

# Electrodynamics Qualifier Examination

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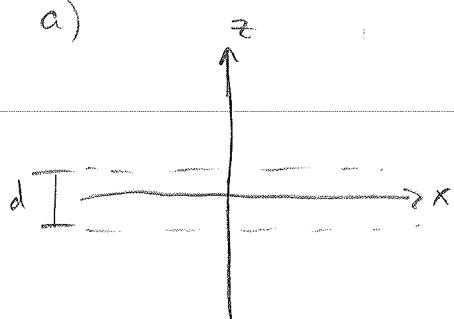
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1. This problem refers to macroscopic electrodynamics in a general medium. No specific relation is assumed between the fields  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{D}$ , nor between  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$ .
    - a) 1 pt. Write the microscopic Maxwell equations containing as source the total charge density  $\rho$  and the total current density  $\mathbf{j}$ .
    - b) 1 pt. Show that the Maxwell equations of part (a) imply the conservation of the total charge  $Q$ .
    - c) 3 pt. Separate  $\rho$  into its two parts, the free charge density  $\rho_f$  and the (bound) polarization charge density  $\rho_p$ , and rewrite the Maxwell equation containing  $\rho$  to obtain the macroscopic form containing the displacement field  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\rho_f$ .
    - d) 3 pt. Separate  $\mathbf{j}$  into its parts, the free current density  $\mathbf{J}_f$ , the polarization current density  $\mathbf{J}_p$ , and the magnetization current density  $\mathbf{J}_m$ , and rewrite the Maxwell equation containing  $\mathbf{j}$  to obtain the form containing the magnetic field intensity  $\mathbf{H}$ , the displacement field  $\mathbf{D}$ , and the free current density  $\mathbf{J}_f$ .
    - e) 2 pt. Show that the free charge  $Q_f$  is conserved through the continuity equation containing  $\rho_f$  and  $\mathbf{J}_f$ , and then show that therefore the polarization charge  $Q_p$  is conserved.

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2. Consider an infinite slab of thickness  $d$ , carrying uniform charge density  $\rho$ , centered on the origin and extending in the  $x$ - $y$  plane. Assume both the electric permittivity  $\epsilon$  and the magnetic permeability  $\mu$  have their vacuum values.
- a) 2 pt. Find the electric field vector,  $\mathbf{E}$ , and magnetic flux density (magnetic induction),  $\mathbf{B}$ , everywhere. Do not just write the answer down, but in all cases clearly articulate your arguments and solution to receive credit.

*For parts (b)–(e) consider an observer moving at velocity  $\mathbf{v} = v_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ . Do not assume that  $v_0 \ll c$ .*

- b) 1 pt. What is the current density,  $\mathbf{J}'$ , in the observer's frame of reference? [Hint: How does the charge density transform?]
- c) 3 pt. Find the electric field vector,  $\mathbf{E}'$ , and magnetic flux density,  $\mathbf{B}'$ , everywhere in the observer's frame of reference. Do this by solving Ampère's and Gauss' law in the observer's frame.
- d) 2 pt. Alternatively, obtain the same result by performing a Lorentz transformation on the fields found in part (a).
- e) 2 pt. Show explicitly that  $\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$  and  $E^2 - B^2$  have the same value in both the rest frame of the slab and the observer's frame. Why is that? Is it possible to find a frame where  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{0}$ ?

a)



\* Inside and outside slab must be considered separately

\*  $\vec{B} = 0$  everywhere since there are no moving charges

### Inside slab

Integral form of Gauss law states:

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi Q_{\text{enc}}$$

$$E \cdot \int d\vec{a} = 4\pi p \cdot A \cdot (\hat{z}|z|) \quad \leftarrow \text{Gaussian prism centered on origin of height } dz \text{ and bottom area } A$$

$$E \cdot 2A = 4\pi p A \cdot z \hat{z}$$

$$E = 4\pi p z \hat{z} \quad \leftarrow +\hat{z} \text{ direction if } z > 0, -\hat{z} \text{ direction if } z < 0$$

### Outside slab

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi Q_{\text{enc}}$$

$$E \int d\vec{a} = 4\pi dA \hat{p} \hat{z}$$

$$E \cdot 2A = 4\pi dA \hat{p} \hat{z}$$

$$E = 2\pi d \hat{p} \hat{z} \quad (\text{follows same } \pm \hat{z} \text{ as above})$$

b)  $V = V_0 \hat{x}$

$$\vec{J}' = L \vec{J} \quad \text{where}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta \gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{J} = \begin{bmatrix} CP \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## #2 (cont.)

b)  $J' = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma - \beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} cp \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

 $= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma cp \\ -\beta\tau cp \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow J' = -\beta\tau cp \hat{x}$

c) We proceed by transforming our coordinate system

$x' = Lx$

$\begin{bmatrix} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma - \beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ 
 $= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma ct - \beta\gamma y \\ \gamma x - \beta\gamma ct \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$

\* From our transformations in parts b and c, we see

$z' = z$  and  $p' = \gamma p \Rightarrow$  previous results will be correct w/ coordinate substitutions

$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \begin{cases} 4\pi\gamma p' |z| \hat{z} & z < d \\ 2\pi d p' \hat{z} & z > d \end{cases}$

## #2 (cont.)

d)  $F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -E_z & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$F' = L F L^\top$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_z & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_z & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta E_z & -\beta\beta E_z & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{E}'_z = \gamma \vec{E}_z \\ \vec{B}'_y = -\beta\gamma \vec{E}_z$$

e)  $E \cdot B$ : \* In rest frame

$$\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad (\vec{B} = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle)$$

\* In moving frame

$$\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad (E_x, E_y, B_x, B_z = 0)$$

$E^2 - B^2$ : \* In rest frame

$$E^2 - B^2 = E^2 = E_z^2 \checkmark$$

\* In moving frame

$$E^2 - B^2 = \gamma^2 E_z^2 - \beta^2 \gamma^2 E_z^2$$

$$= E_z^2 \checkmark$$

3. Suppose there is a distribution of free charges (density  $\rho_f$ ) with current density  $\mathbf{J}_f$ , in a medium with arbitrary  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{H})$  and  $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{E})$ , that is, there are two types of electric field,  $\mathbf{D}, \mathbf{E}$ , and two types of magnetic field,  $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{H}$ .

- a) 2 pt. Use the Lorentz force law to show that the rate at which the fields  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  do work on the charges in a volume  $V$  is given by

$$\frac{dW_f}{dt} = \int_V d^3x \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{J}_f.$$

- b) 5 pt. Use the result of part (a) and the macroscopic Maxwell equations to show Poynting's theorem,

$$\frac{dW_f}{dt} + \int_V d^3x \Upsilon + \oint_{\partial V} d\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{S} = 0,$$

where  $\partial V$  is the surface enclosing the volume  $V$ , and  $\mathbf{S}$  is the Poynting vector. Identify  $\Upsilon$ , which in the absence of a medium is the rate of change of the electromagnetic energy density,  $\partial u/\partial t$ .

- c) 3 pt. For a linear medium, with constant permittivity  $\epsilon$  and constant permeability  $\mu$ , state the relation between  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$  and between  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$ , and show for such a medium the rate of change of electromagnetic energy density is given by

$$\Upsilon = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}, \quad u = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{H}),$$

in either SI or Heaviside-Lorentz units.

4. Consider a monochromatic plane electromagnetic wave of frequency  $\omega$  propagating in vacuum in the  $z$  direction and polarized in the  $x$  direction, which impinges upon a perfect conductor at  $z = 0$ , as shown in the figure. The incident electric field is

$$\mathbf{E}_I(z, t) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} E_{0I} e^{i(kz - \omega t)}.$$

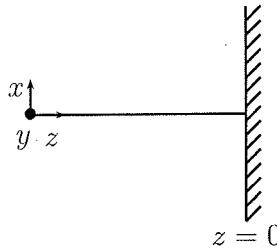


Figure 1: Plane wave normally incident on a perfectly conducting plane at  $z = 0$ .

- a) 1 pt. Use Maxwell's equations to determine the relation between  $k$  and  $\omega$ .
- b) 1 pt. Use Maxwell's equations to determine the incident magnetic field,  $\mathbf{B}_I(z, t)$ .
- c) 1 pt. What are the forms of the reflected wave  $\mathbf{E}_R(z, t)$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_R(z, t)$ ?
- d) 2 pt. Apply the appropriate boundary conditions at the interface between the vacuum and the conductor to determine the reflected amplitudes  $E_{0R}$  and  $B_{0R}$  in terms of  $E_{0I}$ .
- e) 1 pt. What is the phase of the incident and reflected electric fields? Are they in phase or out of phase at  $z = 0$ ?
- f) 2 pt. What is the force exerted on the conducting surface by the reflection of the plane wave? Answer this question by computing the momentum transferred from the field to the conductor.
- g) 2 pt. Answer the same question by computing the discontinuity of the normal-normal component of the stress tensor across the interface,  $\Delta T_{zz}$ .

a) We determine the relationship by deriving the wave equation

$$\nabla \cdot D = 4\pi \rho_f$$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J_f$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t}) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \nabla(\nabla \cdot E) + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times B) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot D) + \frac{\mu_0}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times H) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{\mu_0}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{4\pi}{c} J_f + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} \right) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{\mu_0}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} E + \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} E = 0$$

\* Given  $\vec{E} = E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)]$

$$k^2 E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)] - \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} \omega^2 E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)] = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow k^2 - \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} \omega^2 = 0$$

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{\mu_0}}{c} \omega$$

b) We use  $\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$  to find B

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = -c \int (\nabla \times E) dt$$

#5 (cont.)

b)  $\nabla \times \vec{E} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ E_0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 0, \partial_z E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)], 0 \rangle$

$= ik E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y}$

$\hookrightarrow B = \int -ikc E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y} dt$

$= \frac{-ikc}{\omega} E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y}$

~~$= \frac{\mu\epsilon\omega}{c} E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y}$~~

$\therefore \int^t_0 E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y}$

\* in free space  $\mu = \epsilon = 1$

$\Rightarrow \vec{B}_I = E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y}$

c) The reflected waves will be of the form:

$$\vec{E}_R = E_R \exp[i(-kz - wt)] \hat{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B}_R &= nk \times \vec{E} \\ &= \frac{\mu\epsilon\omega}{c} E_R \exp[i(-kz - wt)] \hat{y} \\ &= -E_R \exp[i(-kz - wt)] \hat{y} \end{aligned}$$

## #5 (cont.)

d) Our boundary conditions are:

$$\textcircled{1} E_1'' - E_2'' = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} D_1^+ - D_2^+ = 4\pi \sigma_f$$

$$\textcircled{3} H_1'' - H_2'' = \frac{4\pi}{c} k_r \hat{n}$$

$$\textcircled{4} B_1^+ - B_2^+ = 0$$

\* Using boundary condition  $\textcircled{1}$ :

$$E_1'' = E_I'' + E_R'' \quad E_2'' = E_T'' = 0 \quad \text{b/c no field w/in conductor}$$

$$\hookrightarrow E_I = -E_R$$

$$B_R = -E_R \quad (\text{from previous work})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_R = E_0 \exp[i(k_r - \omega t)] \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B}_R = E_0 \exp[i(-k_r - \omega t)] \hat{y}$$

e) We evaluate at  $z=0$  to determine phase difference.

$$E_I = E_0 \exp[i(k_r - \omega t)]$$

$$= E_0 \exp[i\omega t]$$

$$E_R = -E_0 \exp[i(l - k_r - \omega t)]$$

$$= -E_0 \exp[-i\omega t]$$

$$= E_0 \exp[-i\omega t] e^{i\pi}$$

$$= E_I e^{i\pi} \Rightarrow \text{out of phase by } \varphi = \pi$$

5. Consider a metallic conducting circular ring of inner and outer radii  $r - \epsilon$  and  $r$ , respectively. Let the ring have thickness perpendicular to the radius  $h$ . Assume  $h, \epsilon \ll r$ . Let  $\rho$  be the resistivity and  $\mu$  be the mass density of the material from which the ring is made. The ring rotates (on frictionless bearings) with angular frequency  $\omega$  about an axis along a diameter of the ring and thus has mechanical energy  $K(\omega) = \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2$ , where  $I = \frac{1}{2}(\mu 2\pi r h \epsilon)r^2$  is the moment of inertia of the ring. (Note that  $\mu 2\pi r h \epsilon$  is the mass of the ring.) There is a uniform magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}$  perpendicular to the axis of rotation. See Figure.

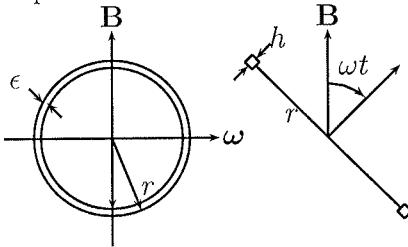


Figure 2: Top (left) and side (right) views of a conducting annulus, rotating with frequency  $\omega$  about a diameter, with a magnetic field perpendicular to that axis of rotation.

- 1 pt. Find the emf induced in the ring as a function of  $\omega$ .
- 3 pt. Find the average power dissipated by resistive heating in the ring as a function of  $\omega$ ,  $\rho$ , and  $B$ , and the relevant dimensional variables assuming that  $\omega$  is constant.
- 2 pt. If there is no external driving force keeping the ring rotating, the ring slows down due to this dissipation. Find the differential equation for  $d\omega(t)/dt$  using  $K(\omega)$  and the result of part (b). [The result of part (b) is correct if  $d\omega/\omega \ll 1$ .]
- 2 pt. Solve this equation for  $\omega$  as a function of time  $t$  in terms of the relevant variables such as  $\mu$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $B$ , etc. Let  $\omega_0$  be the angular frequency at time  $t = 0$ .
- 2 pt. If the annular ring were replaced by a solid disk of the same material with the same outer radius  $r$  and thickness  $h$ , would the disk take a longer time, a shorter time, or the same time as the annular ring to reach  $\omega(t) = \omega_0/10$ ? You must support your answer with a physical argument to earn credit for this part.

6. This problem gives a covariant form of Maxwell's equations appropriate for describing both classical and quantum radiation.

- a) 2 pt. Write down Maxwell's equations in vacuum (that is, no dielectric or magnetic media are present, only free charges and currents) in covariant form in terms of the field-strength tensor  $F^{\mu\nu}$  and the electric four-current density  $j^\mu$ . *State your units, and the metric you are using.* What is the relation between  $F^{\mu\nu}$  and the electric and magnetic field  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , and between the current  $j^\mu$  and the electric charge density  $\rho$  and the electric current density  $\mathbf{j}$ .
- b) 2 pt. Show that one set of Maxwell's equations is satisfied if  $F^{\mu\nu}$  is derivable from a four-vector potential,

$$F^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu.$$

What is the relation between  $A^\mu$  and the ordinary scalar and vector potentials  $\phi$  and  $\mathbf{A}$ ?

- c) 1 pt. Suppose  $A^\mu$  is given in the Lorenz gauge, where

$$\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0.$$

What is the equation relating  $A^\mu$  to the current density  $j^\mu$ ?

- d) 1 pt. Show that the equation for  $A^\mu$  derived in part (c) implies the conservation of electric charge.
- e) 2 pt. Now consider the Coulomb gauge condition given by  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$ . Show that this leads to

$$\nabla^2 A^0 = -\frac{4\pi}{c} J^0 \quad (\nabla^2 \Phi = -4\pi\rho),$$

in Gaussian units.

- f) 2 pt. What is the corresponding equation satisfied by the vector potential  $\mathbf{A}$  in the Coulomb gauge?

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# Electrodynamics Qualifier Examination

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1. In relativistic notation, the field strength tensor  $F^{\mu\nu}$  is given by  $F^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu$  in terms of the 4-vector potential  $A^\mu = (\phi, \mathbf{A})$ . Maxwell's equations become

$$\partial_\nu F^{\mu\nu} = k J^\mu, \quad J^\mu = (c\rho, \mathbf{J}),$$

and  $k$  is a constant depending on the system of units adopted.

- a) 1 pt. Write Maxwell's equations in terms of  $A^\mu$ .
- b) 2pts. Show that the field strength tensor is invariant under a gauge transformation,

$$A^\mu \rightarrow A'^\mu = A^\mu + \partial^\mu \lambda,$$

where  $\lambda$  is any function of space and time.

- c) 1 pt. How does the form of Maxwell's equations found in part a) change if we exploit the gauge freedom to impose the Lorenz condition

$$\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0?$$

- d) 2pts. Show that further gauge transformations are possible provided  $\lambda'$  satisfies

$$\partial^2 \lambda' \equiv \partial^\mu \partial_\mu \lambda' = 0.$$

- e) 2pts. In empty space,  $J^\mu = 0$ , impose the further condition  $A^0 = 0$  and rewrite the Lorenz gauge condition to obtain the radiation or Coulomb gauge condition. Is this gauge condition Lorentz invariant?

- f) 2pts. Show that the plane-wave function

$$A^\mu(x) = a e^{ip \cdot x} \epsilon^\mu(p),$$

where  $p^\mu = (\omega/c, \mathbf{k})$  is the propagation or wave vector,  $x^\mu = (ct, \mathbf{x})$ ,  $x \cdot p = x_\mu p^\mu$ ,  $a$  is a constant, and  $\epsilon^\mu$  is the polarization 4-vector, satisfies the Lorenz gauge condition provided  $\epsilon^\mu$  satisfies a particular condition. What is this condition? If this condition is satisfied, show that the empty-space Maxwell equation is satisfied provided there is a constraint on  $p^2 = p^\mu p_\mu$ . What does this constraint imply about the rest mass of the photon?

2. Consider a monochromatic plane electromagnetic wave of frequency  $\omega$  propagating in a non-magnetic dielectric (with index of refraction  $n_1$ ), traveling in the  $z$  direction and polarized in the  $x$  direction, which impinges normally upon a second non-magnetic semi-infinite dielectric material (with index of refraction  $n_2$ ), where the boundary between the two media occurs at  $z = 0$ , as shown in Fig. 1. The incident electric field is

$$\mathbf{E}_I(z, t) = \hat{\mathbf{x}} E_{0I} e^{i(kz - \omega t)}.$$

There are no free charges or currents in either medium.

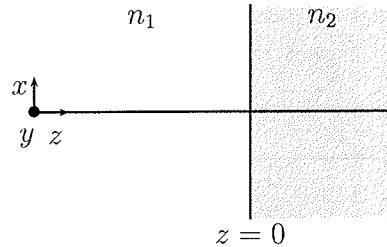


Figure 1: Plane wave normally incident on a surface separating two dielectric materials at  $z = 0$ . The medium in the the region  $z < 0$  has index of refraction  $n_1$  while the material in the region  $z > 0$  has index of refraction  $n_2$ .

- a) 1 pt. Use Maxwell's equations to determine the relation between  $k$  and  $\omega$  in each region.
- b) 1 pt. Use Maxwell's equations to determine the incident magnetic field,  $\mathbf{B}_I(z, t)$ , using the result of part b).
- c) 1 pt. What are the forms of the reflected wave  $\mathbf{E}_R(z, t)$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_R(z, t)$  ( $z < 0$ ), and of the transmitted wave  $\mathbf{E}_T(z, t)$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_T(z, t)$  ( $z > 0$ )?
- d) 2pts. Apply the appropriate boundary conditions at the interface between the two media to obtain the equations determining the reflected amplitudes  $E_{0R}$  and  $B_{0R}$  and the transmitted amplitude  $E_{0T}$  and  $B_{0T}$  in terms of  $E_{0I}$ .
- e) 2pts. Solve these equations for the reflection and transmission coefficients,  $r = E_{0R}/E_{0I}$ ,  $t = E_{0T}/E_{0I}$  in terms of the indices of refraction of the two media.

- f) 2pts. Show that the averaged energy flux in a plane wave of amplitude  $E_0$  moving in a medium with index of refraction  $n$  is given by  
(Gaussian units)

$$S = \frac{c}{8\pi} n |E_0|^2.$$

Show that the relative reflected and transmitted energy fluxes are

$$R = \frac{S_R}{S_I} = \left( \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right)^2, \quad T = \frac{S_T}{S_I} = \frac{4n_1 n_2}{(n_1 + n_2)^2}.$$

- g) 1 pt. Show that  $R + T = 1$ . Why is this as expected?

3. A *relativistic* particle of rest mass  $m$  and charge  $e$  is moving in a uniform (constant and static) magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}$ . The equations of motion for the particle momentum  $\mathbf{p}$  and its energy  $E$  are (Gaussian units)

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = \frac{e}{c} \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}, \quad \frac{dE}{dt} = 0.$$

- a) 1 pt. Why is the particle energy conserved?
- b) 1 pt. Express  $\mathbf{p}$  in terms of  $m$  and the particle velocity  $\mathbf{v}$ , and  $E$  in terms of  $m$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .
- c) 3pts. Show that these equations of motion can be written as

$$\frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{v},$$

and express  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$  in terms of  $e$ ,  $E$ , and  $\mathbf{B}$ . This says that the velocity vector precesses with angular velocity  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ .

- d) 3pts. Now suppose the motion is confined to the plane perpendicular to  $\mathbf{B}$ , that is,  $\mathbf{B} \perp \mathbf{v}$ . Then show that the particle moves with angular speed  $\omega$  in a circle of radius  $R$ . Give an equation for  $R$  in terms of  $v$ ,  $E$ ,  $e$ , and  $B$ .
- e) 2pts. Now give an equation relating the magnitude of the particle momentum  $p$  to the radius  $R$  found in part d). Thus show that a measurement of the radius of the orbit determines the particle momentum. If the velocity of the particle is independently known, we can then determine the mass  $m$  of the particle, according to the relation given in part b).

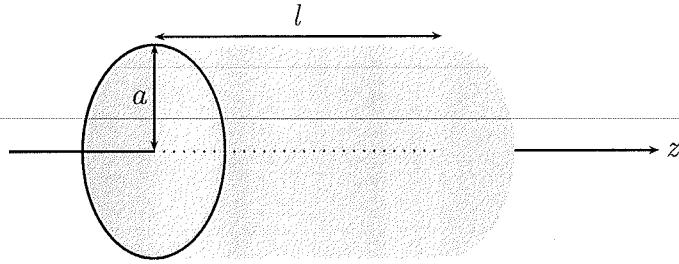


Figure 2: Hollow cylinder (radius  $a$  and length  $l$ ) containing uniform gas flowing along the axis, the  $z$  direction, with velocity  $v$ . Protons are injected into the cylinder with velocity  $V$  parallel to the axis. As a result of magnetic forces, they are brought to a focus at a point on the  $z$  axis a distance  $p$  far from the cylinder,  $p \gg l$ .

4. Consider a hollow cylinder of radius  $a$  and length  $l$  filled with a completely ionized gas of uniform charge density  $\rho$  which is moving parallel to the axis of the cylinder with velocity  $v$ .
  - a) 3pts. Find the magnetic field (magnitude and direction) at a distance  $r$  from the axis of the cylinder, for  $r < a$ ; assume that we are well inside the cylinder and that  $l \gg r$  so that we can neglect edge effects. Assume that the gas is nonmagnetic.
  - b) 3pts. Suppose a beam of nonrelativistic protons of mass  $m$  and velocity  $V$  are sent into this cylinder with their initial velocities parallel to the  $z$  axis. Neglect electrostatic, edge effects, and collisions between protons and the gas. Show that while in the gas-filled cylinder, the protons experience a force pushing them toward the axis of the cylinder. Calculate the radial velocity  $V_r$  acquired by the protons when they exit the cylinder. Assume that the distance moved toward the axis while in the cylinder is negligible.
  - c) 2pts. After the protons leave the cylinder, they continue to move toward the  $z$  axis with constant radial velocity  $V_r$ . Calculate the time  $T$  required for the protons to reach the axis.
  - d) 2pts. As a result, the protons will travel through the cylinder and be focused at a point  $p$  on the  $z$  axis beyond the cylinder where  $p \gg l$ . Find  $p$  and show that it is independent of the initial distance of the protons from the axis when they enter the cylinder.

5. Consider an infinitely long, solid, nonmagnetic conducting rod of radius  $a$  centered on the  $z$  axis. An infinitely long, hollow, conducting cylinder with inner radius  $b > a$  and outer radius  $d$  is coaxial with the rod. Let  $r$  be the radial distance perpendicular to the axis of the rod and the cylinder. The region between the conducting rod and the conducting cylinder (that is,  $a < r < b$ ) is filled with a nonconducting, linear, isotropic magnetic material with a constant relative permeability  $K = \mu/\mu_0$ , where  $\mu$  is the permeability of the material, and  $\mu_0$  is the permeability of free space ( $\mu_0 = 1$  in Gaussian units).

The rod carries a current  $I$  in the  $+z$  direction while the concentric cylinder carries a current  $I$  in the  $-z$  direction. We assume that the current density  $\mathbf{j}$  is uniform and of the same magnitude in both the rod and the cylinder,

$$j = \frac{I}{\pi a^2} = \frac{I}{\pi(d^2 - b^2)}.$$

- a) 3 pts. Calculate the magnetic field  $H(r)$  for the four regions

$$\text{I: } r \leq a, \quad \text{II: } a \leq r \leq b, \quad \text{III: } b \leq r \leq d, \quad \text{IV: } d \leq r.$$

- b) 3 pts. Calculate the magnetic flux (per unit length in the  $z$  direction) crossing a half-plane extending from the axis of the coaxial system and extending to infinity, that is, the surface defined by  $x > 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $-\infty < z < \infty$ . Use this result to find the self-inductance  $L$  per unit length of the coaxial conductor.
- c) 2 pts. Compute the magnetic energy  $U$  per unit length along the  $z$  axis stored in the region filled with the linear magnetic material, that is for region II,  $a < r < b$ .
- d) 2 pts. Using the result from part c), show that the contribution to  $L$  coming from the region  $a \leq r \leq b$ ,  $L_{\text{II}}$ , is consistent with the contribution from the same region that you calculated in part b) above. That is, compute  $\frac{1}{2}L_{\text{II}}I^2$  and compare with the result of part c).

# E + M #5

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Gaussian

a) We can compute the magnetic field via Ampere's Law (from  $\nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}$ )

$$\oint \nabla \times \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

$$H = \vec{B} - \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{M}$$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

$$B = \mu H, \quad \mu = 1 + 4\pi \chi_m$$

M:  $\chi_{mH}$  for linear, isotropic material

- We have 4 regions to consider:

Region I:  $r \leq a$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \left( \frac{I}{\pi a^2} \right) \cdot d\vec{a}$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi r = \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{I}{\pi a^2} \cdot \pi r^2$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{2Ir}{ca^2} \hat{\phi} \quad (\text{direction determined via symmetry})$$

$$\vec{H} = \vec{B} - \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{M}$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{2Ir}{ca^2} \hat{\phi} - 0 \quad (\text{non-magnetic material})$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{2Ir}{ca^2} \hat{\phi}$$

Region II:  $a \leq r \leq b$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \frac{I}{\pi a^2} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi r = \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{I}{\pi a^2} \cdot \pi r^2$$

$$B = \frac{2I}{cr} \hat{\phi}$$

\* Because our magnetization is non-zero,  $M = \chi_m H$ ,  $H = \frac{1}{\mu} B$ ,  $\mu = 1 + 4\pi \chi_m$

$$H = \vec{B} - \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{M}$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \frac{2I}{\mu cr} \hat{\phi}$$

$$H = \vec{B} - 4\pi \chi_m \vec{H}$$

$$H(1 + 4\pi \chi_m) = B$$

$$H\mu = B$$

$$H = \frac{1}{\mu} B$$

## #5 (cont.)

### Region III: $b \leq r \leq d$

\* Most separate  $\vec{J}$ -integral to account for multiple currents

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \vec{j} \cdot da$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi r = \frac{4\pi}{c} \left[ \int \vec{j}_{rod} \cdot da_{rod} + \int \vec{j}_{shell} \cdot da_{shell} \right]$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi r = \frac{4\pi}{c} \left[ \frac{I}{\pi a^2} \cdot \pi a^2 + \frac{-I}{\pi(d^2-b^2)} \cdot \pi(r^2-b^2) \right]$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi r = \frac{4\pi}{c} \left[ I - \frac{I(r^2-b^2)}{d^2-b^2} \right]$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{2I}{cr} \left[ 1 - \frac{r^2-b^2}{d^2-b^2} \right] \hat{\varphi}$$

\* We again must consider magnetization in region II; following above work,

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{B}$$

$$= \frac{2I}{car} \left[ 1 - \frac{r^2-b^2}{d^2-b^2} \right] \hat{\varphi}$$

### Region IV: $r \geq d$

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \vec{j} \cdot da$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi r = \frac{4\pi}{c} \left[ \int \vec{j}_{rod} \cdot da_{rod} + \int \vec{j}_{shell} \cdot da_{shell} \right]$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi r = \frac{4\pi}{c} \left[ \frac{I}{\pi a^2} (\pi a^2) + \frac{-I}{\pi(d^2-b^2)} (d^2-b^2)\pi \right]$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} [I - I] \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi r}$$

$$\vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{H} = 0$$

## #5 (cont.)

b) \*We know that the self-inductance  $L$  is related to the flux via:  $\Phi = LI$

To get total flux of system, we sum the fluxes from the individual regions

$$\frac{\Phi}{l} = \frac{1}{l} \int_0^l dz \int dx B$$

### Region I: $r \leq a$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\Phi}{l} &= \frac{1}{l} \int_0^l dz \int_0^a \frac{2\pi \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{ca^2} dx \\ &= \int_0^l \frac{2\pi}{ca^2} x dx \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{ca^2} x^2 \Big|_0^a \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{c} a^2\end{aligned}$$

### Region II: $a \leq r \leq b$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\Phi}{l} &= \frac{1}{l} \int_0^l dz \int_a^b \frac{2\pi}{c \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} dx \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{2\pi}{cx} dx \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{c} \ln(x) \Big|_a^b \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{c} (\ln(b/a))\end{aligned}$$

### Region III: $b \leq r \leq d$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\Phi}{l} &= \frac{1}{l} \int_0^l dz \int_b^d \frac{2\pi}{cr} \left[ 1 - \frac{r^2 - b^2}{a^2 - b^2} \right] dx \\ &= \int_b^d \frac{2\pi}{cr} \left[ 1 - \frac{x^2 - b^2}{d^2 - b^2} \right] dx \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{c} \left[ \frac{1}{x} - \frac{x}{d^2 - b^2} + \frac{b^2}{x(d^2 - b^2)} \right] dx \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{c} \left[ \ln(x) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{d^2 - b^2} + \frac{b^2}{d^2 - b^2} \ln(x) \right] \Big|_b^d\end{aligned}$$

#5 (cont.)

$$\text{b) } \frac{\Phi}{\ell} = \frac{2I}{c} \left[ \ln\left(\frac{d}{b}\right) - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{b^2}{d^2+b^2} \ln\left(\frac{d}{b}\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{2I}{c} \left[ \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{d^2+b^2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{d}{b}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

Region IV:  $r \geq d$

$$B=0 \Rightarrow \frac{\Phi}{\ell} = 0$$

\* Thus our overall flux per unit length is:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Phi}{\ell} &= \frac{I}{c} + \frac{2I}{c} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) + \frac{2I}{c} \left[ \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{d^2+b^2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{d}{b}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{I}{c} + \frac{2I}{c} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) + \frac{2I}{c} \ln\left(\frac{d}{b}\right) + \frac{2I}{c} \frac{b^2}{d^2+b^2} \ln\left(\frac{d}{b}\right) - \frac{2I}{c} \\ &= \frac{2I}{c} \left[ \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) + \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{d^2+b^2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{d}{b}\right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Phi}{\ell} &= \frac{LI}{\ell} \Rightarrow \frac{L}{\ell} = \frac{\Phi}{LI} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{L}{\ell} &= \frac{2}{c} \left[ \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) + \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{d^2+b^2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{d}{b}\right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

c)  $U = \frac{1}{8\pi} B^2$

$$\begin{aligned} U &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \left( \frac{2I}{cr} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{4I^2}{c^2 r^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} U &= \int \frac{I^2}{4\pi c^2 r^2} r dr d\phi dz \\ &= \frac{I^2}{2c^2} \int_a^b \frac{1}{r} dr \\ &= \frac{I^2}{2c^2} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{U}{\ell} = \frac{I^2}{2c^2} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

#5 (cont.)

d)  $\frac{1}{2} L_{II} I^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2}{c} \ln(b/a) \right) I^2$

$$= \frac{I^2}{c} \ln(b/a)$$

\* off by factor  $\frac{1}{2c}$ , likely due to units  
being Gaussian vs SI

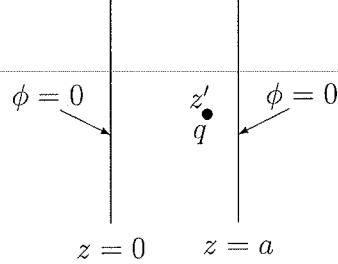


Figure 3: Geometry of point charge placed between grounded, parallel, conducting plates. The plates extend infinitely in the  $x$  and  $y$  directions.

6. Consider a point charge  $q$  placed between two parallel conducting plates, as shown in Fig. 3. The electrostatic potential  $\phi$  vanishes at the two plates, located on the planes  $z = 0$  and  $z = a$ .

- a) 2pts. Because the physics has translational symmetry in the  $x$ - $y$  plane, show that the potential at a point  $\mathbf{r}$  between the plates due to a point charge at  $\mathbf{r}'$  can be written in the form (Gaussian units)

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) = 4\pi q \int \frac{(d^2 \mathbf{r}_\perp)}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\mathbf{r}_\perp \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')_\perp} g(z, z'; k_\perp),$$

with  $\mathbf{r}_\perp = (x, y)$ ,  $\mathbf{r}'_\perp = (x', y')$ , where the function  $g$  satisfies

$$\left( -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + k_\perp^2 \right) g(z, z'; k_\perp) = \delta(z - z').$$

What are the boundary conditions on  $g(z, z'; k_\perp)$  at  $z = 0$  and  $z = a$ ?

- b) 3pts. Solve this differential equation explicitly in closed form by solving it in two regions, I:  $0 < z < z'$  and II:  $z' < z < a$ , and matching the solutions appropriately to reproduce the  $\delta$ -function in the differential equation.

- c) 2pts. What is the relationship between the electric field at the surface of a conductor and the surface charge density on the surface?

- d) 3pts. Determine the normal component of the electric field just to the right of the plate at  $z = 0$  (that is, at  $z = 0 + \epsilon$ ) and just to the left of the plate at  $z = a$  (that is, at  $z = a - \epsilon$ ). By integrating this

field over the surfaces, and using the result of part c), determine the total charge on each of the conducting surfaces. Is the sum of the charges on the two plates as expected?

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# E&M

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## 1 Capacitors

Consider a spherical capacitor which has the space between its plates filled with a dielectric of permittivity  $\epsilon$ . The inner sphere has radius  $r_1$  and the outer sphere has radius  $r_2$ . The total free charge on the capacitor is  $Q$ .

- a) Find the electric displacement  $\vec{D}$ , and the electric field  $\vec{E}$  at a radius  $r$  inside the dielectric. (2.5-points)
- b) Find the electric energy density  $u_e$  inside the dielectric. (2.5-points)
- c) Find the total energy  $U_e$  of the capacitor. (2.5-points)
- d) Find the capacitance  $C$ , of the capacitor. (2.5-points)

## 2 Rods

In this problem you will determine the magnetic field produced by three different infinitely long, cylindrical conducting rods. The figures on the next page are useful for visualizing the differences in the rods.

- a) State whether you are using MKS or cgs units (**0-points**).
- b) **Rod 1:** Consider an infinitely long, solid, cylindrical conducting rod (known as Rod 1) with radius  $2a$  that is concentric with the  $z$ -axis and carries a uniform current density  $+J_0$  in the  $+z$  direction (Fig. 1). Let  $r = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$  be the perpendicular distance to the  $z$ -axis and  $\theta$  be the angle  $r$  makes with the positive  $x$ -axis. (See Fig. 1.) Find the magnitude and direction of the magnetic field  $\vec{B}_1$  produced by Rod 1 for all  $r$ . Give the direction in Cartesian coordinates using the unit vectors:  $\hat{i}$ ,  $\hat{j}$  and  $\hat{k}$ . (**3-points**)
- c) **Rod 2:** Consider a second, infinitely long, solid, cylindrical conducting rod (i.e. Rod 2) that is parallel to the  $z$ -axis and has radius  $a$ . The axis of Rod 2 is centered at  $(x, y) = (+a, 0)$ . Rod 2 carries a uniform current density  $-J_0$  in the  $-z$  direction. Let  $\rho$  be the radial distance from the axis of the Rod 2 and let  $\phi$  be the angle that  $\rho$  makes with the positive  $x$ -axis. (See Fig. 2.) Find the magnitude and direction of the magnetic field  $\vec{B}_2$  produced by Rod 2 for all values of  $\rho$  and  $\phi$ . Give the direction in Cartesian coordinates using the unit vectors:  $\hat{i}$ ,  $\hat{j}$  and  $\hat{k}$ . (**1-points**)
- d) **Rod 3:** Consider an infinitely long, cylindrical conducting rod (i.e. Rod 3) with radius  $2a$  that is concentric with the  $z$ -axis and carries a uniform current density  $J_0$  in the  $+z$  direction. However in this conductor, an (infinitely long) hole of radius  $a$  is drilled parallel to the  $z$ -axis at the position  $(x, y) = (+a, 0)$ . (See Fig 3). Find the magnitude and direction of the magnetic field  $\vec{B}_3$  produced by Rod 3 on the  $x$ -axis (at  $y = 0$ ) for all values of  $x > 0$ . Give the direction in the Cartesian coordinates using the unit vectors:  $\hat{i}$ ,  $\hat{j}$  and  $\hat{k}$ . (**6-points**)

### 3 Cubical Box

A cubical box (sides of length  $a$ ) consists of five metal plates, which are welded together and grounded. The top is made of a separate sheet of metal, insulated from the others, and held at constant potential  $V_0$ . In this problem you will find the potential inside the box.

- a) Assume that Laplace's Equation is separable and, beginning with Laplace's Equation, write three ordinary, second-order, differential equations, one each for  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ . How are these equations linked? **(2-points)**
- b) Write the appropriate forms of the solutions to the three differential equations of part (a). **(2-points)**
- c) Apply the boundary conditions to determine all constants for the solutions of part (b). **(4-points)**
- d) From your results in part (c), construct the general solution for the potential  $V(x, y, z)$  inside the box. **(2-points)**

## 4 Conducting Sphere

In this problem you are to prove that a perfectly conducting sphere acquires a magnetic dipole moment when placed in a uniform magnetic field  $\vec{B}_0$ . Let the sphere have radius  $a$ . By perfectly conducting, we mean that there is no magnetic field in the interior of the sphere. As a result of the induced dipole moment, the magnetic field  $\vec{B}$  exterior to the sphere is no longer  $\vec{B}_0$ . Determine the dipole moment as follows.

- a) What are the boundary conditions on  $\hat{n} \cdot \vec{B}$  and  $\hat{n} \times \vec{B}$  at the surface of the sphere, where  $\hat{n}$  is the outward unit normal to the spherical surface? These boundary conditions involve the surface current density  $\vec{K}$ , which will be determined below. (1-point)
- b) Assume that the induced magnetic field is a pure magnetic dipole field, that is, in a spherical coordinate system with origin at the center of the sphere,

$$\vec{B} = \vec{B}_0 + \frac{3\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{r}\vec{r} - \vec{\mu}r^2}{r^5}, \quad r > a.$$

Use the boundary condition on  $\hat{r} \cdot \vec{B}$  at  $r = a_+$  to determine  $\vec{\mu}$  in terms of  $a$  and  $\vec{B}_0$ . (3-points)

- c) Use the boundary condition on  $\hat{r} \times \vec{B}$  at  $r = a_+$  to determine the surface current density  $\vec{K}$  in terms of  $\vec{r}$  and  $\vec{B}_0$ . (3-points)
- d) Compute the magnetic dipole moment from the surface current according to

$$\vec{\mu} = \frac{1}{2c} \oint dS \hat{r} \times \vec{K}$$

where the integral extends over the surface of the sphere, and show that  $\vec{\mu}$  coincides with the result found in part b. (3-points)

## 5 Stress Tensor

Consider a stationary solid sphere of radius  $a$  and uniform surface charge density  $\sigma$ . Assume a coordinate system for which the sphere is centered at the origin.

- a) Specify the system of units you will be using. **(0-points)**
- b) Determine the electromagnetic field everywhere on the x-y plane **(2-points)**
- c) Write down the Maxwell Stress Tensor everywhere. **(4-points)**
- d) Use the Maxwell Stress Tensor to determine the net force that the southern hemisphere ( $z < 0$ ) exerts on the northern hemisphere ( $z > 0$ ). **(4-points)**

## 6 Electromagnetic Waves

A monochromatic, plane polarized, plane electromagnetic wave traveling in the z-direction in the lab frame (in a vacuum,  $\epsilon = \mu = 1$ ) can be written in the following 3+1 dimensional form:

$$\vec{\mathbf{E}} = E_0 \hat{\mathbf{i}} \exp^{i(kz - \omega t)},$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{B}} = B_0 \hat{\mathbf{j}} \exp^{i(kz - \omega t)},$$

- a) Combine this  $\vec{\mathbf{E}}$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$  into a single electromagnetic field tensor  $F^{\alpha\beta}$  and use Maxwell's equations in the 4-dimensional form

$$\partial_\alpha F_{\beta\gamma} + \partial_\beta F_{\gamma\alpha} + \partial_\gamma F_{\alpha\beta} = 0$$

$$\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J^\beta = 0$$

to find all constraints on the 4 constants  $E_0$ ,  $B_0$ ,  $k$ , and  $\omega$  (i.e., the above wave won't satisfy Maxwell's equations for arbitrary values of all four of these parameters). **(2-points)**

- b) What are the values of the invariants  $F^{\alpha\beta}F_{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}F_{\alpha\beta}F_{\gamma\delta}$  for this wave? **(2-points)**
- c) Use a Lorentz boost to find  $F'^{\alpha\beta}$  in a frame moving in the +z direction with a speed  $\nu$ . Don't forget to express your answer in terms of the moving coordinates  $t'$  and  $x'^i$ . **(2-points)**
- d) How has the frequency and the wavelength of this wave changed in the moving frame? **(2-points)**
- e) How has  $\vec{\mathbf{E}}$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$  changed in direction and/or magnitude? **(2-points)**

# E&M

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## 1 Magnetic Materials

Assume the field inside a large piece of magnetic material is  $\vec{B}_0$  so that

$$\vec{H}_0 = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{B}_0 - \vec{M}$$

- a) Consider a small spherical cavity that is hollowed out of the material. Find the field  $\vec{B}$ , at the center of the cavity, in terms  $\vec{B}_0$  and  $\vec{M}$ . Also find  $\vec{H}$  at the center of the cavity in terms of  $\vec{H}_0$  and  $\vec{M}$ . (3 Points)
- b) Do the same calculations for a long needle-shaped cavity running parallel to  $\vec{M}$ . (3 Points)
- c) Do the same calculations for a thin wafer-shaped cavity perpendicular to  $\vec{M}$ . (4 Points)

Hint: Assume the cavities are small enough so that  $\vec{M}$ ,  $\vec{B}_0$  and  $\vec{H}_0$  are essentially constant. The field of a magnetized sphere is  $\vec{B} = \frac{2}{3}\mu_0\vec{M}$  and the field inside a long solenoid is  $\mu_0 K$  where  $K$  is the surface current density.

## 2 Space-charge-limited Thermionic Planar Diode

Consider a planar diode with a grounded, hot metallic cathode at  $x = 0$  and a metallic anode plate at  $x = H$ , which is held at an electrical potential of  $V_p$  relative to ground. [Cathode and anode plates are infinite in the  $y$  and  $z$  directions.] The cathode is very hot and emits copious electrons such that the diode is "space charge limited", that is: the electric field at the cathode is zero. The current density  $J$  is constant and in the - $x$  direction. [Ignore any transient effects.]

In this problem let :  $V(x)$  be the electric potential,  $E(x)$  be the electric field,  $s(x)$  be the velocity of an electron,  $\rho(x)$  be the charge density, and  $m$  and  $-e$  be the mass and charge of an electron respectively.

- a) State whether you are using MKS or cgs units. (1 Point)
- b) Find  $\rho(x)$  as a function of  $V(x)$  and any other relevant variables. (2 Points)
- c) Use Poisson's equation to find the differential equation for  $V(x)$ . (2 Points)
- d) State the boundary conditions for  $E(x)$  at  $x = 0$  and  $V(x)$ , at  $x = 0$  and  $x = H$ . (2 Points)

**Work e) or f) on a separate sheet of paper and submit only the one you wish to be graded.**

- e) Solve for  $V(x)$  in terms of  $V_p$  and  $H$  using results of c) and d). ( (3 Points for part e or f)

*Hint: multiply both sides of your differential equation by  $dV(x)/dx$  and recall that:  $(dV/dx)(d^2V/dx^2) = \frac{1}{2}d(dV/dx)^2/dx$*

**If you have trouble using the above hint to complete part e), then try f).**

- f) Assume  $V(x)$  is of the form:  $Ax^n + Bx + C$  and solve for  $V(x)$  in terms of  $V_p$  and  $H$  using parts c) and d) above. Find the current density  $J$  in terms of  $V_p$  and  $H$ . (3 Points for part e or f)

### 3 Wire

An infinitely-long, thin wire (radius  $b$ ) is coated with a dielectric (relative dielectric constant  $k = \epsilon/\epsilon_0$  with radius  $a > b$ ). The metal wire has charge per unit length  $\lambda$

- a) Find the electric displacement  $\vec{D}$  everywhere. (2 points)
- b) Find the electric field  $\vec{E}$  everywhere. (2 points)
- c) Find the polarization  $\vec{P}$  everywhere. (3 points)
- d) Find all the bound charge everywhere. (3 points)

## 4 Electromagnetic Waves

Consider a plane electromagnetic wave with propagation vector  $\vec{k}$  and angular frequency  $\omega$ . Construct the four-vector  $k^\mu = (\omega/c, \vec{k})$ . Use the metric  $g_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1, 1)$

a) Verify that  $k_\mu k^\mu = 0$ . (2 points)

b) In terms of the position four-vector  $x^\mu = (ct, \vec{r})$ , show that the plane wave propagation factor is

$$e^{ik_\mu x^\mu} = e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}.$$

(2 points)

c) Now use Lorentz transformations to show that radiation of frequency  $\omega$  propagating at an angle  $\theta$  with respect to the z-axis, will, to an observer moving with relative velocity  $v = \beta c$  along the z axis, have the frequency

$$\omega' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} \omega (1 - \beta \cos \theta).$$

(2 points)

d) Further show that the moving observer sees the radiation propagating at an angle  $\theta'$  with respect to the z-axis, where

$$\cos \theta' = \frac{\cos \theta - \beta}{1 - \beta \cos \theta},$$

which is aberration. (2 points)

e) Find  $\theta'$  explicitly if  $|\beta| \ll 1$ . (2 points)

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## 5 Thin Infinite Sheet

- a) Compute the 4-current  $J^\alpha(x^\beta)$  and the E&M fields for a stationary, thin, and infinite sheet of charge located at  $z = 0$  in the lab. Assume the surface charge density is a constant  $\sigma_0$ . (4 points)
- b) Now assume you move with speed  $v < c$  in the  $x$ -direction relative to the lab. What is the 4-current  $J'^\alpha(x^\beta)$  and E&M field in your frame? (6 points)

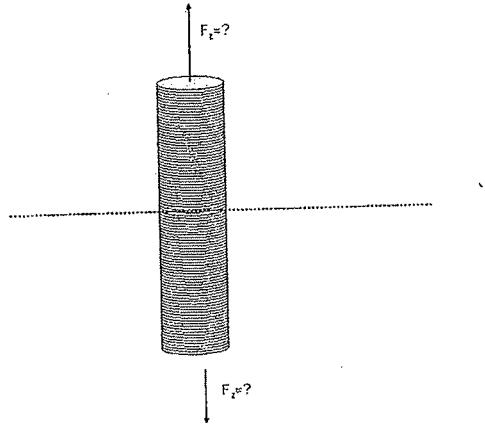


Figure 1: Stack of Disks for Stress Tensor Problem. Problem 6

## 6 Stress Tensor

Consider a long cylinder of radius  $a$  and length  $L$  made up of a stack of infinitesimally thin discs (See Figure). Assume the disks alternate between disks with charge density  $\rho$  and angular velocity  $\omega\hat{z}$  and disks with charge density  $-\rho$  and angular velocity  $-\omega\hat{z}$ .

- Specify the system of units you will be using. (1 points)
- write down an expression for the charge and current density in any small volume (of dimension larger than the infinitesimal thickness of the disks). (1 points)
- Find the electromagnetic field everywhere. (2 points)
- Find the Maxwell Stress Tensor everywhere. (2 points)
- Use your answer to part c to find the force of the top half of the cylinder on the bottom half. (2 points)
- Is the force attractive or repulsive? (2 points)

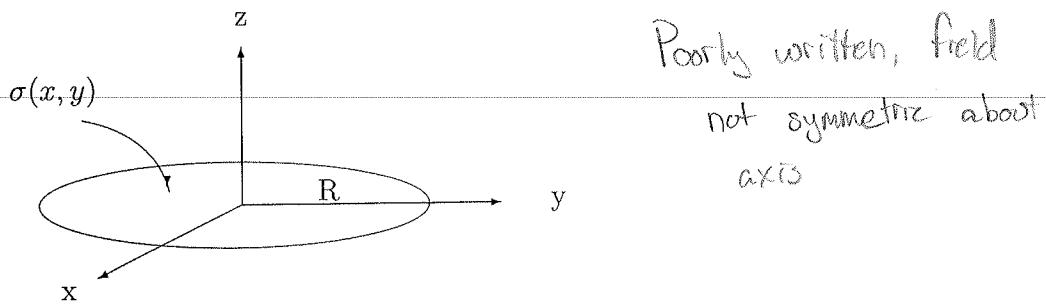
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1. Consider a thin nonconducting disk of radius  $R$  centered on the origin of a coordinate system, lying in the  $x$ - $y$  plane, and carrying a surface charge density given by

$$\sigma = \sigma_0 \frac{yR}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

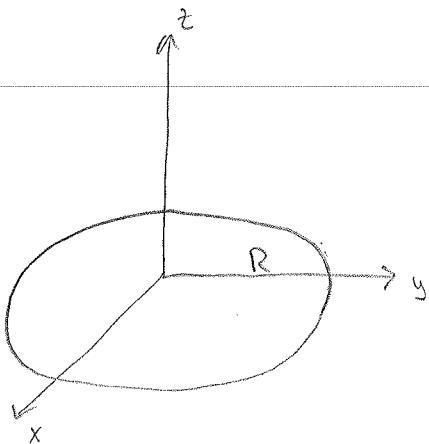
- (a) {6 pts} Determine the electric field at a location  $\vec{r} = z\hat{k}$ .
- (b) {3 pts} Give an approximation to your answer to part (a) that is valid for the  $z \gg R$ .
- (c) {1 pts} Find the force on a charge  $q$  located at a position  $\vec{r} = z\hat{k}$ .

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E + M #1

Gaussian

a)



$$\sigma = \sigma_0 \frac{yR}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$\sigma = \sigma_0 \frac{yR}{p^2}$$

$$= \sigma_0 \frac{p \sin\theta R}{p^2}$$

$$= \sigma_0 \frac{\sin\theta R}{p}$$

$$\int \nabla \cdot E = \int 4\pi p$$

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi \int \sigma(r) S(z) pdp d\theta dz$$

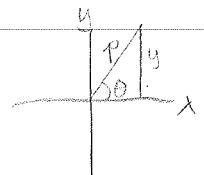
$$E \cdot 2\pi p^2 = 4\pi \int \sigma_0 \sin\theta R S(z) pdp d\theta dz$$

$$= 4\pi \sigma_0 R \int \sin\theta pdp d\theta$$

$$= 2\pi \sigma_0 p \int \sin\theta d\theta$$

$$= -\pi \sigma_0 p \cos\theta \Big|_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= 0$$

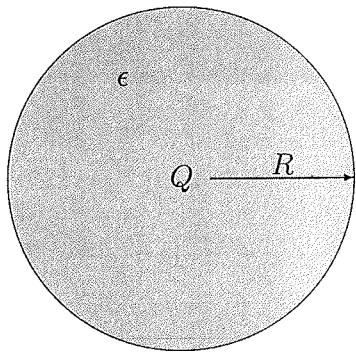


2. Consider a linear, homogeneous, isotropic, and non-dissipative dielectric (i.e., a dielectric where  $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$  and  $\epsilon$  is a constant) in the shape of a sphere of radius  $R$  with a point charge  $Q$  embedded at its center.

- (a) {2 pts} Find the electric displacement vector  $\mathbf{D}$ , the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$ , and the polarization density  $\mathbf{P}$  inside the dielectric.
- (b) {2 pts} Find the bound charge volume density  $\rho_D$  inside the dielectric.
- (c) {1 pts} Find the total bound charge  $Q_D$  on the  $r = R$  boundary of the dielectric.
- (d) {2 pts} Find the net charge (free plus bound) at the center of the dielectric.
- (e) {1 pts} Find the electric displacement vector  $\mathbf{D}$ , the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$ , and the polarization density  $\mathbf{P}$ , outside the dielectric sphere.
- (f) {2 pts} Are  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$  continuous at  $r = R$ ? If not explain why.

(If you use Gaussian units you can put  $\epsilon_0 = 1$ .)

$\epsilon_0$



# E + M #2

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Gaussian

a) \*As a reminder, our electro static Maxwell's law in media are:

$$\nabla \cdot D = 4\pi\rho \quad D = \vec{E} + 4\pi\vec{P}, \quad D = \epsilon\vec{E}$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0 \quad P = \chi_e E \quad \Rightarrow \epsilon = 1 + 4\pi\chi_e$$

\*We solve for D using Gauss Law

$$\int \nabla \cdot D = \int 4\pi\rho$$

$$D \cdot 4\pi r^2 = 4\pi Q$$

$$D = \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow E = \frac{D}{\epsilon}$$

$$= \frac{Q}{\epsilon r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{P} = \frac{\vec{D} - \vec{E}}{4\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( \frac{Q}{r^2} - \frac{Q}{\epsilon r^2} \right) \hat{r}$$

$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \right) \hat{r}$$

b) The bound charge density is defined as:

$$P_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{r^2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial r} r^2 \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \right) \right)$$

$$= Q \delta(r) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \right)$$

c) To find the total surface bound charge,

$$O_b = P \cdot \hat{n}$$

$$= P \cdot \hat{r}$$

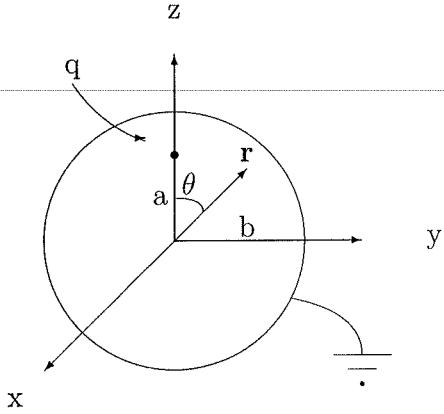
$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \right) \Big|_{r=R} = \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \right)$$

#2 (cont.)

c) We must integrate over the surface to find:

$$Q_0 = Q \left(1 - \frac{1}{e}\right)$$

d)



3. A thin grounded hollow conducting sphere of radius 'b' is centered at the origin. A point charge  $q$  is located on the z-axis at  $z = a < b$  INSIDE the sphere.

