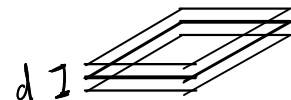




*Answer the following questions, assume any missing data:*

1. **(Exercise 4.8)** A parallel plate capacitor of unit area and separation  $d$  [m] is filled with two insulating layers. One layer is  $d_1$  [m] thick and has permittivity  $\epsilon = 2\epsilon_0$  [F/m], and the second is  $d_2$  [m] thick ( $d = d_1 + d_2$ ) with permittivity  $\epsilon = 3\epsilon_0$  [F/m]. What is the capacitance of the capacitor?

$$C_1 = \frac{\epsilon_1 A}{d_1} = \frac{2 \epsilon_0 A}{d_1}$$



$$C_2 = \frac{\epsilon_2 A}{d_2} = \frac{3 \epsilon_0 A}{d_2}$$

$$C^{-1} = C_1^{-1} + C_2^{-1} \Rightarrow C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{\frac{d_1}{2} + \frac{d_2}{3}} = \frac{6 \epsilon_0 A}{3d_1 + 2d_2}$$

$$C_t = \frac{6 \epsilon_0 A}{3d_1 + 2d_2}$$

2. **(Exercise 4.9)** The capacitor in the above problem is connected across a voltage  $V$ . Calculate the voltage across each dielectric layer and the electric field intensity in each dielectric layer. Use the idea of capacitors in series to simplify the solution.

$$V = \frac{Q}{C} \Rightarrow Q = VC = \frac{6V\epsilon_0 A}{3d_1 + 2d_2}$$

$$V = V_1 + V_2$$

$$= \frac{Q}{C_1} + \frac{Q}{C_2} \Rightarrow V_1 = \frac{\cancel{3}6V\cancel{\epsilon_0}A}{3d_1 + 2d_2} \cdot \frac{d_1}{\cancel{2\epsilon_0}A} = \boxed{\frac{3Vd_1}{3d_1 + 2d_2}}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{\cancel{2}6V\cancel{\epsilon_0}A}{3d_1 + 2d_2} \cdot \frac{d_2}{\cancel{3\epsilon_0}A} = \boxed{\frac{2Vd_2}{3d_1 + 2d_2}}$$

$$E = \frac{V}{d} \Rightarrow E_1 = \boxed{\frac{3V}{3d_1 + 2d_2}}$$

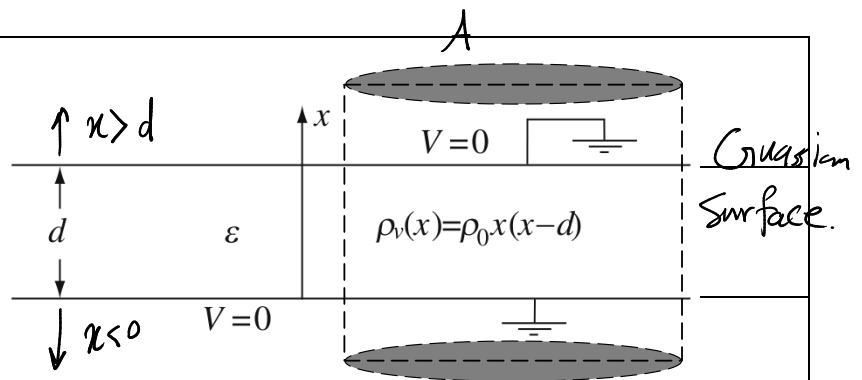
$$E_2 = \boxed{\frac{2V}{3d_1 + 2d_2}}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{3V}{3d_1 + 2d_2}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{2V}{3d_1 + 2d_2}$$

3. **(Exercise 5.1)** What is the electric field intensity and the electric potential outside the plates in Example 5.1 (Page 234)? **Hint:** You must use Gauss's law.

