

* Electric field

Electric field due to a charged body may be defined as the space around in which a ^{unit} element of positive charge experience a electric force without disturbing the source charge.

→ Expression for electric field due to a charged body :-

Suppose $+q$ be the charge on a body, it is required to find electric field at a point for this we place a positive test charge of $+q_0$ at that point.

Let F_e be the electric force between the charges hence, electric field at that point.

$$E = \frac{F_e}{q_0}$$

Mathematically it can be stated as follow:-

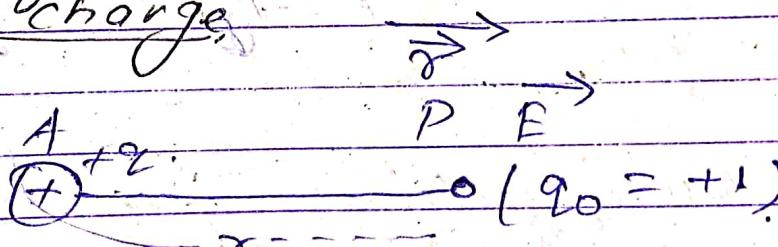
$$E = \lim_{q_0 \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{F_e}{q_0} \right)$$

"Electric Field Intensity" or Intensity of Electric field.

Intensity of electric field at a point due to a charge body may be defined as the electric force experienced by unit positive ^{test} charge placed at that point without disturbing the source charge.

⇒ Electric field

⇒ Expression for Electric field due to a point charge



$$\boxed{E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r}}$$

In vector form

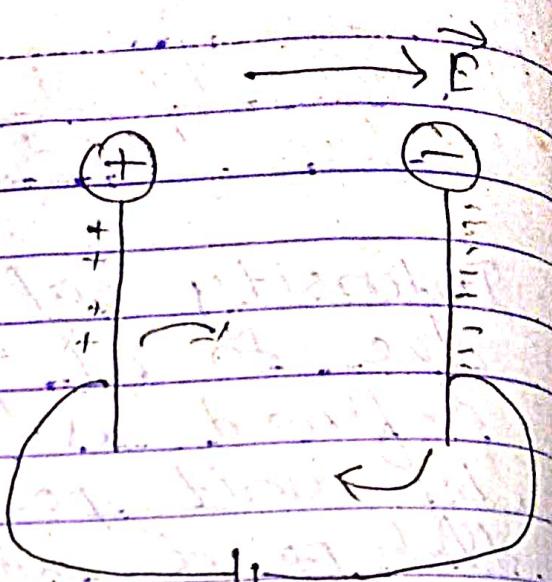
$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q \hat{r}}{r^3}$$

$$Q2: \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q \hat{r}}{(r^2)^3}$$

Note! -

$$\text{For } +q, \quad \vec{F} = \vec{E}q \quad \rightarrow \quad \vec{F} = \vec{E}q.$$

$$\vec{F} = -\vec{E}q \quad \leftarrow \quad \text{For } -q$$



Positive

⇒ The positive charge experiences electric force in the direction of electric field, while the negative charge opposite to the direction of electric field.

$$\text{i.e., } \vec{F} = \vec{E}q \quad (\text{for +ve})$$

$$\vec{F} = -\vec{E}q \quad (\text{for -ve})$$

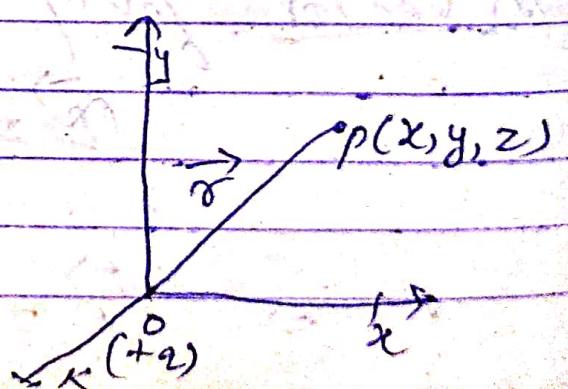
⇒ Electric field in terms of components

Electric field due to a point charge at a point.

