

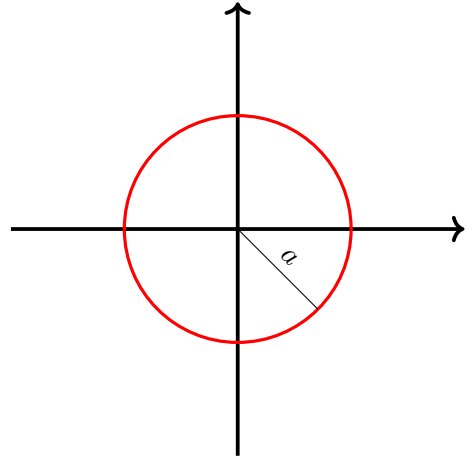
1. (6 points) In the Chapter 21 Part 2 recitation, we found that for an insulating ring of charge with radius a and charge density $\lambda(\theta) = \lambda_0 \sin \theta$ where θ is measured counterclockwise from the positive x -axis, the electric field at the center was $\vec{E} = -\frac{k\lambda_0\pi}{a}\hat{j}$. What is the sign of the potential at the center of this ring due to that charge distribution?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Calculating electric potential from a charge distribution (not from a formula for electric field).

- (A) Positive
- (B) Negative
- (C) Zero

Points Per Response:

- A: 1
- B: 1
- C: 6



2. (10 points) A *non-uniform* linear charge characterized by the charge per unit length $\lambda(y)$ is located on the y -axis extending from $y = -a$ to $y = +a$. Which of the following integrals give the electric field \vec{E} on the x -axis at $x = +a$? Note that $\lambda(y)$ is not a constant value.

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Calculating electric field from a charge distribution.

$$(A) \vec{E} = \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{ka\lambda(y)dy}{(y^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{i} - \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{ky\lambda(y)dy}{(y^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{j}$$

$$(B) \vec{E} = \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{ka\lambda(y)dy}{(y^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{i}$$

$$(C) \vec{E} = \lambda(y) \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{kdy}{(y^2 + a^2)} \hat{i}$$

$$(D) \vec{E} = \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{k\lambda(y)dy}{(y^2 + a^2)^2} \hat{i} + \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{ky^2\lambda(y)dy}{(y^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{j}$$

$$(E) \vec{E} = \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{k\lambda(y)dy}{a^2} \hat{i}$$

$$(F) \vec{E} = 0$$

$$(G) \vec{E} = \lambda(y) \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{kady}{(y^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{i} - \lambda(y) \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{kydy}{(y^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{j}$$

$$(H) \vec{E} = \lambda(y) \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{kdy}{(y^2 + a^2)^2} \hat{i} + \lambda(y) \int_{-a}^{+a} \frac{ky^2dy}{(y^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{j}$$

Points Per Response:

A: 10

B: 7

C:

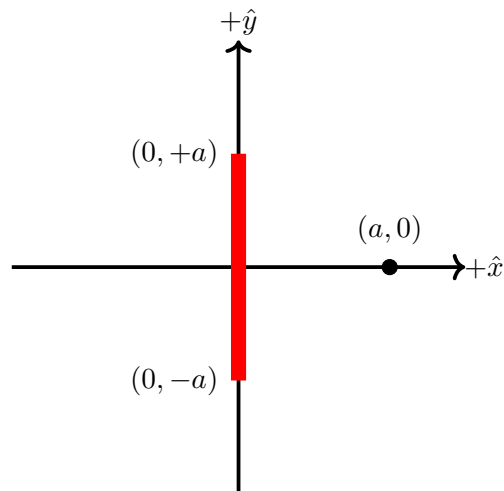
D: 4

E:

F:

G: 3

H:



3. (8 points) A point charge $Q = -500$ nC and two unknown point charges, q_1 and q_2 , are placed as shown in the figure where all positions are given in units of meters. The electric field at the origin O, due to charges Q , q_1 and q_2 , is equal to zero. The charge q_1 is closest to

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Vector addition, Coulomb's Law

- (A) 244 nC
- (B) -244 nC
- (C) 141 nC
- (D) -141 nC
- (E) 281 nC
- (F) -281 nC
- (G) 315 nC
- (H) -315 nC

