

Electricity and Magnetism

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Q1. A small loop of wire of area $A = 0.01 \text{ m}^2$, $N = 40$ turns and resistance $R = 20 \Omega$ is initially kept in a uniform magnetic field B in such a way that the field is normal to the loop. When it is pulled out of the magnetic field, a total charge of $Q = 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$ flows through the coil. The magnitude of magnetic field B is

- (a) $1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ T}$ (b) $4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ T}$
 (c) zero (d) unobtainable, as the data is insufficient

Ans.: (a)

Solution: Magnetic flux through the loop $\phi = NBA$

$$\text{Induced e.m.f } \varepsilon = -\frac{d\phi}{dt} \text{ and induced current } i = -\frac{1}{R} \frac{d\phi}{dt} = \frac{dQ}{dt} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{R} d\phi = dQ.$$

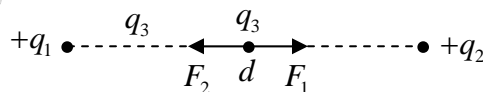
$$\text{Thus, } \frac{1}{20} \times (40 \times B \times 0.01) = 2 \times 10^{-5} \Rightarrow B = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ T}.$$

Q2. Two point charges $+q_1$ and $+q_2$ are fixed with a finite distance d between them. It is desired to put a third charge q_3 in between these two charges on the line joining them so that the charge q_3 is in equilibrium. This is

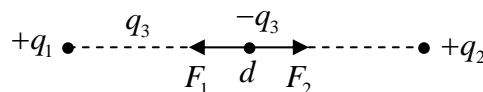
- (a) possible only if q_3 is positive
 (b) possible only if q_3 is negative
 (c) possible irrespective of the sign of q_3
 (d) not possible at all

Ans. : (c)

Solution: If q_3 is positive,



If q_3 is negative,



In both case there is possibility that charge q_3 may be in equilibrium.

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Q3. Two electric dipoles P_1 and P_2 are placed at $(0,0,0)$ and $(1,0,0)$ respectively with both of them pointing in the $+z$ direction. Without changing the orientations of the dipoles P_2 is moved to $(0,2,0)$. The ratio of the electrostatic potential energy of the dipoles after moving to that before moving is

- (a) $\frac{1}{16}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $\frac{1}{4}$ (d) $\frac{1}{8}$

Ans. : (d)

Solution: Electrostatic potential energy $U \propto \frac{1}{r^3} \Rightarrow \frac{U_2}{U_1} = \frac{r_1^3}{r_2^3} = \frac{1}{8}$

Q4. A small magnetic dipole is kept at the origin in the x - y plane. One wire L_1 is located at $z = -a$ in the x - z plane with a current I flowing in the positive x direction. Another wire L_2 is at $z = +a$ in y - z plane with the same current I as in L_1 , flowing in the positive y -direction. The angle ϕ made by the magnetic dipole with respect to the positive x -axis is

- (a) 225° (b) 120° (c) 45° (d) 270°

Ans.: (a)

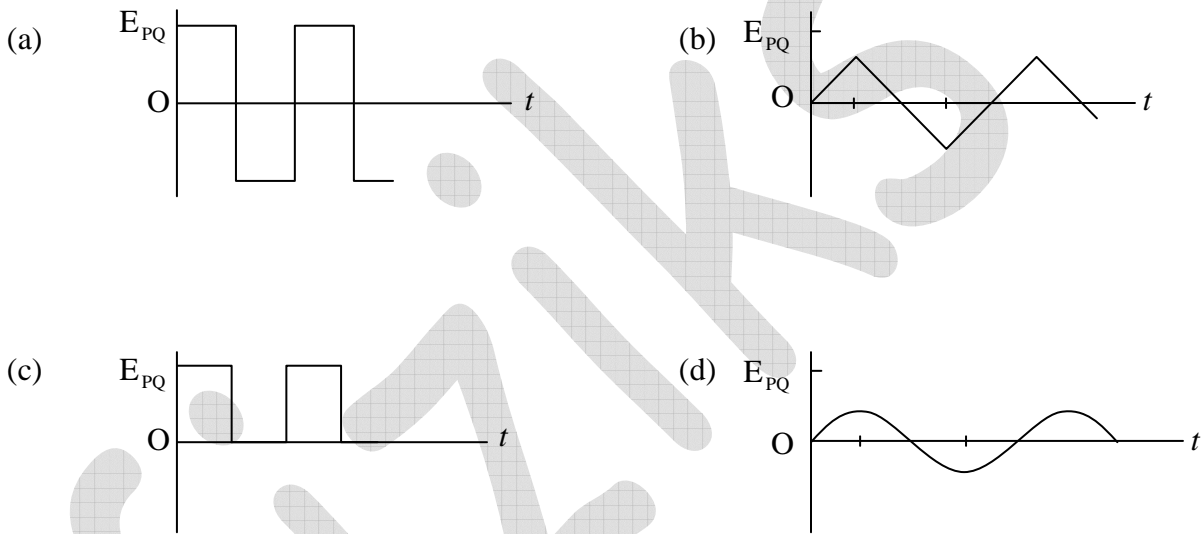
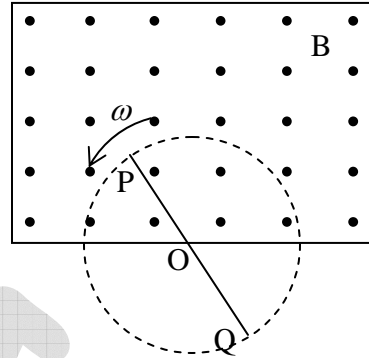
Solution: Magnetic field at $z = 0$ due to wire at $z = -a$ is $\vec{B} = -B\hat{y}$.

Magnetic field at $z = 0$ due to wire at $z = +a$ is $\vec{B} = -B\hat{x}$.

Resultant magnetic field at $z = 0$ makes an angle of 45° with $-\hat{x}$ and 225° with \hat{x} .

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Q5. A uniform and constant magnetic field B coming out of the plane of the paper exists in a rectangular region as shown in the figure. A conducting rod PQ is rotated about O with a uniform angular speed ω in the plane of the paper. The emf E_{PQ} induced between P and Q is best represented by the graph



Ans.: (a)

Solution: When point P is inside due to motional emf , potential PQ is positive. When point Q is inside potential QP is positive or potential PQ is negative.

IIT-JAM 2008

Q6. If the electrostatic potential at a point (x, y) is given by $V = (2x + 4y)$ volts, the electrostatic energy density at that point (in J/m^3) is

- (a) $5\epsilon_0$ (b) $10\epsilon_0$ (c) $20\epsilon_0$ (d) $\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0(2x + 4y)^2$

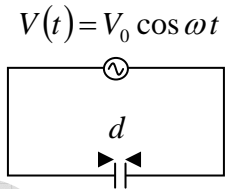
Ans.: (b)

Solution: $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}V = -2\hat{x} - 4\hat{y} \Rightarrow |\vec{E}| = \sqrt{20}V/m$

Electrostatic energy density $= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \times 20 = 10\epsilon_0 J/m^3$

IIT-JAM 2009

Q7. An oscillating voltage $V(t) = V_0 \cos \omega t$ is applied across a parallel plate capacitor having a plate separation d . The displacement current density through the capacitor is



(a) $\frac{\epsilon_0 \omega V_0 \cos \omega t}{d}$

(b) $\frac{\epsilon_0 \mu_0 \omega V_0 \cos \omega t}{d}$

(c) $-\frac{\epsilon_0 \mu_0 \omega V_0 \cos \omega t}{d}$

(d) $-\frac{\epsilon_0 \omega V_0 \sin \omega t}{d}$

Ans.: (d)

Solution: Displacement current density $J_d = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{d} \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\epsilon_0 \omega V_0 \sin \omega t}{d}$

Q8. An electric field $\vec{E}(\vec{r}) = (\alpha \hat{r} + \beta \sin \theta \cos \phi \hat{\phi})$ exists in space. What will be the total charge enclosed in a sphere of unit radius centered at the origin?

(a) $4\pi\epsilon_0\alpha$

(b) $4\pi\epsilon_0(\alpha + \beta)$

(c) $4\pi\epsilon_0(\alpha - \beta)$

(d) $4\pi\epsilon_0\beta$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $Q_{enc} = \epsilon_0 \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \epsilon_0 \int (\alpha \hat{r} + \beta \sin \theta \cos \phi \hat{\phi}) \cdot (r^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi \hat{r}) = 4\pi\alpha\epsilon_0$

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Q9. The magnetic field associated with the electric field vector $\vec{E} = E_0 \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{j}$ is given by

(a) $\vec{B} = -\frac{E_0}{c} \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{i}$

(b) $\vec{B} = \frac{E_0}{c} \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{i}$

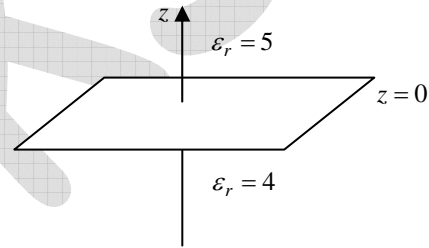
(c) $\vec{B} = \frac{E_0}{c} \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{j}$

(d) $\vec{B} = \frac{E_0}{c} \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{k}$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\vec{B} = \frac{\vec{k} \times \vec{E}}{\omega} = \frac{k\hat{z} \times E_0 \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{j}}{\omega} = -\frac{kE_0}{\omega} \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{i} = -\frac{E_0}{c} \sin(kz - \omega t)\hat{i}$

Q10. Assume that $z = 0$ plane is the interface between two linear and homogeneous dielectrics (see figure). The relative permittivities are $\epsilon_r = 5$ for $z > 0$ and $\epsilon_r = 4$ for $z < 0$. The electric field in the region $z > 0$ is $\vec{E}_1 = (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 4\hat{k})kV/m$. If there are no free charges on the interface, the electric field in the region $z < 0$ is given by



