

P 3.1

$$V_{avg} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{2R} [(2R) - (R-2)] = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{R}$$

If there is more than 1 charge, then V_{avg} due to internal charges = $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$

Average potential (V_{avg}) due to external charges is V_{center}

So, $V_{avg} = V_{center} + \frac{Q_{enc}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$ ✓

P 3.2

A stable equilibrium is a point of local minima in the potential energy. Here, the potential energy is qV . But Laplace equation allows no local minima for V . What looks like a minimum is a saddle point. The box leaks

Through the center of each face

$$\boxed{P3.3} \quad \nabla^2 V = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^2 \frac{dV}{dr} \right) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad r^2 \frac{dV}{dr} = c$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dV}{dr} = \frac{c}{r^2} \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{V = -\frac{c}{r} + k}$$

Example: potential of uniformly charged sphere.

Cylindrical Coordinates.

$$\nabla^2 V = \frac{1}{s} \frac{d}{ds} \left(s \frac{dV}{ds} \right) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad s \frac{dV}{ds} = c$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dV}{ds} = \frac{c}{s} \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{V = c \ln s + k}$$

Example: Potential of a long wire.

$\boxed{P3.4}$ Lets assume 2 ~~ways~~ fields E_1 and E_2 for a given charge density ρ and either V or $\partial V / \partial n$ on boundary surface

Case (a): given ρ , and V_0 at boundary surface.

$$\text{Let } E_3 = E_2 - E_1$$

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot (V_3 E_3) d\tau = \oint_S V_3 E_3 \cdot da = - \int (\vec{E}_3)^2 d\tau$$

$$\Rightarrow \oint V_3 E_3 \cdot da = - \int E_3^2 d\tau$$

$$V_3 = 0 \quad \text{since } \boxed{V_3 = V_0 - V_0 = 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow - \int E_3^2 d\tau = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E_2 - E_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E_1 = E_2} \quad \checkmark$$

Case (b): given ρ , and $\frac{dV}{dn}$ is uniquely determined on boundary surface

$$E_1 \neq \frac{dV_1}{dn} \quad \text{Let } E_3 = E_2 - E_1$$

$$\text{Now, } E_1 = \frac{dV_1}{dn} = \frac{dV}{dn}, \quad E_2 = \frac{dV_2}{dn} = \frac{dV}{dn}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_3 = E_2 - E_1 = \frac{dV}{dn} - \frac{dV}{dn} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow E_3 = E_2 - E_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E_1 = E_2} \quad \checkmark$$

P3.5

Putting $U = T = V_3$ in Green's identity, we get

$$\int_V (V_3^2 \nabla V_3 + \nabla V_3 \cdot \nabla V_3) d\tau = \oint_S V_3 \nabla V_3 \cdot d\mathbf{a}$$

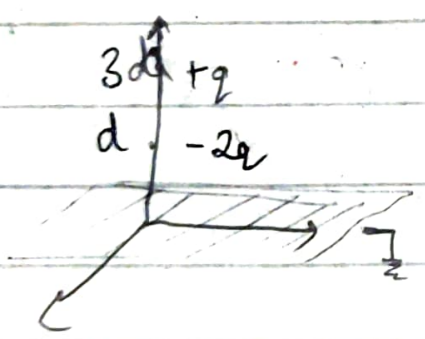
But $\nabla^2 V_3 = \nabla^2 V_1 - \nabla^2 V_2 = \frac{-\rho}{\epsilon_0} + \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} = 0$

$$\nabla V_3 = -\mathbf{E}_3$$

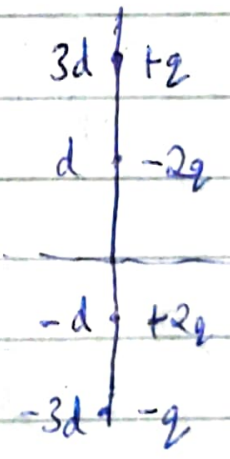
So, $\int_V E_3^2 d\tau = \oint_S V_3 E_3 \cdot d\mathbf{a} \Rightarrow \int_V E_3^2 d\tau = 0$

