

ENEE 380 ELECTROMAGNETIC THEORY

Second Examination Solutions

(1) To prove that $E_{t_1} = E_{t_2}$ construct a loop that runs parallel to the boundary on each side of the boundary. Let the long sides be of length w , and the short sides (perpendicular to the boundary) be of negligible length. Around the loop

$$\oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = 0,$$

which gives $E_{t_1}w - E_{t_2}w = 0$, which gives the result desired.

To prove that $D_{n_1} - D_{n_2} = \rho_s$ make a Gaussian surface in the boundary that is a thin flat box of area 1 m^2 along the two sides of the boundary. Apply Gauss's theorem to this box

$$\oint \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = Q = \rho_s.$$

On the large 1 m^2 faces D_n is parallel to $d\mathbf{S}$ so the integral gives $D_{n_1} - D_{n_2} = \rho_s$, since there is no contribution to the surface integral over the small sides of the box that cut through the boundary.

Outside the dielectric sphere

$$\mathbf{E} = E_r = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \quad \text{and}$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}.$$

At $r=2$ this gives $E_r = 2.25 \times 10^9 \text{ V/m}$, $V = 4.49 \times 10^9 \text{ V}$. At $r=1$ $V = V_1 = 8.988 \times 10^9 \text{ V}$. Inside the dielectric sphere

$$\mathbf{E} = E_r = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r r^2},$$

which gives E_r at $r=0.5 = 3.595 \times 10^8 \text{ V/m}$. The potential difference between $r=0.5$ and $r=1$ is

$$V_{diff} = - \int_1^{0.5} \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r r^2} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r}.$$

This gives $V(r = 0.5) - V(r = 1) = 8.988 \times 10^7 \text{ V}$. Therefore, $V(r = 0.5) = 8.988 \times 10^7 + 8.988 \times 10^9 = 9.08 \times 10^9 \text{ V}$.

(2) Let the charge per unit length on the inner conductor be Q . On the outer conductor it is $-Q$. The field between the two conductors is found by applying Gauss's theorem to a cylindrical surface of length 1 m around the inner conductor.

$$2\pi D_r = Q, \quad \text{which gives } E_r = \frac{Q}{2\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r}.$$

$$\text{Applying } V_{ab} = - \int_b^a E_r dr \text{ gives}$$

$$V_{ab} = \frac{Q \ln(b/a)}{2\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r}, \quad \text{and}$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{V_{ab}} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0\epsilon_r}{\ln(b/a)}.$$

With $a=1\text{mm}$, $b=3\text{mm}$, $\epsilon_r=10$ $C=5.05 \times 10^{-10}\text{F}$. The stored energy per unit length is

$$W_e = \frac{1}{2}CV^2, \quad \text{which gives } W_e = 2.525 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J/m}.$$

(3) Following the solution to problem (2) above, the field near a line charge is

$$E_r = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0}.$$

Consequently the potential difference between two points distant r and r_0 from the line charge is

$$V = - \int_{r_0}^r E_r dr = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln(r_0/r).$$

If the line charge ρ_l and the axis of the cylindrical conductor are separated by d , then the work done in bringing up a 1C charge to a point M on the cylindrical conductor spaced r_i from the $-\rho_l$ line charge is

$$W = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln(r_0/r) - \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln(r_0/r_i),$$

where r is the distance from point M to the ρ_l line charge, which gives

$$W = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln(r_i/r).$$

W must be the same for all points M on the cylindrical conductor: the surface of the conductor is an equipotential. Consequently, $(r_i/r)=\text{constant}$. By similar triangles $(r_i/r) = (a/d)$ and $(d_i/a) = (a/d)$. Consequently, $d_i = a^2/d$, which gives $d_i=0.01\text{mm}$.

(4) The image charge distribution that solves the problem is an arrangement of 7 additional charges, alternating + and - arranged symmetrically so that the 8 charges (Q plus the 7 image charges) are arranged in an 8 sided arrangement. For example there is a -Q image charge at $(x,-y,0)$, a +Q image charge at $(-x,-y,0)$ etc. Because the charge distribution has charges of the same sign facing each other on lines drawn through the origin, there is no net field at $(0,0,0)$. Consequently, the induced charge density there is 0. The charge distribution along the bottom conductor starts at 0 at $(0,0,0)$ decreases to a maximum negative value more or less opposite the charge Q, and then gradually rises to zero as you go along the x-axis. The behavior on the 45° conductor is similar. The total induced charge on both conductors together is -Q.