

8 - Gauss' Law

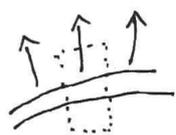
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(a) $\vec{E} = 0$ always,
since inside uniform spherical shell.

(By Gauss' law
 $Q_{enc} = 0 \Rightarrow \Phi = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \vec{E} = 0$
+ spherical sym.)

(b) As the balloon radius R increases, $SA = 4\pi R^2$,
and $Q = \text{const} \Rightarrow \sigma = Q/SA = \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2}$
The surface charge density falls like $1/R^2$.



Near the ext. surface, $\vec{E} \approx \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{r}$

So the field strength ~~falls off~~
decreases like $1/R^2$

(c) Outside the balloon:

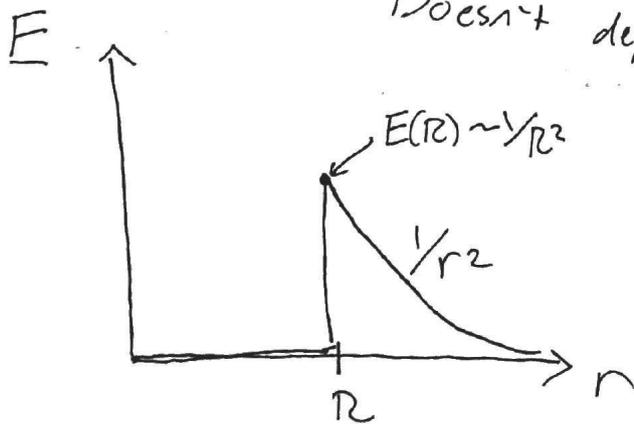


$$Q_{enc} = Q, \quad A_{Gauss} = 4\pi r^2 \Rightarrow \vec{E} \approx \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$$

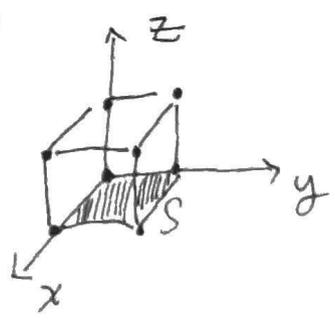
$$\Phi = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} = \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = E(r) \cdot 4\pi r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r}, \quad \text{just like pt. charge.}$$

Doesn't depend on R .



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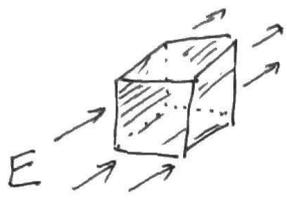
$$\Phi = \int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int_0^L dx \int_0^L dy \vec{E} \cdot \hat{k}$$

$$= \int_0^L dx \int_0^L dy E_z$$

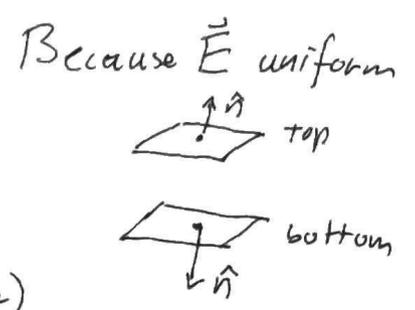
Uniform $E \Rightarrow = L^2 \cdot E_z$

(a) $\Phi = L^2 \cdot 6 \text{ N/C}$ (b) $\Phi = 0$ (c) $\Phi = 4L^2 \text{ N/C}$

(d) Now we consider cube as closed surface:



