ADVANCED PHYSICS CLUB

APRIL 28, 2019

Today's meeting

Today we continued the discussion of electrostatics and the Gauss Law.

First we solved some homework problems from the previous session.

Then we covered two topics

- The electric field from an infinite wire with a uniform charge distribution.
- The electric field from an infinite plane with a uniform charge distribution.

Then we learned a little bit about the method of images. We introduced the concept of a grounded infinite plane and learned what happens when one brings a point charge near such an infinite plane. We calculated the charge distribution on the plane using the method of images and the Gauss Law.

Homework

- 1. Calculate the total net charge on the infinite plane.
- 2. Understand what happens if one brings a charge near a grounded sphere. (Hint: use the method of images.)

FOR THE NEXT MEETING

There will be no more club meetings this academic year. We are looking forward to meeting you in September/October, 2019. Have a very nice Summer!