

Problem 1

(a)

Using method of images, we know for every charge that is above the plane (x, y, z) , there is a image charge below the plane $(x, y, -z)$. Therefore, the green function is

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z+z')^2}}$$

(b)

Just taking the derivative

$$\frac{\partial G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}')}{\partial z'} = (z-z')((x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2)^{-3/2} + (z+z')((x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z+z')^2)^{-3/2}$$

(c)

If $z' = 0$, then

$$\frac{\partial G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}')}{\partial z'} = 2z((x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + z^2)^{-3/2}$$

(d)

We know that

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') \rho(\vec{r}') d^3r' + \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} \hat{m}' \cdot \nabla_{r'} G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') V(\vec{r}') da'$$

Since we are only considering the potential due to volatage biased disk, then

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} \hat{m}' \cdot \nabla_{r'} G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') V(\vec{r}') da'$$

We notice that the \hat{m}' is just \hat{z} in this case (the normal vector on the boundary), and therefore the $\hat{m}' \cdot \nabla_{r'} G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}')$ is just $\frac{\partial G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}')}{\partial z'}$. On the boundary it's when $z = 0$, so that's just what we got at in part (c). Thus,

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\partial V} \left. \frac{\partial G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}')}{\partial z'} \right|_{z'=0} V(\vec{r}') da'$$

The $V(\vec{r}')$ is only V when it's in the disk, therefore

$$V(r) = \frac{V}{4\pi} \int_{\text{sphere}} 2z((x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + z^2)^{-3/2} da'$$

(e)

Since we only care about the $V(r)$ along x axis, so that $x = 0$ and $y = 0$. Using the cylindrcal coordinate, we could write $x'^2 + y'^2 = s'^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
V(r) &= \frac{zV}{2\pi} \int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{s'}{(s'^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} d\theta ds \\
&= zV \int_0^R \frac{s'}{(s'^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} ds \\
&= zV \left(\frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + R^2}} \right) \\
&= V \left(1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2 + R^2}} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

If $z \ll R$, (i.e., just above origin) then

$$V(r) \approx V \left(1 - \frac{0}{\sqrt{0^2 + R^2}} \right) = V$$

It matches the intuition, because as the voltage gradually "propagates" to the space above the plane, its potential decrease gradually to 0 (when reaches infinity). If it's close to the disk, its potential should be close to potential of the disk (that is, just V approximately). Or, if we want to be more accurate on our approximation, we could do a Taylor expansion and see

$$V(r) = V \left(1 - \frac{z}{R} + \frac{z^2}{2R^3} + \dots \right)$$

since $z \ll R$, we only keep the linear term and it is

$$V(r) = V \left(1 - \frac{z}{R} \right)$$

this could be understood as: when the $z \ll R$, all the influence from the $V = 0$ conductor outside this charged biased circle could be ignored, and this situation is similar to the top/bottom plate of the capacitor. (where the potential linearly decreased)

(f)

Set $V(r)$ to kV , define $l = 1 - k$

$$\begin{aligned}
V(r) &= V \left(1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2 + R^2}} \right) = kV \\
\frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2 + R^2}} &= l \\
\left(\frac{z}{l} \right)^2 &= z^2 + R^2 \\
z &= R \sqrt{\frac{l^2}{1 - l^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

therefore, set $k = 1/2, 1/4, 1/16$. therefore, $l = 1/2, 3/4, 15/16$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
z_{1/2} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} R \\
z_{1/4} &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{7}} R \\
z_{1/16} &= \frac{15}{\sqrt{31}} R
\end{aligned}$$

(g)

we see that

$$\begin{aligned} V(r) &= V\left(1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2 + R^2}}\right) \\ &= V\left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{R^2}{z^2}\right)^{-1/2}\right) \\ &\approx V\left(1 - 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{R^2}{z^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{VR^2}{2z^2} \end{aligned}$$

We see that the $V \sim \frac{1}{z^2}$

Problem 2

(a)

We know that the monopole moment is $Q_{\text{total}} = 0$. The dipole moment is

$$\vec{p} = Q((a\hat{x} + a\hat{y}) + (-a\hat{x} - a\hat{y})) - Q((-a\hat{x} + a\hat{y}) + (a\hat{x} - a\hat{y})) = \vec{0}$$

is a zero vector.

