

# Physics 1412 - September 18, 2007

■ Lecture 11:05 - 12:20

Last Time

The diagram shows a 3D coordinate system with a point P. A charge distribution  $\rho(\vec{r})$  is represented by an orange irregular shape. A small volume element  $dQ = \rho dv$  is shown within the distribution. The position vector  $\vec{r}$  points from the origin to the volume element. The position vector  $\vec{r}_p$  points from the origin to point P. The vector  $\vec{r}' = (\vec{r}_p - \vec{r})$  points from the volume element to point P. A pink bracket on the right contains the text: "Finding the electric field  $\Rightarrow$  Brute Force".

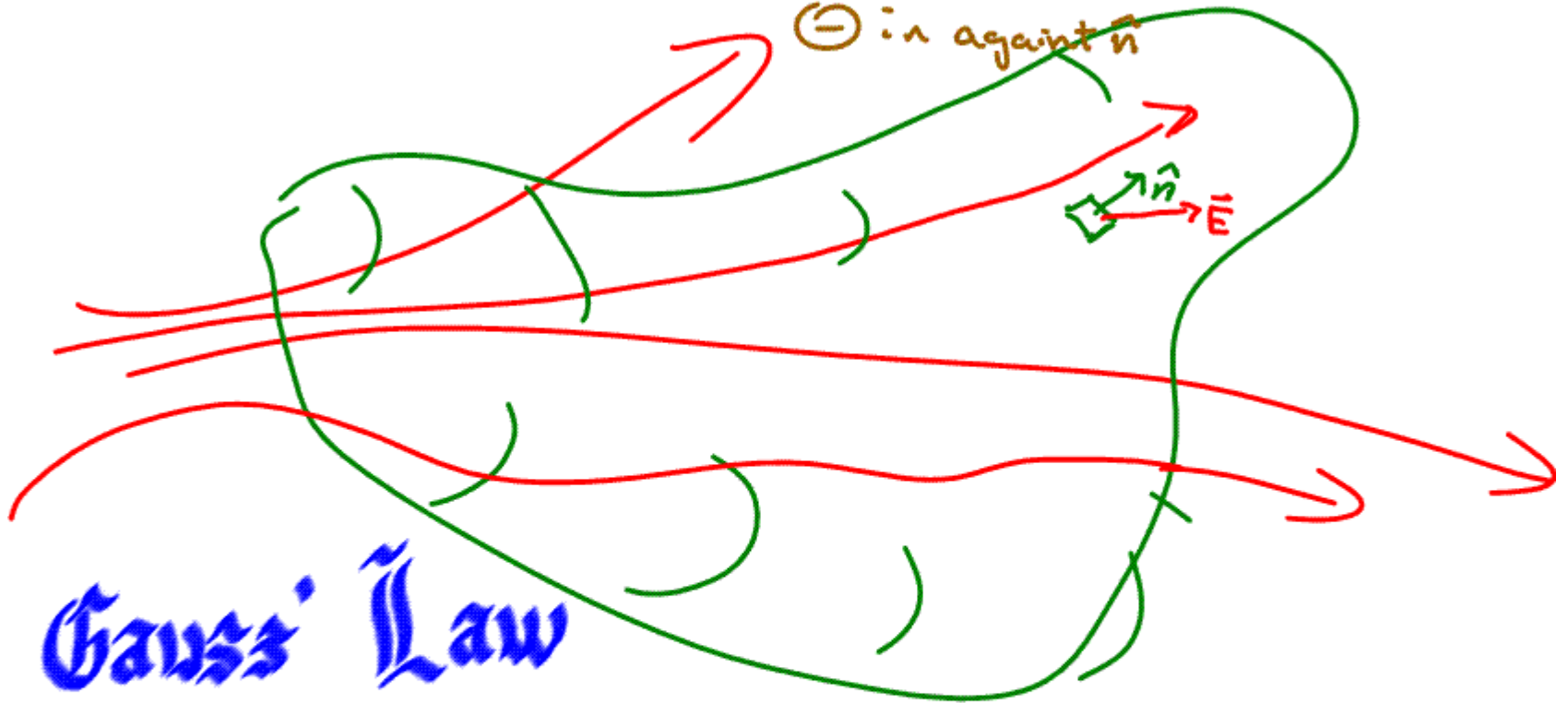
$$\vec{E}_P = \int \frac{k dQ}{r'^2} \hat{r}' = \int \frac{k \rho(\vec{r}) dv}{r'^2} \hat{r}'$$

charge dist volume (of charge dist)

