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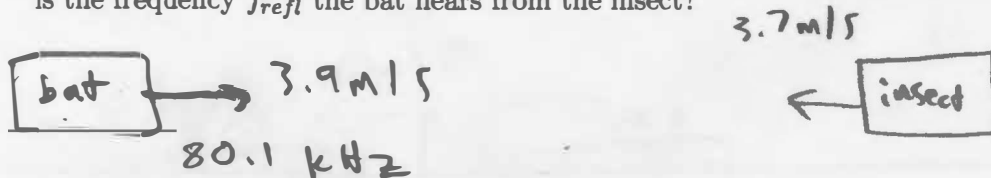
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Problem	Points	Score
1	15	15
2	25	16 + 2
3	20	14 + 4
4	20	20
Total:	80	65 + 4 = 69 + 2 = 71 81.25%

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1. (15 points) Horseshoe bats (genus *Rhinolophus*) emit sounds from their nostrils, then listen to the frequency of the sound reflected from their prey to determine the prey's speed. (The "horseshoe" that gives the bat its name is a depression around the nostrils that acts like a focusing mirror, so that the bat emits sound in a narrow beam like a flashlight.) A *Rhinolophus* flying at speed  $v_{bat}$  emits sound of frequency  $f_{bat}$ ; the sound it hears reflected from an insect flying toward it has a higher frequency  $f_{refl}$ .

If the bat emits a sound at a frequency of 80.1 kHz, the speed of the insect is  $v_{insect} = 3.7$  m/s, the bat travels at a speed of  $v_{bat} = 3.9$  m/s, use 344 m/s for the speed of sound in air. What is the frequency  $f_{refl}$  the bat hears from the insect?



$$f_{dog} = \frac{v + 3.7}{v - 3.9} (f_{bat}) = \frac{344 + 3.7}{344 - 3.9} (80100) = 81889.94413$$

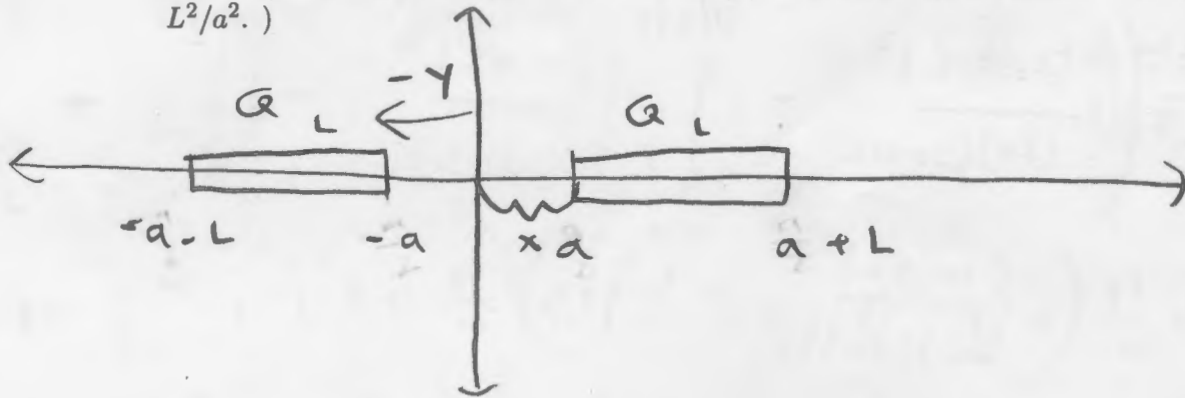
$$f_{bat}' = \frac{344 + 3.9}{344 - 3.7} (81889.94413) = 83718.81153 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\boxed{83718.81153 \text{ Hz}}$$

2. Two thin rods of length  $L$  lie along the  $x$ -axis, one between  $x=a$  and  $x=a+L$  and the other between  $x=-a$  and  $x=-a-L$ . Each rod has positive charge  $Q$  distributed uniformly along its length.

(a) (15 points) Calculate the electric field produced by the second rod at points along the positive  $x$ -axis?

(b) (10 points) The magnitude of the force that one rod exerts on the other is  $F = \frac{kQ^2}{L^2} \ln\left(\frac{(2a+L)^2}{2a(2a+2L)}\right)$ , assuming  $a \gg L$ , find the magnitude of the force reduces to. (Hint: Use the expansion  $\ln(1+z) = z - z^2/2 + z^3/3 - \dots$ , valid for  $|z| \ll 1$ . Carry all expansion to at least order  $L^2/a^2$ .)



a) let " $x$ " be the distance from origin to point on  $x$  axis

$$\vec{E} = \int \frac{k dq}{r^2}$$

over source

$$dq = \lambda dx, \quad \lambda = \frac{Q}{L}$$

$$r = x + (-y) = x - y \quad (\gamma = \text{distance origin to rod})$$

$$\vec{E} = k \frac{Q}{L} \int_{-a-L}^{-a} \frac{1}{(x-y)^2} dx = -k \frac{Q}{L} \left[ -(x-y)^{-1} \right]_{-a-L}^{-a}$$

$$= -k \frac{Q}{L} \left( \frac{1}{x+a+L} - \frac{1}{x+a} \right) = \boxed{k \frac{Q}{L} \left( \frac{1}{x+a} - \frac{1}{x+a+L} \right)}$$

$$b) F = \frac{kQ^2}{L^2} \left( 2\ln(2a+L) - \ln(4a^2 + 4aL) \right)$$

As  $a$  becomes very large, length  $L$  becomes more and more irrelevant (in comparison to  $a$ , so we can disregard  $L$  and treat the two like point charges.

