

## Problem 1

(a)

From the graph, we could see that

$$\kappa(z) = \frac{\kappa_1 - 1}{d}z + 1 = \frac{(\kappa_1 - 1)z + d}{d}$$

(b)

we know that for a linear dielectric, we have

$$\vec{E}(z) = -\frac{\sigma}{\kappa(z)\epsilon_0}\hat{z}$$

and the displacement field is just

$$\vec{D}(z) = \epsilon_0\kappa(z)\vec{E} = -\sigma\hat{z}$$

the **magnitude** of  $\vec{E}(z)$ , which is  $E(z) = \frac{\sigma}{\kappa(z)\epsilon_0}$ , depend on the  $\kappa(z)$ , and we find now that  $\kappa(z)$  is smallest at 0, and biggest at  $d$ . Therefore, the **magnitude**  $E(z)$  is biggest at 0, and smallest at  $d$ . (that is to say, the magnitude that  $\vec{E}(z)$  pointing to left is the maximum at 0, and smallest at  $d$ ).

(c)

Since we know that

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0\vec{E} + \vec{P}$$

It's true that

$$\vec{P} = \vec{D} - \epsilon_0\vec{E} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\kappa(z)}\right)\sigma\hat{z} = -\frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa}\sigma\hat{z}$$

It's **magnitude** is biggest at  $d$ , and smallest at 0. When you compare this with the fact that the **magnitude**  $E(z)$  is biggest at 0, and smallest at  $d$ , this is expected because we know that

$$\vec{P} = \epsilon_0\chi\vec{E}$$

we see that

$$\chi = \kappa - 1 = \frac{\kappa_1 - 1}{d}z$$

and this increases from 0 to  $d$ . The effect of  $\chi$  is greater than  $\vec{E}$  and that's why the maximum and minimum (the increasing / decreasing trend) is same as  $\chi$  but not  $\vec{E}$ .

(d)

Integrate  $E$  on  $z$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta V_{0 \rightarrow d} &= - \int_0^d - \frac{\sigma}{\kappa(z)\epsilon_0} dz \\ &= \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \int_0^d \frac{1}{\kappa(z)} dz \\ &= \frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon_0} \int_0^d \frac{1}{(\kappa_1 - 1)z + d} dz \\ &= \frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon_0} \ln \left( \frac{(\kappa_1 - 1)z + d}{d} \right) \Big|_0^d \\ &= \frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon_0(\kappa_1 - 1)} \ln \kappa_1\end{aligned}$$

(e)

We know that  $C \equiv \frac{Q}{V}$  and therefore

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{\sigma A \cdot \epsilon_0(\kappa_1 - 1)}{\sigma d \ln \kappa_1} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} \frac{\kappa_1 - 1}{\ln \kappa_1}$$

(f)

We know that

$$\sigma_B = -\vec{P} \cdot \hat{n}$$

and when on the left plate

$$\sigma_B = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{z} = -\frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa} \sigma = 0$$

when on the right plate

$$\sigma_B = -\vec{P} \cdot \hat{z} = \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa} \sigma = \frac{\kappa_1 - 1}{\kappa_1} \sigma$$

We also know that

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_B &= -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa} \sigma \hat{z} \\ &= \frac{d}{dz} \left( \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa} \sigma \right) \\ &= \sigma \frac{d}{dz} \left( 1 - \frac{d}{(\kappa_1 - 1)z + d} \right) \\ &= -d\sigma \frac{d}{dz} \frac{1}{(\kappa_1 - 1)z + d} \\ &= \frac{d\sigma(\kappa_1 - 1)}{((\kappa_1 - 1)z + d)^2}\end{aligned}$$

Integrate over  $z$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_{B'} &= \int_0^d \frac{d\sigma(\kappa_1 - 1)}{((\kappa_1 - 1)z + d)^2} dz \\
&= d(\kappa_1 - 1)\sigma \int_0^d ((\kappa_1 - 1)z + d)^{-2} dz \\
&= d(\kappa_1 - 1)\sigma \left( \frac{1}{(\kappa_1 - 1)((\kappa_1 - 1)z + d)} \right) \Big|_0^d \\
&= d(k - 1)\sigma \frac{1}{\kappa_1 d} \\
&= \frac{\kappa_1}{\kappa_1 - 1} \sigma
\end{aligned}$$

We see that they are actually the same,  $\sigma_B = \sigma_{B'}$ . That's why it's common sense.

## Problem 2

(a)

This is just similar as the one we did in HW4. (So the derivation will be ignored here). It's

$$\begin{aligned}
s \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left( s \frac{\partial S}{\partial s} \right) &= m^2 S(s) \\
\frac{\partial^2 \Theta}{\partial \theta^2} &= -m^2 \Theta(\theta)
\end{aligned}$$

The  $m^2 > 0$ . We choose the negative coefficient for  $\Theta(\theta)$  because we want the sinusoidal solution. It's reasonable because we need to make sure the solution is periodical.

