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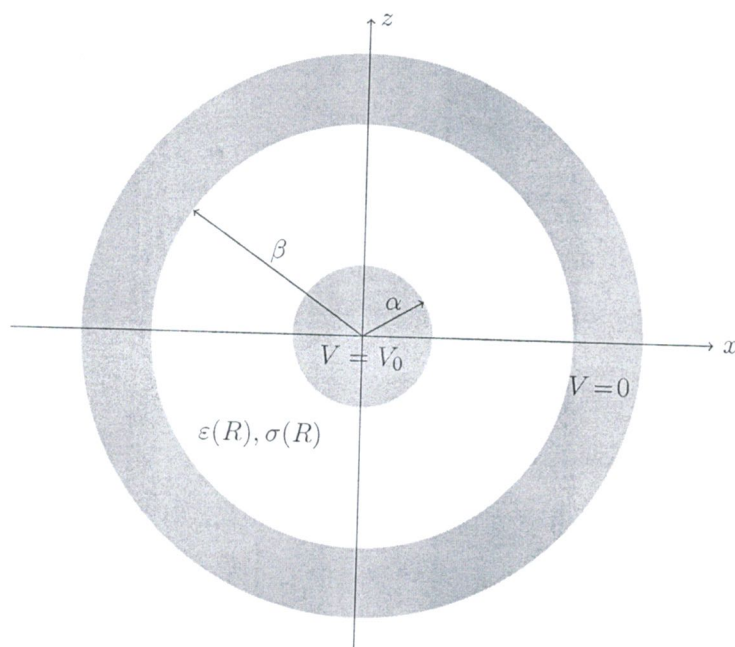
Section	Day	Time	Room	TA name
TUT0101	Wednesday	13:00-14:00	WB 144	Ayman
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TUT0108	Monday	15:00-16:00	BA 3116	Neeraj

Instructions

- Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes (9:10 to 10:40)
- Exam Paper Type: A. Closed book. Only the aid sheet provided at the end of this booklet is permitted.
- Calculator Type: 2. All non-programmable electronic calculators are allowed.
- Answers written in pen are typically eligible for remarking. Answers written in pencil are typically *not* eligible for remarking.
- **Only answers that are fully justified will be given full credit!**

Marks: Q1: /26 Q2: /20 Q3: /14 TOTAL: /60

Question 1



Consider the **spherical** capacitor shown in the figure above. The capacitor consists of two perfect conductors of radii α and β separated by an imperfect dielectric with absolute permittivity

$$\varepsilon(R) = \varepsilon_0 \frac{\beta}{R},$$

and conductivity

$$\sigma(R) = \sigma_0 \frac{\beta}{R}.$$

The inner conductor is held at potential $V = V_0$. The outer conductor is taken as reference for potentials.

1. Use Poisson's equation to find the potential $V(R)$ for $R \in [\alpha, \beta]$. You can assume $\rho_v = 0$ for $\alpha < R < \beta$ [8 points].

Poisson's equation $\nabla \cdot (\varepsilon \nabla V) = 0$

$$\frac{1}{R^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left[R^2 \varepsilon \frac{\partial V}{\partial R} \right] = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left[R \frac{\partial V}{\partial R} \right] = 0$$

[3pt]

$$R \frac{\partial V}{\partial R} = C_1 \quad ; \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial R} = \frac{C_1}{R}$$

$$V(R) = C_1 \ln R + C_2$$

Boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} V(\alpha) = V_0 \\ V(\beta) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} C_1 \ln \alpha + C_2 = V_0 \\ C_1 \ln \beta + C_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

[2 pt]

$$C_1 \ln \frac{\alpha}{\beta} = V_0 \quad ; \quad C_1 = \frac{V_0}{\ln \alpha / \beta}$$

$$C_2 = - \frac{V_0}{\ln \alpha / \beta} \ln \beta$$

$$V(R) = \frac{V_0}{\ln \alpha / \beta} \ln R - \frac{V_0}{\ln \alpha / \beta} \ln \beta = \frac{V_0}{\ln \alpha / \beta} \ln R / \beta =$$

$$= V_0 \frac{\ln R / \beta}{\ln \beta / \alpha}$$

[3 pt]