(a) {5 pts} Write the total potential for this system as a sum,

$$\Phi = \Phi_{sphere} + \Phi_q,$$

where  $\Phi_q$  is the potential due to the point charge and  $\Phi_{sphere}$  (in spherical polar coordinates) is the appropriate linear combination of Legendre polynomials  $P_\ell(\cos(\theta))$ . Evaluate the coefficients of the  $P_\ell(\cos(\theta))$  in the  $\Phi_{sphere}$  expansion. Recall that the Legendre polynomials are independent orthogonal functions satisfying

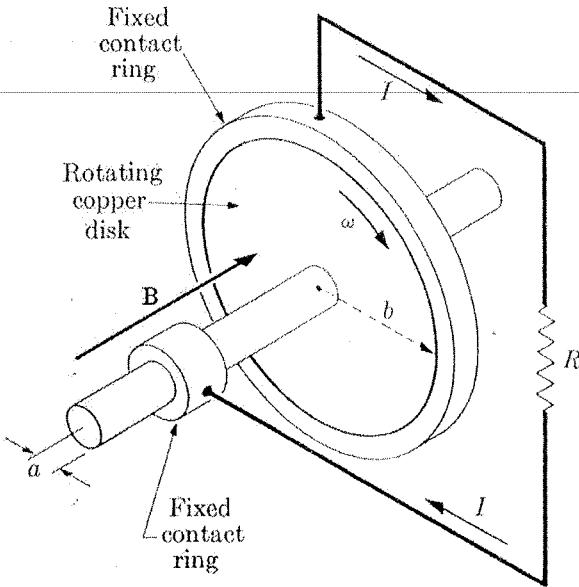
$$\int_{-1}^1 P_\ell(x) P_{\ell'}(x) dx = \frac{2}{2\ell + 1} \delta_{\ell\ell'}$$

and

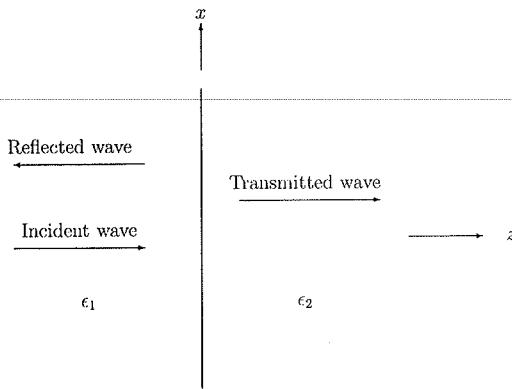
$$\frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell=\infty} \frac{(r_<)^{\ell}}{(r_>)^{\ell+1}} P_\ell(\cos(\gamma))$$

where  $\gamma$  is the angle between the two directions  $\mathbf{r}$  and  $\mathbf{r}'$ .

- (b) {5 pts} Show that your expression for  $\Phi_{sphere}$  is equivalent to the potential of a point charge. Where is the point charge located and what is its charge?



4. The Homopolar Generator consists of a flat copper disk of radius  $b$  and thickness  $t$ , mounted on an axle of radius  $a$ , which mechanically rotates the disk with angular speed  $\omega$  in the presence of an orthogonal magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$ . A stationary contact ring with inner radius  $b$  and negligible resistance surrounds the rotating disk making good electrical and frictionless contact with it. As shown in the figure, the closed electrical circuit consists of the disk and a load resistor  $R$  connected by wires between the axle and the stationary contact ring. (Assume the load resistor  $R$  is much greater than the resistance of the disk, the contact ring, and the wires.) A constant magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  perpendicular to the disk (parallel to the rotation axis) exists between the radii  $a$  and  $b$  and is zero elsewhere in the circuit.
- {4 pts} Find the current  $I$  that flows in the circuit as a function of  $B, a, b, \omega$ , and  $R$ .
  - {2 pts} What is the magnitude of the current density  $J(r)$  in the rotating disc.
  - {2 pts} What torque would you have to apply to the rotating wheel to keep  $\omega$  from slowing down.
  - {2 pts} If  $\sigma$  is the conductivity of copper and  $t$  is the thickness of the disk, find the electrical resistance  $R_d$  of the disk between the radii  $a$  and  $b$ . Recall that the resistance of a small length  $\Delta\ell$  of conducting material with cross sectional area  $A$  is  $\Delta R = \Delta\ell/(\sigma A)$ .



5. A plane-polarized harmonic ( $e^{-i\omega t}$ ) plane electromagnetic wave traveling to the right in a homogeneous dielectric medium described by an dielectric constant  $\epsilon_1$ , strikes a second homogeneous dielectric material described by dielectric constant  $\epsilon_2 > \epsilon_1$  (see the figure). Assume that both materials have the same magnetic permeability  $\mu_0$  and that the incidence angle is  $0^\circ$  (i.e., the wave is traveling perpendicular to the junction). Assume the incoming wave is polarized in the  $\hat{x}$  direction and that its electric field amplitude is  $E_0$ , i.e., assume the incoming electric field is the real part of

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{x}.$$

- (a) {3 pts} Give the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  associated with the above incoming wave. Make sure your wave satisfies Maxwell's equations, e.g., give  $k$  as a function of  $\omega$ , the direction of  $\mathbf{B}$ , and the amplitude of  $\mathbf{B}$  as a function of  $E_0$ .
- (b) {1 pts} Give similar expressions for the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  components of the reflected and transmitted waves. Use  $E''_0$  and  $E'_0$  for the respective amplitudes of reflected and transmitted waves.
- (c) {2 pts} In general, what conditions must be satisfied at the junction between two materials by the electromagnetic fields  $\mathbf{E}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$ , and  $\mathbf{H}$ , if Maxwell's equations are to be satisfied?
- (d) {2 pts} Apply these junction conditions to the combined incoming, reflected, and transmitted wave to compute  $E''_0$  and  $E'_0$  as functions of  $E_0$  and the two dielectric constants  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$ .
- (e) {2 pts} Evaluate the time averages of the Poynting vectors of the incident, reflected, and transmitted waves. Recall that

$$\mathbf{S} \equiv \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}, \quad (SI)$$

$$\mathbf{S} \equiv \frac{1}{4\pi} \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}. \quad (Gaussian)$$

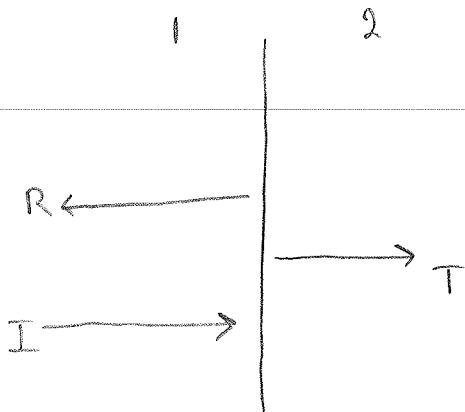
The sum of the magnitudes of the reflected and transmitted time averaged Poynting vectors should equal the magnitude of the incident wave's time averaged Poynting vector.

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E+M #5

Gaussian

a)



$$\vec{E} = \hat{E}_0 \exp[i(k_z z - \omega t)] \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B} = \hat{n} \hat{k} \times \vec{E}$$

$$= \sqrt{\epsilon_0} E_0 \exp[i(k_z z - \omega t)] \hat{y}$$

\* The relevant Maxwell equations in Gaussian units are:

$$\textcircled{1} \nabla \cdot D = 4\pi \rho_f$$

$$\textcircled{3} \nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} \nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}_f$$

\* Starting w/ equation  $\textcircled{3}$ :

$$\nabla \cdot B = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} B_x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} B_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} B_z$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (-\sqrt{\epsilon_0} E_0 \exp[i(k_z z - \omega t)])$$

$$= 0 \checkmark$$

\* Now equation  $\textcircled{2}$ :

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \nabla \times E = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ E_x & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 0, +\frac{\partial}{\partial z} E_x, -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} E_x \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0, ik_z, -E_0 \exp[i(k_z z - \omega t)], 0 \rangle$$

## #5 (cont.)

$$\text{a) } \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B} = \frac{i}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-\sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)]) \hat{y}$$

$$= -\frac{i}{c} \sqrt{\epsilon_1} \omega E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)] \hat{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$= -ik \cdot E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)] + -i \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)]$$

$$= -[E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)] \left( -k + \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\epsilon_1} \right)]$$

$\hookrightarrow$  Only true if  $k = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\epsilon_1}$

\* Finally equation ①

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = \frac{\mu_0}{c} \vec{J}_f$$

$$\vec{J}_f = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = \nabla \times \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{B}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu_0} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ 0 & B_y & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle -\partial_z B_y, 0, \partial_x B_y \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)]) \hat{x}$$

$$= -\frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_1}}{\mu_0} E_0 (ik_1) \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)] \hat{x}$$

$$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = \frac{-1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \epsilon_1 \vec{E}$$

$$= -\frac{\epsilon_1}{c} (-i\omega) E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)] \hat{x}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = \frac{i \omega \epsilon_1}{c} E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)] \hat{x} + i \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_1} k}{\mu_0} E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)]$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \frac{\omega \epsilon_1}{c} - \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_1} k}{\mu_0} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad k = \frac{\omega \sqrt{\epsilon_1}}{c} \quad \text{as before} \checkmark$$

## #5 (cont.)

b) \*For the transmitted wave:

$$\vec{E}' = E'_0 \exp[i(k_2 z - wt)] \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B}' = \sqrt{\epsilon_r} E'_0 \exp[i(k_2 z - wt)] \hat{y}$$

$$k_2 = \frac{\omega \sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{c}$$

\* For the reflected waves

$$\vec{E}'' = E''_0 \exp[i(k_1(z) w t)] \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B}'' = \sqrt{\epsilon_r} E''_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - wt)] \hat{y}$$

$$k_1 = \frac{\omega \sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{c}$$

c) The general boundary conditions are:

$$D_1^+ - D_2^+ = 4\pi O_f \quad B_1^+ - B_2^+ = 0$$

$$E_1'' - E_2'' = 0 \quad H_1'' - H_2'' = 4\pi h_f$$

d) Applying these boundary conditions to our situation

$$E_1'' - E_2'' = 0$$

$$(\vec{E}_I'' + \vec{E}_R'') - \vec{E}_T'' = 0$$

$$[(E_I'' + E_R'') - E_T''] \times \hat{z} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \text{picks out } \hat{z} \text{ components}$$

$$-E_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - wt)] + E''_0 \exp[i(k_1 z - wt)] - E'_0 \exp[i(k_2 z - wt)] = 0$$

\* if we set our boundy to be  $z=0$

$$-E_0 + E''_0 - E'_0 = 0$$

#5 (cont.)

d)  $H_1'' - H_2'' = \cancel{4\pi \vec{k}_c}^0$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_0} (B_1'' - B_2'') = 0 \Rightarrow B_1'' - B_2'' = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow B_1'' - B_2'' = 0$$

$$B_I'' + B_R'' - B_T'' = 0$$

$$[(B_I + B_R) - B_T] \times \hat{z} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{picks off } z\text{-component}$$

$$-E_0 \sqrt{\epsilon_1} \exp[i(k_z z - \omega t)] + E_0'' \sqrt{\epsilon_1} \exp[i(-k_z z - \omega t)] - E_0' \sqrt{\epsilon_2} \exp[i(k_z z - \omega t)]$$

$$(E_0 + E_0'') \sqrt{\epsilon_1} - \sqrt{\epsilon_2} E_0' = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow E_0' = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2}} (E_0 + E_0'')$$

\*Using our equations to solve for  $E_0'$ ,  $E_0''$  in terms of  $E_0$ :

$$E_0' = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2}} (-E_0 + E_0'')$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2}} (-E_0 + (E_0' + E_0))$$

## 6. Maxwell's equations in 4 dimensions

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- (a) {2 pts} Write the Maxwell equations in the absence of polarizable materials using 4-vector notation, making use of the field strength tensor  $F_{\mu\nu}$ .
- (b) {4 pts} Show that the equations of part (a) reduce to the usual form of Maxwell's equations in 3-vector notation.
- (c) {2 pts} The Lagrangian density of the EM field is given by

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4\mu_0} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}, \quad (SI)$$

or

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{16\pi} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}. \quad (Gaussian)$$

**Recall that all repeated Greek indices are summed over 4-dimensions (1 time and 3 space).** Show that the Lagrangian density is invariant under a gauge transformation  $A_\mu \rightarrow A'_\mu = A_\mu + \partial_\mu \alpha(x)$ , where  $\alpha$  is an arbitrary function of spacetime  $x \equiv (ct, \vec{x})$ .

- (d) {2 pts} If we add an interaction term  $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} + \Delta\mathcal{L}$  where

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = j^\mu A_\mu, \quad (SI)$$

or

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{c} j^\mu A_\mu, \quad (Gaussian)$$

to the Lagrangian—where  $j^\mu$  is some spatially bounded and conserved 4-current density—how does the action  $I \equiv \int \mathcal{L} d^4r$  change under a gauge transformation and do the resulting equations of motion change?

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## E + M #6

Gaussian

a) In free space, 4-D Maxwell equations in tensor form are:

$$\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha\beta} = 0 \quad (\text{Dual Tensor } (B \rightarrow E, E \rightarrow B))$$

$$\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J^\beta$$

b) To show these reduce to the 3 vector form:

$$\nabla \cdot E = 4\pi p$$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times B - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}$$

It is easiest to show with the inhomogeneous equations first

$$J^\beta = \begin{bmatrix} cp \\ J_x \\ J_y \\ J_z \end{bmatrix} \quad F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\* If  $B = 0$ :  $\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha 0} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J^0$

$$\partial_0 F^{00} + \partial_i F^{i0} = \frac{4\pi}{c} (cp)$$

$$0 + \nabla \cdot E = 4\pi p \quad \checkmark$$

If  $B = \vec{E}$ :  $\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha i} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J^i$

$$(i \in \{1, 2, 3\}) \quad \partial_0 F^{0i} + \partial_j F^{ji} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J^i$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + \nabla \times B = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} \quad \checkmark$$

\* Proceeding to the homogeneous eqns:

$$F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -B_x & -B_y & -B_z \\ B_x & 0 & E_x & E_y \\ B_y & E_x & 0 & E_z \\ B_z & E_y & E_z & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## #6 (cont.)

b) \* If  $\beta = 0$ :  $\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha 0} = 0$

$$\partial_0 F^{00} + \partial_i F^{i0} = 0$$

$$0 + \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \checkmark$$

\* If  $\beta = i$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ :  $\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha i} = 0$

$$\partial_0 F^{0i} + \partial_j F^{ji} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B} - \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$$

$$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B} + \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0 \checkmark$$

c) \* Remember that  $F_{\alpha\beta} = \partial_\alpha A_\beta - \partial_\beta A_\alpha$ ,  $F^{\alpha\beta} = g^{\alpha u} g^{\nu\beta} F_{u\beta}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{16\pi} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{16\pi} g^{\alpha u} g^{\beta v} F_{\alpha\beta} F_{uv}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{16\pi} g^{\alpha u} g^{\beta v} (\partial_u A_\beta - \partial_v A_\alpha) (\partial_u A_\nu - \partial_v A_\mu)$$

\* if  $A_\alpha \rightarrow A_\alpha + \partial_\alpha \alpha(x)$

$$= -\frac{1}{16\pi} g^{\alpha u} g^{\beta v} (\partial_u [A_\beta - \partial_v \alpha(x)] - \partial_v [A_\alpha - \partial_u \alpha(x)]) (\partial_u [A_\nu - \partial_v \alpha(x)] - \partial_v [A_\mu - \partial_u \alpha(x)])$$

$$= -\frac{1}{16\pi} g^{\alpha u} g^{\beta v} (\partial_u A_\nu - \partial_v A_\alpha + \partial_u \partial_v \alpha(x)) (\partial_u A_\nu + \partial_v \partial_u \alpha(x) - \partial_v A_\alpha + \partial_u \partial_v \alpha(x))$$

$$= -\frac{1}{16\pi} g^{\alpha u} g^{\beta v} (\partial_u A_\nu - \partial_v A_\alpha) (\partial_u A_\nu - \partial_v A_\alpha)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{16\pi} g^{\alpha u} g^{\beta v} F_{\alpha\beta} F_{uv} = -\frac{1}{16\pi} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \checkmark$$

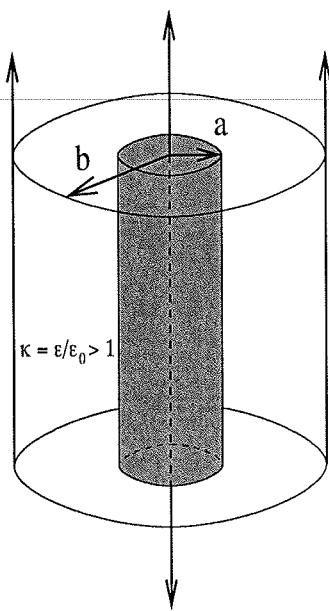
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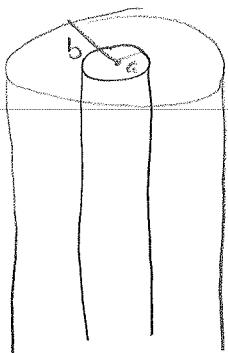
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1. A very long conducting wire of radius  $a$ , carrying free positive charge per unit length  $\lambda$ , is surrounded by a dielectric coating of outside radius  $b$  and relative dielectric constant  $\kappa = \epsilon/\epsilon_0$ .
  - (a) {2 pts} Find the displacement vector  $\mathbf{D}$  everywhere.
  - (b) {2 pts} Find the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  everywhere.
  - (c) {2 pts} Find the polarization density  $\mathbf{P}$  everywhere.
  - (d) {2 pts} Find the bound volume charge density  $\rho_b$  and the bound surface charge density  $\sigma_b$  everywhere.
  - (e) {2 pts} Show that the total charge densities, bound and free, produce the same  $\mathbf{E}$  found in (a).

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⇒ Long conducting wire of radius  $a$  w/ free charge per unit length  $\lambda$

⇒ dielectric coating of radius  $b$ , w/  $\kappa = \epsilon/\epsilon_0$

a) Gauss Law states:

$$\oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{enc}, \quad Q_{enc} = \lambda L$$

\* Long wire means  $D$  has azimuthal symmetry → points along  $\hat{r}$

$$\Rightarrow \oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = \lambda L$$

$$D \oint_S da = \lambda L$$

$$D 2\pi r L = \lambda L$$

$$D = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi r} \quad (\text{outside wire})$$

b/c our wire is conducting, all the charge flows on the surface

$$\Rightarrow D = \begin{cases} 0 & r < a \\ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi r} & r \geq a \end{cases}$$

assumption of evenly distributed charge means this is an electrostatics problem and any field inside the conductor causes moving charges

b) We know that  $D = \epsilon E$

$$\Rightarrow E = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda}{2\pi \epsilon_0 r} & r > b \\ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi \kappa \epsilon_0 r} & a < r < b \\ 0 & r < a \end{cases}$$

### #1 (cont.)

c) We know that  $\vec{P} = \vec{D} - \epsilon_0 \vec{E}$  (from  $D = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}$ )

$$\Rightarrow \vec{P} = \begin{cases} 0 & r > b \\ \frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi r} \hat{r} & a < r < b \\ 0 & r < a \end{cases}$$

d) The bound charge is given by:  $P_b = -\nabla \cdot \vec{P}$

$$\begin{aligned} P_b &= -\nabla \cdot \vec{P} \\ &= -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi r} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi} \right) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$P_b = 0 \text{ everywhere}$$

The surface bound charge  $\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n}$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{at } s=b, \vec{P} = \frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi b} \hat{s}, \hat{n} = \hat{s}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_b|_{s=b} = \frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi b}$$

$$\sigma_b|_{s=a} = -\frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi a} \quad (\text{by similar logic as above, } \hat{n} = -\hat{s})$$

e) According to Gauss Law:  $\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{\text{enc}}/\epsilon_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{*if } s > b: Q_{\text{enc}} &= \lambda L - \frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi a} (2\pi a L) + \frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi b} (2\pi b L) \\ &= \lambda L - \lambda L \left(1 - \frac{1}{b}\right) + \lambda L \left(1 - \frac{1}{b}\right) \\ &= \lambda L \end{aligned}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi r \epsilon_0} \hat{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{*if } a < s < b: Q_{\text{enc}} &= \lambda L - \frac{\lambda(1-\frac{r}{b})}{2\pi a} (2\pi a L) \\ &= \lambda L - (1 - \frac{1}{b}) \lambda L \\ &= \frac{\lambda L}{b} \end{aligned}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi r \epsilon_0} \hat{r}$$

\*if  $s < a$ :  $Q_{\text{enc}} = 0$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{E} = 0$$

All fields match!

2. (a) {2 pts} In a homogeneous, linear and isotropic conducting material whose electromagnetic properties (at low frequencies) are described by constant values of the permittivity, permeability, and conductivity respectively  $\epsilon$ ,  $\mu$ , and  $\sigma$ , show that Maxwell's equations require that the electric field satisfy

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \epsilon\mu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} - \sigma\mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = 0, \quad (SI)$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \frac{\epsilon\mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} - \frac{4\pi\sigma\mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = 0. \quad (Gaussian)$$

- (b) {2 pts} Given a plane polarized plane wave of angular frequency  $\omega$  whose electric field is of the form

$$\mathbf{E}(z, t) = \text{Real} \left\{ \hat{\mathbf{E}}_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right\},$$

evaluate  $k^2$  as a function of  $\epsilon$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\sigma$ , and  $\omega$ .

- (c) {2 pts} Find the real and imaginary parts of  $k$  assuming  $\sigma \gg \omega\epsilon$ .  
 (d) {2 pts} Using your results from (c) find the skin depth  $\delta$  of the conductor. The skin depth is defined by the depth at which the wave's amplitude decreases by  $e^{-1}$ , i.e.,

$$\frac{|\mathbf{E}(z + \delta, t)|}{|\mathbf{E}(z, t)|} = \frac{1}{e}$$

- (e) {2 pts} Using Maxwell's equations, find the magnetic field  $\mathbf{H}(x, t)$  associated with  $\mathbf{E}(z, t)$  given in (b) and discuss their phase difference when  $\sigma \gg \omega\epsilon$ .

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\* Using SI units

a) We know that:  $\nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = 0$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = \vec{j} = \sigma \vec{E}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \vec{H}) = \nabla \times \frac{\partial \vec{H}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{D}}{\partial t^2} = \sigma \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu} \right) - \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} = \sigma \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times (-\nabla \times \vec{E}) - \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} = \mu \sigma \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

\* but  $\nabla \times (-\nabla \times \vec{E}) = -\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \cdot \nabla^2 \vec{E}$

$$-\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \cdot \nabla^2 \vec{E} - \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} = \mu \sigma \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

b/c we are in a conducting material

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} - \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} - \sigma \mu \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = 0$$

b) Given  $\vec{E} = (\epsilon E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}) \hat{R}_e$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = \text{Re}[\hat{i} E_0 (-i\omega) e^{i(kz - \omega t)}]$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} = \text{Re}[-\hat{i} E_0 \omega^2 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}]$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \text{Re}[\hat{i} k^2 E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow -k^2 \cancel{E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}} + \epsilon \mu \omega^2 \cancel{E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}} + (\sigma \mu \omega \cancel{E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}}) = 0$$

$$-k^2 = -[\sigma \mu \omega - \epsilon \omega^2]$$

$$= \omega^2 \mu \epsilon \left[ -\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega} - 1 \right]$$

$$k^2 = \omega^2 \mu \epsilon \left[ 1 + \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega} \right]$$

#2 (cont.)

c) Assuming  $\sigma \gg \omega \epsilon \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma}{\omega \epsilon} \gg 1$

$$\hookrightarrow k^2 \propto \omega^2 \mu_0 \left( \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega} \right)$$

$$\approx 10 \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$k \approx \sqrt{10 \text{ m}^{-1}}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{but } \sqrt{I} = \sqrt{e^{at/2}} = e^{\frac{at}{4}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow k \approx \sqrt{10 \text{ m}^{-1}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

d)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|E(z+s, t)|}{|E(z, t)|} &= \frac{1}{e} = \frac{E_0 e^{i(k(z+s)-\omega t)}}{E_0 e^{i(kz-\omega t)}} \\ &= \frac{E_0 e^{ikz} e^{iks} e^{-i\omega t}}{E_0 e^{ikz} e^{-i\omega t}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\hookrightarrow e^i = e^{iks}$$

$$\hookrightarrow -1 = e^{iks}$$

$$-1 = e^{i \left( \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{10 \text{ m}^{-1}} \right) s}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{10 \text{ m}^{-1}}} = s$$

e) From before, we know  $B = \mu H$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times E$$

$$= j \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-ik E_0 e^{i(kz-\omega t)})$$

$$= j -ik (-i\omega) E_0 e^{i(kz-\omega t)}$$

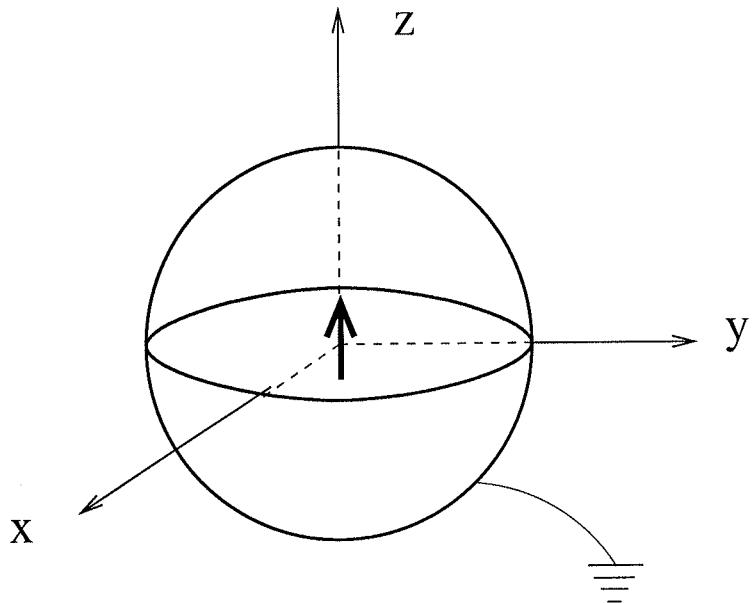
$$\tilde{B} = j k \omega E_0 e^{i(kz-\omega t)}$$

$$\approx j \left( \omega \sqrt{\mu \epsilon} \sqrt{1 + \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega}} \right) \omega$$

$$\approx j \left( \omega^2 \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega}} \right)$$

??

3. A point electric dipole with dipole moment  $\mathbf{p} = p_0 \hat{k}$  is located at the center of a hollow, grounded, conducting sphere.



- (a) {2 pts} What are the boundary conditions satisfied by the electric field and electric potential in this problem?
- (b) {5 pts} Compute the electrostatic potential inside the sphere.
- (c) {3 pts} Compute the charge density  $\sigma$  on the inside surface on the grounded sphere.

- a)  $\Phi = 0$  at the radius of the sphere (due to grounding) and at infinity  
 $\vec{E} \rightarrow 0$  at infinity

b)  $\Phi = \frac{\vec{P} \cdot \vec{r}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{l=0} A_l r^l P_l(\cos\theta)$

$$\mathcal{I}(r=a) = \frac{Pr \cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_l A_l r^l P_l(\cos\theta)$$

\*Since only  $P_{l=1}$  is guaranteed to go to 0 at  $r=a$ ,  $A_l, l \neq 1 = 0$

$$\mathcal{O} = \frac{P \cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} A_1 r \cos\theta$$

$$\mathcal{O} = \frac{P}{r^2} + A_1 r$$

$$A_1 = -\frac{P}{r^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{P}{r^2} - \frac{P}{a^3} \right) \cos\theta$$

c)  $\int \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = \sigma \Delta A$

$$\vec{D} \Delta A = \sigma \Delta A$$

$$\hookrightarrow \sigma = \epsilon_0 E(r=a)$$

$$E = -\nabla \Phi$$

$$= \frac{P}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{2}{a^3} + \frac{1}{a^3} \right) \cos\theta$$

$$= \frac{3P \cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \sigma = -\frac{3P \cos\theta}{4\pi a^3}$$

4. (25 points) A 50 MeV electron ( $m\gamma c^2 = 50$  MeV,  $mc^2 = 0.5$  MeV) moving along the z-axis is decelerated and brought to a stop after traveling 10 cm in a uniform electric field  $\mathbf{E} = E_0 \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ . (Recall  $\gamma \equiv 1/\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}$ .)

- (a) {3 pts} Compute  $\gamma(t)$  assuming the electron starts its deceleration at  $t=0$ .
- (b) {3 pts} How long does it take the electron to stop?
- (c) {3 pts} Compute the total energy radiated by the electron during the 10 cm stopping process.
- (d) {1 pts} What fraction of the electrons initial energy was lost to radiation?

Hint: The general Larmor formula for power radiated by an accelerating point charge is

$$P(t) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c} \gamma^6 [(\dot{\vec{\beta}})^2 - (\vec{\beta} \times \dot{\vec{\beta}})^2], \quad (SI)$$

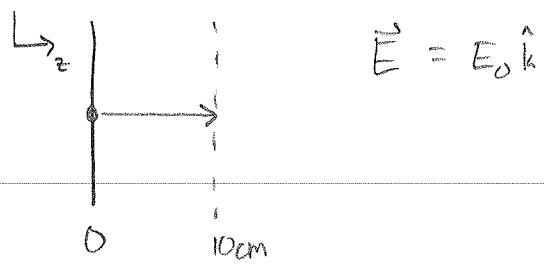
$$P(t) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c} \gamma^6 [(\dot{\vec{\beta}})^2 - (\vec{\beta} \times \dot{\vec{\beta}})^2]. \quad (Gaussian)$$

It might be useful to use  $(\gamma\vec{\beta}) = \gamma^3 \dot{\vec{\beta}}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 1e &= 4.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ statcoul} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ coul}, \\ 1eV &= 1.6 \times 10^{-12} \text{ ergs} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}. \end{aligned}$$

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$$\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{k}$$

5. A plane-polarized electromagnetic wave traveling in vacuum is observed in the lab frame as

$$\mathbf{E} = \text{Real} \left\{ E_0 \hat{i} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right\},$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \text{Real} \left\{ B_0 \hat{j} e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right\},$$

where  $k = \omega/c$  and

$$\begin{aligned} B_0 &= E_0/c, & (SI) \\ B_0 &= E_0. & (\text{Gaussian}) \end{aligned}$$

A relativistic particle moving in the z-direction ( $\mathbf{v} = v_0 \hat{k}$ , where  $\gamma \gg 1$ ) encounters this wave. For this problem you are to find the form of the wave in the rest frame of the particle at the instant the wave is first encountered (before the particle's velocity is changed because of an interaction with the wave).

- (a) {2 pts} Start by combining  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  into a single 4-tensor  $F^{\alpha\beta}(x)$ . This includes writing  $(kz - \omega t) = \pm k_\alpha x^\alpha$ . The sign  $\pm$  depends on your choice of Lorentz metrics  $(-1, +, +, +)$  or  $(1, -1, -1, -1)$ . State which you are using.
- (b) {2 pts} Give the Lorentz transformation  $L^\alpha_\beta$  that transforms the lab frame into the particle's rest frame  $x'^\alpha = L^\alpha_\beta x^\beta$ .
- (c) {2 pts} Apply your Lorentz transformation to  $F^{\alpha\beta}(x)$  to find  $F'^{\alpha\beta}(x')$ , the electromagnetic 4-tensor in the particles rest frame.
- (d) {2 pts} From your results in (c) give the 3-dimensional propagation direction of the wave in the particle's frame and the  $\mathbf{E}'(x')$  and  $\mathbf{B}'(x')$  fields.
- (e) {2 pts} Compare the amplitudes and frequency of the wave as seen by the particle in its rest frame with those seen by a lab observer?

Why does Kantowski boost in x-direction?

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a)  $E = i E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$        $k = \frac{\omega}{c}$

$$B = \vec{B}_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

\* Use gaussian units so  $B_0 = E_0$

\* Use  $(1, -1, -1)$  metric

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow k_z - \omega t &= -k_x x^\alpha \\ &= -(k_0 c t + k_1 x + k_2 y + k_3 z) \\ &= -(k^0 c t - k^1 x - k^2 y - k^3 z) \\ &= -\frac{\omega}{c} c t + k^1 x + k^2 y + k^3 z \\ &= -\omega t + k z \quad (k^1 = k^2 = 0, k^3 = k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow F^{\alpha\mu} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & B_z & -B_y \\ E_y & -B_z & 0 & B_x \\ E_z & B_y & -B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} E_0 e^{\pm ik_x x^\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

b) For a particle moving in the z-direction,

$$L_B^* = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta T \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta T & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

### #5 (cont.)

c)  $F' = L F L^T$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} E_0 e^{\pm k_d x}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma - \beta\tau \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\gamma + \beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma - \beta\tau \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta\tau - \gamma & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} E_0 e^{\pm k_d x'^{\alpha}}$$

$$k' = L_{\beta}^{\alpha} k_{\alpha}$$

$$x' = L_{\beta}^{\alpha} x_{\alpha}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w/c \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{w}{c} & -\beta\tau k \\ 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{w\beta\tau}{c} + \gamma k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma ct - \beta\tau z \\ x \\ y \\ -\beta\tau ct + \gamma z \end{bmatrix}$$

d)  $\Rightarrow E'(x') = \hat{x}' E_0 (\gamma - \beta\tau) e^{i((\frac{w\beta\tau}{c} + \gamma k)z - w(\frac{ct}{c} - \beta\tau k))}$

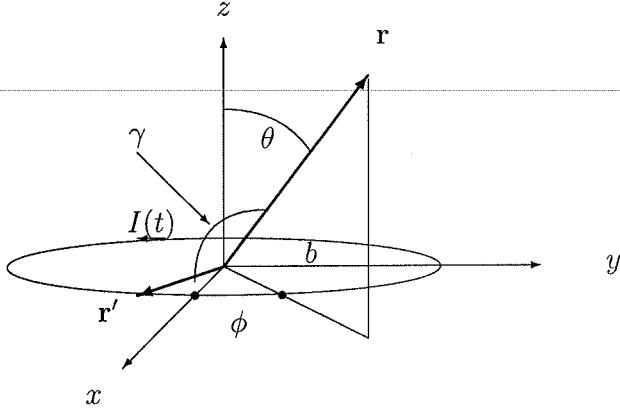
$$\vec{B}' = \hat{y}' B_0 (\gamma - \beta\tau) \exp[i((\frac{w\beta\tau}{c} + \gamma k)z - (\frac{2w}{c} - \beta\tau k)t)]$$

e) Amplitudes changed by factor of  $(\gamma - \beta\tau)$

$$\hookrightarrow k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi v}{c} \Rightarrow v = \frac{ck}{2\pi}$$

$$v =$$

must transform  
as well



6. A circular current loop of radius  $b$  lies in the x-y plane and is centered on the origin. If the current varies harmonically with time as  $I(t) = I_0 \cos(\omega t)$ , use the following to carry out steps (a) through (e):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{r}' &= b \{ \sin \theta' (\cos \phi' \hat{i} + \sin \phi' \hat{j}) + \cos \theta' \hat{k} \} \\ &= b (\cos \phi' \hat{i} + \sin \phi' \hat{j}), \\ \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{r}' &= b r \cos \gamma \\ &= b r \{ \cos \theta \cos \theta' + \sin \theta \sin \theta' \cos(\phi - \phi') \} \\ &= b r \sin \theta \cos(\phi - \phi').\end{aligned}$$

In the above  $\mathbf{r}'$  is a point on the current loop with spherical-polar coordinates  $r' = b$ ,  $\theta' = \pi/2$ ,  $0 \leq \phi' \leq 2\pi$ , and  $\gamma$  is the angle between  $\mathbf{r}$  and  $\mathbf{r}'$ .

- (a) {2 pts} Compute the time dependent magnetic dipole moment  $\mathbf{m}(t)$  of the current loop. Recall that  $\mathbf{m}_{Gaussian} = \mathbf{m}_{SI}/c$ .
- (b) {2 pts} Give an integral expression for the retarded vector potential  $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$ .
- (c) {2 pts} Approximate the integral found in (b) for  $\mathbf{A}$  assuming  $b \ll r$  and  $b \ll c/\omega$ . If you have made no mistakes your answer should agree with the potential for a point magnetic dipole, i.e., with:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \nabla \times \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{m}(t - r/c)}{r} \right\}, & SI \\ \mathbf{A} &= \nabla \times \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{m}(t - r/c)}{r} \right\}. & Gaussian\end{aligned}$$

- (d) {2 pts} From your results for (c) or from the point magnetic dipole result, compute the radiation (far field) part of  $\mathbf{E}$  by assuming  $b \ll c/\omega \ll r$ .
- (e) {2 pts} Using only the radiation part, i.e., the part  $\propto 1/r$ , of  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , and the Poynting vector, compute the time averaged electromagnetic energy flux radiated away by the dipole as a function of the spherical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$ . Recall that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B} &= \frac{1}{c} \hat{r} \times \mathbf{E}, & (SI) \\ \mathbf{B} &= \hat{r} \times \mathbf{E}, & (Gaussian)\end{aligned}$$

for radiation coming from a source at the origin.

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a)  $m(t) = \frac{1}{2c} \int \vec{r} \times \vec{j}$

$$= \frac{I(t)}{2c} \oint \vec{r} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

\* if  $\vec{r} = b(\cos \varphi \hat{i} + \sin \varphi \hat{j})$

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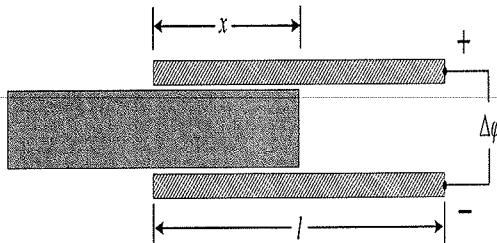
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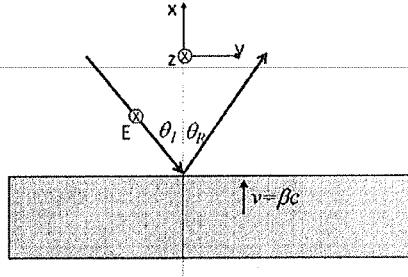
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1. A parallel plate capacitor has the region between its plates filled with a dielectric slab of dielectric constant  $K = \epsilon/\epsilon_0$  and mass  $m$ . The plate dimensions are: width  $w$ , length  $\ell$ , and plate separation  $d$ . The capacitor plates are connected to a battery of constant voltage  $V$  ( $\Delta\phi = V$  in the figure). Neglect the fringe field and friction, and assume the slab is constrained to move in the plane parallel to the capacitor plates.

- (a) {2 pts} Compute the capacitance  $C \equiv q/V$  of this capacitor as a function of  $x$ .
- (b) {2 pts} If the slab is withdrawn half way (to  $x = \ell/2$ ) and held in place, what is the magnitude and direction of the force on the slab caused by the electric field?
- (c) {2 pts} At  $x = \ell/2$  the slab is released and given a velocity  $v_0$  to the right. Find the current supplied by the battery at the instant it is released.
- (d) {2 pts} At  $x = \ell/2$  the slab is again released but with zero velocity. Describe the motion of the slab (in words). What is the maximum velocity achieved by the slab?
- (e) {2 pts} Sketch the displacement of the slab versus time.



2. This problem investigates the shifting frequency of electromagnetic radiation that is reflected off a moving target. Incident and reflected frequencies and angles are not the same if the target is moving.

Assume that in the lab frame of reference, the target is a flat mirror traveling upward in the positive x-direction parallel to the mirror's normal with velocity  $v = \beta c \hat{x}$  (see the figure). Also assume the wave is a linearly polarized plane wave traveling in vacuum towards the moving mirror at angle  $\theta_I$  (relative to the mirror's normal). If the polarization is in the  $\hat{z}$  direction, the incident electric field is given by

$$\mathbf{E}_I = E_0 \hat{z} e^{i(\mathbf{k}_I \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega_I t)},$$

with

$$\mathbf{k}_I = \frac{\omega_I}{c} (-\cos \theta_I \hat{x} + \sin \theta_I \hat{y}).$$

- (a) {2 pts} Write the Lorentz boost  $A$  as a function of  $\beta$  and  $\gamma \equiv \sqrt{1 - \beta^2}$  that transforms the Lab coordinates  $\mathbf{r}$  and  $ct$  to coordinates  $\mathbf{r}'$  and  $ct'$  co-moving with the mirror. Also give the inverse  $A^{-1}$  of the Lorentz boost  $A$  that transforms the moving coordinates  $\mathbf{r}'$  and  $ct'$  into Lab coordinates  $\mathbf{r}$  and  $ct$ .
- (b) {3 pts} By rewriting the above wave's phase in both reference frames, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{k}_I \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega_I t = \mathbf{k}'_I \cdot \mathbf{r}' - \omega'_I t'$$

as a function of the co-moving mirror coordinates  $\mathbf{r}'$  and  $ct'$  (i.e., use  $A^{-1}$ ) find  $\mathbf{k}'_I$  and  $\omega'_I$  as observed in the co-moving frame. These will be functions of  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , and  $\theta_I$  as well as  $\omega_I$ .

- (c) {2 pts} By writing the incident wave vector just obtained in the moving frame in the form

$$\mathbf{k}'_I = \frac{\omega'_I}{c} (-\cos \theta'_I \hat{x} + \sin \theta'_I \hat{y}),$$

determine the incident angle  $\theta'_I$  as seen by observers moving with the mirror (e.g., give  $\cos \theta'_I$  as a function of  $\theta_I$ ,  $\omega_I$  and the Lorentz parameters  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ).

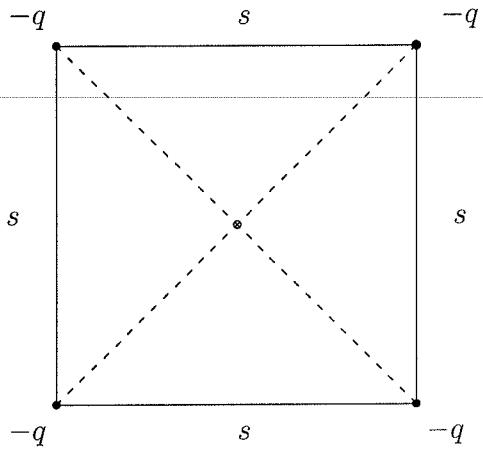
- (d) {3 pts} If, as seen by observers moving with the mirror, the reflected wave has the same frequency as the incident wave  $\omega'_R = \omega'_I$  and a reflection angle that is the same as the incidence angle  $\theta'_R = \theta'_I$ , i.e.,

$$\mathbf{k}'_R = \frac{\omega'_I}{c} (\cos \theta'_I \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin \theta'_I \hat{\mathbf{y}}),$$

what is the frequency  $\omega_R$  of the reflected light as measured in the laboratory frame? Hint: again use

$$\mathbf{k}_R \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega_R t = \mathbf{k}'_R \cdot \mathbf{r}' - \omega'_R t',$$

and the Lorentz boosts  $A$ .



3. Consider a square with sides of length  $s$  and charges  $-q$  at the corners as shown:

- (a) {2 pts} What is the potential at the center of the square if the potential is zero at  $\infty$ ?
- (b) {2 pts} How much work does it take to bring in another charge  $-q$  from  $\infty$  to the center of the square?
- (c) {3 pts} How much work does it take to assemble the original configuration of 4 negative charges (no charge at center)?
- (d) {3 pts} Now suppose that instead of the 4 charges being located at the corners of a square, a net charge of  $-4q$  is distributed uniformly on the surface of a sphere of radius  $s$ . How much work does it take to bring in another charge  $q$  from  $\infty$  to the center of the sphere?

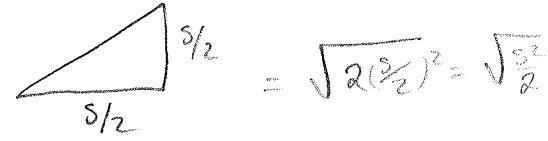
E+M #3

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Gaussian

a) We will assume the origin lies at the center of the square

$$\Rightarrow V = \sum_i \frac{q_i}{r_i} \\ = 4 \cdot \frac{-q\sqrt{2}}{s}$$



$$\begin{aligned} b) W &= \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} \\ &= q(V(b) - V(a)) \\ &= -q \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}q}{s} \right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}q^2}{s} \end{aligned}$$

c) The work necessary to assemble the charge distribution is:

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i q_i V_i \quad \text{where } i \text{ is each individual charge}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \left( 0 + (-q) \left( -\frac{q}{s} \right) + (-q) \left( -\frac{q}{s} + \frac{q}{\sqrt{2}s} \right) + -q \left( -\frac{q}{s} + \frac{q}{s} + \frac{q}{\sqrt{2}s} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{q^2}{s} + \frac{q^2}{s} + \frac{q^2}{\sqrt{2}s} + \frac{q^2}{s} + \frac{q^2}{s} + \frac{q^2}{\sqrt{2}s} \right) \\ &= \frac{2q^2}{s} + \frac{q^2}{\sqrt{2}s} \end{aligned}$$

d) From symmetry, and the fact that the charge is distributed evenly over the surface of the sphere,

$$\vec{E} = \begin{cases} -\frac{4q}{r^2} & r > s \\ 0 & r < s \end{cases}$$

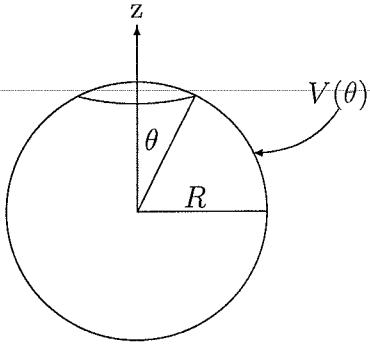
\*We also know that

$$V = - \int_{\infty}^0 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \left[ \int_0^s E_{out} \cdot dl - \int_s^0 E_{in} \cdot dl \right]$$

#3 (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned} d) \quad V &= - \int_{\infty}^s -\frac{4q}{r^2} dr \\ &= - \left[ 4q \left( \frac{1}{r} \Big|_{\infty}^s \right) \right] \\ &= 4q \left( \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{\infty} \right) \\ &= \frac{-4q}{s} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W &= -q V(0) \\ &= -q \left( \frac{-4q}{s} \right) \\ &= \frac{4q^2}{s} \end{aligned}$$



4. Consider an isolated spherical surface of radius  $R$  centered on the origin, that is kept at a known potential  $V(\theta)$ , i.e.,

$$\Phi(r = R, \theta) = V(\theta)$$

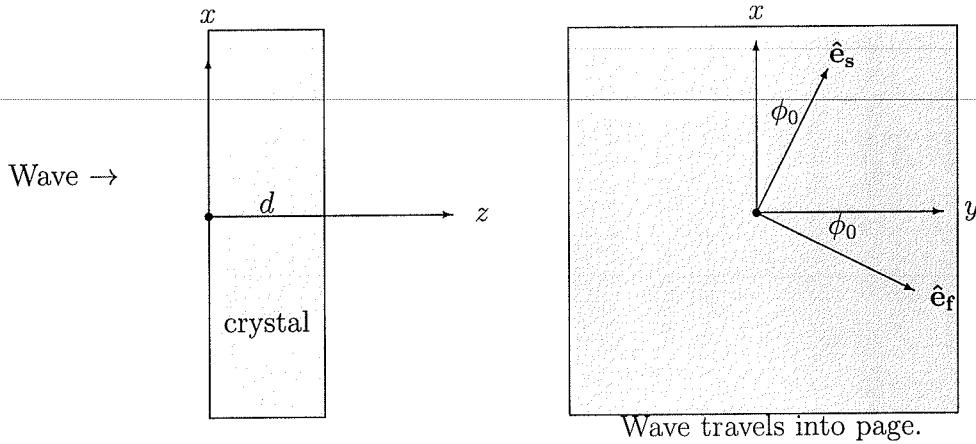
where  $(r, \theta, \phi)$  are the usual spherical polar coordinates, i.e.,  $\theta$  is measured with respect to a  $z$ -axis passing through the center of the sphere and  $\phi$  is the azimuthal angle about the  $z$ -axis measured from the  $x$  axis.

- (a) {2 pts} Write down expressions for the general solution to  $\nabla^2 \Phi(r, \theta) = 0$  for the electrostatic potential as a linear combination of Legendre polynomials in the respective regions  $0 \leq r < R$  and  $r > R$ . Assume that the potential vanishes at  $r \rightarrow \infty$  and has azimuthal symmetry i.e., no dependence on the angle  $\phi$ . Do not include terms that must vanish. Do not attempt to evaluate the constants that appear in the linear combination but do give the correct  $r$  dependence of each term.
- (b) {2 pts} What boundary conditions must your two expressions satisfy at the junction  $r = R$  to have a unique solution to Maxwell's equations?
- (c) {2 pts} If the particular surface potential imposed is

$$\Phi(r = R, \theta) = V_0 \cos \theta$$

where  $V_0$  is a constant, what is the explicit form of your potential for both regions  $r \leq R$  and  $r > R$ ?

- (d) {2 pts} Determine the resulting electric field on both sides of the  $r=R$  surface.
- (e) {2 pts} What is the surface charge density  $\sigma(\theta)$  on the spherical shell at  $r=R$ .



5. A plane polarized monochromatic light wave traveling in the  $+z$  direction enters a large flat slab of transparent crystal of thickness  $d$ , located between  $z = 0$  and  $z = d$ . This crystal has the property that the index of refraction depends on the direction of polarization as follows: Plane waves traveling in the  $z$  direction but polarized in the direction

$$\hat{\mathbf{e}}_s = \cos \phi_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin \phi_0 \hat{\mathbf{y}},$$

travel with speed  $v_s = c/n_s < c$  but those polarized in the orthogonal direction

$$\hat{\mathbf{e}}_f = -\sin \phi_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos \phi_0 \hat{\mathbf{y}},$$

travel with the faster speed  $v_f = c/n_f < c$  where  $n_s = n_f + \delta n$ .

Assume the wave, just after entering the crystal (i.e., for very small  $z \ll \lambda < d$ ), is polarized in the  $y$  direction and hence has the form

$$\mathbf{E}(z \approx 0, t) = E_0 \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{-i\omega t}.$$

- (a) {4 pts} Prove that in general the initial plane wave becomes elliptically polarized when it reaches  $z = d$  by deriving the following expression

$$\mathbf{E}(z = d, t) = [E_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + E_y \hat{\mathbf{y}}] e^{i(\bar{k}d - \omega t)},$$

where

$$\bar{k} \equiv \frac{\omega}{c} \left( \frac{n_s + n_f}{2} \right),$$

and

$$E_x = iE_0 \sin 2\phi_0 \sin \delta,$$

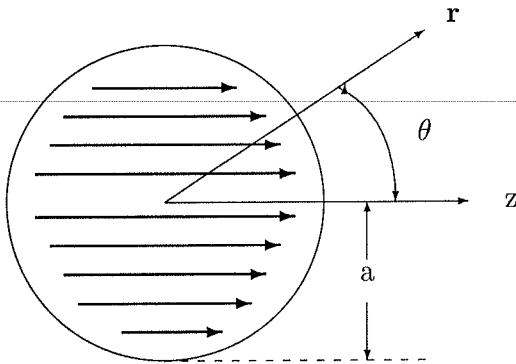
$$E_y = E_0 (\cos \delta - i \cos 2\phi_0 \sin \delta),$$

with

$$\delta \equiv \frac{\omega d}{2c} \delta n.$$

Hint: Write the wave at  $z=0$  as a combination of slow and fast plane polarized parts using  $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \sin \phi_0 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_s + \cos \phi_0 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_f$ .

- (b) {3 pts} For what values of  $\delta$  and  $\theta_0$  will the wave emerge from the crystal as a circularly polarized wave? ( $E_x/E_y = \pm i$ ).
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- (c) {3 pts} For what minimum crystal thicknesses  $d = d_{min}$  will the wave emerge as a plane polarized wave ( $E_x/E_y = \text{real}$ ) and what will its polarization direction be?



6. A permanent magnet in the shape of a solid sphere of radius  $a$  is oriented on the  $z$ -axis as shown in the figure. The magnetization of the magnet is given by  $\vec{M} = M_0 \hat{z}$ . [Recall that  $\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = 0$  implies the existence of a magnetic scalar potential  $\Phi_m(r, \theta)$  related to the magnetic field by  $\mathbf{H} = -\vec{\nabla}\Phi_m(r, \theta)$ .]
- {4 pts} Compute the scalar magnetic potential  $\Phi_m(r, \theta)$  at all points  $r < a$  and  $r > a$ .
  - {3 pts} Compute the magnetic Field  $\mathbf{H} = -\vec{\nabla}\Phi_m(r, \theta)$  at all points  $r < a$  and  $r > a$ .
  - {3 pts} Compute the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$ , where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B}/\mu_0 &= \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M}, & (SI) \\ \mathbf{B} &= \mathbf{H} + 4\pi\mathbf{M}, & (Gaussian)\end{aligned}$$

at all points  $r < a$  and  $r > a$ .

Hints: The magnetic potential is axial symmetric about the  $z$ -axis and satisfies the Laplace equation at all points except  $r = a$ . Legendre polynomials are useful.

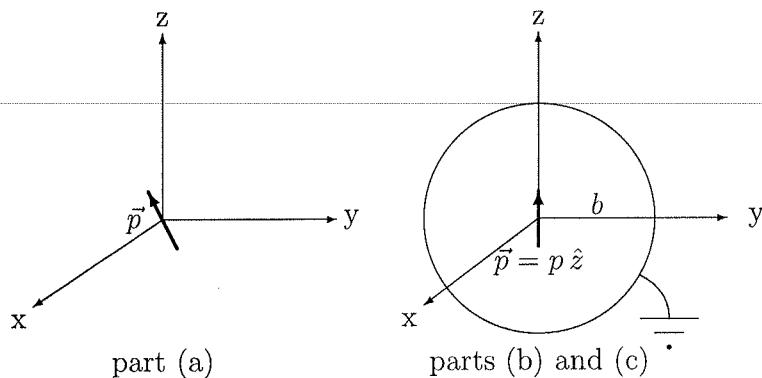
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1. (a) {3 pts} Give the potential for a static point electric dipole, with dipole moment  $\mathbf{p}$ , located at the origin and pointing in an arbitrary direction (see Figure).
- (b) {3 pts} If the dipole moment points in the  $z$ -direction ( $\mathbf{p} = p \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ ) and is surrounded by a thin grounded conducting sphere of radius  $b$  (see Figure), what is the electrostatic potential inside the sphere?
- (c) {4 pts} Compute the static electric charge density that exists on the inner surface of the thin conducting sphere?

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E + M #1

Gaussian

- a) The general potential for an electric dipole is:

$$\Phi = \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3}$$

- b) Since our conducting spherical shell is grounded, we proceed by the method of images to determine

2. (a) {3 pts} Use Maxwell's equations to derive the continuity equation (in differential form) relating charge  $\rho$  and current density  $\mathbf{J}$ .
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- (b) {2 pts} Use the divergence theorem and the results of part (a) to derive the conservation of charge,  $\dot{Q} = 0$ , for a bounded charge distribution.
- (c) {2 pts} Show that the continuity equation can be written in 4-vector form using the 4-current  $J^\mu$ . Define all symbols you use.
- (d) {3 pts} Use Maxwell's equations to derive Poynting's theorem, the equation analogous to the continuity of charge equation relating the Poynting vector  $\mathbf{S}$  and the energy density  $u$  in the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  fields, that represents conservation of electromagnetic energy. Assume the electric and magnetic fields are in vacuum, i.e., no charges, currents, or polarizable materials are present.

