

Physics 1B-2 Quiz B Quiz 3

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TOTAL POINTS

34 / 35

QUESTION 1

sheet 12 pts

1.1 lines 4 / 4

- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
- **1 pts** equipotential surface wrong or missing

1.2 q? 4 / 4

- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
- **1 pts** calculation error
- **4 pts** no answer
- **2 pts** wrong approach

1.3 dust 4 / 4

- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
- **1.5 pts** no force equilibrium
- **1 pts** calculation error
- **1 pts** no numerical answer
- **4 pts** no answer
- **2 pts** wrong setup

QUESTION 2

Gauss 14 pts

2.1 charge 5 / 5

- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
- **1 pts** Outer charge wrong, missing, or not consistent
- **1 pts** Inner charge wrong, missing, or not consistent

2.2 E 6 / 6

- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
- **1 pts** 0-R1 wrong
- **1 pts** R1-R2 wrong
- **1 pts** R2-R3 wrong

- **1 pts** outside R3 wrong
- **0 pts** outside R3 wrong scaling
- **6 pts** no answer

2.3 point charge 2 / 3

- **0 pts** Correct
- ✓ - **1 pts** wrong or missing
- **0 pts** wrong explanation
- **1 pts** numerical error or missing
- **3 pts** no answer

QUESTION 3

rho 9 pts

3.1 e-field 5 / 5

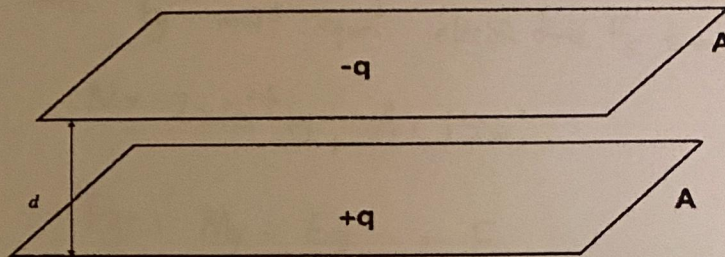
- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
- **1 pts** calculation error
- **2 pts** volume integral wrong or missing
- **5 pts** no answer
- **1 pts** E not everywhere

3.2 charge 4 / 4

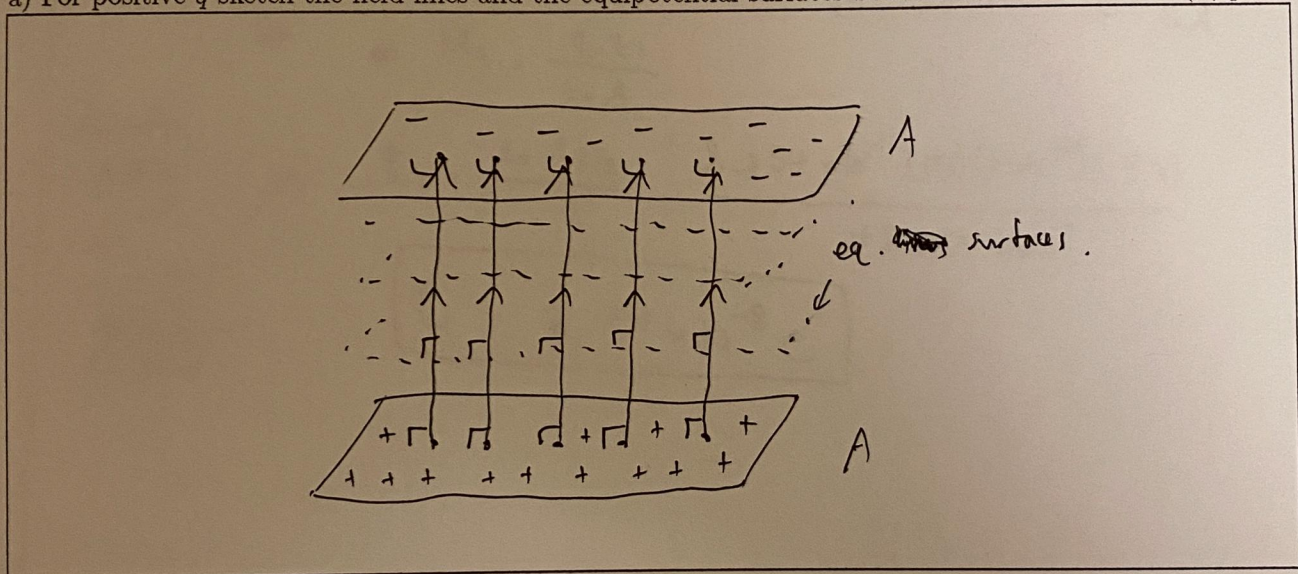
- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct or consistent
- **1 pts** calculation error or wrong approach
- **4 pts** no answer
- **3 pts** wrong

