

Formula sheet for final exam

This formula sheet, and copies of the front and back covers of Griffiths, will be provided with the exam.

Electric field due to a source charge q at the origin:

$$\vec{\mathbf{E}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}} \quad (1)$$

Force on test charge Q at $\vec{\mathbf{r}}$ due to source charge q at the origin:

$$\vec{\mathbf{F}} = Q\vec{\mathbf{E}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Qq}{r^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}} \quad (2)$$

Electric potential:

$$V(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = - \int_{\mathcal{O}}^{\vec{\mathbf{r}}} \vec{\mathbf{E}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{l}}, \quad \vec{\mathbf{E}} = -\vec{\nabla}V \quad (3)$$

Choosing \mathcal{O} at infinity, potential of a source charge q at the origin:

$$V(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r} \quad (4)$$

Gauss's law:

$$\oint_S \vec{\mathbf{E}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{a}} = \frac{Q_{\text{encl}}}{\epsilon_0}, \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{E}} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (5)$$

Poisson's equation (reduces to Laplace's equation for $\rho = 0$):

$$\nabla^2 V = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad (6)$$

Capacitance, definition of:

$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V}, \quad C = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \text{ for parallel plate} \quad (7)$$

Electrostatic energy for point charges and continuous charge distributions:

$$W = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j>i}^n \frac{q_i q_j}{|\vec{\mathbf{r}}_i - \vec{\mathbf{r}}_j|}, \quad W = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho V d\tau = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int_{\text{all space}} E^2 d\tau \quad (8)$$

$$W = \frac{1}{2} C (\Delta V)^2 \text{ stored in a capacitor} \quad (9)$$

Discontinuities across a surface charge:

$$\vec{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{above}} - \vec{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{below}} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \quad (10)$$

$$V_{\text{above}} = V_{\text{below}}, \quad \frac{\partial V_{\text{above}}}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial V_{\text{below}}}{\partial n} = -\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \quad (11)$$

Electrostatic pressure (on surface of conductor):

$$\vec{\mathbf{f}} = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{\mathbf{n}} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E^2 \hat{\mathbf{n}} \quad (12)$$

Method of Images for a grounded conducting sphere with radius R and a point charge q a distance a from the centre of the sphere:

$$q' = -\frac{R}{a}q, \quad b = \frac{R^2}{a} \quad (13)$$

where q' is a distance b from the centre of the sphere. For a conducting sphere at potential V_0 , add a second image charge q'' at the centre of the sphere such that

$$V_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q''}{R} \quad (14)$$

Solutions of Laplace's equation:

$$V(r, \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (15)$$

$$V(s, \phi) = A_0 \ln s + B_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (A_m \cos m\phi + B_m \sin m\phi) (s^m + C_m s^{-m}) \quad (16)$$

Legendre polynomials:

$$\begin{aligned} P_0(x) &= 1 & P_3(x) &= (5x^3 - 3x)/2 \\ P_1(x) &= x & P_4(x) &= (35x^4 - 30x^2 + 3)/8 \\ P_2(x) &= (3x^2 - 1)/2 & P_5(x) &= (63x^5 - 70x^3 + 15x)/8 \end{aligned}$$

Potential due to a dipole at the origin:

$$V(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{p}}}{r^2} \quad (17)$$

Bound charge in polarized materials:

$$\rho_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{P}} \quad \sigma_b = \vec{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} \quad (18)$$

$\vec{\mathbf{D}}$ field:

$$\vec{\mathbf{D}} \equiv \epsilon_0 \vec{\mathbf{E}} + \vec{\mathbf{P}} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{D}} = \rho_f \quad \oint \vec{\mathbf{D}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{a}} = Q_{f, \text{encl}} \quad (19)$$

Linear dielectrics: electric susceptibility χ_e

$$\vec{\mathbf{P}} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{\mathbf{E}} \quad \vec{\mathbf{D}} = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \vec{\mathbf{E}} \equiv \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \vec{\mathbf{E}} \equiv \epsilon \vec{\mathbf{E}} \quad (20)$$

Energy

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int \vec{\mathbf{D}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{E}} d\tau \quad \text{In vacuum, } W = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int E^2 d\tau \quad (21)$$