Points Per Response:

A: 8

B: 6

C: 6

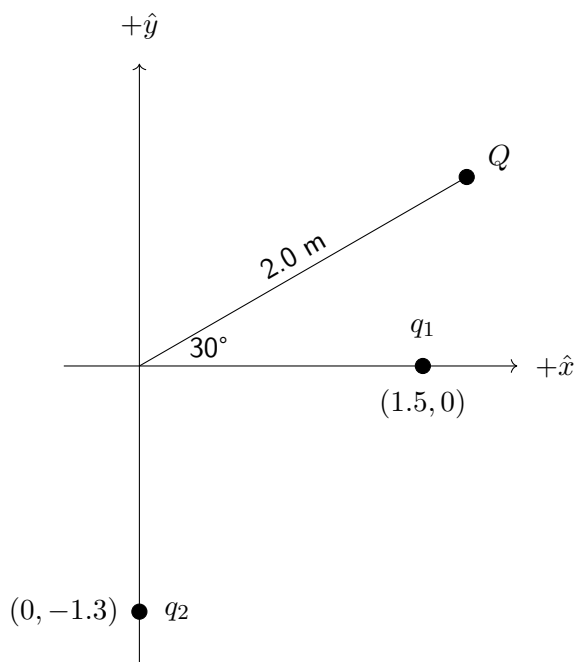
D: 4

E: 4

F: 2

G:

H:



4. (8 points) In a particular region of space, a 300 mC charge experiences the effects of a potential energy function given by $U(x, y, z) = 4x^2y + 3xyz - 5y^2z^3$. What is the electric field vector at the point (3,2,-1)? Assume all values are in SI units.

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Relationship between potential energy and potential, taking the gradient of potential to find electric field.

- (A) $-140\hat{i} - 157\hat{j} + 140\hat{k}$
 (B) $-42\hat{i} - 47\hat{j} + 42\hat{k}$
 (C) $-240\hat{i} + 60\hat{j} - 66.7\hat{k}$
 (D) $-72\hat{i} + 18\hat{j} + 20\hat{k}$
 (E) $-360\hat{i} - 30\hat{j} + 240\hat{k}$
 (F) $-108\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} + 72\hat{k}$
 (G) $-100\hat{i} + 170\hat{j} + 260\hat{k}$
 (H) $-30\hat{i} + 51\hat{j} + 78\hat{k}$

Points Per Response:

- A: 8
 B: 6
 C: 3
 D: 2
 E:
 F:
 G:
 H:

5. (6 points) Three protons exist at the corners of an equilateral triangle of side length 2 cm. If two protons are held in place and the third is released from rest, what maximum speed will the third proton reach?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Electrical Potential Energy and Mechanical Energy Conservation.

- (A) 5.26 m/s
 (B) 3.72 m/s
 (C) 27.6 m/s
 (D) 36.7 m/s
 (E) 7.30 m/s
 (F) 14.2 m/s

Points Per Response:

- A: 6
 B: 4
 C: 4
 D:
 E:
 F:

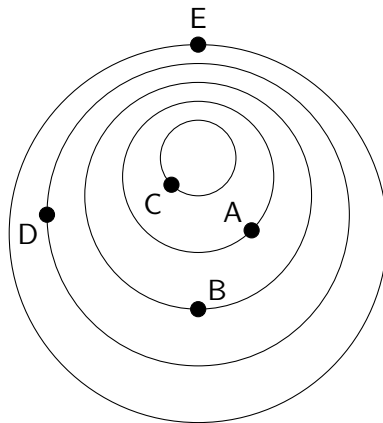
6. (4 points) The figure below shows a series of equipotential surfaces. At which point does the electric field have the greatest magnitude?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Attaining qualitative information from electric field and equipotential diagrams.

- (A) Point A
- (B) Point B
- (C) Point C
- (D) Point D
- (E) Point E

Points Per Response:

- A:
- B:
- C: 1
- D:
- E: 4



7. (8 points) A uniform electric field of magnitude 450 N/C is directed in the negative y -direction. Point A is located at (0.25m, -0.5 m) and point B is located at (0.75m, 0.4m). What is the potential difference $V_B - V_A$?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Integrating electric field to find potential difference.

