

PHYS 5C:

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I. Electric fields

- $\sigma = \frac{\text{charge}}{\text{area}} = \frac{Q}{\pi R^2}$ A disk is a bunch of rings.

Re-use ring result, integrate rings over surface

- $E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left[1 - \frac{z}{(z^2 + R^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right]$

- Test charges are positive

- Infinite plane

$$z > R \quad E \approx \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 z^2}$$

$$z < R \quad (R \rightarrow \infty) \quad \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \text{ distance away from } x \text{ does not change density}$$

- Infinite Line charge $E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ charge is outwards perpendicular to the line.

II. Conductors

- Conductors have charges that are free to move around.
- Insulators have charges that cannot move
- In electrostatics $E = 0$ inside a conductor
- Just outside the surface of a conductor, $E \perp$ to surface

III. Gauss Law in integral form

- Gauss law is good for insights on electrical fields and sometimes useful technique to calculate E and to find charge density.
- All concentric spherical shells have the same EA
- $I_e = \int E \, dA = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$