

Problem 1

(a) The electric field inside the conductor is zero.

(b) (i) $|\vec{r}| = R$: $V = V_0$ (a constant, i.e. independent of the direction of $\vec{r}$)

(ii) As $|\vec{r}| \rightarrow \infty$, the electric field $\vec{E}$ must approach the external field, i.e. $\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{z}$. Since $\vec{E} = -\nabla V$ this implies that $V = -E_0 z + V_\infty$ (here V_∞ is a constant, conventionally chosen to be 0).

(c) Since $z = r \cos \theta$, the boundary condition as $|\vec{r}| \rightarrow \infty$ can be written $V = -E_0 r P_1(\cos \theta) + V_\infty$. Comparing this with the expansion for $V(\vec{r})$ gives

$A_1 = -E_0$, $A_l = 0$ for $l \geq 2$ (and $A_0 = V_\infty$)
(we get no information about $\{B_l\}$).

Next we consider the boundary condition $V = V_0$ at $|\vec{r}| = R$, i.e. no θ -dependence. Since P_l depends on θ for $l \geq 1$, the coefficient $A_l R^l + B_l / R^{l+1}$ must vanish for $l \geq 1$.

$$\Rightarrow B_l = -R^{2l+1} A_l$$

$$l \geq 2: B_l = -R^{2l+1} \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$l = 1: B_1 = -R^3 A_1 = R^3 E_0$$

(and $l = 0$ gives $A_0 + B_0 / R = V_0 \Rightarrow B_0 = R(V_0 - A_0) = R(V_0 - V_\infty)$; however, these expressions for A_0 and B_0 are not necessary for what comes later).

Thus terms with $l \geq 2$ do not contribute, leaving

$$V(\vec{r}) = \left(A_0 + \frac{B_0}{r} \right) + \left(A_1 r + \frac{B_1}{r^2} \right) \cos \theta$$

$$= \underline{\underline{A_0 + \frac{B_0}{r} + \left(-E_0 r + E_0 \frac{R^3}{r^2} \right) \cos \theta}}$$

(with $A_0 = V_\infty$, $B_0 = R(V_0 - V_\infty)$ "voluntary" results).

(d) We use the expression for σ in the formula set (Eq. (9) on p. 6). The "inside" term vanishes as it's proportional to $\vec{E}$ inside, giving

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$$\sigma = -\epsilon_0 \left. \frac{\partial V_{\text{outside}}}{\partial r} \right|_{r=R} \quad \left(\text{as } \frac{\partial}{\partial n} = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} : \right)$$


$$= -\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[A_0 + \frac{B_0}{r} - E_0 \left(r - \frac{R^3}{r^2} \right) \cos \theta \right] \Big|_{r=R}$$

$$= -\epsilon_0 \left[-\frac{B_0}{r^2} - E_0 \left(1 - (-2) \frac{R^3}{r^3} \right) \cos \theta \right] \Big|_{r=R}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon_0 B_0}{R^2} + 3\epsilon_0 E_0 \cos \theta$$

R^2

Total surface charge: $Q = \int \sigma dS = \underbrace{2\pi R^2}_{\text{from } \phi \text{ (azimuthal) integration}} \int \sigma d(\cos\theta)$
 $= 4\pi\epsilon_0 B_0$ (the term $\propto E_0$ is odd in $\cos\theta$ and thus its integral becomes 0). As $Q=0$, it follows that $B_0=0$

(e) $P_z = \int d^3r \, z \, \rho(\vec{r})$. As the sphere is conducting, all charge resides on the surface $r=R$. The charge inside the solid angle $d\Omega$ is $d\rho \, d(\cos\theta) \int_0^\infty dr \, r^2 \rho(\vec{r}) = d\rho \, d(\cos\theta) R^2 \sigma \Rightarrow \rho(\vec{r}) = \sigma \delta(r-R)$. Thus (using $z=r\cos\theta$)

$$p_z = 2\pi \int_{-1}^1 d(\cos\theta) \int_0^{\infty} dr r^2 \cdot (r \cos\theta) (3\epsilon_0 E_0 \cos\theta) \delta(r-R)$$

$$= 6\pi\epsilon_0 E_0 R^3 \underbrace{\int_{-1}^1 \cos^2\theta d(\cos\theta)}_{\frac{1}{3} [1^3 - (-1)^3] = \frac{2}{3}} = \underline{\underline{4\pi R^3 \epsilon_0 E_0}}$$

