

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT
MINOR I, PHIL-110, FIELD AND WAVES (September 6, 2004)

Max. Marks: 25
Time: 1 hour

Note: Attempt all questions:



1. (i) A thick metal sheet occupies half space ($x < 0$). The $x > 0$ space is vacuum. A charge Q is placed at $(d, 0, 0)$. What would be the direction of E at the metal surface at point $(0, 2d, 0)$?

(ii) A charged particle of charge Q and mass m is initially at rest with height $y = h$ above the ground. It falls under gravity ($-g \hat{y}$) and a static magnetic field $B_0 \hat{z}$. What would be the kinetic energy KE of the particle when it touches the ground?

(iii) A metallic sphere of radius R , carrying a charge Q is surrounded by a thick spherical concentric metallic shell with inner radius as 'a' and outer radius as 'b'. If the shell carries no net charge, what is the surface charge densities at $r = a, b$ and R .

(iv) Consider a closed hemispherical surface of radius R and with its base lying in $x-y$ plane. If it lies in a uniform magnetic $B = B_0 \hat{z}$, write the value of $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a}$.

(v) Which one of the following is an impossible electrostatic field?

$$\vec{E} = k[x\hat{x} + 2yz\hat{y} + 3xz\hat{z}];$$

$$\vec{E} = k[y^2\hat{x} + (2xy + z^2)\hat{y} + 2yz\hat{z}].$$

Here k is a constant with the appropriate units.

2. A thick spherical shell (inner radius 'a' and outer radius 'b') is made of a dielectric material with a frozen-in polarization $\vec{P}(r) = \frac{k}{r} \hat{r}$, where k is a constant and r is the distance from the center. Obtain

(a) total surface charge at surfaces $r = a$, and $r = b$.

(b) volume charge density ρ and the electric field at a point r so that $a < r < b$.

3. (i) In a region of space $\vec{E} = 4x\hat{x} + 4y\hat{y} + 6z\hat{z}$. Obtain the potential difference between points (1,1,1) and (2,2,2). Also calculate the charge enclosed within a sphere of radius 1m with its center at the origin.

(ii) A spherical conductor of radius 'a' carries a charge Q . It is surrounded by a linear dielectric material of susceptibility χ_e , out to radius b . Find the energy of the configuration.

4. (i) Starting with Biot-savart law, show that $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$.

(ii) A long conducting cylinder of radius R carries a current density $\vec{J} = \hat{z} J_0 \left\{ 1 - \frac{r^2}{R^2} \right\}$ along its axis. Obtain the magnetic field and vector potential at $r > R$.

$$\log 2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(k_2^2 - k_2^2 x \right)$$

$$k_2 = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{2} \frac{\omega \mu_0}{2 \omega^2 \epsilon_0}$$