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E+M #2

Gaussian

a) We know:  $\nabla \cdot D = 4\pi\rho$        $\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0 \quad \nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J$$

Continuity Eqn:  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot J = 0$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot D = 4\pi \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t}) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \nabla \cdot J$$

$$\nabla \cdot \nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot D = \frac{4\pi}{c} \nabla \cdot J$$

$$\nabla \cdot \cancel{\nabla \times H} - \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \nabla \cdot J$$

$$-\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot J$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot J \checkmark$$

b) In general, the Divergence theorem says:  $\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{A} dV = \oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{a}$

↳ If we want to show conservation of charge, we define a surface that encloses all of our charge with  $J_{\text{bound}} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow Q_{\text{enc}} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int p \cdot dV$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{Q} &= 0 = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int p \cdot dV \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \nabla \cdot J dV \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \cancel{J} \cdot \cancel{d\vec{a}} \\ &= 0 \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

c)  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot J = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial J_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial J_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial J_z}{\partial z}$

\* If  $J^0 = \rho p$ ,  $J^i = j_i$ ,  $i \in \{x, y, z\}$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x^u} J^u = 0 \checkmark$$

## #2 (cont.)

d) In Gaussian units: Poynting vector:  $\vec{S} = \frac{\epsilon}{4\pi} \vec{E} \times \vec{H}$

$$\text{Energy density: } u = \frac{1}{4\pi} (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{D} + \vec{B} \cdot \vec{H})$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}) = \vec{E} \cdot \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{1}{c} \vec{E} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{E} \cancel{\vec{J}} \quad 0 \text{ b/c no current}$$

$$-\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}) + \vec{H} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{E}) - \frac{1}{c} \vec{E} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$-\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}) + \vec{H} \cdot (-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}) - \frac{1}{c} \vec{E} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$-\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}) - \frac{1}{c} \left[ \vec{H} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} + \vec{E} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \right] = 0$$

$$-\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{D} + \vec{H} \cdot \vec{B}) = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{b/c } \vec{E}, \vec{H} \text{ have no time dependence}$$

$$\vec{E} = \epsilon \vec{D}, \quad \vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{B}$$

\* multiplying by  $\frac{c}{4\pi}$

$$-\nabla \cdot \vec{S} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

a) The generalized Maxwell Eqns are:

$$\nabla \cdot D = 4\pi \rho_p \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \nabla \cdot H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}_f$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t}) = \nabla \cdot \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}_f$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times H) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot D) = \frac{4\pi}{c} \nabla \cdot \vec{J}_f$$

$$- \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_a = \frac{4\pi}{c} \nabla \cdot \vec{J}_f$$

$$- \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_a = \nabla \cdot \vec{J}_f \checkmark$$

b) The divergence theorem states:  $\int \nabla \cdot A \, dV = \oint A \cdot d\vec{a}$

$$\int \nabla \cdot \vec{J}_f \, dV = - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int P_a \, dV$$

$$\oint \vec{J}_f \cdot d\vec{a} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q$$

\*if our arbitrary surface totally encloses region of  $\vec{J}_f$ , the flux is 0

$$0 = Q \checkmark$$

c) We define  $\vec{J}^a$  as follows

$$\vec{J}^a = \begin{bmatrix} CP \\ J_x \\ J_y \\ J_z \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow 0 = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} J_i \\ = \frac{1}{\partial x^a} \vec{J}^a \checkmark$$

## #2 (cont.)

d) \* Remember that  $\vec{S} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{4\pi} \vec{E} \times \vec{H}$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{S} = \frac{1}{4\pi} (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{D} + \vec{B} \cdot \vec{H})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}) = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{O} \quad (\text{blk in vacuum})$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot \nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{D} = 0$$

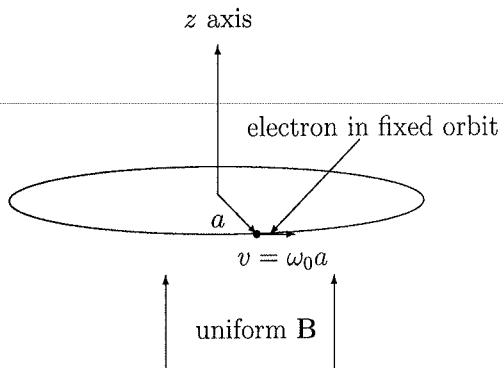
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$$-\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}) + \vec{H} \cdot \left( -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \right) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{D} = 0$$

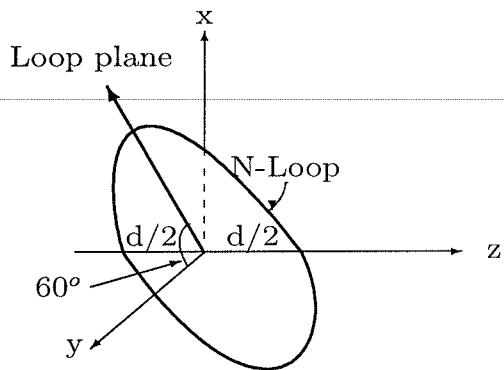
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$$\frac{\epsilon_0}{4\pi} (-\nabla \cdot (\vec{E} \times \vec{H}) + \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{D} + \vec{H} \cdot \vec{B})) = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{S} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot \vec{O} = 0 \checkmark$$



3. An electron is constrained to revolve (without friction) in a circular orbit of radius  $a$  and does so with an initial angular velocity  $\omega_0$  (assume  $\omega_0 a \ll c$ ).
- {3 pts} What is the magnetic dipole moment due to the electron's motion?
  - {5 pts} A uniform magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}$ , parallel to the angular momentum of the electron is slowly turned on. Derive an expression for  $\delta\omega(B)$ , the change in angular speed of the electron as a function of the magnetic induction  $B$  (Hint: Use Faraday's Law of induction and Newtonian mechanics).
  - {2 pts} Does  $\delta\omega$  increase or decrease the magnetic dipole moment?



4. In vacuum, a plane electromagnetic wave of angular frequency  $\omega = ck = 2\pi c/\lambda$  travels parallel to the z-axis. The wave has an electric field given by

$$\mathbf{E} = \hat{\mathbf{j}} E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)},$$

A small N-loop (i.e., an N-turn circular coil) of diameter  $d$  very much smaller than the wavelength  $\lambda$  ( $d \ll \lambda$ ) acting as an antenna is located with its center at the origin. It is oriented so that a diameter of the coil lies along the z-axis and the plane of the coil makes an angle  $\theta = 60^\circ$  with the y-axis.

- (a) {3 pts} Use Maxwell's equations to obtain the  $\mathbf{B}$  field associated with the above wave?
- (b) {3 pts} Compute the Magnetic flux through the N turn coil as a function of time.
- (c) {4 pts} What is the peak EMF induced in the antenna?

5. A charged particle with charge  $q$  and mass  $m$  starts from rest on the inner plate (radius  $a$ ) of a cylindrical capacitor and is accelerated towards the outer plate (radius  $b$ ). Orient the coordinates so that  $q$  starts at  $(x, y) = (a, 0)$  and is accelerated along the  $+x$  direction until it reaches  $(x, y) = (b, 0)$ .

- (a) {2 pts} If the charge/length on the capacitor  $\lambda_0$  is constant find the electric field causing the acceleration by using Gauss's law. Assume the capacitor is very long compared to the radii  $a$  and  $b$  and assume the electric field can be cylindrically symmetric.
- (b) {4 pts} Write down the 4-D [or (3+1) D] special relativistic version of Newton's equations for the motion of a point charge experiencing the Lorentz force (the force due to an arbitrary external  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  field).

$$\frac{dp^\mu}{d\tau} = ?$$

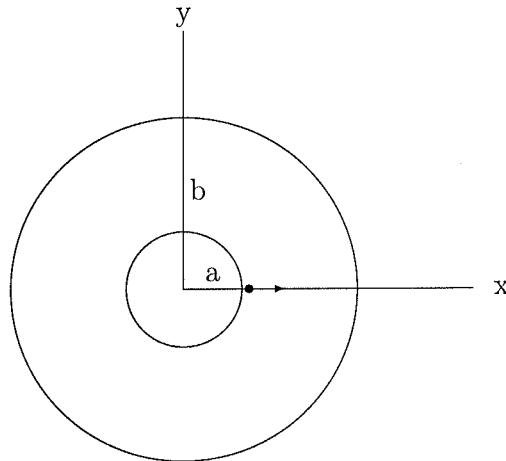
or

$$\frac{dm\gamma c^2}{dt} = ? \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = ?$$

Be sure to define  $p^\mu$  and  $\vec{p}$  as well as the Lorentz force terms that appear on the right hand sides of the above equations.

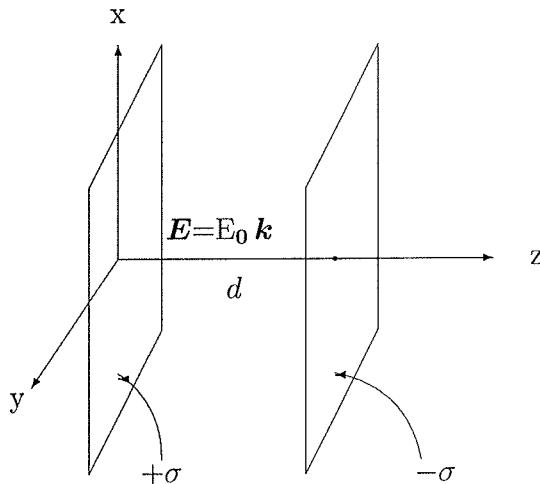
- (c) {4 pts} Apply your answer to part (b) to the field you found in part (a) and integrate your dynamical equations to obtain the particle's energy when it reaches the outer plate. You can easily compute  $\gamma(x)$  from Newton's equations even though the acceleration is not constant.

You are **not** asked to compute  $x(t)$  or  $x(\tau)$  nor how long it took to reach  $x = b$ .



6. A uniform static electric field  $\mathbf{E} = E_0 \mathbf{k}$  exists between two large thin conducting metal plates. The positive plate is at  $z = 0$  and the negative plate is at  $z = a$ . You can assume the plates are infinitely large in the  $x$ - $y$  directions.

- (a) {1 pts} Use Maxwell's equations to relate the value of  $E_0$  to the surface charge density  $\pm \sigma$  on the plates.
- (b) {4 pts} Lorentz transform  $F^{\alpha\beta}$  to obtain the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  fields seen by an observer moving between the plates with velocity  $c/2 \hat{i}$ ?
- (c) {2 pts} What are the 4-current densities  $J^\sigma$  of the plates in the rest frame and in a frame moving with the observer?
- (d) {3 pts} Show that Maxwell's inhomogeneous equations are satisfied by your fields and charge-currents in the moving frame. (Hint: Using  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  rather than  $F^{\alpha\beta}$  is probably easier.)



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E + M #6

Gaussian

a) Using Gauss Law, we see

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi q_{\text{enc}}$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot 2A = 4\pi \sigma A$$

$$E = 2\pi\sigma \quad (\text{for one plate})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_0 = 4\pi\sigma$$

b)  $F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$        $\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

\* In matrix form  $F' = \Lambda F \Lambda^\top$ 

$$F' = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_z & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -\gamma E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -E_z & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -\gamma E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta\gamma E_z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \gamma E_z & -\beta\gamma E_z & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{E}' = \gamma \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{B}' = -\beta\gamma E_z \hat{y}$$

$$*\text{ If } \beta = \frac{v}{c} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

## #6 (cont.)

c) The 4-current vector  $J^\alpha$  is defined as  $J^\alpha = \langle cp, \vec{J} \rangle$  and transforms according to:  $J'^\alpha = \Lambda^\alpha_\beta J^\beta$

$$J^\alpha = \langle c[\sigma\delta(z) - \sigma\delta(z-d)], 0 \rangle$$

$$J' = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma & -\beta\sigma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\sigma & \sigma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} cp \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J' = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma cp \\ -\beta\sigma cp \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} cp' \\ J'_x \\ J'_y \\ J'_z \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow p' = \sigma(\delta(z) - \delta(z-d))$$

$$\vec{J}' = \langle -\beta\sigma c\delta(\delta(z) - \delta(z-d)), 0, 0 \rangle$$

d) The inhomogeneous Maxwell equations in Gaussian units are:

$$\nabla \cdot E' = 4\pi p'$$

$$\nabla \times B - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}$$

- To test Gauss Law

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot E' &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (4\pi \sigma) \\ &= \frac{8\pi}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\sigma [\Theta(z) - \Theta(z-d)]) \quad \leftarrow \text{Assumption works, not sure why since } \sigma \text{ only exists on plates} \\ &= \frac{8\pi}{\sqrt{3}} \sigma (\delta(z) - \delta(z-d)) \\ &= 4\pi \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \sigma [\delta(z) - \delta(z-d)] \right) \\ &= 4\pi p' \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

## #6 (cont)

d) - Evaluating Ampere's Law

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B}' = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ 0 & -\beta E_z & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle -\partial_z(\beta E_z), 0, \partial_x(-\beta E_z) \rangle$$

$$= \langle -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} 4\pi \sigma [\theta(z) - \theta(z-d)] \right), 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} 4\pi \sigma [\theta(z) - \theta(z-d)] \right) \rangle$$

$$= \langle -\frac{4\pi\sigma}{\sqrt{3}} (\delta(z) - \delta(z-d)), 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle \frac{4\pi}{c} \left( \frac{c\sigma}{\sqrt{3}} [\delta(z) - \delta(z-d)] \right), 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle \frac{4\pi}{c} (\beta \delta E_z), 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$= -\frac{4\pi}{c} \langle J'_x, 0, 0 \rangle \quad \checkmark \quad (*\text{Note: } \frac{d}{dt} \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{3}} = 0 \text{ % no time dependence in formula})$$

## E & M Qualifier

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### 1. Dielectric Sphere

A dielectric sphere of radius  $R$  is polarized so that  $\mathbf{P} = (K/r)\hat{\mathbf{r}}$  where  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}$  is the unit radial vector. Assume the sphere is in an empty vacuum and that the sphere's dielectric material is linear and isotropic, calculate

- (a) (3 pts) the volume and the surface densities of bound charge,
- (b) (2 pts) the volume density of free charge,
- (c) (2 pts) the electric field inside the sphere,
- (d) (3 pts) the electric field outside the sphere.

Your answers should be given in terms of  $K$ ,  $\chi_E$ ,  $\epsilon_0$ ,  $\epsilon$ , and/or  $\epsilon_r$ . Recall that for linear isotropic materials:

In SI units,

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi_E \mathbf{E}$$

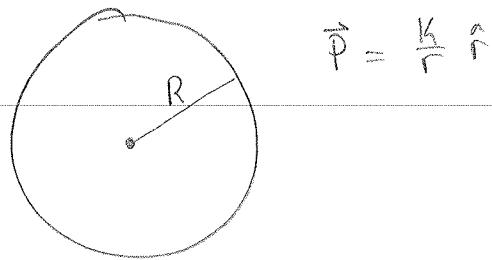
$$\epsilon_r \equiv \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} = 1 + \chi_E$$

In Gaussian units,

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E} + 4\pi \mathbf{P}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \chi_E \mathbf{E}$$

$$\epsilon = 1 + 4\pi \chi_E = \epsilon_r$$



Given a polarized, dielectric sphere (dielectric is linear + isotropic) in a vacuum:

a) Our surface charge density is:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_b &= \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} \Big|_{\text{surface}} \\ &= \frac{k}{r} \hat{r} \cdot \hat{r} \Big|_{r=R} \\ &= \frac{k}{R}\end{aligned}$$

The volume bound charge density is:

$$\begin{aligned}p_b &= -\nabla \cdot \vec{P} \\ &= -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{k}{r} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (kr) \\ &= -\frac{k}{r^2}\end{aligned}$$

b) We can determine the volume density of free charge by:

$$-\nabla \cdot E = \frac{p_b}{\epsilon_0}$$

⇒ To determine the electric field inside the material, we use

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{D} &= \epsilon \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} \\ (\epsilon - \epsilon_0) E &= \vec{P} \\ \vec{E} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon - \epsilon_0} \vec{P} \\ &= \frac{k}{r(\epsilon - \epsilon_0)} \hat{r}\end{aligned}$$

Work for part C HERE
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## #1 (cont.)

b)  $-\nabla \cdot E = \frac{P_f}{\epsilon_0}$

$$-\nabla \cdot \left( \frac{K}{\epsilon(\epsilon_r - 1)} r \hat{r} \right) = \frac{P_f}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{r^2 \partial r} \left( \frac{K r}{\epsilon(\epsilon_r - 1)} \right) = \frac{P_f}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\frac{K}{r^2 (\epsilon - \epsilon_0)} = \frac{P_f}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\therefore P_f = \frac{K \epsilon_0}{r^2 (\epsilon - \epsilon_0)}$$

$$= \frac{K}{r^2 (1 + \frac{\epsilon_0}{\epsilon_r - 1})}$$

$$= \frac{K}{r^2 (\epsilon_r - 1)}$$

d) From Gauss' Law, we know

$$\oint_S E \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

To get  $q_{enc}$ :

$$q_{enc} = \int \sigma_b da + \int p_f dV + \int p_b dV$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \frac{K}{R} \sin^2 \theta dr d\theta d\phi + \int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{K}{r^2 (\epsilon_r - 1)} r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi + \int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi -\frac{K}{r^2} r^2 \sin \theta dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$= KR \cdot 4\pi + \frac{KR}{\epsilon_r - 1} \cdot 4\pi - 4\pi KR$$

$$= \frac{4\pi K R}{\epsilon_r - 1}$$

$$\oint E \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{4\pi K R}{\epsilon - \epsilon_0}$$

$$4\pi r^2 E = \frac{4\pi K R}{\epsilon - \epsilon_0}$$

$$E = \frac{KR}{R(\epsilon - \epsilon_0)} \cdot \frac{1}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

## 2. Gauge Transformation

(a) (2 pts)

Define the vector potential  $\mathbf{A}$  and the scalar potential  $\Phi$  using Maxwell's equations. (i.e. give their relationships to the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  fields.)

(b) (3 pts) Show that when  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\Phi$  undergo the gauge transformations,

$$\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{A} + \nabla\Lambda, \quad (\text{SI}) \text{ and } (\text{Gaussian})$$

$$\Phi' = \Phi - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t}, \quad (\text{SI})$$

or

$$\Phi' = \Phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t}, \quad (\text{Gaussian})$$

where  $\Lambda$  is an arbitrary scalar,  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$  are unaffected.

(c) Two gauges used in solid-state physics for static, uniform magnetic fields  $\mathbf{B}$  (i.e., constant in direction, magnitude, and time) are the Landau gauge and the circular gauge. Examples for  $\mathbf{B} = B_0\hat{z}$  of each gauge respectively are:

$$\mathbf{A} = (A_x, A_y, A_z) = (0, B_0 x, 0)$$

and

$$\mathbf{A}' = (A'_x, A'_y, A'_z) = (-B_0 y/2, B_0 x/2, 0),$$

with

$$\Phi = 0,$$

for both gauges.

- i. (2 pts) Show that  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{A}'$  with  $\Phi = \Phi' = 0$  describe the same  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  fields.
- ii. (3 pts) Find the scalar function  $\Lambda$  that produces the gauge transformation from  $\mathbf{A}$  to  $\mathbf{A}'$  in part (c).

a)  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$

$$-\nabla \Phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} = \vec{E}$$

b) \* If we now define  $\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda$ ,  $\Phi' = \Phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial t}$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}' = \nabla \times (\vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda)$$

$$= \nabla \times \vec{A} + \nabla \times (\cancel{\nabla \Lambda})$$

$$= \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} \checkmark$$

$$-\nabla \Phi' - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}'}{\partial t} = -\nabla \left( \Phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial t} \right) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda \right)$$

$$= -\nabla \Phi + \frac{1}{c} \cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \Lambda} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{c} \cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \Lambda}$$

$$= -\nabla \Phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \checkmark$$

c) i) \* Working with  $\vec{A}, \Phi$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla \Phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

$$= \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$$

$$= \left\langle -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} B_0 x, 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} B_0 x \right\rangle$$

$$= B_0 \hat{z}$$

\* Working with  $\vec{A}', \Phi'$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla \Phi' - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}'}{\partial t}$$

$$= \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}'$$

$$= \left\langle -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{B_0}{2} x, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{B_0}{2} y, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{B_0}{2} x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{B_0}{2} y \right\rangle$$

$$= \langle 0, 0, B_0 \rangle$$

\* Both sets match

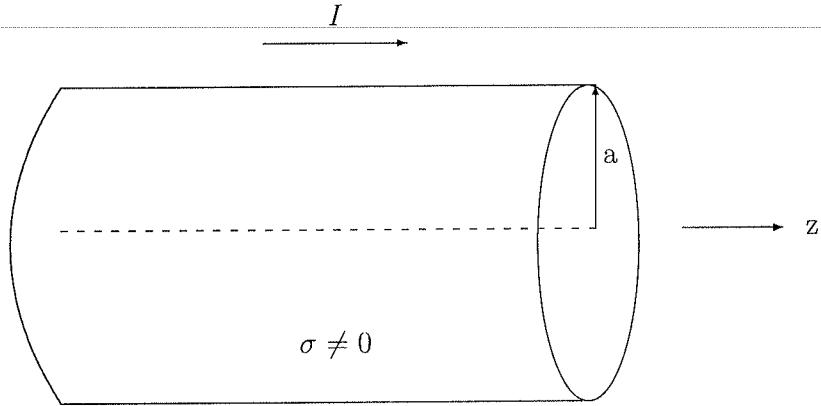
ii)  $\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda \Rightarrow \nabla \Lambda = \vec{A}' - \vec{A}$

\* Note:  $\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z}$

$$\hookrightarrow \nabla \Lambda = \left\langle -\frac{B_0}{2} y, -\frac{B_0}{2} x, 0 \right\rangle$$

$$\Lambda = -\frac{B_0}{2} xy + \text{constant}$$

### 3. Poynting Vector



A straight metal wire of conductivity  $\sigma$  and cross-sectional area  $A = \pi a^2$  carries a uniform, steady current  $I$ .

- (a) (2 pts) Calculate  $\mathbf{E}$  at the surface of the wire.
- (b) (2 pts) Calculate  $\mathbf{B}$  at the surface of the wire.
- (c) (1 pts) Calculate the direction and magnitude of the Poynting vector at the surface of the wire.
- (d) (3 pts) Integrate the normal component of the Poynting vector over the surface of the wire for a segment of length  $L$ .
- (e) (2 pts) compare your result for (d) with the Joule heat produced in this segment.

The Poynting vector is

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}, \quad (SI)$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{c}{4\pi} \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}. \quad (\text{Gaussian})$$

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### E + M #3

a) From Ohms Law, we know  $\vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E}$ , and that the total current  $I$  is related to  $\vec{J}$

$$\text{via } I = \oint \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \oint \sigma E \cdot d\vec{\alpha}$$

$$I = \sigma \oint E \cdot d\vec{\alpha}$$

$$I = \sigma E \cdot \pi a^2$$

$$\frac{I}{\sigma \pi a^2} \hat{z} = \hat{E}$$

b) We can calculate  $\vec{B}$  using Ampere's Law

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} I_{\text{enc}}$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi a = \frac{4\pi}{c} I$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{2I}{ca} \hat{\phi} \quad (\text{from RHR})$$

c) In Gaussian units,  $\vec{S} = \frac{c}{4\pi} \vec{E} \times \vec{H}$ ,  $B = H + 4\pi M$

$$\vec{S} = \frac{c}{4\pi} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{p} & \hat{\phi} & \hat{z} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{I}{\pi a^2} \\ 0 & \frac{2I}{ca} & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left\langle -\frac{2I^2}{\pi c a^2}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

$$= -\frac{2I^2}{\pi c a^2} \cdot \frac{c}{4\pi}$$

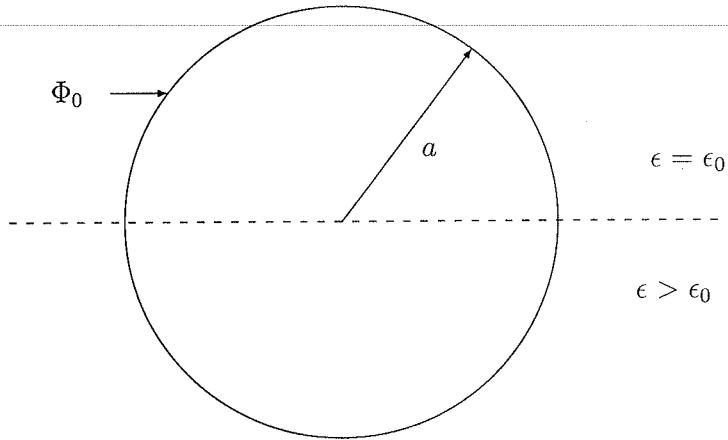
$$= \frac{-I^2}{2\pi^2 c a^3} \hat{p}$$

#3 (cont.)

d) We want to calculate  $\oint \vec{S} \cdot d\vec{\alpha}$

$$\begin{aligned}\oint \vec{S} \cdot d\vec{\alpha} &= S \oint d\vec{\alpha} \\ &= -\frac{I^2}{8\pi^2 \sigma a^3} (2\pi a L) \\ &= -\frac{I^2 L}{\sigma a^2}\end{aligned}$$

#### 4. Half Submerged Conducting Sphere



An originally uncharged thin spherical conducting shell of radius  $a$  is brought to a potential  $\Phi_0$ . The shell floats half submerged in a dielectric liquid of dielectric constant  $k = \epsilon_r \equiv \epsilon/\epsilon_0$ .

Determine the following:

- (a) (2 pts) The electric potential  $\Phi$  everywhere **outside** the shell,
- (b) (2 pts) The electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  everywhere **outside** the shell,
- (c) (2 pts) The free surface charge density  $\sigma$  on the shell,
- (d) (4 pts) The net electrostatic force  $\mathbf{F}$  acting on the shell.

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E + M #4

## 5. Capacitor Plates

Consider a very large parallel plate capacitor with the positive plate at  $z = d/2$ , the negative plate at  $z = -d/2$  and no dielectric material in between. If the respective surface charge densities are  $\pm\sigma$  compute the *force/area on the positive plate* in the following two ways:

- (a) (4 pts) Calculate it directly from  $\sigma$  and the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$ . Give a logical explanation of why your answer is correct.
- (b) (6 pts) Calculate it using the Maxwell stress tensor

$$T_M^{ij} = \epsilon_0 \left[ E^i E^j - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ij} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} \right], \quad (SI)$$

$$T_M^{ij} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ E^i E^j - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ij} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} \right]. \quad (Gaussian)$$

## 6. E&M Waves

A monochromatic, plane polarized, plane electromagnetic wave traveling in the  $z$ -direction in the lab (in a vacuum) can be written in the following 3+1 dimensional form:

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}} e^{i(kz - \omega t)},$$

$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{\mathbf{y}} e^{i(kz - \omega t)}.$$

- (a) (3 pts) Combine this  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  into a single electromagnetic field tensor  $F^{\alpha\beta}$  and use Maxwell's equations in the 4-dimensional form

$$\partial_\alpha F_{\beta\gamma} + \partial_\beta F_{\gamma\alpha} + \partial_\gamma F_{\alpha\beta} = 0,$$

$$\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha\beta} = 0$$

to find all constraints on the 4 constants  $E_0$ ,  $B_0$ ,  $k$ , and  $\omega$  (i.e., the above wave won't satisfy Maxwell's equations for arbitrary values of all four of these parameters). Depending on your choice of conventions:  $x^\alpha = (x^0, x^1, x^2, x^3)$  with  $x^0 = ct$  or  $x^\alpha = (x^1, x^2, x^3, x^4)$  with  $x^4 = ct$  and  $x^1 = x$ ,  $x^2 = y$ ,  $x^3 = z$ .

- (b) (1 pts) What are the values of the invariants  $F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} F_{\alpha\beta} F_{\gamma\delta}$  for this wave?
- (c) (3 pts) Use a Lorentz boost to find  $F'^{\alpha\beta}$  in a frame moving in the  $+z$  direction with a speed  $v$ . Don't forget to express your answer in terms of the moving coordinates  $ct'$  and  $x', y', z'$ .
- (d) (2 pts) What is the frequency and the wavelength of this wave in the moving frame?
- (e) (1 pts) How have the electric and magnetic fields changed in direction and/or magnitude?

$$\text{a) } \vec{E} = \langle E_0, 0, 0 \rangle \exp[i(kz - wt)]$$

$$\vec{B} = \langle 0, B_0, 0 \rangle \exp[i(kz - wt)]$$

$$F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_0 & 0 & 0 & B_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -B_0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \exp[i(kz - wt)]$$

\* for  $\partial_\alpha F_{\beta\gamma} + \partial_\beta F_{\gamma\alpha} + \partial_\gamma F_{\alpha\beta} = 0$ , the only non-zero terms are:  $F_{01}, F_{13}$

$$\partial_0 F_{13} + \partial_1 F_{30} + \partial_3 F_{01} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-B_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(0)) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)]) = 0$$

$$-\frac{i\omega}{c} B_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] + ik E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] = 0$$

$$k E_0 = \frac{\omega}{c} B_0 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

\* for  $\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha\beta} = 0$ ,  $\beta=1$  to get both  $E_0, B_0$

$$\partial_0 F^{01} + \partial_1 F^{11} + \partial_2 F^{21} + \partial_3 F^{31} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)]) + 0 + 0 + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (B_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)]) = 0$$

$$-\frac{i\omega}{c} E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] + ik B_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\omega}{c} E_0 = k B_0 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

\* Combining  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{2}$  yields

$$\frac{\omega}{c} E_0 = k \left( \frac{ck}{\omega} E_0 \right)$$

$$\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} = k^2 \Rightarrow \boxed{k = \pm \frac{\omega}{c}}$$

$$\frac{\omega}{c} E_0 = \pm \frac{\omega}{c} B_0 \Rightarrow \boxed{E_0 = \pm B_0}$$

#6 (cont.)

$$b) F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_0 & 0 & 0 & B_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -B_0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & E_0 & 0 & 0 \\ -E_0 & 0 & 0 & B_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -B_0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} E_0^2 & 0 & 0 & -E_0 B_0 \\ 0 & E_0^2 - B_0^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_0 B_0 & 0 & 0 & -B_0^2 \end{bmatrix} * \text{but we want the trace of this matrix}$$

$$= 2(E_0^2 - B_0^2) \quad * \text{Should be} \quad 2(B_0^2 - E_0^2)$$

$$\epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} F_{\alpha\beta} F_{\gamma\delta} = 2 F^{\gamma\delta} F_{\gamma\delta}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ B_0 & 0 & 0 & E_0 \\ 0 & 0 & -E_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & E_0 & 0 & 0 \\ -E_0 & 0 & 0 & B_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -B_0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} 2$$

$$= 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2B_0 E_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 0, \text{ makes sense b/c} \quad * \text{Should be} \quad -8(B_0 E_0)$$

$$\hat{x} \cdot \hat{y} = 0$$

## #6 (cont.)

$$c) L = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

$$F' = L^T F L$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_0 & 0 & 0 & B_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -B_0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\gamma + \beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta\tau - \gamma & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\tau \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\tau & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\gamma + \beta\tau & 0 & 0 \\ \beta\tau - \gamma & 0 & 0 & \beta\tau \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma + \beta\tau & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)]$$

\* but we must now transform the coordinates, which we can rewrite according to

$$kz - wt = -k_0 x^0, \quad k_0 = \frac{\omega}{c} \langle ct, 0, 0, -z \rangle \\ = k \langle 1, 0, 0, -1 \rangle$$

$$k'_\lambda x'^\lambda = k_0 B^{0\lambda} x_\lambda$$

$$= [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ -1] \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma\beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \gamma\beta & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [\gamma(1-\beta) \ 0 \ 0 \ -\gamma(1-\beta)]$$

$$\Rightarrow k' = k \gamma(1-\beta) \Rightarrow \frac{\omega'}{c} = \frac{\omega}{c} \gamma(1-\beta)$$

## #6 (cont.)

c) Since wave will have same form in both frames

$$E' = E_0 \gamma(1-\beta) \exp[i(k'z' - \omega't')]$$

$$B' = B_0 \gamma(1-\beta) \exp[i(k'z' - \omega't')]$$

d) where  $k' = k\gamma(1-\beta)$ ,  $\omega' = \omega\gamma(1-\beta) = \omega\sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}} \Rightarrow \gamma' = \gamma\sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$

e) Direction is same but magnitude has changed

$$E'_0 = E_0 \gamma(1-\beta)$$

$$B'_0 = B_0 \gamma(1-\beta)$$

$$= E_0 \gamma(1-\beta)$$

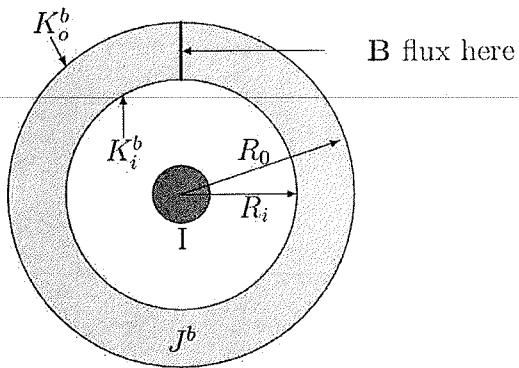
## E & M Qualifier

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1. A long wire of radius  $R_{\text{wire}}$  carries a current  $I$  and is surrounded by a long hollow iron cylinder. The inner radius of the cylinder is  $R_i$  and the outer radius is  $R_o$  ( $R_{\text{wire}} < R_i < R_o$ , see the figure, assume the current flows out of the page).
  - (a) (2 pts) Compute the flux of  $\mathbf{B}$  through a rectangular section of the iron cylinder  $L$  meters long and  $R_o - R_i$  wide.
  - (b) (3 pts) Find the bound surface current densities flowing along the inner and outer iron surfaces, respectively  $K_i^b$  and  $K_o^b$ , and find the direction of these currents relative to the current in the wire.
  - (c) (2 pts) Find the bound volume current density  $J^b$  inside the iron.
  - (d) (3 pts) Find  $\mathbf{B}$  at distances  $r > R_0$  from the wire. Would this value of  $\mathbf{B}$  be affected if the iron cylinder were removed?

Recall that the magnetization  $\mathbf{M}$  is related to the magnetic field strength  $\mathbf{H}$  and the susceptibility  $\chi_m$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{M} &= \chi_m^{SI} \mathbf{H} && \text{in SI units} \\
 &= \chi_m^G \mathbf{H} && \text{in Gaussian units} \\
 \mathbf{B} &= \mu_0(\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M}) = \mu_0(1 + \chi_m^{SI})\mathbf{H} && \text{in SI units} \\
 &= (\mathbf{H} + 4\pi\mathbf{M}) = (1 + 4\pi\chi_m^G)\mathbf{H} && \text{in Gaussian units}
 \end{aligned}$$

For all substances  $4\pi\chi_m^G = \chi_m^{SI}$ . For iron  $\chi_m$  is in the range 10 to 1000.

2. (a) (3 pts) From Maxwell's Equations, derive the wave equation for  $\mathbf{E}$  with no sources ( $\rho = 0, \mathbf{J} = 0$ ) in a homogeneous, isotropic, linear medium of permittivity  $\epsilon$  and permeability  $\mu$ .

- (b) (1 pts) Show that if  $\mathbf{E} = E(t, z)\hat{y}$ , the wave equation reduces to

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial z^2} &= \epsilon\mu \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2}, && \text{in SI units} \\ \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial z^2} &= \frac{\epsilon\mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2}. && \text{in Gaussian units}\end{aligned}$$

- (c) (4 pts) By introducing the change of variables

$$\begin{aligned}\xi &= t + \sqrt{\epsilon\mu} z, && \text{in SI units} \\ \xi &= ct + \sqrt{\epsilon\mu} z, && \text{in Gaussian units} \\ \eta &= t - \sqrt{\epsilon\mu} z, && \text{in SI units} \\ \eta &= ct - \sqrt{\epsilon\mu} z, && \text{in Gaussian units}\end{aligned}$$

show that the wave equation assumes a form that is easily integrated.

- (d) (2 pts) Integrate the equation to obtain

$$E(z, t) = E_1(\xi) + E_2(\eta),$$

where  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are arbitrary functions.

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E+M #2

Gaussian

a) Maxwell's eqns:

$$\nabla \cdot D = 4\pi \vec{P}^0 \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} = \vec{J}^0$$

To derive wave eqn ( $-\nabla^2 E = -\frac{\mu_0}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} E$ )

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) + \frac{1}{c} \nabla \times \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) - \nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times \mu H) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( -\frac{\mu}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} \right) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( -\frac{\mu_0}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} = 0 \checkmark$$

b) If  $\vec{E} = E(t, z) \hat{y}$

$$-\nabla^2 = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\hookrightarrow -\nabla^2 E = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \vec{E}$$

$$-\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial z^2} + \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2}$$

c) Introducing the following variable substitutions:  $Z = ct + \sqrt{\mu_0/c} z$

$$N = ct - \sqrt{\mu_0/c} z$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial Z}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \\ &= \sqrt{\mu_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} - \sqrt{\mu_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial N} = \sqrt{\mu_0} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} - \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial Z}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \\ &= c \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} + c \frac{\partial}{\partial N} = \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \end{aligned}$$

#2 (cont.)

$$c) \Rightarrow -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} = \mu E \left( -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial n^2} \right)$$

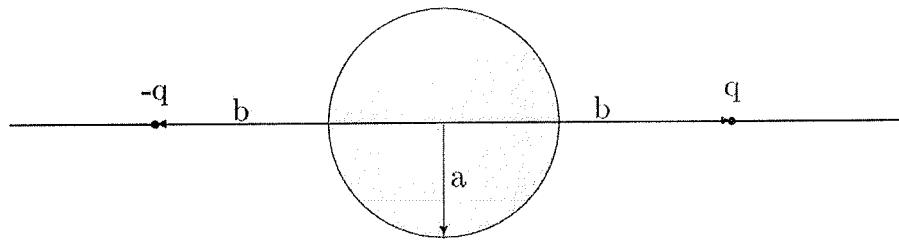
$$\frac{\mu E}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} = \mu E \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial n^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial z^2} + \frac{\mu E}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} = 4 \mu E \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial n} E = 0$$

d)

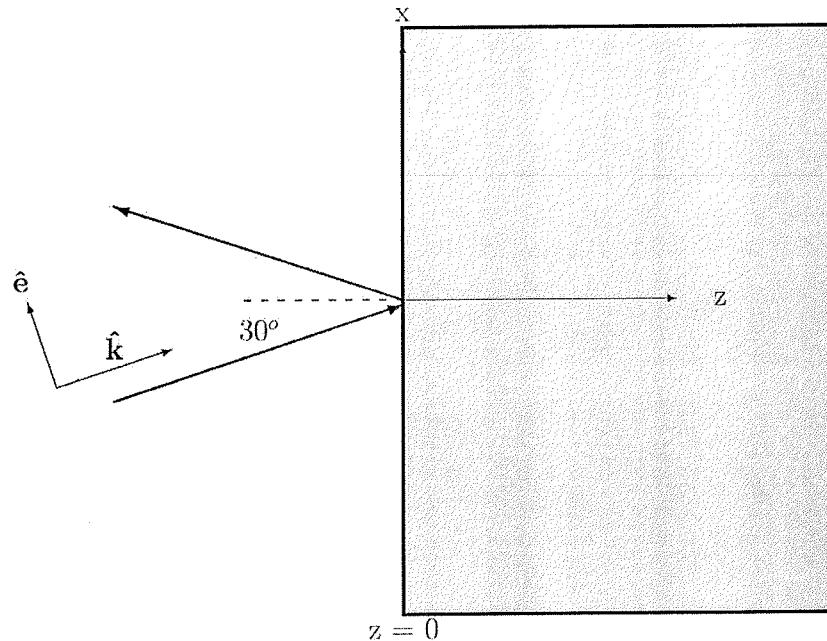
3. Two charges  $\pm q$  are on opposite sides of a dielectric sphere ( $\epsilon = \text{constant}$ ) as shown in the figure. The three objects are on a common axis, the sphere is of radius  $a$  and the two charges are a distance  $b > a$  from the sphere's center.

- (a) (2 pts) Give the form of potential  $\Phi(r, \theta)$  inside the sphere ( $r < a$ ) as a series of Legendre polynomials,  $P_\ell(\cos \theta)$ , with coefficients  $A_\ell$ . Give the correct  $r$  dependence of each term and do not include  $\ell$  values that vanish from symmetry.
- (b) (2 pts) Give the form of the potential  $\Phi(r, \theta)$  outside the sphere ( $r > a$ ) as the sum of two terms; one a series of Legendre polynomials with coefficients  $B_\ell$  caused by the polarization charges on the dielectric, and the other term caused by the two point charges. In the series part keep only non-vanishing  $\ell$  values and give the correct  $r$  dependence of each term.
- (c) (3 pts) In the outside region where  $r > a$ , expand the part of the potential caused by the point charges as a single series in  $P_\ell$ . Give two explicit forms of this series, one good for  $a < r < b$  and one good for  $r > b$ .
- (d) (3 pts) You do not have to evaluate the constants  $A_\ell$  and  $B_\ell$  but write down the two sets of equations from which you can determine them (the boundary matching conditions).



4. The reflection of a circularly polarized plane wave at a metallic boundary.

- (a) (2 pts) Give expressions for the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  fields of a monochromatic, right circularly polarized plane wave traveling in vacuum. Use rectangular Cartesian coordinates, assume the angular frequency is  $\omega$ , assume the polarization plane is the  $x$ - $y$  plane, and assume the propagation direction is in the positive  $z$  direction.
- (b) (1 pt) Explain in words what is meant by a monochromatic right circularly polarized wave.
- (c) (2 pts) Rewrite your  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  fields of part (a) assuming the propagation direction is  $30^\circ$  above the  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$  direction as shown in the figure. You can use unit vectors  $\hat{\mathbf{e}}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$  in your expressions but be sure to define what they are in terms of the coordinate directions  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}$ , and  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ .
- (d) (2 pts) If the wave of part (c) strikes a flat perfectly conducting surface at  $z = 0$  it will be reflected. What boundary conditions are satisfied by the combined  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  fields of the incoming and reflected waves at the  $z = 0$  junction?
- (e) (2 pts) Give expressions for the reflected  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  fields. Make sure they satisfy your junction conditions of part (d).
- (f) (1 pt) Is the reflected wave right or left circularly polarized?



5. An infinitely long, uniformly charged wire of radius  $a$  and total charge per unit length  $\lambda$ , is at rest on the  $z$ -axis of the lab frame.
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- (a) (2 pts) Compute the electric field  $\mathbf{E}(x, y, z)$  interior and exterior to the wire in the lab frame by solving Gauss's law in that frame.
  - (b) Complete the next 4 steps to compute  $\mathbf{E}'(x', y', z')$  and  $\mathbf{B}'(x', y', z')$  in a frame moving in the positive  $z$ -direction with speed  $v$ .
    - i. (2 pts) Give the Lorentz boost  $x'^\sigma = L_\mu^\sigma x^\mu$  ( $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{x}$ ) from the Lab to the moving frame (take  $x^0 = ct, x^1 = x, x^2 = y, x^3 = z$ ).
    - ii. (2 pts) Construct the electromagnetic field tensor  $F^{\alpha\beta}$  from the electric field you found in part (a).
    - iii. (2 pts) Use your lorentz boost to compute the electromagnetic field tensor  $F'^{\alpha\beta} = L_\mu^\alpha L_\nu^\beta F^{\mu\nu}$  ( $\mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{LFL}^T$ ) in the moving frame.
    - iv. (2 pts) From your  $F'^{\alpha\beta}$  give the answer to (b).

Hint: Recall that in both SI and Gaussian units  $F^{\sigma\mu} = -F^{\mu\sigma}$  and  $F^{0i} = -E^i$ . In Gaussian units  $F^{12} = -B^z$ ,  $F^{23} = -B^x$  and  $F^{13} = B^y$ , but in SI units  $F^{12} = -c B^z$ ,  $F^{23} = -c B^x$  and  $F^{13} = c B^y$

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E + M # 5

Gaussian

a) We can use Gauss' Law to find  $\vec{E}$ 

$$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int 4\pi p$$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi Q_{\text{enc}}$$

\* If we are at  $r > a$ :

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi \lambda L$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot 2\pi L r = 4\pi \lambda L$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{2\lambda}{r} \hat{r}$$

$$= \frac{2\lambda}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \langle \cos\phi, \sin\phi, 0 \rangle \quad (\text{in Cartesian})$$

\* If  $r < a$ :

$$Q_{\text{enc}} = \frac{2\pi^2 L}{a^2} \text{ since wire is uniformly charged}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi \frac{2\pi^2 L}{a^2}$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot 2\pi L r = 4\pi L \frac{2\pi^2}{a^2}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{2\lambda r}{a^2} \hat{r}$$

$$= \frac{2\lambda \sqrt{x^2+y^2}}{a^2} \langle \cos\phi, \sin\phi, 0 \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \begin{cases} \frac{2\lambda \sqrt{x^2+y^2}}{a^2} \langle \cos\phi, \sin\phi, 0 \rangle & \text{if } r < a \\ \frac{2\lambda}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \langle \cos\phi, \sin\phi, 0 \rangle & \text{if } r > a \end{cases}$$

## #5 (cont.)

b) i) For a boost of velocity  $v$  in  $\hat{z}$  direction:

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x'^{\alpha} = L^{\alpha}_{\mu} x^{\mu}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma ct - \beta\gamma z \\ x \\ y \\ \gamma z + \gamma z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{ii) } F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\cos\varphi & -\sin\varphi & 0 \\ \cos\varphi & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin\varphi & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{2\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}{a^2} \quad r < a \\ \frac{2x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \quad r > a \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{iii) } F'^{\alpha\beta} = L^{\alpha}_{\mu} L^{\beta}_{\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

$$= L F L^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\cos\varphi & -\sin\varphi & 0 \\ \cos\varphi & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin\varphi & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\gamma\cos\varphi & -\gamma\sin\varphi & 0 \\ \cos\varphi & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin\varphi & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta\gamma\cos\varphi & \beta\gamma\sin\varphi & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

(3)

## #5 (cont.)

b) iii)  $F'^{\alpha B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\gamma \cos \varphi & -\gamma \sin \varphi & 0 \\ \gamma \cos \varphi & 0 & 0 & -\beta \gamma \cos \varphi \\ \gamma \sin \varphi & 0 & 0 & -\beta \gamma \sin \varphi \\ 0 & \beta \gamma \cos \varphi & \beta \gamma \sin \varphi & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

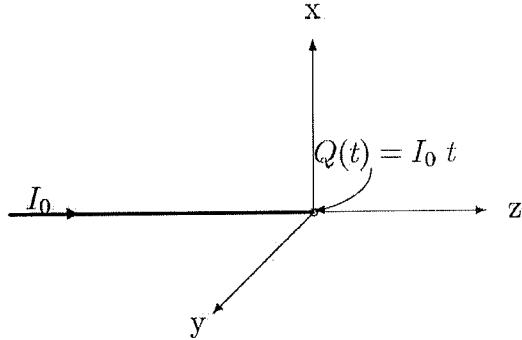
iv)  $E' = \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma 2 \lambda \sqrt{x^2+y^2}}{a^2} \langle \cos \varphi, \sin \varphi, 0 \rangle & r < a \\ \frac{\gamma 2 \lambda}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \langle \cos \varphi, \sin \varphi, 0 \rangle & r > a \end{cases}$

$B' = \begin{cases} \frac{\beta \gamma 2 \lambda \sqrt{x^2+y^2}}{a^2} \langle \cos \varphi, -\sin \varphi, 0 \rangle & r < a \\ \frac{\beta \gamma 2 \lambda}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \langle \cos \varphi, -\sin \varphi, 0 \rangle & r > a \end{cases}$

6. In the absence of polarizable and/or magnetizable material (i.e., only free charges and currents present) Maxwell's equations, in Gaussian units and in the Lorentz gauge, reduce to the inhomogeneous wave equation:

$$\square \begin{Bmatrix} \Phi \\ A^x \\ A^y \\ A^z \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \begin{Bmatrix} c\rho \\ J^x \\ J^y \\ J^z \end{Bmatrix}, \text{ where } \square \equiv \left( \frac{\partial}{c\partial t} \right)^2 - \nabla^2.$$

A time dependent charge  $Q(t) = I_0 t$ ,  $t \geq 0$  is fixed at the origin



of a cylindrical polar coordinate system  $(\rho, \phi, z)$ . The charge increases linearly with time because a constant current  $I_0$  flows in along a thin wire attached to the charge on its left, see the figure. Assume the wire carries no current for  $t < 0$ , however, at  $t = 0$  a current  $I_0$  abruptly starts flowing in the  $+z$  direction and remains constant for  $t \geq 0$ . Assume the wire remains neutral as the charge at the origin grows. Find the following quantities at time  $t$  for points  $(\rho, \phi, z)$ :

- (a) (2 pts) The charge density  $\rho(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ ,
- (b) (2 pts) The current density  $\mathbf{J}(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ ,
- (c) (2 pts) The retarded scalar potential  $\Phi(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ ,
- (d) (4 pts) The retarded vector potential  $\mathbf{A}(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ .

Hints: Parts (a) and (b) require the use of  $\delta(x)$ -functions and Heaviside step functions  $\Theta(x) \equiv 1, 0$  respectively for  $x > 0$  or  $x < 0$ . The retarded Green's function for the  $\square$  operator is:

$$G^{ret}(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = \frac{\delta(t - t' - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c)}{4\pi |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|},$$

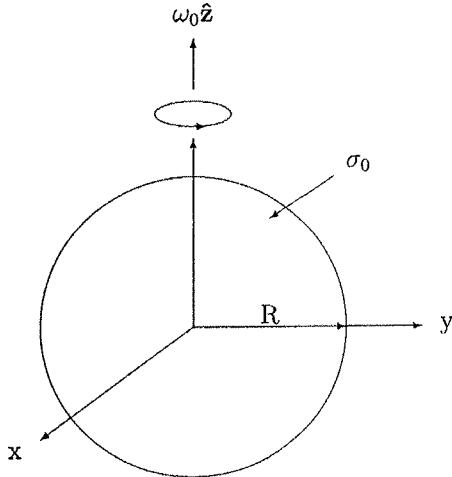
which gives retarded potentials

$$(\Phi(t, \mathbf{r}), \mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r}))^{ret} = \frac{1}{c} \int \frac{(\rho(t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c, \mathbf{r}'), \mathbf{J}(t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c, \mathbf{r}'))}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d^3 r'.$$

For part (d) you might need the integral

$$\int \frac{dX}{\sqrt{X^2 + a^2}} = \ln(\sqrt{X^2 + a^2} + X).$$

# Spring 2013 Qualifier



1. A rotating thin, non-conducting, sphere of radius  $R$  is covered with a uniform surface charge density  $\sigma_0$ . If the angular velocity is in the  $+\hat{z}$  direction and has a constant magnitude  $\omega_0$ :
- [3 pts] Compute the surface current density  $\mathbf{K}(\theta, \phi)$  (magnitude and direction) as a function of  $R, \sigma_0$ , and  $\omega_0$ .
  - [3 pts] Compute the magnetic dipole moment  $\mathbf{m}_0$  of the rotating sphere.
  - [4 pts] The magnetic induction exterior to the sphere turns out to be a simple magnetic dipole field. Compute  $\mathbf{B}(r, \theta, \phi)$  for  $r > R$  assuming the vector potential is of the form:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r})_G &= \frac{\mathbf{m}_0 \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}}{r^2} && \text{Gaussian units,} \\ \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r})_{SI} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\mathbf{m}_0 \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}}{r^2} && \text{SI units.}\end{aligned}$$

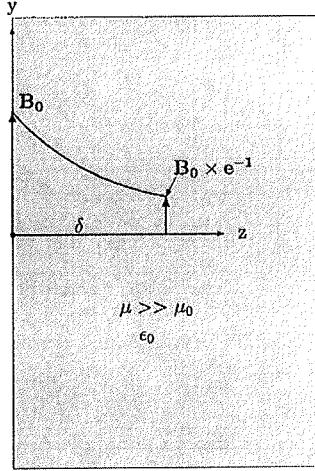


Figure 1: In Gaussian units  $\epsilon_0 \rightarrow 1$  and  $\mu_0 \rightarrow 1$

2. Within a transformer, oscillating magnetic fields and their associated electric fields penetrate into the transformer's iron core producing "eddy" currents which heat and frequently destroy the transformer. In this problem you are to analyze the depths to which these currents penetrate and the phase difference between the driving harmonic  $\mathbf{B}$  field and the lagging eddy current.

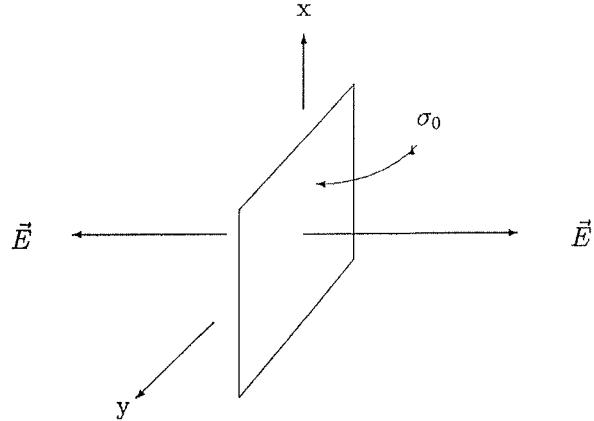
A large slab of permeable ( $\mu >> \mu_0$ ) conductor with conductivity  $\sigma > 0$  and with negligible permittivity ( $\epsilon = \epsilon_0$ ) is located in the x-y plane at  $z \geq 0$  as shown in the figure. A low frequency wave,  $\omega \ll \sigma/\epsilon_0$ , whose magnetic induction is the real part of

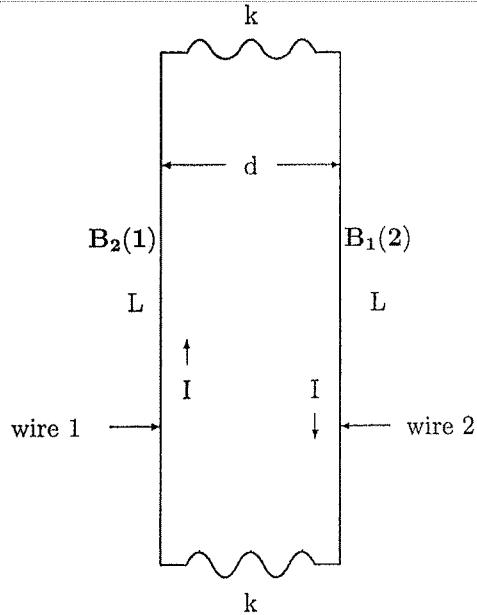
$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{y}},$$

diminishes as  $z$  increases because  $k$  is complex.

