

Physics 321, Autumn Quarter 2015

Electrodynamics: Homework Assignment 9

(a) Turn in all problems and clearly note all constants and assumptions you use.

(1-point penalty each otherwise)

(b) Use 8½ x 11 paper & staple

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Due 9:30 am Thursday December 3

1. Consider a linear dielectric material having dielectric constant ϵ . Suppose the electric field in the neighborhood of some point inside the material is \mathbf{E} . Find the force per unit volume exerted on the dielectric in the neighborhood of this point.
2. A thin disk of radius R and height L carries a constant axial polarization \mathbf{P} . (a) Sketch the lines of \mathbf{E} . (b) Find the bound charge. (c) Why is the dipole moment at large distances from the disk that of two separated charges; find the magnitude of one of these charges and the separation of the charges.
3. A sphere is uniformly filled with material having constant polarization \mathbf{P} . Find the dipole moment of the sphere.
4. How much work is required to bring two charges $+Q$ and $-Q$ from infinity to a very small separation d in the neighborhood of an external electric field \mathbf{E} ?