

1st Exam Solution

1. Determine the capacitance per unit length between two long, parallel, circular conducting wires of radius a . The axes of the wires are separated by a distance D .

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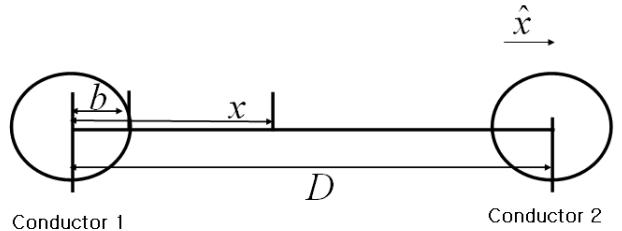
assuming $d \gg a$, $\rho_a = \rho_l$, $\rho_b = -\rho_l$ in free space $\epsilon = \epsilon_0$

$$\bar{E}_a = a_r \frac{\rho_a}{2\pi\epsilon r}, \quad \bar{E}_b = a_r \frac{\rho_b}{2\pi\epsilon r}$$

$$V_{ab} = - \int_D^a \bar{E}_a \cdot dl - \int_a^D \bar{E}_b \cdot dl = - \int_D^a (a_r \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon r}) \cdot (a_r dr) - \int_a^D (a_r \frac{-\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon r}) \cdot (a_r dr)$$

$$= \frac{\rho_l}{\pi\epsilon} \ln(r) \Big|_a^D = \frac{\rho_l}{\pi\epsilon} \ln \frac{D}{a}$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{V_{ab}} = \frac{\rho_l \cdot L}{\frac{\rho_l}{\pi\epsilon} \ln \frac{D}{a}} = \frac{\pi\epsilon L}{\ln \frac{D}{a}}$$



$$\therefore \text{The capacitance per unit length } \frac{C}{L} = \frac{\pi\epsilon}{\ln \frac{D}{a}} \text{ [F/m]}$$

Using the method of image. (not assuming $d \gg a$)

assuming $\rho_1 = \rho_l$, $\rho_2 = -\rho_l$

$$\bar{E}_1 = a_r \frac{\rho_1}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}, \quad \bar{E}_2 = a_r \frac{\rho_2}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$V_1 = - \int_d^a \bar{E}_a \cdot dl = - \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{a}{d}$$

$$V_2 = - \int_a^d \bar{E}_b \cdot dl = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{a}{d}$$

The capacitance per unit length is

$$C = \frac{\rho_l}{V_1 - V_2} = \frac{\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln(d/a)}$$

where

$$d = D - d_i = D - \frac{a^2}{d} \text{ from which we obtain } d = \frac{1}{2}(D + \sqrt{D^2 - 4a^2})$$

$$\therefore C = \frac{\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln[(D/2a) + \sqrt{(D/2a)^2 - 1}]} \text{ or } \frac{\pi\epsilon_0}{\cosh^{-1}(D/2a)} \text{ [F/m]}$$

2. A metal sphere of radius a has a uniform surface charge distribution ρ_s . The permittivity of the surrounding region varies as $\epsilon = \epsilon_0(1 + a/r)$.

Find (a) \overline{D} , \overline{E} and \overline{P} everywhere in space, (b) the bound charge densities, and (c) the energy density, and (d) find the potential in the dielectric region.

Sol)

(a) spherical symmetry \rightarrow Gauss law 적용

$$\overline{D} = \hat{r} D_r, \quad d\vec{s} = \hat{r} ds$$

$$\text{Gauss law: } \oint_S \overline{D} \cdot d\vec{s} = Q$$

$$\oint_S \overline{D} \cdot d\vec{s} = D_r \int_S ds = D_r 4\pi r^2, \quad Q = \int_S \rho_s ds = \rho_s 4\pi a^2$$

$$\therefore \overline{D} = \hat{r} \frac{a^2 \rho_s}{r^2} [C/m^2]$$

$$\overline{D} = \epsilon_0 \overline{E}, \quad \therefore \overline{E} = \hat{r} E_r = \hat{r} \frac{a^2 \rho_s}{\epsilon r^2} = \hat{r} \frac{a^2 \rho_s}{\epsilon_0 r (a+r)} [V/m]$$

$$\overline{P} = \overline{D} - \epsilon_0 \overline{E}, \quad \therefore \overline{P} = \hat{r} P_r = \hat{r} (D_r - \epsilon_0 E_r) = \hat{r} \frac{a^3 \rho_s}{r^2 (a+r)} [C/m^2]$$