- (A) 405 V
- (B) 315 V
- (C) 513 V
- (D) -405 V
- (E) -315 V
- (F) -513 V
- (G) 221 V
- (H) -221 V

Points Per Response:

- A: 8
- B: 4
- C: 6
- D: 7
- E: 3
- F: 5
- G:
- H:

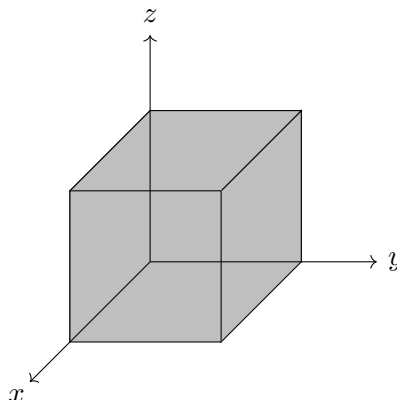
8. (10 points) There is an electric field $\vec{E} = 3.00\hat{i} - 2.00y\hat{j}$ N/C in the region that includes a cube of side length $L = 10.0$ m and is oriented as shown in the figure below. What is the net charge inside the cube?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Calculating electric flux through a surface, Gauss's Law

- (A) +8.85 nC
- (B) -8.85 nC
- (C) +17.7 nC
- (D) -17.7 nC
- (E) +3.42 nC
- (F) -3.42 nC

Points Per Response:

- A: 3
- B: 5
- C: 8
- D: 10**
- E:
- F:



9. (4 points) A point charge with magnitude Q is situated in the centrum of two imaginary hemispheres of radii a and b as shown below. Compare the fluxes Φ_a and Φ_b due to this point charge if you know the charge is negative.

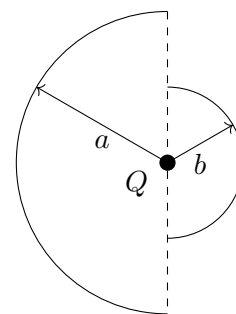
The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Definition of electric flux, Coulombs Law.

Both options C and D were given full credit, due to the fact that it was not clear whether these were open surfaces or one complete closed surface.

- (A) $\Phi_a > \Phi_b$, Φ_a is positive and Φ_b is negative
- (B) $\Phi_a < \Phi_b$, Φ_a is negative and Φ_b is positive
- (C) $\Phi_a = \Phi_b$, both fluxes are positive
- (D) $\Phi_a = \Phi_b$, both fluxes are negative
- (E) $\Phi_a > \Phi_b$, both fluxes are positive
- (F) $\Phi_a < \Phi_b$, both fluxes are negative

Points Per Response:

- A:
- B: 1
- C: 4
- D: 4**
- E:
- F: 1



10. (10 points) A very long insulating cylinder with a radius $R = 4.00$ cm is uniformly charged with a volume charge density $\rho = 5.00$ nC/m³. Find the magnitude of an electric field at the distance $r = R/2$ from the axis of the cylinder.

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Gauss's Law as it applies to insulators.

- (A) 565 N/C
- (B) 5.65 N/C
- (C) 341 N/C
- (D) 3.41 N/C
- (E) 11.3 N/C
- (F) 1130 N/C
- (G) 30.2 N/C
- (H) 3.77 N/C

Points Per Response:

- A: 8
- B: 10**
- C:
- D:
- E: 7
- F: 5
- G:
- H: 4

11. (6 points) An object is comprised of 2,500,000 total particles. The particles can be either protons or electrons. The total charge of this object is -1.44×10^{-13} C. How many of these particles are protons?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Quantization of charge ($q = Ne$).

