

Homework Assignment #18

(due Fr, Oct.14, at the beginning of class)

1. In the next sections we will be working a lot with dipoles. This problem provides us with the expressions we will use.

(a) Show that $V_{\text{dip}}(\vec{r})$ which is defined as

$$V_{\text{dip}}(\vec{r}) := \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r^2} \int r' \cos \alpha' \rho(\vec{r}') d\tau'$$

is equal to Eq.(3.99) (with Eq.(3.98) as definition of \vec{p})

Hint: The derivation is in the book.

(b) Show that for the special case of $\vec{p} = p \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ one obtains Eq.(3.103).

Hint: The derivation is in the book.

(c) Griffith's problem 3.36.

Hint: Start with Eq.(3.99) and use the gradient in cartesian coordinates, and use also that \vec{p} is independent of \vec{r} .

2. Griffiths 3.29

3. Griffiths 3.33 a,b