This can be hard ... find easier way to determine  $\vec{E}$

$$\Phi = \oint \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} \, dA$$

Sum  $\vec{E}_{\parallel}$  to  $\hat{n}$  over surface  $\sigma$   
 $\oplus$  if along  $\hat{n}$   
 $\ominus$  if against  $\hat{n}$



$$\Phi = \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{enclosed}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

← enclosed by the surface

Gauss' Law true in general ... most useful under selected conditions of symmetry

integral over volume inside gaussian surface  
(NOT necessarily all charge)

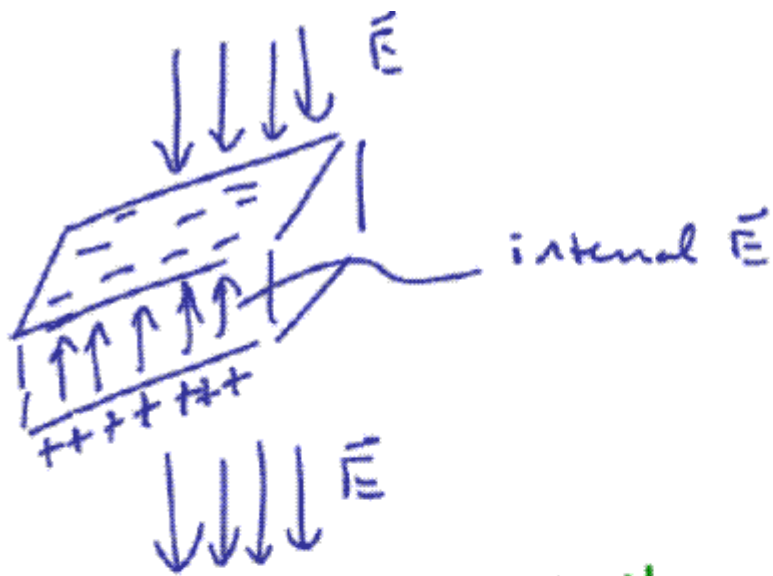
$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{encl}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\int_V \rho dv$$

integral over Gaussian surface

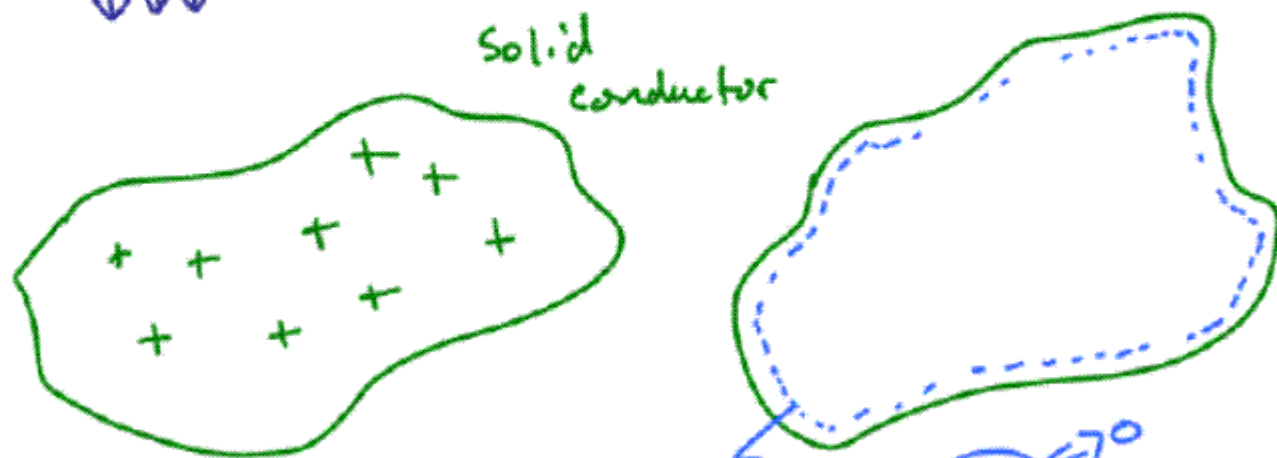
Easy if  $\vec{E} \perp d\vec{A}$  or  $\vec{E} \parallel d\vec{A}$