(a) $\vec{E}_2 = \left(\frac{3}{4}\hat{i} - \frac{5}{4}\hat{j} + \hat{k}\right)kV/m$

(b) $\vec{E}_2 = (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + \hat{k})kV/m$

(c) $\vec{E}_2 = (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})kV/m$

(d) $\vec{E}_2 = (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})kV/m$

Ans.: (d)

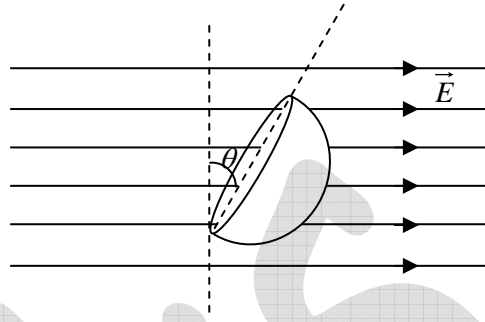
Solution: $\because E_1^{\parallel} = E_2^{\parallel} \Rightarrow E_2^{\parallel} = 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j}$

and $\sigma_f = 0 \Rightarrow D_1^{\perp} = D_2^{\perp} \Rightarrow E_2^{\perp} = \frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2} E_1^{\perp} = \frac{5}{4} (+4\hat{k}) = 5\hat{k}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_2 = (3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 5\hat{k})kV/m$

Q11. A closed Gaussian surface consisting of a hemisphere and a circular disc of radius R , is placed in a uniform electric field \vec{E} , as shown in the figure. The circular disc makes an angle $\theta = 30^\circ$ with the vertical. The flux of the electric field vector coming out of the curved surface of the hemisphere is

- (a) $\frac{1}{2} \pi R^2 E$
- (b) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \pi R^2 E$
- (c) $\pi R^2 E$
- (d) $2\pi R^2 E$



Ans.: (b)

Solution: $\vec{E} = E \cos 30^\circ \hat{z} + E \sin 30^\circ \hat{x} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} E \hat{z} + \frac{1}{2} E \hat{x}$

$$\phi_E = \int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int \int \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} E \hat{z} + \frac{1}{2} E \hat{x} \right) \cdot (R^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi \hat{r})$$

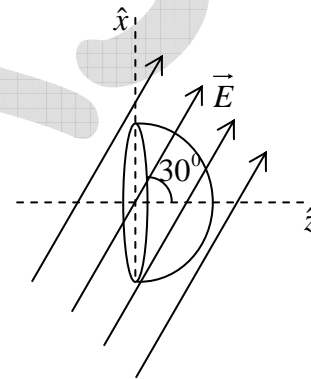
$$\phi_E = R^2 \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi/2} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} E \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} E \sin \theta \cos \phi \right) (\sin \theta d\theta d\phi)$$

$$\phi_E = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} ER^2 \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi/2} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} (\cos \theta \sin \theta) d\theta d\phi + \frac{1}{2} ER^2 \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi/2} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} (\sin^2 \theta \cos \phi) d\theta d\phi$$

$$\phi_E = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} ER^2 \times 2\pi \times \frac{1}{2} + 0 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \pi R^2 E$$

OR

$$\phi_E = \int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = E \cos 30^\circ \times \pi R^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \pi R^2 E$$



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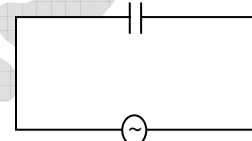
- Q12. Equipotential surface corresponding to a particular charge distribution are given by $4x^2 + (y-2)^2 + z^2 = V_i$, where the values of V_i are constants. The electric field \vec{E} at the origin is
- (a) $\vec{E} = 0$ (b) $\vec{E} = 2\hat{x}$ (c) $\vec{E} = 4\hat{y}$ (d) $\vec{E} = -4\hat{y}$

Ans.: (d)

Solution: $\vec{E} = -\nabla V = 8x\hat{x} + 2(y-2)\hat{y} + 2z\hat{z} \Rightarrow \vec{E}(0,0,0) = -4\hat{y}$

IIT-JAM 2012

- Q13. A parallel plate air-gap capacitor is made up of two plates of area 10cm^2 each kept at a distance of 0.88mm . A sine wave of amplitude 10V and frequency 50Hz is applied across the capacitor as shown in the figure. The amplitude of the displacement current density (in mA/m^2) between the plates will be closest to
- (a) 0.03 (b) 0.30 (c) 3.00 (d) 30.00



Ans.: (a)

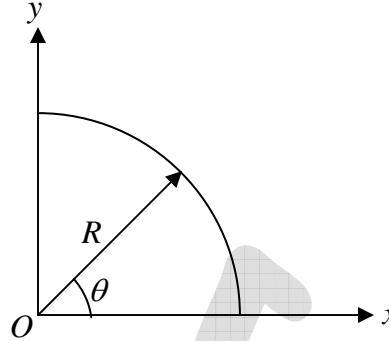
Solution: Displacement current density, $J_d = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{d} \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\epsilon_0 \omega V_0 \sin \omega t}{d}$

Amplitude of the displacement current density (in mA/m^2), $J_{0d} = \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega V_0}{d} = \frac{2\pi \epsilon_0 f V_0}{d}$

$$\Rightarrow J_{0d} = 4\pi \epsilon_0 \frac{f V_0}{2d} = \frac{1}{9 \times 10^9} \frac{50 \times 10}{2 \times 88 \times 10^{-5}} = 0.03 \text{ mA}/\text{m}^2$$

Q14. A segment of a circular wire of radius R , extending from $\theta = 0$ to $\pi/2$, carries a constant linear charge density λ . The electric field at origin O is

- (a) $\frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}(-\hat{x} - \hat{y})$
- (b) $\frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\hat{y}\right)$
- (c) $\frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\hat{x} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{y}\right)$
- (d) 0



Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\vec{E} = -E_x\hat{x} - E_y\hat{y}$

where $E_x = \int_{line} dE \cos \theta$, $E_y = \int_{line} dE \sin \theta$.

and $dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\lambda dl}{R^2}$.

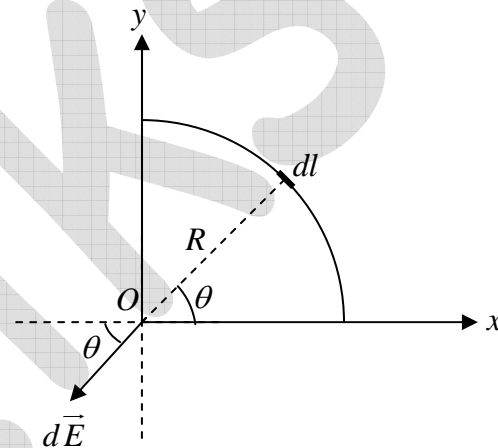
$$E_x = \int_{line} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\lambda dl}{R^2} \cos \theta = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos \theta \frac{R d\theta}{R^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_x = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R} [\sin \theta]_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$

$$\text{Similarly } E_y = \int_{line} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\lambda dl}{R^2} \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta \frac{R d\theta}{R^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_y = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R} [-\cos \theta]_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$

$$\text{Thus } \vec{E} = -E_x\hat{x} - E_y\hat{y} = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}(-\hat{x} - \hat{y})$$



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Q15. A particle of mass m carrying charge q is moving in a circle in a magnetic field B . According to Bohr's model, the energy of the particle in the n^{th} level is

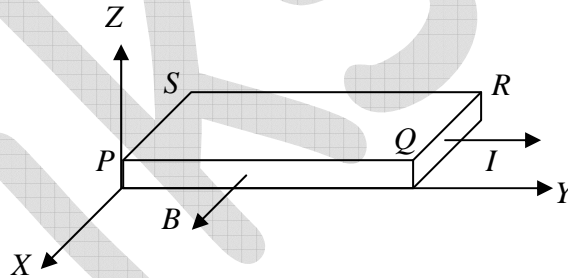
- (a) $\frac{1}{n^2} \left(\frac{hqB}{\pi m} \right)$ (b) $n \left(\frac{hqB}{\pi m} \right)$ (c) $n \left(\frac{hqB}{2\pi m} \right)$ (d) $n \left(\frac{hqB}{4\pi m} \right)$

Ans.: (d)

Solution: $E_n = \frac{q^2 B^2 r_n^2}{2m}$ $\because mv_n r_n = n\hbar$ and $r_n = \frac{mv_n}{qB} \Rightarrow r_n = \frac{m}{qB} \frac{n\hbar}{mr_n} \Rightarrow r_n^2 = \frac{n\hbar}{qB}$

$$\Rightarrow E_n = \frac{q^2 B^2 r_n^2}{2m} = \frac{q^2 B^2}{2m} \times \frac{n\hbar}{qB} = n \left(\frac{qB\hbar}{4\pi m} \right)$$

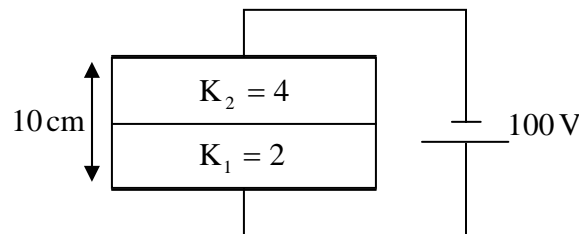
Q16. A conducting slab of copper $PQRS$ is kept on the x - y plane in a uniform magnetic field along x -axis as indicated in the figure. A steady current I flows through the cross section of the slab along the y -axis. The direction of the electric field inside the slab, arising due to the applied magnetic field is along the



- (a) negative Y direction (b) positive Y direction
(c) negative Z direction (d) positive Z direction

Ans.: (c)