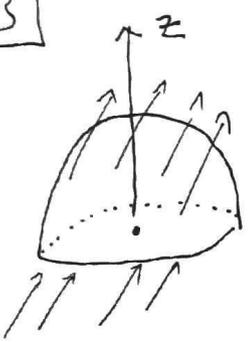
$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{\text{top}} &= -\Phi_{\text{bot}} \\ \Phi_{\text{left}} &= -\Phi_{\text{right}} \\ \Phi_{\text{front}} &= -\Phi_{\text{back}} \end{aligned}$$



$$\Rightarrow \Phi = (\Phi_{\text{top}} + \Phi_{\text{bot}}) + (\Phi_{\text{left}} + \Phi_{\text{right}}) + (\Phi_{\text{front}} + \Phi_{\text{back}})$$

$$= 0$$

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For an external uniform field like this,

$$\Phi_{\text{closed surface}} = Q_{\text{enc}} = 0$$

Take as closed surface

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} \Phi_{\text{bottom}} &= \int \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} \\ \Phi_{\text{top}} &= \int \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \Phi_{\text{top}} + \Phi_{\text{bot}} = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\Phi_{\text{top}} = -\Phi_{\text{bot}}}$$

The - sign is b/c of the orientation for the bottom cap when we consider it as part of the closed surface. But we are free to reverse the sign of \hat{n} when considering piece on its own.

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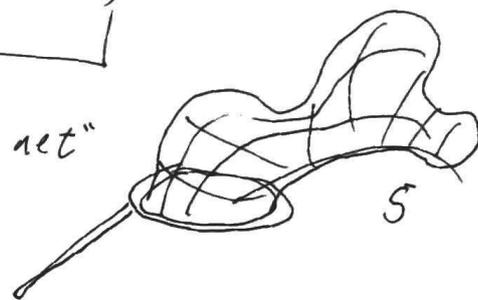
$$\Phi_{\text{top}} = \int \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} dA = - \int \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} dA = - \int \vec{E} \cdot (\hat{z}) dA = \int E_z dA$$


Basically, however much flux goes into the ~~bottom~~ circle, base, comes out of the dome.

$$\Phi_{\text{top}} = \int_{\text{base}} E_z dA = E_z \cdot \pi R^2$$

uniform field

FYI, this is true also for a "butterfly net" where the top is irregular:



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$$\Phi_{\text{in}} = 1 + 3 + 5 = 9$$

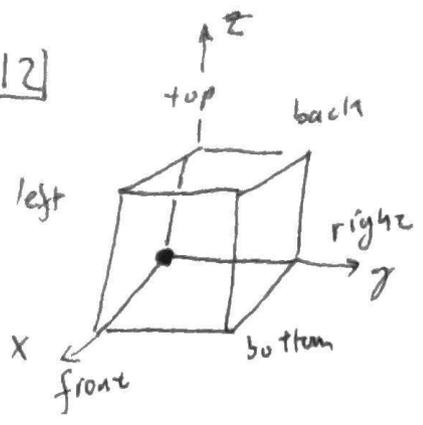
$$\Phi_{\text{out}} = 2 + 4 + 6 = 12$$

$$\Phi_{\text{net}} = \Phi_{\text{out}} - \Phi_{\text{in}} = 12 - 9 = 3 \cdot 10^3 \text{ N m}^2/\text{C}$$

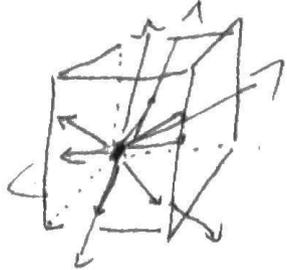
$$\Rightarrow Q_{\text{enc}} = \epsilon_0 \Phi_{\text{net}} = \epsilon_0 \cdot 3 \cdot 10^3 \text{ N m}^2/\text{C}$$

G.L.

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Sketching the \vec{E} field from this charge:



~~Flux~~ $\vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} = 0$ for the bottom, back, left sides:



The field points radially away from the charge, and flat along ~~surface~~ these faces $\Rightarrow \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} = 0$.

