## SMU Physics 1308: Fall 2009

Exam 1: Part 1

Problem 1: Consider a closed process involving n=1 mol of an ideal gas with  $C_V=\frac{3}{2}R$ . The gas is initially at  $p_1 = 10^5 \,\mathrm{N/m^2}$  and  $V_1 = 10^{-3} \,\mathrm{m^3}$ . It then undergoes an isothermal expansion until  $V_2 = 10^{-2} \,\mathrm{m}^3$ . This is followed by a constant volume process which brings the system to a pressure  $p_3$  and volume  $V_3 = V_2$  which lies on the same adiabatic curve as  $(p_1, V_1)$ . The system then undergoes adiabatic compression along this curve to return to  $(p_1, V_1)$ . Draw this process in the p-V plane, and find  $(T_1, T_2, T_3)$  and  $(p_2, p_3)$ . For each individual process, find the work and heat; that is find  $(W_{12}, W_{23}, W_{31})$  and  $(Q_{12}, Q_{23}, Q_{31})$ . Compare the efficiency of this process, defined as  $e = W/Q_+$ , with the Carnot efficiency  $e = 1 - T_{-}/T_{+}$ . Here W is the total work done,  $Q_{+}$  is the total heat added over those segments of the process in which heat is positive, and  $T_{+}$  and  $T_{-}$  are the highest and lowest temperatures, respectively, that the system attains.

$$V = C_{P/V} = 1 + P/C_{V} = 5/3 \qquad R = 8.31 \text{ J/K·mol}$$

$$T_{2} = T_{1} = P_{1}V_{1}/nR = \frac{12 \text{ K}}{2} \qquad P_{2} = P_{1}V_{1}/2 = \frac{10^{4} \text{ N/m}^{2}}{2}$$

$$P_{1}V_{1}^{Y} = P_{3}V_{3}^{Y} \qquad V_{3} = V_{2} \qquad P_{3} = P_{1}(V_{1}/2)^{Y} = 2154 \text{ N/m}^{2}$$

$$T_{3} = P_{3}V_{3}/nR = \frac{2.59 \text{ K}}{2}$$

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  $Q_{12} = W_{12} = P_1 V_1 ln(V_2 V_1) = 230 J$ 

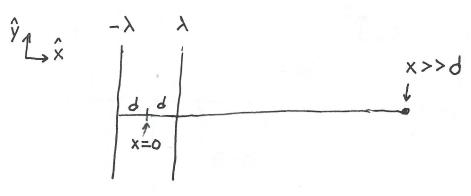
$$Q_{31}=0$$
  $W_{31}=-\Delta E_{31}=-nC_{V}\Delta T_{31}=n\frac{3}{2}R(T_{1}-T_{3})=-118J$ 

Problem 2: The figure below shows an infinite plane of charge at x=0 with area charge density  $\sigma=10^{-6}\,\mathrm{C/m^2}$ , as well as two parallel infinite line charges which extend in the y direction. The first line charge has linear charge density  $-\lambda$  and is located at x=-d and z=0. The second line charge has linear charge density  $\lambda$  and is located at x=d and z=0. If  $d=0.1\,\mathrm{m}$  and the electric field vanishes at (x,y,z)=(2d,0,0), find the linear charge density  $\lambda$ . Also find the electric field vector at (x,y,z)=(3d,0,0).

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Problem 3: The figure below shows two parallel line charges with geometry identical to that in the previous problem. That is, these charges extend in the y direction, and are located at (x,z)=(-d,0) and (x,z)=(d,0), respectively. Again, here  $d=0.1\,\mathrm{m}$ , and the line charges have linear charge densities  $-\lambda$  and  $\lambda$ , respectively, which are possibly different from those in the previous problem. Show that very far from the line charges along the x axis, the electric field has the approximate form of a point charge. Also, find the linear charge density  $\lambda$  if the equivalent point charge is  $Q=10^{-4}\,\mathrm{C}\,.$ 



$$E = \frac{2K\lambda}{K-d} + \frac{2K\lambda}{X+d} = \frac{4Kd\lambda}{X^2-d^2}$$

look at x>>d

$$E = \frac{4Kd\lambda}{\chi^2(1-d\chi^2)} \rightarrow \frac{4Kd\lambda}{\chi^2}$$

looks like 
$$E = \frac{KQ}{X^2}$$
 with  $Q = 4d\lambda$ 

$$\lambda = \frac{Q}{4d} = 2.5 \times 10^4 C_m$$

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Problem 4: The figure below shows a point charge  $Q=3\,\mathrm{C}$  at the center of a hollowed out conducting sphere of inner radius  $r_1=0.10\,\mathrm{m}$  and outer radius  $r_2=0.12\,\mathrm{m}$ . Just outside the conducting sphere is a spherical shell of constant volume charge density with inner radius  $r_2$  and outer radius  $r_3=0.15\,\mathrm{m}$ . The total charge in this shell is -Q, and the conducting shell has zero net charge. Find the form of the electric field at points  $< r_1$ ,  $r_1 < r < r_2$ ,  $r_2 < r < r_3$ ,  $r > r_3$ , in terms of  $(k,Q,r_1,r_2,r_3)$ . Evaluate these expressions at  $r=0.05\,\mathrm{m}$ ,  $r=0.11\,\mathrm{m}$ ,  $r=0.14\,\mathrm{m}$  and  $r=0.16\,\mathrm{m}$  to find numerical values for the field.