- (a) [2 pts] Give Maxwell's 4 macroscopic equations appropriate for this material ( $\rho = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}$ , and  $\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$ ).
- (b) [2 pts] Use Maxwell's equations to find the complex wave number  $k$  as a function of  $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\mu$ , and  $\epsilon_0$ .
- (c) [3 pts] The depth at which the amplitude reaches  $e^{-1}$  times its original value is called the skin depth,  $\delta$ . The skin depth diminishes with the wave's frequency. For low frequency waves ( $\omega \ll \sigma/\epsilon_0$ ) determine  $\delta$ .
- (d) [3 pts] For low frequency waves compute the phase lag of the eddy current density  $\mathbf{J}$  relative to the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$ .

3. (a) [1 pts] Give the 4-current  $J^\alpha(x^\beta)$  for the static surface charge density  $\sigma_0$  shown in the figure (a thin uniform and infinite sheet of charge located at  $z = 0$  in the lab).
- (b) [2 pts] Give the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  and the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  caused by the static surface charge.
- (c) [2 pts] Compute the 4-current  $J'^\alpha(x'^\beta)$  in a frame that moves with speed  $v < c$  in the positive  $x$ -direction relative to the lab ( $v$  isn't necessarily small).
- (d) [1 pts] What is the surface charge density  $\sigma'$  in the moving frame?
- (e) [1 pts] What is the electric field  $\mathbf{E}'$  in the moving frame?
- (f) [1 pts] What is the surface current density  $\mathbf{K}'$  in the moving frame?
- (g) [2 pts] What is the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}'$  in the moving frame?

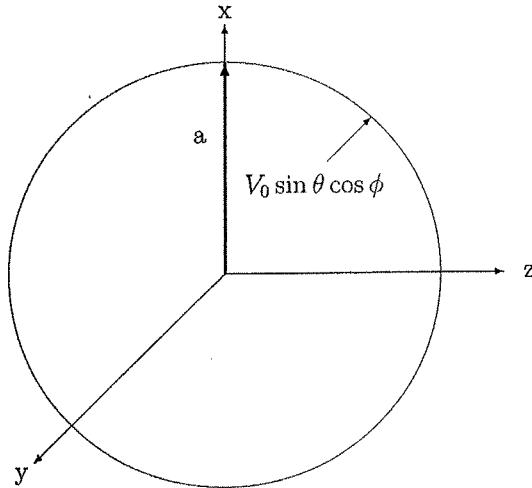




4. A current balance consists of two very long rigid parallel wires of lengths  $L$  that are connected at each end by springs (see the figure). The spring constant of both springs is  $k$  and the equilibrium distance between the wires,  $d(I)$ , depends on the current. Assume  $d \ll L$ .

- [2 pts] If a current  $I$  flows through the closed circuit of the 2 wires and 2 springs, find an expression for the magnetic induction  $B_1(2)$  created by the first wire at the location of the second. What is the direction of this  $B_1(2)$  field (give the direction as up, down, left, right, into, or out of the page)?
- [2 pts] Find an expression for the magnetic force  $\mathbf{F}_1(2)$  on the second wire due to the  $B_1(2)$ . What is the direction of this force?
- [2 pts] Find an expression for the magnetic force  $\mathbf{F}_2(1)$  on the first wire due to the magnetic induction created by the second. What is the direction of this force?
- [4 pts] Are the springs stretched or compressed from equilibrium? Using the above results, find an expression for the current as a function of the amount the springs are stretch/compressed.

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5. In spherical polar coordinates the solution to the Laplace equation  $\nabla^2 \Phi(r, \theta, \phi) = 0$ , for a spherical region  $r_1 < r < r_2$  can be expanded in terms of spherical harmonics in the following form:

$$\Phi(r, \theta, \phi) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell=\infty} \left( A_{\ell,m} r^\ell + \frac{B_{\ell,m}}{r^{\ell+1}} \right) Y_\ell^m(\theta, \phi),$$

where  $A_{\ell,m}$  and  $B_{\ell,m}$  are constants.

- (a) [3 pts] If the potential  $\Phi(r, \theta, \phi)$  is given on a sphere  $r = a$  but satisfies the laplace equation everywhere else, what is the form of the potential inside ( $0 \leq r < a$ ) the sphere? Outside ( $a < r < \infty$ ) the sphere?
- (b) [7 pts] For the particular potential given in the figure,  $\Phi(r = a, \theta, \phi) = V_0 \sin \theta \cos \phi$ , what is the potential inside the sphere? Outside ( $a < r < \infty$ ) the sphere?

Recall that the spherical harmonics are ortho-normal on the sphere and for  $\ell = 1$

$$Y_1^{-1}(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin \theta e^{-i\phi},$$

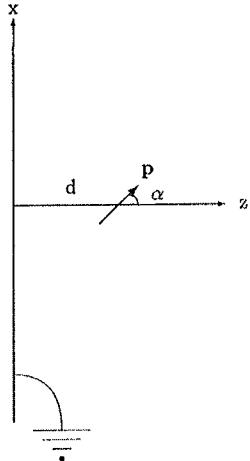
$$Y_1^0(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \cos \theta,$$

$$Y_1^1(\theta, \phi) = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin \theta e^{i\phi}.$$

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E+M #5

Gaussian



6. A point dipole with dipole moment  $\mathbf{p} = p(\sin \alpha \hat{x} + \cos \alpha \hat{z})$  is located on the z-axis a distance  $d$  from a large flat grounded conducting plate situated in the  $z=0$  plane (see the figure).

- [2 pts] The part of the total potential in the region  $z > 0$  caused by the induced surface charge on the grounded conductor at  $z = 0$  is the same as the potential of an image dipole. What is the dipole moment  $\mathbf{p}_i$  of the image dipole and where is it located?
- [3 pts] What is the total electrostatic potential in the region  $z \geq 0$ ?
- [3 pts] How much work must be done to remove the dipole from  $z = d$  to  $z = +\infty$ ?
- [2 pts] When at  $z = d$  what force does the dipole experience?

Hint: The electrostatic potential caused by an ideal point dipole located at the origin ( $\mathbf{r} = 0$ ) with dipole moment  $\mathbf{p} = p^x \hat{x} + p^y \hat{y} + p^z \hat{z}$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_G(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}}{r^3} && \text{Gaussian units} \\ \Phi_{SI}(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}}{r^3} && \text{SI units}\end{aligned}$$

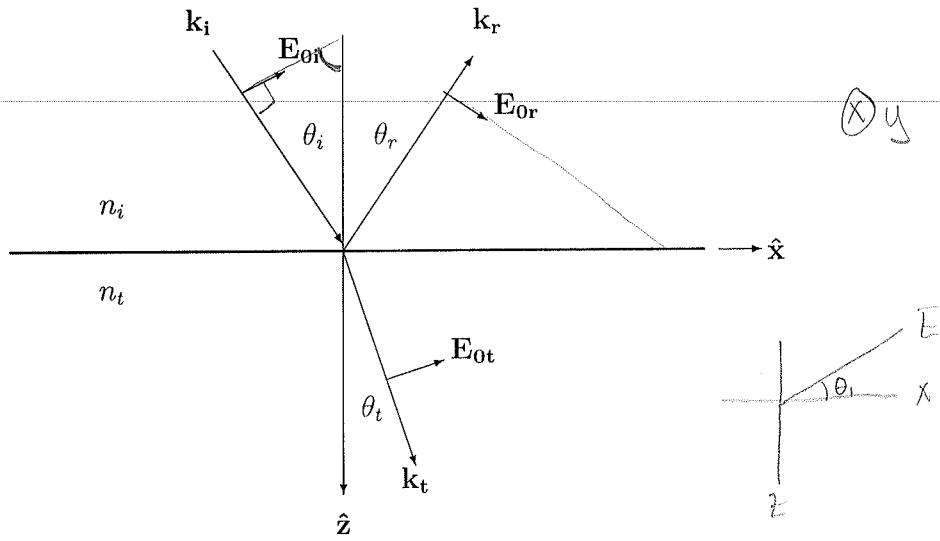
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1. A plane monochromatic electromagnetic wave of wave vector  $\mathbf{k}_i$ , amplitude  $\mathbf{E}_{0i}$ , and angular frequency  $\omega$  is incident at the planar interface of two dielectric, non-magnetic ( $\mu = \mu_0$  in SI units), non-absorbing media (i.e., have real indices of refraction  $n_i$  and  $n_t$ ). The angle of incidence is equal to  $\theta_i$ . Part of the incident wave is reflected at an angle  $\theta_r = \theta_i$  and part of it is transmitted into the second medium at a transmission angle  $\theta_t$ . Assume the electric fields of the incident, reflected, and refracted waves lie in the plane of incidence as shown in the figure. Assume coordinates are chosen so that the dielectric interface is the  $z = 0$  plane and the polarization is in the  $x$ - $z$  plane.

- (a) [2 pts] Use Maxwell's equations to derive an expression for the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  associated with a plane monochromatic electromagnetic wave whose electric field is

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_0 \exp i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)$$

traveling in a homogeneous material described by a real index of refraction  $n$ . Give the relationship of  $|\mathbf{k}|$  to  $\omega$ .

- (b) [2 pts] From the above figure give  $\mathbf{k}_i$ ,  $\mathbf{k}_r$ , and  $\mathbf{k}_t$  in terms of their  $\hat{x}$  and  $\hat{z}$  components, and evaluate  $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}$  in the  $z = 0$  plane.
- (c) [1 pts] From the above figure give  $\mathbf{E}_{0i}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_{0r}$ , and  $\mathbf{E}_{0t}$  in terms of their  $\hat{x}$  and  $\hat{z}$  components.
- (d) [1 pts] State the 4 boundary conditions satisfied by the fields  $\mathbf{E}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$ , and  $\mathbf{D}$  at the above  $z = 0$  junction.
- (e) [1 pts] Use one of these junction conditions to prove Snell's law,  $n_t \sin \theta_t = n_i \sin \theta_i$  (only 2 of the 4 are independent).
- (f) [3 pts] Use two of the junction conditions to determine the ratio of the magnitude of the amplitudes of the reflected and transmitted to the incident electric fields, i.e., evaluate  $|\mathbf{E}_{0r}|/|\mathbf{E}_{0i}|$  and  $|\mathbf{E}_{0t}|/|\mathbf{E}_{0i}|$  as shown in the figure.

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# E + M #1

SI

\* Remember:

$$\nabla \cdot D = \rho_f$$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times H - \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} = \vec{J}_f$$

$$D = \epsilon E$$

$$n = \sqrt{\mu \epsilon_r} = c/v$$

$$B = \mu H$$

$$\mu = \mu_0 \Rightarrow \mu_r = 1$$

a) To determine the relationship b/w  $|k|$  and  $\omega$ , we derive the wave equation

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times E + \frac{\partial B}{\partial t}) = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times E + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times B = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \nabla(\nabla \cdot E) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mu (\nabla \times H) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mu \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} D \right) = 0 \quad (\text{no free charges / currents})$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} E = 0$$

\* Given  $\vec{E} = E_0 \exp[i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} E = -\omega^2 E_0 \exp[i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$$

$$-\nabla^2 E = \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) E_0 \exp[i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$$

$$= |k|^2 E_0 \exp[i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$$

$$|k|^2 - n^2 \omega^2 = 0 \Rightarrow |k| = n \omega$$

b)  $\vec{k}_i = \langle \sin \theta_i, 0, \cos \theta_i \rangle |k_i|$

$$\vec{k}_r = \langle \sin \theta_r, 0, -\cos \theta_r \rangle |k_r|$$

$$\vec{k}_t = \langle \sin \theta_t, 0, \cos \theta_t \rangle |k_t|$$

## #1 (cont.)

b)  $k_c \cdot r = k_i \times \sin \theta_i$

$$k_r \cdot r = k_r \times \sin \theta_r$$

$$k_t \cdot r = k_t \times \sin \theta_t$$

$r = (x, y, 0)$  b/c in  $z=0$  plane

c)  $\vec{E}$  must be perpendicular to  $\vec{k}$

$$\vec{E}_i = E_{0,i} \langle \cos \theta_i, 0, -\sin \theta_i \rangle$$

$$\vec{E}_r = E_{0,r} \langle \cos \theta_r, 0, \sin \theta_r \rangle$$

$$\vec{E}_t = E_{0,t} \langle \cos \theta_t, 0, -\sin \theta_t \rangle$$

d) Our boundary conditions are:

$$\textcircled{1} D_1^+ = D_2^+ = 0_f$$

$$\textcircled{3} B_1^+ = B_2^+ = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} E_1'' = E_2'' = 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} H_1'' = H_2'' = k_r \cdot \frac{1}{m_0}$$

\* However, since there are no free charges

$D \cdot \hat{n}$ ,  $B \cdot \hat{n}$ ,  $E \times \hat{n}$ ,  $H \times \hat{n}$  are all continuous

e) Using boundary condition  $\textcircled{1}$ :

$$\epsilon_1 E_1 \cdot \hat{z} = \epsilon_2 E_2 \cdot \hat{z}$$

$$\epsilon_1 (E_i + E_r) \cdot \hat{z} = \epsilon_2 (E_t \cdot \hat{z})$$

$$\epsilon_1 (-E_{0,i} \sin \theta_i + E_{0,r} \sin \theta_r) \exp[i(x k_i \sin \theta_i - wt)] = \epsilon_2 E_t \sin \theta_t \exp[i(k_t \sin \theta_t - wt)]$$

$$x k_i \sin \theta_i = x k_t \sin \theta_t$$

$$n_i \sin \theta_i = n_t \sin \theta_t$$

## #1 (cont.)

f) \* From part e we know

$$E_i (E_r - E_i) \sin \theta_i = E_t E_t \sin \theta_t$$

$$n_i^2 \epsilon_0 (E_r - E_i) \sin \theta_i = n_t^2 \epsilon_0 E_t \sin \theta_t$$

\* Using our  $E \times \hat{n}$  boundary condition:

$$(E_i + E_r) \cos \theta_i = E_t \cos \theta_t$$

\* Thus:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad n_i (E_r - E_i) = n_t E_t$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (E_i + E_r) \cos \theta_i = E_t \cos \theta_t$$

\* Solving for  $E_r$ :

$$(E_i + E_r) \cos \theta_i = \frac{n_i}{n_t} (E_r - E_i) \cos \theta_t$$

$$E_i (\cos \theta_i + \frac{n_i}{n_t} \cos \theta_t) = E_r (\frac{n_i \cos \theta_t}{n_t} - \cos \theta_i)$$

$$\frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{\frac{n_i}{n_t} \cos \theta_t + \cos \theta_i}{\cos \theta_i - \frac{n_i}{n_t} \cos \theta_t} = \frac{n_i \cos \theta_t + n_t \cos \theta_i}{n_t \cos \theta_i - n_i \cos \theta_t}$$

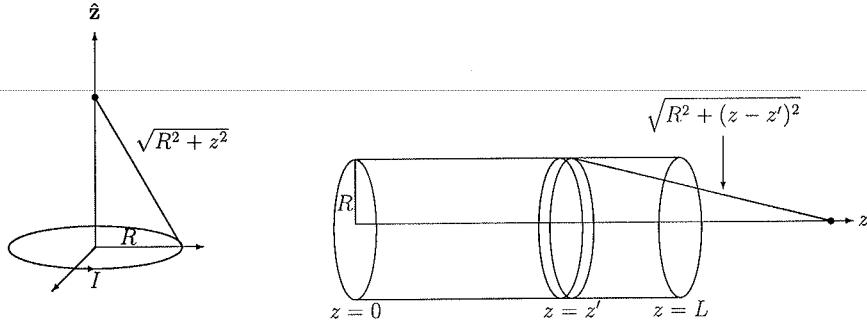
\* Solving for  $E_t$

$$E_r = \frac{n_t}{n_i} E_t + E_i$$

$$(E_i + \frac{n_t}{n_i} E_t) \cos \theta_i = E_t \cos \theta_t$$

$$2E_i \cos \theta_i = E_t (\cos \theta_t - \frac{n_t}{n_i} \cos \theta_i)$$

$$\frac{E_t}{E_i} = \frac{\cos \theta_t - \frac{n_t}{n_i} \cos \theta_i}{2 \cos \theta_i}$$



2. (a) [3 pts] A circular loop of radius  $R$ , centered on the origin and  $z = 0$  plane, carries a current  $I$ . Find the magnetic field  $B$  on the axis of the loop as a function of the distance  $z$  from the center of the loop.
- (b) [4 pts] Use the result of part (a) to find  $B$  along the axis of a solenoid of radius  $R$  and length  $L$ , uniformly wound with  $n = N/L$  turns per unit length.
- (c) [3 pts] Assume that instead of a solenoid you had a cylinder of radius  $R$  and length  $L$  made out of a piece of uniformly magnetized iron with magnetization  $\mathbf{M}$  pointing along the axis of the solenoid. Use the solution of part (b) to calculate the magnetic field strength  $\mathbf{H}$  and the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  along the axis of the cylinder, both inside and outside.

HINTS:

$$\int \frac{dw}{[R^2 + w^2]^{3/2}} = \frac{w}{\sqrt{R^2 + w^2}} + \text{constant}.$$

The bound volume and surface current densities associated with a smooth magnetization density are respectively

$$\mathbf{J}_b|_{SI} = \nabla \times \mathbf{M},$$

and

$$\mathbf{K}_b|_{SI} = \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{n},$$

where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the outward unit normal at the magnet's boundary. The Gaussian expressions for  $\mathbf{J}_b$  and  $\mathbf{K}_b$  contain an additional factor of  $c$  in the numerators.

a) We can use Biot-Savart Law to determine  $\vec{B}$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J} \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{(r - r')^3} d\vec{l}$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int dl \hat{\phi} \times \frac{(r - r')}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

\* evaluate cross product:

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{r} & \hat{\phi} & \hat{z} \\ R & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & dl & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle zdl, 0, Rdl \rangle$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{IRdl}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \quad (\text{ignore } \hat{r} \text{ component due to symmetry})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\mu_0 2\pi R^2 I}{4\pi} \frac{1}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I R^2}{2(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \end{aligned}$$

b) \* Typically, when going from current loop to solenoid,  $I \rightarrow I_n dz$ . Also, because our solenoid is of a finite length,  $z \rightarrow z - z'$

$$\hookrightarrow dB = \frac{\mu_0 n I dz' R^2}{2(R^2 - (z - z')^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}$$

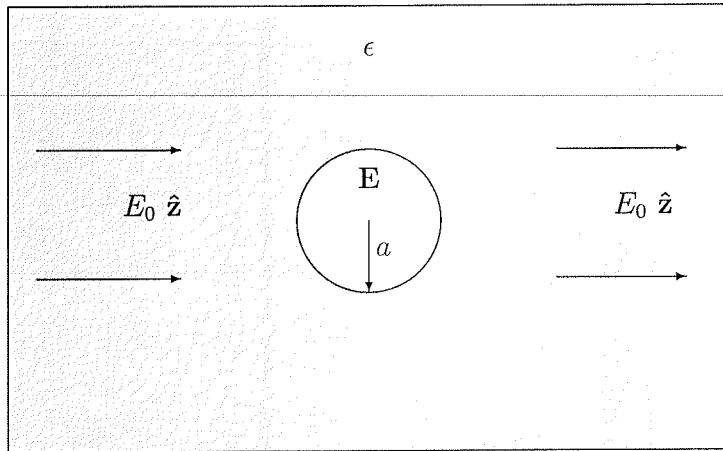
$$B = \frac{\mu_0 n I}{2} \int_0^L \frac{R^2 dz' \hat{z}}{(R^2 - (z - z')^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 n I R^2}{2} \left[ \frac{z'}{(R^2 + (z - z')^2)^{1/2}} \right]_0^L$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 n I R^2 L}{2(R^2 + (z - L)^2)^{1/2}}$$

#2 (cont.)

c)



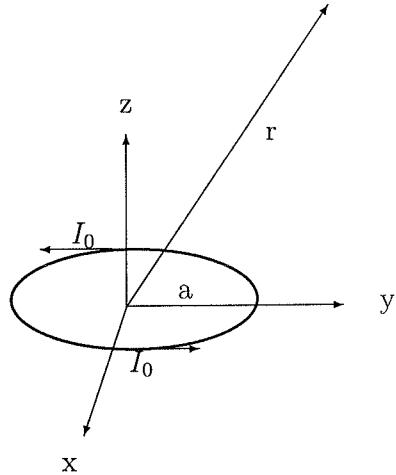
3. A small spherical vacuum bubble of radius  $a$  exists inside an otherwise homogeneous dielectric material whose electric polarization properties are described by a constant permitivity  $\epsilon$ . Assume the bubble is centered on the origin and that the electric field far from vacuum bubble but still in the homogeneous material is of the form  $\mathbf{E} = E_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ . Because of the axial symmetry the electrostatic potential  $\Phi(r, \theta)$  for this problem can be written as a linear combination of constants times Legendre polynomials.
- [2 pts] What are the boundary conditions satisfied by the fields  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{D}$  fields , and the potential  $\Phi$  at the junction  $r = a$ ?
  - [2 pts] Give the electrostatic potential inside the bubble as a combination of constants and Legendre polynomials (keep only non-vanishing  $\ell$  terms).
  - [2 pts] Give the electrostatic potential outside the bubble as a combination of constants and Legendre polynomials (keep only non-vanishing  $\ell$  terms).
  - [2 pts] Use the boundary conditions at the  $r = a$  junction from part (a) to evaluate the non-vanishing constants in parts (b) and (c).
  - [2 pts] Express the electric field outside the bubble as an electric dipole field plus the uniform field  $E_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  and give the value of the dipole moment.

4. (a) [2 pts] Write down any vector potential that produces the uniform magnetic induction

$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}.$$

- (b) [4 pts] What is the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  and an associated vector potential  $\mathbf{A}$  ( $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$ ) produced by a very long wire located on the  $z$ -axis and carrying a current  $I_0$  in the  $+z$  direction?
- (c) [4 pts] A small circular loop of wire of radius  $a$ , centered at the origin and lying in the  $z = 0$  plane, carries a current  $I_0$  as shown in the figure. Derive an approximate expression for the vector potential at large distances ( $r \gg a$ ) from the loop. Recall that

$$\frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \approx \frac{1}{r} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{r}'}{r^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{r'}{r}\right)^2 \right\}$$



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## E+M #4

a) We know that  $\nabla \times A = B$ , therefore if  $B_z = B_0 \hat{z}$

$$\begin{aligned} B_z &= \partial_x A_y - \partial_y A_x \Rightarrow \text{set } A_x = 0 \\ &= \frac{\partial B_0}{\partial x} \hat{x} - \frac{\partial B_0}{\partial y} \hat{y} \\ &= \frac{B_0}{2} \hat{x} + \frac{B_0}{2} \hat{y} \\ &= B_0 \hat{z} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \left\langle -\frac{B_0}{2} y, \frac{B_0}{2} x, 0 \right\rangle$$

b) \* We first solve for B


$$\begin{aligned} \int B \cdot d\ell &= \frac{4\pi}{c} I_0 \\ B \cdot 2\pi r &= \frac{4\pi}{c} I_0 \\ B &= \frac{2I_0}{cr} \hat{\phi} \\ &= \hat{\nabla} \times \hat{A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\nabla} \times \hat{A} = \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial A_p}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial p}, \frac{1}{r} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial p} (A_y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (A_p) \right) \right\rangle$$

$\hookrightarrow$  set  $A_\phi = 0$ ;  $A_p A_z$  has no  $\phi$  dependence

$$= \frac{2I_0}{c} \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial \phi}, \frac{\partial A_p}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial p}, \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} A_p \right\rangle^0$$

$$= \frac{2I_0}{c} \langle 0, \frac{\partial A_p}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial p}, 0 \rangle$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{1}{r} = \frac{\partial A_p}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial p}$$

\* since an arbitrary A works, set  $A_p = 0$ ,

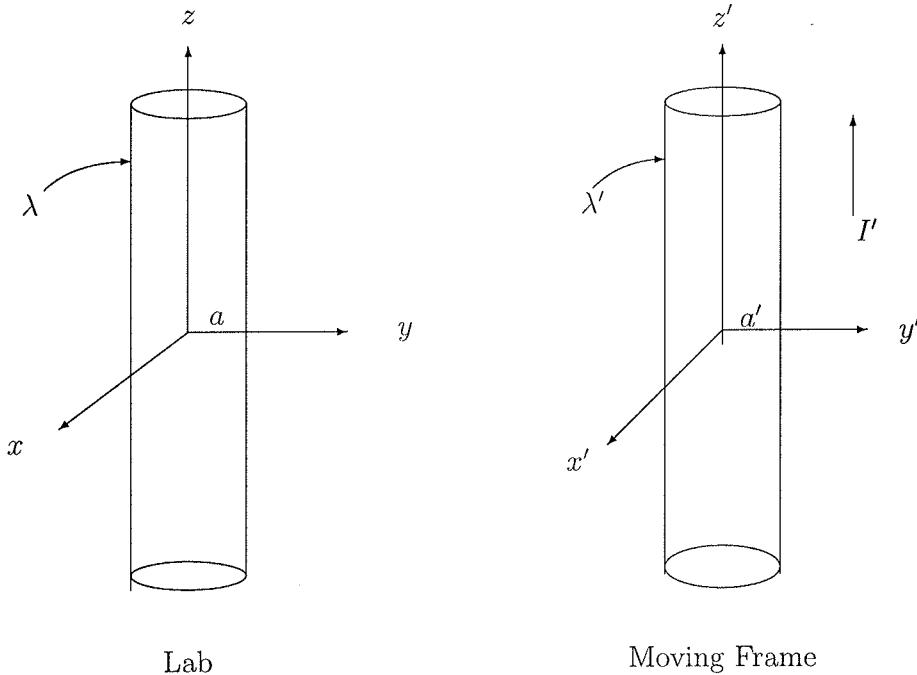
$$\int \frac{1}{r} dr = \int \partial_p A_z dp$$

$$\ln(r) = A_z$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{2I_0}{c} \langle 0, 0, \ln(r) \rangle$$

5. An infinitely long, uniformly charged wire of radius  $a$  and total charge per unit length  $\lambda$ , is at rest on the  $z$ -axis of the lab frame.

- (a) [2 pts] Compute the electric field  $\mathbf{E}(x, y, z)$  exterior to the wire in the lab frame by solving Gauss's law in that frame. What is the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}(x, y, z)$  in this frame?
- (b) [2 pts] If you are moving in the lab's negative  $z$  direction with speed  $v$  how are your spatial and time coordinates related to those of the lab's? To answer this question simply give the Lorentz boost  $x'^\sigma = L^\sigma_\mu x^\mu$  that relates the two sets of coordinates.
- (c) [2 pts] In your frame what is the radius  $a'$  of the wire? What is the charge/length  $\lambda'$  of the wire and what is the current  $I'$  in the wire?
- (d) [1 pts] Combine the  $E$  and  $B$  fields in the lab into a single electromagnetic field tensor  $F^{\alpha\beta}$  using  $F^{\sigma\mu} = -F^{\mu\sigma}$  and  $F^{0i} = -E^i$ . In Gaussian units  $F^{12} = -B^z$ ,  $F^{23} = -B^x$  and  $F^{13} = B^y$ , and in SI units  $F^{12} = -c B^z$ ,  $F^{23} = -c B^x$  and  $F^{13} = c B^y$ .
- (e) [3 pts] What electric field  $\mathbf{E}'(x', y', z')$  and what magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}'(x', y', z')$  will you measure exterior to the wire in your frame? To answer this part you can use your answers for part (c) or you can compute  $F' = LFL^T$ .



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## E + M # 5

a) From Gauss Law, we know that

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E \int da = \frac{2L}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E(2\pi r L) = \frac{2L}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2}{r} \hat{r}$$

\* However, we must convert this from cylindrical coordinates to cartesian

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\hat{r} = \cos\phi \hat{x} + \sin\phi \hat{y}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{E}(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\langle \cos\phi, \sin\phi, 0 \rangle}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

\* Since there is no moving charge in the wire,  $\vec{B} = 0$

b) In a moving frame, we know coordinates are transformed according to:

$$x'^0 = L_x^0 x^0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad x' = L_x x$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma B \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \gamma B & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma ct + \gamma B z \\ x \\ y \\ \gamma B ct + \gamma z \end{bmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad t' = \frac{\gamma}{c} (ct + Bz)$$
$$x' = x$$
$$y' = y$$
$$z' = \gamma(ct_B + z)$$

## #5 (cont.)

- c) \* Since the radius of the wire only depends on  $x$  and  $y$ , it is unchanged moving from the unprimed frame to the primed frame.

\* We can transform the current vector to find  $\lambda'$  and  $I'$

$$\vec{J} = \begin{bmatrix} c\lambda \\ J_x \\ J_y \\ J_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c\lambda \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{J}' = L_2 \vec{J}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma B \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \gamma B & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c\lambda \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c\lambda \gamma \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \gamma B c\lambda \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow c\lambda' = c\lambda \gamma \rightarrow \lambda' = \gamma \lambda \\ J_z' = \gamma B c\lambda$$

$$I' = \oint \vec{J}' \cdot d\vec{a}' \\ = J_z \cdot \pi a^2 \\ = \gamma B c \lambda \pi a^2$$

- d) In the lab (unprimed) frame, our field tensor is:

$$F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & -cB_z & cB_y \\ E_y & cB_z & 0 & -cB_x \\ E_z & -cB_y & cB_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & 0 \\ E_x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_y & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad E_x = \frac{\lambda \cos \phi}{8\pi \epsilon_0 \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \\ E_y = \frac{\lambda \sin \phi}{8\pi \epsilon_0 \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

## #S (cont.)

e) The field tensor is transformed according to:

$$F' = L F L^T$$

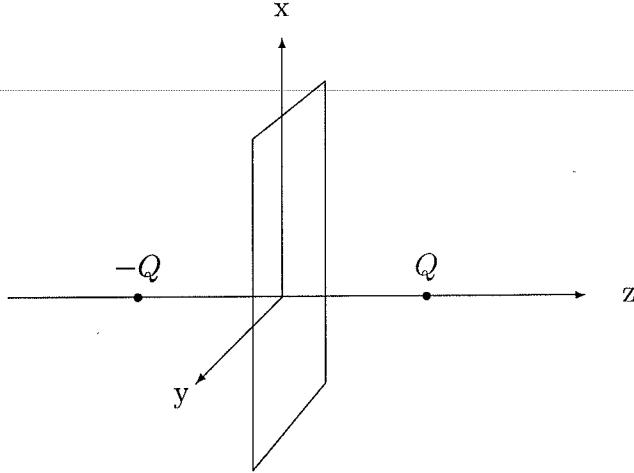
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$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 -\gamma_Ex -\gamma_Ey 0 \\ \gamma_Ex 0 0 \gamma_B Ex \\ \gamma_Ey 0 0 \gamma_B Ey \\ 0 -\gamma_B Ex -\gamma_B Ey 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} E_x' &= \gamma_Ex & E_z' &= 0 \\ E_y' &= \gamma_Ey & \\ B_y' &= \frac{\gamma_B}{c} Ex & B_z' &= 0 \\ B_x' &= -\frac{\gamma_B}{c} Ey & \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{\gamma \lambda}{2\pi \epsilon_0 \sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \langle \cos\phi \hat{x}, \sin\phi \hat{y}, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\gamma_B \lambda}{2\pi \epsilon_0 \sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \langle \sin\phi \hat{x}, -\cos\phi \hat{y}, 0 \rangle$$



6. This problem requires the use of Maxwell's stress tensor  $T_M^{ij}$ .

- (a) [3 pts] Compute Maxwell's stress tensor  $T_M^{ij}$  on the  $z = 0$  plane for a system of two equal and opposite point charges ( $\pm Q$ ) located on the  $z$ -axis at  $\mathbf{r} = (0, 0, \pm b)$  as shown in the figure. For this application

$$T_M^{ij}|_{\text{Gaussian}} = \left( \frac{1}{4\pi} \right) \left[ E^i E^j - \frac{\delta^{ij}}{2} E^2 \right],$$

or

$$T_M^{ij}|_{\text{SI}} = (\epsilon_0) \left[ E^i E^j - \frac{\delta^{ij}}{2} E^2 \right].$$

- (b) [4 pts] Evaluate the surface integral

$$\int \int T_M^{ij} dA^j = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} T_M^{iz} dx dy,$$

over the  $z = 0$  plane.

Hint: Use cylindrical polar coordinates to do the integral.

- (c) [3 pts] The following surface integral over the boundary of a closed volume  $V_3$  is the total electromagnetic force on the E&M fields and their sources contained within that volume

$$F^i = \int_{\partial V_3} T_M^{ij} dA^j.$$

Use this fact to explain your answer to part (b).

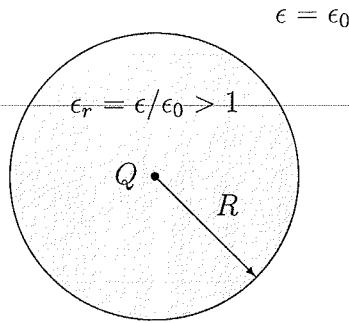
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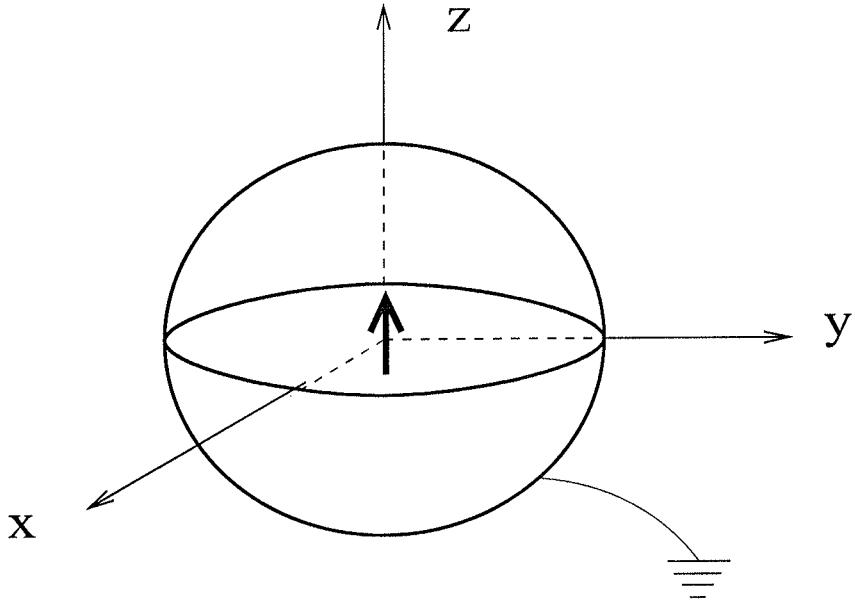
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1. A point charge  $Q$ , is embedded at the center of a sphere of linear dielectric material with electric susceptibility  $\chi_e$ , and radius  $R$ . If the sphere is centered on the origin, calculate the following:
  - (a) [2 pts] The magnitude and direction of the electric displacement  $\mathbf{D}$  inside and outside the sphere.
  - (b) [2 pts] The magnitude and direction of the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  inside and outside of the sphere.
  - (c) [2 pts] The magnitude and direction of the electric polarization  $\mathbf{P}$  inside and outside the sphere.
  - (d) [2 pts] The bound surface charge density  $\sigma_b$  on the sphere and the bound volume charge density  $\rho_b$  inside the sphere.
  - (e) [2 pts] The total bound charge on the sphere's surface and the total bound charge inside the sphere.

2. A point electric dipole with dipole moment  $\mathbf{p} = p_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  is located at the center of a thin hollow, grounded, conducting sphere of radius  $R$ .

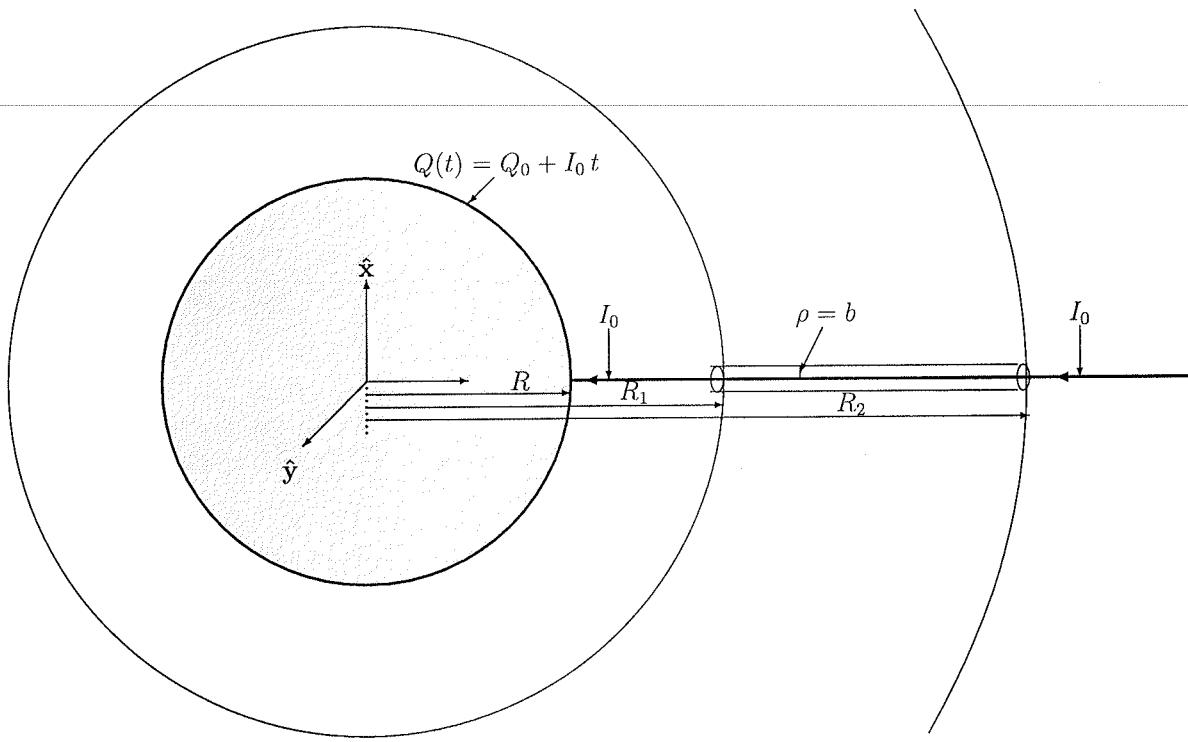


- (a) [2 pts] For general boundary conditions like those given in the figure, i.e., sources are located at the origin and the potential is given at  $r = R$ , a solution to the Laplace equation in spherical-polar coordinates with azimuthal symmetry ( $\nabla^2 \Phi(r, \theta) = 0$  with no  $\phi$  dependence) can be written as a sum of Legendre polynomials

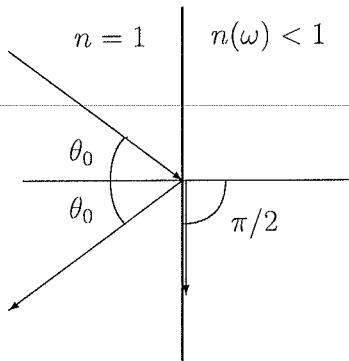
$$\Phi(r, \theta) = \sum_{\ell} f_{\ell}(r) P_{\ell}(\cos \theta).$$

Give the  $r$  dependence of each function  $f_{\ell}(r)$ .

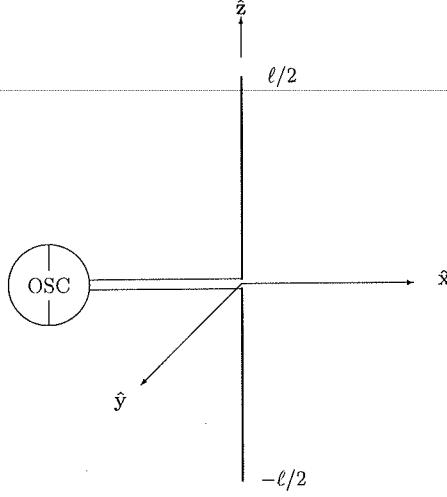
- (b) [2 pts] For the explicit boundary conditions shown in the figure what are the limiting values of the electrostatic potential at  $r = R$  and at  $r \sim 0$ ?
- (c) [2 pts] What constraints do the boundary conditions in (b) place on the functions  $f_{\ell}(r)$ ?
- (d) [2 pts] Give the electrostatic potential inside the sphere.
- (e) [2 pts] Compute the charge density  $\sigma$  on the inside surface on the grounded sphere.



3. A very thin straight wire (on the z-axis) carries a constant current  $I_0$  from infinity radially inward to a spherical conducting shell of radius  $R$  to which the wire is attached. Assume the time dependent charge on the surface of the shell is uniformly distributed and can be approximated by  $Q(t) = Q_0 + I_0 t$ . This time dependent charge causes the electric field in the space outside the sphere to increase and hence the energy density stored in electric field to increase. Neglect retardation effects when answering the following.
- [2 pts] Calculate the electric field  $\mathbf{E}(t, r)$  as a function of distance for  $r > R$  from the center of the spherical shell due to  $Q(t)$ .
  - [2 pts] Calculate the energy  $U(t)$  stored in the electric field in the region  $R_1 \leq r \leq R_2$  where  $R < R_1$ .
  - [2 pts] Calculate the magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}(r, \rho)$  caused by  $I_0$  at the surface of a thin cylinder ( $\rho = b \ll R$ ) that surrounds the wire on the z-axis ( $z > R$ ).
  - [2 pts] Use your  $\mathbf{E}(t, r)$  and  $\mathbf{B}(r, \rho)$  fields to calculate the Poynting vector on the surface of the cylinder. Assume the cylinder is so small in diameter that the electric field is approximately tangent to the cylinder's surface.
  - [2 pts] Use the Poynting vector to show that the rate energy leaves the part of the wire between  $R_1 \leq r \leq R_2$  equals the rate of change of the energy stored in the electric field calculated in (b).



4. X-rays of a fixed angular frequency  $\omega$  which are incident on a metallic surface at an angle  $\theta$  (relative to the normal) that is greater than a critical angle  $\theta_0(\omega)$  are totally reflected.
- [2 pts] Assume you know the index of refraction of the metal is  $n(\omega)$  and that it's value is less than 1. Use Snell's law to calculate the critical angle  $\theta_0(\omega)$ .
  - [3 pts] Assume the electrons in the metal behave as if they are as completely free as electrons in a plasma. As the wave penetrates into the metal each free electron is accelerated by the x-ray's time dependent electric field (a wave  $\propto E_0 e^{-i\omega t}$ ). Calculate the electron's steady state motion as a function of time in response to x-ray's electric field.
  - [2 pts] Knowing the steady steady state motion of the electrons from (b) calculate each electron's contribution to the polarization density as a function of the electric field.
  - [3 pts] Assuming the metal contains  $n_e$  free electrons per unit volume, you can now calculate the index of refraction  $n(\omega)$  caused by the free electrons. Assume that  $\mu = \mu_0$  and that only the electrons are contributing to  $\epsilon$ .



5. Consider a half-wave antenna (length  $\ell = \lambda/2$ , see the figure) centered on the origin and aligned with the z-axis. The antenna is driven by an alternating signal ( $\omega/k = \nu\lambda = c$ ) applied to its center which produces a current in the antenna given by

$$\begin{aligned} I(z, t) &= I_0 \cos(kz) \sin(\omega t), |z| \leq \ell/2 \\ &= 0, |z| > \ell/2, \end{aligned}$$

- (a) [2 pts] Give a 1-dimensional integral expression for the retarded vector potential  $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r}) = A^z(t, r, \theta) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  for this antenna using

$$\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r}) = \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) \int \frac{\mathbf{J}(t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c, \mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d^3 r', \quad \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) \rightarrow \frac{1}{c} \text{ in Gaussian units.}$$

- (b) [3 pts] Evaluate your integral from (a) assuming  $|\mathbf{r}| \gg \ell$ , i.e., assume

$$|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'| = r - z' \cos \theta + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{r}\right), \text{ and } \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} = \frac{1}{r} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{r^2}\right).$$

You only need to keep these terms if you want to find the radiation part of  $\mathbf{B}$ . The form of the integral you will need to evaluate is

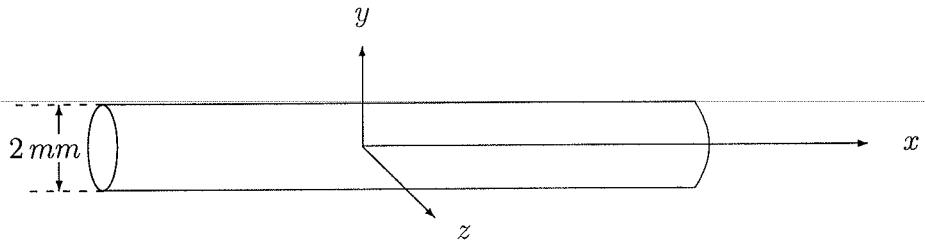
$$\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos(x) \sin(a + bx) = \frac{2 \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}b) \sin(a)}{1 - b^2}.$$

- (c) [3 pts] Calculate the radiation part of  $\mathbf{B}$  using  $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} = (\nabla A^z) \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  and the radiation part of  $\mathbf{E}$  using

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{rad}} = (c) \mathbf{B}_{\text{rad}} \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}, \quad (c) \rightarrow 1 \text{ in Gaussian units.}$$

Remember that the radiation parts are those that are  $\propto 1/r$  for large  $r \gg \ell$ . Also recall that  $\nabla \theta \propto 1/r$  and  $\nabla(1/r) \propto 1/r^2$

- (d) [2 pts] Calculate the time average of the Poynting vector  $\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle$  as a function of  $(r, \theta)$  for  $r \gg \ell$  and plot (sketch)  $|\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle|$  as a function of  $\theta$  with  $r = \text{constant}$ .



6. A green laser pointer (wavelength = 550 nano-meters) has a power of 50 milliwatts with a 2 millimeter beam diameter. Assume the beam can be represented by a plane electromagnetic wave with fields

$$\begin{aligned} E^y &= E_0 \sin(kx - \omega t), \\ B^z &= B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t), \end{aligned}$$

confined to a cylinder of diameter 2 mm. As with any wave the wave number  $k$  is related to wavelength  $\lambda$  by  $k = 2\pi/\lambda$  and  $\omega$  is related to the frequency  $f$  by  $\omega = 2\pi f$ .

- (a) [2 pts] If the beam travels in vacuum use Maxwell's equations to find the numerical value of  $f$  and to relate  $B_0$  to  $E_0$ .
- (b) [3 pts] Compute the Poynting vector and the energy density at time  $t$  and position  $\mathbf{r}$  for the above wave as a function of  $E_0$ .
- (c) [2 pts] What is the time average of the above two quantities at a position within the beam?
- (d) [3 pts] Use one or both of the above time-averages and the known 50 milliwatt power of the laser to determine the amplitudes  $E_0$  and  $B_0$ .

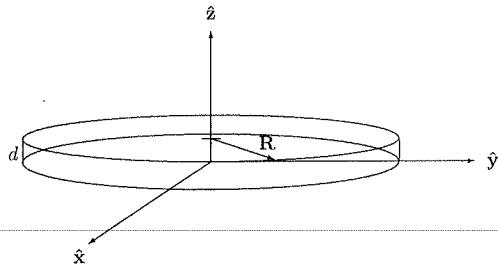
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1. A large flat thin disk of linear magnetic material of thickness  $d$  and radius  $R \gg d$  which has magnetic permeability  $\mu$  is placed in a uniform magnetic field  $\mathbf{H} = H_0\hat{\mathbf{z}}$  as shown in the figure. The bottom of the slab is in the x-y plane at  $z = 0$  and the top is at  $z = d$ . Assume the source of the uniform magnetic field is far away and assume the slab is infinite ( $R \rightarrow \infty$ ) in the x-y directions. In addition to possessing a linear magnetic susceptibility  $\chi_m$  related to the materials permeability, the slab also possesses a **uniform permanent magnetization**  $M_0\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ , producing a total magnetization density

$$\mathbf{M} = \chi_m \mathbf{H} + M_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad \text{where} \quad \chi_m^{SI} = 4\pi \chi_m^G.$$

Recall that in SI (mks) and Gaussian (cgs) units

$$\mathbf{B}^{SI} = \mu_0(\mathbf{H}^{SI} + \mathbf{M}^{SI}), \quad \mathbf{B}^G = \mathbf{H}^G + 4\pi\mathbf{M}^G.$$

- (a) [1 pts] In this problem you are to write the magnetic field  $\mathbf{H}$  as the gradient of a scalar potential

$$\mathbf{H} = -\nabla\Phi_M.$$

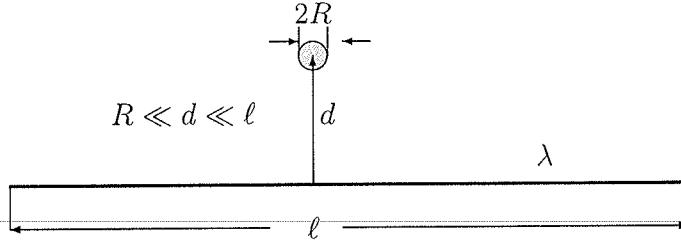
Explain why you can do this.

- (b) [3 pts] What is the form of the Poisson equation satisfied by  $\Phi_M$  inside and outside the slab, i.e.,

$$\nabla^2\Phi_M = ?$$

Solve this equation for the 3 spatial regions separated by  $z \neq 0$  and  $z \neq d$ . Observe that there is no x or y dependence in this problem. Make sure your  $\Phi_M$  far above and below the slab produces the uniform magnetic field  $\mathbf{H} = H_0\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ .

- (c) [2 pts] What general boundary conditions are satisfied by  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  at the two junctions  $z = 0$  and  $z = d$ . What conditions are placed on  $\Phi_M$  and its z-derivative by these junction conditions for this particular problem?
- (d) [2 pts] Use your solutions from (b) and boundary conditions from (c) to find  $\Phi_M$  inside and outside the slab.
- (e) [2 pts] Calculate  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  inside and outside the slab.



2. Consider a tiny sphere of radius  $R$ , composed of a linear dielectric material of susceptibility  $\chi_e$  and permittivity  $\epsilon$  which is a distance  $d$  from a thin but very long ( $R \ll d \ll \ell$ ) wire possessing a uniform line charge per unit length  $\lambda$ . Recall that

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E} \quad \text{where} \quad \epsilon^G = \epsilon^{SI}/\epsilon_0 = 1 + \chi_e^{SI} = 1 + 4\pi\chi_e^G$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \chi_e \mathbf{E} \quad \text{where} \quad \chi_e^{SI} = 4\pi\chi_e^G$$

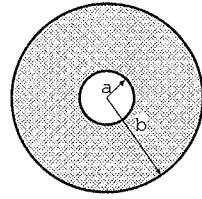
$$\mathbf{D}^{SI} = \epsilon_0(\mathbf{E}^{SI} + \mathbf{P}^{SI}), \quad \mathbf{D}^G = \mathbf{E}^G + 4\pi\mathbf{P}^G$$

The electrostatic potential for a point dipole at the origin is

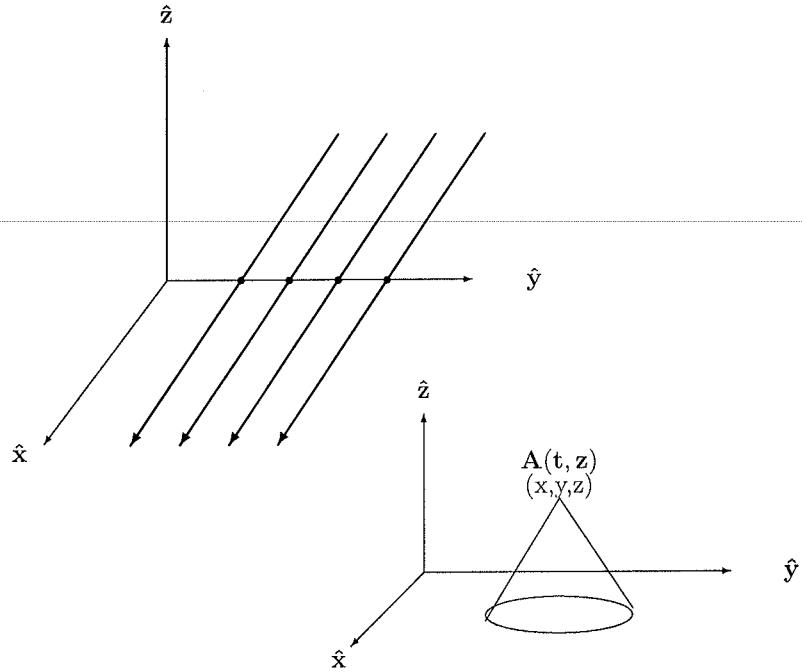
$$\Phi^{SI} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}}{r^3},$$

$$\Phi^G = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}}{r^3},$$

- (a) [2 pts] Calculate the magnitude of the electric field  $E_{wire}$  at the center of the sphere caused by the charge on the wire.
- (b) [2 pts] As an approximation, assume the dielectric sphere is centered at the origin in a uniform electric field of the form  $E_{wire} \hat{x}$ . The polarization charge induced on the sphere's surface produces an electric dipole field  $\mathbf{E}_{dipole}$  outside the sphere and makes a uniform contribution to the net uniform field  $E_0 \hat{x}$  that exists inside the sphere. Give an expression for the electric dipole field  $\mathbf{E}_{dipole}$  as a function of the sphere's uniform polarization density  $\mathbf{P}$  if the dipole is oriented in the  $\hat{x}$  direction, i.e., if  $\mathbf{p} = p_0 \hat{x} = 4/3 \pi R^3 \mathbf{P}$ .
- (c) [3 pts] What boundary conditions must  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{D}$  satisfy at the sphere's surface? Use these boundary conditions to calculate the net electric dipole moment  $p_0 \hat{x}$  of the sphere?
- (d) [3 pts] Compute the force exerted on the sphere by the wire by computing the force on a point dipole in the non-uniform electric field caused by the wire. Is the sphere attracted or repelled by the charged wire?



3. Consider two concentric conducting spherical shells of radii  $a$  and  $b$  with  $b > a$ . The space between the two shells is a filled with Ohmic material of constant conductivity  $\sigma$ , permittivity  $\epsilon_0$ , and permuability  $\mu_0$ . The system is charged such that at time  $t = 0$  the inner conductor has charge  $+Q_0$  and the outer conductor has charge  $-Q_0$ . At times  $t > 0$  the charge will flow from the inner shell to the outer shell.
- [2 pts] Use Gauss's law to relate the electric field  $\mathbf{E}(t, \mathbf{r})$  between the plates to the charge  $Q(t)$  on the inner plate.
  - [4 pts] Use the conservation of charge and
- $$\mathbf{J}(t, \mathbf{r}) = \sigma \mathbf{E}(t, \mathbf{r}),$$
- to find  $Q(t)$ .
- [2 pts] Use Faraday's law and your electric field to show that  $\mathbf{B}(t, \mathbf{r}) = 0$ .
  - [2 pts] Confirm that Ampère's law is satisfied.



