

Physics 161 Fall 2010 Exam 3

Numbers and positions will be changed on the real exam. Closed book closed notes

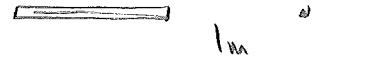
calculators OK. Enter 0,0 for 0.  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}^2$

A thin rod of length  $L=1 \text{ m}$  has charge  $0.1 \text{ C}$  uniformly distributed.

1&2] What is the x-component of the electric field at point P, in N/C?

3&4] What is the y-component of the electric field at point P, in N/C?

*Note: in the real exam, the position of point P will be different.*



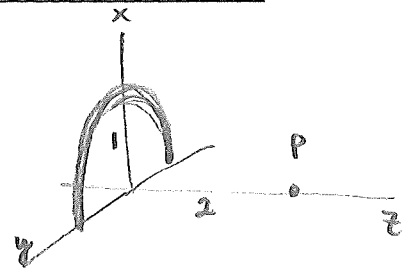
A half ring of radius  $1 \text{ m}$  has  $0.6 \text{ C}$  of charge uniformly distributed.

5&6] What is the x component of the E field at a point  $z=2$ ?

7&8] What is the y component of the E field at this point?

9&10] What is the z component of the E field at this point?

*In the real exam, the object to be integrated over may be different.*



**Applications of Gauss' Law**

11&12] An infinite plane of charge has a uniform charge density of  $0.02 \text{ C/m}^2$ . What is the magnitude of the electric field at a distance of  $1 \text{ m}$  above the surface?

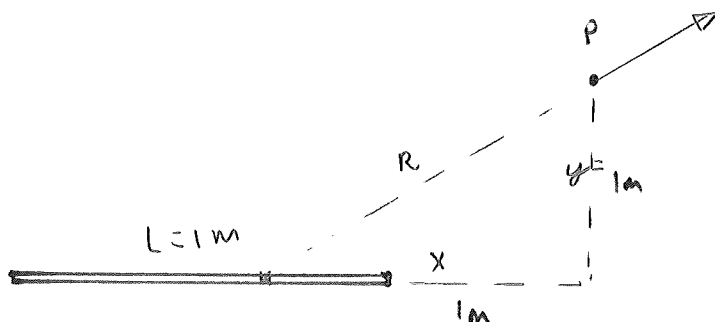
**This may be changed to a sphere or an infinite rod.**

13] A hollow conducting shell has a total net charge of  $4 \text{ C}$  on it. The outer radius of the shell is  $1 \text{ m}$ . In the hollow, off center, there is a point charge of  $2 \text{ C}$ . What is the sign of the charge on the surface of the shell? *outer surface*

- a) +    b) -    c) There is no surface charge

14] What is the magnitude of the surface charge, to the nearest coulomb? (0-9).

**A brief table of integrals will be provided.**



$$dq = \lambda dx$$

$$dE = \frac{k dq}{r^2}$$

$$\frac{dE_x}{dE} = \frac{-x}{r}$$

$$\frac{dE_y}{dE} = \frac{y}{r}$$

$$\boxed{122} \quad E_x = \int dE_x = \int \frac{k dq x}{r^3} = -k\lambda \int_{x=1}^{x=2} \frac{x dx}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= k\lambda \left. \frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^{1/2}} \right|_1^2$$

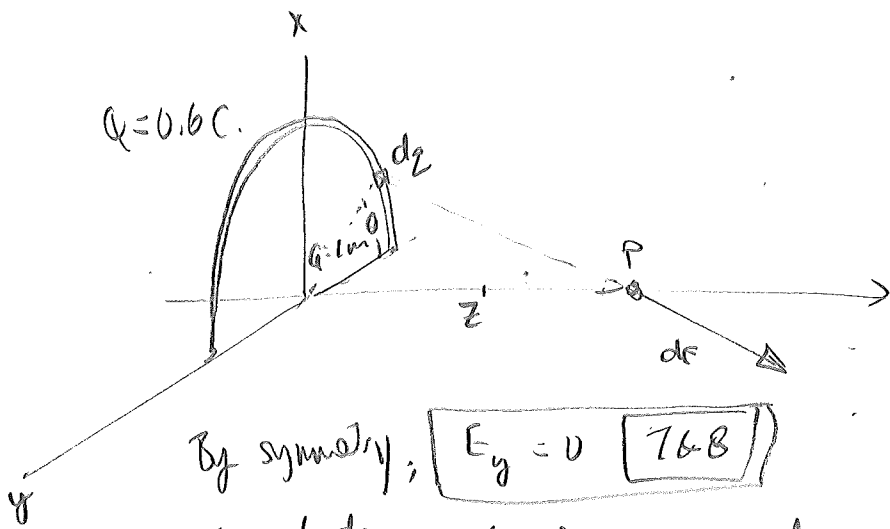
$$= k\lambda \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{4+1}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = -0.26 k\lambda$$

$$= -2.3 \times 10^8 \text{ N/C}$$

$$\boxed{324} \quad E_y = \int dE_y = k\lambda y \int \frac{dx}{r^3} = \frac{k\lambda}{y} \left[ \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \right]_{x=1}^{x=2}$$

$$= \frac{k\lambda}{1\text{m}} \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

$$= 0.187 k\lambda = 1.7 \times 10^8 \text{ N/C}$$



By symmetry;  $E_y = 0$  7 & 8

$$dE = \frac{k dq}{R^2} \quad dq = \lambda dl = \lambda a d\theta$$

$$\frac{dE_z}{d\theta} = \frac{z}{R} \quad \int dE_z = E_z = \int \frac{kz d\theta}{R^2} = \frac{kzQ}{R^2}$$

$$\frac{dE_x}{d\theta} = -\frac{x}{R} \quad R = \sqrt{z^2 + a^2} = \sqrt{4 + 1} \quad \therefore E_z = 9.6 \times 10^8 \text{ N/m.}$$

9 & 10

$$\int dE_x = E_x = -\int \frac{kx \lambda a d\theta}{R^3} \quad \text{but } x = a \sin \theta$$

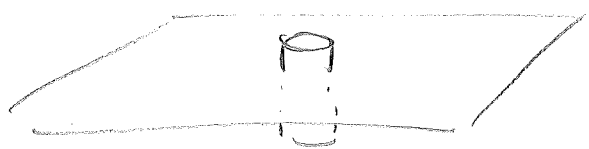
$$E_x = -\int_0^\pi \frac{k\lambda a^2}{R^3} \sin \theta d\theta = -\frac{2k\lambda a^2}{R^3}$$

Now  $\pi a \lambda = Q \quad \therefore E_x = -\frac{2kQa}{\pi R^3} = 3.1 \times 10^8 \text{ N/C}$

5 & 6

11 & 12

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{\sigma A}{\epsilon_0} = 2EA$$



$$E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} = \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\right) \cdot 2\pi\sigma = 1.1 \times 10^9 \text{ N/C.}$$

14 Inner surface  $\rightarrow -2C$ . Total =  $4C$ . So outer surf.  $\rightarrow 6C$ .