

# HW#1

Due 2023/10/04

1. Show that the solution  $\Phi(r)$  of the following ODE

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(r) - \frac{\Phi(r)}{\lambda_{De}^2} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} Q \delta(r)$$

is

$$\Phi(r) = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\lambda_{De}}\right)$$

2. Calculate the Debye length and plasma parameter for

(a) ionosphere with  $T_e = 10^3$  K and  $n = 10^{12} \text{ m}^{-3}$

(b) solar wind with  $T_e = 10^5$  K and  $n = 10^7 \text{ m}^{-3}$ .

3. Derive  $\Lambda_D \gg 1$  from the condition of  $e\Phi \ll K_B T$ , where  $\Lambda_D$  is the plasma parameter.