

At surface of conductor

field lines must be \perp to surface (if there were any \parallel component charges would move).



Surface has charge density σ (C m^{-2})

To determine what the field must be we construct an arbitrary Gaussian surface which has walls \perp and \parallel to surface (eg. cylinder) which encloses the volume from just below to just above the surface. Then the charge

$$q \text{ within surface } q = \sigma A$$

a) Within cylinder $E = 0 \Rightarrow \int E_{\perp} dA = 0$
for lower surface

b) walls of cyl. $E \parallel$ to walls $\Rightarrow \int E_{\perp} dA = 0$

c) Upper surface

$$\int E_{\perp} dA = EA = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$EA = \frac{\sigma A}{\epsilon_0}$$

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

just outside surface of conductor

Back to inner part of conductor. Suppose conductor has a cavity which has no charge. Then charge everywhere must still be zero.



Place charge $+q$ within cavity. Within conductor

$$E = 0 \Rightarrow \int E_{\perp} dA = 0$$

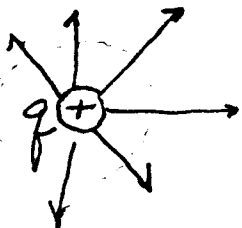
$$\Rightarrow \text{net } q = 0$$

Inside walls of cavity must develop charge $-q$ so that net $q = 0$. If conductor originally neutral then outer surface must develop charge $+q$. If touch edge to inside of cavity wall, charges neutralize leaving outer surface charged w/ $+q$ effectively having transferred charge.

FARADAY ICE PAIL EXPT.

Coulomb Law

We can see that Gauss's Law is direct result of $\frac{1}{r^2}$ force law

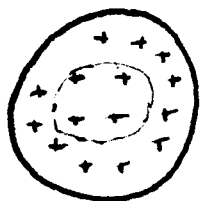


Surface? Symmetry considerations \Rightarrow sphere
 $\oint E_{\perp} dA = E \cdot 4\pi r^2 = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$

$$E = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{kq}{r^2}$$

NON CONDUCTING

SPHERE



Chg density = ρ ($C m^{-3}$)

Spherical symmetry, if chg dist'n is uniform will have only radial \vec{E} component

Gaussian surface?

Sphere will have E_{\perp} at all points on surface for radial field.

at $r < R$

$$\int E_{\perp} dA = EA = 4\pi kq \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

for uniform \perp field

$$\text{Now } q = \rho \cdot V = \rho \cdot \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

$$A = 4\pi r^2$$

$$E \cdot \cancel{4\pi r^2} = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$\underline{E = \frac{\rho r}{3\epsilon_0}}$$

at $r > R$

$$q = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3 \rho$$

$$E \cdot 4\pi r^2 = \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \rho / \epsilon_0$$

$$E = \frac{R^3 \rho}{3\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi k} \Rightarrow \frac{4\pi k R^3 \rho}{3 r^2} = \frac{k \rho V}{r^2}$$

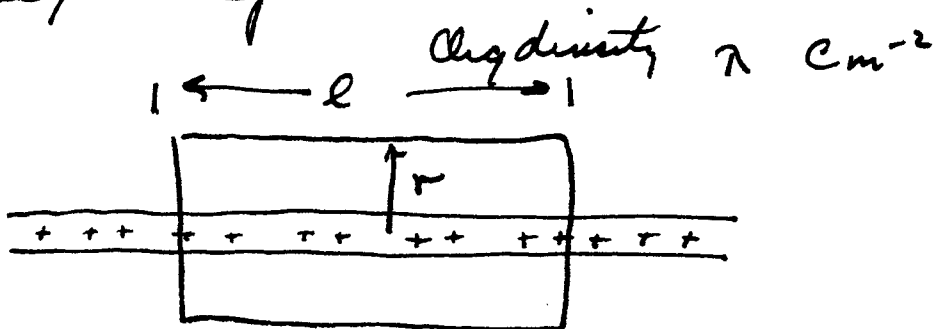
$$E = \frac{kq}{r^2} \quad \text{Same as for point charge}$$

Conductor would have all chg at surface

$$E = \frac{kq}{r^2} \quad r > R$$

but now inside $E = 0$

Long Charged Wire



Symmetry \Rightarrow E radial from wire
Cylindrical surface $E_{\perp} = E$

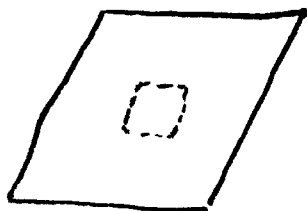
$$\int E_{\perp} dA = EA = 4\pi kq$$

$$A = 2\pi r l \quad q = \lambda l$$

$$EA = E \int \rho r \, d\ell = \frac{2}{A} k r \ell$$

$$E = \frac{2k\tau}{r}$$

Calculated from sides = 0 since $E = E_y$
INFINITE PLATE



Charge density σ (C m^{-2})

You can use any surface
we want as long as
its sides are straight
& meet plane \perp to
surface

Then

$$\int E_{\perp} A = EA = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$q = \sigma A$$
$$EA = \frac{\sigma A}{\epsilon_0}$$

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

You can see that this is the same as
result from integration and even
so much easier