**Figure 5.1** A parallel plate capacitor with grounded plates and a charge density between the plates



$$\oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = 2EA \Rightarrow 2EA = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} = \int \frac{\rho_v}{\epsilon_0} dv$$

$$2E \cancel{A} = \frac{\rho_0}{\epsilon_0} \cancel{A} \int_0^d x(x-d) dx$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_0}{2\epsilon_0} \int_0^d x(x-d) dx$$

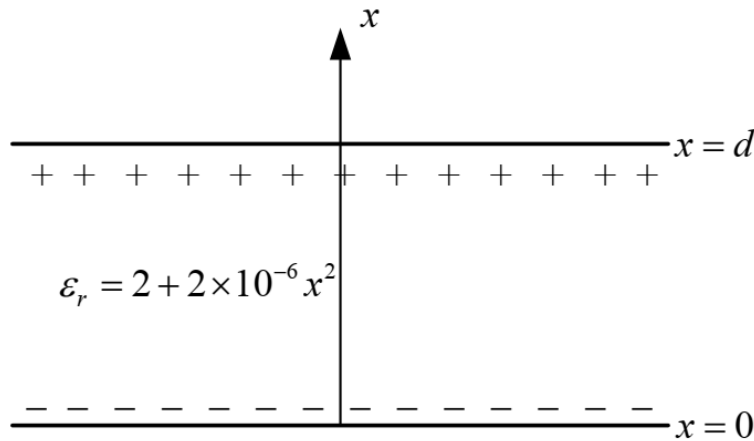
$$\left[ \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{d}{2} x^2 \right]_0^d = \frac{-\rho_0}{12\epsilon_0} d^3 \hat{x}$$

$x < 0: V = -\int_0^x \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \frac{-\rho_0 d^3 x}{12 \epsilon_0}$	$x > d: V = \int_d^x \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \frac{-\rho_0 d^3 (x-d)}{12 \epsilon_0}$
$x < 0$ $V = \frac{-\rho_0 d^3 x}{12 \epsilon_0}$	
$x > d$ $V = \frac{-\rho_0 d^3 (x-d)}{12 \epsilon_0}$	

4. Uniform line charge of density  $\rho_l = 5 \text{ nC/m}$  lies on a circular ring of radius  $a = 3 \text{ m}$  in the  $z = 0$  plane. The circle is centered at the origin. Find an expression for the potential  $V$  at the point  $P(0,0,z)$ . What is the value of  $V$  if  $z = 4 \text{ m}$  and the medium is vacuum?

$dV = \frac{dQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$	$dQ = \rho_L dl$	$r = \sqrt{a^2 + z^2}$	
$V = \int_0^{2\pi a} \frac{\rho_L dl}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \sqrt{a^2 + z^2}} = \frac{2\pi a \rho_L}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \sqrt{a^2 + z^2}}$			
$= \frac{a \rho_L}{2\epsilon_0 \sqrt{a^2 + z^2}}$			
$V _{z=4} = \frac{3 \cdot 5n}{2\epsilon_0 \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}} = 169 \text{ V}$			
$V = 169 \text{ V}$			

5. A parallel plate is filled with a non-uniform dielectric characterized by  $\epsilon_r = 2 + 2 \times 10^6 x^2$  where  $x$  is the distance from the lower plate in meters. If  $S = 0.02 \text{ m}^2$  and  $d = 1.0 \text{ mm}$ , find the capacitance  $C$ . Calculate the energy stored in this capacitor if the charge on the positive plate is  $Q = 4.0 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C}$ .



$$\epsilon_r = 2 + 2 \cdot 10^6 x^2 \quad d = 1 \cdot 10^{-3} \quad A = 0.02 \quad Q = 4.0 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$C^{-1} = \int_0^d \frac{dx}{\epsilon(x)A} = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0 A} \int_0^d \frac{dx}{1 + 10^6 x^2} = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0 A} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{10^6}} \cdot \tan^{-1}(x\sqrt{10^6})$$

$$= \frac{1}{40\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$C = 0.45 \text{ nF}$$

$$W = \frac{Q^2}{2C} = 1.78 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$C = 0.45 \text{ nF}$$