Lorentz force on point charge or current

$$\vec{\mathbf{F}} = q \vec{\mathbf{v}} \times \vec{\mathbf{B}} \quad \vec{\mathbf{F}} = \int (\vec{\mathbf{J}} \times \vec{\mathbf{B}}) d\tau \quad (22)$$

Biot-Savart law

$$\vec{\mathbf{B}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{\mathbf{J}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}') \times (\vec{\mathbf{r}} - \vec{\mathbf{r}}')}{|\vec{\mathbf{r}} - \vec{\mathbf{r}}'|^3} d\tau' \quad \vec{\mathbf{B}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi} \int \frac{d\vec{\mathbf{l}}' \times (\vec{\mathbf{r}} - \vec{\mathbf{r}}')}{|\vec{\mathbf{r}} - \vec{\mathbf{r}}'|^3} \quad (23)$$

Ampère's law (magnetostatics)

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\mathbf{B}} = \mu_0 \vec{\mathbf{J}} \quad \oint \vec{\mathbf{B}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{l}} = \mu_0 I_{\text{encl}} \quad (24)$$

Vector potential

$$\vec{\mathbf{B}} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\mathbf{A}} \quad \text{If } \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{A}} = 0, \text{ then } \nabla^2 \vec{\mathbf{A}} = -\mu_0 \vec{\mathbf{J}} \text{ and } \vec{\mathbf{A}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\vec{\mathbf{J}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}')}{|\vec{\mathbf{r}} - \vec{\mathbf{r}}'|} d\tau' \quad (25)$$

Boundary conditions

$$\vec{\mathbf{B}}_{\text{above}} - \vec{\mathbf{B}}_{\text{below}} = \mu_0(\vec{\mathbf{K}} \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \quad (26)$$

Torque and force on a magnetic dipole

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mathbf{m}} \times \vec{\mathbf{B}} \quad \vec{\mathbf{F}} = \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{B}}) \quad (27)$$

Vector potential due to a magnetic dipole at the origin

$$\vec{\mathbf{A}}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{\mathbf{m}} \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}}{r^2} \quad (28)$$

Bound current in magnetized materials

$$\vec{\mathbf{J}}_b = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\mathbf{M}} \quad \vec{\mathbf{K}}_b = \vec{\mathbf{M}} \times \hat{\mathbf{n}} \quad (29)$$

$\vec{\mathbf{H}}$ field

$$\vec{\mathbf{H}} \equiv \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{\mathbf{B}} - \vec{\mathbf{M}} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\mathbf{H}} = \vec{\mathbf{J}}_f \quad \oint \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{l}} = I_{f,\text{encl}} \quad (30)$$

Linear magnetic media: magnetic susceptibility χ_m

$$\vec{\mathbf{M}} = \chi_m \vec{\mathbf{H}} \quad \vec{\mathbf{B}} = \mu_0(1 + \chi_m) \vec{\mathbf{H}} \equiv \mu \vec{\mathbf{H}} \quad (31)$$

Ohm's law and emf (here $\sigma \equiv$ conductivity)

$$\vec{\mathbf{J}} = \sigma \vec{\mathbf{f}} = \sigma(\vec{\mathbf{E}} + \vec{\mathbf{v}} \times \vec{\mathbf{B}}) \quad V = IR \quad \mathcal{E} \equiv \oint \vec{\mathbf{f}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{l}} \quad (32)$$

Power

$$P = I\Delta V \quad (33)$$

Motional emf, induction, and Faraday's law

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{d\Phi_m}{dt} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\mathbf{E}} = -\frac{\partial \vec{\mathbf{B}}}{\partial t} \quad \oint \vec{\mathbf{E}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{l}} = -\int \frac{\partial \vec{\mathbf{B}}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{a}} \quad (34)$$

Lenz's law: "Nature abhors a change in flux."

Mutual inductance and self-inductance

$$\Phi_2 = MI_1 \quad \Phi_1 = MI_2 \quad \Phi = LI \quad \mathcal{E} = -L \frac{dI}{dt} \quad (35)$$

Energy

$$W = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \int B^2 d\tau \quad (36)$$

Continuity equation and Maxwell's fix to Ampère's law

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{J}} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\mathbf{B}} = \mu_0 \vec{\mathbf{J}} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{\mathbf{E}}}{\partial t} \quad (37)$$