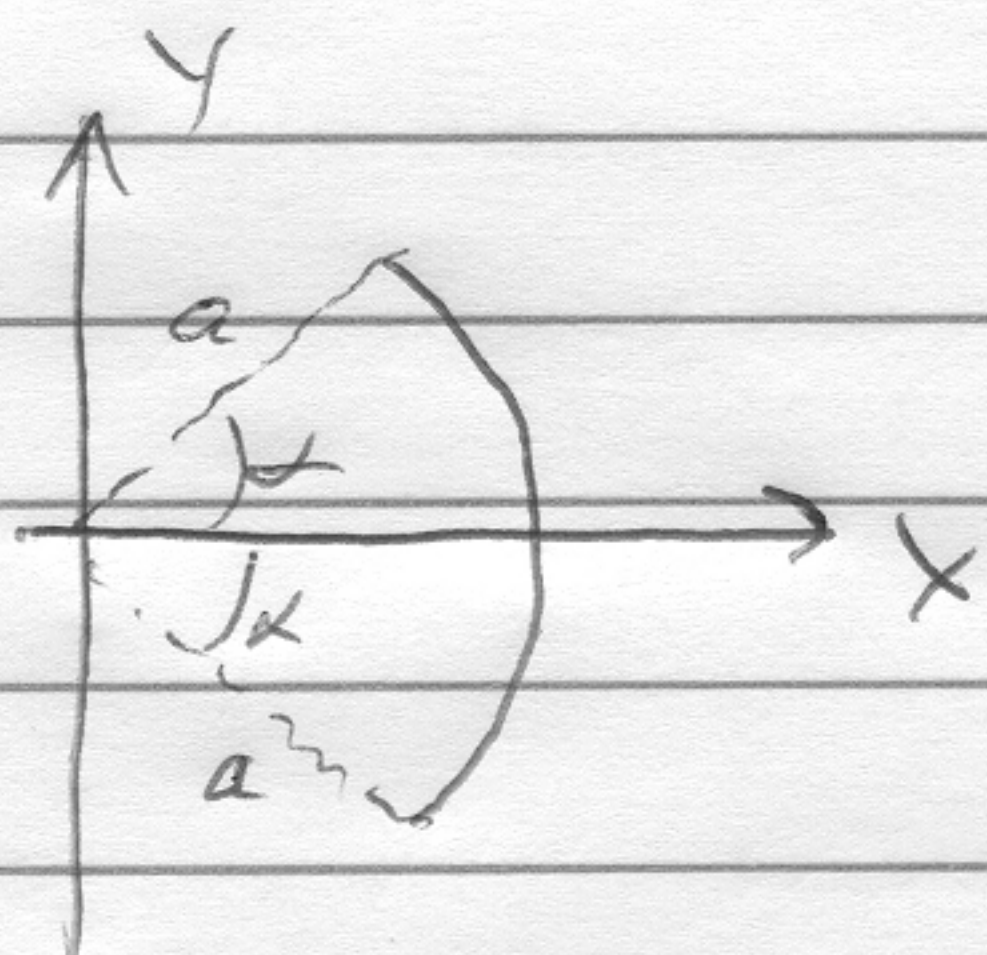


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$$R = \sqrt{a^2 + z^2}$$

$$\phi(z) = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{-a}^a \frac{a dx'}{R}$$

$$\phi(z) = \frac{\lambda a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}} \quad \phi' \Big|_{-a}^a = \frac{2\lambda a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}}$$

$$\phi(z) = \frac{\lambda a}{2\pi\epsilon_0 \sqrt{a^2 + z^2}}$$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla\phi \quad E_z = -\frac{d}{dz} \phi(z)$$

$$E_z = -\frac{\lambda a}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + a^2}} \right) = -\frac{\lambda a}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{2z}{(z^2 + a^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$E_z = \frac{\lambda a z}{2\pi\epsilon_0 (z^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \quad \text{correct!}$$

We could only get the $\hat{z}$ component if we had $\phi(x, y, z)$.