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**EGA121**

**Introduction to Electromagnetics**

**Year 1**

**Deadline: 25/May/10am**

**Time allowed:**

**24 Hours**

Answer all **FOUR** questions

Show your work and box the final answer.

**Formulae sheet provided from page 6 to 14.**

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Q1. Vector Calculus

(a) Given the vector fields  $\vec{G} = 2y\hat{x} + 2x\hat{y} - z^2\hat{z}$  in cartesian coordinates and  $\vec{F} = \hat{\phi}$  in cylindrical coordinates. Determine whether these vector fields are solenoidal, conservative, both solenoidal and conservatives or neither of these.

[5 marks]

(b) For the vector field  $\vec{A} = 3\phi\hat{\phi} + 2\hat{r}$  given in cylindrical coordinate system.

(i) Calculate  $\nabla \times \vec{A}$ .

[5 marks]

(ii) Calculate the line integral of  $\vec{A}$  ( $\int_C \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l}$ ) in the contour **C** shown in figure Q1.

The contour is traverse in the counter-clockwise direction.

[15 marks]

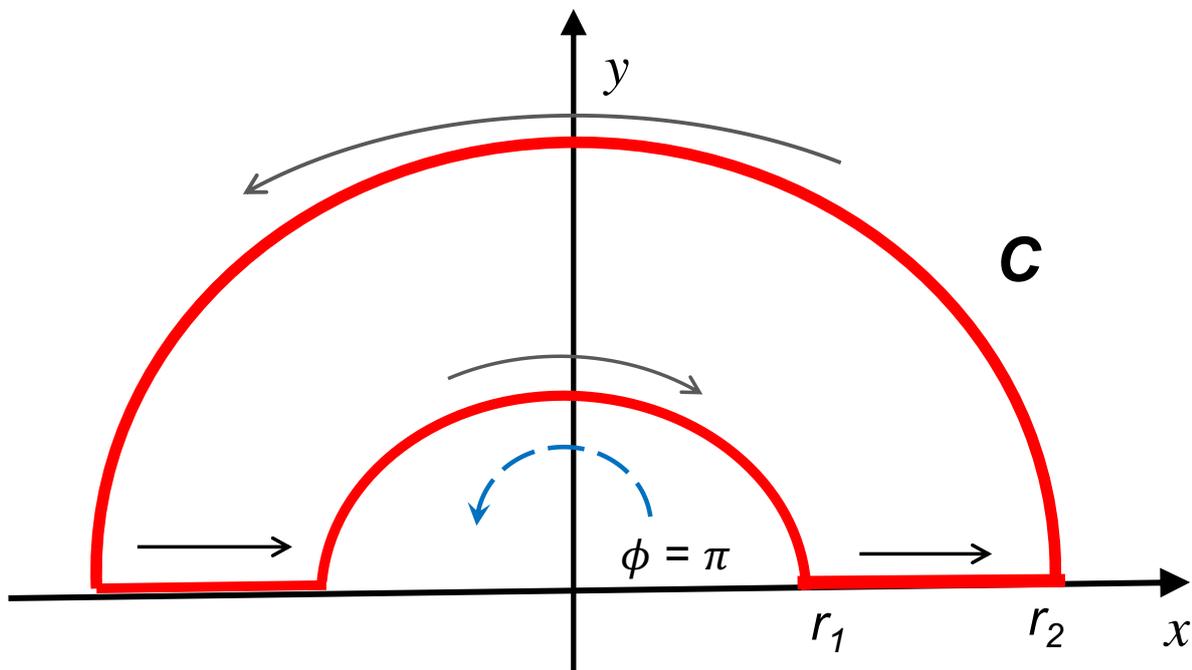


Figure Q1. The contour **C** (in red) is formed by two semicircles plus two horizontal segments of length  $r_2 - r_1$  and it is traverse counter-clockwise as indicated in the figure. The semicircles span a 90 degrees angle ( $\pi$  in radians).

(Total 25 marks)

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Q2. Electrostatics.

