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SECTION:

1. i) Write down the definition of electric flux.  $\phi = \sum_s \vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{A}_s = Q_{enc}/\epsilon_0$

ii) Consider a sphere of radius  $R$ . Use the definition above to calculate the net flux passing out of the sphere if it encloses a charge of magnitude  $Q$ .

$$\phi = 4\pi R^2 E = Q_{enc}/\epsilon_0$$

iii) Write down Gauss' Law. Does your answer from part ii) agree?

$$EA = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

Yes

3. Consider a solid conducting sphere of radius  $R$  with charge  $Q$  distributed uniformly along its surface. Calculate the electric field:

i) inside the sphere,

$$r < R: E(4\pi r^2) = Q_{enc}/\epsilon_0 = 0 \text{ since all charge on surface}$$

$$E = 0 \text{ inside}$$

ii) on the surface of the sphere,

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_N + \cancel{\vec{E}_P}$$

$$r = R \quad = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} \hat{n} = \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2 \epsilon_0} \hat{n}$$

iii) outside the sphere.

$$r > R: E(4\pi r^2) = Q_{enc}/\epsilon_0$$

$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2 \epsilon_0}$$

4. Consider a solid **non**-conducting sphere of radius  $r_1$  with uniform charge density  $\rho$ . Enclosing the sphere is a hollow conductive shell of radius  $r_2 > r_1$ . Using Gauss' Law, calculate:

i)  $E(r < r_1)$  i.e electric field inside the solid non-conducting sphere.

$$E \cdot 4\pi r^2 = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{\rho \cdot \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E = \frac{\rho r}{3\epsilon_0}$$

ii)  $E(r_1 < r < r_2)$  i.e electric field between the hollow conductive shell and solid non-conducting sphere.

$$E \cdot 4\pi r^2 = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{\rho \cdot \frac{4}{3}\pi r_1^3}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E = \frac{\rho r_1^3}{3\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

iii)  $E(r_2)$  i.e electric field *inside* the conductor.

$$E = 0 \quad \text{inside cond. !}$$

iv)  $E(r > r_2)$  i.e electric field outside the shell.

$$E \cdot 4\pi r^2 = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{\rho \cdot \frac{4}{3}\pi r_1^3}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E = \frac{\rho r_1^3}{3\epsilon_0 r^2}$$