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Self-Guided Learning Problems

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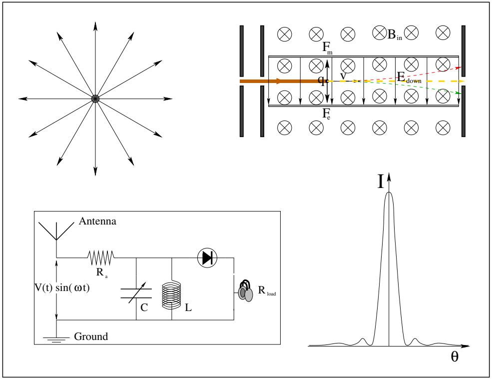

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About These Problems

This is an experiment. Beamer allows me to make slides that will successively reveal lines of math-heavy text. This gives me a unique opportunity to build a collection of self-guided learning problems for physics that do what I've fantasized about doing for years now – present a problem, then provide a hint, then another hint, then another (or reveal a step, and then another step) until finally, the entire souution is presented, annotated.

Hopefully these problems will help students everywhere as they struggle to learn physics problems solving techniques and learn to "think like a physicist" as they do so.

To use this resource, pick a problem or topic from the table of contents and go directly to it, or work your way through all the problems systematically. Work on a separate sheet of paper, and when you get stuck, page down through the frames to see (hopefully) where you went wrong.

Remember, the point is to **master these problems**, not just to get through them. Make sure that before you are done, you can do every problem **without looking, without hints, and without remembering the exact solution** but rather, understanding *how* to find it!

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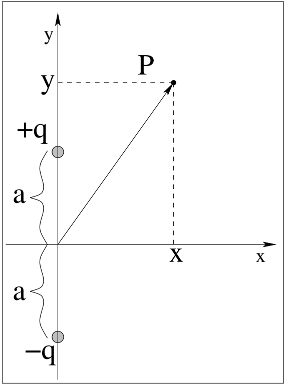

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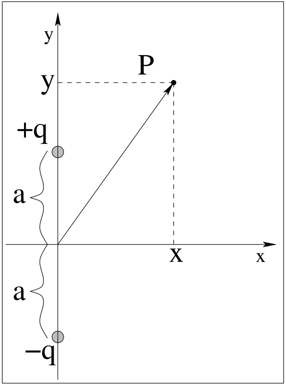

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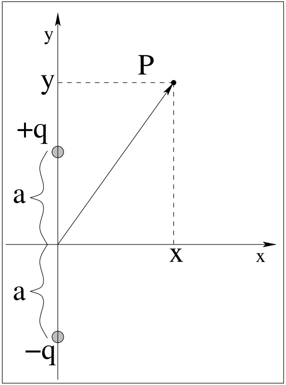

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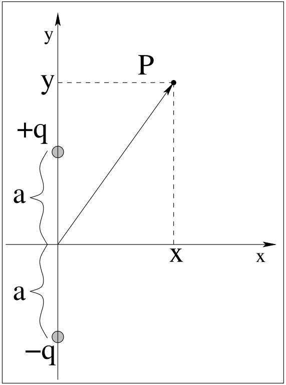

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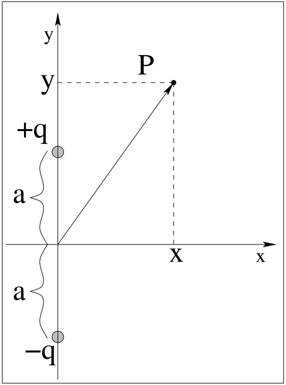

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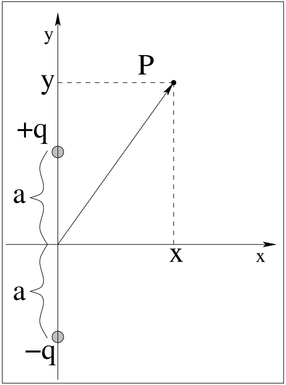

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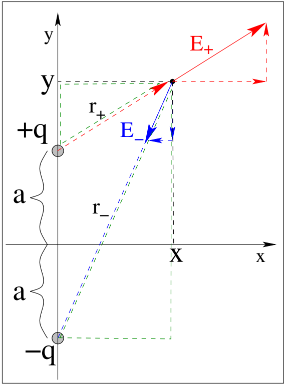

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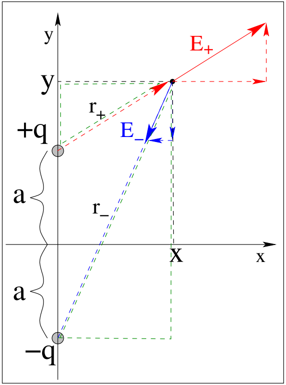