Easy if  $|\vec{E}|$  is constant on surface - can pull out of integral



$\vec{E} = 0$  inside a conductor

**Important**

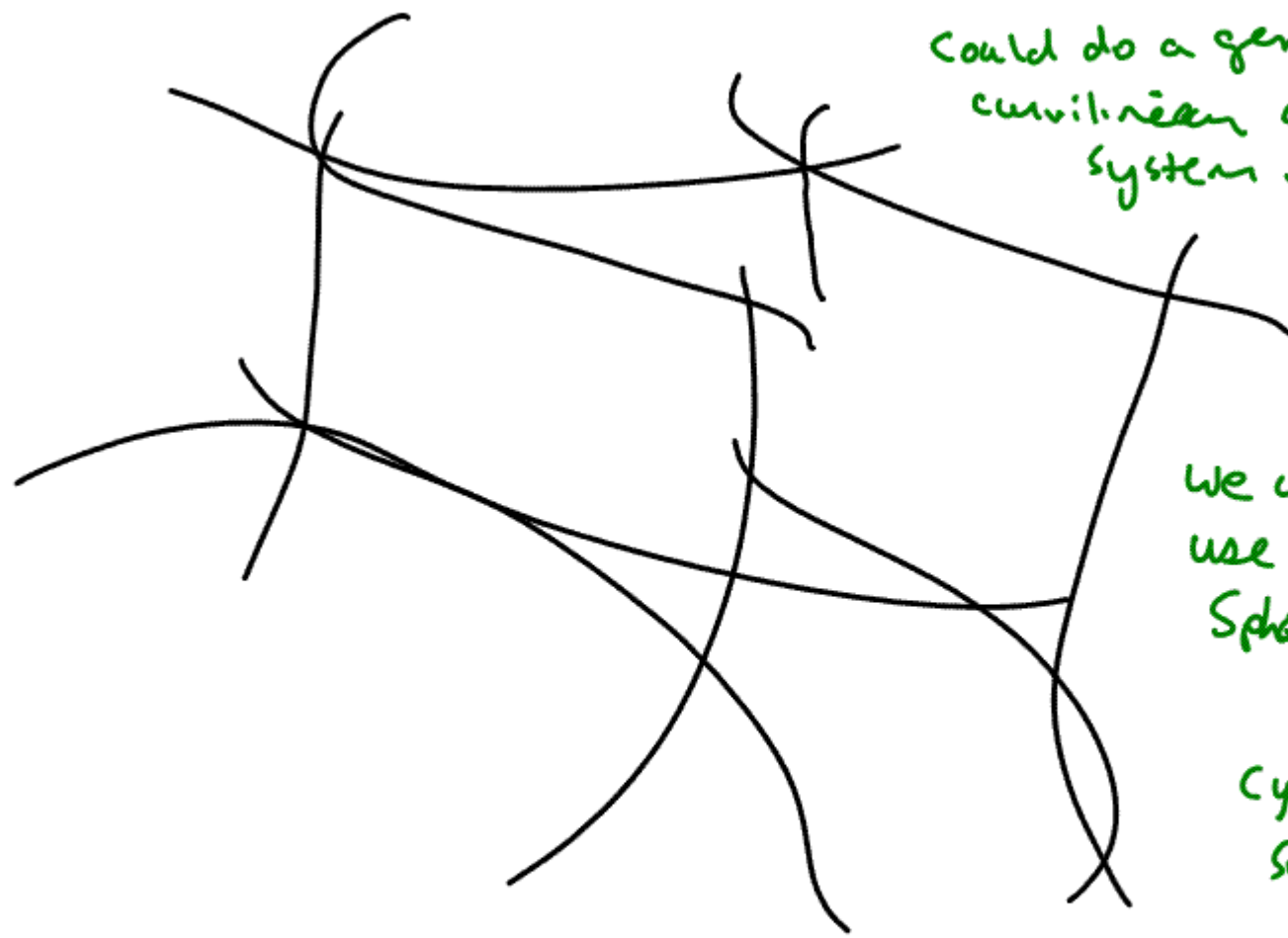


Charge resides on outside surface of conductor

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

$E = 0 \Rightarrow Q_{enc} = 0$

# Curvilinear Coordinate Systems



could do a generalized  
curvilinear coord.  
system . . . .