$\Rightarrow E_3 = 0 \Rightarrow E_1 = E_2$

P3.6



Method of images



$$F_{+q} = F_{(-2q)} + F_{(+q)}$$

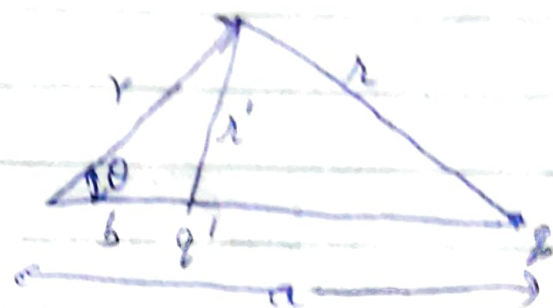
$$= \frac{-2q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (2d)^2} + \frac{2q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (4d)^2} + \frac{-q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (6d)^2} = \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d} \left(\frac{-2}{2^2} + \frac{2}{4^2} - \frac{1}{6^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d} \left(\frac{-18}{12} + \frac{2}{12} - \frac{1}{12} \right) = \frac{-8}{12} \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d}$$

$$= \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d^2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{36} \right) = \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d^2} \left(\frac{-36+9-2}{72} \right) = \boxed{\frac{-29q^2}{72(4\pi\epsilon_0)d^2}}$$

P3.7

(a) $r = \sqrt{r^2 + a^2 - 2ar\cos\theta}$
 $r' = \sqrt{r^2 + b^2 - 2br\cos\theta}$



$$\frac{q'}{r'} = \frac{-R}{a} \frac{q}{\sqrt{r^2 + b^2 - 2rb\cos\theta}}$$

$$= \frac{-R}{a} \frac{q}{\sqrt{r^2 + \frac{R^2}{a^2} - 2r\frac{R}{a}\cos\theta}} = \frac{q}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{ar}{R}\right)^2 + R^2 - 2ra\cos\theta}}$$

Now, $V(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q}{r} + \frac{q'}{r'} \right)$

$$= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 + a^2 - 2ra\cos\theta}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{R^2 + \left(\frac{ra}{R}\right)^2 - 2ra\cos\theta}} \right\}$$

(b) At $r=R$, $\frac{dV}{dn} = \frac{dV}{dr}$

$$\sigma = -\epsilon_0 \frac{dV}{dn} = -\epsilon_0 \frac{dV}{dr}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sigma(\theta) = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right) \left\{ \frac{-1}{2} (r^2 + a^2 - 2ra\cos\theta)^{-3/2} (2r - 2a\cos\theta) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} (R^2 + \left(\frac{ra}{R}\right)^2 - 2ra\cos\theta)^{-3/2} \left(\frac{a^2}{R^2} 2r - 2a\cos\theta \right) \right\} \Bigg|_{r=R} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sigma(\theta) = \frac{-q}{4\pi} \left\{ -(R^2 + a^2 - 2Ra\cos\theta)^{-3/2} (R - a\cos\theta) \right. \\ \left. + (R^2 + a^2 - 2Ra\cos\theta)^{-3/2} \left(\frac{a^2}{R} - a\cos\theta \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{q}{4\pi} (R^2 + a^2 - 2Ra\cos\theta)^{-3/2} \left[R - a\cos\theta - \frac{a^2}{R} + a\cos\theta \right]$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{q}{4\pi R} (R^2 - a^2) (R^2 + a^2 - 2Ra\cos\theta)^{-3/2}}$$

$$Q_{\text{induced}} = \int \sigma da = \frac{q}{4\pi R} (R^2 - a^2) \int (R^2 + a^2 - 2Ra \cos \theta)^{-3/2} R^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \frac{q}{4\pi R} (R^2 - a^2) 2\pi R^2 \left[-\frac{1}{Ra} (R^2 + a^2 - 2Ra \cos \theta)^{-1/2} \right]_0^\pi$$

$$= \frac{q}{2a} (a^2 - R^2) \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{R^2 + a^2 + 2Ra}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{R^2 + a^2 - 2Ra}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{q}{2a} (a^2 - R^2) \left[\frac{1}{a+R} - \frac{1}{a-R} \right] = \frac{q(a^2 - R^2)}{2a} \left[\frac{(-2R)}{(a^2 - R^2)} \right]$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-qR}{a} = q'} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$

$$(c) F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qq'}{(a-b)^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{-R}{a} q^2 \right) \frac{1}{\left(a - \frac{R^2}{a} \right)^2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2 R a}{(a^2 - R^2)^2}} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$