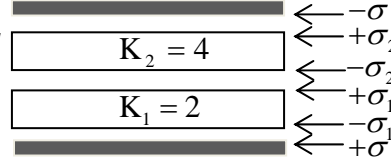
Q17. In a parallel plate capacitor the distance between the plates is 10 cm . Two dielectric slabs of thickness 5 cm each and dielectric constants $K_1 = 2$ and $K_2 = 4$ respectively, are inserted between the plates. A potential of 100 V is applied across the capacitor as shown in the figure. The value of the net bound surface charge density at the interface of the two dielectrics is



- (a) $-\frac{2000}{3} \epsilon_0$ (b) $-\frac{1000}{3} \epsilon_0$ (c) $-250 \epsilon_0$ (d) $\frac{2000}{3} \epsilon_0$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $V = E_1 d + E_2 d = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_1} d + \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_2} d = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} d + \frac{\sigma}{4\epsilon_0} d = \frac{3\sigma}{4\epsilon_0} d$



$V = 100 \text{ volts}, d = 5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ cm}$

$\Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{4\epsilon_0}{3d} V = \frac{4\epsilon_0}{3 \times 5 \times 10^{-2}} \times 100 = \frac{4 \times 10^4}{15} \epsilon_0$

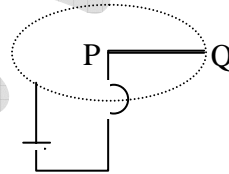
$\vec{P}_1 = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}_1 = \epsilon_0 (K_1 - 1) \vec{E}_1 \Rightarrow \sigma_1 = \epsilon_0 \times \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{\sigma}{2}$

$\vec{P}_2 = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}_2 = \epsilon_0 (K_2 - 1) \vec{E}_2 \Rightarrow \sigma_2 = 3\epsilon_0 \times \frac{\sigma}{4\epsilon_0} = \frac{3\sigma}{4}$

$\Rightarrow \sigma = \sigma_1 - \sigma_2 = \frac{\sigma}{2} - \frac{3\sigma}{4} = -\frac{\sigma}{4} = -\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{4 \times 10^4}{15} \epsilon_0 = -\frac{2000}{3} \epsilon_0$

Q18. A rigid uniform horizontal wire PQ of mass M , pivoted at P , carries a constant current I .

It rotates with a constant angular speed in a uniform vertical magnetic field B . If the current were switched off, the angular acceleration of the wire, in terms of B , M and I would be



- (a) 0 (b) $\frac{2BI}{3M}$ (c) $\frac{3BI}{2M}$ (d) $\frac{BI}{M}$

Ans.: (c)

Solution: Torque $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F} = I_m \alpha$

$d\tau = \vec{r} \times d\vec{F} = l \times IBdl$ $(\vec{F} = I \int d\vec{l} \times \vec{B} \Rightarrow dF = IBdl)$

$\tau = IB \int_0^L l dl = \frac{IBL^2}{2}$

Moment of inertia about point P , $I_m = \frac{ML^2}{3}$

$\therefore \tau = I_m \alpha \Rightarrow \frac{IBL^2}{2} = \frac{ML^2}{3} \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{3BI}{2M}$

Q19. A steady current in a straight conducting wire produces a surface charge on it. Let E_{out} and E_{in} be the magnitudes of the electric fields just outside and just inside the wire, respectively. Which of the following statements is true for these fields?

- (a) E_{out} is always greater than E_{in}
- (b) E_{out} is always smaller than E_{in}
- (c) E_{out} could be greater or smaller than E_{in}
- (d) E_{out} is equal to E_{in}

Ans.: (a)

Solution: In this case $E_{in} = 0, E_{out} \neq 0$. So $E_{out} > E_{in}$

Q20. A small charged spherical shell of radius $0.01m$ is at a potential of $30V$. The electrostatic energy of the shell is

- (a) $10^{-10} J$
- (b) $5 \times 10^{-10} J$
- (c) $5 \times 10^{-9} J$
- (d) $10^{-9} J$

Ans.: (b)

Solution: $V = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$ and $W = \frac{q^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 R}$.

$$\text{Thus, } W = \frac{(4\pi\epsilon_0 VR)^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 R} = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 V^2 R}{9 \times 10^9 \times 2} = 0.5 \times 10^{-9} = 5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Joules}$$

Q21. A ring of radius R carries a linear charge density λ . It is rotating with angular speed ω . The magnetic field at its center is

- (a) $\frac{3\mu_0\lambda\omega}{2}$
- (b) $\frac{\mu_0\lambda\omega}{2}$
- (c) $\frac{\mu_0\lambda\omega}{\pi}$
- (d) $\mu_0\lambda\omega$

Ans.: (b)

Solution: $B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2R}$, where $I = \lambda v = \lambda R \omega$. Thus $B = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda \omega}{2}$.

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Q22. The electric field of a light wave is given by $\vec{E} = E_0 \left[\hat{i} \sin(\omega t - kz) + \hat{j} \sin\left(\omega t - kz - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right]$.

The polarization state of the wave is

- (a) Left handed circular (b) Right handed circular
(c) Left handed elliptical (d) Right handed elliptical

Ans.: (c)

Solution: $E_x = E_0 \sin(\omega t - kz)$, $E_y = E_0 \sin\left(\omega t - kz - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$.

Thus resultant is elliptically polarized wave.

At $z = 0$, $E_x = E_0 \sin(\omega t)$, $E_y = E_0 \sin\left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$

When $\omega t = 0$, $E_x = 0$, $E_y = -\frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}}$ and when $\omega t = \frac{\pi}{4}$, $E_x = \frac{E_0}{\sqrt{2}}$, $E_y = 0$

Q23. A charge q is at the center of two concentric spheres. The outward electric flux through the inner sphere is ϕ , while that through the outer sphere is 2ϕ . The amount of charge contained in the region between the two spheres is

- (a) $2q$ (b) q (c) $-q$ (d) $-2q$

Ans.: (b)

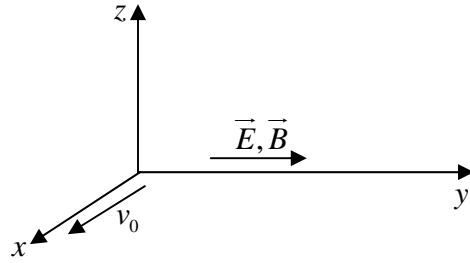
Solution: $\phi = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$, $\phi' = 2\phi = \frac{q + q'}{\epsilon_0} \Rightarrow q' = q$

Q24. A positively charged particle, with a charge q , enters a region in which there is a uniform electric field \vec{E} and a uniform magnetic field \vec{B} , both directed parallel to the positive y -axis. At $t = 0$, the particle is at the origin and has a speed v_0 directed along the positive x -axis. The orbit of the particle, projected on the x - z plane, is a circle. Let T be the time taken to complete one revolution of this circle. The y -coordinate of the particle at $t = T$ is given by

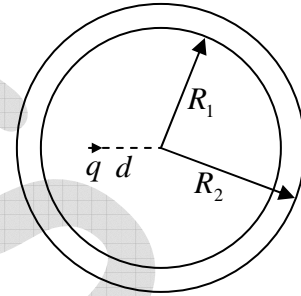
- (a) $\frac{\pi^2 mE}{2qB^2}$ (b) $\frac{2\pi^2 mE}{qB^2}$ (c) $\frac{\pi^2 mE}{qB^2} + \frac{v_0 \pi m}{qB}$ (d) $\frac{2\pi m v_0}{qB}$

Ans.: (b)

$$\text{Solution: } y = u_y t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2 \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2} \frac{qE}{m} \left(\frac{2\pi m}{qB} \right)^2 = \frac{2\pi^2 m E}{qB^2}$$



Q25. A hollow, conducting spherical shell of inner radius R_1 and outer radius R_2 encloses a charge q inside, which is located at a distance $d (< R_1)$ from the centre of the spheres. The potential at the centre of the shell is



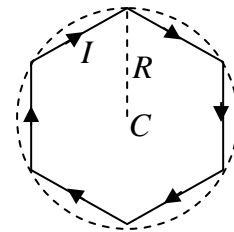
- (a) Zero
 (b) $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{d}$
 (c) $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q}{d} - \frac{q}{R_1} \right)$
 (d) $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q}{d} - \frac{q}{R_1} + \frac{q}{R_2} \right)$

Ans.: (d)

Solution: Charge induced on inner surface is $-q$ and charge induced on outer surface is $+q$.

$$\text{Thus, } V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q}{d} - \frac{q}{R_1} + \frac{q}{R_2} \right).$$

Q26. A conducting wire is in the shape of a regular hexagon, which is inscribed inside an imaginary circle of radius R , as shown. A current I flows through the wire. The magnitude of the magnetic field at the center of the circle is

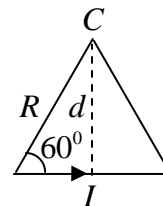


- (a) $\frac{\sqrt{3}\mu_0 I}{2\pi R}$ (b) $\frac{\mu_0 I}{2\sqrt{3}\pi R}$ (c) $\frac{\sqrt{3}\mu_0 I}{\pi R}$ (d) $\frac{3\mu_0 I}{2\pi R}$

Ans.: (c)

$$\text{Solution: } d = R \cos 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} R$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi d} (\sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1)$$



$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi d} 2 \sin 30^\circ = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} R} 2 \sin 30^\circ = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\sqrt{3}\pi R}$$

The magnitude of the magnetic field at center of the circle is

$$\Rightarrow B = 6B_1 = 6 \times \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\sqrt{3}\pi R} = \frac{3\mu_0 I}{\sqrt{3}\pi R} = \frac{\sqrt{3}\mu_0 I}{\pi R}$$

Q27. For an electromagnetic wave traveling in free space, the electric field is given by $\vec{E} = 100 \cos(10^8 t + kx) \hat{j} \frac{V}{m}$. Which of the following statements are true?