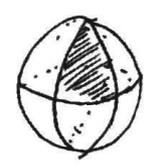
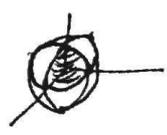
So $\Phi_{\text{left}} = \Phi_{\text{bot}} = \Phi_{\text{back}} = 0$

By symmetry (rotating coord. axes in particular $x \rightarrow y \rightarrow z$),

$\Phi_{\text{top}} = \Phi_{\text{right}} = \Phi_{\text{front}}$

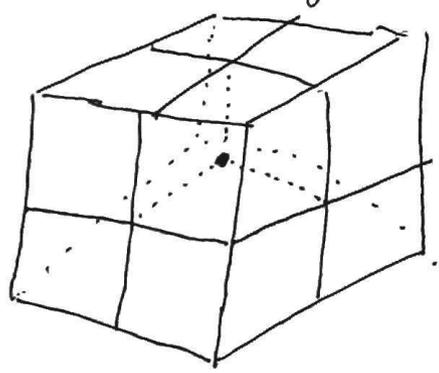
How much of the pt charge is "enclosed"?

Imagine it as a ^{small} sphere centered at origin



$1/8$ of the sphere is included.

Can also imagine replicating the cube:



Then the pt charge lies at the center of this assembly of the 8 cubes.

Each cube should get an equal fraction ($1/8$) of the \vec{E} flux, and the Q_{enc} .

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To summarize:

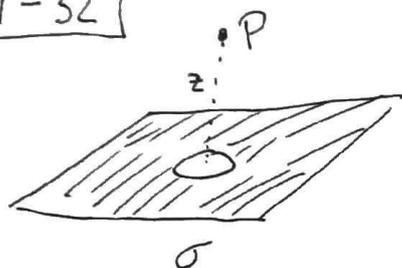
$$\Phi_{\text{left}} = \Phi_{\text{bot}} = \Phi_{\text{back}} = 0$$

$$\Phi_{\text{top}} = \Phi_{\text{right}} = \Phi_{\text{front}} = \frac{1}{3} \Phi_{\text{total}}$$

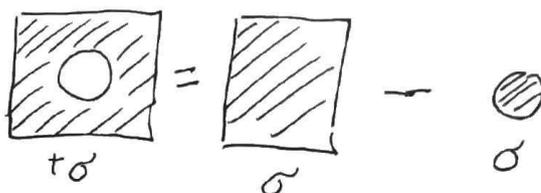
$$\Phi_{\text{total}} = Q_{\text{enc}} / \epsilon_0 = \frac{q}{8\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi_{\text{top}} = \Phi_{\text{right}} = \Phi_{\text{front}} = \frac{q}{24\epsilon_0}$$

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The main thing is to ~~find~~ use superposition



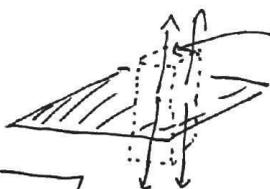
We consider the sheet-with-hole as a super sum of:

- Uniform filled sheet \square ($+\sigma$)

- Uniform circular disk \bigcirc ($-\sigma$)

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \vec{E}_{\text{sheet}} + \vec{E}_{\text{disk}}$$

For \vec{E}_{sheet} , use Gauss' law:



Prism w/ base area A .

$$\Rightarrow Q_{\text{enc}} = \sigma A$$

$$\Phi = \Phi_{\text{top}} + \Phi_{\text{bot}} \quad (\text{rest are zero, } \hat{E} = \pm \hat{z})$$

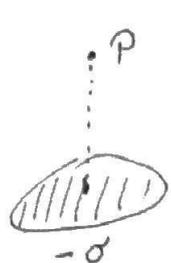
$$= 2 \cdot E \cdot A$$

$$\Rightarrow E = \Phi / 2A = \frac{Q_{\text{enc}}}{2\epsilon_0 A} = \frac{\sigma A}{2\epsilon_0 A}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E}_{\text{sheet}} = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{z}$$

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For \vec{E}_{disk} , use a brute-force superposition integral.



