

- 1a) (5 points) If the circle shown represents a uniform ring of charge Q and radius R , what is the resultant electric field at z_p ?

If you remember this, you don't need to derive it...

$$\vec{E} = \frac{Qz}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (R^2 + z_p^2)^{3/2}} \hat{k}$$

- 1b) (5 points) If the circle shown represents a uniform disk of charge Q and radius R , what is the resultant electric field at z_p ?

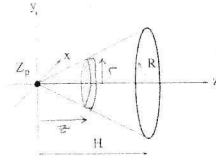
Again, if you remember this correctly (not as likely), you don't have to derive it. If you don't, build the disk out of infinitesimal rings... $R \rightarrow r$ $Q \rightarrow dq \rightarrow \sigma da$

$$d\vec{E} = \frac{\sigma 2\pi r dz}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (r^2 + z_p^2)^{3/2}} \hat{k}$$

$$\int d\vec{E} = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \int_0^R \frac{2\pi r dz}{(r^2 + z_p^2)^{3/2}} \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left[1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + R^2/z_p^2}} \right] \hat{k} \rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{Q}{2\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \left[1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + R^2/z_p^2}} \right] \hat{k}$$

$\sigma = \frac{Q}{\pi R^2}$



$$\frac{R}{H} = \frac{R}{H}$$

- 1c) (20 points) A charge distribution occupies the volume of a right circular cone of base-radius R and height H that is oriented so that its apex is on the origin and its longitudinal symmetry axis lies along the $+z$ -axis with the base intersecting $z = H$, as shown. Assuming the charge distribution has a volume density given by

$$\rho(z) = \frac{(n+3)Q}{\pi R^2 H^{n+1}} z^n$$

find the (vector) electric field at the origin.

Build the cone from infinitesimal disks. $R \rightarrow r$ $Q \rightarrow dq \rightarrow \rho dv$

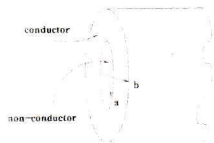
$$d\vec{E} = \frac{\rho(z) \pi r^2 dz}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \left[1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (r/z)^2}} \right] (-\hat{k})$$

we're on the left side of the distribution

$$\int d\vec{E} = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0} \left[1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (R/H)^2}} \right] \int_0^H \rho(z) dz (-\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{Q}{2\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \frac{n+3}{n+1} \left[1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (R/H)^2}} \right] (-\hat{k})$$

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2) An infinitely-long, non-conducting cylinder of radius a carries a uniform volume charge-density ρ . The non-conducting cylinder is, in turn, surrounded by a concentric, neutral conducting cylinder of inner-radius a and outer-radius b .

- 2a) (10 points) Find the amount of charge contained in a concentric cylinder of radius r , length L , for $r < a$, $a < r < b$ and $r > b$.

$$\begin{aligned} (r < a) \quad q_{in}(r) &= \rho \pi r^2 L \\ (a < r < b) \quad q_{in}(r) &= 0 \\ (b < r) \quad q_{in}(r) &= \rho \pi a^2 L \end{aligned}$$

Gauss (cylindrical symmetry)
 $\vec{E} = \frac{q_{in}(r)/L}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r}$
 $\hat{r} = 0$ inside the conductor

The conductor is neutral, all the induced charge is contained within the volume and so only the non-conducting cylinder contributes.

- 2b) (10 points) Find the electric field (vector) at all points inside and outside the distribution, as a function of distance from the longitudinal symmetry axis.

Gauss' law, cylindrical symmetry. $\vec{E} = \frac{q_{in}(r)/L}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r}$

$$\vec{E} = \begin{cases} \frac{\rho}{2\epsilon_0} r \hat{r} & (r < a) \\ 0 & (a < r < b) \\ \frac{\rho a^2}{2\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r} & (b < r) \end{cases}$$

- 2c) (10 points) If the conductor is found to have a potential V_0 with respect to some reference point, find the potential at all points inside and outside the distribution as a function of distance from the longitudinal symmetry axis

$$\Delta V(\vec{r}_{in}, \vec{r}) = - \int_{\vec{r}_{in}}^{\vec{r}} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$V(r) = V(r_{in}) - \int_{r_{in}}^r \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} \quad (\text{radial field})$$

$$(r \leq a) \quad V(r) = V_0 - \int_a^r \frac{\rho}{2\epsilon_0} r' dr$$

$$V(r) = V_0 - \frac{\rho}{4\epsilon_0} (r^2 - a^2)$$

$$(a \leq r \leq b) \quad V(r) = V_0 - \int_a^r \rho a^2 dr$$

$$V(r) = V_0$$

$$(b < r) \quad V(r) = V_0 - \int_b^r \frac{\rho a^2}{r'} dr - \int_b^r \frac{\rho a^2}{2\epsilon_0 r'} dr$$

$$V(r) = V_0 - \frac{\rho a^2}{2\epsilon_0} \ln(r/b)$$

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m_1, q_1



m_2, q_2



3) A charged particle of mass m_1 and charge q_1 is shot directly towards a charge of mass m_2 and charge q_2 from an infinite distance away. If $q_1 q_2 > 0$, the initial speed of m_1 (measured in the frame in which m_2 is initially at rest) is v_0 and m_2 is free to move...

- 3a) (5 points) Assuming the system is correctly defined, which mechanical quantities are conserved and why?

⇒ "correctly defined" = The system consists of m_1, q_1, m_2, q_2

$\sum \vec{p}_{ext} = 0$ So linear momentum is conserved
 $\sum W_{ext} = 0$ So Mechanical energy is conserved

- 3b) (5 points) How fast is each particle moving when they get as close to one another as they can get?

At that instant, $\vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}_2$ (why? ∴)

$$\sum p_{xi} = \sum p_{xf} \\ m_1 v_0 = (m_1 + m_2) v_{ix} \Rightarrow v_{ix} = \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2} v_0$$

Both masses have a speed

$$v_f = \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2} v_0$$

- 3c) (20 points) How close will the particles get to one another?

$$\Delta E = W_{ele} \Rightarrow E_i = E_f$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m_1 v_0^2 = \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) v_f^2 + \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{12}} - \frac{GM_1 M_2}{r_{12}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} v_0^2 = \left(\frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} - GM_1 M_2 \right) \frac{1}{r_{12}}$$

$$r_{12} = \frac{2(m_1 + m_2)}{m_1 m_2 v_0^2} \left(\frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} - GM_1 M_2 \right)$$

$G \ll \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$, and in all likelihood the masses aren't that large... it's probably ok to neglect gravity in this case...

It's also fun to note the appearance of reduced mass ($\mu \equiv \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$).

Note also that the distance of closest approach is $\propto v_0^2$ - does that seem reasonable?

→ what happens when $\frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \rightarrow GM_1 M_2$??

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