

PHY4324–Electromagnetism II

Fall 2011

Final exam – 2 hours

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No other materials except calculators allowed. If you can't do one part of a problem, solve subsequent parts in terms of unknown answer—define clearly. Do 4 of 6 problems, CLEARLY indicating which you want graded by circling the problem number!. Each problem is worth 10 pts., for a maximum of 40 points, which will be normalized to 30 on final score.

The following expressions may be useful:

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{C}^2/\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2; \mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{N}/\text{A}^2$$

For a conductor:

$$\tilde{k} = k + i\kappa \quad ; \quad k = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon\mu}{2}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega}\right)^2} + 1 \right]^{1/2} \quad ; \quad \kappa = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon\mu}{2}} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon\omega}\right)^2} - 1 \right]^{1/2}$$

1. Electromagnetic waves in conductors.

- (a) (3 pts.) A given material has a DC conductivity of $\sigma = 5 \times 10^5 (\Omega\text{-m})^{-1}$, permittivity $\epsilon = 10\epsilon_0$, and permeability $\mu = \mu_0$. For $\omega = 5 \times 10^{15}$ Hz, compute the skin depth d
- (b) (3 pts.) For the same material, find the index of refraction n .
- (c) (2 pts.) Compute the *numerical* value of the reflection coefficient R assuming the light is normally incident on the surface.
- (d) (2 pts.) An EM wave of angular frequency ω traveling in a vacuum is normally incident on the surface of a material of conductivity σ , permittivity ϵ and permeability $\mu = \mu_0$. Find an analytical expression for the complex wavenumber \tilde{k} in the limit $\sigma \ll \omega\epsilon$. From this, derive an analytical expression for the reflection coefficient R in this limit.

2. Gauge transformations:

- (a) (3 pts.) The scalar and vector potentials for a charge at rest are given by $V = q/(4\pi\epsilon_0 r)$ and $\mathbf{A} = 0$. To these potentials satisfy Coulomb gauge? Lorentz gauge?
- (b) (3 pts.) Transform the potentials in part (a) using the gauge function $\lambda(\mathbf{r}, t) = qt/(4\pi\epsilon_0 r)$. What are the new potentials V' and \mathbf{A}' .
- (c) (2 pts.) Do the new potentials satisfy Coulomb gauge? Lorentz gauge?
- (d) (2 pts.) Show that it is always possible to find a gauge where $V = 0$, but not necessarily where $\mathbf{A} = 0$.

3. Radiation from an electron bound to an infinitely heavy nucleus.

Consider an electron, charge $-e$, mass m , bound to a nucleus by a "spring" with spring constant k . Assume that the electron senses a complex electric field of the form $\tilde{E}(t) = E_0 e^{i\omega t}$, and that a damping force $F_d = -m\gamma \frac{dx}{dt}$ acts on the electron/spring system.

- (a) (3 pts.) Write down the equation of motion of the electron
- (b) (3 pts.) Assume a complex position $\tilde{x} = \tilde{x}_0 e^{i\omega t}$. Solve for $\tilde{x}(t)$ and the complex acceleration $\tilde{a}(t)$.
- (c) (2 pts.) Define the time-dependent dipole moment of this system.
- (d) (2 pts.) Write an expression for the total, time averaged electric dipole radiation power. Be sure to take the real part of the dipole moment operator first.