- (a) The wavelength of the wave in meter is 6π
- (b) The corresponding magnetic field is directed along the positive z direction
- (c) The Poynting vector is directed along the positive z direction
- (d) The wave is linearly polarized

Ans.: (a) and (d)

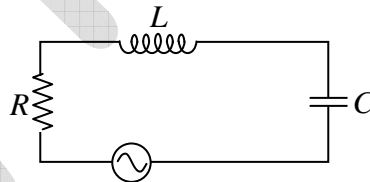
Solution: $\vec{E} = 100 \cos(10^8 t + kx) \hat{j} \text{ V/m}$

$$\omega = 10^8 \Rightarrow \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda} = 10^8 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{2\pi \times 3 \times 10^8}{10^8} = 6\pi. \text{ Option (a) is true}$$

$$\vec{B} \propto (\hat{k} \times \vec{E}) \propto (-\hat{x} \times \hat{y}) \propto -\hat{z}. \text{ Option (b) is wrong}$$

$$\vec{S} \propto \hat{k} \propto -\hat{x}. \text{ Option (c) is wrong. Option (d) is true.}$$

Q28. Consider the circuit, consisting of an AC function generator $V(t) = V_0 \sin 2\pi\nu t$ with $V_0 = 5V$ an inductor $L = 8.0mH$, resistor $R = 5\Omega$ and a capacitor $C = 100\mu F$. Which of the following statements are true if we vary the frequency?



- (a) The current in the circuit would be maximum at $\nu = 178Hz$
- (b) The capacitive reactance increases with frequency
- (c) At resonance, the impedance of the circuit is equal to the resistance in the circuit
- (d) At resonance, the current in the circuit is out of phase with the source voltage

Ans.: (a) and (c)

Solution: $\nu = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{1}{2 \times 3.14 \sqrt{(8 \times 10^{-3})(100 \times 10^{-6})}} = 178 \text{ Hz}$. Option (a) is true.

$X_C = \frac{1}{\omega C} \Rightarrow X_C \downarrow \text{ as } \omega \uparrow$. Option (b) is wrong

Option (c) is true

Option (d) is wrong

Q29. A unit cube made of a dielectric material has a polarization $\vec{P} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$ units. The edges of the cube are parallel to the Cartesian axes. Which of the following statements are true?

- (a) The cube carries a volume bound charge of magnitude 5 units
- (b) There is a charge of magnitude 3 units on both the surfaces parallel to the $y - z$ plane
- (c) There is a charge of magnitude 4 units on both the surfaces parallel to the $x - z$ plane
- (d) There is a net non-zero induced charge on the cube

Ans.: (b) and (c)

Solution: $\because \vec{P} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} \Rightarrow \rho_b = -\nabla \cdot \vec{P} = 0$. Option (a) is wrong

At $x = 0$, $\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) \cdot (-\hat{i}) = -3$, At $x = 1$, $\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{i}) = 3$

Option (b) is true

At $y = 0$, $\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) \cdot (-\hat{j}) = -4$, At $y = 1$, $\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) \cdot (\hat{j}) = 4$

Option (c) is true.

Option (d) is wrong

Q30. The power radiated by sun is $3.8 \times 10^{26} \text{ W}$ and its radius is $7 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$. The magnitude of the Poynting vector (in $\frac{\text{W}}{\text{cm}^2}$) at the surface of the sun is.....

Ans.: 6174

Solution: $I = \frac{P}{A} = \frac{3.8 \times 10^{26}}{4\pi \times (7 \times 10^{10})^2} \text{ W/cm}^2 = 6174 \text{ W/cm}^2$

Q31. In an experiment on charging of an initially uncharged capacitor, an RC circuit is made with the resistance $R = 10k\Omega$ and the capacitor $C = 1000\mu F$ along with a voltage source of $6V$. The magnitude of the displacement current through the capacitor (in μA), 5 seconds after the charging has started, is.....

Ans.: 364

$$\text{Solution: } I = \frac{V}{R} e^{-t/RC} = \frac{6}{10 \times 10^3} e^{-5/10 \times 10^3 \times 1000 \times 10^{-6}} = \frac{6}{10^4} e^{-5/10} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{e} \times 10^4} = \frac{6}{1.65 \times 10^4} = 364 \mu A$$

Q32. In a region of space, a time dependent magnetic field $B(t) = 0.4t$ tesla points vertically upwards. Consider a horizontal, circular loop of radius $2cm$ in this region. The magnitude of the electric field (in mV/m) induced in the loop is.....

Ans.: 4

$$\text{Solution: } \left| \vec{E} \right| \times 2\pi r = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \times \pi r^2 \Rightarrow \left| \vec{E} \right| = \frac{r}{2} \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = \frac{2 \times 10^{-2}}{2} \times 0.4 = 4 \text{ mV/m}$$

Q33. A plane electromagnetic wave of frequency $5 \times 10^{14} Hz$ and amplitude $10^3 V/m$ traveling in a homogeneous dielectric medium of dielectric constant 1.69 is incident normally at the interface with a second dielectric medium of dielectric constant 2.25. The ratio of the amplitude of the transmitted wave to that of the incident wave is.....

Ans.: 0.93

$$\text{Solution: } E_{0T} = \left(\frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2} \right) E_{0I} \Rightarrow \frac{E_{0T}}{E_{0I}} = \left(\frac{2\sqrt{\epsilon_{r1}}}{\sqrt{\epsilon_{r1}} + \sqrt{\epsilon_{r2}}} \right) = \left(\frac{2\sqrt{1.69}}{\sqrt{1.69} + \sqrt{2.25}} \right) = 0.93$$

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Q34. For an infinitely long wire with uniform line-charge density, λ along the z -axis, the electric field at a point $(a, b, 0)$ away from the origin is

(\hat{e}_x, \hat{e}_y and \hat{e}_z are unit vectors in Cartesian – coordinate system)

- (a) $\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}(\hat{e}_x + \hat{e}_y)$ (b) $\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0(a^2+b^2)}(a\hat{e}_x + b\hat{e}_y)$
 (c) $\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\hat{e}_x$ (d) $\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\hat{e}_z$

Ans.: (b)

Solution: $\vec{E} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \vec{r} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0(a^2+b^2)}(a\hat{e}_x + b\hat{e}_y) \quad \because r = \sqrt{a^2+b^2}$

Q35. A 1 W point source at origin emits light uniformly in all the directions. If the units for both the axes are measured in centimeter, then the Poynting vector at the point $(1, 1, 0)$ in

$\frac{\text{W}}{\text{cm}^2}$ is

- (a) $\frac{1}{8\pi\sqrt{2}}(\hat{e}_x + \hat{e}_y)$ (b) $\frac{1}{16\pi}(\hat{e}_x + \hat{e}_y)$
 (c) $\frac{1}{16\pi\sqrt{2}}(\hat{e}_x + \hat{e}_y)$ (d) $\frac{1}{4\pi\sqrt{2}}(\hat{e}_x + \hat{e}_y)$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $I = \langle \vec{S} \rangle = \frac{P}{A} \hat{r} = \frac{P}{4\pi r^2} \frac{\vec{r}}{r} = \frac{P}{4\pi r^3} \vec{r} = \frac{1}{4\pi \times 2\sqrt{2}}(\hat{e}_x + \hat{e}_y) = \frac{1}{8\pi\sqrt{2}}(\hat{e}_x + \hat{e}_y)$

$\because r = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$

Q36. A charged particle in a uniform magnetic field $\vec{B} = B_0 \hat{e}_z$ starts moving from the origin with velocity $\vec{v} = (3\hat{e}_x + 2\hat{e}_z) m/s$. The trajectory of the particle and the time t at which it reaches 2 meters above the xy -plane are

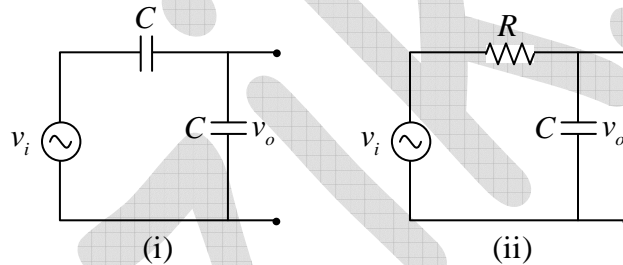
(\hat{e}_x, \hat{e}_y and \hat{e}_z are unit vectors in Cartesian-coordinate system)

- (a) Helical path; $t = 1 s$ (b) Helical path; $t = 2/3 s$
 (c) Circular path; $t = 1 s$ (d) Circular path; $t = 2/3 s$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $v_{\perp} = 3 m/s$ and $v_{\parallel} = 2 m/s$, thus $t = \frac{2m}{v_{\parallel}} = 1 \text{ sec}$

Q37. The phase difference (δ) between input and output voltage for the following circuits (i) and (ii)



will be

- (a) 0 and 0 (b) $\pi/2$ and $0 < \delta \leq \pi/2$ respectively
 (c) $\pi/2$ and $\pi/2$ (d) 0 and $0 < \delta \leq \pi/2$ respectively

Ans.: (d)

Solution: (i) $v_o = \frac{X_C}{X_C + X_C} v_i \Rightarrow \frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{1}{2}$, phase difference (δ) is 0.

$$(ii) v_o = \frac{X_C}{R + X_C} v_i \Rightarrow \frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{1}{1 + R/X_C} = \frac{1}{1 + i\omega CR} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega CR)^2}} e^{-i\omega CR}$$

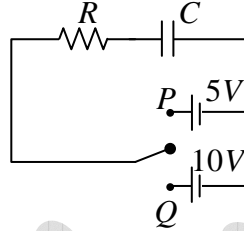
Phase difference (δ) is $0 < \delta \leq \pi/2$.

