

Quiz 1 – Electrostatics

The force on charge q_1 from charge q_2 is $\vec{F}_{12} = k_e \frac{q_1 q_2}{r_{12}^2} \hat{r}_{12}$, where the direction vector \hat{r}_{12} points from q_2 to q_1 and the proportionality constant is $k_e = 8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}^2$.

Note that the permittivity of free space is $\varepsilon_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi k_e} = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 / (\text{Nm}^2) = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ A}^2 \text{s}^4 / (\text{kg m}^3).$

Note that the unit of elemental electronic change is $e^{-} = -1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ C.

We note the Taylor's expansion $(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \cdots$, which is useful when $nx \ll 1$. For example,

$$\frac{1}{(r+d)^2} = \frac{1}{r^2} \left(1 + \frac{d}{r} \right)^{-2} = \frac{1}{r^2} \left(1 - 2\frac{d}{r} + \cdots \right) \approx \frac{1}{r^2} - 2\frac{d}{r^3} \text{ for } d \ll r.$$

The force on a test charge q_0 induced by an electric field, denoted \vec{E} , is $\vec{F} = q_0 \vec{E}$.



Quiz 2 – Fields and Potentials

The electric flux through a surface is $\Phi_{\rm e} \equiv \sum_{All \ Surfaces} E_{\perp} \Delta A = \sum_{All \ Surfaces} E \Delta A \cos \theta$, where $\Delta A_{\perp} = \Delta A \ \cos \theta$ is

the component of the area whose normal lies parallel to the electric field; θ is the angle between the direction of the electric field and that of the normal to the surface.

Gauss' Law relates the total flux through a closed surface to the total net charge enclosed by the surface, *i.e.*, $\Phi_e = 4 \pi k_e Q_{Total}$.

The electric field produced by a point charge q at the origin, *i.e.*, $\vec{r} = 0$, is $\vec{E} = k_e \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r}$ where \hat{r} is the radius vector in spherical coordinates.

The electric field produced by a line charge, with charge per unit length λ , is $\vec{E} = 2k_e \frac{\lambda}{r} \hat{r}$, where the line is defined to lie along the \hat{z} axis and \hat{r} is the radius vector in cylindrical coordinates.

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The electric field produced by a surface charge, with charge per unit area σ , is $\vec{E} = 2\pi k_e \sigma \hat{n}$, where the surface lies in the \hat{x} - \hat{y} plane and \hat{z} corresponds to the normal to the \hat{x} - \hat{y} plane in Cartesian coordinates.

Work-Energy Theorem: $W = \Delta KE + \Delta PE$

Electric potential: $\Delta V = -E \Delta x \cos \theta$, where $\Delta V = \frac{\Delta PE}{O}$

 $V = k_e \frac{q}{r}$ a distance r away from a point charge q.



Quiz 3 – Current, Resistance and Capacitance

Current: $I = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t}$ or $I = n e v_D A$ where n is the density of charge carriers, v_D is the drift velocity and A is the cross-section of the wire.

Capacitance: $Q = C \Delta V$ where $C = \frac{\kappa}{4\pi k_e} \frac{A}{d}$ for parallel plates and κ is the dielectric constant $I = C \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta t}$ Energy Stored $= \frac{1}{2}Q \Delta V = \frac{1}{2}C (\Delta V)^2 = \frac{1}{2C}Q^2$ Resistance: V = I R where $R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$; ρ is the resistivity in Ohm-m and L is the length of the wire. Power Dissipated $= IV = I^2R = V^2/R$ Kirchoff's Laws: 1) Sum of voltage drops around any loop is zero, *i.e.*, gains = losses

2) Sum of current flow at a node is zero, *i.e.*, total current in = total current out

A resistor/capacitor pair charges with a characteristic time, denoted t, that is given by the product of the resistance and membrane, i.e., $\tau = RC$.



Quiz 4 – **Magnetostatics (Electrostatics in the Fast Lane)**

The force on a test charge q_0 induced by an electric field, denoted \vec{E} , and a magnetic field, denoted B, is $\vec{F} = q_0\vec{E} + q_0\vec{v}\times\vec{B}$. The cross product $\vec{v}\times\vec{B}$ points normal to the plane defined by \vec{v} and \vec{B} , and has magnitude $|\vec{v}||\vec{B}|\sin\theta$ and a direction that is found from the "right hand rule".