(b)

$$\rho_{sb} = \overline{P} \cdot \hat{n}$$

$$\therefore \rho_{sb} \Big|_{r=a} = \overline{P} \cdot (-\hat{r}) = -\frac{a^3 \rho_s}{a^2 (a+a)} = -\frac{\rho_s}{2} [C/m^2]$$

$$\rho_{sb} \Big|_{r=b>a} = \overline{P} \cdot \hat{r} = \frac{a^3 \rho_s}{b^2 (a+b)} [C/m^2]$$

$$\rho_{vb} = -\nabla \cdot \overline{P}$$

$$\therefore \rho_{vb} = -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} r^2 P_r = -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{a^2 \rho_s}{(a+r)} = \frac{a^3 \rho_s}{r^2 (a+r)^2} [C/m^3]$$

(c)

$$w_e = \frac{1}{2} \overline{D} \cdot \overline{E} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon E^2 = \frac{D^2}{2\epsilon}$$

$$\therefore w_e = \frac{1}{2} \left(\hat{r} \frac{a^2 \rho_s}{r^2} \right) \cdot \left(\hat{r} \frac{a^2 \rho_s}{\epsilon_0 r (a+r)} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{a^4 \rho_s^2}{r^3 (a+r)^2} [J/m^3]$$

(d)

$$V = - \int_{\infty}^r \overline{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

$$\therefore V = - \int_{\infty}^r \frac{a^2 \rho_s}{\epsilon_0 r (a+r)} dr = \frac{-a^2 \rho_s}{\epsilon_0} \int_{\infty}^r \frac{1/a}{r} - \frac{1/a}{r+a} dr = \frac{-a \rho_s}{\epsilon_0} \left(\int_{\infty}^r \frac{1}{r} dr - \int_{\infty}^r \frac{1}{r+a} dr \right)$$

$$= \frac{a \rho_s}{\epsilon_0} \left(\ln \frac{r+a}{r} \right) \Big|_{\infty}^r = \frac{a \rho_s}{\epsilon_0} \ln \left(1 + \frac{a}{r} \right) [V]$$

3. Show that the magnitude of the electric field intensity of an electric dipole is $E = \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} [1 + 3\cos^2\theta]^{1/2}$

Sol)

1. Find electric field intensity of an electric dipole

method 1 find \vec{E} directly

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{E} &= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{\vec{R}_1}{|\vec{R}_1|^3} - \frac{\vec{R}_2}{|\vec{R}_2|^3} \right\} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{\vec{R} - \frac{\vec{d}}{2}}{\left| \vec{R} - \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|^3} - \frac{\vec{R} + \frac{\vec{d}}{2}}{\left| \vec{R} + \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|^3} \right\} \\ \left| \vec{R} - \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|^{-3} &= \left[\left(\vec{R} - \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\vec{R} - \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right) \right]^{-3/2} = \left[R^2 - \vec{R} \cdot \vec{d} + \frac{d^2}{4} \right]^{-3/2} \\ &= R^{-3} \left[1 - \frac{\vec{R} \cdot \vec{d}}{R^2} + \frac{d^2}{4R^2} \right]^{-3/2} \cong R^{-3} \left[1 - \frac{\vec{R} \cdot \vec{d}}{R^2} \right]^{-3/2} \cong R^{-3} \left[1 + \frac{3 \vec{R} \cdot \vec{d}}{2R^2} \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \left| \vec{R} + \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|^{-3} \cong R^{-3} \left[1 - \frac{3 \vec{R} \cdot \vec{d}}{2R^2} \right]$$

$$\therefore \vec{E} \cong \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} \left[3 \frac{\vec{R} \cdot \vec{d}}{R^2} \vec{R} - \vec{d} \right] = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} \left[3 \frac{\vec{R} \cdot \vec{p}}{R^2} \vec{R} - \vec{p} \right] \quad (\text{let, } \vec{p} = q\vec{d})$$

$$\left(\text{using } \vec{p} = \hat{z}p = p(\hat{R} \cos\theta - \hat{\theta} \sin\theta) \Rightarrow \vec{R} \cdot \vec{p} = Rp \cos\theta \right)$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} (\hat{R} 2 \cos\theta + \hat{\theta} \sin\theta)$$