Q38. In the following RC circuit, the capacitor was charged in two different ways.

(i) The capacitor was first charged to $5V$ by moving the toggle switch to position P and then it was charged to $10V$ by moving the toggle switch to position Q .

(ii) The capacitor was directly charged to $10V$, by keeping the toggle switch at position Q .

Assuming the capacitor to be ideal, which one of the following statements is correct?



- (a) The energy dissipation in cases (i) and (ii) will be equal and non-zero
- (b) The energy dissipation for case (i) will be more than that for case (ii)
- (c) The energy dissipation for case (i) will be less than that for case (ii)
- (d) The energy will not be dissipated in either case.

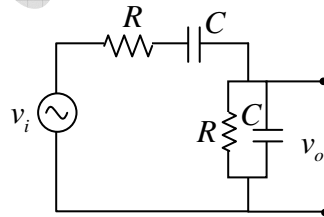
Ans.: (c)

Solution: The energy dissipation in cases (i) is $= \frac{1}{2} C (5)^2 + \frac{1}{2} C (10-5)^2 = 25C$

The energy dissipation in cases (ii) is $= \frac{1}{2} C (10)^2 = 50C$

Q39. In the following RC network, for an input signal frequency $f = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$, the voltage gain

$\left| \frac{v_o}{v_i} \right|$ and the phase angle ϕ between v_o and v_i respectively are



- (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ and 0
- (b) $\frac{1}{3}$ and 0
- (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- (d) $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{\pi}{2}$

Ans.: (b)

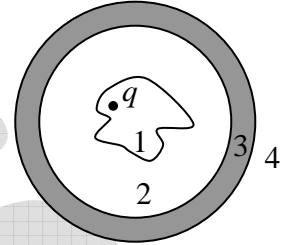
Solution: $\because f = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$, then $X_C = \frac{1}{j2\pi fC} = -jR$

$$Z_p = \frac{RX_C}{R + X_C} = \frac{-jR^2}{R - jR} = \frac{-jR}{1 - j} = \frac{-j(1 + j)R}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad Z_s = R + X_C = R - jR = R(1 - j)$$

$$v_o = \frac{Z_p}{Z_p + Z_s} v_i \Rightarrow \frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{Z_s}{Z_p}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{R(1-j)}{-j(1+j)R}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2R(1-j)}{j(1+j)R}} = \frac{j(1+j)R}{jR - R - 2R(1-j)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{j(1+j)R}{jR - R - 2R(1-j)} = \frac{j(1+j)R}{3jR - 3R} = \frac{(j-1)}{3(j-1)} = \frac{1}{3}, \text{ and phase angle } \phi = 0$$

Q40. An arbitrarily shaped conductor encloses a charge q and is surrounded by a conducting hollow sphere as shown in the figure. Four different regions of space 1, 2, 3 and 4 are indicated in the figure. Which one of the following statements is correct?



- (a) The electric field lines in region 2 are not affected by the position of the charge q
- (b) The surface charge density on the inner wall of the hollow sphere is uniform
- (c) The surface charge density on the outer surface of the sphere is always uniform irrespective of the position of charge q in region 1
- (d) The electric field in region 2 has a radial symmetry

Ans.: (c)

Solution: From the given statement only option (c) is correct.

Q41. Consider a small bar magnet undergoing simple harmonic motion (SHM) along the x -axis. A coil whose plane is perpendicular to the x -axis is placed such that the magnet passes in and out of it during its motion. Which one of the following statements is correct? Neglect damping effects.

- (a) Induced e.m.f. is minimum when the center of the bar magnet crosses the coil
- (b) The frequency of the induced current in the coil is half of the frequency of the SHM
- (c) Induced e.m.f. in the coil will not change with the velocity of the magnet
- (d) The sign of the e.m.f. depends on the pole (N or S) face of the magnet which enters into the coil

Ans.: (a)

Solution: From the given statement only option (a) is correct.

- Q42. Consider a spherical dielectric material of radius ' a ' centered at origin. If the polarization vector, $\vec{P} = P_0 \hat{e}_x$, where P_0 is a constant of appropriate dimensions, then (\hat{e}_x, \hat{e}_y , and \hat{e}_z are unit vectors in Cartesian- coordinate system)
- (a) the bound volume charge density is zero.
 - (b) the bound surface charge density is zero at $(0, 0, a)$.
 - (c) the electric field is zero inside the dielectric
 - (d) the sign of the surface charge density changes over the surface.

Ans.: (a), (b), (d)

Solution: $\rho_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} = 0$

$$\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = (P_0 \hat{e}_x) \cdot \hat{r} = P_0 \sin \theta \cos \phi = 0 \text{ at } (0, 0, a) \because \theta = 0.$$

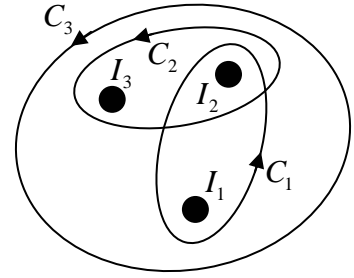
- Q43. For an electric dipole with momentum $\vec{P} = p_0 \hat{e}_z$ placed at the origin, (p_0 is a constant of appropriate dimensions and \hat{e}_x, \hat{e}_y and \hat{e}_z are unit vectors in Cartesian coordinate system)
- (a) potential falls as $\frac{1}{r^2}$, where r is the distance from origin
 - (b) a spherical surface centered at origin is an equipotential surface
 - (c) electric flux through a spherical surface enclosing the origin is zero
 - (d) radial component of \vec{E} is zero on the xy - plane.

Ans.: (a), (c), (d)

$$\text{Solution: } V_{dip}(r, \theta) = \frac{\hat{r} \cdot \vec{p}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{p \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}.$$

$$\vec{E}_{dip}(r, \theta) = \frac{P}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta}).$$

Q44. Three infinitely-long conductors carrying currents I_1, I_2 and I_3 lie perpendicular to the plane of the paper as shown in the figure. If the value of the integral $\oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l}$ for the loops C_1, C_2 and



C_3 are $2\mu_0, 4\mu_0$ and μ_0 in the units of $\frac{N}{A}$ respectively, then

- (a) $I_1 = 3A$ into the paper
 (b) $I_2 = 5A$ out of the paper
 (c) $I_3 = 0$.
 (d) $I_3 = 1A$ out of the paper

Ans.: (a), (b)

Solution: $\therefore \oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_{enc}$

$$\Rightarrow I_1 + I_2 = 2, I_2 + I_3 = 4, I_1 + I_2 + I_3 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow I_1 = -3A, I_2 = 5A \text{ and } I_3 = -1A.$$

Q45. The shape of a dielectric lamina is defined by the two curves $y=0$ and $y=1-x^2$. If the charge density of the lamina $\sigma=15yC/m^2$, then the total charge on the lamina is.....C.

Ans.: 8

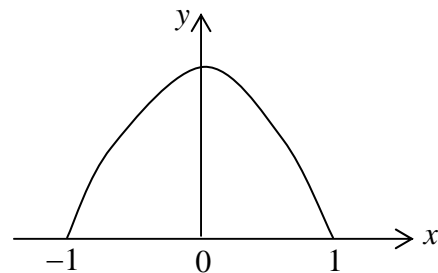
Solution: Total charge on the lamina is

$$Q = \int \sigma da = \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{1-x^2} 15y dx dy = \frac{15}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)^2 dx$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \frac{15}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1+x^4-2x^2) dx = \frac{15}{2} \left[x + \frac{x^5}{5} - 2\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{-1}^1$$

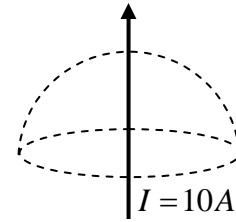
$$\Rightarrow Q = \frac{15}{2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{2}{3} - \left(-1 - \frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{3} \right) \right] = \frac{15}{2} \left[2 + \frac{2}{5} - \frac{4}{3} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \frac{15}{2} \times \frac{16}{15} = 8 C$$



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Q46. A current $I = 10A$ flows in an infinitely long wire along the axis of hemisphere (see figure). The value of $\int (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) \cdot d\vec{s}$ over the hemispherical surface as shown in the figure is:

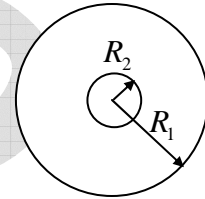


- (a) $10\mu_0$ (b) $5\mu_0$ (c) 0 (d) $7.5\mu_0$

Ans. : (a)

Solution: $\int (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) \cdot d\vec{s} = \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = |B| \times 2\pi r = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} \times 2\pi r = \mu_0 I = 10\mu_0$

Q47. Consider two, single turn, co-planar, concentric coils of radii R_1 and R_2 with $R_1 \gg R_2$. The mutual inductance between the two coils is proportional to

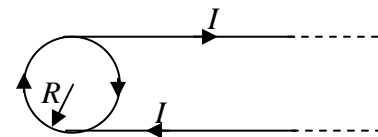


- (a) $\frac{R_1}{R_2}$ (b) $\frac{R_2}{R_1}$ (c) $\frac{R_2^2}{R_1}$ (d) $\frac{R_1^2}{R_2}$

Ans. : (c)

Solution: $\phi_2 = M_{21}I_1 \Rightarrow M_{21} = \frac{\phi_2}{I_1} = \frac{B_1 \times \pi R_2^2}{I_1} = \frac{\frac{\mu_0 I_1}{2\pi R_1} \times \pi R_2^2}{I_1} \propto \frac{R_2^2}{R_1}$

Q48. Consider a thin long insulator coated conducting wire carrying current I . It is now wound once around an insulating thin disc of radius R to bring the wire back on the same side, as shown in the figure.