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{(r^2)^{1/2}} \hat{r}.$$

$$\vec{OP} = \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{r}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$



$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}} (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k})$$

$$E_x = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_x}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$E_y = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_y}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$E_z = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_z}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}}$$

\Rightarrow Principle of Superposition of electric field

Electric field at a point due to a group of point charges is the vector sum of electric fields at the point due to the each individual point charge.



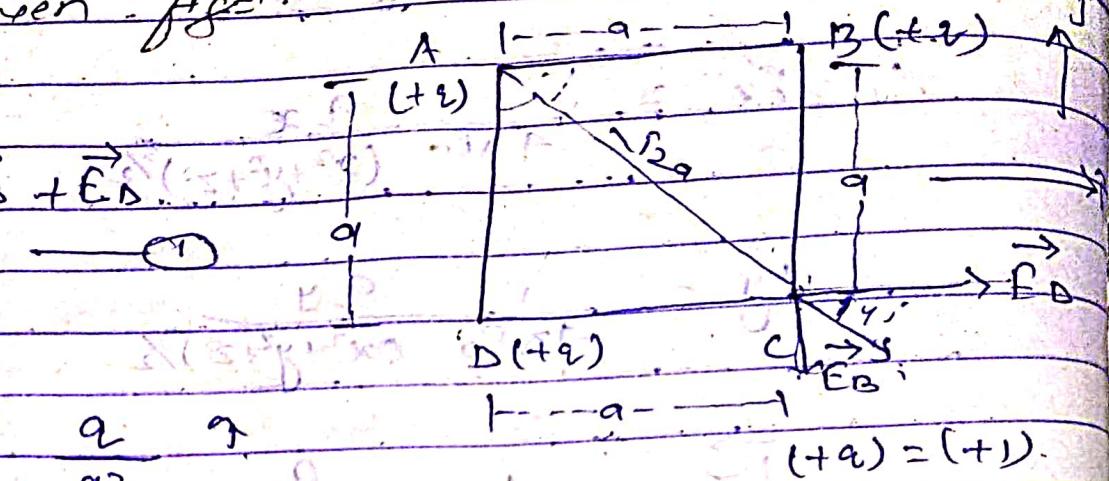
$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 + \vec{E}_3$$

$$\sum \vec{E} = \sum_{i=1}^n \vec{E}_i$$

ques:- Find the electric field at C of the given fig?

Sol:-

$$\vec{E}_c = \vec{E}_A + \vec{E}_B + \vec{E}_D$$



$$\text{Now, } E_D = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{a^2} \hat{r}_D \quad \hat{r}_D = \hat{i} - \hat{j}$$

$$E_B = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{a^2} \hat{r}_B$$

$$E_A = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{2a^2} (\hat{i}\cos 45^\circ - \hat{j}\sin 45^\circ)$$

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_A + \vec{E}_B + \vec{E}_D$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2}{a^2} \left[\hat{i} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) + \hat{j} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2}{a^2} \left(2\sqrt{2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) (\hat{i} - \hat{j})$$

$$|\vec{E}| = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{2a^2} (1+2\sqrt{2}) (\sqrt{2})$$

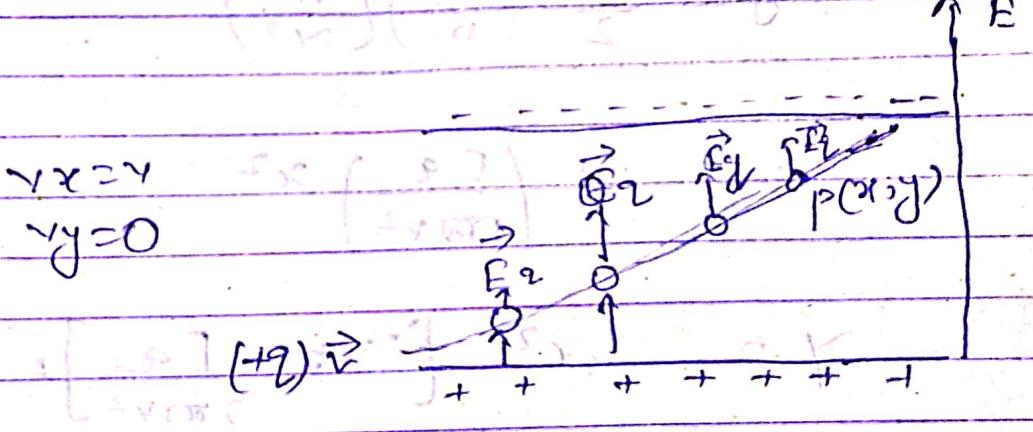
$$|\vec{E}| = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{2a^2} (1+2\sqrt{2})$$