method 2 find \vec{E} from V

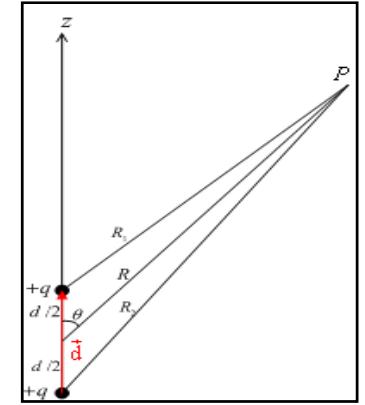
$$\begin{aligned}V &= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right\} \\ \frac{1}{R_1} &\cong \left(R - \frac{d}{2} \cos\theta \right)^{-1} \cong R^{-1} \left[1 + \frac{d}{2R} \cos\theta \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \frac{1}{R_2} \cong \left(R + \frac{d}{2} \cos\theta \right)^{-1} \cong R^{-1} \left[1 - \frac{d}{2R} \cos\theta \right]$$

$$\therefore V = \frac{qd \cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} = \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \hat{R}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \quad (\text{let, } \vec{p} = q\vec{d})$$

$$\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}V = -\hat{R} \frac{\partial V}{\partial R} - \hat{\theta} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\therefore \vec{E} = \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} (\hat{R} 2 \cos\theta + \hat{\theta} \sin\theta)$$

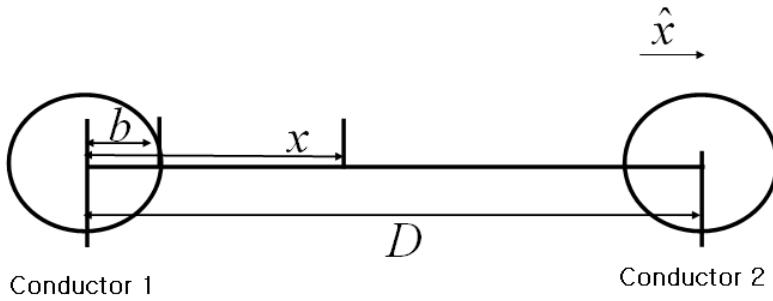


2. Calculate the magnitude

$$\begin{aligned}|\vec{E}| &= \sqrt{E_r^2 + E_\theta^2} = \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} \sqrt{(2 \cos\theta)^2 + (\sin\theta)^2} \\ &= \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} \sqrt{4 \cos^2\theta + 1 - \cos^2\theta} = \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} [1 + 3 \cos^2\theta]^{1/2}\end{aligned}$$

4. The conductors of an isolated two-wire transmission line, each of radius b , are spaced at a distance D apart. Assuming $D \gg b$ and a voltage V_0 between the lines, find the force per unit length on the lines.

Sol)



Assume line charge densities ρ_l , $-\rho_l$ on conductors 1 and 2 respectively. At any point x between to conductors, electric field intensity is

$$\bar{E} = \hat{x} \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0 x} - \hat{x} \frac{-\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0 (D-x)} = \hat{x} \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{D-x} \right)$$

Then electric potential V between conductor 1 and 2 is,

$$\begin{aligned} V_{12} &= V_1 - V_2 = - \int_{x=D-b}^{x=b} \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{x} = - \int_{D-b}^b \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{D-x} \right) dx \\ &= - \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{D-b}^b \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{D-x} dx = - \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot (\ln x - \ln(D-x)) \Big|_{D-b}^b \\ &= - \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \left(\ln \frac{b}{D-b} - \ln \frac{D-b}{b} \right) = - \frac{\rho_l}{\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{b}{D-b} = \frac{\rho_l}{\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{D-b}{b} \\ &= \frac{\rho_l}{\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{D(1-b/D)}{b} \approx \frac{\rho_l}{\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \frac{D}{b} \quad (D \gg b) \end{aligned}$$

And capacitance per unit length between two-wire transmission line(distance D) is

$$C = \frac{\rho_l}{V_{12}} = \frac{\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln D/b} \quad (F/m)$$

Now using principle of virtual displacement with fixed potential V_0 ,

$$\bar{F} = \nabla W_e = \hat{x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{1}{2} CV^2 \right) = \hat{x} \frac{V_0^2}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln x/b} \right) = -\hat{x} \frac{\pi\epsilon_0 V_0^2}{2x (\ln x/b)^2}$$

in this case, the distance between the wires is $x=D$,

$$\therefore \bar{F} = -\hat{x} \frac{\pi\epsilon_0 V_0^2}{2D (\ln D/b)^2}$$