The magnetic field at the centre of the disc is equal to:

- (a) $\frac{\mu_0 I}{2R}$ (b) $\frac{\mu_0 I}{4R} \left[3 + \frac{2}{\pi} \right]$ (c) $\frac{\mu_0 I}{4R} \left[1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \right]$ (d) $\frac{\mu_0 I}{2R} \left[1 + \frac{1}{\pi} \right]$

Ans. : (d)

Solution: From R.H.R. magnetic field is pointing inwards, $B = 2 \times \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R} + \frac{\mu_0 I}{2R} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2R} \left[1 + \frac{1}{\pi} \right]$

Q49. The electric field of an electromagnetic wave is given by

$$\vec{E} = (2\hat{k} - 3\hat{j}) \times 10^{-3} \sin[10^7(x + 2y + 3z - \beta t)].$$

The value of β is (c is the speed of light):

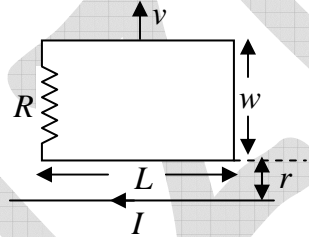
- (a) $\sqrt{14}c$ (b) $\sqrt{12}c$ (c) $\sqrt{10}c$ (d) $\sqrt{7}c$

Ans. : (a)

Solution: $\vec{E} = (2\hat{k} - 3\hat{j}) \times 10^{-3} \sin[10^7(x + 2y + 3z - \beta t)]$

$$\vec{k} = 10^7(\hat{x} + 2\hat{y} + 3\hat{z}) \Rightarrow |\vec{k}| = 10^7\sqrt{14}, \quad \omega = 10^7\beta, \quad c = \frac{\omega}{|\vec{k}|} = \frac{10^7\beta}{10^7\sqrt{14}} \Rightarrow \beta = \sqrt{14}c$$

Q50. A rectangular loop of dimension L and width w moves with a constant velocity v away from an infinitely long straight wire carrying a current I in the plane of the loop as shown in the figure below. Let R be the resistance of the loop. What is the current in the loop at the instant the near-side is at a distance r from the wire?



- (a) $\frac{\mu_0 IL}{2\pi R} \frac{wv}{r[r+2w]}$ (b) $\frac{\mu_0 IL}{2\pi R} \frac{wv}{[2r+w]}$
 (c) $\frac{\mu_0 IL}{2\pi R} \frac{wv}{r[r+w]}$ (d) $\frac{\mu_0 IL}{2\pi R} \frac{wv}{2r[r+w]}$

Ans. : (c)

Solution: $\phi_B = \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_r^{r+w} \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} L dr = \frac{\mu_0 IL}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{r+w}{r}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow I = -\frac{1}{R} \frac{d\phi_B}{dt} = \frac{-\mu_0 IL}{2\pi R} \left[\frac{1}{r+w} - \frac{1}{r} \right] \frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{\mu_0 ILwv}{2\pi Rr(r+w)}$$

Q51. For a point dipole of dipole moment $\vec{p} = p\hat{z}$ located at the origin, which of the following is (are) correct?

(a) The electric field at $(0, b, 0)$ is zero

(b) The work done in moving a charge q from $(0, b, 0)$ to $(0, 0, b)$ is $\frac{qp}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b^2}$

(c) The electrostatic potential at $(b, 0, 0)$ is zero

(d) If a charge q is kept at $(0, 0, b)$ it will exert a force of magnitude $\frac{qp}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b^3}$ on the dipole.

Ans. : (b) and (c)

Solution: $V = \frac{p \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$ and $\vec{E} = \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} (2 \cos \theta \hat{r} + \sin \theta \hat{\theta})$

(a) At $(0, b, 0)$; $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \vec{E} \neq 0$

(b) The work done in moving a charge q from $(0, b, 0)$ to $(0, 0, b)$

$$W = q[V(0, 0, b) - V(0, b, 0)] = q \left[\frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b^2} - 0 \right] = \frac{qp}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b^2}$$

(c) The electrostatic potential at $(b, 0, 0)$ is $V(b, 0, 0) = 0$

(d) At $(0, 0, b)$; $\theta = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{2p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b^3} \hat{r}$

If a charge q is kept at $(0, 0, b)$ it will exert a force of magnitude $\frac{2qp}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b^3}$.

Q52. A dielectric sphere of radius R has constant polarization $\vec{P} = P_0\hat{z}$, so that the field inside

the sphere is $\vec{E}_{in} = -\frac{P_0}{3\epsilon_0}\hat{z}$. Then, which of the following is (are) correct?

(a) The bound surface charge density is $P_0 \cos \theta$

(b) The electric field at a distance r on the z -axis varies as $\frac{1}{r^2}$ for $r \gg R$

(c) The electric potential at a distance $2R$ on the z -axis is $\frac{P_0 R}{12\epsilon_0}$

(d) The electric field outside is equivalent to that of a dipole at the origin

Ans. : (a), (c) and (d)

Solution: $\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = (P_0 \hat{z}) \cdot \hat{r} = P_0 \cos \theta$

$$V_{dip} = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \hat{r}}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{4\pi R^3}{3} \frac{\vec{P} \cdot \hat{r}}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{4\pi R^3}{3} \frac{(P_0 \hat{z}) \cdot \hat{z}}{(2R)^2} = \frac{P_0 R}{12 \epsilon_0}$$

Q53. Consider a circular parallel plate capacitor of radius R with separation d between the plates ($d \ll R$). The plates are placed symmetrically about the origin. If a sinusoidal voltage $V = V_0 \sin \omega t$ is applied between the plates, which of the following statement(s) is (are) true?

- (a) The maximum value of the Poynting vector at $r = R$ is $\frac{V_0^2 \epsilon_0 \omega R}{4d^2}$
- (b) The average energy per cycle flowing out of the capacitor is zero
- (c) The magnetic field inside the capacitor is constant
- (d) The magnetic field lines inside the capacitor are circular with the curl being independent of r .

Ans. : (a), (b) and (d)

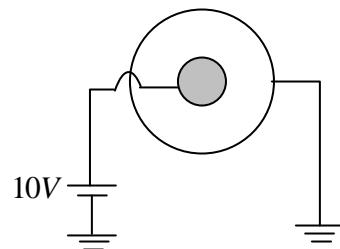
Solution: $E = \frac{V}{d} = \frac{V_0 \sin \omega t}{d}$ and $B = \frac{\mu_0 I_d}{2\pi R} = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi R} \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \times \pi R^2 = \frac{\mu_0 \epsilon_0 R}{2} \frac{\omega V_0 \cos \omega t}{d}$

$$S = \frac{1}{\mu_0} EB = \frac{\epsilon_0 R}{2} \frac{\omega V_0 \cos \omega t}{d} \times \frac{V_0 \sin \omega t}{d} = \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega R V_0^2 \sin \omega t \cos \omega t}{2d^2} = \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega R V_0^2}{4d^2} \sin 2\omega t$$

$$S_{\max} = \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega R V_0^2}{4d^2}; \quad \langle S \rangle = 0, \quad B = \frac{\mu_0 I_d r}{2\pi R^2}, \text{ inside}$$

Q54. In a coaxial cable, the radius of the inner conductor is 2mm and that of the outer one is 5mm . The inner conductor is at a potential of 10V , while the outer conductor is grounded. The value of the potential at a distance of 3.5mm from the axis is.....

(Specify your answer in volts to two digits after the decimal point)



Ans. : 3.8

Solution: $\therefore \nabla^2 V = 0$

In Cylindrical coordinate system, $\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow V = A \ln r + B$

Thus $10 = A \ln 2 + B$ and $0 = A \ln 5 + B$

$$\Rightarrow 10 = A \ln 2 - A \ln 5 \Rightarrow A = -\frac{10}{\ln(5/2)} = -10.86 \text{ and } \Rightarrow B = \frac{10 \ln 5}{\ln(5/2)} = 17.39$$

$$\Rightarrow V(r = 3.5) = A \ln 3.5 + B = 3.8 V$$

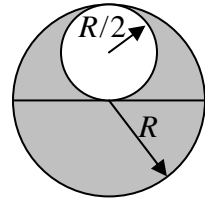
Q55. The wave number of an electromagnetic wave incident on a metal surface is $(20\pi + 750i)m^{-1}$ inside the metal, where $i = \sqrt{-1}$. The skin depth of the wave in the metal is.....(Specify your answer in mm to two digits after the decimal point).

Ans. : 1.33

Solution: $\tilde{k} = k + i\kappa = (20\pi + 750i)m^{-1}$

$$\text{Skin depth, } d = \frac{1}{\kappa} = \frac{1}{750} m = \frac{1000}{750} mm = 1.33 mm$$

Q56. A sphere of radius R has a uniform charge density ρ . A sphere of smaller radius $R/2$ is cut out from the original sphere, as shown in the figure below. The center of the cut out sphere lies at $z = R/2$. After the smaller sphere has been cut out, the magnitude of the electric field at $z = -R/2$ is $\rho R/n \epsilon_0$. The value of the integer n is.....



