ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC FIELDS ASSIGNMENT 6

THESE QUESTIONS ARE A REVISION OF THE FIRST 1/2 OF THE COURSE

- 1. For the two vectors shown, what is $\overline{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \overline{\mathbf{B}}$?
- 2. What is the magnitude of $\overline{\mathbf{A}} \times \overline{\mathbf{B}}$ and what is its direction?
- 3. Draw the x, y, and z axes, and show the orthogonal unit vectors \hat{i} , \hat{j} and \hat{k} .
- 4. How is the Electric Field, $\overline{\mathbf{E}}$, at a point in space defined?
- 5. What is the magnitude of the electric field at a distance r from a point charge Q?
- 6. Briefly explain the Principle of Superposition for the addition of electric forces or fields.
- 7. Where do electric field lines begin, and where do they end?
- 8. A uniform electric field $\overline{\mathbf{E}}$ passes through a flat area ds as shown. What is the magnitude of the normal vector \mathbf{dA} , and what is its direction?
- 9. What is the expression for the Electric Flux through the area ds?
- 10. Is Electric Flux a scalar or a vector?
- 11. Write down the equation for Gauss's Law, and express its meaning in words.
- 12. Summarise the step-by-step procedure for using Gauss's Law.
- 13. For a spherically symmetric charge distribution, of total charge Q, what is the magnitude of the electric field at distance r, where r is outside the region where the charge exists?
- 14. What is the magnitude of the electric field inside a perfect conductor? Explain your answer.
- 15. If a conductor is not electrically neutral, where does the excess charge reside? Explain your answer.
- 16. At the surface of a conductor, what is the direction of $\overline{\mathbf{E}}$? Explain your answer.
- 17. If a force F moves through a distance Δx , how much work is done?
- 18. If an electric charge q undergoes a displacement $\Delta \overline{\mathbf{x}}$, in a uniform electric field $\overline{\mathbf{E}}$, what is the change in its electrostatic potential energy?
- 19. Is potential energy a scalar or a vector?
- 20. What is the definition of the Electric Potential, V?
- 21. What are the SI units of V?
- 22. Is V is scalar or a vector?
- 23. Write down two equations giving the relationship between the potential and the electric field.
- 24. If a charge +e is moved through a potential difference of 100 V, how much work is done? Express the answer in eV and in Joules.
- 25. Summarise two different step-by-step methods for finding the potential (or potential difference), when given some charge distribution.
- 26. What is an equipotential surface?
- 27. If the zero of potential is at infinity, what is the potential at a distance r from a point charge, Q?
- 28. Point a is at a lower potential that point b. A negative charge is moved from a to b. Does external work need to be done on the charge to do this? Explain your answer.



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- 29. The electric field is conservative. Explain what this means in words, and write down an equation which implies the same thing.
- 30. What is the electric field inside a closed empty cavity in a conductor?
- 31. What is the total electric energy of a system of n point charges.
- 32. What is the electric energy of a charged conductor, of charge Q, and potential V?
- 33. What is the formula for the energy density of the electric field, and what are the SI units of energy density?
- 34. A sphere has electric charge distributed uniformly inside. What fraction of the total electric energy of this system resides in the space outside the sphere?
- 35. Write down the step-by-step procedure for finding capacitance.
- 36. Write down the equation which defines the dielectric constant, K.
- 37. What is the dielectric constant of a perfect conductor?
- 38. What is the formula for the total capacitance of two capacitors in series?
- 39. What is the formula for the total capacitance of two capacitors in parallel?
- 40. How is Gauss's Law modified in the case of a dielectric medium?

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