ques:- Prove that the trajectory of a charged particle (+q) is parabolic when it is projected horizontally with a speed 'v' in a region having uniform electric field \vec{E} in vertical direction.

Sol:-

$$vx = v$$

$$vy = 0$$



Suppose the charge particle is at a position 'P'(x,y) at any instant 't' in the region having uniform electric field \vec{E} .

For horizontal displacement

$$x = vt \quad (ax = 0)$$

$$x = vt \quad \therefore t = \frac{x}{v} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

For vertical displacement

$$y = v_y t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2 \quad [\because v_y = 0]$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2$$

Since, $E_g = m \cdot a_g$

$$\therefore a_g = \frac{E_g}{m} \quad \Rightarrow t^2 = \frac{x^2}{v^2}$$

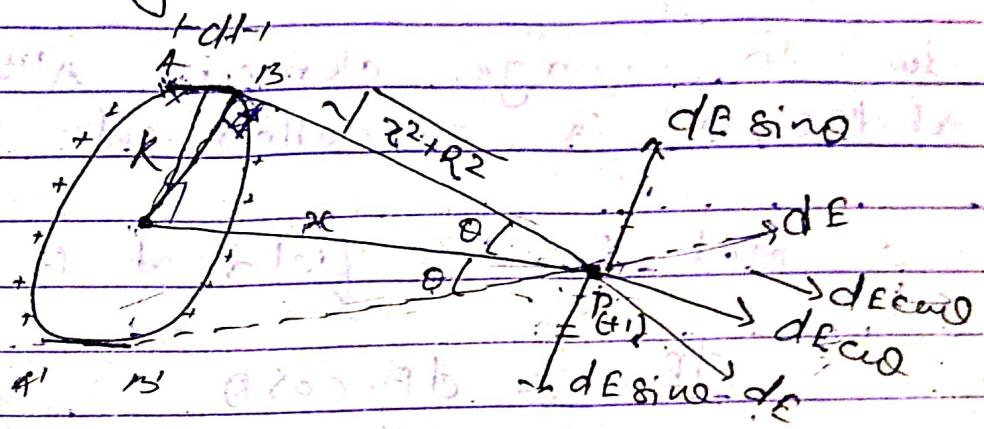
$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{E_g}{m} \right) \left(\frac{x^2}{v^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{E_g}{mv^2} \right) x^2$$

$$y = b x^2 \quad [\because b = \frac{E_g}{2mv^2}] = \text{constant}$$

which is a parabola, hence, the trajectory of the charged particle will be parabolic.

* Electric field at a point due to charge ring.



Considered a charged ring having charge $(+q)$ and radius R . It is required to find Electric field at the axial point P lying at a distance x from the centre of the ring, for this i.e. consider $AB = dl$ in the ring.

\therefore Charge on the element:

$$AB = dl,$$

$$dq = \frac{q}{2\pi R} \cdot dl.$$

\therefore Electric field at P due to element AB .

$$dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{dq}{(R^2+x^2)}$$

$$dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{2\pi R} \frac{dl}{(R^2+x^2)}$$

due to image element $A'B'$ vertical component of electric field is cancelled out.