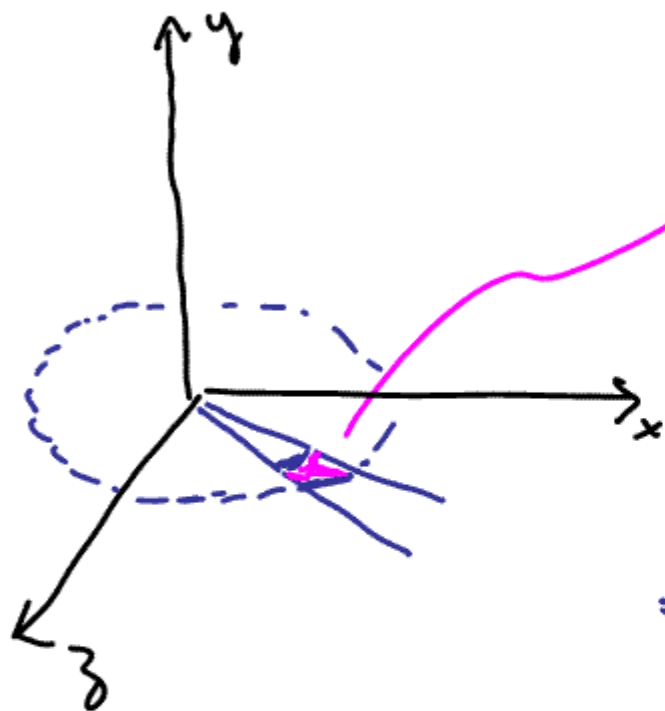
we will only  
use  
Spherical  
Polar  
+  
Cylindrical  
Systems



$$s = r\theta$$
$$ds = r d\theta$$

Find Area of disk

Integrates  $dA$  around  $\theta$   
and then along  $r$   
→ double integral.

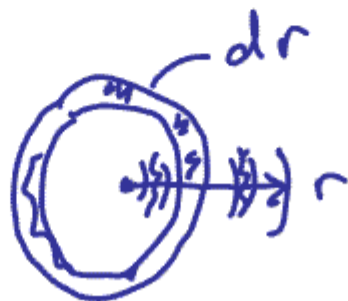
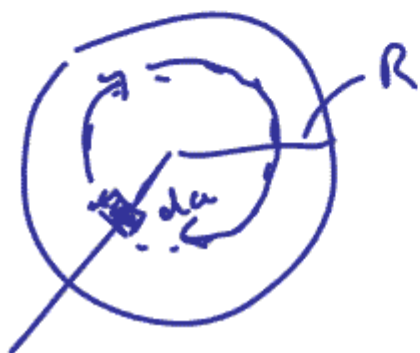


