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A thin conducting square with  $A = L^2$   $Q_T = -10.0 \mu C$ ,  $L = 2.0 m$

we have to find E above the square at distance  $z = 1$  or  $2 cm \ll L$ , thus we use Ex. 5.8 in the book, ignore edges and realize the field is perpendicular to the square (away from the edges). For the disk in Ex. 5.8

$$\vec{E}(z) = \frac{\sigma \nabla}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ 1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}} \right\} \hat{k} \quad \text{above the center of the disk in the xy-plane}$$

we look at

$$1 - \frac{z}{R\sqrt{1 + (\frac{z}{R})^2}} = 1 - \left(\frac{z}{R}\right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\frac{z}{R})^2}} = f\left(\frac{z}{R}\right)$$

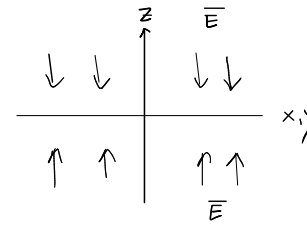
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 1 \rightarrow \vec{E}(z) \approx \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{k} \quad \text{if } z \ll L$$

for the square in the xy-plane, it is a conductor, the charge is distributed on both sides

$$\rightarrow \sigma = \frac{Q_T}{2L^2}$$

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as  $\nabla < 0$

In next chapter we see this for an infinite conducting plate with surface charge

$$\text{For } z > 0: \vec{E} = -\frac{|\nabla|}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{k} = -\frac{|Q_T|}{2\epsilon_0 L^2} \hat{k}$$

$$b) \vec{F} = -e \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{k} = |e Q_T| \frac{\hat{k}}{2\epsilon_0 L^2} \quad \text{repulsive for on the electron } z > 0$$

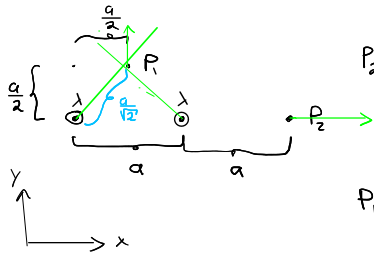
c) Same answers as before as the electric field does not change with distance

d) The work by the force, when  $-e$  is moved from  $z_1 \rightarrow z_2$  it is positive due to the repulsive force

$$\Delta W = \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{z_1}^{z_2} dz \vec{F} \cdot \hat{k} = \vec{F} \cdot \hat{k} (z_2 - z_1) = -e \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} (z_2 - z_1) = |e Q_T| \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0 L^2} (z_2 - z_1) > 0$$

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Infinite line charges, find the field at  $P_1$  and  $P_2$

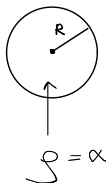


$$P_2: \vec{E} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{2a} + \frac{1}{a} \right] \hat{i} = \frac{\lambda \hat{i}}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{3}{2a}$$

$$P_1: \vec{E} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{a} \cdot 2 \right] \cdot \underbrace{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}_{1/\sqrt{2}} \hat{j} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2}{a} \hat{j} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi\epsilon_0 a} \hat{j}$$

11-06-54 Infinite cylinder with space charge density  $\rho$

we use Gauss to find E inside and outside the cylinder (it can not be conducting if it has a charge distribution of this kind)



$$Q_T = 2\pi L \int_0^R r dr \cdot \rho = 2\pi L \rho \frac{R^3}{3} = 2\pi L \rho \frac{R^2}{3}$$

$$\rho = \alpha r, \quad \alpha = \text{const.}$$

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$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

surface integral, we select a concentric cylinder surface at which E must be constant due to the cylindrical symmetry

$r > R$ : all the charge is within the Gauss surface

$$L \cdot 2\pi r E_r = \frac{2\pi L \rho R^3}{3\epsilon_0} \rightarrow E_r = \frac{\rho R^3}{3\epsilon_0 r} \rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{\rho R^3}{3\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r}$$

$r < R$ :

$$Q_{enc} = \frac{2\pi L \alpha r^3}{3}$$

$$E_r = \frac{\alpha r^2}{3\epsilon_0} \rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{\alpha r^2}{3\epsilon_0} \hat{r}$$

In  $r = R$   $E(r)$  is continuous, but the derivative is not due to the step in the distribution at the surface

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At the surface of a spherical conductor the field is  $\vec{E} = \frac{kq}{r^2} \hat{r}$

In equilibrium the field close to a surface of a conductor is perpendicular to it

and  $E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$

Can we get these facts to be in agreement?

$$q = 4\pi r^2 \sigma$$

$$\rightarrow E = \frac{kq}{r^2} = \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\right) \frac{(4\pi r^2 \sigma)}{r^2} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$$