

Two small spheres (mass, *m*) are attached to insulating strings (length, *L*) and hung from the ceiling as shown.

How does the angle (with respect ot the

vertical) that the string attached to the -q charge  $(\theta_1)$ compare to that of the -2q charge  $(\theta_2)$ ?

A. 
$$\theta_1 > \theta_2$$
  
B.  $\theta_1 = \theta_2$   
C.  $\theta_1 > \theta_2$   
D. ????

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Homework 1 solutions posted immediately after class
- Graded Homework 1 returned next Friday
- Homework 2 posted (due next Friday)

For me, the first homework was A. entirely a review. B. mostly a review, but it had a few new things in it. C. somewhat of a review, but it had quite a few new things in it.	I spent hours on the first homework.
	A. 1-2
	B. 3-4
	C. 5-6
	D. 7-8
	E. More than 9

D. completely new for me.

## **CLASSICAL ELECTROMAGNETISM**



24 orders of magnitude

## ELECTROSTATICS



5 charges, q, are arranged in a regular pentagon, as shown. What is the E field at the center?



A. Zero

B. Non-zero

C. Really need trig and a calculator to decide

1 of the 5 charges has been removed, as shown. What's the E field at the center?



A.  $+(kq/a^2)\hat{y}$ B.  $-(kq/a^2)\hat{y}$ C. 0

D. Something entirely different!

E. This is a nasty problem which I need more time to solve

To find the E-field at P from a thin line (uniform charge density  $\lambda$ ):



If all the charges live on a line (1-D), use:

$$\lambda \equiv \frac{\text{charge}}{\text{length}}$$

Draw your own picture. What's  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})$ ?



What do you expect to happen to the field as you get really far from the rod?

$$E_x = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{L}{x\sqrt{x^2 + L^2}}$$

A.  $E_x$  goes to 0.

B.  $E_x$  begins to look like a point charge.

C.  $E_x$  goes to  $\infty$ .

D. More than one of these is true.

E. I can't tell what should happen to  $E_x$ .

E. Something else

## Activity:

You determine that a particular electrostatics problem cannot be integrated analytically. How do you instruct a computer to do it for you?

Work with those around you to come up with a series of instructions (in plain words) to tell the computer to do it.

Given the location of the little bit of charge (dq), what is  $|\vec{\Re}|$ ?