Net Electric field at P due to element AB

$$dE_{\text{net}} = dE \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$dE_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{2\pi R} \frac{dl}{(R^2+x^2)} \cdot \frac{x}{(R^2+x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\frac{dx}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{2\pi R} \frac{dl}{(R^2+x^2)^{3/2}}$$

Integrating, we get

$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{2\pi R} \int_0^{2\pi R} dl$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2\pi q}{2\pi R} \times \frac{1}{(R^2+x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\therefore E_{\text{net}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{x+q}{(R^2+x^2)^{3/2}}}$$

Case I

When the point lies at the centre of the ring.

i.e., $x = 0$.

$$\therefore E_{\text{net}} = 0$$

Case II with $\lambda \text{ being } \rho < x \gg R$ [i.e., $R = 0$]

i.e., $(x^2 + R^2)^{3/2} \approx x^3$.

$$\therefore E_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{x^2}$$

\Rightarrow For a distant point the charge ring behaves as a point charge centred at its centre.

Case III

In hemi $R \gg x$ [i.e., $x \approx 0$]

i.e., Point P is very close to the ring.

$$\Rightarrow \therefore (R^2 + x^2)^{3/2} \approx R^3$$

$$\therefore E_{\text{net}} = \frac{(1 + \frac{x^2}{R^2})}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{R^3}$$

ques! - Find the condition, when the electric field at an axial point due to a charged ring is maximum?

Sol:- We have,

$$E_x = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{x}{(R^2+x^2)^{3/2}}$$

where, q = charge on the ring
 R = Radius of the ring

for E_x = Maximum.

$$\frac{dE_x}{dx} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot q \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left[x(R^2+x^2)^{-3/2} \right] = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dx} \left[x(R^2+x^2)^{-3/2} \right] = 0$$

$$(R^2+x^2)^{-3/2} + x \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (R^2+x^2)^{-3/2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (R^2+x^2) = 0$$

$$(R^2+x^2)^{-3/2} + x \cdot \left(-\frac{3}{2} \right) \cdot (R^2+x^2)^{-5/2} \cdot 2x = 0$$

$$(R^2 + x^2)^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{3x^2}{2} \right) = 0 \quad (R^2 + x^2)^{1/2} [R^2 + x^2 - 3x^2] = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{(R^2 + x^2)} \times \left(1 - \frac{3x^2}{2} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow R^2 + x^2 - 3x^2 = 0$$

$$1 - \frac{3x^2}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{2R^2}{3}$$

$$R^2 + x^2 - 3x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow R^2 - 2x^2 = 0$$

$$R^2 = 2x^2$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{R}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$E_{max} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q \cdot 2R}{(R^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

putting $x^2 = \frac{R^2}{2}$

$$E_{max} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q \cdot R}{(R^2 + \frac{R^2}{2})^{3/2} \cdot \sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \cdot \sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{q \cdot R}{(\frac{3R^2}{2})^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{(3)^{3/2}} \frac{R^2}{R^2}$$

$$F_{\text{mag}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{(3)^{3/2}} \frac{R^2}{R^2}$$

ques:- An electron is released along a axis of a charged ring. Prove that the electron executes simple harmonic motion if it is very close to the centre of the ring.

Sol:- Given:- ($+q$) :- Charge on the ring.

R :- Radius of the ring.

m :- Mass of the electron.

Electric field at a point closest to centre

$$E_2 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{R^2}$$

\therefore restoring force on electron.

$$F_e = -E_2 \cdot e \cdot p$$

$$F_e = -\frac{q \cdot e}{4\pi E_0 \cdot R^3} \cdot \ddot{x}$$

Since, $F_e = m \cdot \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$;

$$m \cdot \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{q \cdot e}{4\pi E_0 \cdot R^3} \cdot \ddot{x}$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{q \cdot e}{4\pi E_0 m \cdot R^3} \cdot \ddot{x}$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\omega^2 x \quad \text{S.H.M.}$$

here, $\omega^2 = \frac{q \cdot e}{4\pi E_0 m R^3} = \text{constant}$.

\Rightarrow Motion of electron in S.H.M.

