

**UBC Electrical Engineering and Mathematics**  
**ELEC 211 | MATH 264 - Midterm 2**  
**Wednesday March 20 2024**

**Duration:** 90 Minutes    **Start time:** 5:15pm

**Materials admitted:** Writing supplies, ruler, protractor, compass. Nothing else. **No calculators.** Formula pages are provided with the exam.

This exam has **18 pages**, printed double-sided, including this cover (i.e. 20 pages = 10 sheets of paper). Check that you have them all. Show all your work and solutions on these pages. You may write on both sides of every page.

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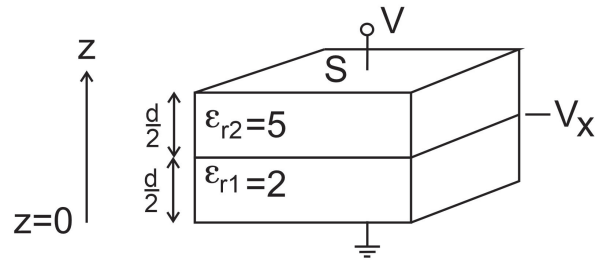
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- If you require extra paper then put up your hand and ask your instructor.
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1. 25 marks Note: the individual parts of this question are unrelated to each other.
- (a) (7 points) An infinite line of charge having line charge density  $\rho_\ell$  is situated on the  $z$ -axis. Find the total electric flux through a surface defined by  $\rho = a$ ,  $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi/2$ ,  $-1 \leq z \leq 1$ .

- (b) (7 points) A sphere of charge centered at the origin has the volume charge density  $\rho_v = Nr$ , where  $N$  is a constant (assume  $N > 0$ ). Find the total electric flux through the surface defined by  $r = a$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/3$ ,  $0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi$ .

- (c) (6 points) For the capacitor shown in the figure, find the value of  $V_x$ , (the potential at the boundary between the two dielectrics) in terms of  $V$ .



- (d) (5 points) An air-filled parallel plate capacitor has plate surface area  $S$ , plate separation  $d$ , and a potential,  $V$ , supplied by a battery between the two plates. If the separation between the plates is increased to  $2d$  while leaving the battery connected, how will each of the following values change (place a check mark in the appropriate column for each quantity)?

Quantity	Up	Down	Unchanged
$E$			
$C$			
$V$			
$\rho_s$			
$D$			

2. 20 marks Consider the ellipsoid  $S$  given by

$$x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{z^2}{9} = 1$$

with the unit normal pointing outward.

- (a) (5 points) Parameterize  $S$ .

- (b) (12 points) Compute the flux  $\iint_S \vec{D} \cdot \hat{n} \, dS$ , directly where  $\vec{D}$  is electric flux density

$$\vec{D}(x, y, z) = \langle x, y, z \rangle$$

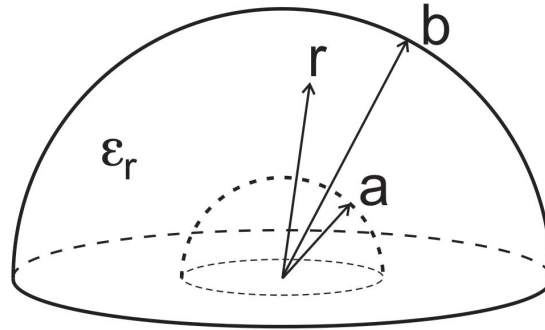
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(c) (3 points) Verify your answer in (b) using the divergence theorem.

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3. 15 marks Note: Parts a and b are unrelated.

- (a) (10 points) A hemispherical capacitor has an inner conductor defined by  $r = a$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ ,  $0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi$ , and an outer conductor defined by  $r = b$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ ,  $0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi$  (in other words, two thin hemispherical shells of radius  $a$  and  $b$ ). The space between the two conductors is filled with a uniform dielectric having relative permittivity  $\epsilon_r$ . Find the expression for the capacitance of this structure.



- (b) (5 points) A spherical conductor has radius  $a$  and a total charge  $Q$  deposited on its surface. The conductor is surrounded by a dielectric whose relative permittivity is a function of radius. Find an equation for  $\varepsilon_r(r)$  that would result in a constant value of  $\vec{E}$  in the dielectric.

4. 20 marks Consider the surface  $S$ , defined by

$$x^2 + y^2 + (z - 3)^2 = 16, \quad z \geq 1,$$

oriented outward (away from the point  $(0, 0, 3)$ ).

- (a) (3 points) Parametrize  $S$ .

- (b) (6 points) Write down, but do not evaluate the integral that calculates the flux  $\iint_S \vec{D} \cdot \hat{n} \, dS$ , directly, using the parametrization of  $S$  in part a) where  $\vec{D}$  is electric flux density

$$\vec{D}(x, y, z) = \langle x + z^2, -2y + \sin(z), 2z \rangle$$

(You can leave the integral that calculates the flux in its dot product form, you don't need to simplify)

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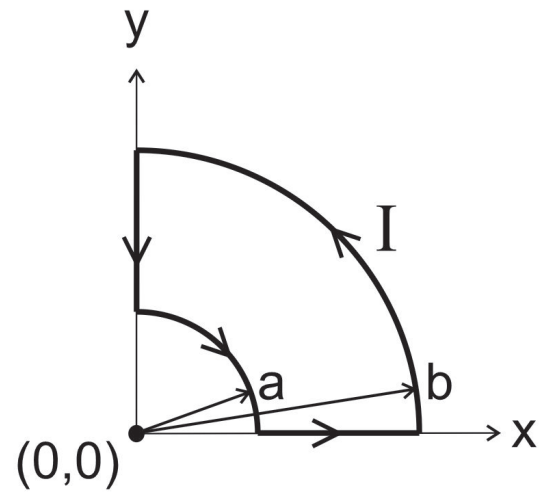
(c) (4 points) Find a capping surface  $T$  so that  $S \cup T$  is a closed surface oriented outward, and calculate the flux  $\iint_T \vec{D} \cdot \hat{n} \, dT$ , using this surface  $T$  in the correct orientation.

(d) (7 points) Calculate the flux in part (b) using the divergence theorem.

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5. 20 marks Note: parts a and b are unrelated.

- (a) (8 points) For the current carrying filament as shown in the figure, find  $H$  at  $(0,0)$  using the Biot-Savart law.



- (b) (12 points) A hollow cylindrical conductor centred about the  $z$ -axis has inner radius  $\rho = a$ , outer radius  $\rho = b$ , and length  $l$ . It has a radially dependent conductivity given by  $\sigma(\rho) = \sigma_o(1 + \rho)$ . A potential  $V$  exists between the two ends of the conductor.
- i) Find the expression for  $\vec{J}$  in the region  $a \leq \rho \leq b$
  - ii) Find the expression for  $\vec{H}$  in the region  $a \leq \rho \leq b$
  - iii) Find the expression for  $\vec{H}$  in the region  $\rho > b$
  - iv) Find the expression for the resistance of the conductor

*This blank page is for your solution to **Question 5** if you need more space.*