(b)

From HW4 we see that the general solution is that

$$V(s, \phi) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} s^m (A_m \cos m\phi + B_m \sin m\phi)$$

From symmetry, the solution should be an even function of  $\phi$ . We first consider the case when it's outside the cylinder:

From  $E = E_0 \hat{x}$ , we see that this

$$\begin{aligned}
V(\infty, 0) &= -E_0 s \\
V(\infty, \pi) &= E_0 s
\end{aligned}$$

also we know that

$$V(\infty, \frac{\pi}{2}) = V(\infty, \frac{3\pi}{2}) = 0$$

using symmetry, that means all the  $B_m = 0$ , and therefore

$$V_{\text{out}}(s, \phi) = -sE_0 \cos \phi + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} s^{-m} A_{m,\text{out}} \cos m\phi$$

Now consider the situation in the cylinder. Using symmetry, that means all the  $B_m = 0$ . We also see that we shouldn't approach infinity as  $s \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore

$$V_{\text{in}}(s, \phi) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} s^m A_{m,\text{in}} \cos m\phi$$

In fact, only  $m = 1$  is possible (this is discussed in part (c), so it is

$$V_{\text{out}}(s, \phi) = -sE_0 \cos \phi + \frac{1}{s} A_{1,\text{out}} \cos \phi$$

$$V_{\text{in}}(s, \phi) = sA_{1,\text{in}} \cos \phi$$

(c)

we can write

$$\vec{D} = -\epsilon_0 \kappa \vec{\nabla} V(s, \theta)$$

and we see that

$$\hat{n} \cdot \vec{D}_{\text{out}} = -\epsilon \hat{s} \cdot \vec{\nabla} V_{\text{out}}(s, \phi)$$

$$\hat{n} \cdot \vec{D}_{\text{in}} = -\epsilon \kappa \hat{s} \cdot \vec{\nabla} V_{\text{in}}(s, \phi)$$

and we know that  $\hat{s} \cdot \vec{\nabla} = \frac{\partial}{\partial s}$ .

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} (-sE_0 \cos \phi + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} s^{-m} A_{m,\text{out}} \cos m\phi) = \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \kappa \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} s^m A_{m,\text{in}} \cos m\phi$$

we see that

$$-E_0 \cos \phi - ms^{-m-1} A_{m,\text{out}} \cos m\phi = \kappa ms^{m-1} A_{m,\text{in}} \cos m\phi$$

replace  $s$  with  $R$  and we see

$$-E_0 \cos \phi - mR^{-m-1} A_{m,\text{out}} \cos m\phi = \kappa mR^{m-1} A_{m,\text{in}} \cos m\phi$$

and we see that this must be true for every  $\phi$ , which means that  $m$  could only be 1. Therefore

$$-E_0 \cos \phi - \frac{A_{1,\text{out}}}{R^2} \cos \phi = \kappa A_{1,\text{in}} \cos \phi$$

which is just

$$-E_0 - \frac{A_{1,\text{out}}}{R^2} = \kappa A_{1,\text{in}}$$

We also know that

$$E_{\parallel} = -\hat{\phi} \cdot \vec{\nabla} V(s, \phi)$$

we know that

$$\hat{\phi} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} \hat{s} + \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} \hat{\phi} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) = \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi}$$

therefore

$$E_{\parallel} = -\frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi}$$

we know that

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\parallel, \text{out}} &= E_{\parallel, \text{in}} \\ -\frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} (-sE_0 \cos \phi + \frac{1}{s} A_{1, \text{out}} \cos \phi) &= -\frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} (sA_{1, \text{in}} \cos \phi) \\ -sE_0 + \frac{1}{s} A_{1, \text{out}} &= sA_{1, \text{in}} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $s = R$ , we see that

$$-E_0 + \frac{A_{1, \text{out}}}{R^2} = A_{1, \text{in}}$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} -E_0 - \frac{A_{1, \text{out}}}{R^2} &= \kappa A_{1, \text{in}} \\ -E_0 + \frac{A_{1, \text{out}}}{R^2} &= A_{1, \text{in}} \end{aligned}$$

we see that

$$\begin{aligned} -E_0 - \frac{A_{1, \text{out}}}{R^2} &= \kappa(-E_0 + \frac{A_{1, \text{out}}}{R^2}) \\ (\kappa - 1)E_0 &= (1 + \kappa) \frac{A_{1, \text{out}}}{R^2} \\ A_{1, \text{out}} &= \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa + 1} E_0 R^2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$A_{1, \text{in}} = -\frac{2}{\kappa + 1} E_0$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{out}}(s, \phi) &= -sE_0 \cos \phi + \frac{1}{s} \frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa + 1} E_0 R^2 \cos \phi \\ V_{\text{in}}(s, \phi) &= -s \frac{2}{\kappa + 1} E_0 \cos \phi \end{aligned}$$

**(d)**

we see that

$$\vec{E}_{\text{in}} = -\vec{\nabla} \left( -s \frac{2}{\kappa + 1} E_0 \cos \phi \right) = \frac{2}{\kappa + 1} E_0 \hat{x}$$

therefore

$$\epsilon_0(\chi + 2)E_{\text{in}} = 2\epsilon_0 E_0$$

$$\epsilon_0 E_{\text{in}} = \epsilon_0 E_0 - \frac{1}{2}P$$

and we see that it's indeed  $1/2$

**(e)**

Imagine when the cylinder is parallel to the electric field direction, then actually there won't be any induced  $P$  and  $E$ . and the formula

$$\epsilon_0 E_{\text{in}} = \epsilon_0 E_0 - ?P$$

and in this case the  $?$  in above formula will just be 0, as expected. So, the depolarizing coefficient is just 0.