

Answers to all parts of a question must be written at the same place

1. In the spherical polar system:

(a) Evaluate $\frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \theta}, \frac{\partial \hat{\theta}}{\partial \theta}, \frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial \theta}, \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \phi}, \frac{\partial \hat{\theta}}{\partial \phi}, \frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial \phi}$ (3)

(b) Evaluate $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \hat{r}, \vec{\nabla} \cdot \hat{\theta}$ and $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \hat{\phi}$. (3)

2. Find the charge distribution for the following electric field :

(i) $\vec{E} = x\hat{i}$ (ii) $\vec{E} = \frac{\hat{\theta}}{r}$ (6)

3. Four point charges q are placed at the points whose coordinates are

$(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, -1), (1, -1, 1), (-1, 1, 1)$.

Find the average potential due to these charges over the surface of a sphere given by

$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ (6)

4. A point charge q is placed a distance a from the center of a grounded conducting sphere of radius R , $a > R$ (q is outside the sphere).

(a) Find the electric field over the surface of the sphere using the method of images. (3)

(b) Find the total charge induced on the sphere. (2)

(c) The sphere is now isolated from the ground (its connection to the ground is cut) and the point charge q is removed. Then what will be the potential of the sphere ? (2)

Spherical polar system

$$\vec{\nabla} F = \hat{r} \frac{\partial F}{\partial r} + \frac{\hat{\theta}}{r} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\hat{\phi}}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \phi}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 A_r) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta A_\theta) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial A_\phi}{\partial \phi}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta A_\phi) - \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial \phi} \right] \hat{r} + \frac{1}{r} \left[\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\phi) \right] \hat{\theta} + \frac{1}{r} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\theta) - \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta} \right] \hat{\phi}$$

Cylindrical System

$$\vec{\nabla} F = \hat{s} \frac{\partial F}{\partial s} + \frac{\hat{\phi}}{s} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \phi} + \hat{z} \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (s A_s) + \frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial A_\phi}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \left[\frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial A_\phi}{\partial z} \right] \hat{s} + \left[\frac{\partial A_s}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial s} \right] \hat{\phi} + \frac{1}{s} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial s} (s A_\phi) - \frac{\partial A_s}{\partial \phi} \right] \hat{z}$$