2. Calculate the resistance R between the conductors [8 points].

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{E} &= -\nabla V = -\frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left[V_0 \frac{\ln \beta / R}{\ln \beta / a} \right] \bar{a}_R = \\ &= -\frac{V_0}{\ln \beta / a} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} [\ln \beta - \ln R] \bar{a}_R = +\frac{V_0}{\ln \beta / a} \frac{1}{R} \bar{a}_R\end{aligned}\quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned}\bar{E} &= -\nabla V \\ &= -\frac{V_0}{\ln \beta / a} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} [\ln \beta - \ln R] \bar{a}_R\end{aligned}} \right\} [2\text{pt}]$$

$$\bar{J} = \sigma \bar{E} = \frac{V_0 \sigma_0 \beta}{\ln \beta / a} \frac{1}{R^2} \bar{a}_R \quad [2\text{pt}]$$

$$I = \int_S \bar{J} \cdot d\bar{S} = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{since } \bar{J} \parallel d\bar{S}}}{J} \cdot 4\pi R^2 = \frac{V_0 \sigma_0 \beta}{\ln \beta / a} 4\pi \quad [2\text{pt}]$$

$$R = \frac{V_0}{I} = \frac{\ln \beta / a}{4\pi \sigma_0 \beta} \quad [2\text{pt}]$$

3. Calculate the capacitance C between the conductors [6 points].

Need charge Q on inner conductor

From boundary condition on PECs:

$$[2pt] \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D_n = \rho_s \\ \rho_s = D_n(R=\alpha) = \epsilon(\alpha) E_n(\alpha) = \epsilon_0 \frac{\beta}{\alpha} \frac{V_0}{\ln \beta/\alpha} \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{\alpha^2} \frac{\beta V_0}{\ln \beta/\alpha} \end{array} \right.$$

$$[2pt] Q = \rho_s \cdot 4\pi \alpha^2 = \frac{\epsilon_0 \beta V_0}{\ln \beta/\alpha} 4\pi$$

$$[2pt] C = Q/V_0 = \frac{\epsilon_0 \beta 4\pi}{\ln \beta/\alpha}$$

4. The dielectric between the conductors has a dielectric strength of $E_{br} = 20 \text{ kV/mm}$. Find the maximum voltage $V_{0,max}$ that the capacitor can sustain without suffering any damage. Express the result in kV using $\alpha = 1 \text{ mm}$ and $\beta = 3 \text{ mm}$ [4 points].

$|E| < E_{br}$ at any point

E is maximum for $R = \alpha$ } [2pt]

$$E(\alpha) = \frac{V_0}{\ln \beta/\alpha} \frac{1}{\alpha} < E_{br}$$

$$V_0 < E_{br} \alpha \cdot \ln \beta/\alpha = 20 \cdot 1 \cdot \ln 3/1 = 21.97 \text{ kV} \quad \left. \vphantom{V_0} \right\} [2pt]$$

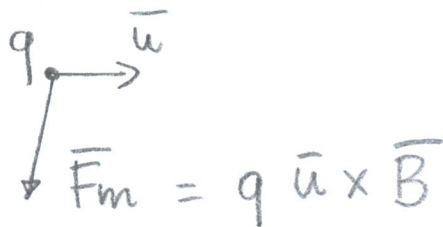
Question 2.1

A point charge q is travelling with velocity \mathbf{u} when it enters a region where a magnetic flux density \mathbf{B} is present. The magnetic flux density can change:

1. neither the magnitude nor the direction of \mathbf{u} ;
2. only the magnitude of \mathbf{u} , but not the direction of \mathbf{u} ;
3. only the direction of \mathbf{u} , but not the magnitude of \mathbf{u} ;
4. both the magnitude and the direction of \mathbf{u} .

(Right answ: 2pt)

Briefly justify your answer [4 points].



$$\mathbf{F}_m = q \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B}$$

\mathbf{F}_m always \perp to \mathbf{u} by definition of cross product

\Rightarrow can steer the charge's trajectory
 \Rightarrow can't accelerate/decelerate the charge

Expt:
2pt

Question 2.2

We have a parallel plate capacitor connected to a voltage source. In the initial state ~~X~~ the dielectric between the plates is air, and the energy stored in the capacitor is W_e . The voltage source is disconnected, and then the capacitor is filled with a dielectric with relative permittivity $\epsilon_r = 3$. What is the energy W'_e stored in the capacitor in its final state?