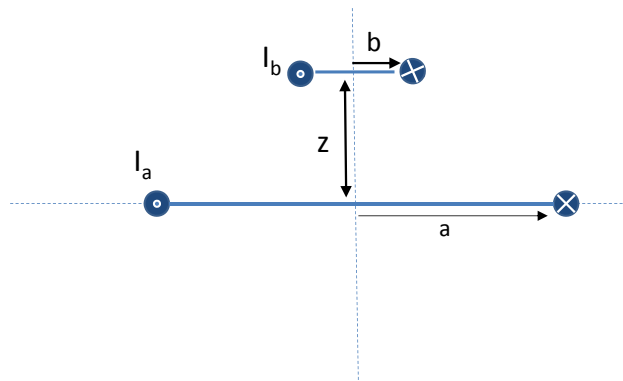


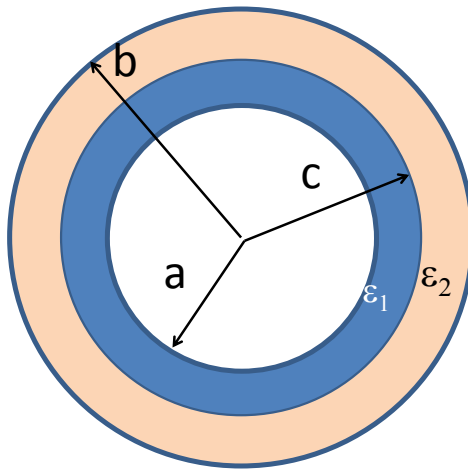
FIG. 1: Side view of 2 loops

4. A small circular loop (radius b) lies a distance z above the center of a 2nd circular loop (radius a). You may assume $a \gg b$ as indicated in the figure.
- (4 pts.) Find the magnetic field a distance z above the center of the circular loop on the z axis *only*.
 - (4 pts.) Find the mutual inductance M between the two loops.
 - (2 pts.) Now the current in loop a varies as $I_a = I_0 \cos \omega t$. Find the induced E -field at loop b .
5. (Line charge) Consider an infinitely long, straight, infinitesimally thin line charge which has charge density per unit length λ in its own rest frame.
- (3pts.) Write down the \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} fields in this frame, and construct the electromagnetic field tensor $F^{\mu\nu}$.
 - (3 pts.) Construct the 4-current J^μ for this situation. Then, by explicit Lorentz transformation, find the 4-current in the frame of a starship moving with respect to that of part a) with velocity \mathbf{v} along the wire.
 - (2 pts.) By explicit Lorentz transformation, find the $\bar{\mathbf{E}}$ and $\bar{\mathbf{B}}$ fields observed by the pilot of the starship. Express the result in terms of the current \bar{I}

observed by the pilot. Explain the physical meaning of your answers for the fields.

- (d) (2 pts.) Is it possible to find a frame where $\mathbf{E}=0$ for this system? Why or why not?

6. A t -dependent voltage $V(t) = V_0 \cos(\omega t)$ is applied to a capacitor, which consists of two concentric conducting spheres of radii a and b ($a < b$).



The space in between the spheres is filled with two spherical shells made of *different* insulators, so that

$$\epsilon = \begin{cases} \epsilon_1 & \text{for } a < r < c \\ \epsilon_2 & \text{for } c < r < b. \end{cases}$$

- (a) (4 pts.) Find the capacitance C .
- (b) (4 pts.) Find the displacement current (direction and magnitude) in terms of C .
- (c) (2 pts.) Find the magnetic field produced by the displacement current.

$$= 1.13$$

1 a)

$$\text{skin depth} = d = \frac{1}{\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu_0}{2}} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega}\right)^2} - 1 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{5 \times 10^5}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\sqrt{10}}{3 \times 10^8} \left(\sqrt{1 + (1.13)^2} - 1 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= 2.66 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$d = 1/\alpha = 3.76 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m} = 37.6 \text{ nm}$$

index of refraction $n = \frac{c}{v} \leftarrow \text{real part of } \tilde{k}$

$$k = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu_0}{2}} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon \omega}\right)^2} + 1 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= 3.73 \times 10^7 \left(\sqrt{1 + (1.13)^2} + 1 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= 5.9 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$n = \frac{ck}{\omega} = 3.54 \text{ for this frequency}$$

Reflection coefficient $R = \left| \frac{\tilde{n} - 1}{\tilde{n} + 1} \right|^2$

$$\tilde{n} = \frac{c}{\omega} (k + i\alpha) = n + i \frac{\sigma}{\omega} x$$

$$R = \frac{(n-1)^2 + \left(\frac{cx}{\omega}\right)^2}{(n+1)^2 + \left(\frac{cx}{\omega}\right)^2} \quad \frac{cx}{\omega} = \frac{(3 \times 10^8)(2.6 \times 10^7)}{(5 \times 10^{15})} = 1.60$$

$$= \frac{2.54^2 + 1.6^2}{4.54^2 + 1.6^2} = 0.389$$

b) Expand for small $\frac{\sigma}{\omega}$:

$$k = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu_0}{2}} = \omega \sqrt{\epsilon \mu_0}$$

$$x = \omega \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon \mu_0}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega}\right)^2 - 1 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \omega \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\epsilon \mu_0} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\omega}\right) = \frac{\sigma}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon}}$$

$$\tilde{k} = \omega \sqrt{\epsilon \mu_0} + i \frac{\sigma}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon}}$$