The spherical capacitor shown in Figure Q2 is formed by two concentric spherical conducting shells, the inner with radius  $a$  and outer with radius  $b$ . The capacitor is filled with two dielectrics of permittivities  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$ . The dielectric with permittivity  $\epsilon_1$  fills 1/4 of the volume as shown in Figure Q2, the remaining region is filled by the other dielectric. An applied voltage  $V$  between the spheres produces a charge  $+Q$  in the inner sphere and a charge  $-Q$  in the outer sphere.

- (a) Derive expressions for the electric field  $\vec{E}$  and displacement field  $\vec{D}$  in each dielectric as a function of  $Q$ ,  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$ . Assume that both fields are radial. Hint: *Make use of Gauss's law and the boundary conditions for  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{D}$ .* [15 marks]

- (b) Derive an expression for the capacitance as a function of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$ . [10 marks]

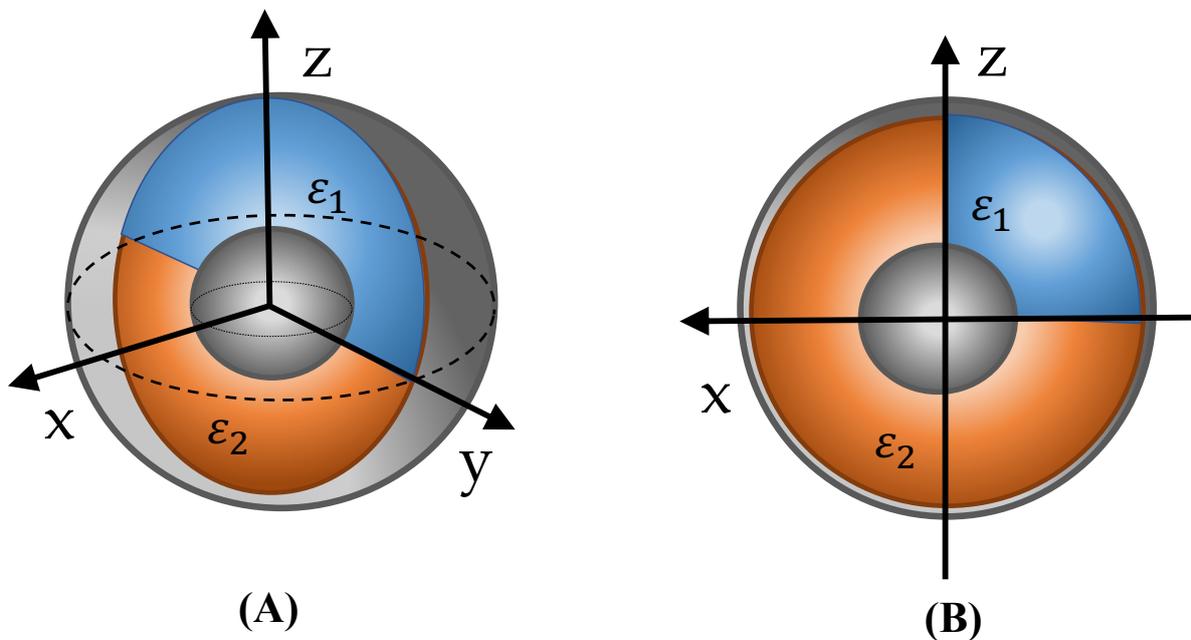


Figure Q2. (A) Spherical capacitor with two dielectrics. The capacitor is filled with dielectrics of permittivities  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$  as shown in the figure. The dielectric of permittivity  $\epsilon_1$  fills a quarter of the volume between the shells. The remaining region is filled by dielectric  $\epsilon_2$ . (B) Depicts a  $x$ - $z$  plane ( $z=0$ ) view of the capacitor showing the different dielectric filling.