4. A uniform sheet of current in the  $(x, y)$  plane at  $z = 0$  suddenly turns on at  $t = 0$  and has a surface current density

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{K}(t, \mathbf{r}) &= 0, & t < 0, \\ \mathbf{K}(t, \mathbf{r}) &= K_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}}, & t \geq 0,\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

where  $K_0$  has units of current/length. The corresponding volume current density is

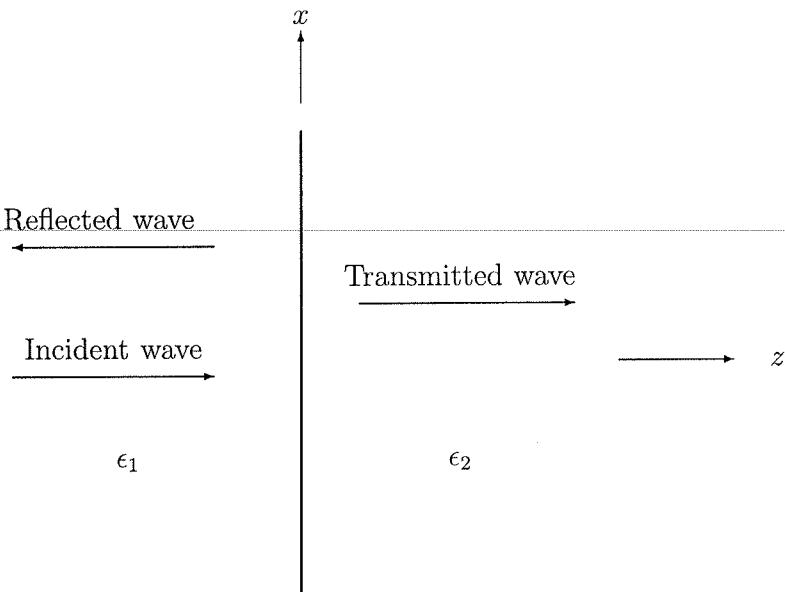
$$\mathbf{J}(t, \mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{K}(t, \mathbf{r}) \delta(z).$$

The retarded vector potential in SI units and in the Lorentz gauge for an arbitrary current source can be found by integrating

$$\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r}) = \left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi}\right) \int \frac{\mathbf{J}(t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c, \mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d^3 r'.$$

In Gaussian units the factor  $\mu_0/4\pi$  is replaced by  $1/c$ .

- (a) [4 pts] In cylindrical polar coordinates evaluate 2 of the 3 integrals in the above expression for  $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$ , i.e., integrate over  $z'$  and  $\phi'$  leaving  $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$  as an integral over the single coordinate  $\rho'$ .
- (b) [3 pts] Evaluate the  $\rho'$  integral giving  $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$  as a function of  $t$  and  $z$  only.
- (c) [3 pts] Compute the magnetic induction from your vector potential.



5. A linearly-polarized harmonic ( $e^{-i\omega t}$ ) plane electromagnetic wave traveling to the right in a homogeneous dielectric medium described by a real dielectric constant  $\epsilon_1$ , strikes a second homogeneous dielectric material described by another real dielectric constant  $\epsilon_2 > \epsilon_1$  (see the figure). Assume that both materials have no magnetic susceptibility,  $\chi_m = 0$ , and that the incidence angle is  $0^\circ$  (i.e., the wave is traveling perpendicular to the junction). Assume the incoming wave is polarized in the  $\hat{x}$  direction and that its electric field amplitude is  $E_0$ , i.e., assume the incoming electric field is the real part of

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{x}.$$

- (a) [2 pts] Give the direction of the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  associated with the above incoming wave and give its amplitude  $B_0$  as a function of  $E_0$ . Also give  $k$  as a function of  $\omega$ .
- (b) [2 pts] Give similar expressions for  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  of the reflected and transmitted waves. Use  $E''_0$  and  $E'_0$  for the respective electric field amplitudes of the reflected and transmitted waves.
- (c) [3 pts] Apply the boundary conditions at the junction/interface between the dielectrics to the incoming, reflected, and transmitted wave to compute  $E''_0$  and  $E'_0$  as functions of  $E_0$  and the two dielectric constants  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$ .
- (d) [3 pts] Evaluate the reflection and transmission coefficients,  $R$  and  $T$ , for above waves. Recall that  $R$  and  $T$  are computed from ratios of time averaged Poynting vectors which are defined by

$$\mathbf{S} \equiv \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}, \quad (SI)$$

$$\mathbf{S} \equiv \frac{c}{4\pi} \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}. \quad (Gaussian)$$

a) \* To find relationship b/w  $k$  and  $\omega$ , we derive wave equation

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t}) = 0$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times E) - \nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} (\nabla \times B) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} (\nabla \times H) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{\mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} E = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{\mu c}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} E = 0$$

\* Given  $\vec{E} = E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)] \hat{x}$

$$k^2 E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)] - \frac{\mu}{c^2} \omega^2 E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)] = 0$$

$$k^2 - \frac{\mu c}{c^2} \omega^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{\sqrt{\mu c}}{c} \omega$$

$$\vec{B} = c \int \nabla \times E \, dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times E &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ E_0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (0, 0, 0) \\ &= ik E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)] \hat{z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{B} = \int i k c E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)] \, dt \hat{z}$$

$$= \frac{ikc}{\omega} E_0 \exp[i(kz - \omega t)] \hat{z}$$

b) \* For the reflected wave:

$$\vec{E}_r = E_0'' \exp[i(k''z - \omega t)] \hat{x} \quad \vec{B}_r = -\frac{k''c}{\omega} E_0'' \exp[i(-k''z - \omega t)] \hat{y}$$

\* For the transmitted wave:

$$\vec{E}_t = E_0' \exp[i(k'z - \omega t)] \hat{x} \quad \vec{B}_t = \frac{k'c}{\omega} E_0' \exp[i(k'z - \omega t)] \hat{y}$$

## H5 (cont.)

c) \* In general, our boundary conditions are:

$$\textcircled{1} D_1^+ - D_2^+ = 4\pi \Omega_f \quad \textcircled{3} B_1^+ - B_2^+ = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} E_1'' - E_2'' = 0 \quad \textcircled{4} H_1'' - H_2'' = 4\pi \vec{K}_f$$

\* Using conditions  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{4}$  we generate the following system of equations

$$\textcircled{1} E_0 + E_0'' = E_0'$$

$$\textcircled{2} \frac{ck}{\omega} E_0 - \frac{ck}{\omega} E_0'' = \frac{ck'}{\omega} E_0'$$

$$* k = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon}}{c} \omega$$

$$\sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0 - \sqrt{\epsilon_2} E_0'' = \sqrt{\epsilon_2} E_0'$$

$$\sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0 - \sqrt{\epsilon_1} (E_0' - E_0) = \sqrt{\epsilon_2} E_0'$$

$$2\sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0 - \sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0' = \sqrt{\epsilon_2} E_0'$$

$$2\sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0 = (\sqrt{\epsilon_1} + \sqrt{\epsilon_2}) E_0' \Rightarrow E_0' = \frac{2\sqrt{\epsilon_1} E_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_1} + \sqrt{\epsilon_2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_0'' = E_0' - E_0$$

$$= E_0 \left( \frac{2\sqrt{\epsilon_1}}{\sqrt{\epsilon_1} + \sqrt{\epsilon_2}} - 1 \right)$$

$$d) R = \frac{\langle |S''| \rangle}{\langle |S'| \rangle} \quad T = \frac{\langle |S'| \rangle}{\langle |S''| \rangle}$$

\* in both cases  $E, H$  are scaled by factors found in part c, therefore  $R, T$  are those ratios squared

$$R = \left( \frac{2\sqrt{\epsilon_1}}{\sqrt{\epsilon_1} + \sqrt{\epsilon_2}} \right)^2 \quad T = \left( \frac{2\sqrt{\epsilon_1}}{\sqrt{\epsilon_1} + \sqrt{\epsilon_2}} \right)^2$$

6. In the lab you measure a uniform electric field and a uniform magnetic induction

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0(\cos 45^\circ \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin 45^\circ \hat{\mathbf{y}}),$$

$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}},$$

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where  $B_0 = E_0$  in Gaussian units or  $B_0 = E_0/c$  in SI units. The goal of this problem is to compute the  $\mathbf{E}'$  and  $\mathbf{B}'$  fields an observer sees if moving relative to the lab with a velocity  $\mathbf{v} = v_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ .

- (a) [2 pts] Combine  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  into a single  $4 \times 4$  anti-symmetric electro-magnetic field tensor  $F^{\alpha\beta}$ .
- (b) [2 pts] Give the  $4 \times 4$  Lorentz boost  $L_\beta^\alpha$  that transforms the lab coordinates  $(ct, x, y, z)$  into the moving frame's coordinates  $(ct', x', y', z')$  i.e.,  $x'^\alpha = L_\beta^\alpha x^\beta$  where  $x^\beta = (ct, x, y, z)$ . In matrix notation  $x' = L x$ .
- (c) [3 pts] Find  $\mathbf{E}'$  and  $\mathbf{B}'$  by boosting the  $\mathbf{F}$  tensor, i.e., compute  $F'^{\alpha\beta} = L_\sigma^\alpha L_\lambda^\beta F^{\sigma\lambda}$  which in matrix notation is  $F' = LFL^\top$
- (d) [3 pts] For what value of  $v_0$  will  $\mathbf{E}'$  and  $\mathbf{B}'$  be parallel?

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E+M #6

Gaussian

$$a) \vec{F}^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{E} = \langle E_0 \cos(45^\circ), E_0 \sin(45^\circ), 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{B} = \langle B_0, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -E_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 \\ E_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & 0 & -B_0 \\ 0 & 0 & B_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) \hat{L}_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\gamma \beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\gamma \beta & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}'^\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} ct' \\ x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\gamma \beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\gamma \beta & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma ct - \gamma \beta z \\ x \\ y \\ -\gamma \beta ct + \gamma z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c) \vec{F}' = \vec{L} \vec{F} \vec{L}^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta \gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta \gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -E_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 \\ E_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_0 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & 0 & -B_0 \\ 0 & 0 & B_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta \gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta \gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

## #6 (cont.)

c)  $F' = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} & -\gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} - \gamma B_0 & 0 \\ \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & -B_0 \\ 0 & \beta \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} & \beta \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} + \gamma B_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta \gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta \gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} & -\gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} - \gamma B_0 & 0 \\ \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & -\beta \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} \\ \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} + \gamma B_0 & 0 & 0 & \beta \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} \cdot B_0 \\ 0 & \beta \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} & \beta \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} + \gamma B_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \langle \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2}, \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} + \gamma B_0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{B} = \langle \beta \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2} + \gamma B_0, \beta \gamma E_0/\sqrt{2}, 0 \rangle$$

d) \* Because we are in Gaussian units,  $E_0 = B_0$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = E_0 \langle \gamma/\sqrt{2}, \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} + \gamma, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{B} = E_0 \langle \beta/\sqrt{2} + \gamma, \beta/\sqrt{2}, 0 \rangle$$

$$\frac{\beta \gamma}{\sqrt{2}} + \gamma = \frac{\beta \gamma}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} + 1 = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\beta + \sqrt{2} =$$

## E & M Qualifier

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  - (c) the third number is the total number of pages you used to answer **that** problem,
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1. (a) [2 pts] Write down all four of Maxwell's equations in differential form for the four fields  $\mathbf{E}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$ , and  $\mathbf{B}$ . Which two are homogeneous equations and which two are non-homogeneous equations? Which one is called Faraday's law of induction, which one is called Ampère's law, and which one is equivalent to Gauss's law?
- (b) [1 pts] Maxwell's equations simplify for fields defined in static, nonconducting, homogeneous, isotropic, and linear materials. Eliminate  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{D}$  from two of the four equations and simplify these two equations by assuming  $\mathbf{B} = \mu\mathbf{H}$ , and  $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon\mathbf{E}$ , where the permittivity  $\epsilon$  and permeability  $\mu$  are both real positive constants. (Do not assume the free charge density or the free current density vanishes.)
- (c) [2 pts] Using your Maxwell equations from part (a) explain exactly why  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  can be replaced by potentials  $\phi$  and  $\mathbf{A}$ . What freedom (non-uniqueness) exists in  $\phi$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  for a given pair of fields  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ ?
- (d) [2 pts] Replace  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  by  $\phi$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  in your four Maxwell equations of part (b) and explain how it is possible to solve them for  $\phi$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  if these quantities are not unique?
- (e) [3 pts] Given charge and current densities  $\rho(\mathbf{r}, t)$  and  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}, t)$  bounded in space (i.e., contained entirely in  $r < R$ ) and static before some early time  $t = t_0$ , simplify your Maxwell equations from part (d) by using the Coulomb ( $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$ ) gauge constraint. Give the retarded solution for  $\phi$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  to your Maxwell equations as 3-d spatial integrals.

2. Consider a capacitor composed of two thin concentric spherical metal shells, the inner one with radius  $a$  and the outer one with radius  $b$ . The region between the spherical metal shells is filled with a linear dielectric with permittivity  $\epsilon = k/r^2$ . A charge  $+Q$  exists on the inner metallic shell and  $-Q$  on the outer metallic shell.
- (a) [2 pts] Find the electric displacement  $\mathbf{D}$  everywhere in space.
  - (b) [3 pts] Find the capacitance of the configuration.
  - (c) [5 pts] Calculate the bound charge densities within the dielectric and on its surfaces, and verify that the total net bound charge is zero.

3. In this problem you will construct the 4-dimensional (4-d) electro-magnetic stress-energy-momentum tensor from the 4-d electromagnetic field tensor  $F^{\mu\nu}$  in **Gaussian** units. Recall that  $F^{\mu\nu}$  is antisymmetric ( $F^{\mu\nu} = -F^{\nu\mu}$ ) and is constructed from components of the electric and magnetic induction fields **E** and **B** by choosing

$$F^{0i} = -E^i, \quad F^{ij} = -\epsilon^{ijk}B^k.$$

Here we use the Einstein convention of summing over repeated indices, where Greek letters run from 0 to 3, while Latin letters run from 1 to 3. The symbol  $\epsilon^{ijk}$  is the totally anti-symmetric 3-dimensional Levi-Civita symbol and satisfies  $\epsilon^{123} = +1$ . The time coordinate is given by  $x^0 = ct$ , where  $c$  is the speed of light and the 4-d metric used to raise and lower Greek indices is  $g^{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, -1)$ .

- (a) [3 pts] Define the 4-current  $J^\mu$  and show that in a region containing no polarizable materials ( $\epsilon = \mu = 1$ ) Maxwell equations are written in 4-d form as

$$\partial_\nu F^{\nu\mu} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J^\mu, \quad \partial_\lambda F_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu F_{\nu\lambda} + \partial_\nu F_{\lambda\mu} = 0.$$

- (b) [1 pts] From Maxwells equations prove that charge is conserved, i.e., show that

$$\partial_\mu J^\mu = 0.$$

- (c) [3 pts] The 4-d stress-energy-momentum tensor is a traceless symmetric second-rank tensor, quadratic in the field strengths defined by

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ F^{\mu\lambda} F_\lambda^\nu - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\beta\alpha} \right].$$

Show that the 4 parts of  $T^{\mu\nu}$  can be identified with the electro-magnetic energy density  $u$  by  $T^{00} = u$ , the momentum density **g** and the Poynting vector **S** by  $T^{0i} = T^{i0} = cg^i = S^i/c$ , and the 3-d Maxwell stress tensor  $\overleftrightarrow{\mathbf{T}}_M$  by  $T^{ij} = -T_M^{ij}$ . Be sure to give  $u$ ,  $\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{S}/c^2$ , and  $\overleftrightarrow{\mathbf{T}}_M$  as functions of **E** and **B**.

- (d) [3 pts] Use Maxwell's equations to compute  $\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu}$ . Show that  $\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$  in a region where  $J^\mu = 0$  and that this one 4-d vector equation is equivalent to the local conservation of electromagnetic energy and momentum in 3-d, i.e., that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{S} = 0,$$

and

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{g}}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot \overleftrightarrow{\mathbf{T}}_M.$$

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### E + M #3

a) We define the 4-current  $J^\mu$  as:

$$J^\mu = \langle CP, \vec{j} \rangle$$

\* To prove  $\partial_\nu F^{\nu\mu} = \frac{4\pi}{c} J^\mu$ , we consider two cases:

$$\mu = 0: \quad \partial_0 F^{00} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^0$$

$$\partial_0 F^{00} + \partial_i F^{i0} = \frac{4\pi}{c} CP$$

$$0 + \nabla \cdot E = 4\pi CP \quad \checkmark$$

$$\mu = i: \quad \partial_0 F^{0i} + \partial_i F^{0i} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^i$$

$$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\vec{E}) - \partial_j \epsilon_{ijk} B_k = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^i$$

$$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \epsilon_{jik} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} B_k = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^i$$

$$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \nabla \times \vec{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} \quad \checkmark$$

\* To prove  $\partial_\lambda F_{\alpha\mu} + \partial_\mu F_{\nu\lambda} + \partial_\nu F_{\lambda\mu} = 0$ , we again consider two cases

$$\lambda, \alpha, \nu \in \{1, 2, 3\}: \quad \partial_1 F_{23} + \partial_2 F_{31} + \partial_3 F_{12} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-B_x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (B_y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (B_z) = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\lambda, \mu, \nu \in \{0, i, j\}: \quad \partial_0 F_{ij} + \partial_i F_{j0} + \partial_j F_{0i} = 0$$

$i \neq j$

$$\partial_0 (-\epsilon_{ijk} B_k) - \partial_i (E_j) + \partial_j (E_i)$$

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$$-\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B} + \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

### #3 (cont.)

b) The equation of charge conservation says  $\partial_\mu J^\mu = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_\mu J^\mu &= \partial_\mu (\partial_\nu F^{\nu\mu}) \\ &= \partial_\nu \partial_\mu F^{\nu\mu} \quad (\text{order of partial differentiation doesn't matter}) \\ &= -\partial_\nu \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} \quad (\text{anti-symmetric exchange} \Rightarrow F^{\nu\mu} = -F^{\mu\nu})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_\nu \partial_\mu F^{\nu\mu} = -\partial_\nu \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow \text{only } 0 \text{ is equal to its own negative}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \partial_\mu J^\mu = 0 \checkmark$$

c) Given  $T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4\pi} [F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta}]$

The constituent parts of the equation are:

$$F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta} = 2(|E|^2 - |B|^2)$$

$$F^{0\alpha} F_{\alpha 0} = |E|^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}F^{0\alpha} F_{\alpha i} &= (-E^j) [-\epsilon_{ijk} B_k] \\ &= (E \times B)^i\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}F^{0\alpha} F_{\alpha i} &= F^{i0} F_{0i} + F^{ik} F_{ki} \\ &= (E_i)(-\bar{E}_j) + (-\epsilon^{ikm} B^m)(\epsilon^{kjp} B^p) \\ &= -E_i E_j - (\delta_m^j \delta_p^i - \delta_i^j \delta_m^p) B^m B^p \\ &= -E_i E_j - B^i B^j + S^{ij} |B|^2\end{aligned}$$

### #3 (cont)

c)  $T^{00} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ F^{00} F_0^0 - \frac{1}{4} g^{00} F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\beta\alpha} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ |E|^2 - \frac{1}{4} (2(|E|^2 - |B|^2)) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ |E|^2 - \frac{1}{2} |E|^2 - \frac{1}{2} |B|^2 \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{8\pi} (|E|^2 + |B|^2) \quad (\text{Energy Density})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$T^{0i} = T^{i0} = c g^i = \frac{1}{c} S^i$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ F^{0i} F_i^0 - \frac{1}{4} g^{0i} F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\beta\alpha} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} (E \times B)^i
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \frac{S^i}{c} &= \frac{1}{4\pi} (E \times B)^i \\
 S^i &= \frac{c}{4\pi} (E \times B)^i \quad (\text{Poynting vector})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$T^{ij} = -T^{ji}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ F^{ij} F_j^i - \frac{1}{4} g^{ij} F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\beta\alpha} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ -E_i E_j - B_i B_j + S_{ij} |B|^2 - \frac{1}{4} S^{ij} (2|E|^2 - 2|B|^2) \right] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ E_i E_j + B_i B_j - \frac{1}{2} S_{ij} (|E|^2 - |B|^2) \right] \quad (\text{Maxwell Stress Tensor})
 \end{aligned}$$

#3 (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned} d) \partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} &= \partial_\mu \left[ \frac{1}{4\pi} (F^{\mu\lambda} F_{\lambda}{}^\nu - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\beta\alpha}) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ (\partial_\mu F^{\mu\lambda}) F_{\lambda}{}^\nu + F^{\mu\lambda} (\partial_\mu F_{\lambda}{}^\nu) - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} [(\partial_\mu F^{\alpha\beta}) F_{\beta\alpha} + F^{\alpha\beta} (\partial_\mu F_{\beta\alpha})] \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ -J^\lambda F_{\lambda}{}^\nu + F^{\alpha\beta} (\partial_\alpha F_{\beta}{}^\nu) - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} [(\partial_\mu F^{\alpha\beta}) F_{\beta\alpha} + F^{\alpha\beta} (\partial_\mu F_{\beta\alpha})] \right] \end{aligned}$$

4. A solution of dextrose, which is optically active, is characterized by a polarization vector  $\mathbf{P} = \gamma \nabla \times \mathbf{E}$  where  $\gamma$  is a real constant that depends on the concentration of dextrose. The solution is non-conducting ( $\mathbf{J}_{\text{free}} = 0$ ) and non-magnetic ( $\mathbf{M} = 0$ ). Consider a plane electromagnetic wave of angular frequency  $\omega$  propagating along the  $+z$ -axis in such a solution.

- (a) [5 pts] Using Maxwell's equations show that left and right circularly polarized waves travel at 2 distinct speeds ( $v_{\pm}$ ) in this medium. Calculate the indices of refraction  $n_{\pm} = (ck_{\pm})/\omega = c/v_{\pm}$  as a function of  $\omega$  and  $\gamma$  for left and right circularly polarized waves. Recall that left (+) and right (-) circularly polarized waves are of the form

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 (\hat{\mathbf{x}} \pm i \hat{\mathbf{y}}) e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

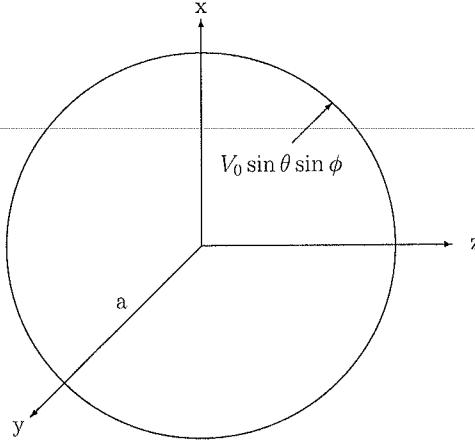
- (b) [5 pts] Suppose linearly polarized light is incident on the dextrose solution. After traveling a distance  $L$  through the solution, the light is still linearly polarized but its direction of polarization rotated by an angle  $\Delta\phi$ . Calculate  $\Delta\phi$  in terms of  $L$ ,  $\gamma$ , and  $\omega$ .

Hint: Write  $k_{\pm} = \bar{k} \pm \Delta k$  where

$$\bar{k} \equiv \frac{k_+ + k_-}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta k \equiv \frac{k_+ - k_-}{2}.$$

Also recall that the amplitude of a wave linearly polarized at an angle  $\phi$  relative to the  $x$ -direction can be written as a combination of circularly polarized amplitudes as

$$(\cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = e^{i\phi} \left( \frac{\hat{\mathbf{x}} - i \hat{\mathbf{y}}}{2} \right) + e^{-i\phi} \left( \frac{\hat{\mathbf{x}} + i \hat{\mathbf{y}}}{2} \right).$$



5. Assume that in spherical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$ , the potential on the surface of a sphere of radius  $a$ , centered on the origin, is known to be  $V(\theta, \phi)$ .
- [2 pts] If the space inside the sphere is empty give an expression for the potential  $\Phi(r, \theta, \phi)$  everywhere inside as an expansion in spherical harmonics with arbitrary constants. If you knew the potential  $V(\theta, \phi)$  on the surface how would you evaluate the constants in your expansion?
  - [2 pts] If the space outside the sphere is empty give an expression for the potential  $\Phi(r, \theta, \phi)$  everywhere outside as an expansion in spherical harmonics with arbitrary constants. If you knew the potential  $V(\theta, \phi)$  on the surface how would you evaluate the constants in your expansion?
  - [6 pts] If  $V(\theta, \phi) = V_0 \sin \theta \sin \phi$  give exact expressions for  $\Phi(r, \theta, \phi)$  inside and outside the sphere.

The spherical harmonics are ortho-normal on the sphere and for  $\ell = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_1^{-1}(\theta, \phi) &= \sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin \theta e^{-i\phi}, \\ Y_1^0(\theta, \phi) &= \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \cos \theta, \\ Y_1^1(\theta, \phi) &= -\sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin \theta e^{i\phi}. \end{aligned}$$

a) The general solution to LaPlace's eqn, expanded in spherical coordinates is:

$$\Phi(r, \theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \left( A_{\ell m} r^{\ell} + \frac{B_{\ell m}}{r^{\ell+1}} \right) Y_{\ell}^m(\theta, \varphi)$$

Since we are in empty space inside the sphere,  $B_{\ell m} = 0$  since  $\Phi(0, \theta, \varphi) = 0$

$$\hookrightarrow \Phi(r, \theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} A_{\ell m} r^{\ell} Y_{\ell}^m(\theta, \varphi)$$

We can then determine the values of  $A_{\ell m}$  by the orthogonality of the spherical harmonics:

$$V(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} A_{\ell m} a^{\ell} Y_{\ell}^m(\theta, \varphi)$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} V(\theta, \varphi) Y_{\ell}^{*m}(\theta, \varphi) d\Omega = A_{\ell m} a^{\ell}$$

$$\hookrightarrow A_{\ell m} = \iint V(\theta, \varphi) Y_{\ell}^{*m}(\theta, \varphi) d\Omega \cdot \frac{1}{a^{\ell}}$$

b) We proceed similarly to part a, except here  $A_{\ell m} = 0$  b/c  $\Phi \rightarrow 0$  at  $r \rightarrow \infty$

$$\hookrightarrow \Phi(r, \theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} B_{\ell m} \frac{1}{r^{\ell+1}} Y_{\ell}^m(\theta, \varphi)$$

Again, similar to above, we use orthogonality of spherical harmonics to determine  $B_{\ell m}$

$$\hookrightarrow B_{\ell m} = a^{\ell+1} \iint V(\theta, \varphi) Y_{\ell}^{*m}(\theta, \varphi) d\Omega$$

c) If we now specify that  $\Phi(a, \theta, \varphi) = V_0 \sin \theta \sin \varphi$

\* Rewriting  $\Phi$  in terms of spherical harmonics:

$$\sin \theta \sin \varphi = \sin \theta \left( \frac{1}{2i} e^{i\varphi} - e^{-i\varphi} \right)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{3}} i \left( Y_1^1 + Y_1^{-1} \right)$$

### #5 (cont.)

c) \* For  $r \leq a$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{lm} &= \iint V(\theta, \psi) Y_l^m d\Omega \cdot \frac{1}{a^l} \\
 &= \frac{1}{a} V(r) \iint \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{3}} i (Y_1^+ + Y_1^-) Y_l^m d\Omega \\
 &= \frac{1}{a} V(r) \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{3}} i (Y_1^+ + Y_1^-) \\
 &= \frac{1}{a} V(r) \sin \theta \sin \psi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\Phi}(r, \theta, \psi) = \frac{1}{a} V(r) \sin \theta \sin \psi$$

\* For  $r \geq a$

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{lm} &= \iint a^{l+1} V(\theta, \psi) Y_l^m d\Omega \\
 &= a^2 V(r) \iint \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{3}} i (Y_1^+ + Y_1^-) Y_l^m d\Omega \\
 &= a^2 V(r) \sin \theta \sin \psi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\Phi}(r, \theta, \psi) = \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^2 V(r) \sin \theta \sin \psi$$

6. In this problem you are to describe properties of waves penetrating into conductors. If the conductor is static, homogeneous, isotropic, linear, and ohmic, you can replace  $\mathbf{D}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$ , and  $\mathbf{J}$  in Maxwell's equations using

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}, \quad \mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E},$$

where  $\epsilon$ ,  $\mu$ , and  $\sigma$  are real positive constants. For simplicity you can also assume the wave is a harmonic plane wave propagating in the  $z$ -direction, e.g., its electric field and magnetic induction are of the form

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{x}},$$

$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{y}}.$$

- (a) [4 pts] Use Maxwell's equations to relate  $k$  to  $\omega$ . Explain what the imaginary part of  $k = k_{Re} + ik_{Im}$  does to the amplitude of the wave.
- (b) [3 pts] Use Maxwell's equations to relate  $B_0$  to  $E_0$ . Explain what the phase of  $k = |k|e^{i\phi}$  does to the phase of  $\mathbf{B}$  as compared to the phase of  $\mathbf{E}$ .
- (c) [3 pts] If the conductor is a "good" conductor, i.e., if for low frequencies,  $\epsilon \ll \sigma/\omega$ , what does  $k$  simplify to, what is the attenuation distance (skin depth) of the wave, and what is the phase delay of the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  relative to the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$ ?

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August 20, 2015

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1. (a) [4 pts] Use  $\delta$ -functions to give volume charge densities  $\rho_f$  for each of the following:
- Give  $\rho_f(\rho, \phi, z)$  in cylindrical-polar coordinates for a cylindrical shell of charge of a radius  $\rho = b$ , centered on the  $z$ -axis, which has a surface charge density  $\sigma_f(\phi, z)$ .
  - Give  $\rho_f(\rho, \phi, z)$  in cylindrical-polar coordinates for a line of charge located at  $\rho = b, \phi = \beta$  which has a charge/length =  $\lambda_f(z)$ .
  - Give  $\rho_f(r, \theta, \phi)$  in spherical-polar coordinates for a spherical shell of charge of radius  $r = a$ , centered on the origin, which has a surface density  $\sigma_f(\theta, \phi)$ .
- (b) [2 pts] Use Gauss's law to compute the electric field caused by the cylindrically symmetric charge density

$$\rho_f(\rho) = \frac{\lambda_0}{\pi b^2} e^{-\rho^2/b^2}.$$

- (c) [2 pts] What charge density produces an electrostatic potential

$$\Phi(z) = V_0 e^{-z^2/a^2}.$$

- (d) [2 pts] What charge density produces an electrostatic potential

$$\Phi(z) = -E_0 |z|.$$

- a) i)  $p_f(p, \varphi, z) = \phi_p(\varphi, z) \delta(p-b)$   
ii)  $p_f(p, \varphi, z) = \lambda_c(z) \delta(p-b) \delta(\varphi-\beta) \cdot \frac{1}{b}$   
iii)  $p_f(r, \theta, \varphi) = \phi_p(\varphi, z) \delta(r-a)$

b) The integral form of Gauss' Law states

$$\int \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \int 4\pi p$$

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi \int \frac{\lambda_0}{\pi b^2} \exp\left[-\frac{p^2}{b^2}\right] dV$$

$$E \cdot 2\pi p L = 4\pi \int \frac{\lambda_0}{\pi b^2} \exp\left[-\frac{p^2}{b^2}\right] p dp d\varphi dz$$

$$E \cdot 2\pi p L = 4\lambda_0 L \int \frac{p}{b^2} \exp\left[-\frac{p^2}{b^2}\right] dp dl$$

$$E \cdot 2\pi p L = 8\pi \lambda_0 L \int \frac{p}{b^2} \exp\left[-\frac{p^2}{b^2}\right] dp$$

$$E \cdot 2\pi p L = 8\pi \lambda_0 L \left(1 - \exp\left[-\frac{p^2}{b^2}\right]\right)$$

$$E = \frac{4\lambda_0}{p} \left(1 - \exp\left[-\frac{p^2}{b^2}\right]\right) \hat{p}$$

c)  $-\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi p$

\* In Cartesian Coordinates  $\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$

$$-\nabla^2 (V_0 \exp[-z^2/a^2]) = 4\pi p$$

$$-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} (V_0 \exp[-z^2/a^2]) = 4\pi p$$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( V_0 \left[ \frac{-2z}{a^2} \exp[-z^2/a^2] \right] \right) = 4\pi p$$

$$-V_0 \left( -\frac{2}{a^2} \exp\left[\frac{z^2}{a^2}\right] + \frac{4z^2}{a^4} \exp\left[\frac{z^2}{a^2}\right] \right) = 4\pi p$$

$$\hookrightarrow p = \frac{-V_0}{4\pi} \exp\left[\frac{z^2}{a^2}\right] \left(\frac{2^2 \cdot 4}{a^4} - \frac{1}{a^2}\right)$$

## #1 (cont.)

d) \* Similarly to part c

$$-\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi p$$

$$-\frac{d^2}{dz^2}(E_0|z|) = 4\pi p$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{if } z \neq 0, \Phi = 0$$

\* Due to the discontinuity at  $z=0$ , we proceed via Gauss Law

$$-\nabla E = E$$

$$\hookrightarrow E = \begin{cases} E_0 z & z > 0 \\ -E_0 z & z < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\int E \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi p$$

$$2E_0 A = 4\pi p$$

$$= 4\pi \sigma A$$

$$\hookrightarrow \sigma = \frac{E_0}{2\pi}$$

$$\hookrightarrow p = \frac{E_0}{2\pi} S(z)$$

2. The magnetic field of a plane wave in vacuum is

$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) \hat{\mathbf{y}},$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  is a unit vector pointing in the positive  $y$ -direction.

- (a) [1 pts] Give the wavelength  $\lambda$  of this wave as a function of  $k, \omega$  and/or  $c$  (the speed of light).
- (b) [2 pts] Write an expression for the wave part of the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  associated with the above magnetic field.
- (c) [1 pts] What is the direction and magnitude of the Poynting vector  $\mathbf{S}$  associated with this wave?
- (d) [1 pts] Assume this plane wave is totally reflected by a thin conducting sheet lying in the  $y$ - $z$  plane at  $x=0$ . What is the resulting time averaged radiation pressure on the sheet? Recall that the momentum density  $\mathbf{g}$  and the Poynting vector of the incoming and reflected waves are related by  $\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{S}/c^2$
- (e) [2 pts] The component of an electric field parallel to the surface of an ideal conductor must be zero on the surface. Using this fact, find expressions for the reflected electric and magnetic fields. Recall that the electric and magnetic fields vanish within an ideal conductor.
- (f) [3 pts] An oscillating surface current  $\mathbf{K}$  flows in the thin conducting sheet as a result of this reflection. Along which axis does  $\mathbf{K}$  point and what is its amplitude? Hint: To find  $\mathbf{K}$  use an Amperian loop with one side just inside the conducting sheet and one side just outside the sheet.

Aug 2015

EM #2

Gaussian

a)  $C = \frac{\omega}{k}$        $k = 2\pi/\lambda$

$\hookrightarrow \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k} = \frac{2\pi c}{\omega}$

b)  $\vec{B} = B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) \hat{y}$

\* To determine  $\vec{E}$ , we use  $\nabla \times \vec{B} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = \vec{j}$ 

$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 0 & B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \langle 0, 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) \rangle$$

$$= k B_0 \cos(kx - \omega t) \hat{z}$$

\* Since we are in a vacuum,  $\vec{j} = 0$ 

$$\hookrightarrow k B_0 \cos(kx - \omega t) \hat{z} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}$$

$$ck B_0 \cos(kx - \omega t) \hat{z} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}$$

$$-\frac{ck}{\omega} B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) \hat{z} = E$$

$$\hookrightarrow E = -B_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) \hat{z}$$

c) \* In Gaussian units  $\vec{s} = \frac{c}{4\pi} (\vec{E} \times \vec{H})$ ,  $H = \vec{B} - 4\pi \vec{M}$ 

$$\hookrightarrow \vec{s} = \frac{c}{4\pi} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})$$

$$= \frac{c}{4\pi} B_0^2 \sin^2(kx - \omega t) \hat{x}$$

## #2 (cont.)

d) Radiation pressure is related to  $\vec{g}$  via:  $P = 2 \langle c\vec{g} \rangle$

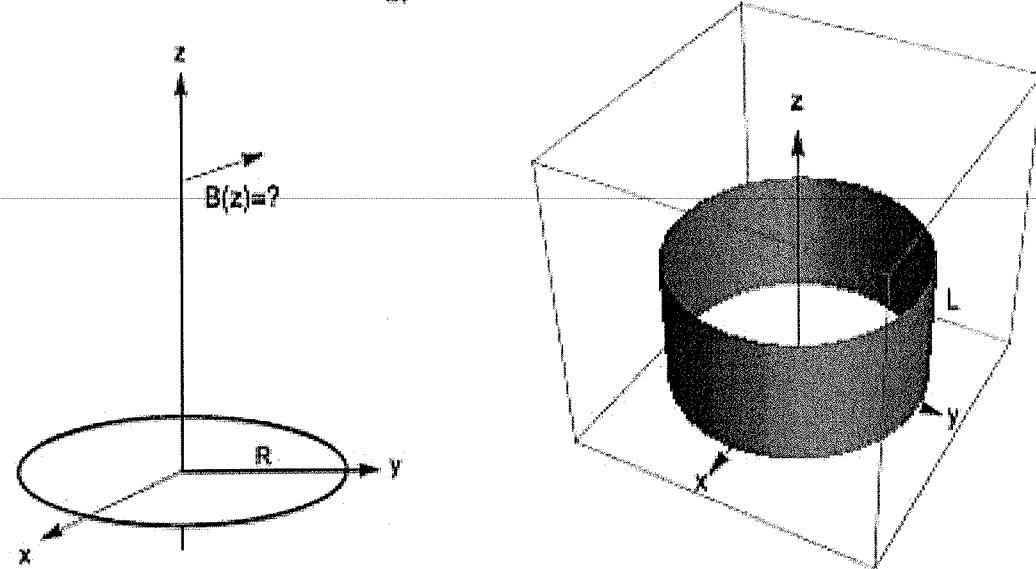
$$\hookrightarrow P = 2 \langle c\vec{g} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{2}{c} \langle \vec{s} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{2}{c} \frac{B_0^2}{4\pi} \hat{x}$$

e)

3.

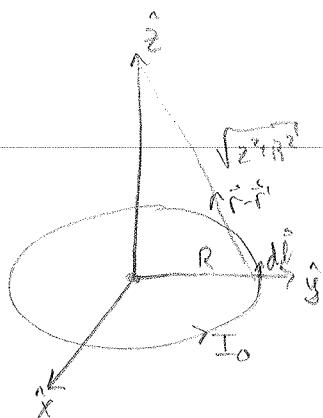


- (a) [5 pts] A circular loop of wire of radius  $R$  carries a current  $I$  as shown in the first figure. Find the magnitude and direction of the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}(z)$  on the axis of the loop as a function of  $z$ .
- (b) [5 pts] Use the result of part (a) to find  $\mathbf{B}(z)$  along the axis of a solenoid of radius  $R$  and length  $L$  wound with  $n$  turns per unit length (total turns  $N = n \times L$ ).

Hint:

$$\int \frac{dx}{|a^2 + x^2|^{3/2}} = \frac{x}{a^2[a^2 + x^2]^{1/2}} + \text{constant}.$$

a)



$$|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'| = \sqrt{z^2 + R^2}$$

\* We can find  $\vec{B}$  via the Biot-Savart Law

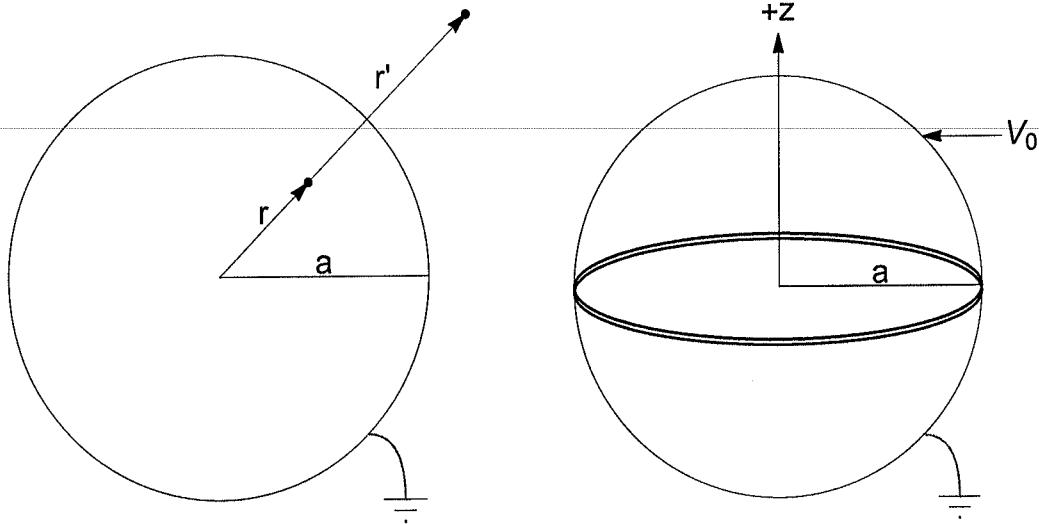
$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c} \int \frac{\vec{J} \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|^3} d\vec{r}'$$

$$= \frac{I_0}{c} \int \frac{d\vec{l}' \times (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|^3}$$

$$= \frac{I_0}{c} \int \frac{dl R}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi R^2 I_0}{c(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \quad (\text{any non } \hat{z} \text{ component cancels due to circular symmetry about axis})$$

b)



4. (a) [3 pts] What is the Dirichlet Green's function  $G^D(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$  for the Laplace operator for the 3-dimensional volume interior to a sphere of radius  $r = a$ ?

{ Hint: The Dirichlet Green's function vanishes on  $r = a$  and the method of images gives the Green's function as the sum of potentials of two point charges, a positive unit charge located inside the sphere and a larger negative point charge located outside. }

- (b) [2 pts] If a grounded conducting sphere of radius  $r = a$  contains a positive charge  $q$  at  $z = a/2$  and a negative charge  $-q$  at  $z = -a/2$ , what will the electrostatic potential be inside the sphere?

- (c) [5 pts] If a conducting sphere of radius  $r = a$ , centered at the origin, is cut in two halves along the  $z = 0$  plane and the top half ( $z > 0$ ) is held at potential  $V_0$  and the bottom half ( $z < 0$ ) is grounded, what is the potential on the  $+z$ -axis, inside the sphere  $r \leq a$ .

{ Hint: Use spherical polar coordinates and recall that the Dirichlet Green's function can be used to calculate the electrostatic potential via:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V \rho(\mathbf{r}') G^D(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') d^3 r' - \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} \Phi(\mathbf{r}') \frac{\partial G^D(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')}{\partial n'} da'.$$

In this case  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n'} = \frac{\partial}{\partial r'}$  and  $da' = a^2 \sin\theta' d\theta' d\phi'$ .

5. A very-very long ( $\infty$ -length) wire of radius  $a$  is centered along the  $z$ -axis. The wire, at rest in the lab, is uncharged and carries a uniform current  $I$  in the  $+z$  direction.

(a) [2 pts] Compute the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  as a function of  $(x, y)$  for all  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \geq a$  (outside the wire).

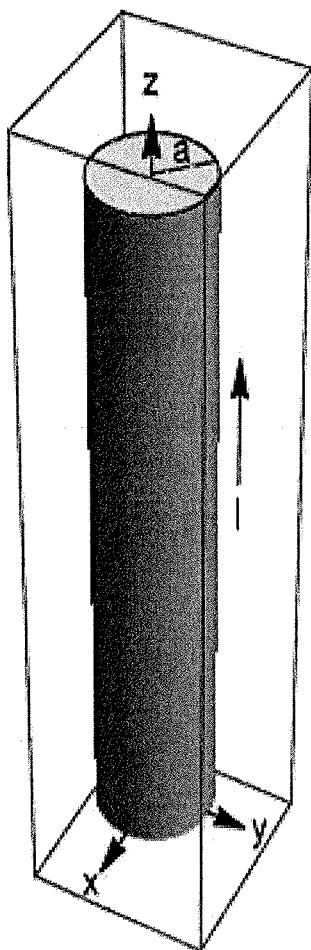
(b) [2 pts] Give the electro-magnetic field tensor  $F^{\alpha\beta}(x, y)$  in the lab frame for  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \geq a$  (outside the wire).

(c) [3 pts]

An observer is moving with constant velocity  $\mathbf{v} = v\hat{\mathbf{z}}$  in the lab's  $+z$  direction. Compute  $F^{\alpha\beta}(x', y')$ , outside the wire in the frame of the moving observer. Assume the moving frame coordinates are simply a boost of the lab coordinate in the  $z$  direction. Don't forget to write your answer as functions of the moving frame's coordinates.

(d) [3 pts]

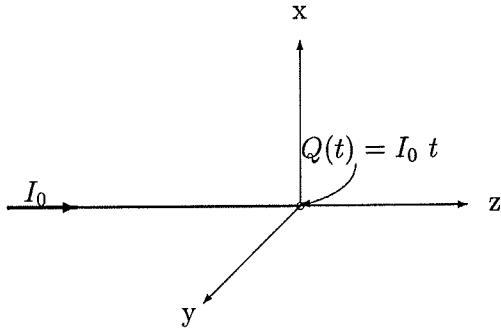
Give the electric and magnetic fields  $\mathbf{E}'$  and  $\mathbf{B}'$ , outside the wire in the moving frame.



6. In the absence of polarizable and/or magnetizable material (i.e., only free charges and currents present) Maxwell's equations, in the Lorenz gauge, reduce to the inhomogeneous wave equation:

$$\square \begin{Bmatrix} \Phi \\ A^x \\ A^y \\ A^z \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \begin{Bmatrix} c\rho \\ J^x \\ J^y \\ J^z \end{Bmatrix}, \text{ where } \square \equiv \left( \frac{\partial}{c\partial t} \right)^2 - \nabla^2.$$

A time dependent charge  $Q(t) = I_0 t$ ,  $t \geq 0$  is fixed at the origin



of a cylindrical polar coordinate system  $(\rho, \phi, z)$ . The charge increases linearly with time because a constant current  $I_0$  flows in along a thin wire attached to the charge on its left, see the figure. Assume the wire carries no current for  $t < 0$ , however, at  $t = 0$  a current  $I_0$  abruptly starts flowing in the  $+z$  direction and remains constant for  $t \geq 0$ . Assume the wire remains neutral except for the charge that grows at the origin. Find the following quantities at time  $t$  for points  $(\rho, \phi, z)$ :

- (a) [4 pts] The retarded scalar potential  $\Phi(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ , for all  $t$  and at all points in space.
- (b) [6 pts] The retarded vector potential  $\mathbf{A}(t, \rho, \phi, z)$  for all  $t$  at all points  $z > 0$ .

Recall that the retarded solution to  $\square F(t, \mathbf{r}) = S(t, \mathbf{r})$  is

$$F(t, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{S(t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c, \mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d^3 r'.$$

You might need the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{dX}{\sqrt{X^2 + a^2}} = \ln(\sqrt{X^2 + a^2} + X).$$

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January 14, 2016

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1. Consider a Lorentz frame K containing no polarizable materials in which there is a magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B} = B^x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + B^y \hat{\mathbf{y}} + B^z \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  but no electric field.
  - (a) [1 pt] For the above magnetic induction, write down the 4-dimensional electromagnetic field tensor  $F^{\alpha\beta}$  in frame K as a matrix.
  - (b) [1 pt] Write down a homogeneous Lorentz boost  $\Lambda^\alpha_\beta$  in the y-direction from frame K to another frame K' which is moving with velocity  $\mathbf{v} = v_0 \hat{\mathbf{y}}$  as seen by observers that are at rest in frame K.
  - (c) [2 pt] Apply the boost  $\Lambda^\alpha_\beta$  to  $F^{\alpha\beta}$  to find  $F'^{\alpha\beta}$ , the field strength tensor as seen in the moving frame K' .
  - (d) [2 pt] What are the electric field components  $E'^x$ ,  $E'^y$ , and  $E'^z$  and the magnetic induction components  $B'^x$ ,  $B'^y$ , and  $B'^z$  in frame K'?
  - (e) [4 pt] Consider explicitly a  $\mathbf{B}$  field in the K frame caused by an uncharged infinitely long and thin wire centered on the y-axis  $(x, z) = (0, 0)$  which carries a current  $I$  in the  $+y$  direction. Assume that no polarizable materials are present, i.e., assume  $\epsilon_r = 1$  and  $\mu_r = 1$ . What are  $\mathbf{B}'(x', y', z')$  and  $\mathbf{E}'(x', y', z')$  in the K' frame, written as functions of the K'-coordinates? Where does  $\mathbf{E}'$  point?

Jan 2016

# E + M #1

Gaussian

a) Given  $E=0$ ,  $\vec{B} = B_x \hat{x} + B_y \hat{y} + B_z \hat{z}$

$$F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{in general})$$

$$F^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ 0 & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ 0 & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) For a Lorentz boost in y-direction

$$\Lambda_B^* = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & -\beta\gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c) In matrix form:  $F' = \Lambda F \Lambda^T$

$$F' = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & -\beta\gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ 0 & -B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ 0 & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & -\beta\gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\beta\gamma B_z & 0 & \beta\gamma B_x \\ 0 & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ 0 & \gamma B_z & 0 & -\gamma B_x \\ 0 & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & 0 & -\beta\gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## #1 (cont.)

c)  $\mathbf{F}'^{\text{dB}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\beta\tau B_z & 0 & \beta\tau B_x \\ \beta\tau B_z & 0 & -\tau B_z & B_y \\ 0 & \tau B_z & 0 & -\tau B_x \\ -\beta\tau B_x & -B_y & \tau B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

d)  $\vec{E}' = \beta\tau(B_z \hat{x} - B_x \hat{z}) \Rightarrow E'_x = \beta\tau B_z \quad E'_y = 0 \quad E'_z = -\beta\tau B_x$   
 $\vec{B}' = \tau B_x \hat{x} + B_y \hat{y} + \tau B_z \hat{z} \Rightarrow B'_x = \tau B_x \quad B'_y = B_y \quad B'_z = \tau B_z$

e) We find  $\vec{B}$  according to Ampere's law.

$$\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \frac{4\pi}{c} I_{\text{enc}}$$

$$B \cdot 2\pi r = \frac{4\pi}{c} I$$

$$B = \frac{2I}{cr} \langle \cos\varphi \hat{x} + \sin\varphi \hat{z} \rangle$$

\* This is best done in cylindrical coordinates, but professors are stupid question writers. If measured CCW from +x axis in x-z plane.

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}' = \langle \beta\tau \sin\varphi \frac{2I}{cr}, 0, -\beta\tau \cos\varphi \frac{2I}{cr} \rangle$$

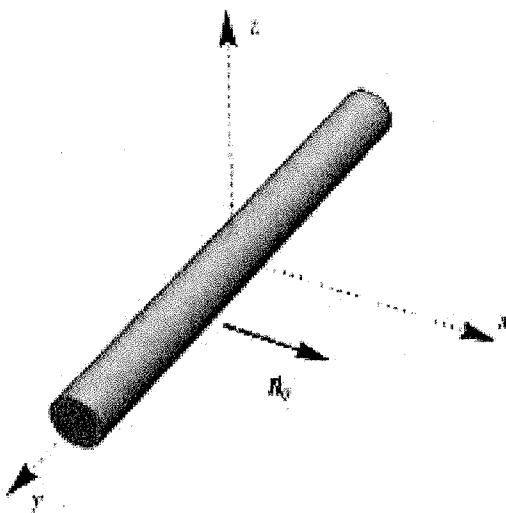
$$\vec{B}' = \langle \tau \sin\varphi \frac{2I}{cr}, 0, \tau \cos\varphi \frac{2I}{cr} \rangle$$

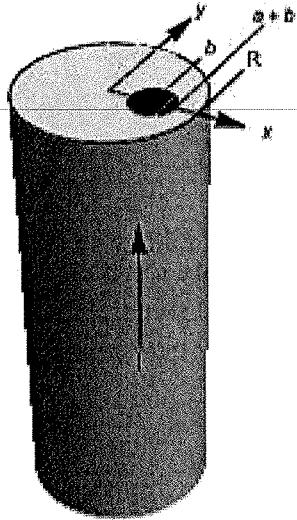
2. Consider a very long hollow cylinder made of iron that is placed with its axis perpendicular to a uniform external magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}_0 = B_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ . Assume the inner radius of the hollow cylinder is  $a$  and the outer radius is  $b$ . Also assume the permeability  $\mu$  of the iron is a constant. The goal of this problem is to calculate the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  inside the hollow region ( $0 \leq \rho \equiv \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < a$ ).

- (a) [3 pt] Starting with Maxwell's equations for static  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  fields and assuming that there is no free current density,  $\mathbf{J}_f = 0$ , prove that the field  $\mathbf{H}$  can be written as the negative gradient of a magnetic scalar potential  $\Phi_M$  that satisfies the Poisson equation with an appropriate source term. For this particular problem the Poisson equation reduces to the Laplace equation except at the cylinder's boundaries.
- (b) [3 pt] Derive the appropriate boundary conditions to be satisfied by the scalar potential  $\Phi_M$  and the magnetic field  $\mathbf{H}$  at  $\rho = a$  and  $\rho = b$ .
- (c) [4 pt] Solve for the  $\mathbf{H}$  field in the interior region  $\rho < a$ . Hint: solve the Laplace equation for  $\Phi_M$  in the three regions  $0 \leq r < a$ ,  $a < r < b$ , and  $b < r < \infty$ , and appropriately match these solutions at the cylinder's boundaries. Show that for large  $\mu$ , (i.e., when  $\mu \rightarrow \infty$ ) the iron provides complete shielding from the magnetic field, i.e.,  $\mathbf{H} \rightarrow 0$  for  $\rho < a$ .

Hint:

$$\nabla^2 \Phi_M = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left( \rho \frac{\partial \Phi_M}{\partial \rho} \right) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi_M}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi_M}{\partial z^2}.$$





3. A very long straight conductor has a circular cross section of radius  $R$  and carries a current  $I$ . Inside the conductor, there is a cylindrical hole of radius  $a$  whose axis is parallel to the axis of the conductor and a distance  $b$  from it ( $a + b < R$ ). The goal of this problem is to show that the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}(x, y)$  inside the hole is uniform and to calculate its value. Assume the wire of radius  $R$  is centered on the  $z$  axis, i.e., at  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$  and the cylindrical hole of radius  $a$  is centered at  $(x, y) = (b, 0)$ . Assume the current  $I$  is uniformly distributed in the conducting material.

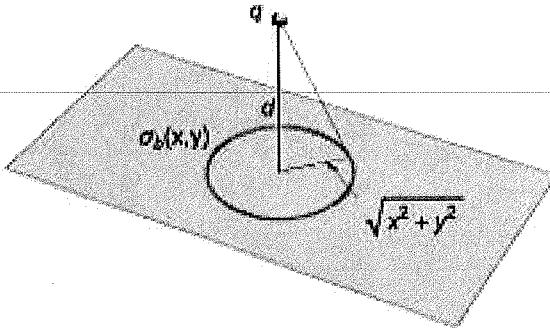
(a) [3 pts]

Ignoring the hole, use Ampere's Law to find the magnetic induction,  $\mathbf{B}_R(x, y)$ , inside a homogeneous cylindrical wire of radius  $R$  that carries a uniform current density  $J_R = I_R/\pi R^2$  in the  $+z$  direction.

(b) [4 pts] Ignoring the current in the wire of radius  $R$  assume an imaginary wire of radius  $a$  located at  $(x, y) = (b, 0)$  carries a current density  $J_a = I_a/\pi a^2$  in the  $-z$  direction. Use Ampere's Law to find the magnetic induction,  $\mathbf{B}_a(x, y)$ , inside the imaginary wire of radius  $a$  caused by  $J_a$ .

