

PHYS 340 Class Test 2, Nov. 14, 2014, 8:35-9:25

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Write only in your exam booklet.

This is a closed book exam.

No calculators are permitted.

One double sided 8.5x11" sheet of notes is permitted.

This is an exam lasting 50 minutes.

Do all 3 problems and GOOD LUCK!

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1. Three charges are arranged in an “L” shaped right triangle. A charge  $-2q$  is placed at the origin, and two charges, each of  $+q$ , are placed at  $(0,l,0)$  and  $(l,0,0)$ , respectively.
  - a) Find a relatively simple expression for the potential  $V(\underline{r})$  that is valid for distances  $|\underline{r}| \gg l$ .
  - b) Make a rough plot of the equipotential surfaces in the  $x, y$  plane.
2. Find the bound surface charge density for the dielectric (with permittivity  $\epsilon$ ) for a parallel plate capacitor with charge  $Q$  and plate area  $A$ .
3. A thick spherical shell (inner radius  $a$ , outer radius  $b$ ) is made of dielectric material with a “frozen in” polarization:

$$\underline{P}(\underline{r}) = \frac{k}{r} \hat{r}$$

where  $k$  is a constant and  $r$  is the distance from the centre. (There is no free charge in the problem).

Locate all the bound charge, and use Gauss’s law to calculate the electric field it produces.