### Q3. Magnetostatics.

The coaxial inductor shown in figure Q3.1 is formed by two concentric conducting cylinders of length  $L$ . The inner cylinder has a radius  $a$  and the outer cylinder a radius  $b$ . The inductor is filled with three non-conducting magnetic materials of permeability  $\mu_1$ ,  $\mu_2$  and  $\mu_3$ . The material of permeability  $\mu_3$  fills half of the volume and materials  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  one quarter of the volume as indicated in the cross section in figure Q3.1. If a current  $I$  circulates in the outer conductor from left to right and in the inner conductor from right to left:

- (a) Derive expressions for the “magnetic” field vectors  $\vec{B}$  and  $\vec{H}$  in the three materials inside the inductor as a function of the distance  $r$  from the axis, the permeabilities and the current  $I$ . Assume that the fields are axials (in the direction of the cylindrical vector  $\hat{\phi}$ ). *Hint: Make use of the boundary condition for  $\vec{B}$ ,  $\vec{H}$  and Ampere’s law.*

[15 marks]

- (b) Derive an expression for the inductance as a function of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $L$ ,  $\mu_1$ ,  $\mu_2$  and  $\mu_3$  by using the expression of the magnetic field  $\vec{B}$  calculated in (a).

[10 marks]

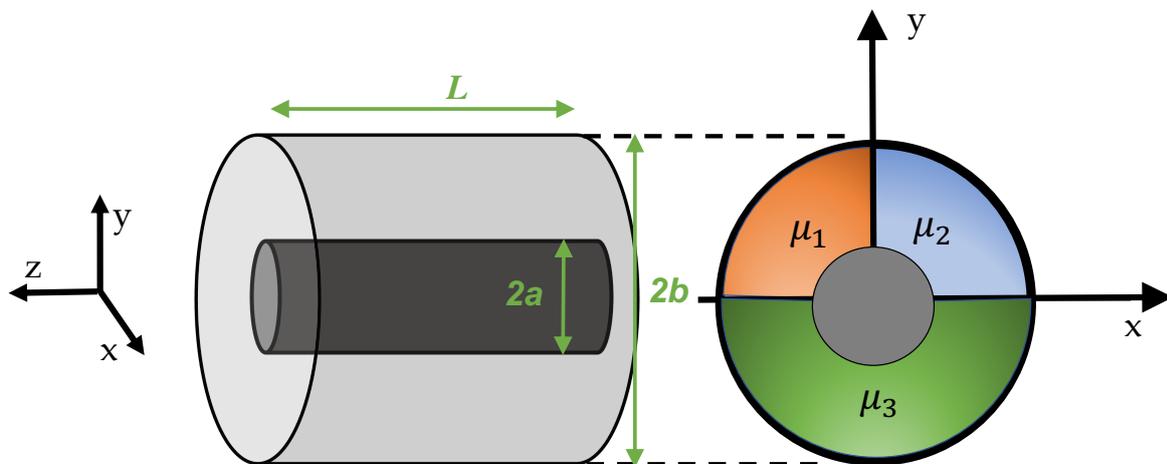


Figure Q3.1. Coaxial inductor indicating geometry, dimension and cross section.

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Q4. Electromagnetic Waves.

In a non-conducting medium with  $\epsilon = \frac{9\epsilon_0}{5}$  and  $\mu = 5\mu_0$ , the magnetic field of a plane polarized electromagnetic wave is given by:  $\vec{E}(z, t) = E_0 \sin(\omega t - kz + \pi) \hat{y}$

- (a) Determine the phasor  $\tilde{E}(z)$  of  $\vec{E}(z, t)$ . [5 marks]
- (b) Determine the phasor  $\tilde{H}(z)$  using Maxwell's phasor equations. [9 marks]
- (c) Determine the magnetic field  $\vec{H}(z, t)$ . [5 marks]
- (d) Express  $k$  (wavenumber) as a function of  $\omega$  and  $c$  (the speed of light). [1 mark]
- (e) Sketch a diagram of the electromagnetic wave at  $t=0$  and indicate the direction of propagation. Show the electric and magnetic field direction. [5 marks]

(Total 25 marks)

**END OF EXAM**

## Formulae Sheet

FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICAL CONSTANTS		
CONSTANT	SYMBOL	VALUE
speed of light in vacuum	$c$	$2.998 \times 10^8 \simeq 3 \times 10^8$ m/s
gravitational constant	$G$	$6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ N·m <sup>2</sup> /kg <sup>2</sup>
Boltzmann's constant	$K$	$1.38 \times 10^{-23}$ J/K
elementary charge	$e$	$1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ C
permittivity of free space	$\epsilon_0$	$8.85 \times 10^{-12} \simeq \frac{1}{36\pi} \times 10^{-9}$ F/m
permeability of free space	$\mu_0$	$4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ H/m
electron mass	$m_e$	$9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kg
proton mass	$m_p$	$1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kg
Planck's constant	$h$	$6.63 \times 10^{-34}$ J·s
intrinsic impedance of free space	$\eta_0$	$376.7 \simeq 120\pi$ $\Omega$