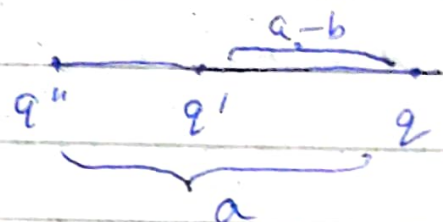
Q 3.8

$$W = \frac{q^2 R}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^a \frac{a}{(a^2 - R^2)^2} da = \frac{q^2 R}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(a^2 - R^2)} \right]_0^a$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2 R}{2(a^2 - R^2)}} \quad \text{Ans}$$

P 3.8. For this, we need to place an additional charge q'' at the centre of the sphere such that V_0 is due to q'' .
So, $V_0 = \frac{q''}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R} \Rightarrow \boxed{q'' = 4\pi\epsilon_0 V_0 R}$

For neutral sphere, $q' + q'' = 0$

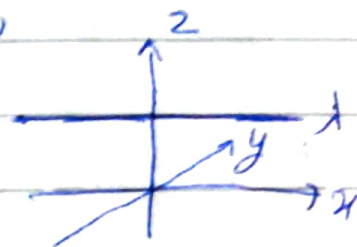


$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } F &= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q''}{a^2} + \frac{q'}{(a-b)^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{qq''}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(-\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{(a-b)^2} \right) = \frac{qq'}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2 - 2ab - a^2}{a^2(a-b)^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{qq'}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{b(2a-b)}{a^2(a-b)^2} = \frac{q \left(\frac{-Rq}{a} \right)}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{R^2 \left(2a - \frac{R^2}{a} \right)}{a^2 \left(a - \frac{R^2}{a} \right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$F = -\frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^3 \frac{(2a^3 - R^3)}{(a^2 - R^2)^2} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

P3.9 Image problem: $+d$ above, $-d$ below

$$(a) \quad V(y, z) = \frac{2d}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{S_-}{S_+}\right) = \frac{2d}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{S_-^2}{S_+^2}\right)$$



$$= \frac{d}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left\{ \frac{y^2 + (z+d)^2}{y^2 + (z-d)^2} \right\}$$

$$(b) \quad \sigma = -\epsilon_0 \frac{dV}{dn} ; \quad \frac{dV}{dn} = \frac{dV}{dz}, \text{ at } z=0$$

$$\sigma(y) = -\epsilon_0 \frac{d}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{1}{y^2 + (z+d)^2} - \frac{1}{y^2 + (z-d)^2} \right\} \Big|_{z=0}$$

$$= -\frac{2d}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{d}{y^2 + d^2} - \frac{-d}{y^2 + d^2} \right\} = \boxed{\frac{-2d}{\pi(y^2 + d^2)}}$$

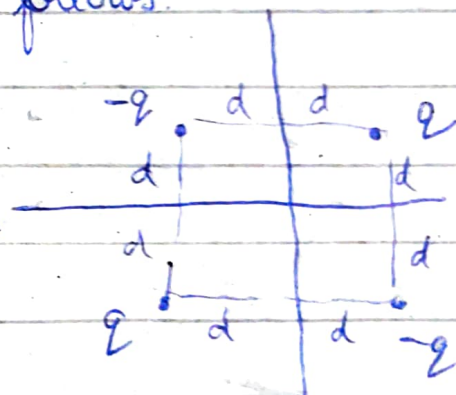
$$q_{in} = -\frac{ld}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dy}{y^2 + d^2} = -\frac{ld}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{d} \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{d} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$

$$= -\frac{ld}{\pi} \left[\frac{\pi}{2} - \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \right] = \boxed{-ld = q_{ind}}$$

$$\boxed{\lambda_{ind} = -\lambda} \text{ Ans}$$

P3.10 The image configuration is as follows.