1. $W'_e = W_e$;

2. $W'_e = 3W_e$;

3. $W'_e = 9W_e$;

4. $W'_e = \frac{1}{3}W_e$;

5. $W'_e = \frac{1}{9}W_e$;

[2pt]

Briefly justify your answer [4 points].

$$W_e = \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C}$$

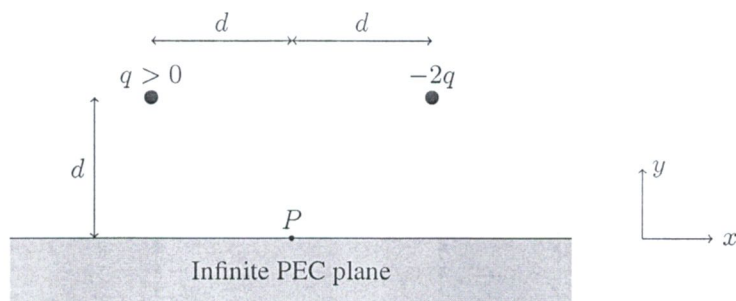
Q remains constant since source disconnected

C increases $C' = 3C$

$$W'_e = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{3C} = \frac{1}{3} W_e$$

[2pt]

Question 2.3



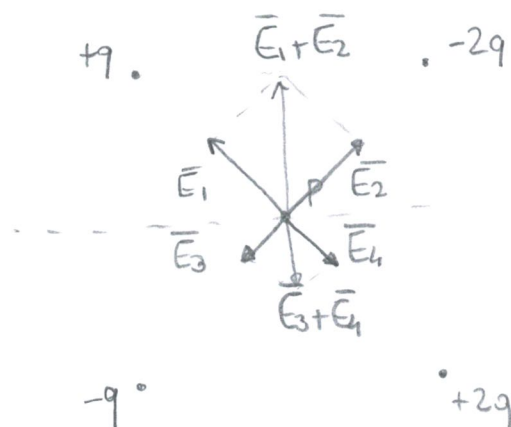
A positive point charge $q > 0$ and a negative point charge $-2q$ are placed above an infinitely wide PEC plane (PEC: perfect electric conductor). Point P is on the boundary of the PEC plane, as shown in the figure. The electric field \mathbf{E} at P is in the direction of

1. $+\mathbf{a}_x$;
2. $-\mathbf{a}_x$;
3. $+\mathbf{a}_y$;
4. $-\mathbf{a}_y$;
5. $2\mathbf{a}_x - \mathbf{a}_y$;
6. $-2\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y$.

[2pt]

Briefly justify your answer [4 points].

Image theory

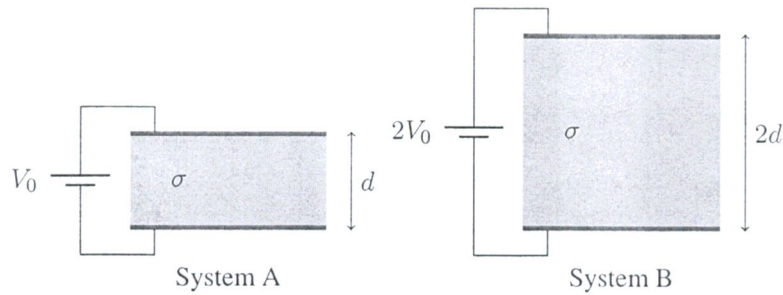


\bar{E}_i : field produced by each charge

The total field is in the $+\mathbf{a}_y$ direction

[2pt]

Question 2.4



The figure shows two systems. System A (left panel) consists of two parallel conducting plates separated by a material with conductivity σ . The plates are held at voltage V_0 . System B (right panel) is like system A, but the following parameters are doubled: distance between the plates and voltage applied.

What is the correct relation between the total power dissipated in system A and in system B?

1. $P_A = P_B$;

2. $P_A = 2P_B$;

3. $P_A = \frac{1}{2}P_B$;

4. $P_A = 4P_B$;

5. $P_A = \frac{1}{4}P_B$;

[2pt]

Briefly justify your answer [4 points].

The resistance of system B is twice the resistance of A

$$R_B = 2R_A$$

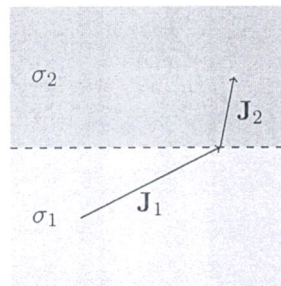
$$P_A = \frac{V_0^2}{R_A}$$

$$P_B = \frac{(2V_0)^2}{2R_A} = 2 \frac{V_0^2}{R_A} = 2P_A$$

$$P_A = \frac{1}{2} P_B$$

[2pt]

Question 2.5



The figure shows the interface between two conductive materials. Which material is a better conductor?