$$R = \left| \frac{\tilde{n} - 1}{\tilde{n} + 1} \right|^2 = \left| \frac{\frac{c}{\omega} \tilde{k} - 1}{\frac{c}{\omega} \tilde{k} + 1} \right|^2 = \left| \frac{c \sqrt{\epsilon \mu_0} + \frac{i c \sigma}{2 \omega} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon}} - 1}{c \sqrt{\epsilon \mu_0} + \frac{i c \sigma}{2 \omega} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon}} + 1} \right|^2$$

$$= \frac{(c\sqrt{\epsilon\mu_0} - 1)^2 + \left(\frac{c\sigma}{2\omega} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon}}\right)^2}{(c\sqrt{\epsilon\mu_0} + 1)^2 + \left(\frac{c\sigma}{2\omega} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon}}\right)^2}$$

2 Gauge transforms

$$a) \quad \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla\Lambda \quad 1)$$

$$\vec{V}' = \vec{V} - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t} \quad 2)$$

Eq. 2) can always be solved with $\vec{V}' = 0$ by choosing

$$\Lambda = \int_0^t V(t') dt'$$

but this doesn't work for 1) since there are 3 components. Easiest way to prove this is to note that if $\vec{A}' = 0$, then $\vec{B}' = \nabla \times \vec{A}' = 0$ too. But in general

$$\nabla \times (\vec{A} + \nabla\Lambda) = \nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{B}$$

So only soln $\vec{A}' = 0$ is if $\vec{B} = 0$.

b) Coulomb gauge is $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 0$
 so yes, this works

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Lorentz gauge $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = 0$
 since $\vec{A} = 0$, $V \neq V(t)$ OK

c) Gauge factor $\Lambda = \frac{qt}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$

$$V' = V - \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} \Lambda = \frac{qt}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{r}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{r} = -\frac{\hat{r}}{r^2}$$

$$\vec{A}' = -\frac{qt\hat{r}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

Lorentz gauge $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}' = \frac{-qt}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right)$

$$= \frac{-qt}{\epsilon_0} \oint \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{r}}{r^2} \right) \neq 0$$

Neither Coulomb nor Lorentz gauge is satisfied at $\vec{r} = 0$.

Singular gauge transform.

d) Can always find gauge $V' = 0$, $V = \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial t}$ "pure gauge"
 $\Rightarrow \Lambda(\vec{r}, t) = \int^t dt' V(t')$

But cannot do same thing for \vec{A} always.
 If $\vec{A}' = 0$ then $\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}' = 0$ gauge-invariant
 Therefore if $\vec{B} \neq 0$ \vec{A} cannot be gauged away.

3 a) $F = m \ddot{x} = -kx - m\gamma \dot{x} + qE_0 e^{-i\omega t}$
binding damping driving

$$\ddot{x} + \gamma \dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = \frac{-eE_0}{m} e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

b) $\vec{x} = \vec{x}_0 e^{-i\omega t}$

$$-\omega^2 \vec{x}_0 = i\omega \gamma \vec{x}_0 + \omega_0^2 \vec{x}_0 = \frac{-eE_0}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x}_0 = \frac{eE_0/m}{\omega^2 + i\omega\gamma - \omega_0^2}$$

$$\vec{x}(t) = \frac{eE_0/m}{\omega^2 + i\omega\gamma - \omega_0^2} e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\vec{a} = \ddot{\vec{x}} = \frac{-e\omega^2 E_0/m}{\omega^2 + i\omega\gamma - \omega_0^2} e^{-i\omega t}$$

c) $\vec{p}(t) = (-e)\vec{x}(t)$; Physical $\vec{p} = \text{Re } \vec{p}$

d) Power radiated given by Larmor formula:

$$P = \frac{\mu_0 e^2}{6\pi c} a^2$$

where $a = \text{Re } \vec{a}$
 $= \frac{\omega^2 eE_0/m}{(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \omega^2 \gamma^2} [\sin \omega t \omega\gamma + (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) \cos \omega t]$

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Average $\langle a^2 \rangle$ over complete cycle

