

From Griffiths: 1.41, 1.46, 2.1, 2.6, 2.16

1. An infinite line charge on the  $z$ -axis has a density  $-\lambda$  for  $z < 0$  and  $+\lambda$  for  $z > 0$ . Show that the magnitude of the electric field is  $E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 s}$ .
2. The electrostatic field above the earth's surface has the empirical form  $\mathbf{E} = -(ae^{-\alpha z} + be^{-\beta z})\hat{z}$ , where  $a, b, \alpha$ , and  $\beta$  are constants and  $z$  is the altitude above the surface of the earth. Use Gauss's law in differential form to determine the charge density  $\rho(z)$ . Use Gauss's law in integral form to find the total charge within a column from  $z = 0$  to  $z = \infty$  with a cross-sectional area of  $A$ .
3. Which of the following fields could not be electrostatic? Why?
  - (a)  $\mathbf{E} = c(x - z)^2(\hat{x} - \hat{z})$
  - (b)  $\mathbf{E} = kyz \sin(kxy)\hat{x} + kxz \sin(kxy)\hat{y} - \cos(kxy)kxz\hat{z}$
  - (c)  $\mathbf{E} = 2xyz\hat{x} + xz^2\hat{y} + x^2y\hat{z}$