$$dA = r d\theta dr$$

$$\int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} dA =$$



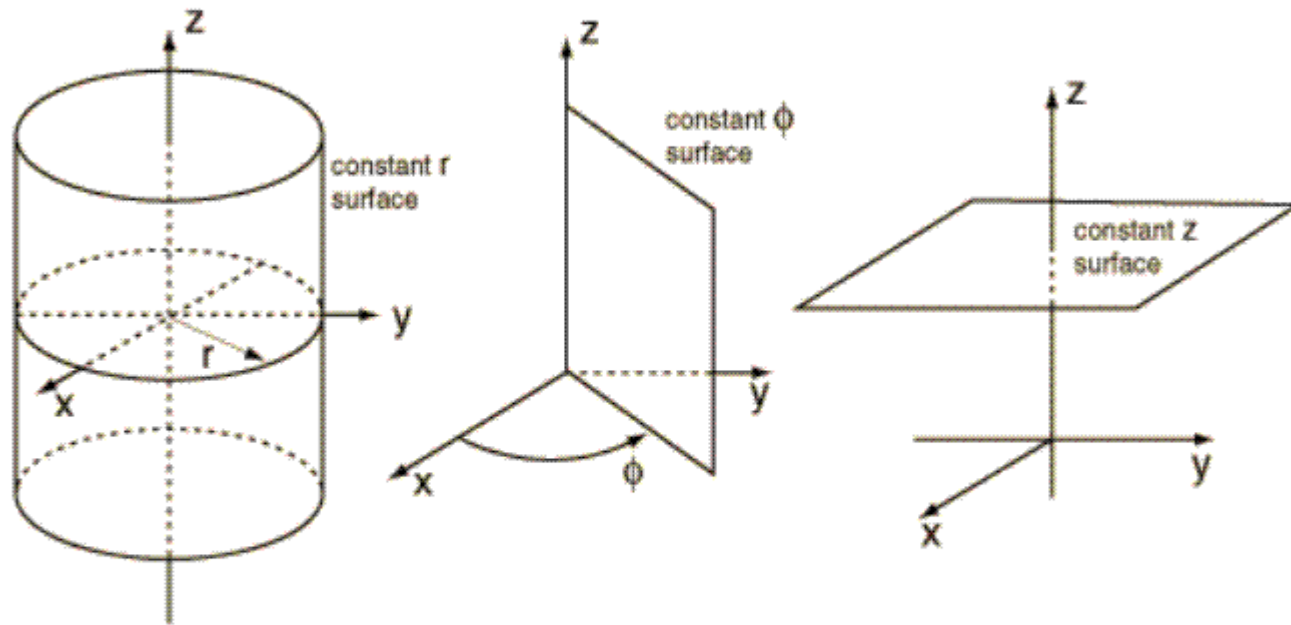
$$\int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} r d\theta dr =$$



$$\int_0^R r 2\pi dr =$$

$$\frac{2\pi R^2}{2} = \pi R^2$$

# cylindrical coordinates

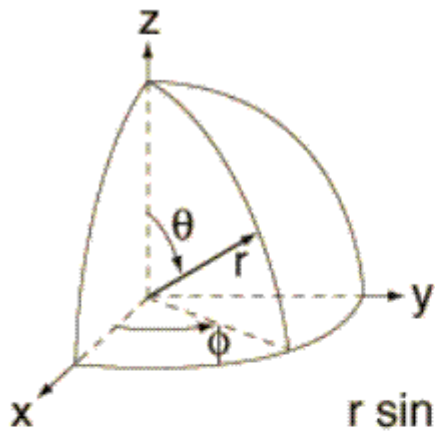


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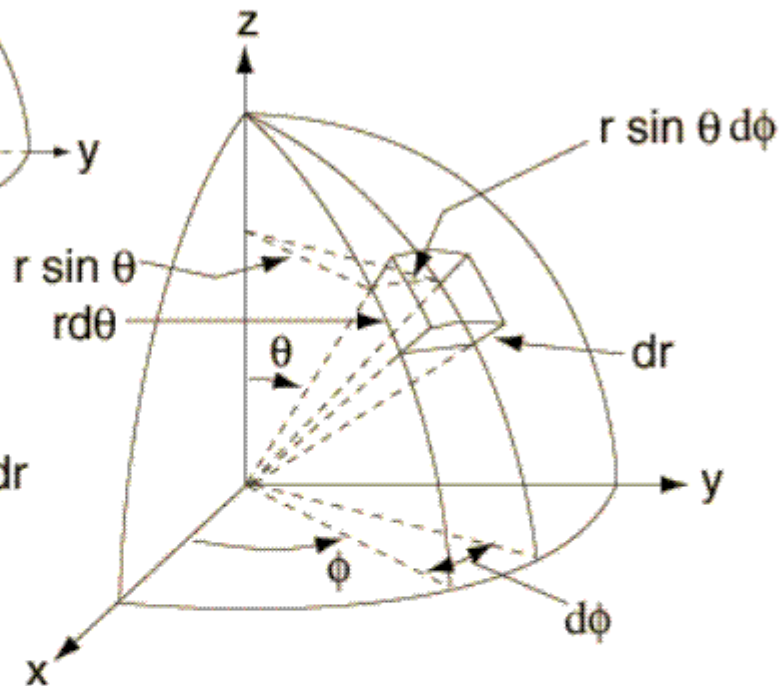
<http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/hbase/sphc.html>