Gradient of a scalar field  $V$  in Cartesian coordinates:

$$\nabla V = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \hat{z}$$

The Laplacian  $\nabla^2$  of a scalar quantity  $V$  is given in Cartesian coordinates by:

$$\nabla^2 V = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z^2}$$

For a vector field  $\vec{A}$  in Cartesian coordinates, given in component form as:

$\vec{A} = A_x \hat{x} + A_y \hat{y} + A_z \hat{z}$  we have the following expressions for the divergence and the curl:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{A} = \left( \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z} \right) \hat{x} + \left( \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \right) \hat{y} + \left( \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} \right) \hat{z}$$

The Laplacian  $\nabla^2$  of a vector field  $\vec{A}$  is given in Cartesian coordinates by:

$$\nabla^2 \vec{A} = \frac{\partial^2 A_x}{\partial x^2} \hat{x} + \frac{\partial^2 A_y}{\partial y^2} \hat{y} + \frac{\partial^2 A_z}{\partial z^2} \hat{z}$$

(4) Vector calculus identity for a vector field  $\vec{A}$ :

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$



Gradient of a scalar field  $V$  in spherical coordinates:

$$\nabla V = \frac{\partial V}{\partial R} \hat{R} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} \hat{\theta} + \frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} \hat{\phi}$$

For a vector field  $\vec{A}$  in spherical coordinates, given in component form as:

$\vec{A} = A_R \hat{R} + A_\theta \hat{\theta} + A_\phi \hat{\phi}$ , we have the following expressions for the divergence and the curl:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{1}{R^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} (R^2 A_R) + \frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (A_\theta \sin \theta) + \frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \frac{\partial A_\phi}{\partial \phi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \vec{A} = & \frac{1}{R \sin \theta} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (A_\phi \sin \theta) - \frac{\partial A_\theta}{\partial \phi} \right) \hat{R} + \frac{1}{R} \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial A_R}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\partial}{\partial R} (R A_\phi) \right) \hat{\theta} \\ & + \frac{1}{R} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial R} (R A_\theta) - \frac{\partial A_R}{\partial \theta} \right) \hat{\phi} \end{aligned}$$

