## Solutions

**Problem 7**) Charge-current continuity equation:  $\nabla \cdot J + \partial \rho / \partial t = 0$ .

For Box 1, the incoming and outgoing J are equal, therefore,  $\nabla \cdot J = 0$ , resulting in  $\partial \rho / \partial t = 0$ . Assuming that the wire has been without charge initially, i.e.,  $\rho(-\infty) = 0$ , we conclude that  $\rho(t) = 0$  along the entire length of the wire.

For Box 2, the current comes in from below, but does not leave the box. Therefore,  $\oint \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = -dQ_1/dt \rightarrow dQ_1/dt = J_0 s \sin(2\pi ft)$ , where s is the cross-sectional area of the wire. For the accumulated charge at the top of the wire, we thus have  $Q_1(t) = -\frac{J_0 s}{2\pi f} \cos(2\pi ft)$ .



At the bottom of the wire,  $Q_2(t) = +\frac{J_0 s}{2\pi f} \cos(2\pi f t)$ . The dipole moment  $p(t) = Q_1(t) \cdot d \cdot \hat{z}$  of the wire (length = d) is now given by  $p(t) = -[J_0 s d/(2\pi f)] \cos(2\pi f t) \hat{z}$ .