

Formula Sheet for first Midterm Exam 172

WQ 2009

Coulomb's law: $\vec{F} = k \frac{|Q_1||Q_2|}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{|Q_1||Q_2|}{r^2}$; like charges repel
unlike charges attract

Electric field: $\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}}{q}$ $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{N \cdot m^2}{C^2}$

point charge: $|\vec{E}| = k \frac{|Q|}{r^2}$; away from charge for $q > 0$

$$\vec{E}_{total} = \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{E}_{indiv., i}$$

Dipole: $p = ql$; points from neg. to pos. charge

Electric flux: $\Phi_E = \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}$; if area is flat and \vec{E} uniform: $\Phi_E = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}$

Gauss' law: $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{enclosed}}{\epsilon_0}$

Electric potential: $V_{ba} = \frac{U_b - U_a}{q}$; $\Delta U = q V_{ba}$ dist. betw
a & b
 $V_{ba} = -\int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$; for uniform field: $V_{ba} = -Ed$

Equipotential lines: perp. to \vec{E} , same potential

Point charge: $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r}$

Electric field: $E_x = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$; $E_y = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial y}$; $E_z = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z}$
(from potential)

Capacitance: $C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$; plate capacitor

$$Q = CV$$

Equivalent capacitance: parallel capacitors: $C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + \dots$

cap. in series: $\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} + \dots$

Energy stored: $U = \frac{1}{2} QV = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C}$ Dielectric: $\epsilon_0 \rightarrow K\epsilon_0 \equiv \epsilon$

energy density: $u = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$