

ELECTRODYNAMICS  
PROBLEM SET 6  
due March 9<sup>th</sup>, before class

**Problem 1: Two conducting hemispheres**

A conducting sphere is divided into two hemispheres. The bottom one is kept at potential  $V$ , the top one is grounded.

- a) Using separation of variables and matching the boundary conditions, find the electric potential inside of the sphere
- b) Repeat the problem but now using the Green's function for the sphere derived in class.

**Problem 2: Put yourself between two mirrors and see what you get**

Two infinite parallel planes separated by the distance  $L$  are grounded. A point charge  $q$  is located at a distance  $d$  from one of the planes. Find the potential between the planes using the “general method to find Green's functions”. Interpret your solution as a superposition of an infinite number of image charges. *Hint: there will be a non-trivial sum to be evaluated. One of of doing it is to rewrite the sum as an integral with the help of  $\delta$  functions and then using the Poisson summation formula. Or maybe there's an easier way, I don't know.*

**Problem 3: One more sphere**

A point charge  $q$  is a distance  $b$  from the center of two concentric grounded conducting spheres of radii  $a$  and  $c$  ( $a < b < c$ ). Find the potential between the spheres.