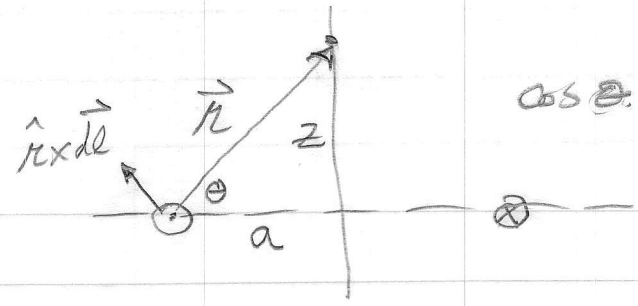
$$\langle a^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{e E_0 / m}{(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \gamma^2} \right)^2 \left[\omega^2 \gamma^2 \langle \sin^2 \omega t \rangle + (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 \langle \cos^2 \omega t \rangle \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{e E_0 / m}{(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \gamma^2} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left[(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \gamma^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{4 e^2 E_0^2 / m^2}{[(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \gamma^2]}$$

$$\langle P \rangle = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi c} \frac{(e^4 E_0^2 / m^2) \omega^4}{[(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \gamma^2]}$$

4 (a)



$$\cos \theta = \frac{a}{(z^2 + b^2)^{1/2}}$$

z-component

Biot-Savart law

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r} = z\hat{z}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} I_a \int \frac{d\vec{l} \times \hat{r}}{r^2} = \frac{\mu_0 a I_a \cos \theta \hat{z}}{z(z^2 + b^2)}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0 a^2 I_a \hat{z}}{2(z^2 + b^2)^{3/2}}$$

(b) If $b \ll a$ we may assume that the field produced by the circular loop is constant over the square one. Hence

$$\Phi_b = \pi b^2 \cdot \frac{\mu_0 a^2 I_a}{2(z^2 + b^2)^{3/2}}$$

Def. of mutual inductance $\Phi_b = M_{ba} I_a$

$$\Rightarrow M_{21} = \frac{\pi \mu_0 a^2 b^2}{2(z^2 + b^2)^{3/2}}$$

Now z is height of b . above a

$$(c) \mathcal{E}_b = -\frac{d\Phi_b}{dt} = -M_{ba} \frac{dI_a}{dt} = +M_{ba} I_0 \omega \sin \omega t$$

$$= M_{ba} I_0 \omega \sin \omega t \equiv \oint \vec{E}_{ind} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_{ind} = \frac{M_{ba} I_0 \omega \sin \omega t}{2\pi b} \hat{\theta}$$

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(Line charge) Consider an infinitely long, straight, infinitesimally thin line charge which has charge density per unit length λ in its own rest frame.

(a) (2pts.) Write down the \vec{E} and \vec{B} fields in this frame, and construct the electromagnetic field tensor $F^{\mu\nu}$.

line chg. at rest $\Rightarrow \vec{B} = 0, \vec{E} = \frac{2\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 s} \hat{s}$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{2\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\hat{s}}{s} = \frac{2\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} (\cos\phi \hat{x} + \sin\phi \hat{y}) \equiv E_x \hat{x} + E_y \hat{y}$$

$$F^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E_x/c & E_y/c & E_z/c \\ -E_x/c & 0 & B_z & -B_y \\ -E_y/c & -B_z & 0 & B_x \\ -E_z/c & B_y & -B_x & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E_x/c & E_y/c & 0 \\ -E_x/c & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -E_y/c & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

4-current $\vec{J} = (c\rho, \vec{J})$ (b) (2 pts.) Construct the 4-current J^μ for this situation. Then, by explicit Lorentz transformation, find the 4-current in the frame of a starship moving with respect to that of part a) with velocity v along the wire.

z-axis is wire!

Rest Frame of line charge $\vec{J} = 0$

$$J^\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \rho c \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma\rho c \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -\beta\gamma\rho c \end{pmatrix} \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} \quad \beta = \frac{v}{c}$$

So in starship frame $\bar{\rho} = \gamma\rho c \quad \bar{J} = -\beta\gamma\rho c \hat{z}$

(c) (2 pts.) By explicit Lorentz transformation, find the \vec{E} and \vec{B} fields observed by the pilot of the starship. Express the result in terms of the current \bar{I} observed by the pilot. Explain the physical meaning of your answers for the fields.

$$\bar{F} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{E_x}{c} & \frac{E_y}{c} & 0 \\ \frac{E_x}{c} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{E_y}{c} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & -\beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \gamma\frac{E_x}{c} & \gamma\frac{E_y}{c} & 0 \\ -\gamma\frac{E_x}{c} & 0 & 0 & \beta\gamma\frac{E_x}{c} \\ -\gamma\frac{E_y}{c} & 0 & 0 & \beta\gamma\frac{E_y}{c} \\ 0 & -\beta\gamma\frac{E_x}{c} & -\beta\gamma\frac{E_y}{c} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So in moving frame we have larger E-field (from contracted charge density) $\gamma \vec{E}$ and magnetic field $\vec{B}_z = 0 \quad \vec{B}_y = -\gamma\beta\frac{E_x}{c} \quad \vec{B}_x = \beta\gamma\frac{E_y}{c}$

