Problem set 02

Problem 1

A long cylindrical capacitor is made of two concentric cylindrical metal plates with radii b > a > 0. The space between the cylindrical metal plates is filled with dielectric materials having dielectric constants ϵ_1 in the region a < r < d, but ϵ_0 for b > r > d, where r is the radial cylindrical coordinate and d is a fixed radius where the two dielectric materials meet. The two metal plates have the potential difference V_0 .

(a) Find the capacity of the system per length.

- (b) Find the density of free charges in the system and the equivalent bound polarized charges.
- (c) Find the electrostatic force acting on the plates per length.

Problem 2

Uniformly charged nonconducting shell with radius R carries total charge Q. Find the net force the northern hemisphere exerts on the southern one.

The problems are due Monday January 27 2025 at 20:00