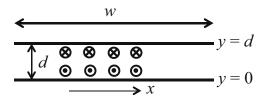
(Each problem is worth 10 points)

- 1. In two dimensions, we relate the Cartesian coordinates (x, y) to the polar coordinates  $(r, \phi)$  by the relations  $r = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$ ,  $\phi = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$ .
  - a. What are  $x(r, \phi)$  and  $y(r, \phi)$ ?
  - b. Write  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  as functions of r,  $\phi$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}$  and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$ .
- 2. Give the fundamental definition of the gradient operator and use the definition to give the form of the gradient operator in Cartesian, cylindrical, and spherical coordinates.
- 3. Consider a coaxial cable with inner radius a and outer radius b. Between the two conductors, the material is characterized by permittivity  $\epsilon$ , permeability  $\mu$ , and conductivity  $\sigma$ . Determine the capacitance per unit length C'. What are the inductance per unit length L' and the conductance per unit length G'?
- 4. Consider a parallel-plate microstrip line of width w and a plate separation d with  $d \ll w$ . Suppose that the width is in the x-direction, the first plate is at y=0, and the second plate is at y=d. A current I flows in the +z-direction on the plate at y=0 and in the -z-direction in the plate at y=d. The geometry is shown below. Use Ampere's law to show that the magnetic flux between the plates is given by  $\mathbf{B} = -\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\mu I/w)$ . Show that the energy per unit length that is contained between the plates is given by  $W'_{\rm m} = (\mu/2)(d/w)I^2$ .

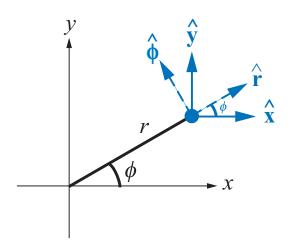


5. Consider an infinite planar interface at z=0 that separates a medium with permittivity and permeability  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\mu_1$  when z>0 and with permittivity and permeability  $\epsilon_2$  and  $\mu_2$  when z<0. Both media are non-conducting. Derive the relations between **E** and **D** and between **H** and **B** in the upper and lower layers.

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## Second Midterm Examination Solutions

1. We show the geometry in the figure below:



- a. We have  $x = r \cos \phi$  and  $y = r \sin \phi$ .
- b. From the figure, we infer

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}\cos\phi - \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}\sin\phi,$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}\sin\phi + \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}\cos\phi.$$

2. The fundamental definition of the gradient operator is that

$$\nabla V(\mathbf{R}) = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \lim_{\Delta \mathbf{l} \to 0} \left[ \frac{V(\mathbf{R} + \Delta \mathbf{l}) - V(\mathbf{R})}{\Delta \mathbf{l}} \right]_{\text{max}}, \qquad \hat{\mathbf{n}} = \Delta \mathbf{l} / |\Delta \mathbf{l}|.$$

From this general definition, we infer that

$$\nabla V(\mathbf{R}) = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_1 \frac{\partial V}{\partial l_1} + \hat{\mathbf{x}}_2 \frac{\partial V}{\partial l_2} + \hat{\mathbf{x}}_3 \frac{\partial V}{\partial l_3} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_1 \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_1} + \hat{\mathbf{x}}_2 \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_2} + \hat{\mathbf{x}}_3 \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_3},$$

where  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ , and  $x_3$  are three coordinates in a general orthogonal coordinate system,  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_1$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_2$ , and  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_3$  are the unit vectors, and  $dl_1 = h_1 dx_1$ ,  $dl_2 = h_2 dx_2$ , and  $dl_3 = h_3 dx_3$  are the differential lengths. In the Cartesian coordinate system, we have  $x_1 = x$ ,  $x_2 = y$ ,  $x_3 = z$  and  $h_1 = h_2 = h_3 = 1$ , so that

$$\nabla V = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} + \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\partial V}{\partial z}.$$

