E & M Qualifier

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- 1. use only the blank answer paper provided,
- 2. write only on one side of the page,
- 3. put your alias (NOT YOUR REAL NAME) on every page,
- 4. start each problem by stating your units e.g., SI or Gaussian,
- 5. number every page as follows
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 - (b) starting numbering each problem with page 1,
 - (c) when you finish a problem put the total number of pages you used for that problem on every page you hand in for that problem.
- 6. **DO NOT** staple your exam when done.

Use only the reference material supplied (Schaum's Guides).



1. A large flat thin disk of linear magnetic material of thickness d and radius $R \gg d$ which has magnetic permeability μ is placed in a uniform magnetic field $\mathbf{H} = H_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ as shown in the figure. The bottom of the slab is in the x-y plane at z = 0 and the top is at z = d. Assume the source of the uniform magnetic field is far away and assume the slab is infinite $(R \to \infty)$ in the x-y directions. In addition to possessing a linear magnetic susceptibility χ_m related to the materials permeability, the slab also possesses a **uniform permanent magnetization** $M_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$, producing a total magnetization density

$$\mathbf{M} = \chi_m \mathbf{H} + M_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad \text{where} \quad \chi_m^{SI} = 4\pi \chi_m^G.$$

Recall that in SI (mks) and Gaussian (cgs) units

$$\mathbf{B}^{SI} = \mu_0 (\mathbf{H}^{SI} + \mathbf{M}^{SI}), \qquad \mathbf{B}^G = \mathbf{H}^G + 4\pi \mathbf{M}^G.$$

(a) [1 pts] In this problem you are to write the magnetic field **H** as the gradient of a scalar potential

$$\mathbf{H} = -\boldsymbol{\nabla}\Phi_M.$$

Explain why you can do this.

(b) [3 pts] What is the form of the Poisson equation satisfied by Φ_M inside and outside the slab, i.e.,

$$\nabla^2 \Phi_M = ?$$

Solve this equation for the 3 spatial regions separated by $z \neq 0$ and $z \neq d$. Observe that there is no x or y dependence in this problem. Make sure your Φ_M far above and below the slab produces the uniform magnetic field $\mathbf{H} = H_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$.

- (c) [2 pts] What general boundary conditions are satisfied by **H** and **B** at the two junctions z = 0 and z = d. What conditions are placed on Φ_M and its z-derivative by these junction conditions for this particular problem?
- (d) [2 pts] Use your solutions from (b) and boundary conditions from (c) to find Φ_M inside and outside the slab.
- (e) [2 pts] Calculate **H** and **B** inside and outside the slab.



2. Consider a tiny sphere of radius R, composed of a linear dielectric material of susceptibility χ_e and permittivity ϵ which is a distance dfrom a thin but very long ($R \ll d \ll \ell$) wire possessing a uniform line charge per unit length λ . Recall that

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E} \quad \text{where} \quad \epsilon^G = \epsilon^{SI} / \epsilon_0 = 1 + \chi_e^{SI} = 1 + 4\pi \chi_e^G$$
$$\mathbf{P} = \chi_e \mathbf{E} \quad \text{where} \quad \chi_e^{SI} = 4\pi \chi_e^G$$
$$\mathbf{D}^{SI} = \epsilon_0 (\mathbf{E}^{SI} + \mathbf{P}^{SI}), \qquad \mathbf{D}^G = \mathbf{E}^G + 4\pi \mathbf{P}^G$$

The electrostatic potential for a point dipole at the origin is

$$\Phi^{SI} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}}{r^3},$$
$$\Phi^G = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}}{r^3},$$

- (a) [2 pts] Calculate the magnitude of the electric field E_{wire} at the center of the sphere caused by the charge on the wire.
- (b) [2 pts] As an approximation, assume the **dielectric sphere** is centered at the origin in a uniform electric field of the form $E_{wire} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$. The polarization charge induced on the sphere's surface produces an electric dipole field \mathbf{E}_{dipole} outside the sphere and makes a uniform contribution to the net uniform field $E_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ that exists inside the sphere. Give an expression for the electric dipole field \mathbf{E}_{dipole} as a function of the sphere's uniform polarization density \mathbf{P} if the dipole is oriented in the $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ direction, i.e., if $\mathbf{p} = p_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}} = 4/3 \pi R^3 \mathbf{P}$.
- (c) [3 pts] What boundary conditions must **E** and **D** satisfy at the sphere's surface? Use these boundary conditions to calculate the net electric dipole moment $p_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ of the sphere?
- (d) [3 pts] Compute the force exerted on the sphere by the wire by computing the force on a point dipole in the non-uniform electric field caused by the wire. Is the sphere attracted or repelled by the charged wire?