$$V(x, y) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 + z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x+a)^2 + (y+b)^2 + z^2}} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x+a)^2 + (y-b)^2 + z^2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-a)^2 + (y+b)^2 + z^2}} \right\}$$



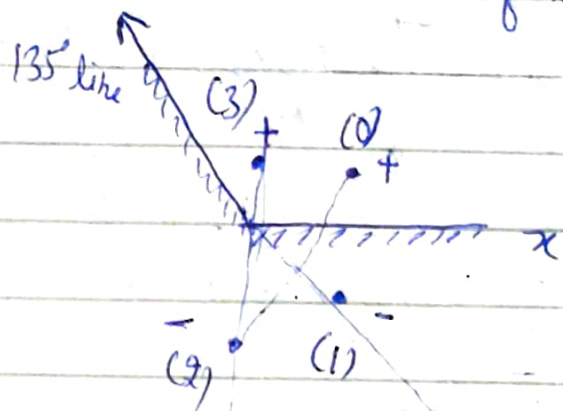
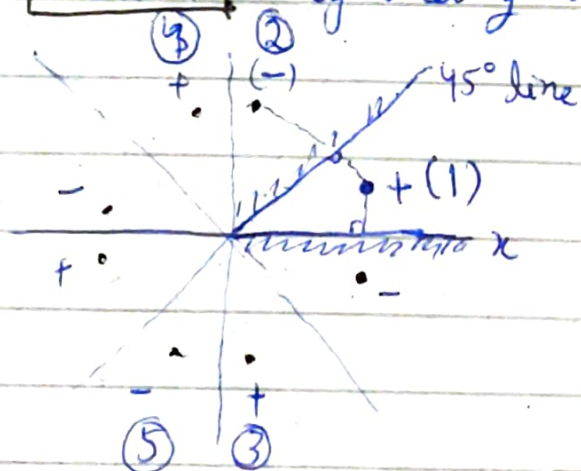
$$F = \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{-1}{(2a)^2} \hat{x} - \frac{1}{(2b)^2} \hat{y} + \frac{1}{(2\sqrt{a^2+b^2})^2} [\cos\theta \hat{x} + \sin\theta \hat{y}] \right\}$$

where, $\cos\theta = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}$, $\sin\theta = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}$

$$P = \frac{q^2}{16\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \left[\frac{a}{(a^2+b^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{1}{a^2} \right] \hat{x} + \left[\frac{b}{(a^2+b^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{1}{b^2} \right] \hat{y} \right\}$$

For this to work, ϕ must be an integer divisor of 180°

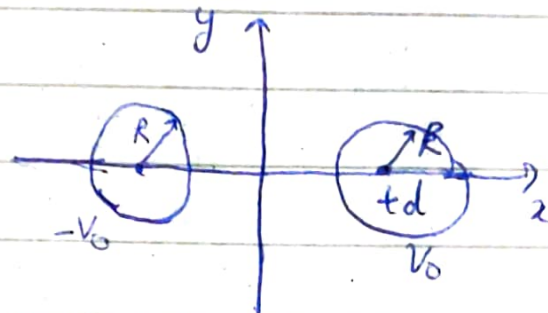
Reason Symmetry allows us to use method of images



Doesn't work for 135°

P3.11 From Prob 2.52 ($y_0 \rightarrow d$)

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \left(\frac{(x+a)^2 + y^2}{(x-a)^2 + y^2} \right)$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a \cosh(2\pi\epsilon_0 V_0 / \lambda) = d \\ a \coth(2\pi\epsilon_0 V_0 / \lambda) = R \end{array} \right\} \text{ dividing } \rightarrow \frac{d}{R} = \cosh\left(\frac{2\pi\epsilon_0 V_0}{\lambda}\right)$$

$$d = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0 V_0}{\cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{d}{R}\right)}$$

Ans