

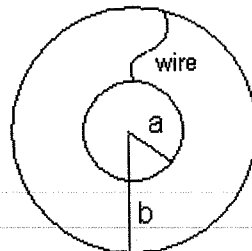
Physics 111 Homework Set #7

- 1) Through what potential difference would one need to accelerate an electron in order for it to achieve a velocity of 40% of the speed of light if it starts from rest? (Neglect relativistic effects.)
- 2) What potential difference is needed to stop an electron with an initial speed of  $4.2 \times 10^5$  m/s.
- 3) Two parallel plates are separated by 0.30mm. If a 20V potential difference is maintained between those plates, calculate the E-field strength in the region between them.
- 4) At a distance  $r$  away from a point charge  $q$ , the potential  $V=900$  V and  $E=150$  N/C. Determine both  $q$  and  $r$ .
- 5) The electrostatic potential due to a set of point charges is

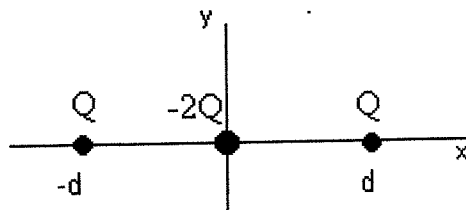
$$V = \frac{36}{\sqrt{(x+1)^2 + y^2}} - \frac{45}{\sqrt{x^2 + (y-2)^2}}$$

where  $V$  is in volts. Determine the position and magnitude of the distribution.

- 6) In Rutherford's experiment that led to the planetary model of the atom, alpha particles ( $q=+2e$ ,  $m=6.6 \times 10^{-27}$  kg) were fired at gold nuclei ( $q=+79e$ ). An alpha particle initially far from the nucleus is fired at  $2 \times 10^7$  m/s directly at the gold. How close does the alpha particle get to the gold?
- 7) The Bohr model of H states that the electron can exist only in certain allowed orbits. The radius of each is  $r=0.0529n^2$  nm. Calculate the electrostatic potential energy for  $n=1, 2$  and  $\infty$ .
- 8) If  $V=(4xz - 5y + 3z^2)$  Volts, find the  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $|\mathbf{E}|$  at  $x=2$  m,  $y=-1$  m,  $z=3$  m.
- 9) A rod of length  $L$  lies along the  $x$ -axis with its left end at the origin and has a **non-uniform** linear charge density  $\lambda=\alpha x$ . (a) What are the units of  $\alpha$ ? (b) Calculate the electric potential at a point A, a distance  $d$  from the left end of the rod.
- 10) For the arrangement described in problem 9, calculate  $V$  at a point B on the perpendicular bisector of the rod a distance  $b$  above the rod.
- 11) Two thin concentric spherical shells of radii  $a$  and  $b$  are connected by a thin wire as shown. If a total charge  $Q$  is placed on the system, how much charge is on each sphere?



- 12) For the quadrupole charge distribution shown, (a) find the exact expression for the potential at a point on the  $x$  axis with  $x>d$ . If  $x \gg d$ , show that  $V \approx \frac{2kQd^2}{x^3}$ .



- 13) Use the exact result from problem 12 to find the E-field at any point along  $x > d$ . Evaluate E at  $x=3d$  if  $d=2\text{mm}$  and  $Q=300\mu\text{C}$ .
- 14) Consider two thin concentric conducting spheres. The inner sphere has a radius of 15 cm and a charge of  $10\mu\text{C}$ . The outer sphere has a radius of 30 cm and a charge of  $-15\mu\text{C}$ . Find (a) the electric field and (b) the electric potential in each region if  $V=0$  at  $r=\infty$ .
- 15) The x-axis is the symmetry axis of a uniformly charged ring of radius R and charge Q. A point charge Q and mass M is located at the center of the ring. When displaced slightly, the point charge accelerates along the x-axis to infinity. Find the ultimate speed of the point charge.