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\frac{q \cdot e}{4\pi E_0 m R^3}}}$$

WORK

⇒ Electric field at the centre due to a semi-circular charged ring.

$$dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{dq}{R^2}$$

$$dq = \left(\frac{q}{\pi R}\right) \cdot d\theta$$

(from linear charge density)

$$dE_{\text{out}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{dq}{R^2}$$

$$dE_{\text{in}}$$

$$dE$$

$$dE_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{\pi R^3} d\theta \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$dE_{\text{out}}$$

$$dE_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{\pi R^{3/2}} \times R \cdot d\theta \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{\pi R^2} \cos \theta \cdot d\theta$$

Final

$$\int dE_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{\pi R^2} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos \theta \cdot d\theta$$

$$E_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{R^2} \left[\frac{\pi r^2 \cos \theta}{6} \right]$$

$$E_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{R^2} (8 \sin \theta)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

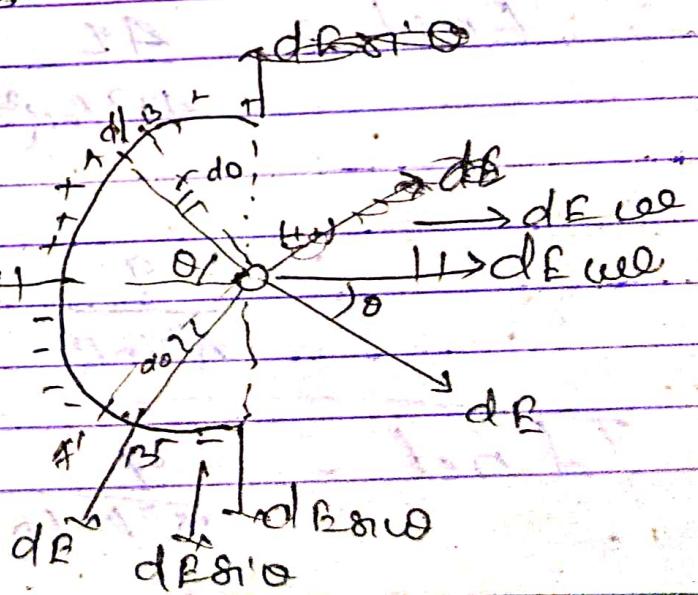
$$E_{\text{net}} = \frac{8q}{2\pi^2 R^2 \epsilon_0}$$

$$\therefore E_{\text{net}} = \frac{2}{2\pi^2 R^2 \epsilon_0}$$

ques :- Find the Electric field at the centre due to semi-circular charged ring having half-portion of positive and half of negative charges.

$$\text{Sol.:- } dE_{\text{net}} = dE \sin \theta$$

$$dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{d\theta}{R^2} 8 \sin \theta$$



$$\therefore d\varphi = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} - \left(\frac{2q}{\pi R}\right) d\theta$$

(from linear charge density)

$$dE = \frac{2q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} d\theta \cdot \sin\theta$$

$$d\theta = R \cdot d\alpha$$

$$\therefore dE_{\text{net}} = \frac{2q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} R \cdot \sin\theta \cdot d\alpha$$

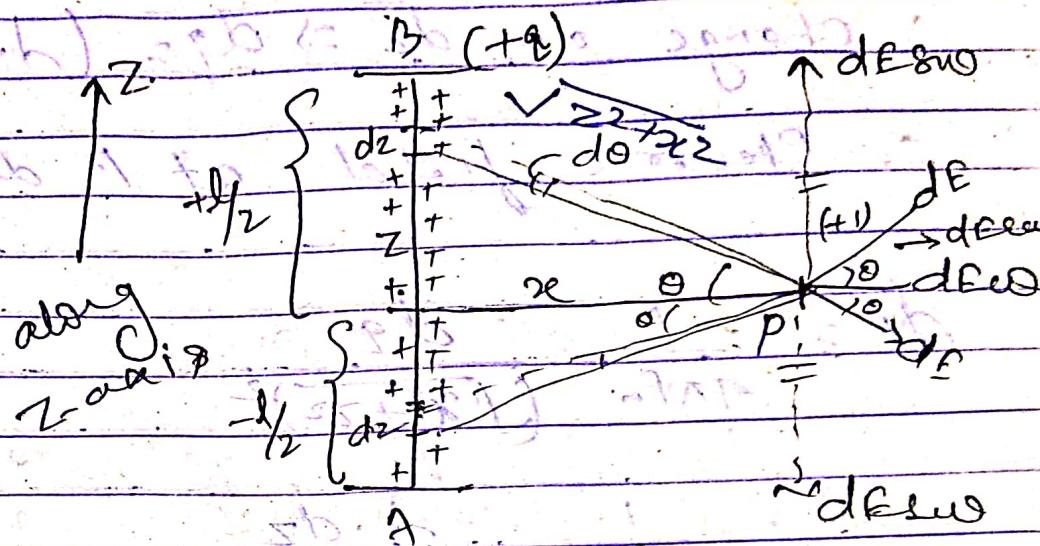
$$\text{But } dE_{\text{net}} = 2q \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin\theta \cdot d\alpha$$