Problem 2

(a) Maxwell equations (ME) in matter (see formula sheet)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{D} &= \rho_f \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \vec{H} &= \vec{J}_f + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} \rho_f &= 0 = \vec{J}_f \\ \vec{D} &= \epsilon \vec{E} \\ \vec{B} &= \mu \vec{H} \end{aligned} \rightarrow \begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} &= 0 & (1) \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} & (2) \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 & (3) \\ \nabla \times \vec{B} &= \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} & (4) \end{aligned}$$

Also need (formula set): $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{F}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{F}) - \nabla^2 \vec{F}$ (5)

$$\nabla \times (2): \text{ LHS: } \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) \stackrel{(5)}{=} \underbrace{\nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E})}_{=0 \text{ (1)}} - \nabla^2 \vec{E} = -\nabla^2 \vec{E}$$

$$\text{RHS: } \nabla \times \left(-\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}\right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \vec{B} \stackrel{(4)}{=} -\epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\nabla^2 \vec{E} = \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2}}}$$

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$$\text{RHS: } \nabla \times \left(\epsilon \mu \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}\right) = \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \vec{E} \stackrel{(2)}{=} -\epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\nabla^2 \vec{B} = \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}}{\partial t^2}}}$$

Thus both $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$ satisfy the wave equation (see formula set) with $1/v^2 = \epsilon \mu \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{v = 1/\sqrt{\epsilon \mu}}}$

(b) Consider $\nabla \times \vec{E} = \nabla \times (\vec{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)})$

$$\stackrel{\text{formula (7.1) p.9}}{\Rightarrow} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)} \underbrace{\nabla \times \vec{E}_0}_{=0} - \vec{E}_0 \times \underbrace{\nabla e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}}_{i\vec{k} e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}} = i\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\text{By ME(2) this equals } -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = -(-i\omega) \vec{B}_0 e^{i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = \omega \vec{B}_0$$

$$\text{Writing } \vec{E}_0 = \vec{E}_0 e^{i\delta_E}, \quad \vec{B}_0 = \vec{B}_0 e^{i\delta_B} \quad \text{with } \vec{E}_0, \vec{B}_0 \text{ real}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{(\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0)}_{\text{real}} e^{i\delta_E} = \omega \underbrace{\vec{B}_0}_{\text{real}} e^{i\delta_B}$$

Solved if $e^{i\delta_E} = e^{i\delta_B}$ (i.e. $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$ are in phase)
 and $\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0 = \omega \vec{B}_0$ (so $\vec{B}_0$ is $\perp$ to $\vec{k}$ and $\vec{E}_0$)

Also, $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot \vec{E}_0 = 0$ (*)

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Finally, $|\vec{k} \times \vec{E}_0| \stackrel{(*)}{=} k |\vec{E}_0| = \omega |\vec{B}_0| \Rightarrow |\vec{B}_0| = \frac{k}{\omega} |\vec{E}_0| = \frac{|\vec{E}_0|}{v}$

$\Rightarrow \underline{|\vec{B}| = |\vec{E}|/v}$

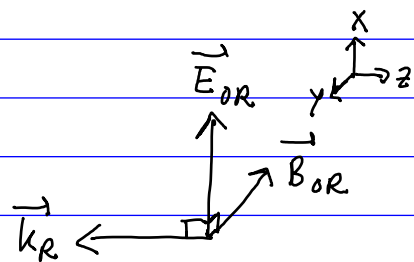
Intensity: $I = \langle \vec{S} \rangle$, $\vec{S} \stackrel{\text{used formula set, replaced } \mu_0 \rightarrow \mu \text{ for vacuum} \rightarrow \text{matter}}{=} \frac{1}{\mu} (\vec{E} \times \vec{B})$

$|\vec{E}| \propto E_0, |\vec{B}| \propto E_0$ (since $B_0 = E_0/v$) $\Rightarrow \underline{I \propto E_0^2}$

(c) Reflected wave:

$\vec{E}_R(z, t) = \vec{E}_{0R} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{x}$

