QUIZ #4

Q1. The voltage applied to a parallel-plate capacitor is 10 V. If the distance between the two plates is 1 cm, find the **E**-field 0.2 cm away from one of the plates.

$$E = 10/0.01 = 1000 V$$

Q2. The potential in a region of space is given as $V = 0.5x^3 + 2yz$, V. Find the **E**-field vector.

$$E = -\nabla V = -\left(1.5x^2 \mathbf{a}_x + 2z \mathbf{a}_y + 2y \mathbf{a}_z\right)$$

Q3. An external electric field $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{a}_x(10 + x) + \mathbf{a}_y z$ V/m is applied to a dielectric material (the region $x \ge 0$), which interfaces with vacuum (x < 0). The relative permittivity of the dielectric material is $\varepsilon_r = 5$. Find the bound surface charge density ρ_{sb} at the vacuum-dielectric interface. $\varepsilon_0 = 8.854187 \times 10^{-12}$ F/m

$$\mathbf{P} = \varepsilon_0 \chi_e \mathbf{E} = \varepsilon_0 (\varepsilon_r - 1) \mathbf{E}, \ \rho_{sb} = \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{a}_n$$
$$\mathbf{a}_n = -\mathbf{a}_x \Rightarrow \rho_{sb} = -40\varepsilon_0 \approx -354 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C/m}^2$$