

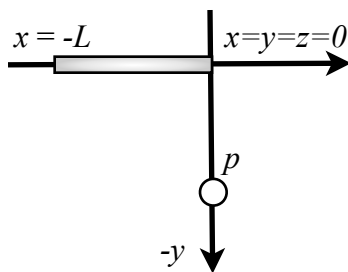
EP440: ENGINEERING ELECTROMAGNETICS

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Homework #2: Due 9/10/2014

For this assignment... Work out the following problems on separate sheets. Staple all, including this front page, for your submission.

- 1) For the pictured line charge distribution, with total charge Q , find *by integration* the vector electric field \mathbf{E} at " p ". Your solution should be a proper "EP440" approach, i.e., no PS250-style handwaving allowed. Feel free to integrate by table!



- 2) A volume charge ρ_v is distributed throughout a sphere with radius a , which is then surrounded by a thin concentric spherical shell having surface charge ρ_s and radius b ($b > a$). If the electric field $\mathbf{E} = 0$ at a radius $R > b$, find an expression for ρ_v in terms of ρ_s . Find the electric field \mathbf{E} in the regions of $R < a$ and $a \leq R \leq b$. Assume that the permittivity everywhere is equal to that of free space.
- 3) An infinite line charge ρ_l is surrounded by a *conducting* coaxial cylindrical shell with inner radius a and outer radius b , which is then surrounded fully by a coaxial charged shell with uniform volume charge ρ_v , having inner radius b and outer radius c (where $c > b > a$). If the electric field $\mathbf{E} = 0$ at a radius $r > c$, find an expression for ρ_v in terms of ρ_l . Find the electric field \mathbf{E} in the regions of $r < a$ and $a \leq r \leq b$ and $b \leq r \leq c$. Assume that the permittivity everywhere is equal to that of free space. Draw a picture for clarity, and explain what happens at the conductor's surfaces.
- 4) The charged circular disk has radius a and surface charge density ρ_s . Find the electric field at a distance z above the center of the charge distribution. Find the electric field where $z \ll a$, and demonstrate that this result agrees with a simpler solution using Gauss's law.