$$F = \frac{kq_1q_2}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q^2}{(2a)^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q^2}{4a^2}$$

(Attempt 1)  
Using expansion:  $z = \frac{(2a+L)^2}{(2a)(2a+2L)} - 1$ , but as  $a \rightarrow \infty$   $L$

$$z = \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{3}$$

$$F = \frac{kQ^2}{L^2} \left( \left( \frac{(2a+L)^2}{(2a)(2a+2L)} - 1 \right) - \left( \frac{(2a+L)^2}{(2a)(2a+2L)} - 1 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{(2a+L)^2}{(2a)(2a+2L)} - 1 \right)^3 \dots \right)$$

↑ If you do all the algebra eventually it simplifies to the case of 2 pt. charges.

3. (points) A student enters the room to find an insulating sphere of radius  $a$  has an embedded nonuniform charge density:

$$\rho(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{2}(1 + r/a), \quad r \leq a,$$

where  $\rho_0$  is positive constant charge density inside  $r \leq a$ .

(a) (10 points) What is the total charge contained in the non-conducting sphere of radius  $a$ ?

(b) (10 points) What is the electric field everywhere in space: considering the following regimes:  $r < a, r > a$

a) Imagine integrating shells

⊙  $A = 4\pi r^2$   
 $dQ = \frac{\rho_0}{2} (1 + \frac{r}{a})$

$$Q_{enc} = \int_0^a 4\pi r^2 \cdot \frac{\rho_0}{2} (1 + \frac{r}{a}) dr =$$

$$2\pi\rho_0 \int_0^a r^2 (1 + \frac{r}{a}) dr = 2\pi\rho_0 \int_0^a (r^2 + \frac{r^3}{a}) dr =$$

$$2\pi\rho_0 \left[ \frac{r^3}{3} + \frac{r^4}{4a} \right]_0^a = 2\pi\rho_0 \left( \frac{a^3}{3} + \frac{a^4}{4a} \right) = 2\pi\rho_0 \left( \frac{a^3}{3} + \frac{a^3}{4} \right)$$

$$= \pi\rho_0 \left( \frac{7}{6} a^3 \right)$$

b) If  $r > a$   
 Gauss' Law

$$\oiint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} \quad (2)$$

Sphere (uniform charge), of radius  $a$

$$4\pi r^2 E = 2\pi\rho_0 \left( \frac{7}{12} a^3 \right)$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 \left( \frac{7}{12} a \right)$$

$$E = \rho_0 \left( \frac{7}{24} a \right)$$

(2) pts. for consistency.

the given  $a$

If  $r < a$

$$\oiint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

Sphere of radius  $R (= r)$

+ 4

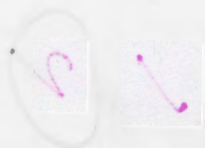
$$\oint \rho r^2 \vec{E} = \frac{\int_0^R \rho \pi r^2 \cdot \frac{\rho_0}{2} \left(1 + \frac{r}{a}\right) dr}{\epsilon_0} \leftarrow \text{same as part A}$$

$$\oint \rho r^2 \vec{E} = \rho \pi \rho_0 \left(\frac{7}{12} R^3\right) \frac{1}{2}$$

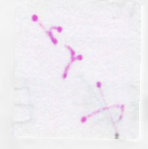
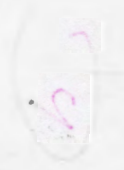
$$\vec{E} = \rho_0 \left(\frac{7}{24} R\right)$$

When R is radius of your shell,  $R < a$ ,  $R = r$

Yes, but the integral is not the same.

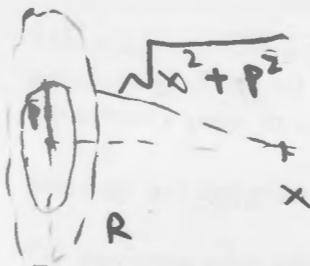


considering for...



$$\left(\frac{7}{24}\right) \rho_0 R$$

4. (points) A disk with radius  $R$  has uniform surface charge density  $\sigma$ .
- (a) (10 points) By regarding the disk as series of thin concentric rings, calculate the electric potential  $V$  at a point on the disk's axis a distance  $x$  from the center of the disk. Assume that the potential is zero at infinity.
- (b) (10 points) Calculate the electric field using  $\vec{E} = -\nabla V$ .



$$dq = 2\pi p \sigma dp$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + p^2}$$

$$V = k \int \frac{dq}{r} = k \int_0^R \frac{2\pi p \sigma dp}{\sqrt{x^2 + p^2}} =$$

$$2\pi \sigma k \int_0^R \frac{p}{\sqrt{x^2 + p^2}} dp = 2\pi \sigma k \left[ \sqrt{x^2 + p^2} \right]_0^R =$$

$$2\pi \sigma k (\sqrt{x^2 + R^2} - \sqrt{x^2}) = \boxed{2\pi \sigma k (\sqrt{x^2 + R^2} - x)}$$

(always positive)

b)  $\vec{E} = -\nabla V \leftarrow V$  has no  $y$  or  $z$  component, only  $x$

$$= -2\pi \sigma k \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}} - 1 \right) \hat{x}$$

$$= \boxed{2\pi \sigma k \left( 1 - \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}} \right) \hat{x}}$$