(c) [3 pts]

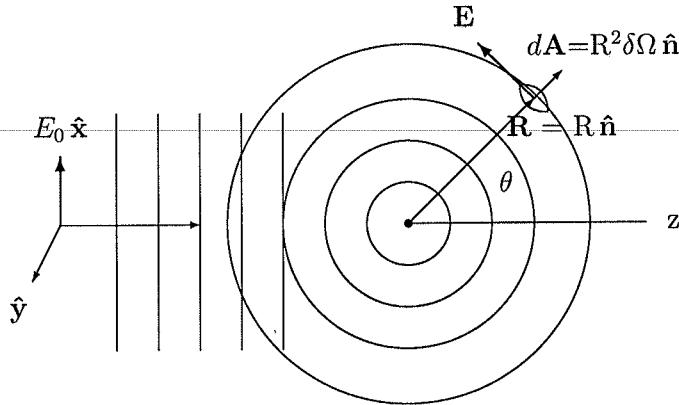
By adjusting the two current densities to have the same magnitude, and superimposing the two magnetic inductions, find the resultant  $\mathbf{B}(x, y)$  field inside the hole in the original conductor that carries a current  $I$  described at the beginning of this problem.



4. Consider a large flat interface at  $z = 0$  between a dielectric and free space. The region where  $z < 0$  is filled with a uniform linear dielectric material with a relative permittivity  $\epsilon_r$  (equivalently a dielectric constant  $\epsilon_r$ ). If the only free charge present is a point charge  $q > 0$  situated a distance  $d$  from the origin at  $\mathbf{r}_q = (0, 0, d)$ , where  $d > 0$ , answer the following 5 questions.

To answer them you should look at the electric field as a sum of two fields, a coulomb part  $\mathbf{E}_q$  caused by the point charge  $q$  and a second part  $\mathbf{E}_b$  caused by the bound surface charge  $\sigma_b(x, y)$  located on the  $z = 0$  interface.

- (a) [2 pts] Write two expressions for the  $z$  component of the total electric field  $E^z = E_q^z + E_b^z$ , one just above the dielectric's surface and one just below the dielectric's surface. The  $E_b^z$  part is directly related to  $\sigma_b$  by Gauss's law.
- (b) [3 pts] Use the two electric fields from part (a) and the continuity of the normal part of the displacement vector  $\epsilon E^z$  to solve for  $\sigma_b(x, y)$  as a function of the known coulomb field  $E_q^z(x, y, 0)$ .
- (c) [3 pts] Calculate the electric field at the position of the charge  $q$  caused by the bound surface charge  $\sigma_b$ . You simply have to integrate a superposition of coulomb fields. From symmetry the resultant field points in the  $\pm z$  direction.
- (d) [2 pts] Show that this resultant bound charge field at  $(0, 0, d)$  can be interpreted as the field of a single image charge  $q'$  located at point  $\mathbf{r}_{q'} = (0, 0, -d)$ . What is the value of  $q'$ ?



5. In this question a monochromatic linearly polarized plane wave is scattered by a free electron. If the initial speed of the particle is non-relativistic (i.e.,  $\beta \ll 1$ ) and the frequency of the plane wave satisfies  $h\nu \ll m_e c^2$ , then the electron is accelerated by the plane wave's electric field in accord with Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> law, but its speed remains non-relativistic. Due to its acceleration, the electron emits radiation in all directions thus scattering the original plane wave. See the figure.

- (a) [2 pts] Assume the plane wave travels in the z-direction and is polarized in the x-direction as shown in the figure. Compute the acceleration,  $\dot{\beta}(t) = \dot{\mathbf{v}}(t)/c$ , of the electron caused by the plane wave's electric field.
- (b) [3 pts] Compute the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$ , the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$ , and the Poynting vector  $\mathbf{S}$  of the radiated wave. { Hint: In Gaussian units  $\mathbf{E}_G = q[\hat{\mathbf{n}} \times (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \dot{\beta})]/(c R)|_{ret}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_G = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{E}$ , and  $\mathbf{S}_G = (c/4\pi)\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$ . In SI units  $\mathbf{E}_{SI} = (1/4\pi\epsilon_0)\mathbf{E}_G$ ,  $\mathbf{B}_{SI} = (1/c)\mathbf{B}_G$ , and  $\mathbf{S}_{SI} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$ . }
- (c) [3 pts] Use your results to compute the differential scattering cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma(\theta, \phi)}{d\Omega} = \frac{< \mathbf{S} \cdot d\mathbf{A} >}{| < \mathbf{S}_0 > | \delta\Omega }.$$

In the above  $<>$  stands for a time average and  $| < \mathbf{S}_0 > |$  is the magnitude of the time averaged Poynting vector of the incoming plane wave. The detector area element  $d\mathbf{A}$  subtends a solid angle  $\delta\Omega$  at the radiating electron and is typically of the form

$$d\mathbf{A} = R^2 \delta\Omega \hat{\mathbf{n}}.$$

- (d) [2 pts] Integrate your differential cross section over all  $(\theta, \phi)$  directions to obtain the total Thompson cross section  $\sigma_T$ .

6. (a) [2 pts] In a homogeneous, linear and isotropic conducting material whose electromagnetic properties (at low frequencies) are described by constant (and real) values of the permittivity, permeability, and conductivity respectively  $\epsilon$ ,  $\mu$ , and  $\sigma$ , show that Maxwell's equations require that the electric field satisfy the telegraph equation

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} - \sigma \mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = 0, \quad (\text{SI})$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \frac{\epsilon \mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} - \frac{4\pi \sigma \mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = 0. \quad (\text{Gaussian})$$

- (b) [3 pts] Given a linearly polarized plane wave of angular frequency  $\omega$  whose electric field is of the form

$$\mathbf{E}(z, t) = \text{Real} \left\{ E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right\} \hat{\mathbf{x}},$$

evaluate  $k^2$  as a function of  $\epsilon$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\sigma$ , and  $\omega$ .

- (c) [2 pts] Find the real and imaginary parts of  $k$  assuming  $\sigma >> \omega \epsilon$ .  
 (d) [3 pts] Using your results from (c) find the skin depth  $\delta$  of the conductor. The skin depth is defined by the depth at which the wave's amplitude decreases by  $e^{-1}$ , i.e.,

$$\frac{|\mathbf{E}(z + \delta, t)|}{|\mathbf{E}(z, t)|} = \frac{1}{e}$$

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## Problem 1: Electrostatics

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Consider a capacitor composed of two concentric spherical metal shells, the inner one with radius  $a$  and the outer one with radius  $b$ . The region between the spherical metal shells is filled with a linear dielectric with permittivity  $\epsilon = \frac{k}{r^2}$ . Place charge  $+Q$  on the inner metallic shell and  $-Q$  on the outer metallic shell.

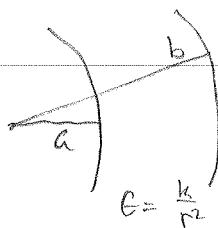
1. Find the electric displacement  $\vec{D}$  everywhere in space. [3 points]
2. Find the capacitance of the configuration. [3 points]
3. Calculate the bound charge densities in the linear dielectric and verify that the total net bound charge is zero. [4 points]

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SI

a)



$$\nabla \cdot D = \frac{P_f}{\epsilon}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{k}{r^2}$$

\* if  $r < a$ :

$$\nabla \cdot D = \frac{P_f}{\epsilon}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{D} = 0 \quad \text{b/c} \quad P_f = 0$$

\* if  $a < r < b$ :

$$\int D \cdot d\vec{a} = \int \frac{P_f}{\epsilon} dV$$

$$D \cdot 4\pi r^2 = \frac{Q}{\epsilon}$$

$$D = \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon r^2} \hat{r}$$

\* if  $r > b$ :

$$\int D \cdot d\vec{a} = \int \frac{P_f}{\epsilon} dV$$

$$\vec{D} = 0 \quad (\text{total enclosed charge is } 0)$$

b)  $C = \frac{Q}{AV} \quad \text{or} \quad W = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 \quad (D = \epsilon E)$

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int D \cdot E dV$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \epsilon E^2 dV$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{Q^2}{16\pi r^2} r^4 dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \frac{Q^2}{32\pi^2} \int \frac{1}{r^2} dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \frac{Q^2}{8\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{r} \right]_a^b = \frac{Q^2}{8\pi} \left( \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{a} \right)$$

#1 (cont.)

b)  $\frac{Q^2}{8\pi} \left( \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{a} \right) = \frac{\epsilon_r}{\epsilon_0} C V^2$

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c)  $P_b = -\nabla \cdot \vec{P}$        $\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n}$        $\vec{P} = \frac{\chi_e}{\epsilon_r} D$ ,  $\epsilon_r = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0}$

$$P_b = -\nabla \cdot \frac{\chi_e}{\epsilon_r} D$$

$$= -\frac{\chi_e}{\epsilon_r} Q$$

$$= -\frac{\chi_e Q r^2}{k}$$

$$\sigma_b = \frac{\chi_e}{\epsilon_r}$$

$$= \frac{\chi_e r^2}{k} D \cdot \hat{n}$$

$$= \frac{\chi_e r^2}{k} \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_r r^2}$$

$$= \frac{\chi_e Q}{4\pi\epsilon_r k}$$

$$Q_{b,\text{tot}} = \int P_b dV + \oint \sigma_b da$$

$$= -\frac{\chi_e}{k} Q \int r^4 dr d\theta d\phi + \int \frac{\chi_e Q}{4\pi\epsilon_r k} da$$

$$= -\frac{4\pi\chi_e Q}{k} \left. \frac{1}{5} r^5 \right|_a^b$$

\* Parts b+c mostly wrong

## Problem 2: Magnetostatics

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Consider a sphere of radius  $R$  composed of magnetic material with a magnetization given by  $\vec{M} = M_0 \hat{z}$ .

1. Starting with the Maxwell equations for a static magnetic field  $\vec{H}$  and a static magnetic induction  $\vec{B}$ , prove that the magnetic field  $\vec{H}$  can be written in terms of a scalar magnetic potential. From this derive the Poisson equation that solves the potential. In addition, derive expressions for the magnetic volume charge density and the bound current density from the Maxwell equations. [2 points]
2. Derive the boundary conditions on  $\vec{H}$  and  $\vec{B}$ . Be sure to clearly define the effective surface magnetic charge density and the surface magnetic current density. [2 points]
3. Derive the fields inside and outside the sphere. *You can assume that  $\vec{B}$  and  $\vec{M}$  are parallel.* [6 points]

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E+M #2

Gaussian

a) Maxwell's equations are

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{J}_f \quad (\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \mathbf{J}_f + \mathbf{J}_b)$$

## Problem 3: Maxwell equations

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Consider a medium with nonzero scalar conductivity  $\sigma$  ( $\mathbf{J}_f = \sigma \mathbf{E}$  is the current density), permeability  $\mu$ , permittivity  $\epsilon$ , and with no free charge ( $\rho_f = 0$ ).

1. Write down the set of four differential Maxwell's equations appropriate for this medium. [2points]
2. Derive the wave equation for  $\mathbf{E}$  in this medium. Highlight the additional term arising from the non-zero  $\mathbf{J}_f$ . [3 points]
3. Consider a monochromatic wave moving in the  $+x$  direction with  $E_y$  given by

$$E_y = A e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

Show that this wave has an amplitude  $A$  which decreases exponentially. Find the attenuation length  $\Delta x$ , the distance after which the amplitude has decayed by a factor of  $1/e$  from its initial value, as a function of  $\sigma$ . Show that your solution correctly predicts  $\Delta x = 0$  if  $\sigma = 0$ . [5 points]

→ a) In general, Maxwell's eqns in media are:

$$\nabla \cdot D = 4\pi \vec{J}_f^0$$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\nabla \times E - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}_f$$

b) To derive the wave equation for  $E$ :

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times E - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t}) = 0$$

$$\nabla(\nabla \cdot E) - \nabla^2 E - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times B) = 0$$

\* Note:  $D = \epsilon E$ ,  $B = \mu H$

$$\frac{1}{c} \nabla(\nabla \cdot D) - \nabla^2 E - \frac{\mu}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times H) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E - \frac{\mu}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}_f + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} \right) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E - \frac{\mu \epsilon}{c^2} \left( \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J}_f + \frac{\epsilon}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right) = 0$$

$$-\nabla^2 E - \frac{\mu \epsilon}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} - \frac{4\pi \mu \epsilon}{c^2} \vec{J}_f + \frac{\epsilon}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

extra non-zero term due to  $\vec{J}_f$

c) Given  $\vec{E} = \langle 0, A \exp[i(kr - wt)], 0 \rangle$

$$-\nabla^2 E = -\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x^2}$$

$$= k^2 A \exp[i(kr - wt)]$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} = w^2 A \exp[i(kr - wt)]$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = -iw A \exp[i(kr - wt)]$$

### #3 (cont.)

c)

$$\Rightarrow O = k^2 A \exp[i(kx - wt)] - \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} w^2 A \exp[i(kx - wt)] - \frac{4\pi\mu_0}{c^2} \sigma (-iw) A \exp[i(kx - wt)]$$

$$O = k^2 A - \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} w^2 A + i \frac{4\pi\mu_0}{c^2} w A$$

$$= A \left( k^2 + iw \frac{4\pi\mu_0}{c^2} - \frac{\mu_0}{c^2} w^2 \right)$$

\* Helpful simplifications:

$$k = wV$$

$$V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0\mu_0}} = \frac{c}{n}$$

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0}{\mu_0}}$$

$$= A \left( \dots \right)$$

## Problem 4: EM radiation

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A particle of mass  $m$  and charge  $q$  is attached to a spring with force constant  $k$ , which is hanging from the ceiling. The particle's equilibrium position is a distance  $h$  above the floor. Suppose the particle is pulled down a distance  $d$  below its equilibrium position and released at time  $t = 0$ . Useful information: When the wavelength is much greater than the spatial amplitude, the electric field from an oscillating dipole is

$$E = -\frac{\mu_0 p_0 \omega^2}{4\pi} \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \right) \cos(\omega t - [\omega r/c]) \quad (1)$$

1. Calculate the intensity of the radiation hitting the floor, as a function of the distance  $R$  from the point directly below the point particle. Assume  $d \ll \lambda \ll h$  and neglect radiative damping of the oscillator. [3 points]
2. At what  $R$  is the radiation most intense? [2 points]
3. Assume the floor is of infinite extent. Calculate the average energy per unit time striking the entire floor. How does this compare to the total power radiated by the oscillating charge? [3 points]
4. Because energy is lost in the form of radiation, the amplitude of the oscillation will gradually decrease. At what time  $\tau$  has the oscillator's energy been reduced to  $1/e$  of its initial value? Assume the fraction of the total energy lost in one cycle is very small. [2 points]

## Problem 5: Special relativity

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Consider two frames  $K$  and  $K'$  with a uniform relative velocity. Observers at rest in  $K'$  are moving along the positive  $x$  axis of  $K$  with a velocity  $v$ .  $\beta = v/c$ ,  $\gamma = (1 - \beta^2)^{-1/2}$ , and  $c$  is the speed of light.

1. Let  $x^\nu$  be the four-dimensional space-time vector in the  $K$  frame with the components:  $x^0 = ct$ ,  $x^1 = x$ ,  $x^2 = y$ , and  $x^3 = z$ , and  $x'^\mu$  be the corresponding vector in the  $K'$  frame with the Lorentz transformation of  $x'^\mu = \Lambda^\mu_\nu x^\nu$ , where Einstein's summation rule is implied. What are the components of  $\Lambda^\mu_\nu$ ? [2 points]
2. An object is moving with a three-dimensional velocity  $\vec{u}$  in  $K$ , and the velocity is measured to be  $\vec{u}'$  in  $K'$ . What are the components of the object's four-velocity in  $K'$  in terms of  $u_x$ ,  $u_y$  and  $u_z$ ? [4 points]
3. Let  $\theta$  be the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $x$  in  $K$ , and  $\theta'$  be the angle between  $\vec{u}'$  and  $x'$  in  $K'$ . Show that

$$\tan \theta = \frac{u' \sin \theta'}{\gamma(u' \cos \theta' + v)}. \quad (2)$$

[2 point]

4. A source is emitting isotropically in its rest-frame and moves with an ultra-relativistic velocity in  $K$  with  $\gamma \gg 1$ . Show that in  $K$  half of the radiation power is concentrated in a cone with a half open angle of  $1/\gamma$ . [2 points]

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a) Given K' is moving relative to K with  $\vec{v} = v_x \hat{x}$ , in matrix form,

$$\Lambda' = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) To transform  $\vec{v}$  to  $\vec{v}'$ ,  $\vec{v}' = \Lambda \vec{v}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} v' \\ ct' \\ v'_x \\ v'_y \\ v'_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} ct \\ v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} ct' \\ v'_x \\ v'_y \\ v'_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma ct - \beta\gamma v_x \\ -\beta\gamma ct + \gamma v_x \\ v_y \\ v_z \end{bmatrix}$$

c)

## **Problem 6: Relativistic electrodynamics** 7

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The Lagrangian for the EM field generated from a 4-current  $j_\mu$  is given (in SI units) by

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4\mu_0} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} - A_\mu j^\mu \quad (3)$$

with  $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$ ,  $\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}$ ,  $A_\mu = (\phi/c, -\vec{A})$  and  $j_\mu = (c\rho, -\vec{j})$  and where  $c^2 = 1/\epsilon_0\mu_0$ .

1. Show that  $\mathcal{L}$  is invariant under a gauge transformation  $A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + \partial_\mu \Lambda(t, \vec{x})$ . [2 points]
2. Derive the covariant form of Maxwell's equations from the Euler-Lagrange equations using  $\mathcal{L}(A_\mu, \partial_\nu A_\mu)$ . [4 points]
3. Show that these reduce to the usual form of Maxwell's equations in 3-vector notation. [4 points]

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E + M #6

a)  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{4\mu_0} F^{uv} F_{uv} - A_u j^u$

\*if  $F^{uv} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{uvpo} F_{po}$

$$F_{uv} = \partial_u A_v - \partial_v A_u$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\mu_0} \left( \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{uvpo} F_{po} \right) F_{uv} - A_u j^u$$

$$= \frac{1}{8\mu_0} \epsilon^{uvpo} (\partial_p A_o - \partial_o A_p) (\partial_u A_v - \partial_v A_u) - A_u j^u$$

\*if  $A_u \rightarrow A_u + \partial_u N(t, \vec{x})$

$$= \frac{1}{8\mu_0} \epsilon^{uvpo} (\partial_p (A_o + \partial_o N) - \partial_o (A_p + \partial_p N)) (\partial_u (A_v + \partial_v N) - \partial_v (A_u + \partial_u N))$$

$$- (A_u + \partial_u N) j^u$$

$$= \frac{1}{8\mu_0} \epsilon^{uvpo} (\partial_p A_o + \partial_p \partial_o N - \partial_o A_p - \partial_o \partial_p N) (\partial_u A_v + \partial_u \partial_v N - \partial_v A_u - \partial_v \partial_u N)$$

$$- A_u j^u - \partial_u N j^u$$

$$= \frac{1}{8\mu_0} \epsilon^{uvpo} (\partial_p A_o - \partial_o A_p) (\partial_u A_v - \partial_v A_u) - A_u j^u - \partial_u N j^u$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\mu_0} F^{uv} F_{uv} - A_u j^u$$

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## Problem 1: Electrostatics

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A non-conducting solid sphere of radius  $R$  carries a charge density  $\rho(r) = k r$  (where  $k$  is a constant).

- (a) Find the electric field at a distance  $r$  such that  $r \geq R$  [1 point]
- (b) Find the electric field at a distance  $r$  such that  $r \leq R$  [1 point]
- (c) State the boundary conditions on the electric field components on the surface of the sphere, and show that your answers to parts a) and b) are consistent with them.  
HINT: The surface charge density of the sphere is zero in this case. [1 point]
- (d) Calculate the electric potential for all  $r$  using  $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} V(r) = 0$  [2 points]
- (e) Find the work required to assemble this charge [2 points]
- (f) If the *non-conducting* solid sphere was replaced by a *conducting* solid sphere with the same total charge, how does that change your answer to parts a, b, and c?  
Explicitly show that the new field satisfies the new boundary conditions across the surface of the sphere. [3 point]

Aug 2017

E + M #1

Gaussian

a) We use Gauss' Law to find the field at  $r \geq R$ 

$$\int \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} dV = \int 4\pi p dV$$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi \int kr \cdot r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot 4\pi R^2 = 16\pi^2 k \int_0^R r^3 dr$$

$$4\pi r^2 \vec{E} = 4\pi^2 k r^4 |_0^R$$

$$4\pi r^2 \vec{E} = 4\pi^2 k R^4$$

$$\vec{E} = \pi k R^4 \hat{r} \quad (\text{know } \hat{r} \text{ direction due to spherical symmetry of problem})$$

b) We proceed as above, now with  $r \leq R$ 

$$\int \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} dV = \int 4\pi p dV$$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = 4\pi k \int r^3 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot 4\pi r^2 = 4\pi^2 k r^4 |_0^r$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot 4\pi r^2 = 4\pi^2 k r^4$$

$$\vec{E} = k\pi r^2 \hat{r}$$

c) The boundary conditions of  $\vec{E}$  are: ①  $E_1^+ - E_2^+ = 4\pi\sigma$ 

$$\textcircled{2} E_1'' = E_2''$$

② is automatically satisfied as  $\vec{E}$  only points perpendicular to surface in both cases

\* Defining region 1 as inside the sphere and region 2 as outside the sphere,

$$E_1^+ = \vec{E}_1 \cdot \hat{n}|_{r=R}$$

$$= E_1 \cdot \hat{r}|_{r=R}$$

$$= k\pi R^2$$

$$E_2^+ = \vec{E}_2 \cdot \hat{n}|_{r=R}$$

$$= \vec{E}_2 \cdot \hat{r}|_{r=R}$$

$$= k\pi R^2$$

\* Since we know  $\sigma = 0$ , condition ① is also satisfied

#1 (cont.)

\* See Griffiths Ch 2  
for origin of formulas

d) We calculate the potential according to:

$$V(\vec{r}) = \int \frac{p(x)}{|x-x'|} d^3x' = - \int_{\infty}^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

\* due to spherical symmetry, it is easier to use the second form and integrate along a line radially pointing inwards from infinity to  $r$

$$V(r) = - \int_{\infty}^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

\* since the field changes at  $r=R$ , we must proceed with 2 cases

\* if  $r > R$

$$\begin{aligned} V(r) &= - \int_{\infty}^r \frac{\pi k R^4}{r'^2} dr' \\ &= \frac{\pi k R^4}{r'} \Big|_{\infty}^r \\ &= \frac{\pi k R^4}{r} \end{aligned}$$

\* if  $r < R$

$$\begin{aligned} V(r) &= - \left( \int_{\infty}^R \frac{\pi k R^4}{r'} dr' + \int_R^r k \pi r'^2 dr' \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi k R^4}{r'} \Big|_{\infty}^R - \frac{\pi k r'^3}{3} \Big|_R^r \\ &= \pi k R^3 - \left( \frac{1}{3} \pi k r^3 - \pi k R^3 \right) \\ &= \frac{4}{3} \pi k R^3 - \frac{1}{3} \pi k r^3 \end{aligned}$$

e) We can find the work necessary to assemble this charge distribution according to

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \int E^2 dV \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} E^2 r'^2 dr' \end{aligned}$$

\* again we must consider our two regions

## #1 (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{e) } W &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^R E_1 r'^2 dr' + \int_R^\infty E_2 r'^2 dr' \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^R k^2 \pi^2 r'^6 dr' + \int_R^\infty k^2 \pi^2 \frac{R^8}{r'^4} r'^2 dr' \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ k^2 \pi^2 \left( \frac{1}{7} r'^7 \right)_0^R + k^2 \pi^2 R^8 \left( -\frac{1}{r'} \right)_R^\infty \right] \\
 &= \frac{k^2 \pi^2}{2} \left( \frac{1}{7} R^7 + R^8 \right) \\
 &= \frac{4k^2 \pi^2 R^7}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

f) If we replace the non-conducting sphere with a conducting sphere of equal charge

a) Field outside conductor remains unchanged

b) Field goes to 0 inside conductor

c) Boundary conditions are same, except all charge accumulates on surface

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma &= \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \int p dV \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} 4\pi k \cdot \frac{1}{4} R^4 \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} k R^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$E_1^+ - E_2^+ = 4\pi \sigma$$

$$\sigma = \frac{\pi k R^4}{F^2} = 4\pi \left( \frac{1}{4} k R^2 \right)$$

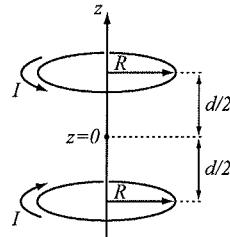
$$- \pi k R^2 = \pi k R^2 \checkmark$$

## Problem 2: Magnetostatics

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Consider a circular loop of radius  $R$  which carries a steady current  $I$ .

- (a) Calculate the magnetic field a distance  $z$  above the center of the loop. [3 points]
- (b) Now consider a configuration composed of two circular loops a distance  $d$  apart and with currents flowing in opposite directions, as shown in the figure. This configuration is known as anti-Helmholtz coils. Calculate the magnetic field along the  $z$ -axis as a function of  $z$ . [2 points]



- (c) For what value of  $z$  will the magnetic field due to the anti-Helmholtz coils be equal to zero? Give a physical explanation for your result. [2 points]
- (d) Calculate the magnetic dipole moment of the configuration. [3 points]

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## E+M #2

a) We calculate the magnetic field according to the Biot-Savart Law

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{B} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \frac{\vec{J} \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|r - r'|^3} d\vec{r}' \\
 &= \frac{4\pi}{c} I_0 \int \frac{d\vec{l} \times (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')}{|r - r'|^3} \\
 &= \frac{4\pi}{c} I_0 \int \frac{-R d\vec{l}}{\sqrt{(R^2 + z^2)^3}} \hat{z} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{from evaluation of cross product +} \\ \text{symmetry of problem, leaving only} \\ \text{z-component non-zero} \end{array} \right) \\
 &= \frac{4\pi}{c} I_0 \frac{2\pi R^2}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \\
 &= \frac{8\pi^2 I_0 R^2}{c (R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z}
 \end{aligned}$$

b) In our current configuration, we call the loop with the CCW current loop 1, and the loop with CW current loop 2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow B_z &= B_1 + B_2 \\
 &= \frac{8\pi^2 I_0 R^2}{c (R^2 + [z - d/2]^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} + \frac{8\pi^2 (-I_0) R^2}{c (R^2 + [z + d/2]^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \\
 &= \frac{8\pi^2 I_0 R^2}{c} \left[ \frac{1}{(R^2 + [z - d/2]^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{1}{(R^2 + [z + d/2]^2)^{3/2}} \right] \hat{z}
 \end{aligned}$$

$-I_0$  b/c CW current  
 $\pm d/2$  added to reflect shift from origin

c)  $\vec{B} = \vec{0}$  at  $z = 0$ . This is due to the fields generated by each coil pointing in the opposite direction

d) The formula for the magnetic dipole moment is:

$$\vec{m} = I \int d\vec{a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \vec{m}_{\text{tot}} &= \vec{m}_1 + \vec{m}_2 \\
 &= I_0 \pi R^2 \hat{z} - I_0 \pi R^2 \hat{z}
 \end{aligned}$$

$= \vec{0}$  ? or  $2I_0 \pi R^2$  (depending on if we have positive or negative normal on  $M_2$  integral)

## Problem 3: Waves

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An electromagnetic wave with an angular frequency of  $\omega$  passes from medium 1, through a slab of medium 2 (with thickness  $d$ ), and into medium 3. All three media are linear and homogeneous, and have a permeability of  $\mu_0$ . The index of refraction is  $n_1$ ,  $n_2$ , and  $n_3$  for medium 1, 2, and 3, respectively.

- (a) In medium 1, there is an incident plane wave (electric field of amplitude  $E_I$ ) and a reflected plane wave (electric field of amplitude  $E_R$ ). In medium 3, there is a transmitted plane wave (electric field of amplitude  $E_T$ ). In medium 2, there is a plane wave going toward medium 3 (electric field of amplitude  $E_r$ ) and a plane wave going toward medium 1 (electric field of amplitude  $E_l$ ). Write down expressions that describe the electric and magnetic fields in medium 1, medium 2, and medium 3. [4 points]
- (b) Apply the boundary conditions for the electric and magnetic fields at the interface between medium 1 and medium 2. Express  $E_I$  in terms of  $E_r$ ,  $E_l$ ,  $n_1$ , and  $n_2$ . [1.5 points]
- (c) Apply the boundary conditions for the electric and magnetic fields at the interface between medium 2 and medium 3. Express  $E_r$  in terms of  $E_T$ ,  $n_2$ ,  $n_3$  and  $d$ . Also express  $E_l$  in terms of  $E_T$ ,  $n_2$ ,  $n_3$  and  $d$ . [1.5 points]
- (d) Combine your answers for part b and c to get an expression for  $E_T/E_I$  in terms of  $n_1$ ,  $n_2$ ,  $n_3$ , and  $d$ . What percentage of the incident wave is transmitted into medium 3? Express your answer in terms of  $n_1$ ,  $n_2$ ,  $n_3$  and  $d$ . [1 points]
- (e) Suppose medium 1 is water ( $n_1 = 4/3$ ), medium 2 is glass ( $n_2 = 3/2$ ), and medium 3 is air ( $n_3 = 1$ ). Will the thickness of the glass make much difference in how well you (in medium 3) can see the fish (in medium 1)? How would your answer change if instead you were in the water and the fish was in the air? [2 points]

## Problem 4: ED in media

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In this problem we consider the propagation of an electromagnetic wave through an optically active media; a media that causes the direction of polarization to rotate about the direction of propagation. Such a media can be described using the susceptibility tensor

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_{11} & i\chi_{12} & 0 \\ -i\chi_{12} & \chi_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \chi_{33} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Furthermore, recall that the polarization of the media and the electric field are related by  $\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi \vec{E}$  in SI units. *You can assume a non-magnetic linear dielectric material with no free charges or currents.*

- (a) Starting from the Maxwell equations, the expressions given in the statement of the problem, and assuming a transverse electromagnetic wave propagating in the  $z$  direction, derive the magnitude of the wave vector  $k$  for the two possible polarizations in terms of the components of  $\chi$ . [4 points]
- (b) Prove that the allowed wave modes correspond to circularly polarized waves. [2 points]
- (c) Under the assumption that  $\chi_{12} \ll \chi_{11}$ , derive an expression for the amount that the polarization rotates over a distance  $\ell$ . The approximation  $\sqrt{1 - \epsilon} \approx 1 + \epsilon/2$  might be useful. [4 points]

## Problem 5: Radiation

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Two oscillating dipole moments  $\vec{d}_1$  and  $\vec{d}_2$  are oriented parallel to each other in the direction of the  $y$ -axis and are separated by a distance  $L$ . They oscillate in phase at the same frequency  $\omega$ . For an observer at a distance  $r$  with  $r \gg L$  located at an angle  $\theta$  with respect to the  $y$ -axis in the plane of the two dipoles.

- (a) Show that [9 points]

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{\omega^4 \sin \theta^2}{8\pi c^3} (d_1^2 + 2d_1 d_2 \cos \delta + d_2^2), \quad (1)$$

where

$$\delta = \frac{\omega L \sin \theta}{c} \quad (2)$$

and where  $P$  is the time-averaged power. The units are Gaussian.

- (b) Show that when  $L \ll \lambda$ , the radiation can be approximated as from a single oscillating dipole of amplitude  $d_1 + d_2$ . [1 point]

## Problem 6: Relativity

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- (a) Write down both the homogeneous and inhomogeneous Maxwell's equations in manifestly Lorentz covariant form using the 2nd rank field strength tensor  $F_{\mu\nu}$  and its dual  $\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}F^{\rho\sigma}$ . (State which system of units you are using) [2 points]
  - (b) Write down the components (in matrix form) of  $F_{\mu\nu}$ . [2 points]
  - (c) Lorentz transformations on a four-vector are given by  $x'_\mu = \Lambda_\mu^\nu x_\nu$ . Write down the form of  $\Lambda_\nu^\mu$  for a boost to velocity  $\beta_x = v_x/c$  along the  $x$ -direction. [2 points]
  - (d) Using  $\Lambda_\nu^\mu$ , calculate the Lorentz transformation relations for  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$  for a boost along the  $x$ -direction. [2 points]
  - (e) Depict the lines of electric field  $\vec{E}$  from a point charge a) at rest and b) moving with some large velocity  $\beta_x$ . [2 points]

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## E + M #6

a) The manifestly covariant form of Maxwell's eqns are (in SI units)

$$\partial_\alpha F^{\alpha\beta} = \mu_0 J^\beta$$

$$\partial_\alpha (\frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} F_{\gamma\delta}) = 0$$

b)  $F_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & E_x & E_y & E_z \\ -E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ -E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ -E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  \* Rest of problem in Gaussian

c)  $\Lambda_\nu^\mu = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

d)  $F'^{\alpha\beta} = \Lambda_\alpha^\mu \Lambda_\beta^\nu F_{\mu\nu} \Leftrightarrow F' = \Lambda F \Lambda^T$  in matrix form

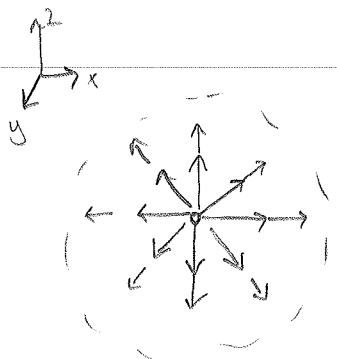
$$F' = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & E_x & E_y & E_z \\ -E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ -E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ -E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma E_x & \gamma E_x & \gamma E_y + \beta\gamma B_z & \gamma E_z - \beta\gamma B_y \\ -\beta\gamma E_x & -\beta\gamma E_x & -\beta\gamma E_y - 2B_z & \beta\gamma E_z + 2B_y \\ -E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ -E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

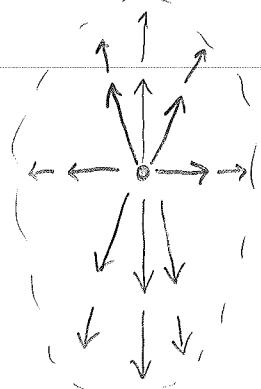
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & (-\beta^2\gamma^2 + \gamma^2)\bar{E}_x & \gamma\bar{E}_y + \beta\gamma\bar{B}_z & \gamma\bar{E}_z - \beta\gamma\bar{B}_y \\ (\gamma^2/\beta^2\gamma^2)\bar{E}_y & 0 & -\beta\gamma\bar{E}_y - \beta\bar{B}_z & -\beta\gamma\bar{E}_z + \beta\bar{B}_y \\ -\beta\bar{E}_y - \beta\bar{B}_z & \beta\bar{E}_y + \beta\bar{B}_z & 0 & -B_x \\ -\beta\bar{E}_z + \beta\bar{B}_y & \beta\bar{E}_z - \beta\bar{B}_y & B_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

#6 (cont.)

e) For a point charge at rest



For a rapidly moving point charge



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6:

$$\nabla \cdot E = 4\pi\rho$$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$E_{||} = 0 \quad D_{||} = \sigma_b$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times B - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j$$

$$B_{\perp} = 0 \quad H_{||} = \frac{4\pi}{c} K \times \hat{n}$$

$$\nabla \cdot D = 4\pi\rho_f$$

$$\nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$S = E \times B$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times H - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j_f$$

$$= E \times H$$

$$D = E + 4\pi\rho$$

$$H = B + 4\pi M$$

## Problem 1: Electrostatics

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A wire of radius  $R_1$  is insulated with a dielectric of outer radius  $R_2$  that is itself enclosed in a grounded conducting sheath. Let the charge per unit length on the wire be  $\lambda$ .

- ✓ 1. Find an expression for the electric field,  $\vec{E}$ , on the wire at a radius  $\rho$  from the center of the wire. [3 points]
- ✓ 2. Find the voltage,  $V$ , between the inner and outer conductors. [2 points]
3. Calculate the force per unit volume on the insulating material in the coaxial cable. [3 points]
4. Estimate the size of the force for  $R_1 = 1$  mm,  $R_2 = 5$  mm,  $\epsilon_r = 2.5$ , and  $V = 25,000$  volts. Is this force larger than the force of gravity if the dielectric has the same density as water ( $10^3$  kilograms/meter $^3$ )? [2 points]

[Hint: The force per unit volume on a dielectric is given by  $\frac{1}{2}(\epsilon - \epsilon_0)\nabla E^2$ ; also,  $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/(\text{Nm}^2)$ .]

$$h_1 = 1 \quad h_2 = 5 \quad h_3 = 1$$

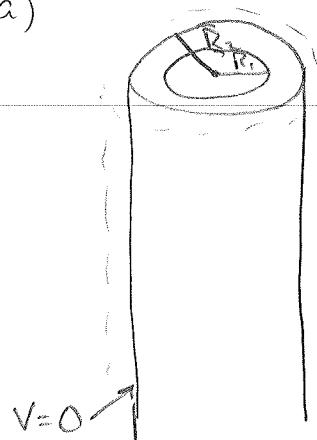
$$\nabla \Phi = \left\langle \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial s}, \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \psi}, \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} \right\rangle$$

Jan 2018

# E + M #1

Gaussian

a)



$$\nabla \cdot D = 4\pi \rho_f$$

\* If  $s < R_1$ :

$$\int D \cdot E dV = \oint E \cdot d\vec{a} = \int 4\pi \rho_f$$

$$E \cdot 2\pi s L = 4\pi \lambda L \frac{s^2}{R_1^2}$$

$$\vec{E} = 2\lambda \frac{s}{R_1^2} \hat{\phi}$$

\* If  $R_1 < s < R_2$ :

$$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int 4\pi \rho_f$$

$$D \cdot 2\pi s L = 4\pi \lambda L$$

$$\vec{D} = \frac{2\lambda}{s} \hat{\phi}$$

\* Assuming dielectric is linear,  $D = \epsilon E$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{2\lambda}{\epsilon s} \hat{\phi}$$

\* If  $s > R_2$ :

$$\vec{E} = 0 \quad (\text{idemically true for conductors})$$

#1 (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned} b) \quad \Delta E &= - \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} \\ &= - \int_{R_2}^{R_1} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} \\ &= - \int_{R_2}^{R_1} \frac{2\lambda}{\epsilon s} ds \\ &= - \frac{2\lambda}{\epsilon} \ln(s) \Big|_{R_2}^{R_1} \\ &= \frac{2\lambda}{\epsilon} \ln\left(\frac{R_1}{R_2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$c) \quad F = qE \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{F}{V} = \frac{qE}{V}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E}{V} = \frac{2\lambda}{\pi(R_2^2 - R_1^2)}$$

$$\frac{E}{V} = \frac{2\lambda^2}{\pi \epsilon s (R_2^2 - R_1^2)}$$

## **Problem 2: Magnetostatics**

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An infinitely long circular cylinder of radius  $R$  (with its axis along the  $z$ -direction) carries a magnetization  $\vec{M} = ks^2\hat{\phi}$ , where  $k$  is a constant,  $s$  is the distance from the axis, and  $\hat{\phi}$  is the azimuthal unit vector.

1. Find the bound current densities ( $\vec{K}_b$  and  $\vec{J}_b$ ). [2 points]
2. Verify that the total bound current in the cylinder is zero. [2 points]
3. Find the magnetic field  $\vec{B}$ , due to  $\vec{M}$ , inside and outside the cylinder. [3 points]
4. Verify the boundary conditions for  $\vec{B}$  at the interface ( $s = R$ ). [3 points]

a)  $\vec{K}_b = \hat{M} \times \hat{r}$        $\hat{M} = \langle 0, ks^2, 0 \rangle$

$$\vec{J}_b = -\nabla \times \hat{M}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{J}_b &= \left\langle \frac{1}{s} \partial_\phi M_z - \partial_z M_\phi, \partial_z M_s - \partial_s M_z, \frac{1}{s} \partial_s (s M_y) - \partial_y M_s \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{1}{s} \partial_y(0) - \partial_z(ks^2), \partial_z(0) - \partial_s(0), \frac{1}{s} \partial_s(sks^2) - \partial_y(0) \right\rangle \\ &= \langle 0, 0, 3ks \rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{K}_B = \begin{vmatrix} s & \hat{\phi} & \hat{z} \\ 0 & ks^2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 0, 0, -ks^2 \rangle$$

b)  $O = \oint \vec{K}_B \cdot d\vec{\alpha} + \int \vec{J}_B \cdot dV$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \int -ks^2 \cdot d\vec{\alpha} + \iiint_0^{2\pi L} 3ks \, s \, ds \, d\phi \, dz \\ &= -ks^2 \cdot 2\pi sL + ks^3 \Big|_0^s 2\pi L \\ &= -2\pi L ks^3 + 2\pi L ks^3 \\ &= 0 \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

c)  $\nabla \times B = \frac{4\pi}{c} J_b + \vec{J}_b$

$$\int B \cdot dL = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int J_b \cdot d\vec{\alpha}$$

\* If  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$B \cdot 2\pi s = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int 3ks \, s \, ds \, d\phi$$

$$2\pi s B = \frac{4\pi^2}{c} 3k \cdot \frac{1}{3}s^3 \Big|_0^s$$

$$2\pi s B = \frac{4\pi^2 ks^3}{c} \Rightarrow B = \frac{4\pi ks^2}{c} \hat{\phi}$$

## #2 (cont)

c) \*if  $s > R$ ,

$\vec{B} = 0$  b/c total bound current is 0, as is free current

d) Our boundary conditions are:

$$B_1'' - B_2'' = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{k}$$

$$B_1^+ - B_2^+ = 0$$

\*Defining region 1 as inside the cylinder and region 2 as outside

$$B_1^+ - B_2^+ = 0$$

$$0 - 0 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$B_1'' - B_2'' = \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{k}$$

$$\frac{4\pi}{c} ks^2 - 0 = \frac{4\pi}{c} ks^2 \checkmark$$

## Problem 3: Waves

Consider an electromagnetic wave propagating in a vacuum where there are no charges or electric currents, with electric field of  $\vec{E}(z, t) = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{x}$ .

- ✓ 1. Show that three of Maxwell's equations can be combined to give  $\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}$  for a region with no charges or electric currents. Show that three of Maxwell's equations can also lead to an analogous equation for the magnetic field  $\vec{B}$ . *Hint:* Start by calculating  $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E})$ . [2 points]
- ✓ 2. In the equation for  $\vec{E}(z, t)$  how are  $\omega$  and  $k$  related to  $\mu_0$  and  $\epsilon_0$ ? What is the equation for  $\vec{B}(z, t)$  of the electromagnetic wave? Be explicit about how the amplitude, direction and phase of  $\vec{B}$  are related to those of  $\vec{E}$ . [3 points]
3. Now suppose the wave propagates from vacuum into a dielectric material with permittivity of  $\epsilon = \kappa \epsilon_0$ , where  $\kappa$  is a positive constant. Assuming a normal angle of incidence at the vacuum/dielectric interface, calculate the amplitude of the electric field in the dielectric material. Express your answer in terms of  $E_0$  and  $\kappa$ . [3 points]
- ✓ 4. What fraction of the incident energy is transmitted across the boundary? [2 points]

a) In Gaussian units, Maxwell's eqns are:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \nabla \cdot E = 4\pi p$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \nabla \times E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \nabla \times B - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j$$

\* If we take  $\nabla \times \textcircled{2}$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times E) + \nabla \times \left( \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \right) = \nabla \times 0$$

$$\nabla(\nabla \cdot E) - \nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \times B) = 0$$

$$\nabla(4\pi p) - \nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{4\pi}{c} j + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right) = 0$$

\* Since we are in a vacuum,  $p = 0$ ,  $j = 0$

$$-\nabla^2 E + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad \checkmark \quad \text{*Note: } c^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$$

b) \* From Jackson,  $\frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{c}{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} \text{ in a vacuum}$$

\* To calculate  $\vec{B}$ , we simply plug  $\vec{E}$  into Maxwell's eqns

$\hookrightarrow$  Remember, in SI units (forced by problem), Maxwell's eqns are:

$$\nabla \cdot E = \frac{P}{\epsilon_0} \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0$$

$$\nabla \times E + \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \nabla \times B - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \mu_0 j$$

$$\nabla \times E = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ E_x & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} E_x, 0 \rangle$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ E_x & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 0, ik E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)], 0 \rangle$$

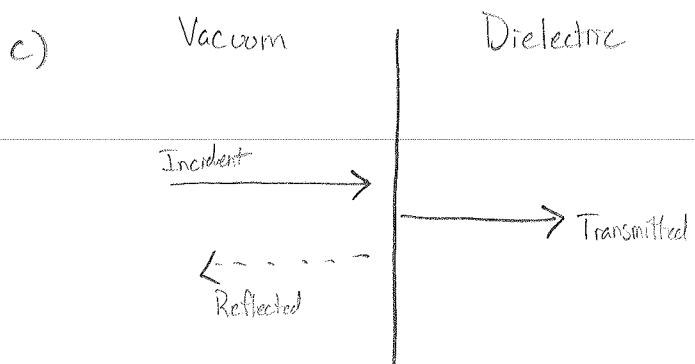
$$\Rightarrow ik E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y} = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t}$$

$$\therefore \vec{B} = \sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0} E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y}$$

$$\int ik E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] \hat{y} dt = -\vec{B}$$

$$-\frac{k}{w} E_0 \exp[i(kz - wt)] y = -\vec{B}$$

### #3 (cont.)



\* Across all boundaries,

$$\epsilon_1 E_{1\perp} = \epsilon_2 E_{2\perp}$$

$$E_{1\parallel} = E_{2\parallel}$$

$$B_{1\perp} = B_{2\perp}$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} B_{1\parallel} = \frac{1}{\mu_2} B_{2\parallel}$$

## Problem 4: Maxwell Eq'n in 4-d

For this problem, use the following metric:  $g_{00} = -1$ ,  $g_{11} = g_{22} = g_{33} = 1$ , and  $g_{ij} = 0$  for  $i \neq j$  and consider Maxwell's equations in four dimensions (4D)

$$\sum_{\nu} \frac{\partial F^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^{\nu}} = \mu_0 J^{\mu}$$

$$\sum_{\nu} \frac{\partial G^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^{\nu}} = 0$$

- ✓ 1. (0.5 pt) Write down the field strength tensor  $F^{\mu\nu}$ , its dual tensor  $G^{\mu\nu}$ , and the 4-vector charge-current density  $J^{\mu}$  in vector form in terms of  $\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B}, \rho, \mathbf{j}$ , and  $c$ .
- ✓ 2. (0.5 pt) Explicitly derive the equation  $\sum_{\mu} \partial J^{\mu} / \partial x^{\mu} = 0$  from Maxwell's equations in 4D. What is the physical meaning of this equation?
- ✓ 3. (1.0 pt) Show that the field tensor can be written as  $F^{\mu\nu} = \partial A^{\nu} / \partial x_{\mu} - \partial A^{\mu} / \partial x_{\nu}$  by introducing a 4-vector potential  $A^{\mu}$ .
- ? 4. (1.0 pt) Show that with the introduction of the 4-vector potential  $A^{\mu}$  the 4D Maxwell equation involving  $G^{\mu\nu}$  is automatically satisfied.
- 5. (1.0 pt) Impose the Lorentz gauge on  $A^{\mu}$  and show that, with this gauge, the 4D Maxwell's equations reduce to the inhomogeneous 4D wave equation for the 4-vector potential.
- ? 6. (1.0 pt) Consider the Minkowski force acting on a charge  $q$ ,  $K^{\mu} = q \eta_{\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$ , where  $\eta_{\nu}$  is the proper velocity. Find the  $\mu = 1, 2, 3$  components of  $K^{\mu}$  in terms of  $\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B}, q$  and  $c$ .
- ? 7. (0.5 pt) What is the physical meaning of the Minkowski force expression for  $\mu = 1, 2, 3$ ?
- ? 8. (1.0 pt) Find the  $\mu = 0$  component of the Minkowski force in terms of  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $q$  and  $c$ .
- ? 9. (0.5 pt) What is the physical meaning of the Minkowski force expression for  $\mu = 0$ ?
- 10. (3.0 pt) Consider a particle starting from rest at the origin under the influence of a constant Minkowski force in the  $x$ -direction. Find an implicit relativistic expression for the particle velocity  $v$ . Leave your answer in implicit form ( $t$  as a function of  $v$ ).

## Problem 5: Radiation

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A current source  $\vec{J}(\vec{x}, t)$  is localized within a sphere of radius  $a$  near the origin of a coordinate system and oscillates with harmonic time dependence  $e^{-i\omega t}$ . Would an oscillating charge density all by itself ( $\vec{J} = 0$ ) contribute to the power radiated into the radiation zone? Why or why not? [1 point] ?

The vector potential (in SI units) is given by

$$\vec{A}(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{J}(x', t')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \delta(t' - (t - \frac{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}{c})) d^3x' dt' \quad (1)$$

- ✓1. Integrate out the time dependence to find  $\vec{A}(\vec{x})$ . [1 point]
2. In the radiation zone,  $|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'| \simeq r - \hat{n} \cdot \vec{x}'$ . What is the vector potential in the radiation zone? [2 points]
3. What approximation must be made to gain the electric dipole contribution to  $\vec{A}$ ? [2 points]
4. The electric dipole moment is given by  $\vec{p} = \int \vec{x}' \rho(\vec{x}') d^3x'$ . What is the vector potential in the radiation zone in terms of the EDP moment  $\vec{p}$ ? [2 points]  
(Hint:  $\partial_i(x_k J_i) = \delta_{ik} J_i + x_k \partial_i J_i$  and the equation of continuity for harmonic time dependence is given by  $\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = i\omega \rho$ .)
5. For a dipole  $\vec{p}$  oriented along the  $z$ -axis, what angular distribution do you expect in the power radiated from EDP radiation? (You need not actually do the calculation.) [2 points]

## Problem 6: Stress tensor

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The manifestly covariant form of the electromagnetic field Lagrangian is given by  $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{16\pi} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{c} J_\mu A^\mu$  in Gaussian units where  $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$ .

- ? (a) For  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(A^\nu, \partial^\mu A^\nu)$ , write down the Euler-Lagrange equations. [1 point]
- (b) Apply these to derive the covariant form of the inhomogeneous Maxwell equations. [1 point]
- ✓ (c) From the Maxwell equations, show that the equation of continuity  $\partial_\mu J^\mu = 0$  is satisfied. [2 points]
- (d) List at least three important steps in deriving the symmetrized electromagnetic stress-energy tensor  $\Theta^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{4\pi} (g^{\alpha\mu} F_{\mu\lambda} F^{\lambda\beta} + \frac{1}{4} g^{\alpha\beta} f_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu})$ . [2 points]
- (e) Express  $\Theta^{\alpha\beta}$  in matrix form in terms of the EM energy density  $u$ , momentum density  $c\vec{g}$  and the Maxwell stress tensor  $T_{ij}^M = \frac{1}{4\pi} (E_i E_j + B_i B_j - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij} (\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2))$ . [2 points]
- (f) Express the zeroth component of the conservation equation  $\partial_\mu \Theta^{\mu\nu} = 0$  in terms of  $u$  and the Poynting vector  $\vec{S} = c^2 \vec{g}$ . What is the significance of this equation? [2 points]

$$\partial_\mu \sum_v \frac{\partial E^{uv}}{\partial x_\nu} = \partial_\mu \mu_0 J^\mu$$

$c^2 E \times B$

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## E+M # 6

a) General Euler-Lagrange eqn:  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{x}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(A^{\mu}, \partial^{\nu} A^{\mu})}{\partial A^{\nu}} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(A^{\mu}, \partial^{\nu} A^{\mu})}{\partial(\partial^{\nu} A^{\mu})}$$

b) The covariant form of the inhomogeneous Maxwell Eqns is:  $\partial_{\nu} F^{\mu\nu} = \mu_0 J^{\mu}$

Given:  $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{16\pi} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{c} J_{\mu} A^{\mu}$  where  $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} A_{\mu}$

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**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

**Exam 2**

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Some useful formulas.

In class we have shown that the power radiated per unit solid angle into direction  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$  by an accelerating point particle is

$$\frac{\delta P}{\delta \Omega} = \frac{cq^2}{4\pi c^2} \frac{|\hat{\mathbf{n}} \times [(\hat{\mathbf{n}} - \beta) \times \dot{\beta}]|^2}{(1 - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \beta)^5},$$

and that it becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta P}{\delta \Omega} &= \frac{q^2}{4\pi c(1 - \beta \cos \theta)^5} \left\{ \sin^2 \theta \dot{\beta}_{||}^2 \right. \\ &+ [(1 - \beta \cos \theta)^2 - \gamma^{-2} \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi] \dot{\beta}_{\perp}^2 \\ &\left. + 2(\beta - \cos \theta) \sin \theta \cos \phi \dot{\beta}_{\perp} \dot{\beta}_{||} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

when the particle's velocity is in the  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$  direction and its acceleration is in the  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}\text{-}\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  plane

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \dot{\beta} &= \dot{\beta}_{||} \hat{\mathbf{z}} + \dot{\beta}_{\perp} \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{n}} &= \sin \theta [\cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{y}}] + \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{z}}. \end{aligned}$$

We have also shown that when  $\delta P/\delta\Omega$  is integrated over all directions the following expressions for the total power radiated result

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) \equiv \int \frac{\delta P}{\delta \Omega} \delta \Omega &= -\frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c^3} a^\sigma a_\sigma, \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c} \gamma^4 \left[ |\dot{\beta}|^2 + \gamma^2 (\beta \cdot \dot{\beta})^2 \right], \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c} \gamma^6 \left[ |\dot{\beta}|^2 - |\beta \times \dot{\beta}|^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

1 eV =  $1.6 \times 10^{-12}$  ergs, e =  $4.8 \times 10^{-10}$  statcoul, 1 erg =  $10^{-7}$  Joules.

1. {20%, Ave=6.9/20}

An electron ( $Mc^2=0.5$  MeV) is accelerated from rest ( $\beta = 0$ ) between the plates of a parallel plate capacitor. Assume it starts at  $t = 0$  at  $\mathbf{r} = 0$  on the grounded plate ( $\Phi = 0$  Volts) located in the  $z = 0$  plane and travel to the positive plate whose potential is  $\Phi = V_0 = 5 \times 10^5$  Volts located at the  $z = d = 10$  cm plane. The goal of this problem is to give two expressions for the power radiated per unit solid angle by the electron as a function of its spherical polar angle  $\theta$ , one for when it leaves  $z = 0$  and the second just as it reaches the positive plate at  $z = d$ . To obtain this result carry out the following steps:

- (a) Calculate  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\dot{\beta}$  of the electron as it moves between the capacitor's plates as a function of  $z$ . Hint: The Lorentz force equations for a charge moving in a uniform electric field  $E_0 = V_0/d$  are

$$\frac{d}{dt}(m\gamma c^2) = mc^2\dot{\gamma} = qE^z\dot{z} = eE_0c\beta,$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(m\gamma\beta c) = mc(\dot{\gamma}\beta + \gamma\dot{\beta}) = eE_0.$$

- (b) What are the starting ( $z = 0$ ) numerical values and the finishing ( $z = d$ ) numerical values for  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\dot{\beta}$   
(c) Give an expression for

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega}(\theta, z),$$

as a function of  $\beta$  and  $\dot{\beta}$ , appropriate for this type of acceleration.

- (d) Give the power radiated

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega}(\theta, 0),$$

just after the electron leaves the grounded plate at  $z = 0$  and sketch its shape as a function of  $\theta$ .

