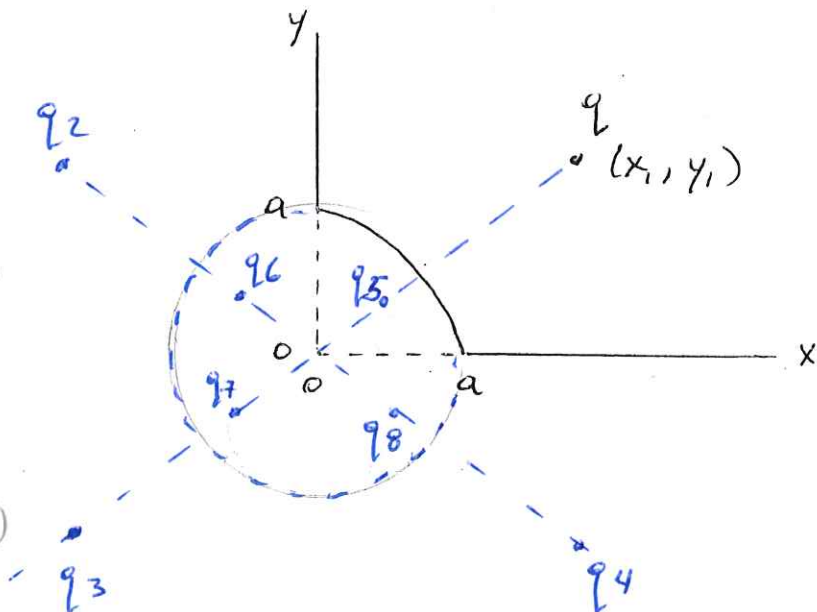


### Quiz 3

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Total = 20 marks

1. (5 marks) Consider a conducting surface shown below which consists of two semi infinite planes with a spherical bubble at the corner of radius  $a$ . A point charge  $q$  is located at position  $(x_1, y_1)$  as shown. Find the potential everywhere.



$$d_1 \equiv \sqrt{x_1^2 + y_1^2}$$

Consider image charges

$$q_2 = -q \quad \text{at } \vec{r}_2 = (x_1, -y_1, 0)$$

$$q_3 = +q \quad \text{at } \vec{r}_3 = (-x_1, -y_1, 0)$$

$$q_4 = -q \quad \text{at } \vec{r}_4 = (-x_1, y_1, 0)$$

$$q_5 = -\frac{a}{d_1} q \quad \text{distance from } O \text{ is } a^2/d_1$$

$$q_6 = \frac{a}{d_1} q \quad \text{"}$$

$$q_7 = -\frac{a}{d_1} q \quad \text{"}$$

$$q_8 = \frac{a}{d_1} q \quad \text{"}$$

$$\therefore \Phi(\vec{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^8 \frac{q_i}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i|}$$

2. (5 marks) Consider a conducting sphere of radius  $R$  placed in a uniform electric field  $\vec{E}_0$ .
- a) Find the potential at all points exterior to the conducting sphere.

Solution of Laplace's equation for azimuthally symmetric problems is:

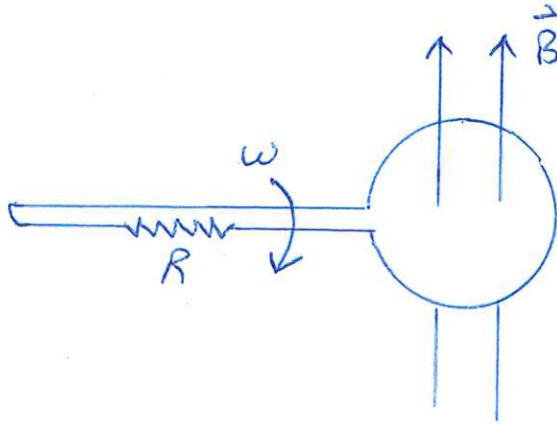
$$\Phi(r, \theta) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (A_{\ell} r^{\ell} + B_{\ell} r^{-(\ell+1)}) P_{\ell}(\cos \theta)$$

See class notes

- b) Find the electric field.

- c) Find the surface charge density on the sphere.

3. (5 marks) A conducting loop of wire shown below spins at a rate of 60 Hz in a uniform  $10^4$  gauss magnetic field. The loop has an area of  $10^3 \text{ cm}^2$ . Find the current in a  $1 \text{ k}\Omega$  resistor.



Voltage across R is  $V = \frac{1}{c} \frac{d\Phi}{dt}$   $\uparrow$  Mag. Flux through Loop

$$= \frac{1}{c} B A \omega$$

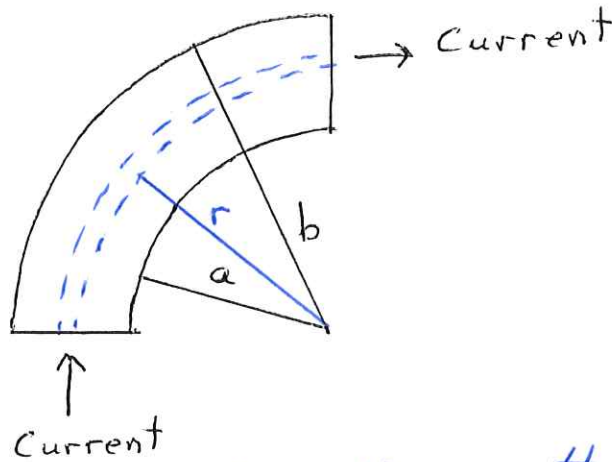
$$\therefore V = \frac{10^4 \text{ gauss} \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^2 \times 2\pi \times 60 \text{ Hz}}{3 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm/sec}}$$

$$= 1.3 \times 10^{-1} \text{ statvolt}$$

$$= 37.7 \text{ volt}$$

$\therefore$  current through R is  $I = \frac{V}{R}$   
 $= 3.77 \times 10^{-2} \text{ amps}$

4. (5 marks) A resistor is made of a rectangular slab of material of resistivity  $\rho$  that is bent as shown below. It has width  $w$  perpendicular to the page. Find an expression for its resistance.



Consider arc of radius  $r$  + thickness  $dr$ .  
Resistance of arc  $dR = \rho \cdot \frac{2\pi r}{4} \frac{1}{w dr}$

Adding parallel arcs of resistance gives:

$$\frac{1}{R_{TOT}} = \int \frac{1}{dR}$$

$$= \int_a^b \frac{4}{2\pi r \rho} w dr$$

$$\frac{1}{R_{TOT}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{w}{\rho} \ln(b/a)$$

$$\therefore R_{TOT} = \frac{\pi \rho}{2 w \ln(b/a)}$$