

Homework 2 – Due September, 20

2.1. (20 pt.) Point charges Q_1 and Q_2 are, respectively, located at $(4,0,-3)$ and $(2,0,1)$. If $Q_2 = 4$ nC, find Q_1 such that:

- a) The E vector at $(5,0,6)$ has no z -component;
- b) The force on a test charge at $(5,0,6)$ has no x -component.

2.2. (15 pt.) The point charge Q is located at point $P(0,-4,0)$, while a 10 nC charge is uniformly distributed along a semicircular ring as shown in Figure 1. Find the value of Q such that $E(0,0,0) = 0$.

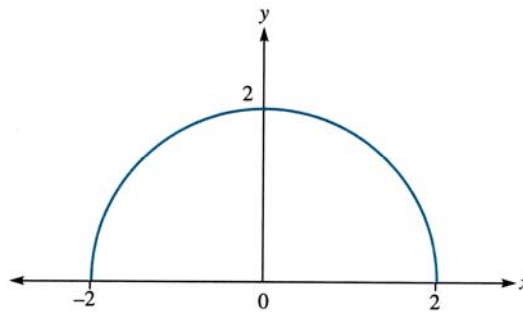


Figure 1

2.3. (15 pt.) If spherical surfaces $r = 1$ m and $r = 2$ m, respectively (see Figure 2 as a hint), carry uniform surface charge densities 8 nC/m² and -6 nC/m², find D at $r = 3$ m.

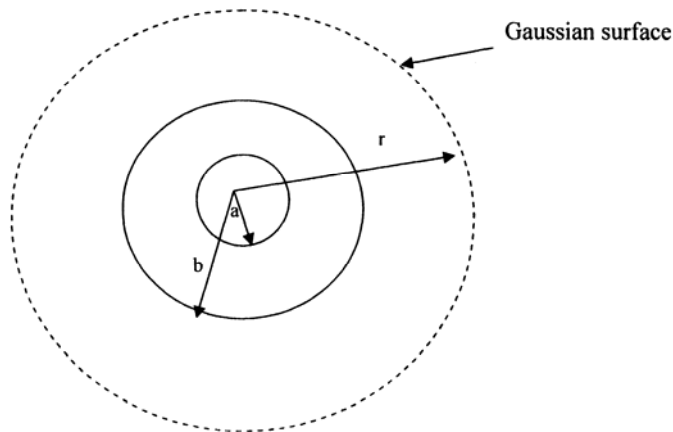


Figure 2

2.4. (20 pt.) Three point charges $Q_1 = 1$ mC, $Q_2 = -2$ mC, and $Q_3 = 3$ mC are, respectively, located at $(0,0,4)$, $(-2,5,1)$, and $(3,-4,6)$.

- a) Find the potential V_P at $P(-1,1,2)$;
b) Calculate the potential difference V_{PQ} if Q is $(1,2,3)$.

2.5. (10 pt.) If $V = 2x^2 + 6y^2$ V in free space, find the energy stored in a volume defined by $-1 \leq x \leq 1$, $-1 \leq y \leq 1$, and $-1 \leq z \leq 1$.

2.6. (10 pt.) In a slab of Teflon ($\epsilon_r = 2.1$), the electric field is $E = 6u_x + 12u_y - 20u_z$ V/m. Find D and P .

2.7. (10 pt.) Two point charges in free space are separated by distance d and exert a force 2.6 nN on each other. The force becomes 1.5 nN when the free space is replaced by a homogeneous dielectric material. Calculate the dielectric constant of the material.