- (A) 0
- (B) 600,000
- (C) 800,000
- (D) 900,000
- (E) 1,300,000
- (F) 1,700,000
- (G) 1,900,000
- (H) 2,500,000

Points Per Response:

- A:
- B:
- C: 6
- D: 2
- E:
- F: 4
- G:
- H:

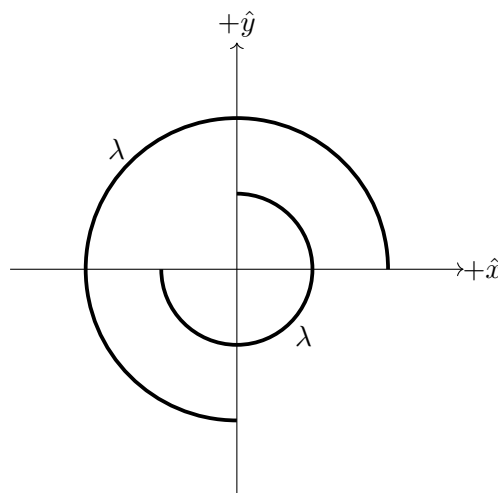
12. (4 points) There are two arcs of charge that each create $3/4$ of a circle and are centered on the origin as shown below. Both arcs have the same uniform charge density λ where λ is a positive value. What direction will the net electric field point at the origin? (All angles are given as counterclockwise from the positive x -axis.)

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Calculating electric field from a charge distribution, recognition of effects due to spatial symmetry.

- (A) 45°
- (B) 135°
- (C) 225°
- (D) 315°
- (E) $+\hat{x}$
- (F) $-\hat{x}$
- (G) $+\hat{y}$
- (H) $-\hat{y}$

Points Per Response:

- A:
- B: 4**
- C:
- D: 2
- E:
- F:
- G:
- H:



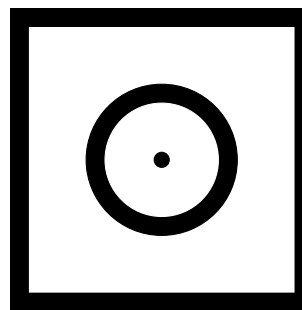
13. (6 points) In the diagram below there is a thick-walled, conducting cubic shell that has total charge of -5 mC . At the center of that is a thick-walled, conducting spherical shell that has a total charge of $+4\text{ mC}$. At the center of that is a point charge. If there is $+7\text{ mC}$ on the OUTSIDE surface of the cube, what is the charge of the point charge?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Gauss's Law applied to conductors.

- (A) $+16\text{ mC}$
- (B) -16 mC
- (C) $+8\text{ mC}$
- (D) -8 mC
- (E) $+1\text{ mC}$
- (F) -1 mC
- (G) $+5\text{ mC}$
- (H) -5 mC

Points Per Response:

- A:
- B: 1
- C: 6
- D: 1
- E:
- F:
- G:
- H:



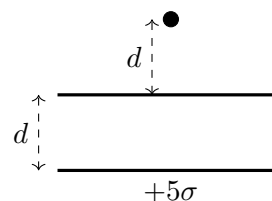
14. (6 points) In the diagram below there are two very large, thin insulating sheets that are separated by a distance d . You know that the bottom sheet has a surface charge density of $+5\sigma$. You also know that the electric field at a distance d above the top plate has a magnitude of $E = \frac{2\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$ and is pointing down towards the plates. What is the surface charge density on the top plate?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Gauss's Law, Vector Addition

- (A) -1σ
- (B) -3σ
- (C) -7σ
- (D) -9σ
- (E) $+1\sigma$
- (F) $+3\sigma$
- (G) $+7\sigma$
- (H) $+9\sigma$

Points Per Response:

- A: 4
- B: 2
- C: 4
- D: 6**
- E:
- F:
- G:
- H:



15. (4 points) A metal sphere with a radius R initially has a charge of $-Q$. A second metal sphere with a radius $2R$ initially has a charge of $+9Q$. When the switch below is closed, the two spheres will be connected by a conducting wire. What will happen when this switch is closed?

The concepts necessary to solve this problem correctly: Defining properties of conductors, equipotential surfaces.

- (A) The charge will redistribute until there is the same charge on both spheres.
- (B) The charge will redistribute until there is the same magnitude of electric field just outside the surface of the spheres.
- (C) The charge will redistribute until there is the same potential at the surface of both spheres.
- (D) The charges will not redistribute at all and will stay where they are.

Points Per Response:

- A:
- B:
- C: 4**
- D:

