, -\frac{d\phi}{dy}, -\frac{d\phi}{dz} \right)$$



(a) **Gauss's Law**

Surface integral of \underline{E} gives $\oint_S \underline{E} \cos \theta \, da = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$, Q = total charge enclosed by surface S .

(b) **Solving for \underline{E}**

Three methods possible.

- (i) Use Coulomb's Law, summing all contributions with care about direction.
- (ii) Calculate ϕ and then use $\underline{E} = \left(-\frac{d\phi}{dx}, -\frac{d\phi}{dy}, -\frac{d\phi}{dz} \right)$.
- (iii) Use Gauss's Law - only works if symmetry can be employed to get \underline{E} outside the integral.

(c) **Important Cases**

- (i) Sheet of charge, $|\underline{E}| = \frac{q_s}{2\epsilon_0}$, q_s is surface density, or charge per unit area.
- (ii) Line of charge, $|\underline{E}| = \frac{q_\ell}{2\pi r \epsilon_0}$, q_ℓ is charge per unit length.
- (iii) Sphere of charge Q , $|\underline{E}| = \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon_0 r^2}$.

(d) **Capacitance**

Capacitance of two conductors is defined by $C = Q/V$. For parallel plate capacitor $C = \epsilon A/d$, where ϵ = permittivity of separating medium. Effect of dielectric medium is to increase the capacitance.

(e) **Energy**

Stored energy in capacitor is $\frac{1}{2} CV^2$. Energy density in electric fields is $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon E^2$.

2. MAGNETIC FIELDS

(a) Force between two circuits

Force is given by Ampère's force law, but this is difficult to use. Introduce \underline{B} field, and force in a circuit is $\underline{F} = \oint \underline{I} \, d\underline{l} \times \underline{B}$.

(b) Biot-Savart Law

$$\underline{B} \text{ field is given by } \underline{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \oint \frac{I d\underline{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

Analytical results possible only for simple geometries.

(c) Important cases of \underline{B}

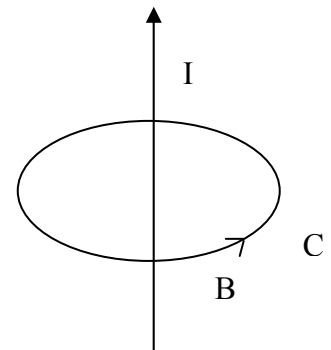
- (f) Infinitely long straight wire $B = \mu_0 I / 2\pi r$.
- (ii) on axis of circular loop, $B = \mu_0 I a^2 / 2(a^2 + d^2)^{3/2}$.
- (iii) Inside long straight solenoid $B = \mu_0 n I$.

(d) Ampère's Law

$$\oint_C \underline{B} \cdot d\underline{l} = \oint_C B \cos \theta \, d\ell = \mu_0 I$$

I is the current which threads the path of integration.

Direction given by right-hand rule



(e) Magnetic Flux

Defined by $\Phi = \oint \underline{B} \cos \theta \, da$, i.e. Φ is given by the integral over area of normal component of \underline{B} . For uniform B , $\Phi = BA$, hence B is called magnetic flux density. For a closed surface of integration $\oint \underline{B} \cos \theta \, da = 0$, which implies no magnetic poles.

3. MAGNETIC INDUCTION

(a) Faraday's Law

If flux linkages through a circuit change with time, magnitude of emf induced is $\mathcal{E} = \frac{d\Phi}{dt}$. Polarity of \mathcal{E} given by Lenz's Law, is such as to try to keep Φ constant.

(b) Self-inductance

Defined by $\mathcal{E} = L \frac{di}{dt}$ where L depends on geometry of circuit (and also any magnetic materials present). In a circuit L causes current to lag voltage.

Inductance of solenoid = $\frac{\mu_o N^2 A}{\ell}$, where N is the total number of turns, A is the cross-sectional area, and ℓ is the length of the solenoid.

(c) Magnetic Energy

Energy stored in inductance is $\frac{1}{2} Li^2$. Energy per unit volume in magnetic fields is

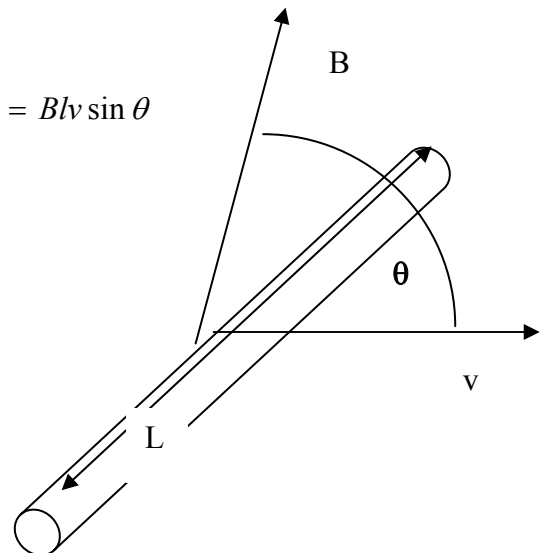
$\frac{B^2}{2\mu_o}$ or $\frac{B^2}{2\mu}$ if magnetic material of permeability μ is present.

(d) Mutual Inductance

Current change in one circuit induces emf in nearby circuit $\mathcal{E} = M \frac{di}{dt}$. M is coefficient of mutual inductance, depends on geometry and materials. M is reciprocal.

(e) EMF induced by Motion

EMF is generated by conductor moving in B field, $\mathcal{E} = Blv \sin \theta$



4. **MAGNETIC FORCES**

(a) **Force between parallel wires**

Force per unit length is $f = \mu_o I_1 I_2 / 2\pi p$, where p is distance between wires.

Like currents attract, unlike repel. The unit of current (Ampere) is defined from this relation.

(b) **Force on Linear Conductor**

$$F = BIl \sin \theta \text{ or in vector notation } \underline{F} = I \underline{l} \times \underline{B}$$

(c) **Torque on Current Loop**

$$T = NIBA \sin \alpha$$

Applications include motor and meter.

(d) **Force on Charged Particle**

$$\underline{F} = q(\underline{v} \times \underline{B}) \text{ is at right angles to both } \underline{B} \text{ and } \underline{v}.$$

Gives Hall effect and gyration of charges about field lines.