Split disk into superposition of thin rings of radius r , thickness dr , Linear charge density $\lambda = -\sigma dr$

Ex



$$dq = \lambda dl = \lambda r d\theta$$

$$dE_z = \frac{dq}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{r^2 + z^2} \cdot \frac{z}{(r^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$|s|^2 = r^2 + z^2$$

$$S_z = \frac{z}{(r^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$$

distance² to P unit vector projection to z

$$E_z = \int dE_z = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\lambda r d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{z}{(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda z}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{r}{(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{-\sigma z}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{r dr}{(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$E_x = E_y = 0$ by symmetry (reflection)

$$\Rightarrow E_z^{\text{disc}} = \int_0^R \frac{-\sigma z}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{r dr}{(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{-\sigma z}{2\epsilon_0} \int_0^R \frac{r dr}{(r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

u-sub: $u = r^2 + z^2$, $du = 2r dr \Rightarrow r=0 \rightarrow u = z^2$
 $r=R \rightarrow u = R^2 + z^2$

$$E_z^{\text{disc}} = \frac{-\sigma z}{4\epsilon_0} \int_{z^2}^{R^2 + z^2} \frac{du}{u^{3/2}} = \frac{\sigma z}{4\epsilon_0} \left(-2 \left[u^{-1/2} \right]_{z^2}^{R^2 + z^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-\sigma z}{2\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}} \right]$$

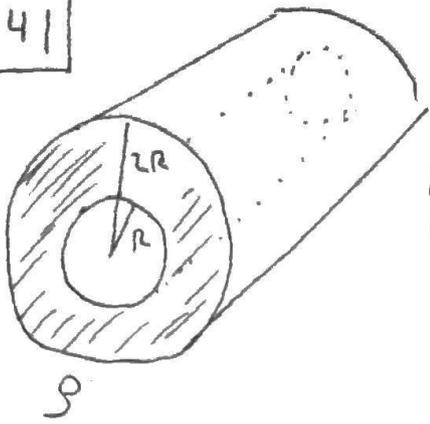
$$\boxed{E_z^{\text{disc}} = \frac{-\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left[1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}} \right]}$$

, $E_x = E_y = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \vec{E}_{\text{sheet}} + \vec{E}_{\text{disc}} = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{z} - \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left[1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}} \right] \hat{z} = \boxed{\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{z}{\sqrt{R^2 + z^2}} \hat{z}}$$

(Note for $z \gg R$, $\vec{E} \sim \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{z}$, i.e. we can't tell the hole is there)

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Take a cylindrical gaussian surface $C(r)$ with radius r , centered along the same axis as the charged shell.

Cylindrical symmetry (rot. about axis, translation, ~~the~~ reflections)

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = E(r) \hat{n}, \quad \hat{n} \text{ points away from axis.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi(r) = \int_{C(r)} \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} dA = \int_{C(r)} E \cdot \hat{n} dA$$

$$= \int_{C(r)} E(r) dA = E(r) \cdot \int_{C(r)} dA = E(r) [2\pi r L]$$

$$\Rightarrow E(r) = \frac{\Phi(r)}{2\pi r L} \stackrel{G.L.}{=} \frac{Q_{enc}(r)}{2\pi \epsilon_0 r L}$$

$$Q_{enc}(r) = \begin{cases} 0 & r < R \\ \rho \cdot L \cdot (\pi r^2 - \pi R^2) & R < r < 2R \\ \rho \cdot L \cdot (\pi (2R)^2 - \pi R^2) & 2R < r \\ = 3\rho L \pi R^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(r) = \begin{cases} 0 & r < R \\ \frac{\rho}{2\epsilon_0} (r^2 - R^2) / r & R < r < 2R \\ \frac{3\rho}{2\epsilon_0} R^2 / r & 2R \leq r \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 0 & r < R \\ \rho / 2\epsilon_0 (r - R^2/r) & R < r < 2R \\ \frac{3\rho}{2\epsilon_0} R^2 / r & 2R \leq r \end{cases}$$

For $r = 2R$, $E(r) = \frac{3\rho}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{R^2}{2R} = \frac{3\rho}{4\epsilon_0} R$

