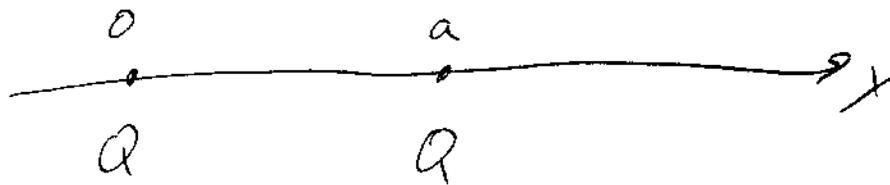


Homework 3

3.1 A

a.



$$W = -Q \int_{\infty}^a \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -Q \int_{\infty}^a E_x dx$$

$$E_x = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 x^2}$$

$$W = -Q \int_{\infty}^a \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 x^2} dx = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 x} \Big|_{\infty}^a = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a}$$

b. $u = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a}$

in agreement with part a.

3.2 D

Outside the sphere it behaves like a point charge at the center:

$$Q = \rho \frac{4\pi}{3} R^3$$

The electric field is

$$\vec{E} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r} = \frac{\rho \frac{4\pi}{3} R^3}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r} = \frac{\rho R^3}{3\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$$

The potential is

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} = \frac{\rho R^3}{3\epsilon_0 r} \quad (*)$$

Inside the sphere the electric field is determined from Gauss' law

$$E \cdot 4\pi r^2 = \frac{\rho \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\rho r}{3\epsilon_0} \hat{r}$$

The potential difference between a point inside (r) and a point on the surface (R) is

$$\begin{aligned} V(r) - V(R) &= - \int_R^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = - \int_R^r \frac{\rho r}{3\epsilon_0} dr = \\ &= - \frac{\rho r^2}{6\epsilon_0} \Big|_R^r = \frac{\rho R^2}{6\epsilon_0} - \frac{\rho r^2}{6\epsilon_0} \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, from (*)

$$V(R) = \frac{\rho R^2}{3\epsilon_0}$$

$$V(r) = \frac{\rho R^3}{3\epsilon_0} + \frac{\rho R^2}{6\epsilon_0} - \frac{\rho r^2}{6\epsilon_0} = \frac{\rho R^3}{2\epsilon_0} - \frac{\rho r^2}{6\epsilon_0}$$

$$\underline{3.2E} \quad W = U_B - U_A = \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_B} - \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_A}$$

3.2F Outside the sphere (as well as on the surface) it behaves as a point charge at the center;

$$\underline{V(r) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}}$$

Now suppose there is charge q and we want to add dq . The work will be

$$dW = V(q) dq = \frac{q dq}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$

To charge it up to a total charge

Q we need

$$W = \int_0^Q \frac{q dq}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R} = \frac{Q^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R} \Rightarrow Q = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R V$$

$$W = \frac{16\pi^2 \epsilon_0^2 R^2 V^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 R} = \underline{\underline{2\pi\epsilon_0 R V^2}}$$

3.2 G a, The electric field inside the shell has to be 0 since it is a conductor, so on the inner surface of the shell the charge is $-Q$ to cancel the charge inside. The potential on the surface is V_1 and is created by only the charge on the outer surface of the shell:

$$V_1 = \frac{Q_{out}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \cdot b}$$

$$\underline{\underline{Q_{out} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 b V_1}}$$

b) The electric field:

$$\underline{\underline{E(r < a) = 0}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{E(a < r < b) = \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}}}$$

$$E(r > b) = \frac{Q_{out}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 b V_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{b V_1}{r^2}$$

The potential

$$V(r > b) = \frac{Q_{out}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 b V_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} = \frac{b V_1}{r}$$

Now consider a point r s.t. $a < r < b$

$$V(r) - V(b) = - \int_b^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = - \int_b^r \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} dr =$$

$$= \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \Big|_b^r = \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b}$$

$$V(r) = V(b) + \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b} = V_1 + \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b}$$

At point a

$$V(a) = V_1 + \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a} - \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b}$$

For $r < a$ the electric field is 0, so the potential is constant:

$$V(r < a) = V(a) = \underline{V_1 + \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a} - \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 b}}$$

3.2 H The electric field is determined by Gauss' law

$$E \cdot 2\pi r l = \frac{Ql}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E = \frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon_0 r}$$

$$V(r_2) - V(r_1) = - \int_{r_1}^{r_2} E dr = - \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon_0 r} dr =$$

$$= - \frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon_0} \ln r \Big|_{r_1}^{r_2} = \underline{\underline{\frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon_0} \ln \frac{r_1}{r_2}}}$$

3.2 I Suppose they have radius R_1 , charge Q_1 ;

$$V_1 = \frac{Q_1}{4\pi \epsilon_0 R_1} \Rightarrow Q_1 = 4\pi \epsilon_0 R_1 V_1$$

After they coalesce: $Q_2 = 2Q_1 = 8\pi \epsilon_0 R_1 V_1$

The total volume is double the volume of one;

$$\frac{4}{3} \pi R_2^3 = 2 \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi R_1^3$$

$$R_2 = 2^{1/3} R_1$$

The potential

$$V_2 = \frac{Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_2} = \frac{2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_1 V_1} = \underline{2^{2/3} V_1}$$