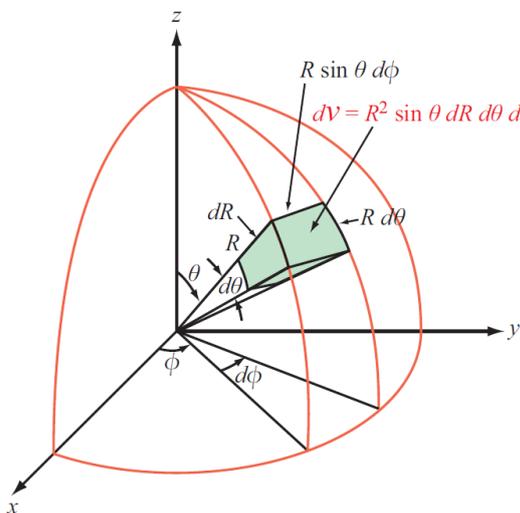


Fig. 1. Spherical coordinate system showing line and volume elements

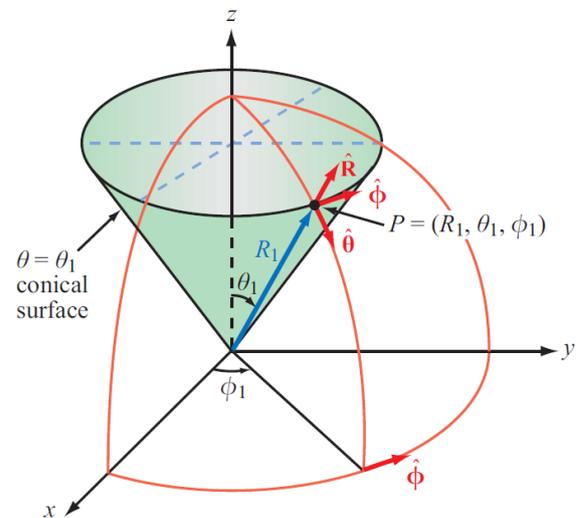


Fig. 2. Coordinate unit vectors in spherical coordinates

**Table 3-1:** Summary of vector relations.

	Cartesian Coordinates	Cylindrical Coordinates	Spherical Coordinates
<b>Coordinate variables</b>	$x, y, z$	$r, \phi, z$	$R, \theta, \phi$
<b>Vector representation</b> $\mathbf{A} =$	$\hat{x}A_x + \hat{y}A_y + \hat{z}A_z$	$\hat{r}A_r + \hat{\phi}A_\phi + \hat{z}A_z$	$\hat{R}A_R + \hat{\theta}A_\theta + \hat{\phi}A_\phi$
<b>Magnitude of A</b> $ \mathbf{A}  =$	$\sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2 + A_z^2}$	$\sqrt{A_r^2 + A_\phi^2 + A_z^2}$	$\sqrt{A_R^2 + A_\theta^2 + A_\phi^2}$
<b>Position vector</b> $\overrightarrow{OP_1} =$	$\hat{x}x_1 + \hat{y}y_1 + \hat{z}z_1,$ for $P = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$	$\hat{r}r_1 + \hat{z}z_1,$ for $P = (r_1, \phi_1, z_1)$	$\hat{R}R_1,$ for $P = (R_1, \theta_1, \phi_1)$
<b>Base vectors properties</b>	$\hat{x} \cdot \hat{x} = \hat{y} \cdot \hat{y} = \hat{z} \cdot \hat{z} = 1$ $\hat{x} \cdot \hat{y} = \hat{y} \cdot \hat{z} = \hat{z} \cdot \hat{x} = 0$ $\hat{x} \times \hat{y} = \hat{z}$ $\hat{y} \times \hat{z} = \hat{x}$ $\hat{z} \times \hat{x} = \hat{y}$	$\hat{r} \cdot \hat{r} = \hat{\phi} \cdot \hat{\phi} = \hat{z} \cdot \hat{z} = 1$ $\hat{r} \cdot \hat{\phi} = \hat{\phi} \cdot \hat{z} = \hat{z} \cdot \hat{r} = 0$ $\hat{r} \times \hat{\phi} = \hat{z}$ $\hat{\phi} \times \hat{z} = \hat{r}$ $\hat{z} \times \hat{r} = \hat{\phi}$	$\hat{R} \cdot \hat{R} = \hat{\theta} \cdot \hat{\theta} = \hat{\phi} \cdot \hat{\phi} = 1$ $\hat{R} \cdot \hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta} \cdot \hat{\phi} = \hat{\phi} \cdot \hat{R} = 0$ $\hat{R} \times \hat{\theta} = \hat{\phi}$ $\hat{\theta} \times \hat{\phi} = \hat{R}$ $\hat{\phi} \times \hat{R} = \hat{\theta}$
<b>Dot product</b> $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} =$	$A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z$	$A_r B_r + A_\phi B_\phi + A_z B_z$	$A_R B_R + A_\theta B_\theta + A_\phi B_\phi$
<b>Cross product</b> $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} =$	$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix}$	$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{r} & \hat{\phi} & \hat{z} \\ A_r & A_\phi & A_z \\ B_r & B_\phi & B_z \end{vmatrix}$	$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{R} & \hat{\theta} & \hat{\phi} \\ A_R & A_\theta & A_\phi \\ B_R & B_\theta & B_\phi \end{vmatrix}$
<b>Differential length</b> $d\mathbf{l} =$	$\hat{x} dx + \hat{y} dy + \hat{z} dz$	$\hat{r} dr + \hat{\phi} r d\phi + \hat{z} dz$	$\hat{R} dR + \hat{\theta} R d\theta + \hat{\phi} R \sin \theta d\phi$
<b>Differential surface areas</b>	$ds_x = \hat{x} dy dz$ $ds_y = \hat{y} dx dz$ $ds_z = \hat{z} dx dy$	$ds_r = \hat{r} r d\phi dz$ $ds_\phi = \hat{\phi} dr dz$ $ds_z = \hat{z} dr d\phi$	$ds_R = \hat{R} R^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$ $ds_\theta = \hat{\theta} R \sin \theta dR d\phi$ $ds_\phi = \hat{\phi} R dR d\theta$
<b>Differential volume</b> $dV =$	$dx dy dz$	$r dr d\phi dz$	$R^2 \sin \theta dR d\theta d\phi$

