

Midterm Solutions

3305 Fall 13

1. $\phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{V'} \frac{\rho(\vec{r}')}{R} dV'$ assumes $\phi = 0$ at ∞ for all charge elements. This can't be true for elements at $r \rightarrow \infty$. Those elements give ∞ ϕ everywhere.

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad \nabla \cdot (u \vec{A}) &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{z} \right) \cdot (u A_x \hat{x} + u A_y \hat{y} + u A_z \hat{z}) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (u A_x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (u A_y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (u A_z) \\ &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} A_x + u \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} A_y + u \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} A_z + u \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z} \end{aligned}$$

terms 1, 3, 5 give $\vec{A} \cdot \nabla u$
 " 2, 4, 6 give $u (\nabla \cdot \vec{A})$

3) Sphere, radius a , $\rho(\vec{r}') = A(1 - r'/a)$ $r < a$, 0 for $r > a$.

$$Q = 4\pi A \int_0^a (1 - r'/a) r'^2 dr' = 4\pi A \left[\int_0^a r'^2 dr' - \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a r'^3 dr' \right]$$

$$Q = 4\pi A \left[\frac{1}{3} a^3 - \frac{1}{4} a^3 \right] = \frac{\pi A}{3} a^3 \quad \pi A = \frac{3Q}{a^3}$$

$r < a$

~~$$q_{in} = \frac{\pi A}{3} r^3 \quad E(4\pi r^2) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \frac{\pi A}{3} r^3$$~~

$$q_{in} = 4\pi A \left[\int_0^r r'^2 dr' - \frac{1}{a} \int_0^r r'^3 dr' \right] = 4\pi A \left[\frac{r^3}{3} - \frac{1}{4a} r^4 \right]$$

$$E(4\pi r^2) = 4\pi A \left[\frac{1}{3} r^3 - \frac{1}{4a} r^4 \right] / \epsilon_0$$

$$E = \frac{A}{\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{3} r - \frac{1}{4a} r^2 \right]$$

in terms of Q $E = \frac{3Q}{\pi a^3 \epsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{3} r - \frac{1}{4a} r^2 \right]$

$r > a$

$$q_{in} = Q = \frac{\pi A a^3}{3}$$

$$E(4\pi r^2) = \frac{\pi A a^3}{3 \epsilon_0}$$

$$E = \frac{A a^3}{12 \epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r^2}$$

in terms of Q

$$E = \frac{3Q}{\pi a^3} \frac{a^3}{12 \epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r^2} = \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r^2} \checkmark$$