

Exam 1
Physics 110, Sept 27, 2018

In addition to this page, I will include the “purple equation sheet” from Griffiths.

No phones or other device that connects to the internet.

You may use a calculator, though I don't think you'll need it.

Present clear and complete answers:

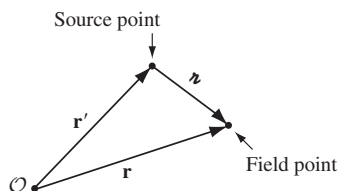
Explain your answers clearly but briefly. You want to aim for a level of solution that someone taking this class would be able to understand. A diagram and a few words may help.

Start calculations with first principles: things like definitions ($\vec{E} \equiv \frac{\vec{F}}{Q}$) or empirical laws (like Coulomb's Law or Newton's Laws) or conservation laws.

Check time:

The point values for each problem are shown next to the question number. Time yourself accordingly. The total value of the exam is 100 points. **Good luck!**

Some definitions:



Some more math:

$$z^2 = r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr' \cos \alpha$$

$$V_s = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3$$

Helpful Equations:

$$\vec{F} = \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 z^2} \hat{z}$$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$V(r) = - \int_{ref}^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$$

Helpful Integrals:

$$\int \sqrt{1-x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} [x\sqrt{1-x^2} + \sin^{-1} x]$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \sin^{-1} x$$

$$\int \frac{x dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = -\sqrt{1-x^2}$$

$$\int \frac{x^2 dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = -\frac{x}{2}\sqrt{1-x^2} + \frac{1}{2}\sin^{-1} x$$

Helpful Taylor series expansions (for small ϵ):

$$e^\epsilon \approx 1 + \epsilon + \dots$$

$$\ln(1 + \epsilon) \approx \epsilon + \dots$$

$$(1 + \epsilon)^n \approx 1 + n\epsilon + \dots$$

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1. (5 points) Calculate the gradient of this function, $f = 3x^2 + xz + y^3$

2. (5 points) Calculate the divergence of this vector function:

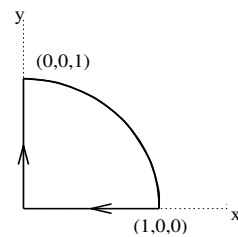
$$\vec{A} = \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \hat{r}$$

3. (10 points) Could this \vec{E} be an electric field? Why or Why not?

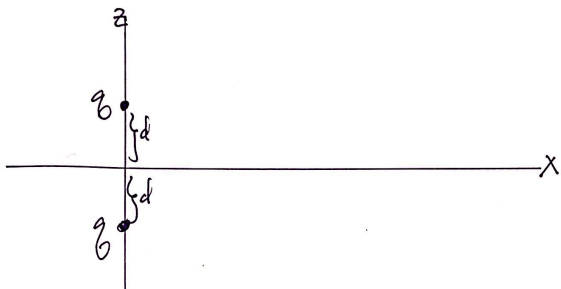
$$\vec{E} = x\hat{y}$$

4. (10 points) An electric field is given by $\vec{E} = \frac{c}{r^3} \hat{r}$. Find the potential at r , assuming a reference point at infinity.

5. (20 points) Verify Stokes' Theorem (the curl theorem) by considering $\vec{v} = y\hat{x} - x\hat{y}$ and the closed path shown in the figure. Hint: The equation of a circle of radius 1 is $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.

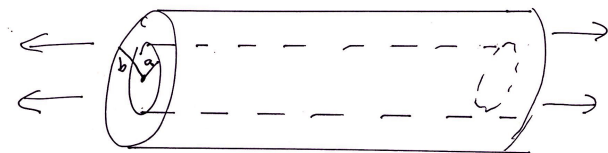


6. (15 points) Two equal positive point charges q are located on the z -axis as shown. One at $(0, 0, d)$, the other at $(0, 0, -d)$. Find the electric field at position x along the x -axis.



7. (20 points) An infinitely long cylinder with a hollow center (thicker than a shell) has a uniform volume charge distribution, ρ . The cylinder has inner radius a and outer radius b . Using s as radial to the cylinder:

- (a) What is the electric field outside the cylinder (for $s > b$) ?
- (b) What is the electric field in the solid part of the cylinder (for $a < s < b$) ?
- (c) What is the electric field in the hollow part, where $s < a$?



8. (15 points) A hemispherical shell of radius R has a surface charge distribution $\sigma = k \cos^2 \theta$ where k is a constant. What is the potential at the middle of the base of the hemisphere?