- (e) Give the power radiated

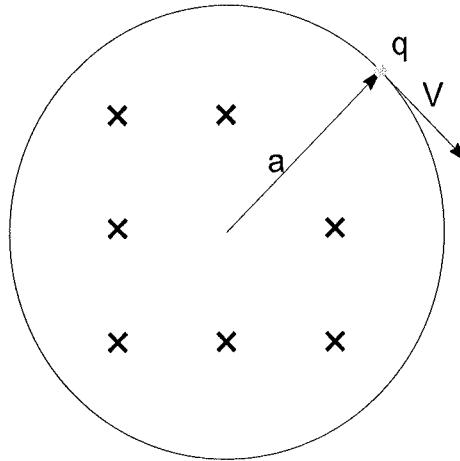
$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega}(\theta, d),$$

just before the electron reaches the positive plate at  $z = d$  and sketch its shape as a function of  $\theta$ . For this part you will have to expand  $\beta \approx 1 - \gamma^{-2}/2$  and  $\cos(\theta) \approx 1 - \theta^2/2$ . What is the angular opening of the radiation cone?

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2. {20%, Ave=7.1/20}

A fast moving electron whose total energy is 10 MeV enters a uniform magnetic induction  $\vec{B}_0 = B_0 \hat{k}$  in the lab and moves in a circular orbit of radius  $a = 10$  cm, orthogonal to the magnetic induction.



- (a) What are the electron's  $\gamma$  and  $\beta$  values?
- (b) What is the value of  $B_0$ ?
- (c) Find the time the electron takes to move around a complete circle as seen by a lab observer.
- (d) How much total energy does the electron lose as radiation during one complete revolution?
- (e) What fraction of the electron's total energy is lost to radiation during that one revolution?

$$m_e c^2 = 0.5 \text{ MeV}, 1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-12} \text{ ergs}, e = 4.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ statcoul.}$$

3. {20%, Ave=13.8/20}

The Lienard-Weichert potentials for a point charge  $q$  moving on a world line  $(t, \mathbf{r}_q(t))$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(t, \mathbf{r}) &= \frac{q}{R(1 - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})} = \frac{q}{(R - \mathbf{R} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})}, \\ \mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r}) &= \frac{q\boldsymbol{\beta}}{R(1 - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})} = \frac{q\boldsymbol{\beta}}{(R - \mathbf{R} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{R} &\equiv \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_q(t_{ret}) = R \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \\ R &\equiv |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_q(t_{ret})|, \\ \boldsymbol{\beta} &\equiv \dot{\mathbf{r}}_q(t_{ret})/c.\end{aligned}$$

The retarded time  $t_{ret}(t, \mathbf{r})$  is a function of the space-time point  $(t, \mathbf{r})$  at which you are computing  $\phi(t, \mathbf{r})$  and  $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$  and is defined by the constraint equation

$$t_{ret} = t - \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_q(t_{ret})|}{c}.$$

In this problem your task is to compute the coulomb part of the electric field  $\mathbf{E}_{coul}(t, \mathbf{r})$ , i.e., the part of the electric field that falls off as  $1/R^2$ . To obtain this goal use the following two results (**do not** derive them):

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial t_{ret}(t, \mathbf{r})}{\partial t} &= \frac{1}{(1 - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})}, \\ c \nabla t_{ret}(t, \mathbf{r}) &= -\frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}}}{(1 - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})},\end{aligned}$$

and treat  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  as a constant.

- (a) Keep  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  constant and evaluate the following (use these but **do not** derive them)

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla R &= \hat{\mathbf{n}} - (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}) c \nabla t_{ret} \\ \nabla(\mathbf{R} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}) &= \boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^2 c \nabla t_{ret}.\end{aligned}$$

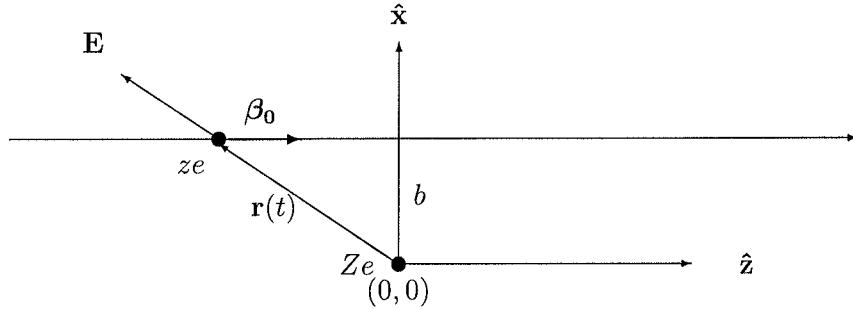
- (b) Next keep  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  constant and evaluate the following (use these but **do not** derive them)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial R}{\partial t} &= -(\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}) c \frac{\partial t_{ret}}{\partial t}, \\ \frac{\partial(\mathbf{R} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})}{\partial t} &= -\boldsymbol{\beta}^2 c \frac{\partial t_{ret}}{\partial t}.\end{aligned}$$

- (c) Use your results from (a) and (b) to evaluate the coulomb part of

$$\mathbf{E}(t, \mathbf{r}) = -\nabla \phi(t, \mathbf{r}) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})}{\partial t}.$$

4. {20%, Ave=7.0/20}



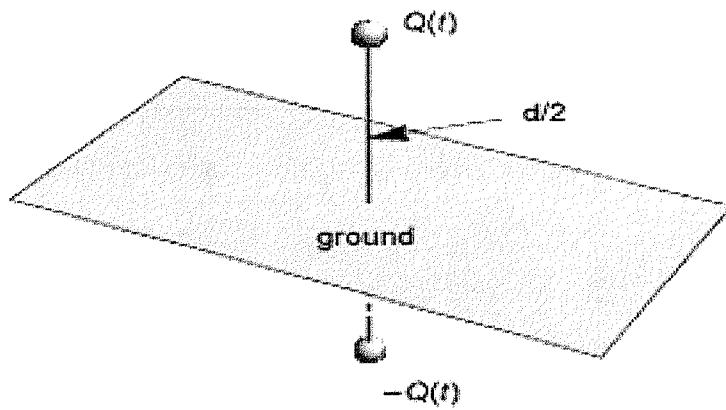
A swiftly moving particle of charge  $ze$  and mass  $m$  passes a fixed point charge  $Ze$  approximately in a straight line path at impact parameter  $b$  and nearly constant constant speed  $v_0$ . Show that the total energy radiated in the encounter is

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} P(t) dt = \Delta W = \frac{\pi z^4 Z^2 e^6}{4m^2 c^4 \beta_0} \left( \gamma^2 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \frac{1}{b^3}.$$

Hint:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(\xi^2 + 1)^3} d\xi = \frac{3\pi}{16}$$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\xi^2}{(\xi^2 + 1)^3} d\xi = \frac{\pi}{16}$$



5. {20%, Ave=7.9/20} A dipole antenna is constructed by attaching a large metal sphere at the top of an antenna tower (height =  $d/2$ ) by a long wire to an ac voltage source  $\propto \cos(\omega t)$  at the antenna's base. The ac voltage has the effect of giving the sphere a time dependent charge  $Q(t) = Q_0 \cos(\omega t)$ . The earth acts as a grounded conductor producing an image charge  $-Q_0 \cos(\omega t)$  at a depth of  $-d/2$  below the surface.

- (a) Treat this antenna as a point time-dependent electric dipole and compute the dipole's current density

$$\mathbf{J}(t, \mathbf{r}) = \hat{\mathbf{p}}(t) \delta^3(\mathbf{r}).$$

- (b) Calculate the vector potential for this current density

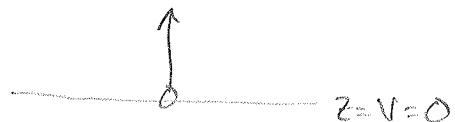
$$\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{c} \int \frac{\mathbf{J}(t - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c, \mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d^3 r'.$$

- (c) Calculate only the radiation part of the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}_{rad} \propto 1/r$ .
- (d) Calculate only the radiation part of the electric field using  $\mathbf{E}_{rad} = \mathbf{B}_{rad} \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}$ .
- (e) Give the time average radiation pattern  $\delta P/\delta\Omega$  for this antenna.

Exam 2 2015

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$$E = V_0 \quad z = d = 10\text{cm} \\ = 5 \cdot 10^5 \text{V}$$



$$a) F^\alpha = \frac{dp^\alpha}{dt} = \frac{dp^\alpha}{d\tau dt} \quad p^\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} mc^2\gamma \\ mc^2\vec{v} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} dE/dt \cdot \frac{1}{c} \\ dp/dt \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = qE \cdot v \\ = -qE_0 z \\ = \frac{d}{dt} mc^2\gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow mc^2\dot{\gamma} = -qE_0$$

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#2

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a) } \gamma &= \frac{E_{\text{tot}}}{E_{\text{rel}}} \quad \gamma^2 = \frac{1}{1-\beta^2} \\
 &= \frac{10 \text{ MeV}}{0.5 \text{ MeV}} \quad \gamma^2(1-\beta^2) = 1 \\
 &= 20 \quad \beta^2 = \gamma^2 - 1 \\
 &\quad \beta = \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \\
 &\quad \beta = \sqrt{\left(\frac{10}{20}\right)^2 - 1} \\
 &\quad = \sqrt{\frac{100}{400} - 1} \\
 &\quad = \sqrt{399}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) } F^\alpha &= m^\alpha = \frac{dp^\alpha}{dt} = \frac{dp^\alpha}{\gamma dt} \\
 &= \gamma \left[ \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{dp}{dt} \right] \right] \\
 &= \gamma \left[ \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \vec{p} \cdot \vec{v} \right] \right] \\
 &\quad \left[ \vec{p} = \vec{p}_0 + \vec{p}_B \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= \frac{mv^2}{a} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \\
 \frac{mv^2}{a} &= q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}_0 \quad \sin\theta = 1 \quad b/c \quad \theta = 90^\circ \\
 \Rightarrow B_0 &= \frac{mv^2}{q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}} \\
 &= \frac{mc^2 B}{q\vec{v} a}
 \end{aligned}$$

#2 (cont.)

c)  $T = \frac{2\pi a}{c\beta}$

d)  $P = \frac{2}{3} \frac{a^2}{c} \gamma^4 [|\vec{\beta}|^2 + \gamma^2 (\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{\beta})]$

#3

$$\Psi(t, \vec{r}) = \frac{q}{R(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)} = \frac{q}{(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})}$$

$$\frac{\partial t_{\text{ret}}}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)}$$

$$A(t, \vec{r}) = \frac{qB}{R(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)} = \frac{qB}{(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})}$$

$$C \nabla t_{\text{ret}} = \frac{-\hat{n}}{(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad \nabla B &= \hat{n} - (\hat{n} \cdot \beta) c \nabla t_{\text{ret}} \\ &= \hat{n} - (\hat{n} \cdot \beta) \left( \frac{-\hat{n}}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla(R \cdot \beta) &= \beta - \beta^2 C \nabla t_{\text{ret}} \\ &= \beta - \beta^2 \left( \frac{-\hat{n}}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b) \quad \frac{\partial R}{\partial t} &= (\hat{n} \cdot \beta) C \frac{\partial t_{\text{ret}}}{\partial t} \\ &= (-\hat{n} \cdot \beta) C \frac{1}{(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(R \cdot \beta)}{\partial t} &= -\beta^2 C \frac{\partial t_{\text{ret}}}{\partial t} \\ &= -\frac{\beta^2 C}{(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c) \quad E(t, \vec{r}) &= -\nabla \Psi(t, \vec{r}) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} \\ &= -\nabla \left( \frac{q}{R - R \cdot \hat{\beta}} \right) - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{qB}{R - R \cdot \hat{\beta}} \right) \\ &= + \frac{q \nabla(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})}{(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})^2} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{qB \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})}{(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})^2} \\ &= \frac{q[(\hat{n} - (\hat{n} \cdot \beta)(\frac{\hat{n}}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta})) - (\beta + \beta^2(\frac{-\hat{n}}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta}))]}{(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})^2} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{qB}{(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})^2} \left[ C(\frac{(-\hat{n} \cdot \beta)}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta}) + \frac{-\beta^2 C}{(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)} \right] \\ &= \frac{q}{(R - R \cdot \hat{\beta})^2} \left[ \hat{n} - \frac{\hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \hat{\beta})}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta} - \beta + \frac{-\hat{n}\beta^2}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta} + \frac{-p(\hat{n} \cdot \beta)}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta} + \frac{\beta^2 \hat{\beta}}{(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)} \right] \\ &= \frac{q}{\beta^2(1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta)^2} \left[ (\hat{n} - \beta) (1 - \hat{n} \cdot \beta) - \hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \beta) - \hat{n}\beta^2 - \beta(\hat{n} \cdot \beta) + \beta^2 \hat{\beta} \right] \end{aligned}$$

#3 (cont.)

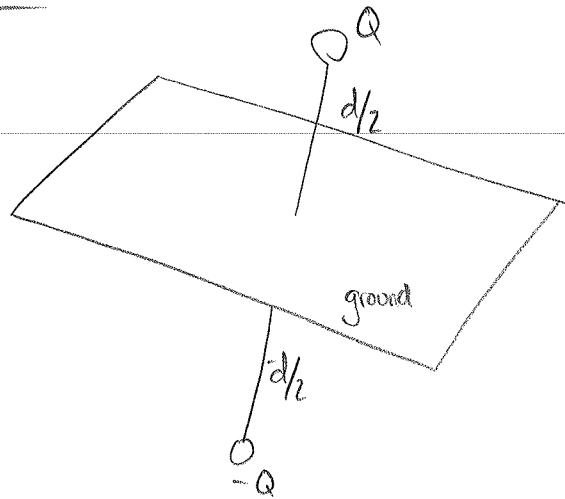
Want:  $\frac{q(\hat{n}-\beta)}{R^2 T^2 (1-\hat{n}\circ\beta)^3}$

$$= \frac{q}{R^2 (1-\hat{n}\circ\beta)^3} \left[ (\hat{n}-\beta) (1-\hat{n}\circ\beta) - (\hat{n}+\beta)(\hat{n}\circ\beta) + (\hat{n}+\beta)\beta^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{q}{R^2 (1-\hat{n}\circ\beta)^3} \left[ (\hat{n}-\beta)(1-\hat{n}\circ\beta) - (\hat{n}-\beta)(\hat{n}\circ\beta - \beta^2) \right]$$

$$= \frac{q(\hat{n}-\beta)}{R^2 T^2 (1-\hat{n}\circ\beta)^3}$$

# 5



$$a) \vec{J}(\vec{r}, t) = \dot{\vec{p}}(t) \delta^3(\vec{r})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{p} &= \sum_a e_a \vec{r}_a \\ &= Q_0 \cos(\omega t) \frac{\hat{d}}{2} - Q_0 \cos(\omega t) \left(-\frac{\hat{d}}{2}\right)\end{aligned}$$

$$= Q_0 d \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\dot{\vec{p}} = -Q_0 d \omega \sin(\omega t) \hat{d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{J}(\vec{r}, t) = -Q_0 d \omega \sin(\omega t) \delta^3(\vec{r})$$

$$b) \vec{A}(t, \vec{r}) = \frac{1}{c} \int \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \vec{J}(t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{c}, \vec{r}') d^3 \vec{r}'$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{1}{c} \int \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} -Q_0 d \omega \sin(\omega[t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{c}]) \delta^3(\vec{r}') d^3 \vec{r}' \\ &= -\frac{Q_0 d \omega}{c} \frac{1}{|\vec{r}|} \sin(\omega[t - \frac{|\vec{r}|}{c}])\end{aligned}$$

$$c) \vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$$

$$= \vec{\nabla} \times \left( -\frac{Q_0 d \omega}{c} \cdot \frac{1}{|\vec{r}|} \sin(\omega[t - \frac{|\vec{r}|}{c}]) \right)$$

$$= -\frac{Q_0 d \omega}{c r} \vec{\nabla} \times \sin(\omega[t - \frac{r}{c}])$$

$$* \text{but } \vec{r} = \vec{r} \hat{n}$$

$$= -\frac{Q_0 d \omega}{c r} \left[ -\frac{\hat{n}}{c} \times \omega \cos(\omega[t - \frac{r}{c}]) \right]$$

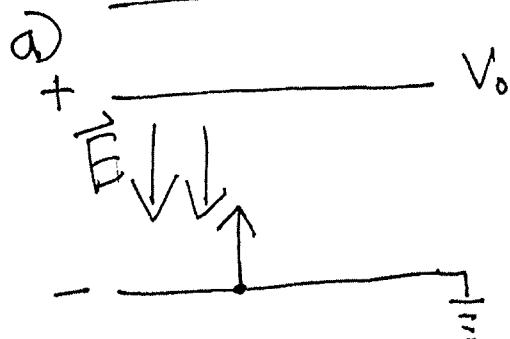
$$= \frac{Q_0 d \omega^2}{c r} \left[ \hat{n} \times \cos(\omega[t - \frac{r}{c}]) \right]$$

#5 (cont.)

d)  $E_{\text{rad}} = B_{\text{rad}} \times \hat{n}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{dQ_0 \omega^2}{c^2 r} (\hat{n} \times \cos(\alpha)) \times \hat{n} \\ &= -\frac{dQ_0 \omega^2}{c^2 r} \hat{n} \times (\hat{n} \times \cos(\alpha)) \\ &= -\frac{dQ_0 \omega^2}{c^2 r} [\hat{n} (\hat{n} \cdot \cos(\alpha)) - \cos(\alpha) (\hat{n} \cdot \hat{n})] \\ &= -\frac{dQ_0 \omega^2}{c^2 r} \cos(\alpha) [\hat{n} (\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z}) - \hat{z}] \\ &= -\frac{dQ_0 \omega^2}{c^2 r^2} \cos(\omega[t-\xi]) [\cos \theta \hat{n} - \hat{z}] \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 1

$$\gamma \hat{z} \quad \vec{\beta} \propto \vec{\beta} \propto \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{z}$$

$$q = -e$$

a)  $F^\alpha = m\ddot{a}^\alpha = \frac{dP^\alpha}{dt} = \gamma \frac{dP^\alpha}{dt} = \gamma \left( \frac{1}{c} \frac{dE}{dt} \right) =$

① 
$$\boxed{\frac{dE}{dt} = q \vec{E} \cdot \vec{v}} = -q E_0 \dot{z} = \frac{d}{dt} (\gamma m c^2)$$

$$-q E_0 \dot{z} = m c^2 \dot{\gamma}$$

$$-q E_0 \frac{dz}{dt} = m c^2 \frac{d\gamma}{dt}$$

$$-q E_0 (z - z_0) = m c^2 (\gamma - \gamma_0)$$

$\uparrow$   
 $= 0$

from rest  $\Rightarrow \gamma_0 = 1$

$$\therefore \boxed{\gamma = 1 + \frac{q E_0 z}{m c^2}} \quad \leftarrow q = -e$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - \gamma^{-2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - \left( \frac{1}{1 + \frac{q E_0 z}{m c^2}} \right)^2}$$

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c)

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} (\theta, z)$$

we know  $\dot{\beta}_\perp = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{q^2}{4\pi c(1-\beta \cos\theta)^5} \sin^2\theta \dot{\beta}_{\parallel}^2$$

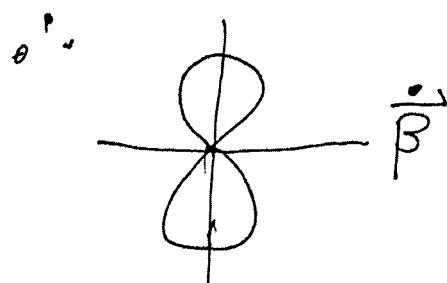
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 $\beta(z)$  from a)       $\uparrow$   
                         $|\dot{\beta}|^2$

d)  $z=0 \Rightarrow \gamma=1, \beta=0, \dot{\beta} = \frac{eE_0}{mc}$

~~$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{q^2}{4\pi c} \frac{1}{(1-\beta \cos\theta)^5}$$~~

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi c} \sin^2\theta \left(\frac{eF_0}{mc}\right)$$

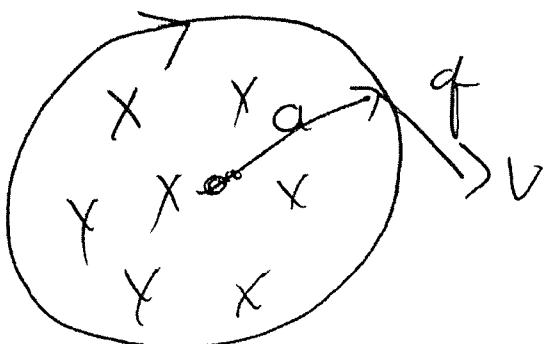
$\beta=0$  non relativistic



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Problem 2

$$\vec{E} = 0$$



$$\frac{dE}{dt} \neq 0 \quad \vec{E} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(m\gamma c^2) = 0$$

$$\gamma = \text{const}$$

a).  $\gamma, \beta$ 

$$\vec{r}(t) = a \cos \omega_0 t \hat{x} + a \sin \omega_0 t \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{\beta} = \frac{\dot{\vec{r}}}{c} = -\frac{a\omega_0}{c} \sin \omega_0 t \hat{x} + \frac{a\omega_0}{c} \cos \omega_0 t \hat{y}$$

$$\dot{\vec{\beta}}(t) = -\frac{a\omega_0^2}{c} \cos(\omega_0 t) \hat{x} + \frac{a\omega_0^2}{c} \sin(\omega_0 t) \hat{y}$$

~~$$\gamma = \frac{\gamma m c^2}{mc^2} = \frac{10 \text{ MeV}}{0.5 \text{ MeV}} = 20$$~~

$$\gamma = 20$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\gamma^2}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{20^2}} = \Rightarrow \boxed{\beta = 0.9987}$$

$$\vec{E} = 0$$

$$b) \beta_0 \quad F^\alpha = ma^\alpha = \frac{dP^\alpha}{dt} = \gamma \frac{dP^\alpha}{dt} = \gamma \left( \frac{1}{c} \frac{dE}{dt} + \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} \right) = \gamma q \left( \frac{1}{c} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{p} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

$$\vec{F} = \frac{mv^2}{a} = \gamma q \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

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Problem 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 a) \nabla R &= \vec{\alpha} - (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}) c \nabla t_{\text{ret}} \\
 &= \vec{\alpha} - (\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \left( -\frac{\hat{n}}{1 - \hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{(\vec{\alpha} - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \hat{n} + (\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \hat{n}}{1 - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}} \\
 &= \frac{\vec{\alpha} - (\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \hat{n} + (\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \hat{n}}{1 - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\nabla R = \vec{\alpha} - \frac{\hat{n}}{1 - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}}}$$

$$\nabla(\vec{R} \cdot \vec{\beta}) = \vec{\beta} - \beta^2 \left( -\frac{\hat{n}}{1 - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\nabla(\vec{R} \cdot \vec{\beta}) = \frac{\vec{\beta}(1 - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}) + \beta^2 \hat{n}}{1 - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 b) \boxed{\frac{dR}{dt} = -c \frac{\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta}}{(1 - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta})}} \\
 \boxed{\frac{d(\vec{R} \cdot \vec{\beta})}{dt} = -\frac{\beta^2 c}{(1 - \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\beta})}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{q \vec{\beta}}{c} \frac{1}{R^2(1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^2} \left[ \frac{-c \hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}}{1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}} + \frac{\vec{\beta}^2 c}{(1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})} \right]$$

$$= \frac{q \vec{\beta} [\vec{\beta}^2 - \hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}]}{R^2 (1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3} \quad \left\{ \right.$$

$$\therefore \vec{E}_{\text{cal}} = \frac{q}{R^2 (1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3} \left[ \gamma^{-2} \hat{n} - \vec{\beta} (1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}) + (\vec{\beta}^2 - \hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \vec{\beta} \right]$$

$$= \frac{q}{R^2 (1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3} \left[ \gamma^{-2} \hat{n} - \vec{\beta} + \vec{\beta} (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}) + \vec{\beta}^2 \vec{\beta} - \vec{\beta} (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{q}{R^2 (1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3} \left[ \gamma^{-2} \hat{n} - (1 - \vec{\beta}^2) \vec{\beta} \right] \quad \left. \right|_{\gamma^{-2}}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{E}_{\text{cal}} = \frac{q \gamma^{-2}}{R^2 (1-\hat{n} \cdot \vec{\beta})^3} [\hat{n} - \vec{\beta}]}$$

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$$\vec{E} = \frac{(Ze)}{r^2} \hat{r} = \frac{(Ze)}{r^3} \vec{r}$$

$$\vec{r} = (V_0 t) \hat{z} + b \hat{x}$$

$$r^2 = (V_0 t)^2 + b^2$$

$$(\vec{E})^2 = (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{E}) = \frac{(Ze)^2 \left[ (V_0 t)^2 + b^2 \right]}{\left[ (V_0 t)^2 + b^2 \right]^3} = \frac{(Ze)^2}{\left[ (V_0 t)^2 + b^2 \right]^2}$$

$$(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B})^2 = \left( \frac{Ze}{r^3} \frac{V_0^2 t}{c} \right)^2 = \frac{(Ze)^2}{r^6} \frac{V_0^4 t^2}{c^2} = \frac{(Ze)^2 \beta^2 V_0^2 t^2}{\left[ (V_0 t)^2 + b^2 \right]^3}$$

$$\therefore P(t) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{r^2 \gamma^4}{m^2 c^3} \left\{ \frac{(Ze)^2}{\left[ (V_0 t)^2 + b^2 \right]^2} - \frac{(Ze)^2 \beta^2 V_0^2 t^2}{\left[ (V_0 t)^2 + b^2 \right]^3} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \frac{(Ze)^2 \gamma^4 (Ze)^2 \gamma^2}{m^2 c^3} \left\{ \frac{1}{\left[ (V_0 t)^2 + b^2 \right]^2} - \frac{\beta^2 V_0^2 t^2}{\left[ (V_0 t)^2 + b^2 \right]^3} \right\}$$

$$\text{Ansatz } \Delta W = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P dt = K \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left[ \left( \frac{V_0 t}{b} \right)^2 + 1 \right]^2} b^4 dt - \frac{\beta^2 V_0^2 t^2}{\left[ \left( \frac{V_0 t}{b} \right)^2 + 1 \right]^3} b^6 dt$$

$$\text{let } \frac{Vt}{b} = \xi \Rightarrow t = \frac{b\xi}{V} \Rightarrow dt = \frac{b}{V} d\xi$$

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**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

**Exam 2**

**Some useful formulas.**

In class we have shown that the power radiated per unit solid angle into direction  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$  by an accelerating point particle is

$$\frac{\delta P}{\delta \Omega} = \frac{cq^2}{4\pi c^2} \frac{|\hat{\mathbf{n}} \times [(\hat{\mathbf{n}} - \beta) \times \dot{\beta}]|^2}{(1 - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \beta)^5},$$

and that it becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta P}{\delta \Omega} &= \frac{q^2}{4\pi c(1 - \beta \cos \theta)^5} \left\{ \sin^2 \theta \dot{\beta}_{||}^2 \right. \\ &+ [(1 - \beta \cos \theta)^2 - \gamma^{-2} \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi] \dot{\beta}_{\perp}^2 \\ &\left. + 2(\beta - \cos \theta) \sin \theta \cos \phi \dot{\beta}_{\perp} \dot{\beta}_{||} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

when the particle's velocity is in the  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$  direction and its acceleration is in the  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}\text{-}\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  plane

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= \beta \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \dot{\beta} &= \dot{\beta}_{||} \hat{\mathbf{z}} + \dot{\beta}_{\perp} \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{n}} &= \sin \theta [\cos \phi \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{y}}] + \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{z}}. \end{aligned}$$

We have also shown that when  $\delta P/\delta\Omega$  is integrated over all directions the following expressions for the total power radiated result

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) \equiv \int \frac{\delta P}{\delta \Omega} \delta \Omega &= -\frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c^3} a^\sigma a_\sigma, \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c} \gamma^4 \left[ |\dot{\beta}|^2 + \gamma^2 (\beta \cdot \dot{\beta})^2 \right], \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c} \gamma^6 \left[ |\dot{\beta}|^2 - |\beta \times \dot{\beta}|^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

1. {20%}

A point charge  $q$  moves along the z-axis according to  $z(t) = a \cos(\omega_0 t)$ .

- (a) Using spherical polar angles, compute the power radiated by the point particle into the  $\theta, \phi$  direction,  $\delta P/\delta\Omega$ , as a function of time  $t$ .
- (b) Compute the total power radiated  $P(t)$  by this particle as a function of time  $t$ .
- (c) Compute the average power radiated per oscillation into the  $\theta, \phi$  direction, i.e., compute

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi/\omega_0)} \int_0^{(2\pi/\omega_0)} \frac{\delta P}{\delta\Omega} dt. \quad (1)$$

Hint:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{(1 + A \sin \alpha)^5} d\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4} \frac{(4 + A^2)}{(1 - A^2)^{7/2}}. \quad (2)$$

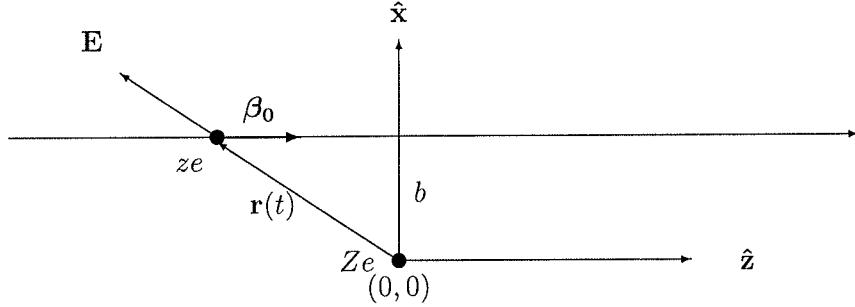
- (d) Compute the average total power radiated per oscillation into the  $\theta, \phi$  direction, i.e., compute

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi/\omega_0)} \int_0^{(2\pi/\omega_0)} P(t) dt. \quad (3)$$

Hint:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{(1 - A \sin^2 \alpha)^3} d\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4} \frac{(4 - 3A)}{(1 - A)^{3/2}}. \quad (4)$$

2. {20%}



A swiftly moving particle of charge  $ze$  and mass  $m$  passes a fixed point charge  $Ze$  approximately in a straight line path at impact parameter  $b$  and nearly constant constant speed  $v_0$ . Show that the total energy radiated in the encounter is

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} P(t) dt = \Delta W = \frac{\pi z^4 Z^2 e^6}{4m^2 c^4 \beta_0} \left( \gamma^2 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \frac{1}{b^3}.$$

Hint:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(\xi^2 + 1)^3} d\xi = \frac{3\pi}{16}$$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\xi^2}{(\xi^2 + 1)^3} d\xi = \frac{\pi}{16}$$

3. {20%}

A time dependent electric dipole, located at the origin has 4-current

$$J^\alpha(t, \mathbf{r}) = \left[ -c \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{t}) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta^3(\mathbf{r}), \dot{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{t}) \delta^3(\mathbf{r}) \right],$$

and a retarded 4-potential (in Gaussian units)

$$A^\alpha(t, \mathbf{r}) = \left[ -\nabla \cdot \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{p}(t-r/c)}{r} \right\}, \frac{\dot{\mathbf{p}}(t-r/c)}{cr} \right].$$

- (a) Compute the radiation part  $\mathbf{B}_{rad}$  (i.e., the  $\sim 1/r$  part) of the magnetic induction for the above dipole. {Hint: The radiation part will be the part that depends on second time derivative of the dipole moment.}
- (b) Compute the radiation part (i.e., the  $\sim 1/r$  part) of the electric field by computing  $\mathbf{E}_{rad} = -\hat{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{B}_{rad}$ .
- (c) Use the Poynting vector to compute the time averaged power radiated into a unit solid angle, as a function of the spherical polar angle  $\theta$  for a dipole with

$$\mathbf{p}(t) = p_0 [\cos(\omega t) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin(\omega t) \hat{\mathbf{y}}].$$

Recall that

$$\left\langle \frac{dP(\theta)}{d\Omega} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{S} \cdot d\mathbf{A}}{d\Omega} \right\rangle$$

where

$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{c}{4\pi} \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H},$$

in Gaussian.

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4. {20%}

In this problem you are to derive the **coulomb** part of the **electric** and **magnetic** fields of a moving particle. The electric field is

$$\mathbf{E}_{coul} = \frac{q(\hat{\mathbf{n}} - \boldsymbol{\beta})}{R^2\gamma^2(1 - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})^3}.$$

Start with the Liénard-Wiechert 4-potential

$$A^\beta = \frac{q U^\beta}{R \cdot U},$$

where  $R^\sigma$  is the retarded null vector from the charge at  $x_{ret}^\sigma(x)$  to the field point  $x^\sigma$

$$R^\sigma = x^\sigma - x_{ret}^\sigma(x) = x^\sigma - x_q^\sigma(t_{ret}(x)) = R(1, \hat{\mathbf{n}}),$$

and

$$R \cdot U = R^\sigma U_\sigma = c R \gamma (1 - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}).$$

To obtain the coulomb part of the fields you treat the retarded  $U$  as a constant, i.e., simply do not differentiate it. For example simply take

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^\alpha} \left( \frac{1}{R \cdot U} \right) = - \left( \frac{1}{R \cdot U} \right)^2 \left( U_\alpha - \frac{c^2 R_\alpha}{R \cdot U} \right),$$

and compute  $E^i = F_{0i}$  from

$$F_{\alpha\beta} = \partial_\alpha A_\beta - \partial_\beta A_\alpha.$$

The magnetic field is obtained from  $F_{ij}$ .

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5. {20%}

Two identical charges  $Q$  are located on the z-axis at  $z = +b$  and  $z = -b$ .

- (a) Compute the electric field  $\mathbf{E}(x, y)$  on the x-y plane at  $z = 0$ .
- (b) Compute the Maxwell stress tensor  $T_M^{ij}$  on the x-y plane at  $z = 0$ ,  
recall that for linear and isotropic materials in Gaussian units

$$T_M^{ij} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ D^i E^j + B^i H^j - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ij} (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{H}) \right].$$

- (c) Evaluate the surface integral

$$F^i = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} T_M^{ij} dA^j,$$

over the x-y plane at  $z = 0$ .

Hint:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\rho^3 d\rho}{(\rho^2 + b^2)^3} = \frac{1}{(2b)^2}.$$

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**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

**Exam 2**

1. {25%}

A stationary point magnetic dipole at  $\mathbf{r} = 0$  with a time dependant dipole-moment  $\mathbf{m}(t)$  has a 4-current

$$J^\alpha = [0, -c \mathbf{m}(t) \times \nabla \delta^3(\mathbf{r})].$$

and a 4-potential

$$A^\alpha = \left[ 0, \nabla \times \left( \frac{\mathbf{m}(t - r/c)}{r} \right) \right].$$

- (a) Compute the **radiation** parts of the **E** and **B** fields, (i.e., the parts of the fields  $\propto 1/r$ .

Hints:

$$\mathbf{B}_{rad} = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{E}_{rad},$$

$$\nabla \times \dot{\mathbf{m}}(t - r/c) = -\frac{1}{c} \hat{\mathbf{r}} \times \ddot{\mathbf{m}}.$$

- (b) For the particular dipole moment

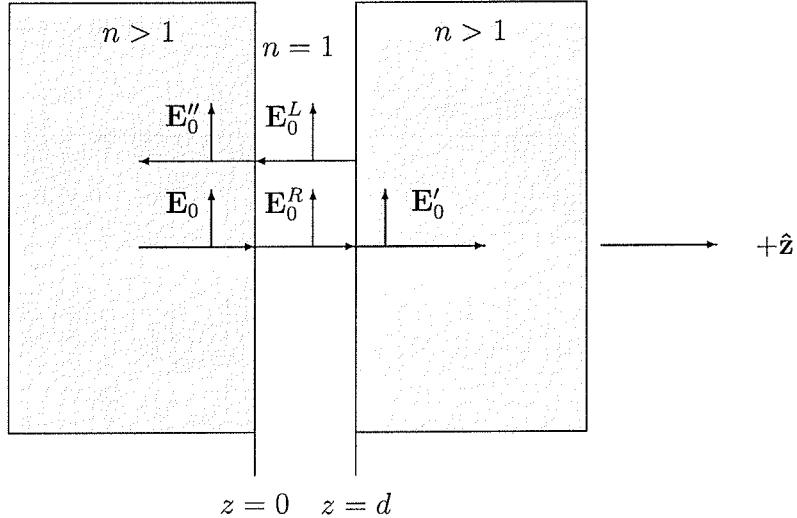
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{m}(t) &= m_0 [\cos(\omega t)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin(\omega t)\hat{\mathbf{y}}] \\ &= m_0 \operatorname{Real} [(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + i\hat{\mathbf{y}})e^{-i\omega t}], \end{aligned}$$

evaluate the time-average of the radiation part of the Poynting vector ( $\mathbf{S} = c/4\pi \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$ ) as a function of spherical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$ ?

- (c) What is  $dP/d\Omega$ , the power radiated into a unit solid angle, as a function of  $(\theta, \phi)$ , and what is the total power radiated into all directions  $P = \int (dP/d\Omega) d\Omega$ ?

2. {25%}

Two plane semi-infinite slabs of the same uniform, isotropic, nonpermeable ( $\mu_r = 1$ ), non-conducting, dielectric with index of refraction  $n > 1$  are parallel and separated by an air gap ( $n = 1$ ) of width  $d$ . As shown in the figure a plane wave of frequency  $\omega$  is incident normally (i.e.,  $i = 0$ ) on the gap from the left slab.



- (a) Calculate the magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}(t, z)$  assuming the electric fields in the left slab, the center gap, and the right slab, are respectively

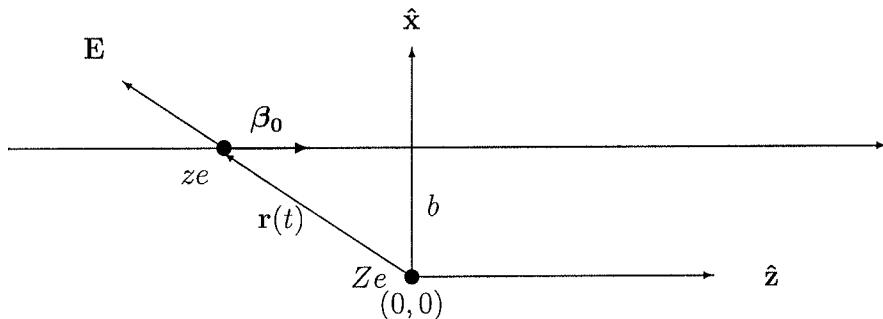
$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}(t, z) &= \mathbf{E}_0 e^{i(nkz-wt)} + \mathbf{E}_0'' e^{i(-nkz-wt)}, & z \leq 0, \\ \mathbf{E}(t, z) &= \mathbf{E}_0^R e^{i(kz-wt)} + \mathbf{E}_0^L e^{i(-kz-wt)}, & 0 \leq z \leq d, \\ \mathbf{E}(t, z) &= \mathbf{E}'_0 e^{i(nkz-wt)}, & z \geq d,\end{aligned}$$

where  $\omega/k = c$  and  $\mathbf{E}_0 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_0'' \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_0^R \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_0^L \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 0$ , and  $\mathbf{E}'_0 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 0$ .

- (b) Match the tangential components of the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  fields at  $z = 0$  and  $z = d$  to obtain 4 equations relating the 5 amplitudes  $\mathbf{E}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_0''$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_0^R$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_0^L$ , and  $\mathbf{E}'_0$ . Use these 4 equations to solve for  $\mathbf{E}'_0$  in terms of  $\mathbf{E}_0$ .
- (c) Using your result from (b) calculate the transmission coefficient  $T$ , the ratio of the power transmitted into the right slab to the incident power.

3. {25%} A relativistic particle ( $\gamma > 1$ ) of mass  $m$  and charge  $ze$  passes a nuclear target of charge  $Ze$  fixed at the origin ( $\mathbf{r} = 0$ ). Because of the particles high speed it travels approximately on a straight line with constant velocity:

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = c\beta_0 t \hat{\mathbf{z}} + b \hat{\mathbf{x}}.$$



- (a) Compute the magnitude of the passing particle's 4-acceleration ( $a^\alpha a_\alpha$ ) as a function of time  $t$  caused by the nucleon's Coulomb electric field using the particle's approximate position  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ .
- (b) Use the generalized Larmor formula

$$P(t) = -\frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{q^2}{c^3} \right) a^\alpha a_\alpha$$

to calculate the total energy lost by the passing charge  $ze$ ,

$$\Delta W = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} P(t) dt.$$

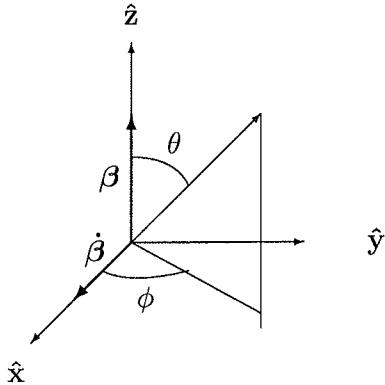
Hint:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dx}{(b^2 + x^2)^2} = \frac{\pi}{2b^3}; \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dx}{(b^2 + x^2)^3} = \frac{3\pi}{8b^5}.$$

4. {25%}

A 10 MeV electron ( $m\gamma c^2 = 10 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $mc^2 = 0.5 \text{ MeV}$ ) is traveling in a circle perpendicular to a magnetic induction of strength  $B_0 = 50,000 \text{ gauss}$ . Your goal is to analyze the angular dependence of the instantaneous power being radiated by this electron. Assume that at the instant of interest  $\beta = \dot{\beta} \hat{z}$  and  $\dot{\beta} = |\dot{\beta}| \hat{x}$ . In class we derived the following expression (using spherical polar coordinates) for the power being radiated by a charge whose acceleration is orthogonal to its velocity

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi c} \frac{|\dot{\beta}|^2}{(1 - \beta \cos \theta)^3} \left[ 1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi}{\gamma^2 (1 - \beta \cos \theta)^2} \right].$$



- (a) Use the Lorentz force in Newton's 2nd law to find numerical values for  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $|\dot{\beta}|$ .
- (b) In what direction is  $dP/d\Omega$  a maximum and what is its maximum (numerical) value?
- (c) Give an approximate form for  $dP/d\Omega$  above, valid for large  $\gamma$  and small  $\theta$ , i.e., assume

$$\begin{aligned}\cos \theta &\approx 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2}, \\ \sin \theta &\approx \theta \\ \beta &\approx 1 - \frac{\gamma^{-2}}{2},\end{aligned}$$

and give  $dP/d\Omega$  as a function of  $x \equiv (\theta\gamma)$  and  $\phi$ .

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**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

**Exam 2**

1. {25%}

The Lienard-Weichert 4-potential for a point charge  $q$  moving on a world line  $x_q^\alpha(t) = (ct, \mathbf{r}_q(t))$  is

$$A^\alpha(x) = \frac{q u^\alpha}{u_\sigma R^\sigma}, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} R^\sigma &\equiv x^\sigma - x_q^\sigma(t_{ret}) = R(1, \hat{\mathbf{n}}), \\ R &\equiv |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_q(t_{ret})|, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

is the relative-retarded 4-d position vector and

$$u^\sigma = \gamma(t_{ret}) c \left( 1, \vec{\beta}(t_{ret}) \right),$$

is the retarded 4-velocity of the point particle.

The retarded time  $t_{ret}(t, \mathbf{r})$  is a function of the space-time point  $x^\alpha = (t, \mathbf{r})$  at which you are computing  $A^\alpha(x)$  and is defined by the constraint equation

$$t_{ret} = t - \frac{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_q(t_{ret})|}{c}.$$

- (a) Draw a space-time diagram showing the observation point  $x^\alpha$ , the retarded point  $x_{ret}^\alpha$ , the backward light cone of  $x^\alpha$ , the vector  $R^\alpha$ , and the retarded velocity vector  $u^\alpha$ .
- (b) From equation (2) it follows that

$$\frac{\partial R^\alpha}{\partial x^\beta} = \delta_\beta^\alpha - \frac{u^\alpha R_\beta}{u^\sigma R_\sigma}.$$

**Do not** derive this result but use it and equation (1) to derive the **coulomb** part of the electromagnetic field tensor  $F_{\alpha\beta}$ . **Do not** compute the radiation part.

- (c) From your coulomb  $F_{\alpha\beta}$  give the electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  and the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  in as simple 3-d vector forms as you can.

2. {25%}

An electron ( $mc^2 = 0.5\text{MeV}$ ) is accelerated from rest by a uniform electric field  $E_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  through a potential of  $10^7$  Volts. Assume the electric field is caused by 2 large parallel conducting plates separated by a distance  $D = 0.5$  meters (in SI units  $E_0 D = 10^7$  Volts). Without radiation the electron should acquire a kinetic energy  $T \equiv m\gamma c^2 - mc^2 = 10 \text{ MeV}$ . The goal of this problem is to find out what percentage of this 10 MeV is lost to radiation. The power radiated (integrated over all angles) by an accelerating particle is given by the relativistic Larmor formula:

$$P(t) = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{e^2}{c^3} a^\alpha a_\alpha, \quad \text{Gaussian units}$$

where the 4-acceleration is defined by

$$a^\alpha \equiv \frac{du^\alpha}{d\tau}.$$

To find the net energy radiated you can carry out the following steps:

- (a) Write down the equations of motion for constant acceleration in an uniform electric field  $\mathbf{E} = E_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ .
- (b) Solve the equations of motion to find  $a^\alpha a_\alpha$  as well as how long it takes the electron to go the distance  $D = 0.5 \text{ m}$ .
- (c) Integrate the Larmor formula to obtain the total energy radiated away. What percentage of the electron's kinetic energy was radiated away.

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and give  $dP/d\Omega$  as a function of  $x \equiv (\theta\gamma)$  and  $\phi$ .

- (d) For  $\phi = 0$  plot (approximate sketch only)  $dP/d\Omega$  as a function of  $x$ . For what small values of  $\theta$  (numerical) does  $dP/d\Omega$  vanish?
- (e) For  $\phi = \pi/2$  plot (approximate sketch only)  $dP/d\Omega$  as a function of  $x$ . For what small values of  $\theta$  (numerical) has the beam intensity decreased to 1/2 of its maximum value?

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4. {25%}

A point electric dipole is fixed in space but has a time dependent dipole moment  $\mathbf{p}(t)$ . The current density of this dipole is

$$\mathbf{J}(t, \mathbf{r}) = \dot{\mathbf{p}}(t) \delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0).$$

- (a) Compute the vector potential  $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$  for this current density.
- (b) From your vector potential  $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$  compute the radiation part of the  $\mathbf{B}$  field (the part that falls off as  $1/|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0|$ ).
- (c) Compute the radiation part of  $\mathbf{E}$  by assuming

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{B} \times \hat{\mathbf{R}}$$

where

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{\mathbf{R}}{R} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0|}.$$

- (d) If

$$\mathbf{p}(t) = p_0 (\hat{\mathbf{x}} \cos(\omega t) + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \sin(\omega t)),$$

compute the time average of the Poynting vector as a function of spherical polar coordinates centered on the dipole  $(R, \theta, \phi)$ .

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**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

**Exam 2**

1. 33%

A time dependent electric dipole, located at the origin has 4-current

$$J^\alpha(t, \mathbf{r}) = \left[ -c \mathbf{p}(t) \cdot \vec{\nabla} \delta^3(\mathbf{r}), \dot{\mathbf{p}}(t) \delta^3(\mathbf{r}) \right],$$

and a retarded 4-potential (in Gaussian units)

$$A^\alpha(t, \mathbf{r}) = \left[ -\nabla \cdot \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{p}(t-r/c)}{r} \right\}, \frac{\dot{\mathbf{p}}(t-r/c)}{cr} \right].$$

- (a) Compute the radiation part (i.e., the  $\sim 1/r$  part) of the electric and magnetic fields,  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  for the above dipole. {Hints: The radiation parts depend on second derivatives of the dipole moment and you should find that  $\mathbf{B}_{rad} = \hat{r} \times \mathbf{E}_{rad}$ .}
- (b) What type of polarization, plane or circular, will be seen by a distant observer coming from a dipole with

$$\mathbf{p}(t) = p_0 \cos(\omega t) \hat{k}$$

- (c) Use the Poynting vector to compute

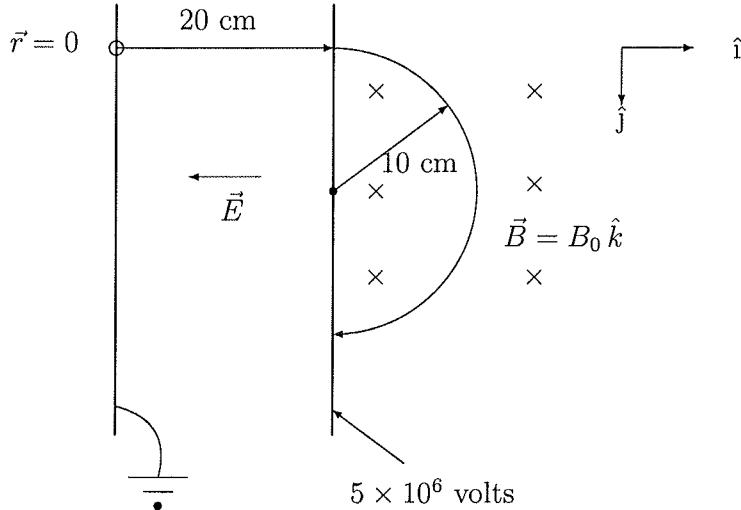
$$\left\langle \frac{dP(\theta)}{d\Omega} \right\rangle,$$

the time averaged power radiated into a unit solid angle, as a function of the spherical polar angle  $\theta$  for a dipole with

$$\mathbf{p}(t) = p_0 [\cos(\omega t) \hat{i} + \sin(\omega t) \hat{j}].$$

2. 33%

An electron starts from  $\vec{r} = 0$  at rest on the negative plate of a capacitor and is accelerated 20 cm to the positive plate through a potential difference of  $5 \times 10^6$  Volts (see the figure). The electron then (through a pin hole in the positive plate) enters a uniform magnetic field  $\vec{B}_0 = B_0 \hat{k}$  which turns the electron in a semi-circle orbit of radius 10 cm.



- (a) Find the (lab) time the electron takes to reach the positive plate and the (lab) time it takes to move around the 1/2 circle.
- (b) How much total energy does the electron loose as radiation during its linear acceleration in the capacitor and during its 1/2-circle orbit in the magnetic field? What fraction of the electron's total energy is lost to radiation?
- (c)

{Hints: The Larmor formula is

$$P(t) = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{e^2}{m^2 c^3} \left( \frac{dp_\mu}{d\tau} \frac{dp^\mu}{d\tau} \right) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c} \gamma^6, [(\dot{\vec{\beta}})^2 - (\vec{\beta} \times \dot{\vec{\beta}})^2]$$

and the acceleration is caused by the Lorentz force

$$\frac{dp^\mu}{d\tau} = \frac{q}{c} F^{\mu\lambda} u_\lambda,$$

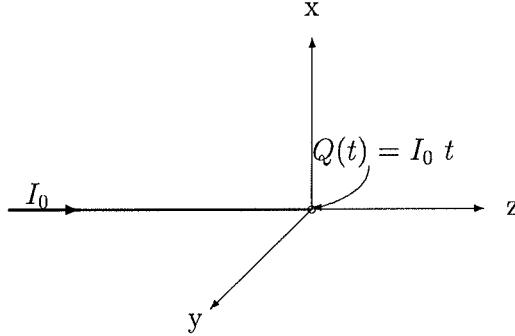
$$m_e c^2 = 0.5 MeV, 1 eV = 1.6 \times 10^{-12} \text{ ergs}, e = 4.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ statcoul. } \}$$

### 3. 33%

In the absence of polarizable and/or magnetizable material (i.e., only free charges and currents present) Maxwell's equations, in the Lorentz gauge, reduce to the inhomogeneous wave equation:

$$\square \begin{Bmatrix} \Phi \\ A^x \\ A^y \\ A^z \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \begin{Bmatrix} c\rho \\ J^x \\ J^y \\ J^z \end{Bmatrix}, \text{ where } \square \equiv \left( \frac{\partial}{c\partial t} \right)^2 - \nabla^2.$$

A time dependent charge  $Q(t) = I_0 t$ ,  $t \geq 0$  is fixed at the origin



of a cylindrical polar coordinate system  $(\rho, \phi, z)$ . The charge increases linearly with time because a constant current  $I_0$  flows in along a thin wire attached to the charge on its left, see the figure. Assume the wire carries no current for  $t < 0$ , however, at  $t = 0$  a current  $I_0$  abruptly starts flowing in the  $+z$  direction and remains constant for  $t \geq 0$ . Assume the wire remains neutral as the charge at the origin grows. Find the following quantities at time  $t$  for points  $(\rho, \phi, z)$ :

- (a) The charge density  $\rho(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ ,
- (b) The current density  $\mathbf{J}(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ ,
- (c) The retarded scalar potential  $\Phi(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ ,
- (d) The retarded vector potential  $\mathbf{A}(t, \rho, \phi, z)$ .

Hints: The retarded Green's function for the  $\square$  operator is:

$$G^{ret}(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = \frac{\delta(t - t' - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|/c)}{4\pi |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}.$$

You might need the integral

$$\int \frac{dX}{\sqrt{X^2 + a^2}} = \ln(\sqrt{X^2 + a^2} + X).$$

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**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

**Exam 1**

1. (25%)

A nonrelativistic particle of charge  $ze$ , mass  $m$ , and initial speed  $v_0 \ll c$  is incident on a fixed charge  $Ze$  at an impact parameter  $b$  that is large enough to ensure that the particles deflection in the course of the collision is very small. Using the Larmor power formula

$$P = \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c} |\dot{\beta}|^2,$$

and Newtons second law, calculate (approximately) the total energy radiated. Approximate the particles trajectory as a straight line with constant speed but use Newton's second law to compute the acceleration that produces the instantaneous radiation.

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2. (25%)

A particle of mass  $m$ , charge  $q$ , moves in a plane perpendicular to a uniform, static, magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$ .

- (a) Calculate the total energy radiated per unit time, expressing it in terms of the above constants and the ratio  $\gamma$  of the particle's total energy to its rest energy.
- (b) If at time  $t = 0$  the particle has a total energy  $E_0 = \gamma_0 mc^2$ , show that it will have energy  $E = \gamma mc^2 < E_0$  at a time  $t$ , where

$$t \approx \frac{3m^3 c^5}{2q^2 B^2} \left( \frac{1}{\gamma} - \frac{1}{\gamma_0} \right).$$

3. (50%)

An electron ( $Mc^2=0.5$  MeV) is accelerated along the z-axis from rest at the origin ( $t = 0$  at  $\mathbf{r} = 0$ ) to a total energy of 10 MeV ( $Mc^2\gamma_{max} = 10$  MeV) at  $t = t_{max}$  and  $\mathbf{r} = z_{max}\hat{k}$ .

- (a) Derive an expression for  $dP/d\Omega$ , the power radiated per unit solid angle by the electron in the  $\mathbf{n}$  direction as a function of  $\dot{\beta}$ ,  $\beta$ , and the spherical polar angle  $\theta$ .