$$\therefore E_{\text{net}} = \frac{q}{4\pi^2\epsilon_0 R^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin\theta \cdot d\alpha \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{by property} \\ \text{of definite} \\ \text{integration} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \frac{q}{4\pi^2\epsilon_0 R^2} (-\cos\theta) \Big|_0^{\pi/2}$$

$$\text{Total net } = \frac{q}{4\pi^2\epsilon_0 R^2} (-\cos\pi/2 + 1) = q$$

\Rightarrow Electric field at a point due to a finite charged wire.



considered a finitely charged wire AB.

let $AB = l$ = length of the wire
 q = charge on the wire

\therefore Linear density of charge,

$$\lambda = \left(\frac{q}{l} \right)$$

Now, required to find electric field at a point P lying on the perpendicular bisector of the wire at distance x , i.e., $OP = x$.

for this we consider an element dz

$$\therefore \text{charge on } dz \Rightarrow dq = (J \cdot dz) \quad [J = \frac{dq}{dz}]$$

i. Electric field at P due this elem.

$$dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{dq}{(x^2 + z^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{J \cdot dz}{(z^2 + x^2)}$$

due to image element only horizontal component is effective

$$\therefore dE_{\text{net}} = dE \cdot \cos\theta$$

$$dE_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{J \cdot dz \cdot \cos\theta}{(z^2 + x^2)}$$

$$\text{But, } \cos\theta = \frac{x}{\sqrt{z^2 + x^2}}$$

$$\therefore dE_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{J x \cdot dz}{(x^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$E_{\text{net}} = \int_{-l/2}^{l/2} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{dx \cdot dz}{(x^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$E_{\text{net}} = \frac{2dx}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^{l/2} \frac{dz}{(z^2 + x^2)^{3/2}} \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

$$\text{let } z = \int \frac{dz}{(z^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\therefore \tan\theta = \frac{z}{x}$$

$$\therefore z = x \cdot \tan\theta$$

$$dz = x \cdot \sec^2\theta \cdot d\theta$$

$$(z^2 + x^2)^{3/2} = x^3 \sec^3\theta$$

$$\therefore I = \int \frac{q \cdot \sec^2\theta \cdot d\theta}{x^3 \sec^3\theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x^2} \int \cos\theta \cdot d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{x^2} \sin\theta = \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + z^2}}$$

$$\therefore \text{from dia} \\ \sin \theta = \frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2+x^2}}$$

$$\therefore d = \frac{\sin \theta \cdot z \cdot h}{\sqrt{(z^2+x^2) \cdot \sqrt{z^2+x^2}}}$$

from eqn ①

$$End = \frac{d}{2\pi R_0} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2+x^2}} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \frac{d}{2\pi R_0} \left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2+x^2}} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\therefore End = \frac{d}{2\pi R_0 x} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{z^2}}} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\boxed{End = \frac{d}{2\pi R_0 x} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{z^2}}} \right)^{1/2}} \quad \because z = l_2$$

Case 1

Electric field due to infinitely charged wire.

$$l \cdot c, l \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{4\pi\varepsilon_0}{l^2}} = 0$$

So,

$$|E_{\text{ext}}| = \frac{d}{2\pi\varepsilon_0 x}$$