

1. Find the charge distribution that would cause the following electric fields: (6)

$$(a) \quad \vec{E}(\vec{r}) = \frac{A \sin \theta \hat{r} + B \hat{\phi}}{r \sin \theta} \quad (b) \quad \vec{E}(\vec{r}) = \frac{A \hat{r} + B \sin \theta \cos \theta \hat{\phi}}{r}$$

2. Two concentric thin spherical shells of radii a and b , ($a < b$) are maintained at potentials V_a and V_b respectively. By solving the Laplace's equation in the three regions, $r < a$, $a < r < b$, $r > b$, and applying appropriate boundary conditions at the interfaces of the three regions, determine the potential due to this configuration everywhere. (6)

3. When an amount of charge Q is placed on a conductor it attains a potential V . Find the electrostatic energy stored in the conductor by evaluating the integral

$$\frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int_{\text{all space}} |E|^2 d\tau$$

where \vec{E} is the electric field created in the region surrounding the conductor due to the charge Q on it. (6)

4. A point charge q is situated at $z = 2$ on the z axis.

(a) Find the average potential over the surface of a sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$. (2)

(b) Find the average potential over the surface of a sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9$. (5)

Gradient, divergence and curl

Spherical polar system

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

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

Cylindrical System

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

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