**Table 3-2:** Coordinate transformation relations.

Transformation	Coordinate Variables	Unit Vectors	Vector Components
<b>Cartesian to cylindrical</b>	$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ $\phi = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$ $z = z$	$\hat{r} = \hat{x} \cos \phi + \hat{y} \sin \phi$ $\hat{\phi} = -\hat{x} \sin \phi + \hat{y} \cos \phi$ $\hat{z} = \hat{z}$	$A_r = A_x \cos \phi + A_y \sin \phi$ $A_\phi = -A_x \sin \phi + A_y \cos \phi$ $A_z = A_z$
<b>Cylindrical to Cartesian</b>	$x = r \cos \phi$ $y = r \sin \phi$ $z = z$	$\hat{x} = \hat{r} \cos \phi - \hat{\phi} \sin \phi$ $\hat{y} = \hat{r} \sin \phi + \hat{\phi} \cos \phi$ $\hat{z} = \hat{z}$	$A_x = A_r \cos \phi - A_\phi \sin \phi$ $A_y = A_r \sin \phi + A_\phi \cos \phi$ $A_z = A_z$
<b>Cartesian to spherical</b>	$R = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ $\theta = \tan^{-1}[\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}/z]$ $\phi = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$	$\hat{R} = \hat{x} \sin \theta \cos \phi + \hat{y} \sin \theta \sin \phi + \hat{z} \cos \theta$ $\hat{\theta} = \hat{x} \cos \theta \cos \phi + \hat{y} \cos \theta \sin \phi - \hat{z} \sin \theta$ $\hat{\phi} = -\hat{x} \sin \phi + \hat{y} \cos \phi$	$A_R = A_x \sin \theta \cos \phi + A_y \sin \theta \sin \phi + A_z \cos \theta$ $A_\theta = A_x \cos \theta \cos \phi + A_y \cos \theta \sin \phi - A_z \sin \theta$ $A_\phi = -A_x \sin \phi + A_y \cos \phi$
<b>Spherical to Cartesian</b>	$x = R \sin \theta \cos \phi$ $y = R \sin \theta \sin \phi$ $z = R \cos \theta$	$\hat{x} = \hat{R} \sin \theta \cos \phi + \hat{\theta} \cos \theta \cos \phi - \hat{\phi} \sin \phi$ $\hat{y} = \hat{R} \sin \theta \sin \phi + \hat{\theta} \cos \theta \sin \phi + \hat{\phi} \cos \phi$ $\hat{z} = \hat{R} \cos \theta - \hat{\theta} \sin \theta$	$A_x = A_R \sin \theta \cos \phi + A_\theta \cos \theta \cos \phi - A_\phi \sin \phi$ $A_y = A_R \sin \theta \sin \phi + A_\theta \cos \theta \sin \phi + A_\phi \cos \phi$ $A_z = A_R \cos \theta - A_\theta \sin \theta$
<b>Cylindrical to spherical</b>	$R = \sqrt{r^2 + z^2}$ $\theta = \tan^{-1}(r/z)$ $\phi = \phi$	$\hat{R} = \hat{r} \sin \theta + \hat{z} \cos \theta$ $\hat{\theta} = \hat{r} \cos \theta - \hat{z} \sin \theta$ $\hat{\phi} = \hat{\phi}$	$A_R = A_r \sin \theta + A_z \cos \theta$ $A_\theta = A_r \cos \theta - A_z \sin \theta$ $A_\phi = A_\phi$
<b>Spherical to cylindrical</b>	$r = R \sin \theta$ $\phi = \phi$ $z = R \cos \theta$	$\hat{r} = \hat{R} \sin \theta + \hat{\theta} \cos \theta$ $\hat{\phi} = \hat{\phi}$ $\hat{z} = \hat{R} \cos \theta - \hat{\theta} \sin \theta$	$A_r = A_R \sin \theta + A_\theta \cos \theta$ $A_\phi = A_\phi$ $A_z = A_R \cos \theta - A_\theta \sin \theta$

