

1. Given $\sigma(\theta, \phi) = P \cos \theta$.

(a) Let $\mathbf{x} = d\mathbf{k}$. Then the potential is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} dS' \\
 &= \frac{P}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\cos \theta'}{\sqrt{R^2 + d^2 - 2Rd \cos \theta'}} R^2 \sin \theta' d\theta' d\phi' \\
 &= \frac{PR^2}{2\epsilon_0} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{t dt}{\sqrt{R^2 + d^2 - 2Rdt}} \quad \text{where } t = \cos \theta' \\
 &= \frac{Pd}{3\epsilon_0} \quad \text{if } d < R \\
 &= \frac{PR^3}{3\epsilon_0 d^2} \quad \text{if } d > R
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Comparing this form with the general form of solution, we get

$$\phi(r, \theta, \phi) = \begin{cases} \frac{P}{3\epsilon_0} r \cos \theta & r < R \\ \frac{PR^3}{3\epsilon_0 r^2} \cos \theta & r > R \end{cases}$$

(c) Electric Field is given by

$$\mathbf{E}(r, \theta, \phi) = \begin{cases} \frac{P}{3\epsilon_0} (\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cos \theta - \hat{\theta} \sin \theta) = \frac{P}{3\epsilon_0} \hat{\mathbf{k}} & r < R \\ -\frac{PR^3}{3\epsilon_0 r^3} (2\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cos \theta + \hat{\theta} \sin \theta) & r > R \end{cases}$$

(d) Electrostatic energy is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 W &= \frac{1}{2} \int \sigma(\mathbf{x}) \phi(\mathbf{x}) dS \\
 &= \frac{P^2 R^3}{6\epsilon_0} \int \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta d\theta d\phi \\
 &= \frac{2\pi P^2 R^3}{9\epsilon_0}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Given: $2ql = P$

(a) Now $q_1 = -qR/(L+l)$ and $q_2 = qR/(L-l)$ and $d_1 = R^2/(L+l)$ and $d_2 = R^2/(L-l)$.

(b) $Q' = q_1 + q_2 = 2qlR/(L^2 - l^2)$ and $P' = 2qlR^3L/(L^2 - l^2)^2$.

(c) Limiting values are $Q' = PR/L^2$ and $P' \rightarrow PR^3/L^3$.

3. Pipe with square cross section

- (a) The general solution of Laplace equation for the given geometry and boundary conditions at $y = 0$, $y = a$ and at $x = 0$, is

$$\phi(x, y) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y}{a}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right)$$

Applying the fourth boundary condition, we get

$$\begin{aligned} V_0 &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y}{a}\right) \sinh(m\pi) \\ \Rightarrow C_m \sinh(m\pi) \frac{a}{2} &= \int_0^a V_0 \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y}{a}\right) dy \\ &= \frac{V_0 a}{m\pi} (\cos(m\pi) - 1) \\ \Rightarrow C_m &= \frac{2V_0}{m\pi \sinh(m\pi)} (-2) \quad \text{odd } m \\ &= 0 \quad \text{even } m \end{aligned}$$

Finally the potential is given by

$$\phi(x, y) = -\frac{4V_0}{\pi} \sum_{m=1,3,\dots}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m \sinh(m\pi)} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y}{a}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right)$$

- (b) Charge density can be found by

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(y) &= -\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \phi(0, y) \\ &= +\frac{4\epsilon_0 V_0}{a} \sum_{m=1,3,\dots}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sinh(m\pi)} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y}{a}\right) \end{aligned}$$

The net charge is

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \int_0^a \sigma(y) dy \\ &= \frac{4\epsilon_0 V_0}{a} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sinh(m\pi)} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y}{a}\right) dy \\ &= -\frac{8\epsilon_0 V_0}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m \sinh(m\pi)} \\ &= -\frac{\epsilon_0 V_0}{\pi} \ln(2) \end{aligned}$$