

Electrodynamics Final Exam Study Guide

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Write down the different geometrical curls. Write down the different geometrical divergences. Write down the different volume elements.

2. ELECTROSTATICS

Coulomb's Law:

$$\vec{F}_{01} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_0 q_1}{r_{01}^2} \hat{r}_{01}$$

Electric Field Definition:

$$\vec{E} = \lim_{q_0 \rightarrow 0} \frac{\vec{F}_0}{q_0}$$

The units of an electric field are $\frac{N}{C} \frac{V}{m}$.

We have three possible charge elements:

$$dq = \lambda dl = \sigma da = \rho dV$$

Gauss' Law:

$$\phi_E = \frac{q_{in}}{\epsilon_0} \implies \int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

Vector Potential:

$$V(\vec{r}) = - \int_{\vec{r}_1}^{\vec{r}_2} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} \implies \vec{E} = -\nabla V$$

Induced Surface Charge Density:

$$\sigma(\theta) = -\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$$

3. LAPLACE EQUATION

Getting rid of e:

$$e^{kx} + e^{-kx} = 2\cosh(kx)$$

2D Cartesian General Solution:

$$V(x, y) = (Ae^{kx} + Be^{-kx})(C\sin(ky) + D\cos(ky))$$

2D Spherical General Solution (Azimuthal Symmetry):

$$V(r, \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} P_l(\cos\theta) \right)$$

where the P_l 's are the Legendre Polynomials defined by

$$P_l(x) = \frac{1}{2^l l!} \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^l (x^2 - 1)^l$$

4. MULTIPOLE EXPANSION

Generalized Multipole:

$$V(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \int (r')^n P_n(\cos\alpha) \rho(r') d\tau$$

Monopole Term:

$$V_{mon}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r}$$

Dipole Term:

$$V_{dip}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

5. POLARIZATION

Atomic Polarizability:

$$\vec{p} = \alpha \vec{E}$$

Torque Dipole:

$$\vec{N} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E}$$

Force Dipole

$$\vec{F} = (\vec{p} \cdot \nabla) \vec{E}$$

Surface Bound Charge:

$$\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n}$$

Volume Bound Charge:

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

Electric Displacement:

$$\nabla \cdot (\epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}) = \rho_f \implies \vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} \implies \int \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{f_{enc}}$$

6. LINEAR DIELECTRICS

Polarization:

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

D Field:

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \vec{E}$$