

Gauge Transformations

- (a) Consider a system where

$$V = 0; \quad \vec{A} = \frac{Ct}{2\pi\epsilon_0 s} \hat{s}$$

Determine \vec{E} , \vec{B} , ρ and \vec{J} using cylindrical co-ordinates. *Hint:* Review Griffiths example 2.1.

- (b) What are the units of C ?
- (c) Consider the same system under a gauge transformation where

$$\lambda = -\frac{Ct}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{s}{s_o}\right)$$

Determine the new \vec{A}' and V' .

- (d) Notice that we have produced a situation where $V = 0$ is set a distance s_o from the axis of cylindrical symmetry. Compare V' with a direct calculation of V using superposition: i.e.

$$V = \sum \frac{q_i}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i|} = \int \frac{dq}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i|}$$

2. Consider a system where

$$V = 0; \quad \vec{A} = \frac{\mu_o I}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{s_o}{s}\right) \hat{z}$$

Determine \vec{E} , \vec{B} , ρ and \vec{J} using cylindrical co-ordinates.

3. Griffiths problem 10.4