Also Griffiths, Intro to Electromagnetism

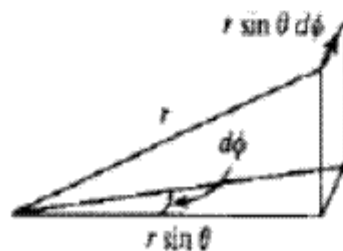
# Spherical polar coordinates



Volume element  
 $dV = r^2 \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi \, dr$

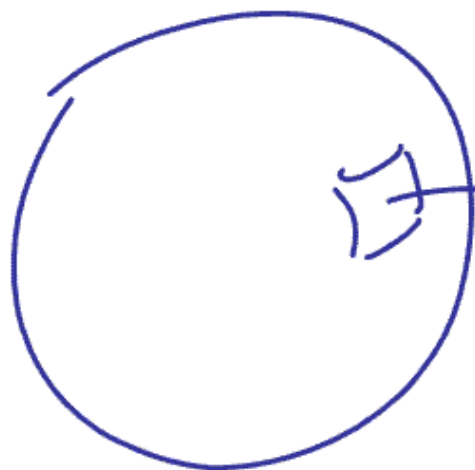


$$dl_{\phi} = r \sin \theta \, d\phi.$$

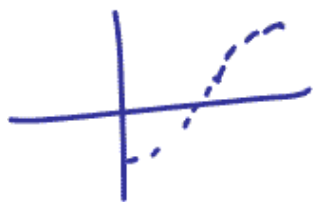




$$\text{Sphere Area} = \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} dA = \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} r^2 \sin\theta d\phi d\theta$$



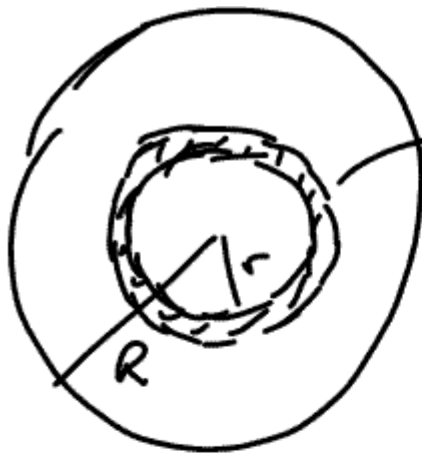
$$dA = r^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$



$$\int_0^{\pi} r^2 \sin\theta \underbrace{\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi}_{2\pi} d\theta$$

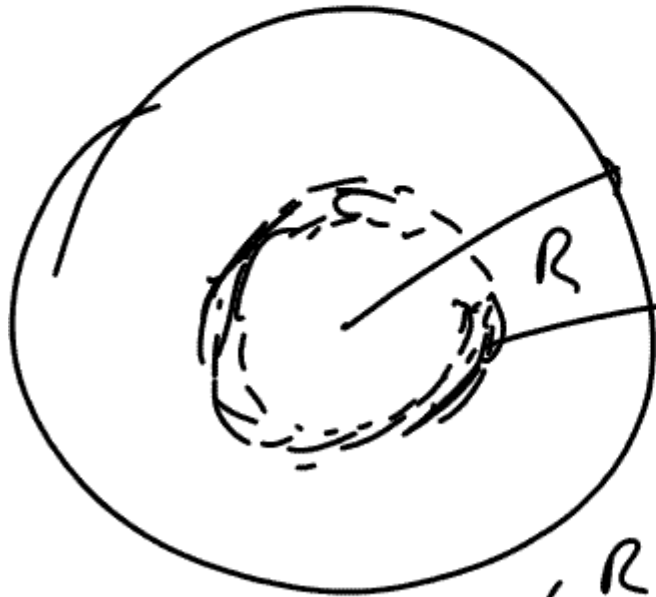
$$2\pi r^2 \int_0^{\pi} \sin\theta d\theta = 4\pi r^2$$

