## METÓDY RIEŠENIA FYZIKÁLNYCH ÚLOH zima24 – Príklady 6

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## Príklad 1

- a. A spherical region of space of radius R has a uniform charge density and total charge +Q. An electron of charge -e is free to move inside or outside the sphere, under the influence of the charge density alone. For this first part ignore radiation effects.
  - i. Consider a circular orbit for the electron where r < R. Determine the period of the orbit T in terms of any or all of r, R, Q, e, and any necessary fundamental constants.
  - ii. Consider a circular orbit for the electron where r > R. Determine the period of the orbit T in terms of any or all of r, R, Q, e, and any necessary fundamental constants.
  - iii. Assume the electron starts at rest at r=2R. Determine the speed of the electron when it passes through the center in terms of any or all of R, Q, e, and any necessary fundamental constants.
- b. Accelerating charges radiate. The total power P radiated by charge q with acceleration a is given by

$$P = C\xi a^n$$

where C is a dimensionless numerical constant (which is equal to  $1/6\pi$ ),  $\xi$  is a physical constant that is a function only of the charge q, the speed of light c, and the permittivity of free space  $\epsilon_0$ , and n is a dimensionless constant. Determine  $\xi$  and n.

- c. Consider the electron in the first part, except now take into account radiation. Assume that the orbit remains circular and the orbital radius r changes by an amount  $|\Delta r| \ll r$ .
  - i. Consider a circular orbit for the electron where r < R. Determine the change in the orbital radius  $\Delta r$  during one orbit in terms of any or all of r, R, Q, e, and any necessary fundamental constants. Be very specific about the sign of  $\Delta r$ .
  - ii. Consider a circular orbit for the electron where r > R. Determine the change in the orbital radius  $\Delta r$  during one orbit in terms of any or all of r, R, Q, e, and any necessary fundamental constants. Be very specific about the sign of  $\Delta r$ .

## Príklad 2

PROBLEM: A point charge -2q is at the origin,  $\mathbf{r} = 0$ , and two point charges, each +q, are at  $\mathbf{r} = \pm a\hat{z}$ . Consider the limit  $a \to 0$ , with  $Q = qa^2$  held fixed.

- (a) Find the scalar potential  $\phi(\mathbf{r})$  in spherical coordinates.
- (b) This system of charges is now placed inside a grounded, conducting spherical shell, of radius b (with  $b \gg a$ ). Now find the scalar potential  $\phi(\mathbf{r})$  everywhere, both inside and outside of the shell (again, in spherical coordinates).

## Príklad 3

PROBLEM: A particle of mass m is in the ground state of a harmonic oscillator with spring constant  $k=m\omega^2$ . At t=0, the spring constant changes suddenly to  $k'=\lambda^2m\omega^2$ , where  $\lambda$  is a constant. Find the probability that the oscillator remains in its ground state.

PROBLEM: Compute  $\langle \psi_0|x^4|\psi_0\rangle$  in the ground state of the one-dimensional harmonic oscillator Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 x^2 \ . \label{eq:Hamiltonian}$$