Ans. : 8

Solution: Electric field inside a uniformly charge solid sphere of radius R is $\vec{E} = \frac{\rho r}{3 \epsilon_0} \hat{r}$

Electric field outside a uniformly charge solid sphere of radius R is $\vec{E} = \frac{\rho R^3}{3 \epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$

$$\text{Electric field at } z = -\frac{R}{2} \text{ is } E = \frac{\rho R/2}{3 \epsilon_0} - \frac{\rho (R/2)^3}{3 \epsilon_0 R^2} = \frac{\rho R}{8 \epsilon_0} \Rightarrow n = 8$$

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Q57. A current I is flowing through the sides of an equilateral triangle of side a . The magnitude of the magnetic field at the centroid of the triangle is

- (a) $\frac{9\mu_0 I}{2\pi a}$ (b) $\frac{\mu_0 I}{\pi a}$ (c) $\frac{3\mu_0 I}{2\pi a}$ (d) $\frac{3\mu_0 I}{\pi a}$

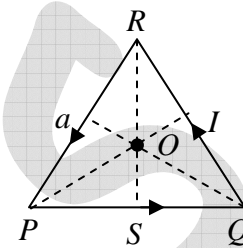
Ans.: (a)

Solution: $RS = \sqrt{a^2 - a^2/4} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a$ and $OS = \frac{RS}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a$

For segment PQ

$$B_{PQ} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}a\right)} \times 2 \sin 60^\circ = \frac{3\mu_0 I}{2\pi a} = B_{QR} = B_{RP}$$

$$B = 3B_{PQ} = \frac{9\mu_0 I}{2\pi a}$$



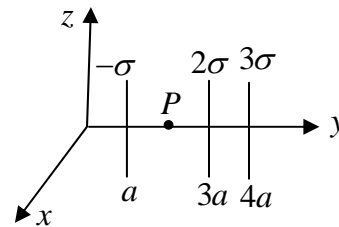
Q58. Three infinite plane sheets carrying uniform charge densities $-\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma$ are parallel to the $x-z$ plane at $y = a, 3a, 4a$, respectively. The electric field at the point $(0, 2a, 0)$ is

- (a) $\frac{4\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{j}$ (b) $-\frac{3\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{j}$ (c) $-\frac{2\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{j}$ (d) $\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{j}$

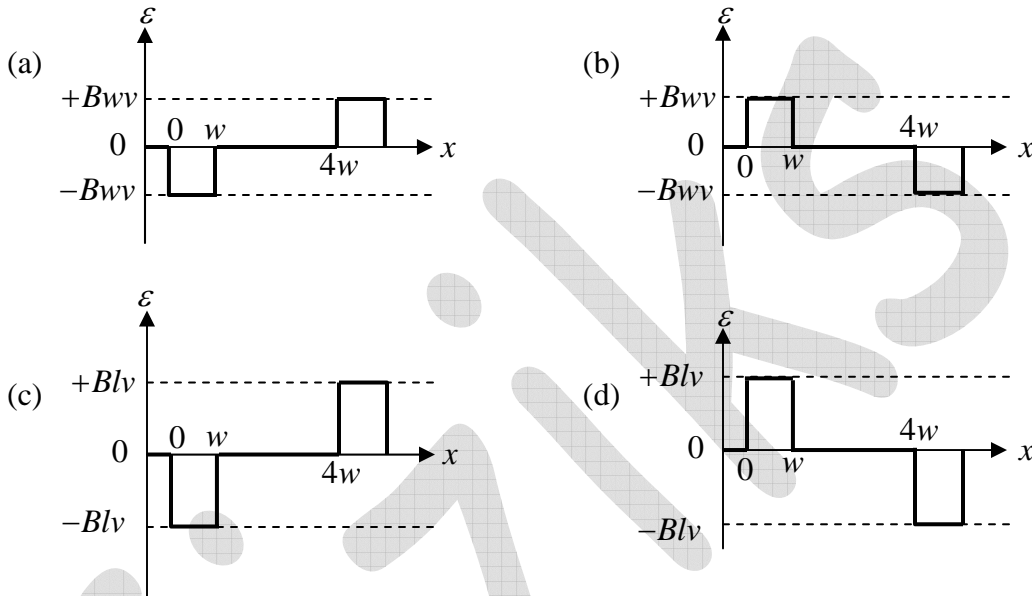
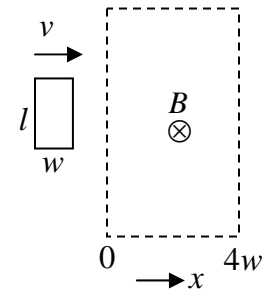
Ans.: (b)

Solution: The electric field at the point $P(0, 2a, 0)$ is

$$\vec{E} = \left(\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} + \frac{2\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} + \frac{3\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \right) (-\hat{j}) = -\frac{3\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{j}$$

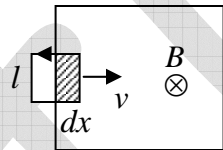


Q59. A rectangular loop of dimensions l and w moves with a constant speed of v through a region containing a uniform magnetic field B directed into the paper and extending a distance of $4w$. Which of the following figures correctly represents the variation of emf (ε) with the position (x) of the front end of the loop?

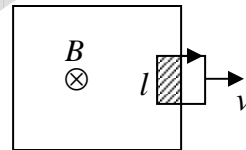


Ans.: (c)

Solution:



Case-I



Case-II

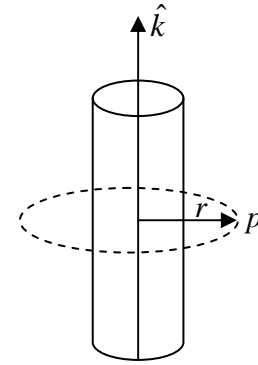
Case-I: at $x=0, \phi_1 = Blw$ and at $x=dx, \phi_2 = Bl(w-dx)$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta\phi = Bldx \Rightarrow \varepsilon = -\frac{d\phi}{dt} = Blv$$

Case-II: $|\varepsilon| = Blv$ and direction will be opposite.

When loop is inside there is no flux change so, $\varepsilon = 0$.

Q60. A long solenoid is carrying a time dependent current such that the magnetic field inside has the form $\vec{B}(t) = B_0 t^2 \hat{k}$, where \hat{k} is along the axis of the solenoid. The displacement current at the point P on a circle of radius r in a plane perpendicular to the axis



- (a) is inversely proportional to r and radially outward
- (b) is inversely proportional to r and tangential
- (c) increases linearly with time and is tangential.
- (d) is inversely proportional to r^2 and tangential

Ans.: (b)

Solution: $\therefore \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\int \frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \cdot d\vec{l}$

$$\Rightarrow E \times 2\pi r = -2B_0 t \times \pi R^2 \Rightarrow E = \frac{-B_0 t R^2}{r}$$

$$\therefore J_d = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \Rightarrow J_d = \frac{-\epsilon_0 B_0 R^2}{r} \Rightarrow J_d \propto \frac{1}{r}$$

Q61. Given a spherically symmetric charge density $\rho(r) = \begin{cases} kr^2, & r < R \\ 0, & r > R \end{cases}$ (k being a constant),

the electric field for $r < R$ is (take the total charge as Q)

- (a) $\frac{Qr^3}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^5} \hat{r}$
- (b) $\frac{3Qr^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^4} \hat{r}$
- (c) $\frac{5Qr^3}{8\pi\epsilon_0 R^5} \hat{r}$
- (d) $\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^5} \hat{r}$

Ans.: (a)

Solution: $\therefore \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} \Rightarrow |\vec{E}| \times 4\pi r^2 = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \left(\int_0^r kr^2 \times 4\pi r^2 dr \right)$

$$\Rightarrow |\vec{E}| \times 4\pi r^2 = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \times 4\pi k \frac{r^5}{5} \Rightarrow |\vec{E}| = \frac{kr^3}{5\epsilon_0}$$

$$\therefore Q = \int_0^R kr^2 \times 4\pi r^2 dr = 4\pi k \frac{R^5}{5} \Rightarrow k = \frac{5Q}{4\pi R^5} \Rightarrow |\vec{E}| = \frac{5Q}{4\pi R^5} \times \frac{r^3}{5\epsilon_0} = \frac{Qr^3}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^5}$$

Q62. An infinitely long solenoid, with its axis along \hat{k} , carries a current I . In addition there is a uniform line charge density λ along the axis. If \vec{S} is the energy flux, in cylindrical coordinates $(\hat{\rho}, \hat{\phi}, \hat{k})$, then

- (a) \vec{S} is along $\hat{\rho}$
- (b) \vec{S} is along \hat{k}
- (c) \vec{S} has non zero components along $\hat{\rho}$ and \hat{k}
- (d) \vec{S} is along $\hat{\rho} \times \hat{k}$

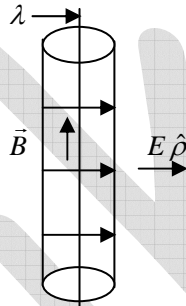
Ans. : (d)

Solution: $\vec{E} = E\hat{\rho}$

$$\vec{B} = B\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{S} \propto \vec{E} \times \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{S} \propto \hat{\rho} \times \hat{k}$$



Q63. Let the electric field in some region R be given by $\vec{E} = e^{-y^2}\hat{i} + e^{-x^2}\hat{j}$. From this we may conclude that

- (a) R has a non-uniform charge distribution
- (b) R has no charge distribution
- (c) R has a time dependent magnetic field.
- (d) The energy flux in R is zero everywhere.

Ans.: (b), (c)

Solution: $\because \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$ and $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} \neq 0$,

Thus R has no charge distribution and R has a time dependent magnetic field.

Q64. In presence of a magnetic field $B\hat{j}$ and an electric field $(-E)\hat{k}$, a particle moves undeflected. Which of the following statements is (are) correct?