1. Material 1; [2 pt]
2. Material 2;
3. The two materials have the same conductivity;
4. More information is needed to answer this question.

Briefly justify your answer [4 points].

Boundary conditions for \vec{J}

$$\sigma_2 J_{1,t} = \sigma_1 J_{2,t}$$

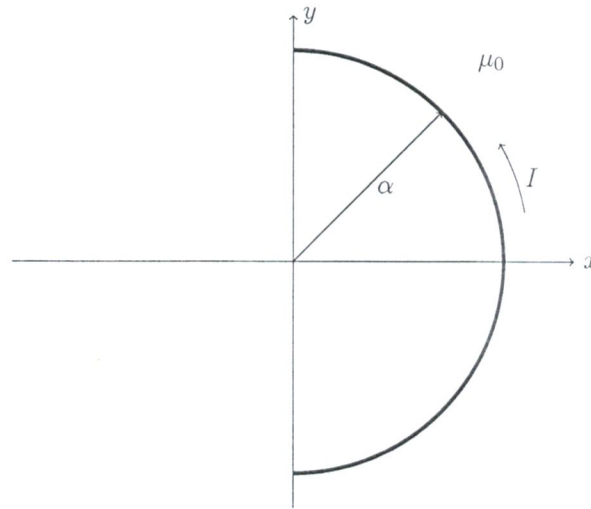
$$\frac{J_{2,t}}{J_{1,t}} = \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1}$$

$$\text{since } J_{2,t} < J_{1,t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_2 < \sigma_1$$

[2 pt]

Question 3



The semi-circular contour shown in the figure above is part of a closed circuit where a DC current I flows. The contour has radius α and is in the xy plane.

1. Find the magnetic flux density \mathbf{B} produced by the current in the semi-circular contour at a point $z = h > 0$ on the positive z axis [14 points].

Biot-Savart Law

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\mathbf{r}' \times (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}')}{|\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}'|^3}$$

Cylindrical coordinates [1 pt]

contour: $r' = \alpha$ $\phi' \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ $z' = 0$ [1 pt]

$$d\mathbf{r}' = \alpha d\phi' \mathbf{a}_{\phi'} \quad [1 \text{ pt}]$$

$$\mathbf{R} = h \mathbf{a}_z \quad [1 \text{ pt}]$$

$$\bar{R}' = \alpha \bar{a}_{r'} \quad [1\text{pt}]$$

$$\bar{R} - \bar{R}' = h \bar{a}_z - \alpha \bar{a}_{r'} \quad [1\text{pt}]$$

$$|\bar{R} - \bar{R}'| = \sqrt{h^2 + \alpha^2} \quad [1\text{pt}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\bar{e}' \times (\bar{R} - \bar{R}') &= \alpha d\varphi' \bar{a}_{\varphi'} \times [h \bar{a}_z - \alpha \bar{a}_{r'}] = \\ &= \alpha h d\varphi' \bar{a}_{\varphi'} + \alpha^2 d\varphi' \bar{a}_z = \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} [2\text{pt}]$$

↳ function of φ'

$$= \alpha h d\varphi' \cos \varphi' \bar{a}_x + \underbrace{\alpha h d\varphi' \sin \varphi' \bar{a}_y}_{\text{will integrate to zero since}} + \alpha^2 d\varphi' \bar{a}_z$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{will integrate} \\ \text{to zero since} \\ \int_{\varphi' = -\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin \varphi' d\varphi' = 0 \end{array} \right\} [2\text{pt}]$$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int_{\varphi' = -\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\alpha h \cos \varphi' d\varphi' \vec{a}_x + \alpha^2 d\varphi' \vec{a}_z}{(\sqrt{\alpha^2 + h^2})^3} =$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{\frac{4\pi}{2}} \alpha h \frac{1}{(\sqrt{\alpha^2 + h^2})^3} \cdot \cancel{2} \vec{a}_x + \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \frac{\alpha^2 \vec{a}_z}{(\sqrt{\alpha^2 + h^2})^3} \cdot \cancel{\pi} =$$

[3pt]

$$= \frac{\mu_0 I \alpha}{2 [\alpha^2 + h^2]^{3/2}} \cdot \left[\frac{h}{\pi} \vec{a}_x + \frac{\alpha}{2} \vec{a}_z \right]$$