(b)

We know that

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{xx} &= \frac{1}{2} \int \rho(r') (2x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2) d^3r' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot Q \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x' - a)\delta(y' - a)\delta(z') + \delta(x' + a)\delta(y' + a)\delta(z')) (2x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2) dx' dy' dz' \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-Q) \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x' + a)\delta(y' - a)\delta(z') + \delta(x' - a)\delta(y' + a)\delta(z')) (2x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2) dx' dy' dz' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} Q(2a^2 - a^2 + 2a^2 - a^2) - \frac{1}{2} Q(2a^2 - a^2 + 2a^2 - a^2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for Q_{yy} , we have

$$Q_{yy} = \frac{1}{2} Q(2a^2 - a^2 + 2a^2 - a^2) - \frac{1}{2} Q(2a^2 - a^2 + 2a^2 - a^2) = 0$$

and for Q_{zz} , we have

$$Q_{zz} = \frac{1}{2} Q(-a^2 - a^2 - a^2 - a^2) - \frac{1}{2} Q(-a^2 - a^2 - a^2 - a^2) = 0$$

(c)

From the symmetrical property of Q , we know that $Q_{xy} = Q_{yx}$. So, we only solve for Q_{xy} :

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_{xy} &= \frac{1}{2} \int \rho(r')(3x'y')d^3r' \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot Q \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x' - a)\delta(y' - a)\delta(z') + \delta(x' + a)\delta(y' + a)\delta(z'))(3x'y')dx'dy'dz' \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-Q) \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x' + a)\delta(y' - a)\delta(z') + \delta(x' - a)\delta(y' + a)\delta(z'))(3x'y')dx'dy'dz' \\
&= \frac{1}{2}Q(3a^2 + 3a^2) - \frac{1}{2}Q(-3a^2 - 3a^2) = 6Qa^2
\end{aligned}$$

(d)

We know that

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_{xx} &= \frac{1}{2} \int \rho(r')(2x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2)d^3r' \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot Q \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x' - \sqrt{2}a)\delta(y')\delta(z') + \delta(x' + \sqrt{2}a)\delta(y')\delta(z'))(2x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2)dx'dy'dz' \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-Q) \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x')\delta(y' - \sqrt{2}a)\delta(z') + \delta(x')\delta(y' + \sqrt{2}a)\delta(z'))(2x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2)dx'dy'dz' \\
&= \frac{1}{2}Q(4a^2 + 4a^2) - \frac{1}{2}Q(-2a^2 - 2a^2) = 6Qa^2
\end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_{yy} &= \frac{1}{2} \int \rho(r')(2y'^2 - x'^2 - z'^2)d^3r' \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot Q \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x' - \sqrt{2}a)\delta(y')\delta(z') + \delta(x' + \sqrt{2}a)\delta(y')\delta(z'))(2y'^2 - x'^2 - z'^2)dx'dy'dz' \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-Q) \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x')\delta(y' - \sqrt{2}a)\delta(z') + \delta(x')\delta(y' + \sqrt{2}a)\delta(z'))(2y'^2 - x'^2 - z'^2)dx'dy'dz' \\
&= \frac{1}{2}Q(-2a^2 + -2a^2) - \frac{1}{2}Q(4a^2 + 4a^2) = -6Qa^2
\end{aligned}$$

From the symmetrical property of Q , we know that $Q_{xy} = Q_{yx}$. So, we only solve for Q_{xy} :

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_{xy} &= \frac{1}{2} \int \rho(r')(3x'y')d^3r' \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot Q \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x' - \sqrt{2}a)\delta(y')\delta(z') + \delta(x' + \sqrt{2}a)\delta(y')\delta(z'))(3x'y')dx'dy'dz' \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-Q) \iiint_{\text{cartisan}} (\delta(x')\delta(y' - \sqrt{2}a)\delta(z') + \delta(x')\delta(y' + \sqrt{2}a)\delta(z'))(3x'y')dx'dy'dz' \\
&= \frac{1}{2}Q \cdot 0 - \frac{1}{2}Q \cdot 0 = 0
\end{aligned}$$

(e)

The original tensor is

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6Qa^2 \\ 6Qa^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the rotated one is

$$Q' = \begin{pmatrix} 6Qa^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -6Qa^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

the corresponding 2x2 matrix is actually

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

and we could apply this on the tensor we have to see it actually works

$$RQ = \begin{pmatrix} \cos -\frac{\pi}{2} & -\sin -\frac{\pi}{2} \\ \sin -\frac{\pi}{2} & \cos -\frac{\pi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6Qa^2 \\ 6Qa^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 6Qa^2 \\ 6Qa^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6Qa^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -6Qa^2 \end{pmatrix} = Q'$$

So it indeed works.

For the more general 3d rotational case. The rotation matrix is

$$R = R_z(\alpha)R_y(\beta)R_x(\gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha & 0 \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \beta & 0 & \sin \beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \beta & 0 & \cos \beta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \gamma & -\sin \gamma \\ 0 & \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

where each part is yaw, pitch, roll. The 2d rotation case only use the first matrix. (That is, $\beta = 0$ and $\gamma = 0$)