Hints:

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{n} R^2 (1 - \mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta}),$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{c}{4\pi} |\mathbf{E}|^2 \mathbf{n},$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{e \mathbf{n} \times [(\mathbf{n} - \boldsymbol{\beta}) \times \dot{\boldsymbol{\beta}}]}{c R (1 - \mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta})^3}.$$

- (b) If the electron's acceleration is caused by a constant electric field  $\mathbf{E} = -10$  MeV/cm  $\hat{k}$  it moves with "constant" acceleration in the z-direction and reaches an energy of 10 MeV at  $z_{max} = 1$  cm. Recall that the Lorentz force equations are

$$\frac{d}{dt}(m\gamma c) = q\beta E,$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(m\gamma\beta c) = qE.$$

Solve these equations for  $\dot{\beta}$  as a function of the electron's  $\beta$  and then express  $dP/d\Omega$  as a function of  $\beta$  and  $\theta$ .

- (c) The TOTAL energy radiated into a unit solid angle  $dE/d\Omega$  is an integral of  $dE/d\Omega$  over the time up to  $t_{max}$  (the time it takes the electron to reach 10 MeV),

$$\frac{dE}{d\Omega} = \int_0^{t_{max}} \frac{dP}{d\Omega} dt. \quad (1)$$

Change the integration variable from  $t$  to  $\beta$ , i.e., use

$$\frac{dE}{d\Omega} = \int_0^{\beta_{max}} \frac{dP}{d\Omega} \frac{d\beta}{\dot{\beta}}, \quad (2)$$

and obtain a somewhat simpler integral than what would be obtained if equation (1) were used. Find  $\beta_{max}$  from  $\gamma_{max}$ .

- (d) The above  $\beta$  integral can be evaluated; however, it is complicated. Use your results from part (a) to approximate the value of (2) by assuming  $\dot{\beta}$  is constant ( $= \beta_{max}/t_{max}$ ). To calculate  $t_{max}$  assume the electron moves 1cm and reaches an energy of 10 MeV.

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- (e) From your result in part (d) does the electron radiate away a large or small fraction of its energy as it accelerates? Recall that the classical radius of the electron is

$$r_e = \frac{e^2}{mc^2} \approx 2.82 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}.$$

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April 8, 2005

**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

**Exam 2**

1. (25 points) A relativistic particle of charge  $q$  and mass  $m$  moves in a uniform magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ 
  - (a) Find a vector potential  $\mathbf{A}$  for this uniform  $\mathbf{B}$ .
  - (b) Write the Lagrangian for this point particle moving in the uniform  $\mathbf{B}$  field.
  - (c) Solve the Lagrangian equations of motion for  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ .

Hint:  $\int L(\mathbf{r}, \dot{\mathbf{r}}, t) dt = \int -\left(mc^2 + \frac{q}{c} A_\alpha U^\alpha\right) d\tau$

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2. (25 points) A 50 MeV electron ( $m\gamma c^2 = 50$  MeV,  $mc^2 = 0.5$  MeV) moving along the z-axis is decelerated and brought to a stop after traveling 10 cm in a uniform electric field  $E_0 \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ .
- (a) Compute  $\gamma(t)$  assuming the electron starts its deceleration at  $t=0$ .
  - (b) How long does it take the electron to stop?
  - (c) Show that  $(\gamma\beta) = \gamma^3\dot{\beta}$  for arbitrary motion.
  - (d) Compute the total energy radiated by the electron during the 10 cm stopping process. What fraction of the electrons initial energy was lost to radiation?

Hint:

$$P(t) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{q^2}{c} \gamma^6 [(\dot{\vec{\beta}})^2 - (\vec{\beta} \times \dot{\vec{\beta}})^2]$$

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3. (25 points) An uncharged, hollow, and conducting sphere of radius  $a$  is placed in a uniform electric field  $\mathbf{E} = E_0 \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ . Assume the sphere is centered at the origin and is cut into two halves along the  $z = 0$  plane.
- (a) Compute the total electric field just outside the sphere by first computing the total electrostatic potential (assume  $\Phi = 0$  on the conductor).
  - (b) Integrate Maxwell's stress tensor over the  $z > 0$  hemispherical surface to find the force exerted on that half of the sphere.
  - (c) Are the two halves pressed together by the electrostatic force or do the hemispheres fly apart?

Recall:

$$T_M^{ij} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ E^i E^j + B^i B^j - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ij} (E^2 + B^2) \right]$$

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4. (25 points)

- (a) Compute the charge-current 4-vector  $J^\alpha(t, \mathbf{r})$  for a point electric dipole. Assume the dipole moment is  $\mathbf{p}(t)$  and is located at the position  $\mathbf{r}_p(t)$ . (Hint: think of the dipole as two very close particles of opposite charge and add their 4-currents.)
- (b) If the dipole's position is **fixed** at the origin, i.e.,  $\mathbf{r}_p = 0$ , and its dipole moment oscillates  $\mathbf{p}(t) = p_0 \cos(\omega t) \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ , use the retarded Green's function to compute the **radiation** part of the **E** and **B** fields.
- (c) Evaluate the Poynting vector and describe the angular dependence of the radiation pattern.

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All formulas are in Gaussian units. If you convert to SI you need to recall that  $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ N/A}^2$  and  $\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0} = 1/c$ .

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where  $\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$  and

$$k = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\mu_r \left( \epsilon_r + i \frac{4\pi\sigma}{\omega} \right)}.$$

Recall that for good conductors and frequencies below some maximum value,  $\sigma$  is the real valued static conductivity and  $\epsilon_r \ll 4\pi\sigma/\omega$ . To answer the following you can assume  $\mu_r = 1$ .

- (a) If the skin depth of silver is 8.29 mm at 60 Hz what is the static conductivity  $\sigma$ ?
- (b) What will the skin depth of silver be at  $10^9$  Hz?

To relate the above conductivity  $\sigma$  to the physical properties of the conducting material the Drude model can be used. In this model a cube of material is thought of as a box of free electrons that move in response to the transiting plane electromagnetic wave

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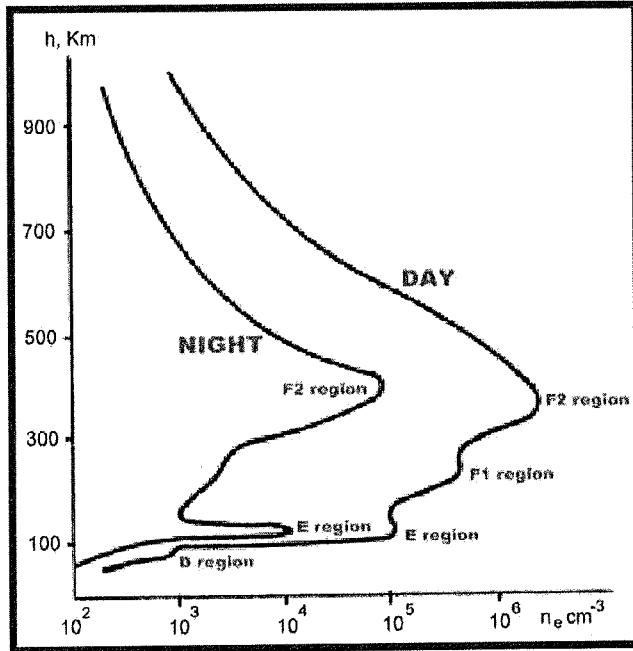
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where  $N$  is the density of conducting electrons. Recall that in Gaussian units  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{E} + 4\pi\mathbf{P}$ . Use  $e^2/m = 2.5 \times 10^8 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}^2$ .

- (c) Apply the Drude model to silver to relate  $N$  and  $\gamma_0$  to the static conductivity  $\sigma$ .
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3. {25%} The ionosphere is a region of the earth's atmosphere containing



a partially ionized plasma. The free electron density  $N(h)$  varies with height  $h$  above the earth's surface and varies significantly between night and day. The attached figure gives  $N(h) = n_e$  for night and day. As shown in the figure the ionosphere is divided into layered regions D, E, F1, and F2. Because a plasma reflects all radio waves of frequency  $\omega < \omega_p$  the altitude of each of these regions can be estimated by recording the round trip travel time for a pulse of radio waves sent straight up in the air at the appropriate frequencies. You can assume the ionosphere has an index of refraction given by

$$n(h, \omega) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega_p^2(h)}{\omega^2}},$$

where in Gaussian units  $e^2/m = 2.5 \times 10^8 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}^2$  and

$$\omega_p^2 = 4\pi N_e(h) \frac{e^2}{m}.$$

- (a) Assuming the attached figure is correct select a frequency  $\omega_E$  that could be used to measure the height of the bottom of the E layer during the day or night. Choose a value of  $\omega_E$  that will not be reflected below the E region but will be reflected from the bottom of it.
- (b) From the figure select two frequency  $\omega_F(\text{day})$  and  $\omega_F(\text{night})$  that could be used to measure the respective heights of the central

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part of the F2 region during the day and night. For these you can select (respectively day or night)  $\omega_F$  values slightly less than  $\omega_p(F2)$  where  $\omega_p(F2)$  is the peak value of  $\omega_p$  in the central F2 region.

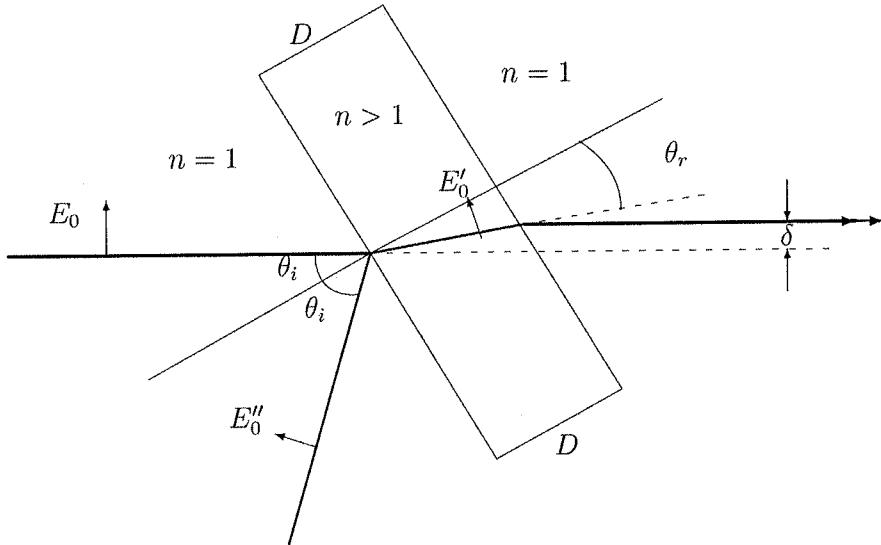
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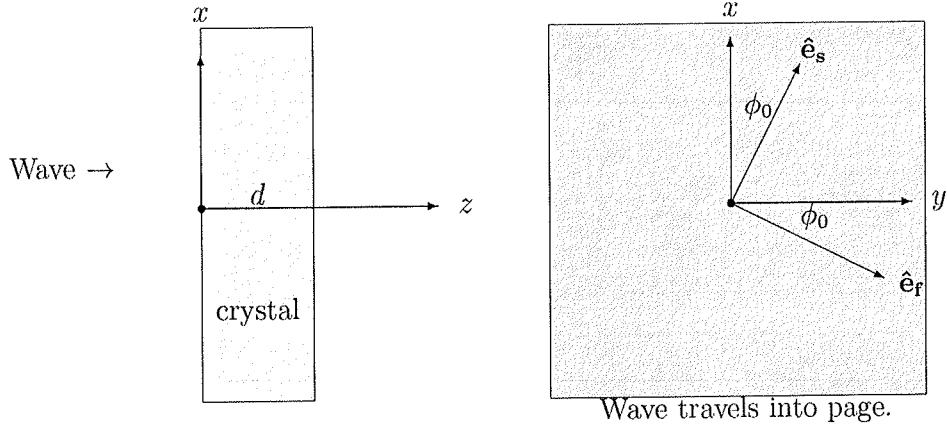
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4. {25%}

- (a) When swimming under water much of the air surface above you looks like a mirror (if the water is clear and calm). The reason for this is that light traveling under water ( $\mu_r = 1, n = 1.33$ ), will be completely reflected if it strikes the air surface at an incidence angle  $i \geq i_0$ . Derive an expression for  $i_0$  as a function of  $n$  and give its value for water?
- (b) A narrow columnated monochromatic beam of light from a laser hits a flat piece of ordinary glass of thickness  $D$  in air at angle  $\theta_i$  as shown in the figure. Assume that the index of refraction of air is 1 and of the glass is 1.5. Also assume a relative permeability  $\mu_r = 1$  for both the air and glass. Ignore the reflected beam that occurs when the beam exits the glass on the right of the figure. After the transmitted beam exits the glass and returns to air show that it will be traveling parallel to its original direction but displaced a distance  $\delta$  as shown in the figure. At Brewster's angle what is the value of  $\delta$ ? Recall that Brewster's angle  $i_B$ , is the angle at which the amplitude of reflected light vanishes if polarized in the plane of incidence.



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$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_0''}{E_0} = \frac{\frac{16}{\sqrt{165}} - 1}{\frac{16}{\sqrt{165}} + 1} = \frac{1 - \frac{\sqrt{165}}{16}}{1 + \frac{\sqrt{165}}{16}} = \frac{0.197}{1.803} = 0.109$$

for  $\vec{E}_{||}$

$$\Rightarrow R_{||} = (0.109)^2 = 0.0119$$

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$$(c) \left| \frac{R_{\perp} - R_u}{R_{\perp} + R_u} \right| = \frac{0.031 - 0.012}{0.031 + 0.012} = \frac{0.0189}{0.0429} = 0.44$$

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$$\gamma_0 = \frac{(5.8 \times 10^{22} / \text{cm}^3)(2.5 \times 10^8 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}^2)}{5.52 \times 10^{-17} \text{ s}^{-1}}$$

$$\gamma_0 = \frac{(5.8)(2.5)}{5.52} \times 10^{+13} \text{ s}^{-1} = \boxed{2.6 \times 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}}$$

- (d) The skin depth should become complex for  $\omega$  approaching  $\delta_0$ , according to the Drude model making the predicted values incorrect.
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part of the F2 region during the day and night. For these you can choose a  $\omega_F$  such that  $\omega_F > \omega_p(F2)$  for heights below the central F2 region and  $\omega_F < \omega_p(F2)$  for heights above the central F2 region. Here  $\omega_p(F2)$  stands for the plasma frequency of the central part of the F2 region (respectively day or night).

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$$\Delta t = \frac{2}{c} \int_0^{h_{Fe}} \frac{dz}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4\pi Me(z) e^3 / m}{\omega^2}}}$$

$$(d) \quad \Delta t \approx \frac{2}{c} \frac{h_{Fe}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4\pi Me(\frac{h}{2}) e^3 / m}{\omega^2}}} \\ = \frac{2}{s \times 10^5 \frac{km}{s}} \times \frac{350 \text{ km}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4\pi (8 \times 10^5)(2.5 \times 10^8)}{(7.9 \times 10^7)^2}}} \quad (1 \leftrightarrow 1.5)$$

$$= \frac{700}{3} \times 10^{-5} \text{ s} \quad = \frac{700 \times 10^{-5}}{3 \times (0.97)} \text{ s}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta t \approx 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}} \quad + 5$$

#4  
cont Brewster angle

$$m = 3/2 \Rightarrow i_B = 56.3^\circ$$

$$\tan i_B = m \Rightarrow \sin i = \frac{m}{\sqrt{m^2+1}} \quad \cos i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{m^2+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = D \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{m^2+1} \sqrt{\frac{m^2-m^2}{m^2+1}}} \right] \frac{m}{\sqrt{m^2+1}}$$

$$S = D \frac{m}{\sqrt{1+m^2}} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{m^2} \right) \quad m = 3/2$$

$$= D \frac{3/2}{\sqrt{3/2}} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{9} \right) = D \frac{\frac{3 \cdot 5}{9 \cdot \sqrt{13}}}{= 0.46 D}$$

To derive Brewster's angle look at

$\vec{E}_u$  for problem #1.

$$E_0 - E_0'' = \frac{\cos i}{\cos i'} E_0' \Rightarrow E_0 - E_0'' = \frac{\cos i}{m \cos i'} (E_0 + E_0'')$$

$$E_0 + E_0'' = m E_0' \Rightarrow \frac{E_0''}{E_0} = \frac{1 - \frac{\cos i}{m \cos i'}}{1 + \frac{\cos i}{m \cos i'}} = 0 \text{ when?}$$

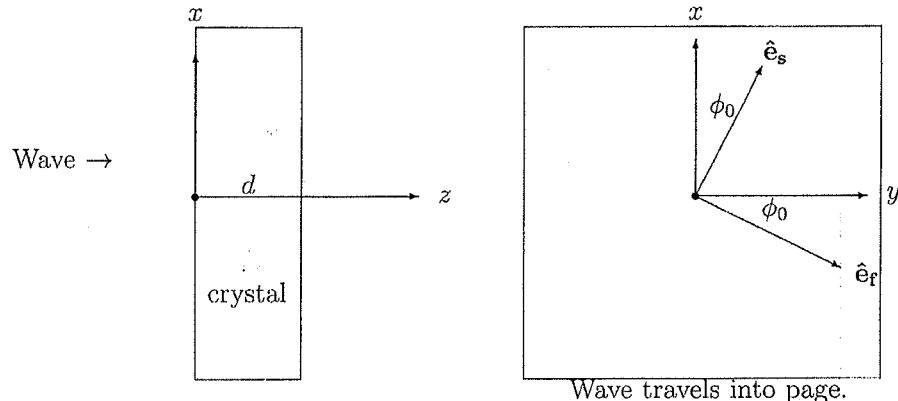
$$m \cos i v = \cos i = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\sin i v}{m}\right)^2}$$

$$m^2 \cos^2 i v = 1 - \frac{(\sin i v)^2}{m^2} \Rightarrow m^2 (1 - \sin^2 i v)$$

$$1 - m^2 = (\frac{1-m^2}{m^2}) \sin^2 i v \Rightarrow \sin^2 i v = \frac{m^2(1-m^2)}{(1-m^2)} = \frac{m^2}{1+m^2}$$

$$\therefore \sin i v = \frac{m}{\sqrt{1+m^2}} + \cos i v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+m^2}} + \tan i v = m$$

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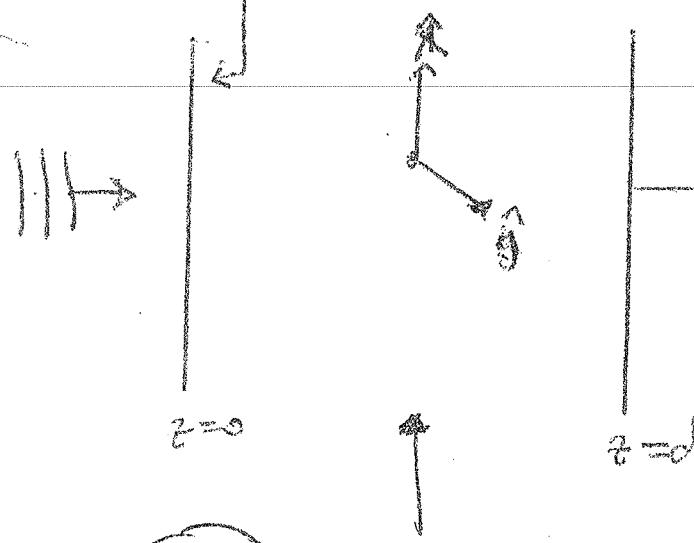
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$$\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{y} e^{-i\omega t} \text{ at } z=0!$$

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$$\hat{e}_s = \cos \phi_0 \hat{x} + \sin \phi_0 \hat{y}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \hat{y} = \sin \phi_0 \hat{e}_s + \cos \phi_0 \hat{e}_f$$

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$$\vec{E} = E_0 \sin \phi_0 \hat{e}_s e^{i(k_s z - \omega t)} + E_0 \cos \phi_0 \hat{e}_f e^{i(k_f z - \omega t)}$$

$$\text{where } k_s = \frac{\omega}{c} M_s \quad k_f = \frac{\omega}{c} M_f \quad M_s = M_f + \delta M$$

at  $z=0$ 

$$\vec{E}(d, t) = E_0 \left( \sin \phi_0 \hat{e}_s e^{ik_s d} + \cos \phi_0 e^{ik_f d} \right) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$\downarrow$  similar  $k_s - k_f$

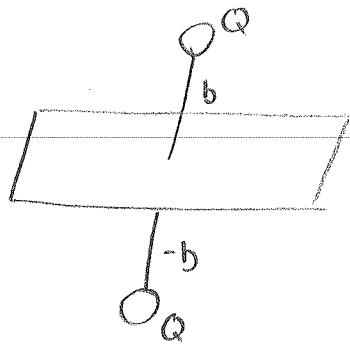
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$$= E_0 \left( \sin \phi_0 e^{i\delta} \hat{e}_s + \cos \phi_0 \hat{e}_f \right) e^{i(\frac{\omega d}{c} - \omega)t}$$

replace  $\frac{\omega d}{c}$  define  $\bar{k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}(d, t) &= E_0 \left( [\sin \phi_0 \cos \phi_0 e^{i\delta} - \cos \phi_0 \sin \phi_0 e^{-i\delta}] \hat{x} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + [\sin^2 \phi_0 e^{i\delta} + \cos^2 \phi_0 e^{-i\delta}] \hat{y} \right) e^{i(\bar{k} d - \omega t)} \end{aligned}$$

HW #9-1



$$\begin{aligned}
 a) \quad \vec{E} &= \sum_Q \frac{Q_a(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|^3} \\
 &= \frac{Q(x\hat{x}+y\hat{y}-b\hat{z})}{(\sqrt{x^2+y^2+(z-b)^2})^3} + \frac{Q(x\hat{x}+y\hat{y}+b\hat{z})}{(x^2+y^2+(z+b)^2)^{3/2}} \\
 &= \frac{2Q(x\hat{x}+y\hat{y})}{(x^2+y^2+b^2)^{3/2}} \quad \text{when evaluated in } x-y \text{ plane}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$b) \quad T^{ij} = \frac{1}{4\pi} [D^i E^j + B^i H^j - \frac{1}{2} S^{ij} (D \cdot E + B \cdot H)]$$

\* Note:  $B = H = 0$  b/c no currents

$D = E$  b/c linear, isotropic material

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow T^{ii} &= \frac{1}{4\pi} (E^i E^i - \frac{1}{2} E^2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( \frac{4Q^2 x^2}{[x^2+y^2+b^2]^3} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{4Q^2 (x^2+y^2)}{[x^2+y^2+b^2]^3} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{Q^2 (x^2-y^2)}{2\pi (x^2+y^2+b^2)^3}$$

$$T^{22} = \frac{Q^2 (y^2-x^2)}{2\pi (x^2+y^2+b^2)^3} \quad \text{by similar logic}$$

$$T^{33} = \frac{-1}{2\pi} \frac{(x^2+y^2)}{(x^2+y^2+b^2)^3}$$

$$T^{12} = T^{21} = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{xy}{(x^2+y^2+b^2)^3}$$

HW #9-1 (cont.)

$$c) \quad F^i = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} T_m^{ij} dxdy \quad * \text{ Assume normal in positive } z\text{-direction}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} T^{33} dxdy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{-(x^2+y^2)Q^2}{2\pi(x^2+y^2+b^2)} dxdy$$

$$= \frac{-Q^2}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{r^2}{r^2+b^2} dxdy$$

$$= \frac{-Q^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{r^3 dr}{r^2+b^2}$$

\* let  $U = r^2 + b^2$

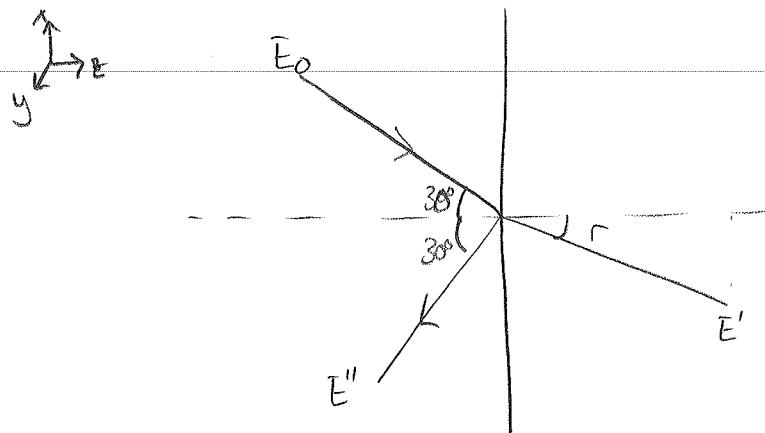
$$dU = 2rdr$$

$$= \frac{-Q^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_{b^2}^{\infty} \frac{U^2 - b^2}{U^{3/2}} dU$$

$$= \frac{-Q^2}{2\pi} \cdot 2\pi \int_{b^2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{du}{u} - \frac{b^2}{u^{3/2}} \right] du$$

$$= \frac{-Q^2}{2}$$

#1



$$\mathbf{k} = k \left( \frac{1}{2} \hat{z} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{x} \right)$$

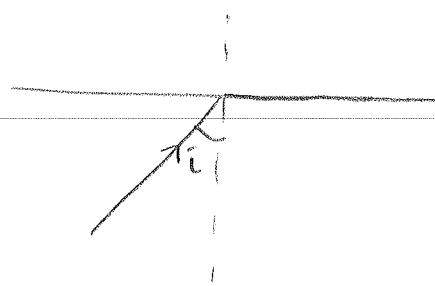
$$\mathbf{k}'' = k \left( -\frac{1}{2} \hat{z} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{x} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{k}' = k' (\cos r \hat{z} - \sin r \hat{x})$$

\* Our wave equations are:

#4

a)



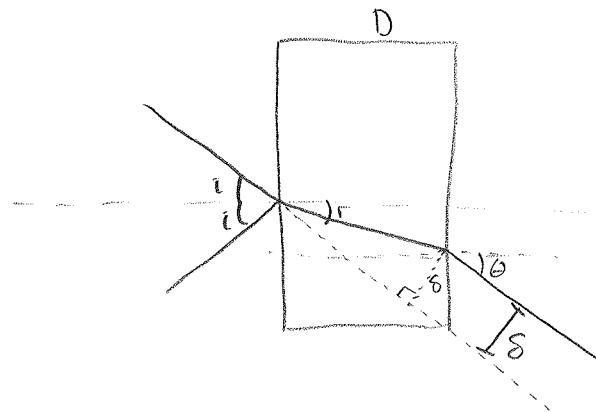
$$n \sin(i) = l \sin 90$$

$$\sin(i) = \frac{l}{n}$$

$$l = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$= 48.59$$

b)



\* Our boundary conditions yield: @  $z=0$

$$E_0 \cos i + E'' \cos i = E_+ \cos r$$

$$H_0 - H'' = H_+$$

$$* \text{but } H = \frac{B}{\mu} = nE$$

$$E_0 - E'' = nh_+$$

@  $z=D$

$$E_+ \cos(r) e^{ik_z D} = E' \cos(i) e^{ik_z D}$$

$$nE_+ e^{ik_z D} = E' e^{ik_z D}$$

\* Note: Repeated applications of Snell's law shows us  $\theta = i$

at 1<sup>st</sup> boundary

$$\sin(i) = n \sin(r)$$

at 2<sup>nd</sup> boundary:

$$n \sin(r) = \sin(\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(i) = \sin(\theta)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \theta = i$$

#4 (cont.)

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} D \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ i \quad r \\ \text{---} \\ h \end{array} \quad \cos(r) = \frac{D}{h} \rightarrow h = \frac{D}{\cos r}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} h \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ i-r \\ \text{---} \\ s \end{array} \quad \sin(i-r) = \frac{s}{h} = \frac{s \cos r}{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow D[\sin(i)\cos(r) - \sin(r)\cos(i)] = s \cos(r)$$

$$s = D[\sin(i) - \tan(r)\cos(i)]$$

\* At Brewster's angle

$$s = D[\sin(i_B) - \tan(r)\cos(i_B)]$$

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December 10, 2014

PHYS 5583 (E & M II)  
Final

**Work only 4 of the following problems!**

1. (25%)

- (a) When swimming under water much of the air surface above you looks like a mirror (if the water is clear and calm). The reason for this is that light traveling under water ( $\mu_r = 1, n = 1.33$ ), will be completely reflected if it strikes the air surface at an incidence angle  $i \geq i_0$ . Derive an expression for  $i_0$  as a function of  $n$  and give its value for water?
- (b) Light traveling in air ( $\mu_r = \epsilon_r = 1$ ) when reflected from a smooth glass surface ( $\mu_r = 1, n = 1.5$ ) is completely polarized in a direction **perpendicular** to the plane of incidence if the incidence angle is  $i_B$ , Brewster's angle. Derive an expression for  $i_B$  by computing the angle at which the amplitude of light polarized in the plane of incidence vanishes. Give its value for glass?

2. (25%) A plane polarized wave traveling in a vacuum ( $n = 1$ ) in the  $+z$  direction of the form

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

is incident normally on a flat homogeneous conducting surface that is located at  $z = 0$ . Assume the conductor is described by a conductivity  $\sigma$  with  $\mu_r \sim 1$  and  $Re[\epsilon_r] \sim 1$ . Recall that  $\sigma$  is defined by  $\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$  and that in Gaussian units the wave inside the conductor can be found by simply defining a complex permittivity  $\epsilon_r = 1 + i4\pi\sigma/\omega$ .

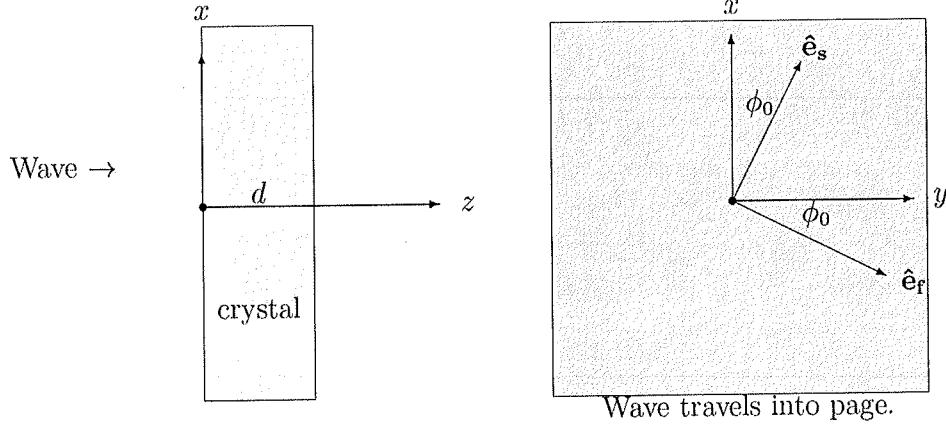
- (a) Calculate the amplitudes of the reflected ( $E''_0$ ) and transmitted ( $E'_0$ ) waves as functions of the conductor's complex index of refraction  $n$ . (Leave them as functions of  $n$  and its complex conjugate  $\bar{n}$ ).
- (b) Calculate the time averaged Poynting vectors for the incoming and reflected waves and use them to evaluate the reflection coefficient  $R$  as a function of the conductor's complex index of refraction  $n$ .
- (c) For a “good conductor”, i.e., when  $4\pi\sigma/\omega \gg 1$  simplify  $R$  and give its approximate value as a function of  $\sigma$  and  $\omega$ .
- (d) At higher frequencies the conductor becomes a “poor conductor”, i.e., when  $4\pi\sigma/\omega \ll 1$ . Simplify  $R$  for these higher frequencies and give its approximate value as a function of  $\sigma$  and  $\omega$ .
- (e) For an arbitrary conductor show that the transmitted wave's amplitude exponentially decays as it penetrates the conductor according to

$$|\mathbf{E}'(\mathbf{z})| = |\mathbf{E}'(\mathbf{0})| e^{-z/\delta},$$

and give  $\delta$  as a function of the conductor's complex index of refraction  $n$ .

- (f) For a “good conductor”, i.e., when  $4\pi\sigma/\omega \gg 1$  simplify  $\delta$  and give its approximate value as a function of  $\sigma$  and  $\omega$ .
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3. {25%} A plane polarized monochromatic light wave traveling in the



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Assume the wave, just after entering the crystal (i.e., for very small  $z \ll \lambda < d$ ), is polarized in the  $y$  direction and hence has the form

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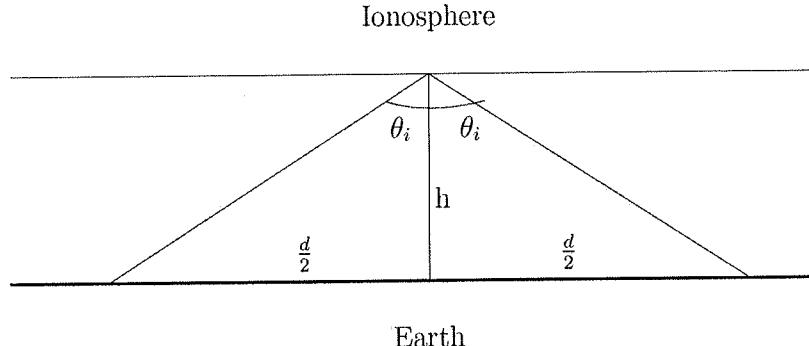
- (a) Prove that when the plane wave reaches  $z = d$

$$\mathbf{E}(z = d, t) = [E_x \hat{x} + E_y \hat{y}] e^{i(\bar{k}d - \omega t)},$$

where  $E_x = iE_0 \sin 2\phi_0 \sin \delta$  and  $E_y = E_0 (\cos \delta - i \cos 2\phi_0 \sin \delta)$ , with  $c\bar{k} \equiv \omega(n_s + n_f)/2$  and  $\delta \equiv \omega d \Delta n/(2c)$ .

- (b) For what values of  $\delta$  and  $\theta_0$  will the wave emerge from the crystal as a circularly polarized wave? (i.e., when will  $E_x/E_y = \pm i$ ).
- (c) For what minimum crystal thicknesses  $d = d_{min}$  will the wave emerge as a plane polarized wave (i.e., when will  $E_x/E_y = \text{real}$ ) and what will its polarization direction be?

4. {25%}



The ionosphere reflects radio waves of frequency  $\omega$  back to earth if the wave strikes the ionosphere at an incidence angle  $\theta_i$  greater than  $\theta_0(\omega)$  (see the figure). Assume that the ionosphere is a very thick flat layer beginning abruptly at altitude  $h$  above the earth.

- (a) Assume the ionosphere is a plasma whose relative permittivity is approximated by

$$\epsilon_r(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} = 1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda_p^2},$$

and whose relative permeability is  $\mu_r = 1$ . Assume the atmosphere below the ionosphere has an index of refraction  $n = 1$  and use snell's law to find  $\theta_0$  as a function of  $\omega$ .

- (b) An amateur radio operator finds that when operating at  $\lambda = 14$  meter wavelengths in the early evening she can receive stations more distant than 1500 km away. However operating at  $\lambda = 20$  meters she can receive stations more distant than 1000 km. Use the above data and your expression for  $\theta_0(\omega)$  to find both the height of the ionosphere  $h$  and the plasma frequency  $\omega_p$ .
- (c) The plasma frequency  $\omega_p$  from part (b) can be used to estimate the free electron number density  $N_e$  in the ionosphere by assuming the relative permittivity given in (a) is a result of free electrons being displaced by the wave's electric field

$$m\ddot{\mathbf{r}} = -e\mathbf{E}_0 e^{-i\omega t}.$$

In Gaussian units the resulting expression for the plasma frequency is:

$$\omega_p^2 = 4\pi N_e \frac{e^2}{m}.$$

If  $e^2/mc^2 = 2.82 \times 10^{-13}$  cm what is the electron density in the ionosphere?

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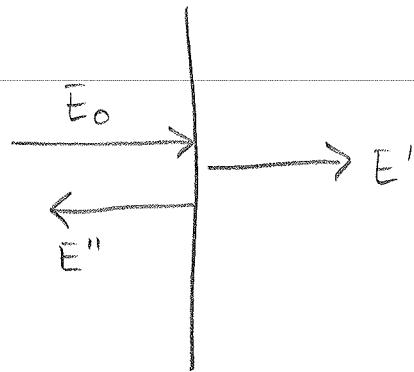
5. {25%}

- (a) Calculate the phase and group velocities of a plane harmonic wave of frequency  $\omega$  traveling in a homogeneous tenuous plasma. Recall that for such a plasma  $\mu_r = 1$  and  $\epsilon_r = 1 - \omega_p^2/\omega^2$ . Also recall that the phase and group velocities are defined by  $v_p = \omega/k$  and  $v_g = d\omega/dk$ .
- (b) For frequencies way above the plasma frequency, i.e., for  $\omega_p \ll \omega$ , simplify your answers for  $v_p$  and  $v_g$  and keep only the lowest order terms in  $(\omega_p/\omega)$ .
- (c) In the absence of a magnetic field all waves travel at the same speeds independent of their polarization. However, if a magnetic field exists in the plasma left and right circularly polarized waves travel at different speeds. Assume a uniform magnetic induction  $B_{||}$  parallel to the wave's propagation direction exists in the plasma. What are the phase and group velocities for left and right circularly polarized waves? Recall that

$$\epsilon_r = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega(\omega \mp \omega_B)},$$

- where the upper sign is for l.c.p. waves and the lower is for r.c.p. waves.
- (d) For frequencies way above the plasma frequency, i.e., for  $\omega_p \ll \omega$ , and frequencies not too close to  $\omega_B$ , simplify your answers for  $v_p$  and  $v_g$  keeping only the lowest order terms in  $(\omega_p/\omega)$  for l.c.p. and r.c.p. waves. Also give differences in  $v_p$  and  $v_g$  values for l.c.p. and r.c.p. waves. Which one is faster?

#2



\* In air:

$$\vec{E}_0 = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

$$\vec{E}'' = E'' e^{i(-kz - \omega t)}$$

\* In conductor

$$\vec{E}' = E' e^{i(kz - \omega t)}$$

\* Applying our boundary conditions:

$$E_0 + E'' = E'$$

$$H_0 - H'' = H'$$

\* but  $H = \frac{nE}{n+1}$

$$E_0 - E'' = nE'$$



$$\frac{E''}{E_0} = \frac{1-n}{n+1}$$

$$\frac{E'}{E_0} = \frac{2}{n+1}$$

$$b) S = \frac{c}{4\pi} \operatorname{Re}[E] \times \operatorname{Re}[H]$$

$$= \frac{c}{4\pi} \left( \frac{E+E''}{2} \right) \times \left( \frac{H+H''}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{c}{4\pi} [E \times H + \bar{E} \times H^* + E^* \times H + E^* \times H^*]$$

$$\langle S \rangle = \frac{c}{4\pi} \frac{\operatorname{Re}[E \times H^*]}{2}$$

$$\langle S \rangle = \frac{c}{8\pi} \operatorname{Re}[E \times n^* E^*]$$

$$\langle S \rangle = \frac{c \operatorname{Re}[n^*]}{8\pi} |E|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle S \rangle = \frac{c \operatorname{Re}[n^*]}{8\pi} |E_0|^2$$

$$\langle S'' \rangle = \frac{c \operatorname{Re}[n^*]}{8\pi} |E''|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow R = \frac{\langle S'' \rangle}{\langle S \rangle}$$

$$= \frac{|E''|^2}{|E_0|^2}$$

$$= \frac{|1-n|^2}{|n+1|^2}$$

#2 (cont)

c)  $n = \sqrt{\epsilon}$   
 $= \sqrt{1 + \epsilon \frac{4\pi\sigma}{w}}$

$$\approx \sqrt{1 + \frac{4\pi\sigma}{w}}$$
$$= \frac{(1+\epsilon)}{2} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi\sigma}{w}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Re}[n] = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi\sigma}{w}}$$

$$\Rightarrow R \approx \frac{(1 - [(1+\epsilon)\sqrt{\frac{2\pi\sigma}{w}}])(1 - (1-\epsilon)\sqrt{\frac{2\pi\sigma}{w}})}{(1 + [(1+\epsilon)\sqrt{\frac{2\pi\sigma}{w}}])(1 + (1-\epsilon)\sqrt{\frac{2\pi\sigma}{w}})}$$

d)  $n \approx 1$

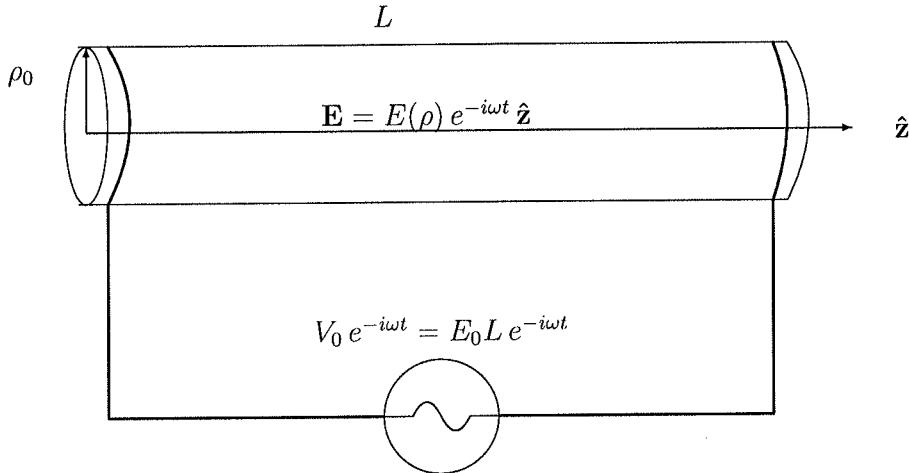
$$\hookrightarrow R = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

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**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

**Final**

1. {33%}



The a-c current flowing in a very long cylindrical conducting wire of radius  $\rho_0$  and conductivity  $\sigma$  (shown in the figure) can be written as an integral over the wire's cross section as

$$I = \int_0^{\rho_0} \sigma E(\rho) e^{-i\omega t} 2\pi \rho d\rho.$$

The harmonic electric field inside the wire is of the form

$$\mathbf{E} = E(\rho) \hat{\mathbf{z}} e^{-i\omega t},$$

and can be written as a function of  $J_0(x)$ , the  $m = 0$  Bessel function as

$$E(\rho) = E_0 \frac{J_0(k\rho)}{J_0(k\rho_0)},$$

where  $k = (1 + i)/\delta$  and  $\delta^{-1} = \sqrt{2\mu\sigma\omega}/c$  is the skin depth for a good conductor. Because  $J_0(x)$  satisfies the  $m = 0$  Bessel's equation

$$\frac{(x J'_0(x))'}{x} = -J_0(x),$$

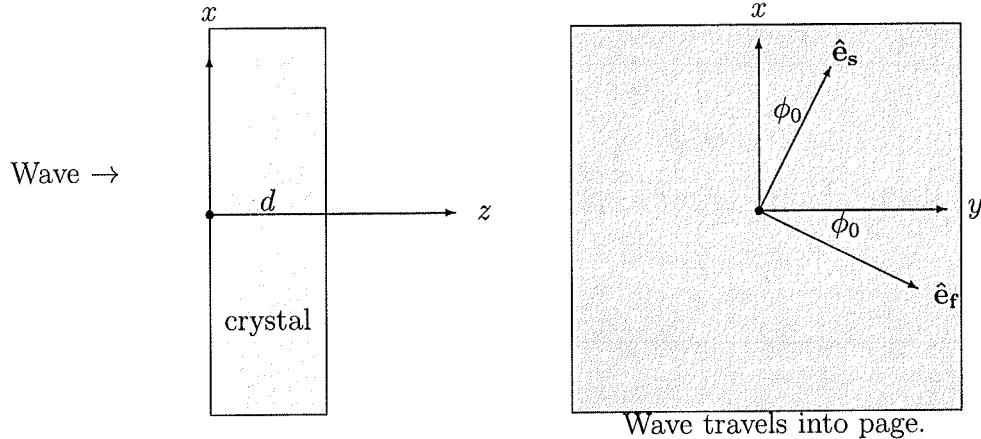
the above current can be written as

$$I = \frac{2\pi\rho_0 E_0}{k} \left( -\frac{J'_0(k\rho_0)}{J_0(k\rho_0)} \right) e^{-i\omega t}.$$

- (a) Use Maxwell's equations to compute the Magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  at the surface of the wire from  $\mathbf{E}$  given above. Your answer will involve a derivative of  $J_0(x)$ . (Recall  $\nabla \times [f(\rho)\hat{\mathbf{z}}] = \nabla f(\rho) \times \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ ).

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- (b) Calculate the time average of the Poynting vector at the surface of the wire (assume  $\mu = 1$ ).
  - (c) Use the Poynting vector to calculate the average rate energy is flowing into the wire's surface per unit length.
  - (d) Calculate the heat loss (the  $I^2R$  loss) per unit length in the wire.  
HINT: Simply time-average  $\text{Real}(I) * \text{Real}(V)$  for a 1 cm length of wire to get the heat loss per unit length.
  - (e) Does the rate energy is lost to heat agree with the energy flow rate calculated in (c)? If not, why not?

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- (a) Prove that in general the initial plane wave becomes elliptically polarized when it reaches  $z = d$  by deriving the following expression

$$\mathbf{E}(z = d, t) = [E_x \hat{x} + E_y \hat{y}] e^{i(\bar{k}d - \omega t)},$$

where

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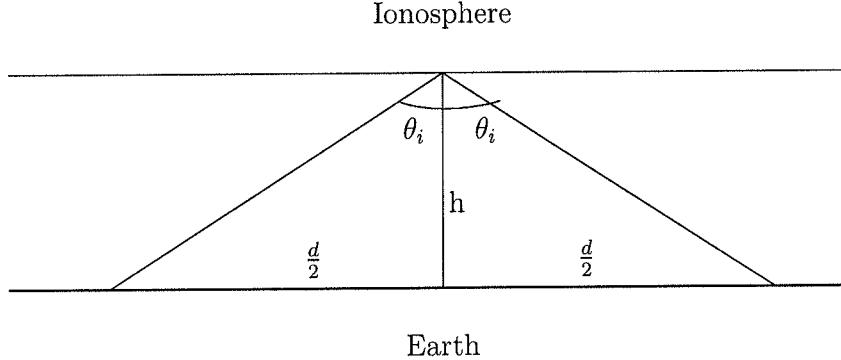
with

$$\delta \equiv \frac{\omega d}{2c} \Delta n.$$

Hint: Write the wave at  $z=0$  as a combination of slow and fast plane polarized parts using  $\hat{y} = \sin \phi_0 \hat{e}_s + \cos \phi_0 \hat{e}_f$ .

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If  $e^2/mc^2 = 2.82 \times 10^{-13}$  cm what is the electron density in the ionosphere?

May 8, 2012

**PHYS 5583 (E & M II)**

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1. {25%}

- (a) In a homogeneous, linear and isotropic conducting material whose electromagnetic properties (at low frequencies) are described by constant (and real) values of the permittivity, permeability, and conductivity respectively  $\epsilon, \mu$ , and  $\sigma$ , show that Maxwell's equations require that the electric field satisfy the telegraph equation

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \epsilon\mu \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial^2 t} - \sigma\mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = 0, \quad (SI)$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} - \frac{\epsilon\mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial^2 t} - \frac{4\pi\sigma\mu}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = 0. \quad (Gaussian)$$

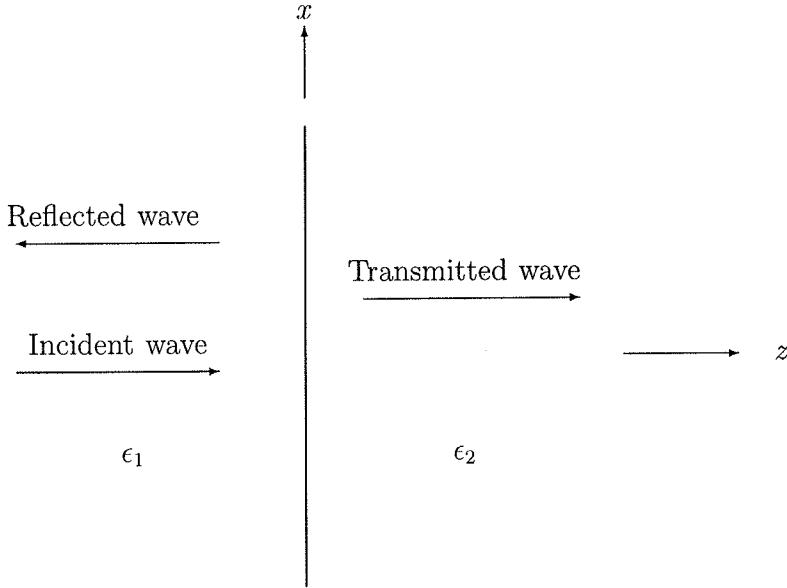
- (b) Given a plane polarized plane wave of angular frequency  $\omega$  whose electric field is of the form

$$\mathbf{E}(z, t) = \text{Real} \left\{ \hat{\mathbf{x}} E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \right\},$$

evaluate  $k^2$  as a function of  $\epsilon, \mu, \sigma$ , and  $\omega$ .

- (c) Find the real and imaginary parts of  $k$  assuming  $\sigma >> \omega\epsilon$ .  
(d) Using your results from (c) find the skin depth  $\delta$  of the conductor. The skin depth is defined by the depth at which the wave's amplitude decreases by  $e^{-1}$ , i.e.,

$$\frac{|\mathbf{E}(z + \delta, t)|}{|\mathbf{E}(z, t)|} = \frac{1}{e}$$



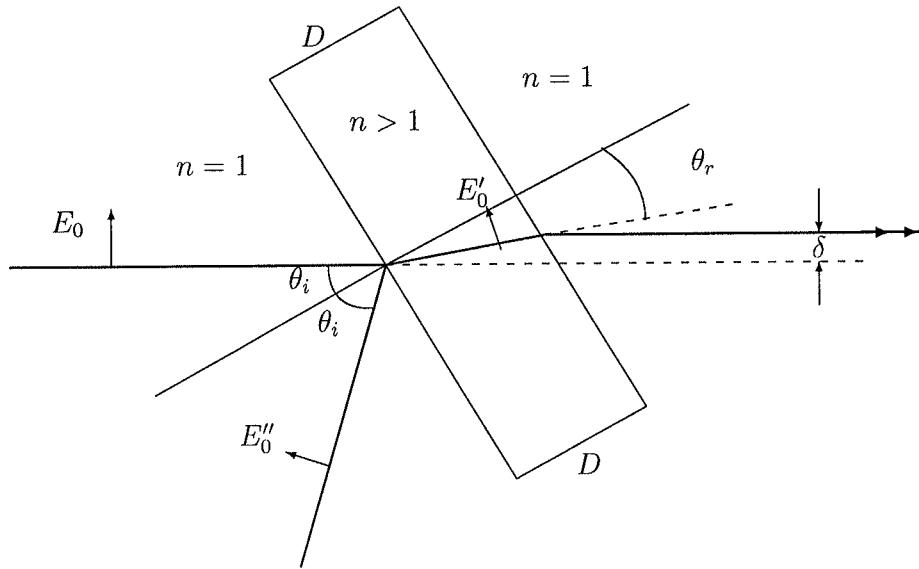
2. {25%} A linearly-polarized harmonic ( $e^{-i\omega t}$ ) plane electromagnetic wave traveling to the right in a homogeneous dielectric medium described by a real dielectric constant  $\epsilon_1$ , strikes a second homogeneous dielectric material described by another real dielectric constant  $\epsilon_2 > \epsilon_1$  (see the figure). Assume that both materials have the same magnetic permeability  $\mu_0$  and that the incidence angle is  $0^\circ$  (i.e., the wave is traveling perpendicular to the junction). Assume the incoming wave is polarized in the  $\hat{x}$  direction and that its electric field amplitude is  $E_0$ , i.e., assume the incoming electric field is the real part of

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 e^{i(kz - \omega t)} \hat{x}.$$

- (a) Give the magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B}$  associated with the above incoming wave,  $k$  as a function of  $\omega$ , the direction of  $\mathbf{B}$ , and the amplitude of  $\mathbf{B}$  as a function of  $E_0$ .
- (b) Give similar expressions for the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  components of the reflected and transmitted waves. Use  $E_0''$  and  $E_0'$  for the respective amplitudes of reflected and transmitted waves.
- (c) Apply the junction conditions to the incoming, reflected, and transmitted wave to compute  $E_0''$  and  $E_0'$  as functions of  $E_0$  and the two dielectric constants  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$ .
- (d) Evaluate the reflection and transmission coefficients,  $R$  and  $T$ , for above waves. Recall that the Poynting vector is defined by

$$\mathbf{S} \equiv \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}, \quad (SI)$$

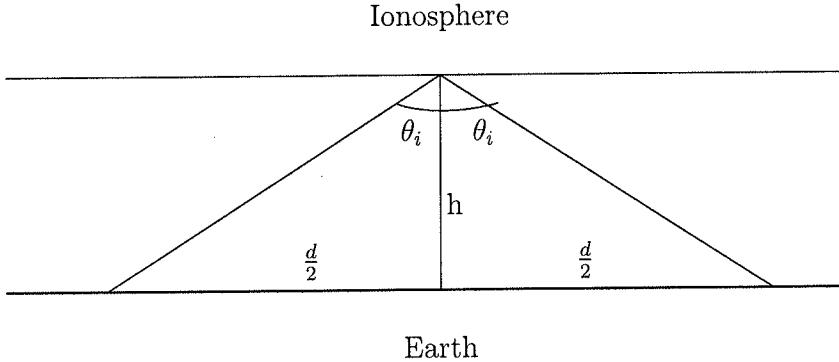
$$\mathbf{S} \equiv \frac{c}{4\pi} \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}. \quad (Gaussian)$$



3. {25%} A narrow columnated monochromatic beam of light from a laser hits a flat piece of ordinary glass of thickness  $D$  in air at angle  $\theta_i$  as shown. The incident, reflected, and refracted light beams are linearly polarized in the incidence plane as shown and have respective amplitudes  $E_0$ ,  $E_0''$ , and  $E_0'$  also as shown. Assume that the index of refraction of air is 1 and of the glass is  $n$ . Also assume a relative permeability  $\mu_r = 1$  for both the air and glass. Ignore the reflected beam that occurs when the beam exits the glass on the right of the figure.

- Use the junction conditions on the **E**, **D**, **B** and **H** and Snell's law to derive the Fresnel formulas for  $E_0''/E_0$  and  $E_0'/E_0$  as a function of  $\theta_i$ .
- Use your results to find the incidence angle  $\theta_B$  (Brewster's angle) at which the reflected amplitude  $E_0''$  vanishes.
- After the transmitted beam exits the glass and returns to air it will be traveling parallel to its original direction but displaced a distance  $\delta$  as shown in the figure. At Brewster's angle what will this displacement be?

4. {25%}



An amateur radio operator finds that when operating at  $\lambda = 16$  meter wavelengths in the early evening she can receive stations more distant than 1700 km away. However operating at  $\lambda = 20$  meters she can receive stations more distant than 1200 km.

Assume, as was done in homework problem # 7.13 that the ionosphere is responsible for reflecting the radio signals and that it is a very thick flat layer beginning abruptly at altitude  $h$  above the earth. By assuming the ionosphere is a plasma whose relative permittivity is modeled by

$$\epsilon_r(\omega) = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} = 1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda_p^2}$$

and whose relative permeability  $\mu_r = 1$ , problem # 7.13 concluded that when the incidence angle satisfied

$$\sin^2 \theta_i \geq 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} = 1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda_p^2},$$

the reflection was 100%.

Use the above data and the conclusions of problem # 7.13 to find both the height of the ionosphere  $h$  and the plasma wavelength  $\lambda_p$ .

## Derivation of R and T

\* In case where  $E \parallel$  to plane of incidence.