Griffiths — Intro. to Electrodynamics



$$dA = 2\pi r dr$$

$$\int dA = \int_0^R 2\pi r dr$$
$$= \pi R^2$$



Spherical shell

$$dv = 4\pi r^2 dr$$

$$\int_0^R dv = \int_0^R 4\pi r^2 dr = 4\pi \frac{R^3}{3}$$



$$\rho = Kr^3 \quad \text{for } r < R$$
$$= 0 \quad \text{for } r \geq R$$

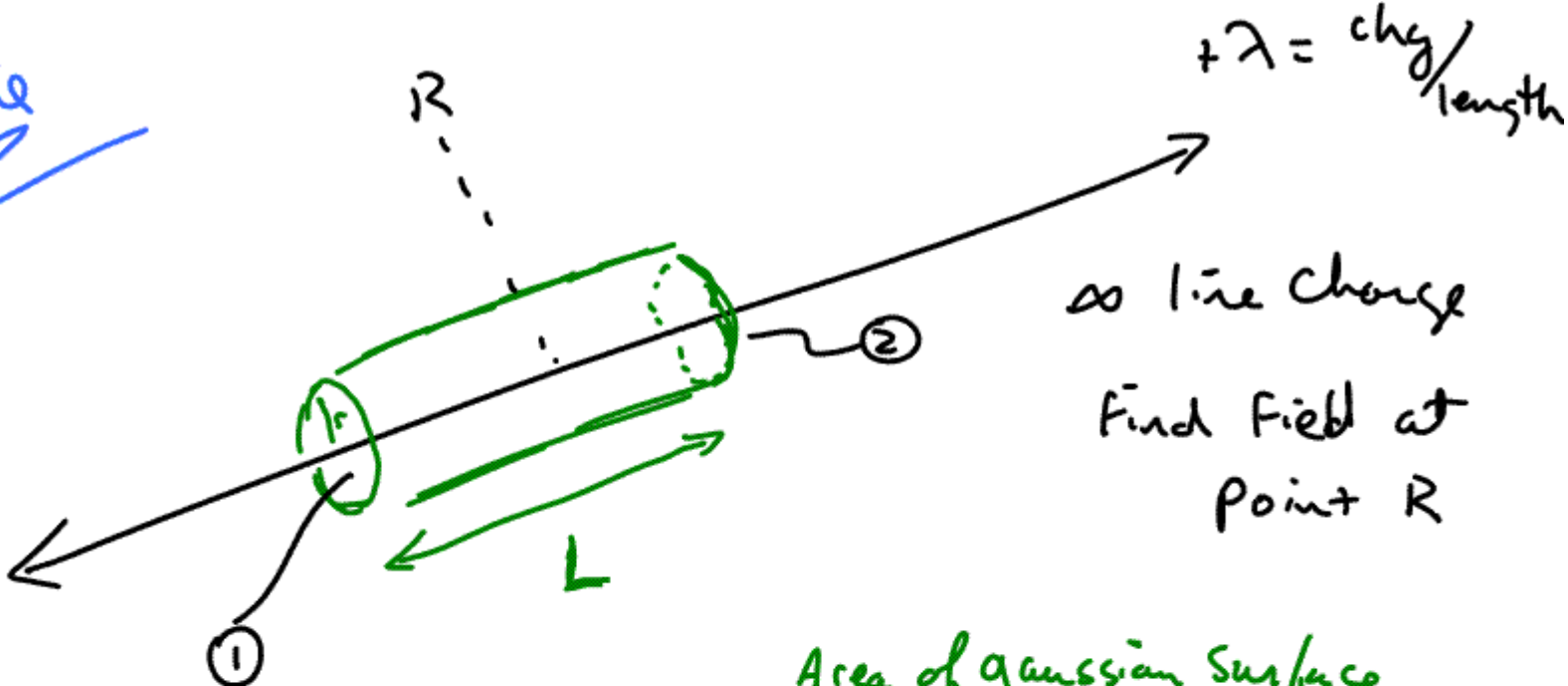
TOTAL charge

$$\int \rho dv = \int_0^R \rho 4\pi r^2 dr$$

$$= \int_0^R Kr^3 4\pi r^2 dr$$

$$= 4\pi K \frac{R^6}{6}$$

EXAMPLE 6



$\infty$  line charge  
Find Field at  
Point  $R$

Cylindrical symmetry  
 $\vec{E}$  radially out

Area of gaussian surface  
 $= 2\pi r L + (2)\pi r^2$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} dA = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$L\lambda$

Endcaps don't contribute

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$$\vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} = 0$$



$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} \, dA = |E| 2\pi r L = \frac{L\lambda}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$|E| = \frac{\lambda}{\epsilon_0 2\pi r}$$

$\vec{E}$  Field a distance  $r$   
from an  $\infty$  line charge