$\vec{B}_R(z, t) = -\frac{\vec{E}_{0R}}{v_1} e^{i(-k_1 z - \omega t)} \hat{y}$



Transmitted wave (same form as incident, with $I \rightarrow T, 1 \rightarrow 2$)

$\vec{E}_T(z, t) = \vec{E}_{0T} e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{x}$

$\vec{B}_T(z, t) = \frac{\vec{E}_{0T}}{v_2} e^{i(k_2 z - \omega t)} \hat{y}$

(d) $R = \frac{I_R}{I_I}$. Since $I_R \propto E_{0R}^2$, $I_I \propto E_{0I}^2$,
 and the proportionality constants
 are identical (since both the incident & reflected wave
 propagate in the same medium (1)), we get

$R = \left(\frac{E_{0R}}{E_{0I}} \right)^2$

Boundary conditions (see formula set):

$$\vec{D}_1^\perp = \vec{D}_2^\perp, \quad \vec{B}_1^\perp = \vec{B}_2^\perp, \quad \vec{E}_1^\parallel = \vec{E}_2^\parallel, \quad \vec{H}_1^\parallel = \vec{H}_2^\parallel$$

As all $\perp$ -fields vanish here, this gives $\vec{E}_1 = \vec{E}_2, \quad \frac{\vec{B}_1}{\mu_1} = \frac{\vec{B}_2}{\mu_2}$

Also, we have $\vec{E}_1 = \vec{E}_I + \vec{E}_R, \quad \vec{B}_1 = \vec{B}_I + \vec{B}_R,$
 $\vec{E}_2 = \vec{E}_T, \quad \vec{B}_2 = \vec{B}_T$. Applying the boundary conditions (at $z=0$, for all t) then gives

$$\tilde{E}_{oI} + \tilde{E}_{oR} = \tilde{E}_{oT} \quad (1')$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu_1} \left(\frac{\tilde{E}_{oI}}{\nu_1} - \frac{\tilde{E}_{oR}}{\nu_1} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_2} \frac{\tilde{E}_{oT}}{\nu_2} \quad (2')$$

$$\text{Put (1')} \text{ into (2')} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\mu_1 \nu_1} (\tilde{E}_{oI} - \tilde{E}_{oR}) = \frac{1}{\mu_2 \nu_2} (\tilde{E}_{oI} + \tilde{E}_{oR})$$

$$\text{Define } x \equiv \tilde{E}_{oR} / \tilde{E}_{oI} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\mu_1 \nu_1} (1 - x) = \frac{1}{\mu_2 \nu_2} (1 + x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \left(\frac{1}{\mu_1 \nu_1} + \frac{1}{\mu_2 \nu_2} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu_1 \nu_1} - \frac{1}{\mu_2 \nu_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x (\mu_2 \nu_2 + \mu_1 \nu_1) = \mu_2 \nu_2 - \mu_1 \nu_1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\mu_2 \nu_2 - \mu_1 \nu_1}{\mu_2 \nu_2 + \mu_1 \nu_1} \quad (\text{real, since } \mu_i, \nu_i \text{ real})$$

$$\Rightarrow R = x^2 = \left(\frac{\mu_2 \nu_2 - \mu_1 \nu_1}{\mu_2 \nu_2 + \mu_1 \nu_1} \right)^2 \quad (\text{now use } \nu_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_i \mu_i}})$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}} - \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}}}{\sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}} + \sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}}} \right)^2$$

Problem 3

(a) Retarded time: $t_r = t - \frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}{c}$

Interpretation: the contribution to the potential at $\vec{r}$ at time t from a source at $\vec{r}'$ occurs through that source's state at time $t_r < t$, with $t - t_r$ being the time the "signal" takes to travel from $\vec{r}'$ to $\vec{r}$ at the speed of light.