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1. Two parallel sheets have an area of 15 m^2 and are separated by a distance of 1.5 cm . The charge on the top plate is $+q$ uniformly distributed and the bottom charge is $-q$ uniformly distributed. You can model the electric field between the sheets as if the sheets were infinite.



a) For positive q sketch the field lines and the equipotential surfaces between the sheets. (4 points)

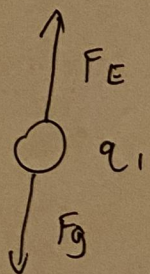


b) You measure a potential difference between the top and bottom sheet of $V_{top} - V_{bottom} = -10 \text{ V}$. What is q ? (4 points)

~~What is the~~ Potential difference $V = E d$ between
 The electric field ~~is~~ a parallel plate capacitor is $E = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0 A}$ $A = \text{area} = 15 \text{ m}^2$
 $d = 1.5 \text{ cm} = 0.015 \text{ m}$
 So $V = \frac{q d}{\epsilon_0 A} \rightarrow q = \frac{\epsilon_0 A V}{d}$
 $= \frac{8.854 \times 10^{-12} (-10)}{0.015}$
 $= -8.854 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C}$
 \rightarrow if positive q

A tiny dust particle of mass 2.0 milligram is charged with charge q_1 and placed between the two charged sheets. You observe that it is stationary and floating between the charged sheets. What is q_1 ? (if you could not do part b) then assume $q = 2.12 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ C}$. (4 points)

Since the dust particle is stationary, $F_{\text{net}} = 0$. So gravitational force F_g must equal electric force F_E from the parallel plates



$$M = 2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kg}, A = 15 \text{ m}^2$$

$$F_g = Mg = Eq_1 = F_E$$

The electric force between a parallel plate capacitor is $E = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0 A}$

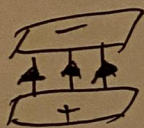
So $Mg = \frac{q q_1}{\epsilon_0 A}$

Assuming positive q



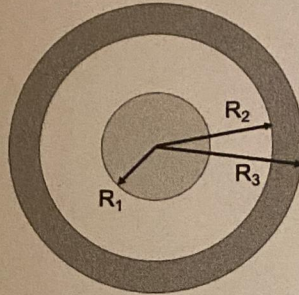
$$q_1 = \frac{\epsilon_0 A M g}{q} = \frac{8.854 \times 10^{-12} (15) (2 \times 10^{-6}) (9.8)}{+2.12 \times 10^{-8}}$$

so



$$q_1 = 2.94 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C}$$

2. Consider the spherically symmetric charge configuration shown below. An insulating sphere of radius R_1 and charge $-4Q$ homogeneously distributed throughout is surrounded by air, which is surrounded by a conducting shell of inner radius R_2 , outer radius R_3



a) If the field outside the outer shell ($r > R_3$) varies as $E = \frac{Q}{\pi \epsilon_0 r^2}$ what is the charge on the inner surface of the outer conductor (R_2) and what is the charge on the outer surface of the outer conductor (R_3)?

[5 points]

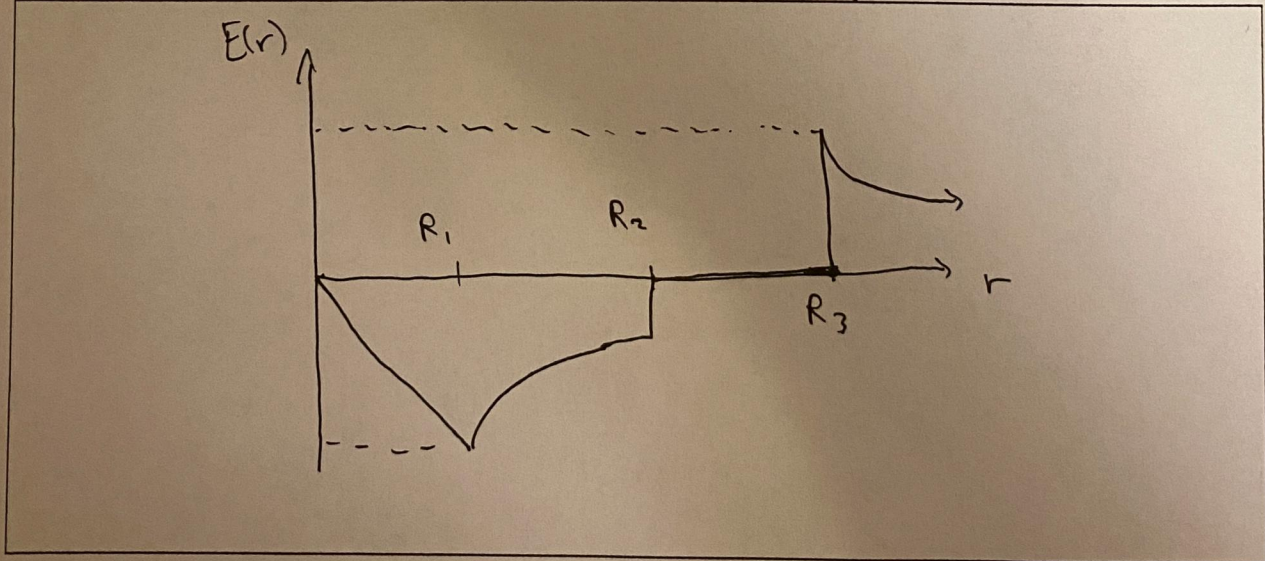
If we compare this field equation to the electric field for a standard sphere

