TPHYS 122 Workshop Week 3

Exercise 1

A point charge $+q = 2.0 \times 10^{-6} C$ is placed at the center of a spherical Gaussian surface of radius r = 0.10 m

- a What is the net electric flux through the spherical surface?
- b Does your answer change if the radius of the sphere is doubled? Why or why not?

Exercise 2

A long, uniformly charged line of charge with a linear charge density $\lambda = 1.0X10^{-6} \ C/m$ is initially located at a distace $r_1 = 0.50m$ from the wire. It is mobed radially outward to $r_2 = 1.00m$.

- a Use Gauss's Law to find the magnitude of the electric field a distance r from the wire.(find E as a function of r. E(r)
- b Compare the electric field strength at r_1 and r_2 . Which is stronger and by what factor?

Exercise 3

A solid insulating sphere of radius $R=0.10\,\mathrm{m}$ has a uniform charge density $\rho=3.0\times10^{-6}\,\mathrm{C/m^3}$. Use Gauss's Law to find the electric field in different regions of space.

- a Find the electric field E(r) inside the sphere, for r < R.
- b Find the electric field E(r) outside the sphere, for r > R.
- c Sketch the electric field as a function of r from r = 0 to r = 2R.

Additional Resources

• Flipping Physics on youtube: https://www.youtube.com/user/flippingphysics