(b) The wire is electrically neutral, i.e. there is no net charge density ($\rho(\vec{r}, t) = 0$) which immediately gives $V(\vec{r}, t) = 0$

(c) As the current density $\vec{J}$ is along the z axis, so is $\vec{A}$, i.e. $\vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = A_z(\vec{r}, t) \hat{z}$ with

$$A_z(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int d^3 r' \frac{J(\vec{r}', t_r)}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \quad [\vec{r}' \equiv (x', y', z')]$$

Since J is zero outside the wire, and as a current density should satisfy $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy' J = I$, we can write

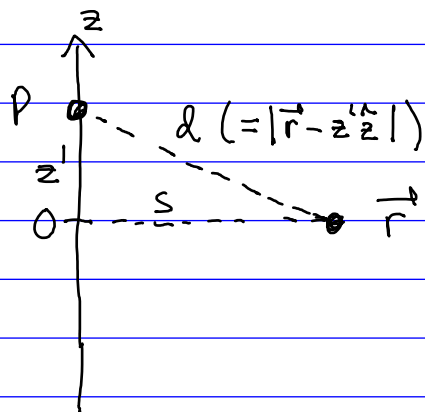
$$\vec{J}(\vec{r}', t_r) = I(t_r) \delta(x') \delta(y')$$

$$\Rightarrow A_z(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz' \frac{I(t_r)}{|\vec{r} - z' \hat{z}|}$$

Because of the symmetry of the problem, $A_z(\vec{r}, t)$ can not depend on φ or z .

So we can evaluate the integral for $z=0$ (and an arbitrary φ)

⇒



A point P on the wire at $\vec{r}' = z' \hat{z}$ is at distance $d = \sqrt{z'^2 + s^2}$ from $\vec{r}$. For P to contribute to $\vec{A}$ at $(\vec{r}, t)$ requires $d \leq ct$

$$\Rightarrow |z'|^2 + s^2 \leq (ct)^2 \Rightarrow |z'| \leq \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2} \equiv z'_{\max}$$

For $s > ct$, no z' satisfy this $\Rightarrow A_z(\vec{r}, t) = 0$.
For $s < ct$, only z' between $\pm z'_{\max}$ contribute, giving

$$A_z(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{4\pi} \int_{-z'_{\max}}^{z'_{\max}} \frac{dz'}{\sqrt{z'^2 + s^2}} = \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi} \int_0^{z'_{\max}} \frac{dz'}{\sqrt{z'^2 + s^2}}$$

Using Rottmann, the integral is

$$\ln \left(\sqrt{z'^2 + s^2} + z' \right) \Big|_0^{z'_{\max}}$$

$$= \ln \left(\sqrt{z'_{\max}^2 + s^2} + z'_{\max} \right) - \ln |s| \quad (s > 0 \text{ by def since it is a radial coord})$$

$$= \ln \left(ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2} \right) - \ln s$$

$$= \ln \left(\frac{ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}}{s} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_z(\vec{r}, t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < s/c \\ \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi} \ln \left(\frac{ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}}{s} \right) & t > s/c \end{cases}$$

$$(d) \quad \vec{E} = -\nabla V - \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}; \quad \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$$

For $t < s/c$, $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$ are both zero.

For $t > s/c$, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) &= -\hat{z} \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \ln \left(\frac{ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}}{s} \right) \\ &= -\hat{z} \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{\cancel{s}}{ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{s}} \cdot \left(c + \frac{2ct \cdot c}{2\sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} \right) \\ &= -\hat{z} \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\cancel{ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}}} \cdot \frac{c(\sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2} + ct)}{\sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} \\ &= \underline{\underline{-\frac{\mu_0 I_0 c}{2\pi \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} \hat{z}}} \end{aligned}$$

Next, looking at the expression for the curl in cylinder coords (see formula set), and using that A_z only depends on s , not z or φ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A} &= -\frac{\partial A_z}{\partial s} \hat{\varphi} = -\hat{\varphi} \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \ln \left(\frac{ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}}{s} \right) \\ &= -\hat{\varphi} \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi} \frac{s}{ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} \left[\frac{1}{s} \frac{(-2s)}{2\sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} + \left(-\frac{1}{s^2} \right) (ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}) \right] \\ &= \hat{\varphi} \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi} \frac{\cancel{s}}{ct + \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{s^2} + ct \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2} + (ct)^2 - \cancel{s^2}}{s \sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi s} \frac{ct}{\sqrt{(ct)^2 - s^2}} \hat{\varphi}}} \end{aligned}$$

(e) As $t \rightarrow \infty$, $\vec{E} \rightarrow 0$ and $\vec{B} \rightarrow \frac{\mu_0 I_0}{2\pi s} \hat{\varphi}$, which are the expressions for $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$ for the magnetostatic problem of a wire carrying a constant current I_0 , exactly as expected in this limit when the current has been on "forever".