Current in this frame $\bar{J} = -\beta\gamma\rho c \hat{z}$ (to left!) $\equiv \bar{I} \delta^{(2)}(\vec{s}) \hat{z}$
 where $\bar{I} = -\beta\gamma\lambda c$. And $\vec{B} = -\beta\gamma \hat{z} \times \frac{\vec{E}}{c} = -\beta\gamma \frac{2\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0 s} \hat{\phi} = \frac{\mu_0 \bar{I}}{2\pi s} \hat{\phi}$

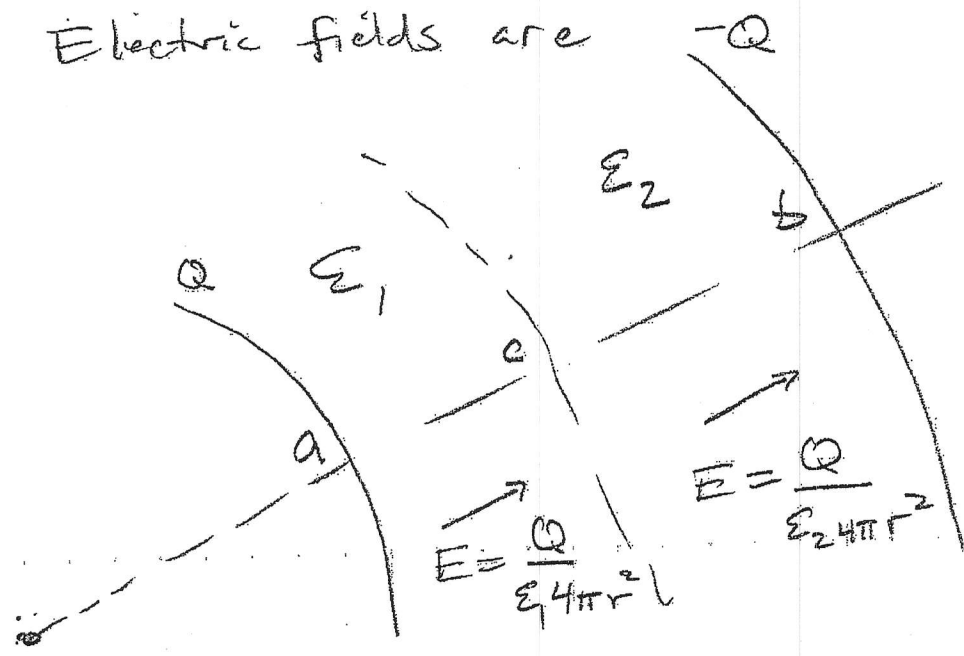
just field of current \bar{I} in infinite wire

(d) (1.5 pts.) Is it possible to find a frame where $E=0$ for this system? Why or why not?

Not possible. $E^2 - c^2 B^2$ is Lorentz invariant
In lab frame $B=0 \Rightarrow E^2 - c^2 B^2 > 0$,
must stay > 0 in all frames $\Rightarrow E \neq 0$.

6 (a) Capacitance: put Q on inner conductor

Electric fields are



$$V = V(a) - V(b) = - \int_b^a \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b E dr$$

$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_1} \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right) + \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_2} \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)$$

$$Q = CV \Rightarrow$$

$$C = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_1} \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right) + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_2} \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)}$$

(b) Displacement current density $\vec{J}_d = \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$ 10
Displacement current $I_d = \int \vec{J}_d \cdot d\vec{a} = J_d 4\pi r^2$

\vec{D} is displacement field due to free charges :

$$\vec{D} = \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2} \hat{r} \Rightarrow J_d = \frac{\dot{Q}}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{C}{4\pi r^2} \dot{V}$$

$$\Rightarrow J_d = -\frac{C}{4\pi r^2} V_0 \omega \sin \omega t$$

$$\boxed{I_d = -C V_0 \omega \sin \omega t}$$

(c) Magnetic field due to displacement current

$$= \underline{\underline{0}} \quad \text{by symmetry}$$

since \vec{J}_d is radial $\propto \hat{r}$