We see
$$E = \frac{Q_{enc}}{4\pi \epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{Q}{\pi \epsilon_0 r^2} \rightarrow Q_{enc} = +4Q.$$

So the total net charge must be $+4Q$, and $Q_{outer} = +4Q$

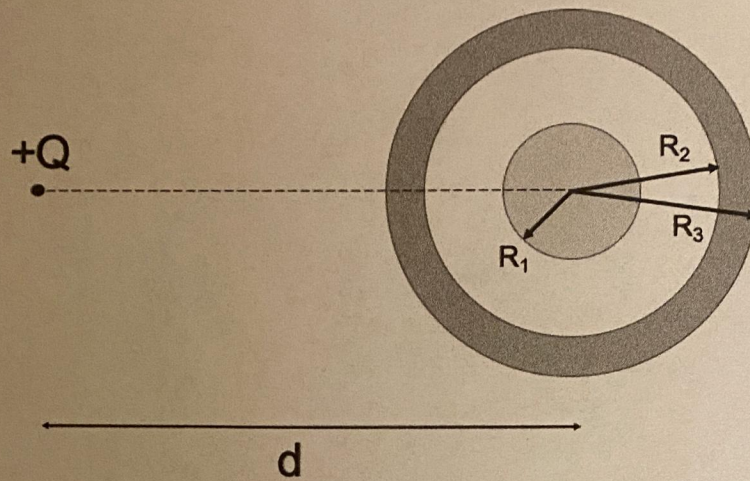
Between R_2 & R_3 , E inside shell must be 0 (b/c conductor) so enclosed charge must be zero. So $-4Q + Q_{inner} = 0 \rightarrow Q_{inner} = +4Q$
(Gauss's Law)

b) Qualitatively sketch $E(r)$ as a function of r everywhere. [6 points]



c) If you now introduce a point charge $+Q$ at point P shown in the figure, a distance of $d=2.5$ m from the center of the spherical charge configuration, what will be the total E-field inside the center of that spherical charge?

[3 points]



By symmetry, the E-field at the center of the sphere = 0.

$E_{\text{total}} = E_Q + E_{\text{sphere}} = E_Q$ → so e-field based on field produced by $+Q$ only.

So we can use Coulomb's Law!

$$E = \frac{F}{q} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{+Qq}{r^2}\right)}{q} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \quad r = d = \underline{2.5 \text{ m}}$$

$$\text{so } E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (2.5)^2} = \boxed{\frac{Q}{25\pi\epsilon_0}}$$

3. Consider an insulating sphere of radius $R = 0.1 \text{ m}$ with a volume charge density given as

$$\rho_V = 2.5 \cdot r \frac{\mu\text{C}}{\text{m}^3}$$

a) Find the electric field anywhere inside the sphere? (5 points)

We can use Gauss's Law. Consider a spherical surface with $r < R$.

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = E \cdot 4\pi r^2 = \frac{Q_{\text{encl}}}{\epsilon_0} \quad (\text{spherical symmetry})$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\text{encl}} &= \int \rho_V dV = \iiint_0^r 2.5r (r^2 \sin\theta) dr d\phi d\theta \\ &= 4\pi (2.5) \int_0^r r^3 dr = \underline{10\pi \left(\frac{1}{4}r^4\right) = Q_{\text{encl}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \left(\frac{5\pi r^4}{2} \right) = \boxed{\frac{5r^2}{8\epsilon_0}}$$

b) What is the total charge on the sphere? (4 points)

To find the total charge, integrate charge density over whole sphere
(when $r = R = 0.1 \text{ m}$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } Q &= \int \rho_V dV = \iiint_0^R 2.5r (r^2 \sin\theta) dr d\phi d\theta \\ &= 10\pi \int_0^R r^3 dr \\ &= 10\pi \frac{1}{4} R^4 \\ &= \frac{10\pi}{4} \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^4 = \boxed{\frac{\pi}{4000} \mu\text{C}} \end{aligned}$$