- 3. Consider two concentric conducting spherical shells of radii a and b with b > a. The space between the two shells is a filled with Ohmic material of constant conductivity σ , permittivity ϵ_0 , and permuability μ_0 . The system is charged such that at time t = 0 the inner conductor has charge $+Q_0$ and the outer conductor has charge $-Q_0$. At times t > 0 the charge will flow from the inner shell to the outer shell.
 - (a) [2 pts] Use Gauss's law to relate the electric field $\mathbf{E}(t, \mathbf{r})$ between the plates to the charge Q(t) on the inner plate.
 - (b) [4 pts] Use the conservation of charge and

$$\mathbf{J}(t,\mathbf{r}) = \sigma \, \mathbf{E}(t,\mathbf{r}),$$

to find Q(t).

- (c) [2 pts] Use Faraday's law and your electric field to show that $\mathbf{B}(t, \mathbf{r}) = 0.$
- (d) [2 pts] Confirm that Ampère's law is satisfied.



4. A uniform sheet of current in the (x, y) plane at z = 0 suddenly turns on at t = 0 and has a surface current density

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}(t,\mathbf{r}) &= 0, & t < 0, \\ \mathbf{K}(t,\mathbf{r}) &= K_0 \, \hat{\mathbf{x}}, & t \ge 0, \end{aligned}$$
 (1)

where K_0 has units of current/length. The corresponding volume current density is

$$\mathbf{J}(t,\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{K}(t,\mathbf{r})\,\delta(z).$$

The retarded vector potential in SI units and in the Lorentz gauge for an arbitrary current source can found by integrating

$$\mathbf{A}(t,\mathbf{r}) = \left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi}\right) \int \frac{\mathbf{J}(t-|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|/c,\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|} d^3r'.$$

In Gaussian units the factor $\mu_0/4\pi$ is replaced by 1/c.

- (a) [4 pts] In cylindrical polar coordinates evaluate 2 of the 3 integrals in the above expression for $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$, i.e., integrate over z' and ϕ' leaving $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$ as an integral over the single coordinate ρ' .
- (b) [3 pts] Evaluate the ρ' integral giving $\mathbf{A}(t, \mathbf{r})$ as a function of t and z only.
- (c) [3 pts] Compute the magnetic induction from your vector potential.



5. A linearly-polarized harmonic $(e^{-i\omega t})$ plane electromagnetic wave traveling to the right in a homogeneous dielectric medium described by a real dielectric constant ϵ_1 , strikes a second homogeneous dielectric material described by another real dielectric constant $\epsilon_2 > \epsilon_1$ (see the figure). Assume that both materials have no magnetic susceptibility, $\chi_m = 0$, and that the incidence angle is 0^o (i.e., the wave is traveling perpendicular to the junction). Assume the incoming wave is polarized in the \hat{x} direction and that its electric field amplitude is E_0 , i.e., assume the incoming electric field is the real part of

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0 \, e^{i(kz - wt)} \, \hat{x}.$$

- (a) [2 pts] Give the direction of the magnetic induction **B** associated with the above incoming wave and give its amplitude B_0 as a function of E_0 . Also give k as a function of ω .
- (b) [2 pts] Give similar expressions for **E** and **B** of the reflected and transmitted waves. Use E''_0 and E'_0 for the respective electric field amplitudes of the reflected and transmitted waves.
- (c) [3 pts] Apply the boundary conditions at the junction/interface between the dielectrics to the incoming, reflected, and transmitted wave to compute E''_0 and E'_0 as functions of E_0 and the two dielectric constants ϵ_1 and ϵ_2 .
- (d) [3 pts] Evaluate the reflection and transmission coefficients, R and T, for above waves. Recall that R and T are computed from ratios of time averaged Poynting vectors which are defined by

$$\mathbf{S} \equiv \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H},\tag{SI}$$

$$\mathbf{S} \equiv \frac{c}{4\pi} \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}.$$
 (Gaussian)

6. In the lab you measure a uniform electric field and a uniform magnetic induction

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0(\cos 45^\circ \,\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin 45^\circ \,\hat{\mathbf{y}}),$$
$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 \,\hat{\mathbf{x}},$$

where $B_0 = E_0$ in Gaussian units or $B_0 = E_0/c$ in SI units. The goal of this problem is to compute the \mathbf{E}' and \mathbf{B}' fields an observer sees if moving relative to the lab with a velocity $\mathbf{v} = v_0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$.

- (a) [2 pts] Combine **E** and **B** into a single 4×4 anti-symmetric electromagnetic field tensor $F^{\alpha\beta}$.
- (b) [2 pts] Give the 4×4 Lorentz boost L^{α}_{β} that transforms the lab coordinates (ct, x, y, z) into the moving frame's coordinates (ct', x', y', z')i.e., $x'^{\alpha} = L^{\alpha}_{\beta} x^{\beta}$ where $x^{\beta} = (ct, x, y, z)$. In matrix notation x' = L x.
- (c) [3 pts] Find \mathbf{E}' and \mathbf{B}' by by boosting the F tensor, i.e., compute $F'^{\alpha\beta} = L^{\alpha}_{\sigma}L^{\beta}_{\lambda}F^{\sigma\lambda}$ which in matrix notation is $F' = LFL^{\top}$
- (d) [3 pts] For what value of v_0 will \mathbf{E}' and \mathbf{B}' be parallel?