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AGENDA

- 1) Gauss Law Introduction
- 2) Gauss Law w/S
- 3) Review Answers
- 4) Comment Cards

Electric Flux

$$\phi = \oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

(flux) S



\hat{n} is \perp to surface pointing outward

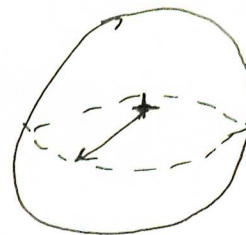
Example

Find Electric Flux Φ_E due to point charge

- radius r
- charge q

$\rightarrow \vec{E}$ @ r is constant

$\rightarrow \vec{E}$ points radially away // to \hat{n}



$$\Phi_E = \oint_S d\vec{A} \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{E} = k_2 \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\Phi_E = k_2 \oint_S \frac{1}{r^2} \hat{r} \cdot d\vec{A} \rightarrow \hat{n} \cdot \hat{r} = 1$$

$$S \text{ Area of sphere} = 4\pi r^2$$

$$\Phi_E = \frac{k_2 q}{r^2} \oint_S dA$$

$$\Phi_E = \frac{k_2 q}{r^2} 4\pi r^2$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\Phi_E = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}}$$

We define Gauss Law:

$$\Phi_E = \oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{in}}{\epsilon_0}$$

1st of Maxwell Equations

Always valid, but better when there's a symmetry