**Divergence Theorem** converts the integration over a volume to one over the surface enclosing that volume and vice versa.

$$\int_V (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) dV = \oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

**Stokes's theorem** converts the surface integral of the curl of a vector field on an open surface S, into a line integral of the vector field along the contour C bordering the surface S.

$$\int_S (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \cdot d\vec{S} = \oint_C \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

Maxwell's Equations (point form)

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$$

Maxwell's Equations (integral Form)

$$\oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{S} = Q$$

$$\oint_C \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\int_S \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

$$\oint_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0$$

$$\oint_C \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_S \left( \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \right) \cdot d\vec{S}$$

With

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{D} &= \epsilon \vec{E} \\ \vec{B} &= \mu \vec{H} \end{aligned}$$

In vacuum:  $\epsilon = \epsilon_0$  and  $\mu = \mu_0$

Boundary conditions for  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{D}$  at the surface between two dielectrics:

$D_{1n} - D_{2n} = \rho_s$  where  $\rho_s$  is the free surface charge (excluding polarization charges)

$$E_{1T} = E_{2T}$$

Boundary conditions for  $\vec{B}$  and  $\vec{H}$  at the surface between two magnetic materials:

$H_{1T} - H_{2T} = J_s$  where  $J_s$  is the free surface current (excluding magnetizing currents)

$$B_{1n} = B_{2n}$$

The electrical potential difference between a and b is given by:

$$V_{ab} = V_a - V_b = -\int_b^a \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

Resistance

$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{-\int_l \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}}{\int_s \vec{j} \cdot d\vec{S}} = \frac{-\int_l \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}}{\int_s \sigma \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S}}$$

Capacitance

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{\int_s \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S}}{-\int_l \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}}$$

Energy stored in a capacitor

$$W_e = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$$

Energy stored in inductor

$$W_m = \frac{1}{2} LI^2$$

Inductance L,

$$L = \frac{\Lambda}{I}$$

Where  $\Lambda$  is the magnetic flux linkage and  $I$  is the current.

Euler's identity

$$e^{j\omega t} = \cos(\omega t) + j \sin(\omega t)$$

A vector  $\vec{A}(z, t) = \vec{b}(z) \cos(\omega t + \phi(z))$  can be written in phasor notation as:

$$\vec{A}(z, t) = \text{real}(\tilde{\vec{b}}(z) e^{j\omega t})$$

where  $\tilde{\vec{b}}(z) = \vec{b}(z)e^{j\phi(z)}$  is the phasor,  $\phi(z)$  is a function of  $z$  and  $\vec{b}(z)$  a real vector.

Maxwell's equations for phasors

$$\nabla \times \tilde{H} = j\omega\epsilon\tilde{E}$$

$$\nabla \times \tilde{E} = -j\omega\mu\tilde{H}$$

Speed of light as a function of permeability  $\mu_0$  and permittivity  $\epsilon_0$  of the vacuum

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0\epsilon_0}}$$

Derivatives and Integrals (all the integrals are defined up to an additive constant)

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^n = nx^{(n-1)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin(x) = \cos(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos(x) = -\sin(x)$$

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}, n \neq -1$$

$$\int \sin(x) dx = -\cos(x)$$

$$\int \cos(x) dx = \sin(x)$$

$$\int \cos(x) \sin(x) dx = \frac{(\sin(x))^2}{2}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln(x)$$

Area and volume of sphere

$$A = 4\pi r^2 \quad V = \frac{4\pi r^3}{3}$$

Sine and cosine table angles

x	0	$\pi/6$	$\pi/4$	$\pi/3$	$\pi/2$	$\pi$	$3\pi/2$	$2\pi$
sin(x)	0	1/2	$1/\sqrt{2}$	$\sqrt{3}/2$	1	0	-1	0
cos(x)	1	$\sqrt{3}/2$	$1/\sqrt{2}$	1/2	0	-1	0	1

$$\sin(x) = \cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$