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The force per unit length on a straight wire that carries a current I (where I has both magnitude and direction, given by the motion of positive charge carriers) is given by $\vec{F}/l = \vec{I} \times \vec{B}$. The cross product ids defined as above.

The force per unit length between two straight wires that carry current I₁ and I₂ respectively, and are separated by a distance R, is $F/L = \mu_0 \frac{I_1 I_2}{2\pi R}$, where $\mu_0 = 1.3 \times 10^{-6}$ Tm/A.

For completeness, $\mu_0 \varepsilon_0 = 1/c^2$, where c is the speed of light.

The torque between a loop of cross-sectional area A that carries a current I and a uniform magnetic fields is $\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mu} \times \vec{B}$, where $\mu = IA$ is known as the magnetic moment.

When the loop contains multiple turns of wire, $\mu \leftarrow NIA$ where N is the number of turns.

Ampere's Law relates the magnetic field in a loop to the current, *i.e.*, $I = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \sum_{All Segments} B_{\parallel} \Delta L$

For a straight wire, $\vec{B} = \mu_0 \frac{I}{2\pi R} (\hat{\theta})$, where the direction is given by the right-hand rule. For a solenoid, $\vec{B} = \mu_0 \frac{N}{L} I(\hat{z})$.

Faraday's Law relates the change in magnetic flux, $\phi_{Magnetic} \equiv \sum_{All Surfaces} B_{\perp} \Delta A$, to the potential V, or the current, V/R, induced in a loop, *i.e.*, V = - N $\frac{\Delta \phi_{Magnetic}}{\Delta t}$ where N is the number of turns in the loop and the minus sign implies that the induced field - caused by the induced current - opposes the original field.

Generator: $V = NBA \omega \sin \omega t$ where ω is the rotational frequency in radians/s ($\omega = 2 \pi$ f).

Inductance: $N\Delta\phi = L \Delta I$ where $L = \mu_o \left(\frac{N}{l}\right)^2 Al$ for a solenoid with N/l turns/length, cross-sectional area A, and length l. Thus

$$V = L \frac{\Delta I}{\Delta t}$$

Energy Stored = $\frac{1}{2}I N \varphi_{\text{Magnetic}} = \frac{1}{2}L I^2$

A resistor/inductor pair has a characteristic time for a voltage change, given by the quotient of L and R, i.e., $\tau = L/R$.

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	Series	Parallel
Capacitors	$\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} + \cdots$	$C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + \cdots$
Inductors	$L_{eq} = L_1 + L_2 + L_3 + \cdots$	$\frac{1}{L_{eq}} = \frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{1}{L_2} + \frac{1}{L_3} + \cdots$
Resistors	$\mathbf{R}_{\mathrm{eq}} = \mathbf{R}_1 + \mathbf{R}_2 + \mathbf{R}_3 + \cdots$	$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} + \cdots$



A resistor has an impedance of R and a voltage that faithfully tracks the current, *i.e.*, if $I_R(t) = I_0 \sin(2\pi f t)$, then $V_C(t) = I_0 R \sin(2\pi f t)$.

A capacitor has an impedance of $Z_c = 1/(2\pi fC)$ and a voltage that lags the current by 90°, *i.e.*, if $I_c(t) = I_0 \sin(2\pi ft)$, then $V_c(t) = I_0/(2\pi fC) \sin(2\pi ft - \pi/2)$.

An inductor has an impedance of $Z_L = 2\pi fL$ and a voltage that leads the current by 90°, *i.e.*, if $I_L(t) = I_0 \sin(2\pi ft)$, then $V_L(t) = 2\pi fL I_0 \sin(2\pi ft + \pi/2)$.

The current flow and voltage drops in a loop containing an inductor and capacitor has a resonance when the driving frequency satisfies

$$f_{\text{resonance}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$



Dispersion relation in the vacuum is:

 $f\lambda = c$,

where f is the frequency of the radiation, λ is the wavelength, and c is the speed of light, with $c = 2.99 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$.

The ratio of the electric to magnetic field in an electromagnetic wave equals the speed of light, i.e.:

$$\frac{E(t)}{B(t)} = c$$

Electromagnetic waves carry energy as they travel; the average power per unit area is the intensity, denoted I, with:

$$\mathbf{I} = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} E_{\max} B_{\max} = \frac{1}{2\mu_0 c} E_{\max}^2 = \frac{c}{2\mu_0} B_{\max}^2$$

Electromagnetic Radiation