

1. A conductor at potential $V = 0$ has the shape of an infinite plane except for a hemispherical bulge of radius a (Fig. 1). A charge q is placed above the center of the bulge, a distance p from the plane (or $p - a$ from the top of the bulge). What is the force on the charge? (15 points)
2. A cylindrical resistor (Fig. 2) has radius b , length L , and conductivity σ_1 . At the center of the resistor is a defect consisting of a small sphere of radius a inside which the conductivity is σ_2 . The input and output currents are distributed uniformly across the flat ends of the resistor.
- (a) What is the resistance of the resistor if $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2$?
- (b) Estimate the relative change in the resistance to first order in $\sigma_1 - \sigma_2$ if $\sigma_1 \neq \sigma_2$. (Make any assumptions needed to simplify your method of estimation.) (20 points)
3. A dipole of moment p is placed at a distance x from a point charge q , so that p points directly toward q (Fig. 3). Find the force and the torque acting upon the dipole. (15 points)
4. A coil of N turns is wrapped around an iron ring of radius d and cross section A ($d^2 \gg A$). Assuming a constant permeability $\mu \gg 1$ for the iron:
- (a) What is the magnetic flux $\phi = \int B_n dA$ as a function of current I ?
- (b) If a gap of width δ ($\delta^2 \ll A$) is cut in the ring, what is the flux for the same current I ?
- (c) What is the field energy in the iron ? in the gap ?
- (d) With such a gap in the ring, what is the self-inductance ? (20 points)
5. An infinitely long conductive circular cylinder is split lengthwise and the two halves are held at potentials U_0 and $-U_0$ (Fig. 4). Find the potential everywhere inside. (15 points)
6. Consider an elliptical polarized electromagnetic wave whose electric component is given by
- $$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{i} E_0 \sin \omega(t-z/c) + \mathbf{j} E_0 \sin [\omega(t-z/c) + \pi/4].$$
- Find the smallest and the largest value of the Poynting vector for this wave. (15 points)

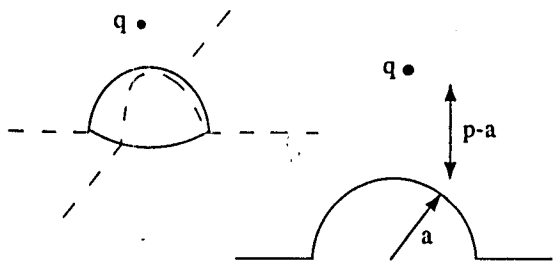


Figure 1.

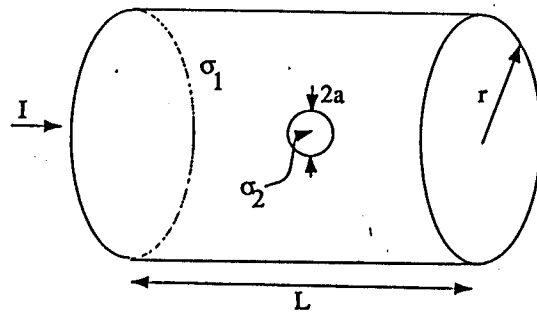


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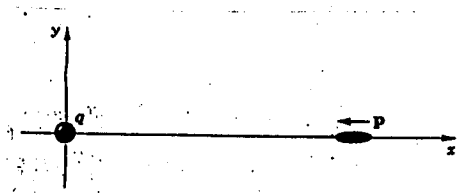


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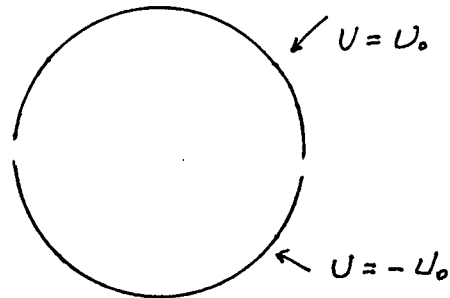


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