This is halved when:

~~$$\frac{\rho}{2\epsilon_0} (r - R^2/r) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{3\rho}{2\epsilon_0} R$$~~

~~$$r - R^2/r = \frac{3}{2} R$$~~

~~$$r^2 - \frac{3}{2} R r + R^2 = 0$$~~

~~$$\begin{aligned} r &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2} R \pm \sqrt{\frac{9}{4} R^2 + R^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2} R \pm \sqrt{13} R \right) \\ &= \frac{R}{4} (3 + \sqrt{13}) \end{aligned}$$~~

~~$$r = 1.65 R$$~~

29-41 (Continued) The field is at half its surface value when

$$E(r) = \frac{\rho}{2\epsilon_0} \left(r - \frac{R^2}{r} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3\rho}{4\epsilon_0} R$$

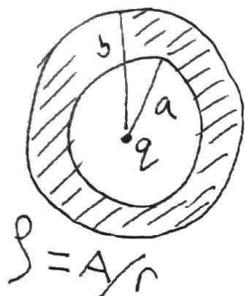
$$r - \frac{R^2}{r} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} R$$

$$r^2 - \frac{3}{4} rR - R^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{4} R \pm \sqrt{\frac{9}{16} R^2 + 4R^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{4} R \pm \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{73} R \right) = \boxed{\frac{1}{8} (3 + \sqrt{73}) R} = 1.443 R$$

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Spherical symmetry $\Rightarrow \vec{E} = E(r) \hat{r}$

Take a spherical gaussian surface S_r
w/ radius r , centered at origin.

$$\Phi(r) = \int_{S(r)} \vec{E} \cdot \hat{r} dA = \int_{S(r)} E(r) (\hat{r} \cdot \hat{r}) dA$$

$$= E(r) \int_{S(r)} dA = E(r) \cdot 4\pi r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E(r) = \frac{\Phi(r)}{4\pi r^2} \stackrel{G.L.}{=} \frac{Q_{enc}}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$r < a: Q_{enc} = q, \quad \vec{E} = \frac{q}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$a < r < b: Q_{enc} = q + \int_a^r \int_{\theta, \phi} \rho dV$$

$$= q + \int_a^r \frac{A}{s} (4\pi s^2 ds)$$

$$= q + 4\pi A \int_a^r s ds$$

$$= q + 2\pi A (r^2 - a^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q - 2\pi A a^2}{r^2} + 2\pi A \right) \hat{r}$$

$$a < r < b: Q_{enc} = q + \int_a^b \rho dV = q + 2\pi A (b^2 - a^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{q + 2\pi A (b^2 - a^2)}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

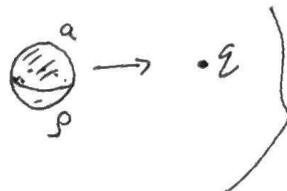
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In region $a < r < b$,
$$E(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q - 2\pi a^2 A}{r^2} + 2\pi A \right)$$

Would have ~~uniform~~ const. magnitude if the $1/r^2$ term was 0.

$$\Rightarrow 0 = q - 2\pi a^2 A \Rightarrow \boxed{q = 2\pi a^2 A}$$

(Note that this is $\int_0^a \rho dV$ - basically, we have taken all the A/r charge dist. in the $0 < r < a$ region and squished it to the center.



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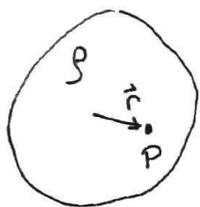
(a) Spherical symmetry $\Rightarrow \vec{E} = E(r) \hat{r}$

Take spherical gaussian surface S_r of radius r

$$\Rightarrow \Phi(r) = \int_{S(r)} \vec{E} \cdot \hat{r} dA = E(r) \int_{S(r)} dA = 4\pi r^2 E(r)$$