3.3 A a. $V = \frac{-Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$

b. $E_r = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial r} = \frac{-Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \Rightarrow \underline{\vec{E} = \frac{-Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}}$

c. $\underline{\vec{E}_{\text{inside}} = 0}$

3.3 B $V = \frac{ax}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} + \frac{b}{(x^2+y^2)^{1/2}}$

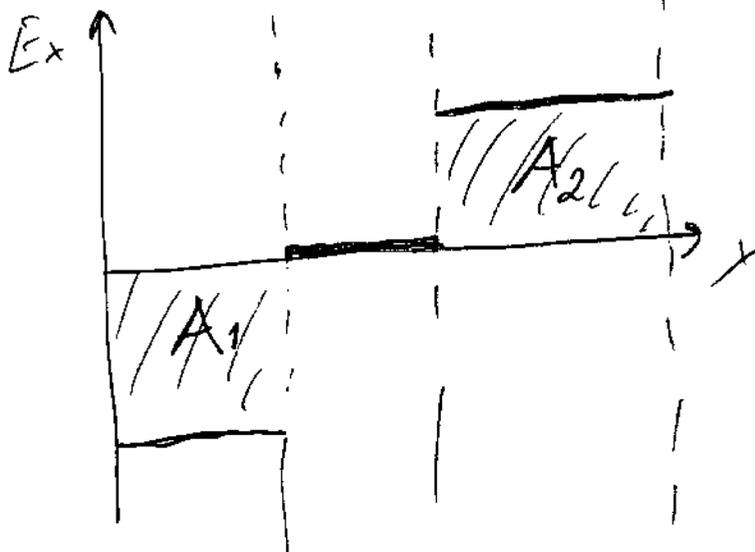
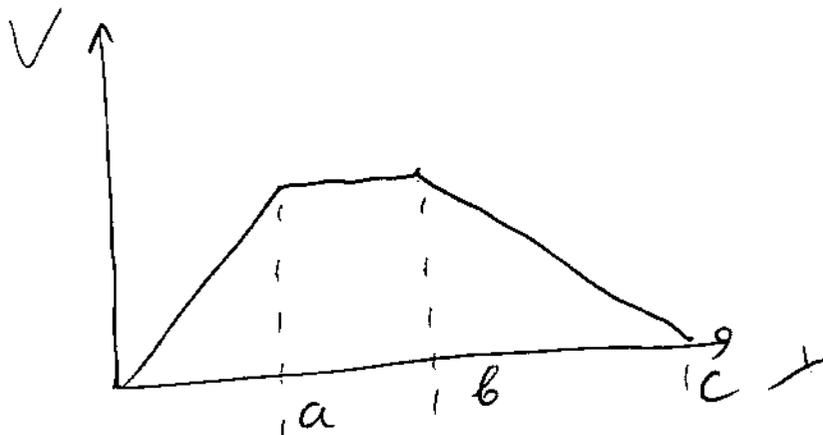
$$\cdot E_x = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = -\frac{a \left((x^2+y^2)^{3/2} - x \frac{3}{2} (x^2+y^2)^{1/2} \cdot 2x \right)}{(x^2+y^2)^3}$$

$$-b \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) (x^2+y^2)^{-3/2} \cdot 2x =$$

$$= -\frac{a(y^2 - 2x^2)}{(x^2+y^2)^{5/2}} + \frac{bx}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_y &= - \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = -ax \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) (x^2+y^2)^{-5/2} \cdot (2y) - \\
 &\quad -b \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) (x^2+y^2)^{-3/2} \cdot (2y) = \\
 &= \frac{3axy}{(x^2+y^2)^{5/2}} + \frac{by}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

3.3 D $E_x = - \frac{dV}{dx}$

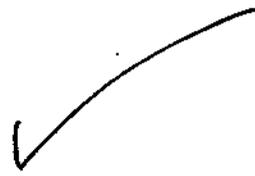


$$\Delta V = - \int E_x dx = - (\text{area under } E_x \text{ curve})$$

since $\Delta V = 0$ from 0 to c it means the total area under E_x is 0, i.e.,

$$-A_1 + A_2 = 0$$

$$A_1 = A_2$$



3.3 E For a sphere the electric field is maximal near the surface:

$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \quad V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$

$$\Downarrow \\ E = \frac{V}{R}$$

$$V_{\max} = E_{\max} \cdot R = 10^4 \frac{V}{\text{cm}} \cdot 10 \text{ cm}$$

$$\boxed{V_{\max} = 10^5 \text{ V}}$$

3,4 A

$$E = \Delta V \cdot q = 100V \cdot e = \underline{100eV}$$

$$E = 100V \cdot 1.6 \cdot 10^{-19} C = \underline{1.6 \cdot 10^{-17} J}$$

$$E = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-17} \cdot 10^7 \text{ erg} = \underline{1.6 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ erg}}$$

$$\frac{m_e v^2}{2} = E$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m_e}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 1.6 \cdot 10^{-17} J}{9.1 \cdot 10^{-31} kg}}$$

$$\underline{v = 5.9 \cdot 10^6 \text{ m/s}}$$