(a) The particle has positive charge, velocity $= -\frac{E}{B}\hat{i}$

(b) The particle has positive charge, velocity $= \frac{E}{B}\hat{i}$

(c) The particle has negative charge, velocity $= -\frac{E}{B}\hat{i}$

(d) The particle has negative charge, velocity $= \frac{E}{B}\hat{i}$

Ans.: (b), (d)

Solution: $\because \vec{F} = q[\vec{E} + (\vec{v} \times \vec{B})] = 0 \Rightarrow |\vec{v}| = \frac{E}{B}$

For +ve charge: $\vec{a} \rightarrow -\hat{k} \Rightarrow \vec{v} = \frac{E}{B}\hat{x}$

For -ve charge: $\vec{a} \rightarrow \hat{k} \Rightarrow \vec{v} = \frac{E}{B}\hat{x}$

Q65. Consider an electromagnetic plane wave $\vec{E} = E_0(\hat{i} + b\hat{j})\cos\left[\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\{ct - (x - \sqrt{3}y)\}\right]$, where λ is the wavelength, c is the speed of light and b is a constant. The value of b is _____. (Specific your answer upto two digits after the decimal point)

Ans.: 0.577

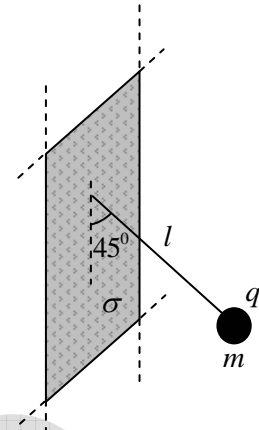
Solution: $\vec{E} = E_0\hat{n}\cos[\omega t - \hat{k} \cdot \vec{r}] \Rightarrow \hat{n} = (\hat{i} + b\hat{j})$

$$\hat{k} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(\hat{i} - \sqrt{3}\hat{j})$$

$$\because \vec{k} \cdot \hat{n} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(1 - b\sqrt{3}) = 0 \Rightarrow b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.577$$

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Q66. A small spherical ball having charge q and mass m , is tied to a thin massless non-conducting string of length l . The other end of the string is fixed to an infinitely extended thin non-conducting sheet with uniform surface charge density σ . Under equilibrium the string makes an angle 45° with the sheet as shown in the figure. Then σ is given by (g is the acceleration due to gravity and ϵ_0 is the permittivity of free space)



(a) $\frac{mg\epsilon_0}{q}$

(b) $\sqrt{2} \frac{mg\epsilon_0}{q}$

(c) $2 \frac{mg\epsilon_0}{q}$

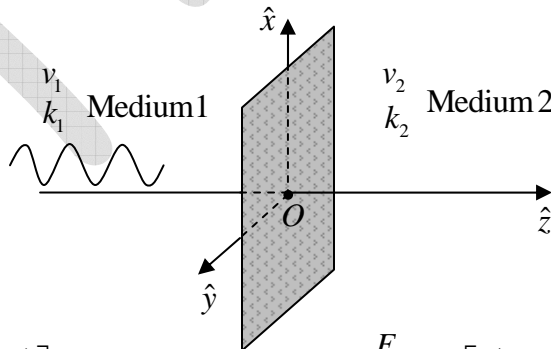
(d) $\frac{mg\epsilon_0}{q\sqrt{2}}$

Ans. : (c)

Solution: $\tan \theta = \frac{F}{mg} \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{qE}{mg} = \frac{q\sigma}{2\epsilon_0 mg} \Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{2mg\epsilon_0}{q} \tan \theta$

$\Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{2mg\epsilon_0}{q} \tan 45^\circ = \frac{2mg\epsilon_0}{q}$

Q67. Consider the normal incidence of a plane electromagnetic wave with electric field given by $\vec{E} = E_0 \exp[k_1 z - \omega t] \hat{x}$ over an interface at $z=0$ separating two media [wave velocities v_1 and v_2 ($v_2 > v_1$) and wave vectors k_1 and k_2 , respectively] as shown in figure. The magnetic field vector of the reflected wave is (ω is the angular frequency)



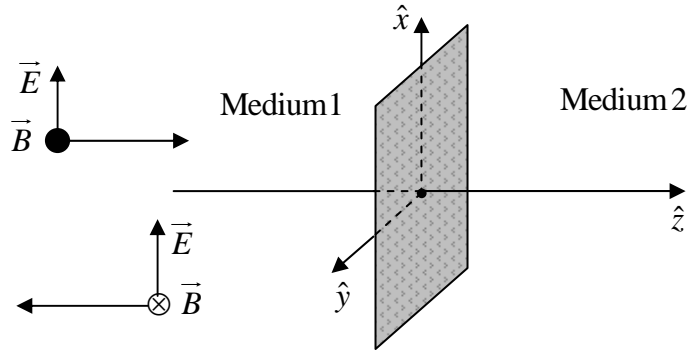
(a) $\frac{E_0}{v_1} \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)] \hat{y}$

(b) $\frac{E_0}{v_1} \exp[i(-k_1 z - \omega t)] \hat{y}$

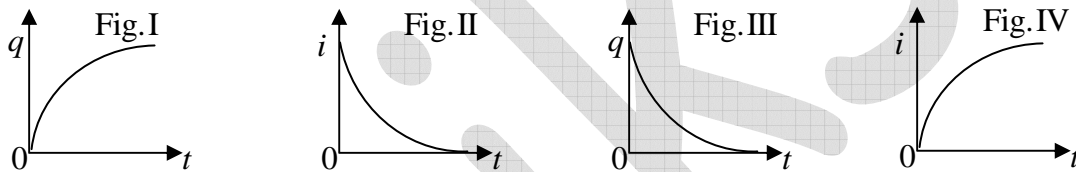
(c) $\frac{-E_0}{v_1} \exp[i(-k_1 z - \omega t)] \hat{y}$

(d) $\frac{-E_0}{v_1} \exp[i(k_1 z - \omega t)] \hat{y}$

Ans. : (c)



Q68. During the charging of a capacitor C in a series RC circuit, the typical variations in the magnitude of the charge $q(t)$ deposited on one of the capacitor plates, and the current $i(t)$ in the circuit, respectively are best represented by



(a) Figure I and figure II

(b) Figure I and Figure IV

(c) Figure III and figure II

(d) Figure III and figure IV

Ans. : (a)

Q69. Which one of the following is an impossible magnetic field \vec{B} ?

(a) $\vec{B} = 3x^2z^2\hat{x} - 2xz^3\hat{z}$

(b) $\vec{B} = -2xy\hat{x} + yz^2\hat{y} + \left(2yz - \frac{z^3}{3}\right)\hat{z}$

(c) $\vec{B} = (xz + 4y)\hat{x} - yx^3\hat{y} + \left(x^3z - \frac{z^2}{2}\right)\hat{z}$

(d) $\vec{B} = -6xz\hat{x} + 3yz^2\hat{y}$

Ans. : (d)

Solution: Check that $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} \neq 0$

(a) $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 6xz^2 - 6xz^2 = 0$

(b) $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = -2y + z^2 + (2y - z^2) = 0$

(c) $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = z - x^3 + (x^3 - z) = 0$

(d) $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = -6z + 3z^2 \neq 0$

- Q70. Which of the following statement(s) is/are true?
- (a) Newton's laws of motion and Maxwell's equations are both invariant under Lorentz transformations
- (b) Newton's laws of motion and Maxwell's equations are both invariant under Galilean transformations
- (c) Newton's laws of motion are invariant under Galilean transformations and Maxwell's equations are invariant under Lorentz transformations
- (d) Newton's laws of motion are invariant under Lorentz transformations and Maxwell's equations are invariant under Galilean transformations

Ans. : (c)

- Q71. Out of the following statements, choose the correct option(s) about a perfect conductor.
- (a) The conductor has an equipotential surface
- (b) Net charge, if any, resides only on the surface of conductor
- (c) Electric field cannot exist inside the conductor
- (d) Just outside the conductor, the electric field is always perpendicular to its surface

Ans.: (a), (b), (c), (d)

- Q72. The electrostatic energy (in units of $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} J$) of a uniformly charged spherical shell of total charge $5 C$ and radius $4 m$ is _____. (Round off to 3 decimal places)

Ans.: 3.125

Solution: $W = \frac{q^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 R} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2}{2R}$

$$W = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{25}{2 \times 4} \text{ Joules} = \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \times 3.125 \right) \text{ Joules}$$

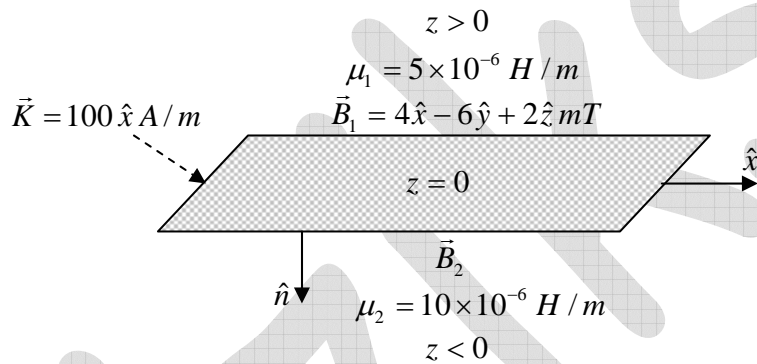
- Q73. An infinitely long very thin straight wire carries uniform line charge density $8\pi \times 10^{-2} C/m$. The magnitude of electric displacement vector at a point located 20 mm away from the axis of the wire is _____ C/m^2 .

Ans. : 2

Solution: $\lambda = 8\pi \times 10^{-2} c/m^2$, $|\vec{E}| = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \Rightarrow |\vec{D}| = \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}| = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi r}$

$$D = \frac{8\pi \times 10^{-2}}{2\pi \times 20 \times 10^{-3}} = \frac{4}{2} c/m^2 = 2 C/m^2$$

Q74. A surface current $\vec{K} = 100\hat{x} A/m$ flows on the surface $z = 0$, which separates two media with magnetic permeabilities μ_1 and μ_2 as shown in the figure. If the magnetic field in the region 1 is $\vec{B}_1 = 4\hat{x} - 6\hat{y} + 2\hat{z} mT$, then the magnitude of the normal component of \vec{B}_2 will be _____ mT



Ans. : 2

Solution: $B_2^\perp = B_1^\perp = 2\hat{z}mT$ (Since $B_1^\perp = 2\hat{z}mT$)