

Phys 3330 Electricity & Magnetism II

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Final Exam – Due Monday May 20th, 2019

1. A rectangular box has three faces ($x=0$, $y=0$, and $z=0$) held at ground potential, and the other three faces ($x=a$, $y=a$, and $z=2a$) held at a constant potentials V_0 , V_0 , and $\frac{1}{2}V_0$ respectively. What is the potential at the point $(\frac{1}{2}a, \frac{1}{2}a, \frac{1}{2}a)$? (You can use the result of assignment 5 without re-deriving the result, and Maple can help evaluate the sum.)
2. A long hollow tube has a cross section which is the pie shaped wedge formed from the x - z plane, the y - z plane, and the curved surface $x^2 + y^2 = R^2$. The two flat surfaces are held at zero potential, and the curved surface has a potential $V(r, \phi) = V_0 \sin\phi \cos\phi$. Find the potential inside the wedge. Extra credit - include a 3D graph of the potential.
3. Two concentric spheres have radii R and $3R$. The inner sphere has a potential $2V_0 P_3(\cos\theta)$ and the outer sphere a potential $46V_0 P_5(\cos\theta)$. Find the potential at all points between the two spheres. Extra credit - include a 3D graph of the potential.
4. A metal sphere of radius R is centred on the origin. There is a charge $+q$ at the point $(2R, 0, 0)$ and a charge $-2q$ at the point $(0, 5R, 0)$. Find the induced charge density at a point on the sphere and which also lies on the $+z$ axis. (Take the outside of the sphere to be vacuum.)
5. A parallel plate capacitor has plates of area A at the planes $z = \pm\frac{1}{2}d$, each parallel to the x - y plane. They have charges $+Q$ and $-Q$ respectively. Neglecting edge effects find the fields as measured by an observer moving in the x direction with a speed v .

6. The electric field of a wave is given by

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}} (\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}) \sin(\kappa y - \omega t)$$

Find the magnetic field and average Poynting vector.

7. Consider two waves traveling in the same direction but with two slightly different angular frequencies $\omega - \frac{1}{2}\Delta\omega$ and $\omega + \frac{1}{2}\Delta\omega$. Let the fields have the same amplitude and polarization.
 - a. Show the sum of the two waves is equivalent to a wave moving with a phase velocity $v_p = \omega/\kappa$ but with an amplitude envelope which moves with a group velocity $v_g = \Delta\omega/\Delta\kappa$.
 - b. In the limit that $\Delta\omega \rightarrow 0$ the group velocity $v_g \rightarrow d\omega/d\kappa$. For waves traveling in a plasma we derived the relationship

$$\kappa^2 = \frac{1}{c^2} [\omega^2 - \omega_p^2]$$

where ω_p is the plasma frequency. Show that for these waves the group velocity has to be less than the speed of light in a vacuum, as required by relativity.