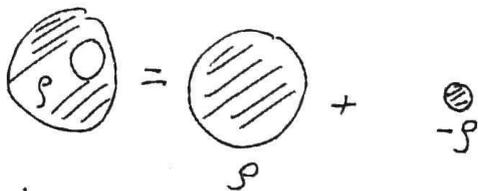
$$Q_{enc} = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \rho$$

$$\Rightarrow E = \frac{\Phi(r)}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q_{enc}}{r^2} = \frac{r\rho}{3\epsilon_0} \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{E} = \frac{r\rho}{3\epsilon_0} \hat{r} = \frac{\rho}{3\epsilon_0} \vec{r}}$$



(b)

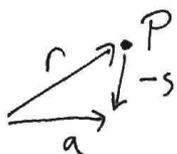
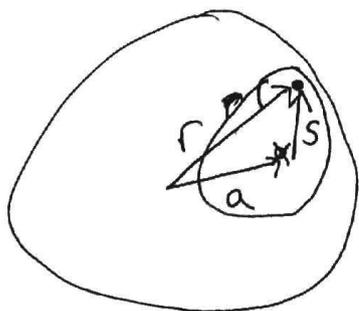
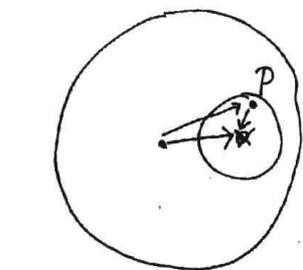
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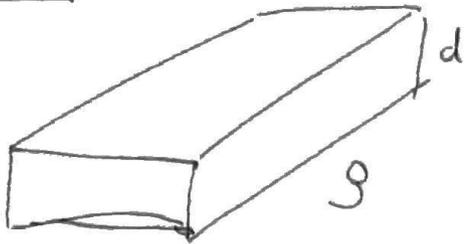


So for any P in the cavity, \leftarrow (in both the $+\rho$ and $-\rho$ uniform charges)

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_{+\rho, origin} + \vec{E}_{+\rho, a}$$

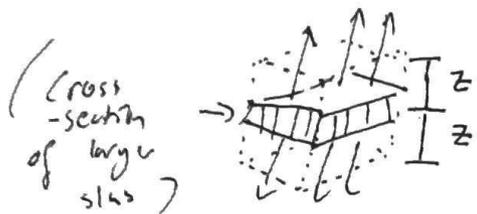
$$= \frac{\rho}{3\epsilon_0} \vec{r} - \frac{\rho}{3\epsilon_0} \vec{s} = \frac{\rho}{3\epsilon_0} (\vec{r} - \vec{s}) = \boxed{\frac{\rho}{3\epsilon_0} \vec{a}}$$





Translation + Reflection symmetry $\Rightarrow \vec{E} = E(z) \hat{z}$

Take a gaussian pillbox/prism w/ square base A:



Centered at midplane, w/ top z above the midplane of the slab.

$|z| > d/2$

$Q_{enc} = d \cdot \rho \cdot A$

~~$\Phi = \Phi_{top} + \Phi_{bot} = 2A E(z)$~~

$\Phi_{top} = \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int E(z) \hat{z} \cdot \hat{z} = E(z) A$

$\Phi_{bot} = \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int E(-z) \hat{z} \cdot (-\hat{z}) = -E(-z) A$

By symmetry (reflection), $E(-z) = -E(z)$

$\Rightarrow \Phi = \Phi_{top} - \Phi_{bot} = 2A E(z)$

$E(z) = \frac{\Phi}{2A} \stackrel{G.L.}{=} \frac{Q_{enc}}{2\epsilon_0 A} = \boxed{\frac{d\rho}{2\epsilon_0}} \quad z > d/2$

$|z| < d/2 \Rightarrow Q_{enc} = 2z \cdot \rho \cdot A$

$\Rightarrow E(z) = \frac{2z\rho A}{2\epsilon_0 A} = \boxed{\frac{z\rho}{\epsilon_0}} \quad z < d/2$