In the cylindrical coordinate system, we have  $x_1 = r$ ,  $x_2 = \phi$ ,  $x_3 = z$ , and  $h_1 = 1$ ,  $h_2 = r$ ,  $h_3 = 1$ , so that

$$\nabla V = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} + \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\partial V}{\partial z}.$$

In the spherical coordinate system, we have  $x_1 = R$ ,  $x_2 = \theta$ ,  $x_3 = \phi$ ,  $h_1 = 1$ ,  $h_2 = R$ ,  $h_3 = R \sin \theta$ , so that

$$\nabla V = \hat{\mathbf{R}} \frac{\partial V}{\partial R} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi}.$$

- 3. From Gauss's law, we have that the field due a surface charge  $\rho_{\rm S}$  on a long cylinder of radius a and length L is given by  $\mathbf{E} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}(\rho_{\rm S}/\epsilon)(a/r)$ , so that the voltage difference between the inner and outer radius is  $V = (\rho_{\rm S}/\epsilon)a\ln(b/a)$ . The charge Q is given by  $Q = 2\pi\rho_{\rm S}aL$ . We thus have that the capacitance per unit length is given by  $C' = C/L = Q/VL = (2\pi\epsilon)/\ln(b/a)$ . Recalling that  $C'L' = \mu\epsilon$ , we find that  $L' = (\mu/2\pi)\ln(b/a)$ . Recalling that  $G' = (\sigma/\epsilon)C'$ , we find  $G' = (2\pi\sigma)/\ln(b/a)$ .
- 4. Ampere's law states that  $\oint \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \mu I$ , where I is the current flowing through any closed loop. Taking a loop that encloses a portion  $\Delta x = l$  of the lower plate, recalling that the field below the lower plate is zero, and noting that the current flowing through that portion is given by Il/w, we have  $Bl = \mu Il/w$ . From the right-hand rule, the field is oriented in the -x direction, so that the field is given by  $\mathbf{B} = -\hat{\mathbf{x}}\mu(I/w)$ . It follows that  $\mathbf{H} = -\hat{\mathbf{x}}(I/w)$ , so that the energy density is given by  $w_{\rm m} = (1/2)\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{H} = (\mu/2)(I^2/w^2)$ . Since the area between the plates is given by wd, we conclude that the energy per unit length is given by  $W'_{\rm m} = (\mu/2)(d/w)I^2$ .
- 5. We first take a small rectangular loop in the x-z plane of length  $\Delta l$  in the x-direction and length  $\Delta h$  in the z-direction, where  $\Delta h \ll \Delta l$ . Tracing the field around the loop, we find  $\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = (E_{2x} E_{1x})\Delta l = 0$ , which implies that  $E_{2x} = E_{1x}$ . We find in a similar way that  $E_{2y} = E_{1y}$ . Next we consider a cylindrical volume of height  $\Delta h$  in the z-direction and radius  $\Delta r$ . Since there is no charge, we find  $\int \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \cdot (\mathbf{D}_1 \mathbf{D}_2) = 0$ , which implies  $D_{2z} = D_{1z}$ . These relations in turn imply  $D_{1x}/\epsilon_1 = D_{2x}/\epsilon_2$ ,  $D_{1y}/\epsilon_1 = D_{2y}/\epsilon_2$ , and  $\epsilon_1 E_{1z} = \epsilon_2 E_{2z}$ .

The relations between **B** and **H** are similarly obtained. Using a small rectangular loop and the relation  $\oint \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = 0$ , we find  $H_{2x} = H_{1x}$  and  $H_{2y} = H_{1y}$ . Using a small cylinder and the relation  $\int \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{s} = 0$ , we find  $B_{2z} = B_{1z}$ . From these relationships, we find in turn,  $B_{2x}/\mu_2 = B_{1x}/\mu_1$ ,  $B_{2y}/\mu_2 = B_{1y}/\mu_2$ , and  $\mu_2 H_{2z} = \mu_1 H_{1z}$ .