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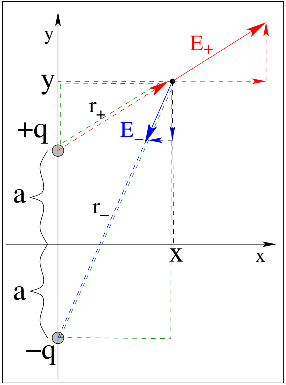

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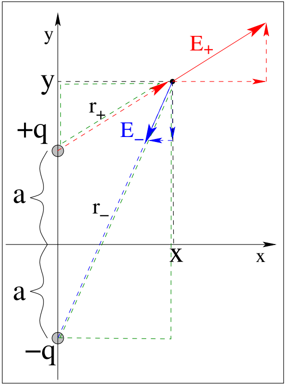

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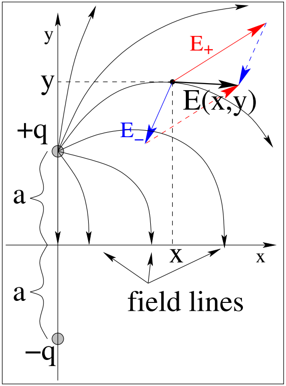

- Or (summing the terms and assembling all of the pieces, see below):
- Note that the solution is *tangent to the dipolar field lines* that run from $+q$ to $-q$.
- It might not be the *best* way to represent the field – spherical polar coordinates are better – but we definitely have the skill to find the $\vec{E}$-field at arbitrary points in space from arbitrary numbers of discrete charges in cartesian coordinates!

$$\vec{E}(x, y) = k_e q \left\{ \frac{x}{(x^2 + (y-a)^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{x}{(x^2 + (y+a)^2)^{3/2}} \right\} \hat{x} + k_e q \left\{ \frac{y-a}{(x^2 + (y-a)^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{y+a}{(x^2 + (y+a)^2)^{3/2}} \right\} \hat{y}$$

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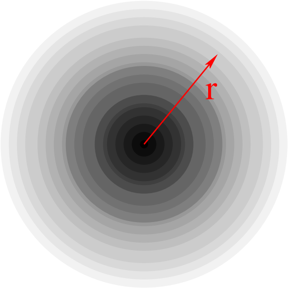

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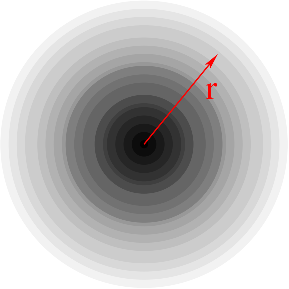

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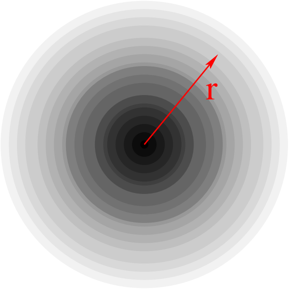

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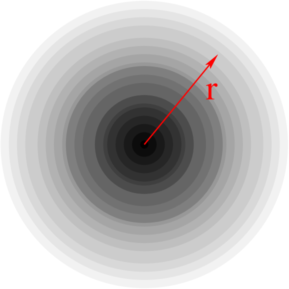

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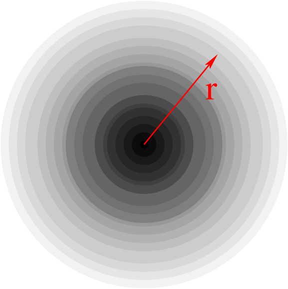

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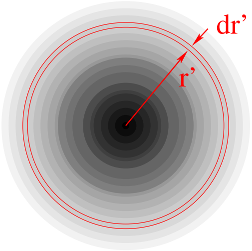

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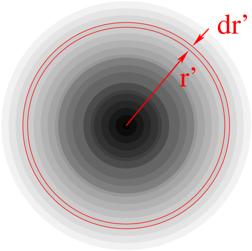

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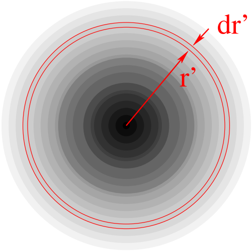

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- Now we use Gauss's Law to find the E-field:

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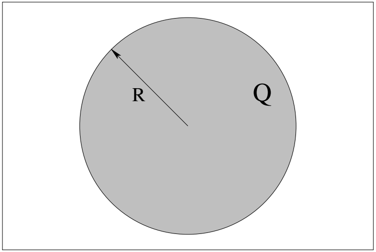

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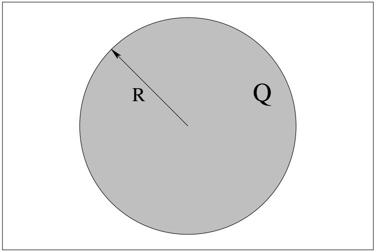

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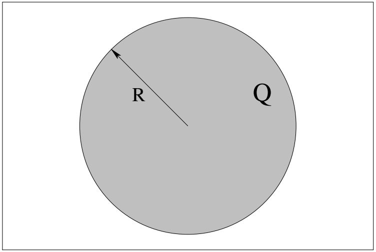

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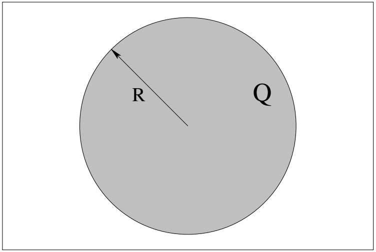

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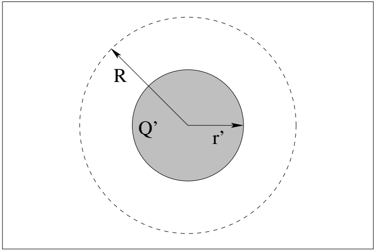

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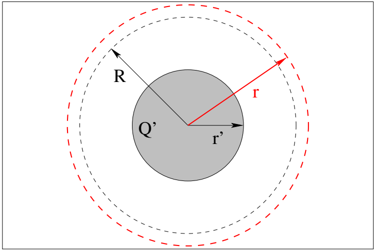

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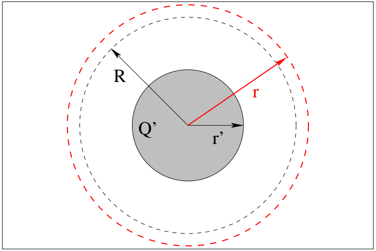

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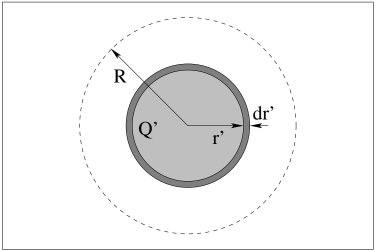

- Now we're ready to find the work required to bring in a charge dQ' with thickness dr' at radius r'. We start by finding dQ':

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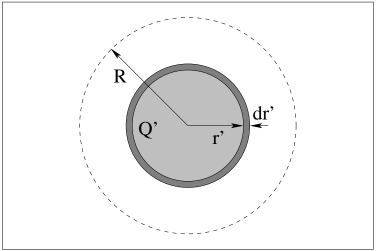

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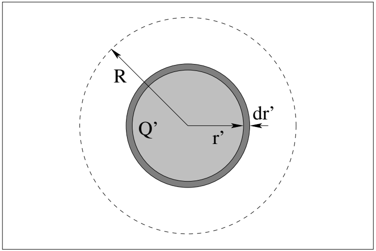

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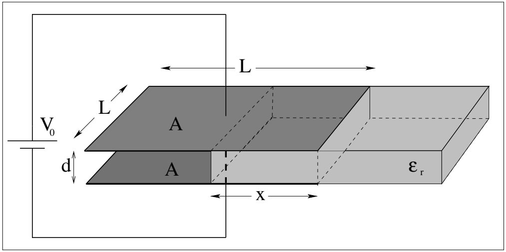

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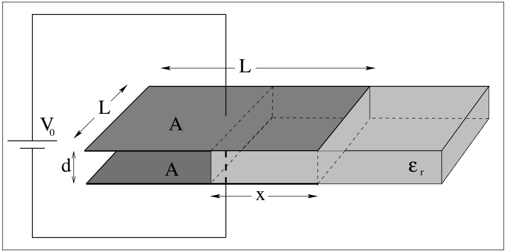

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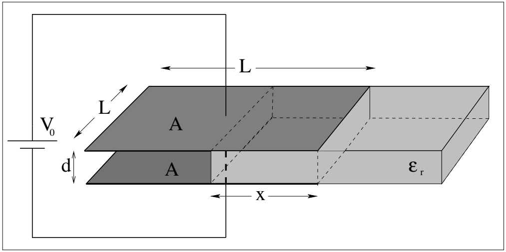

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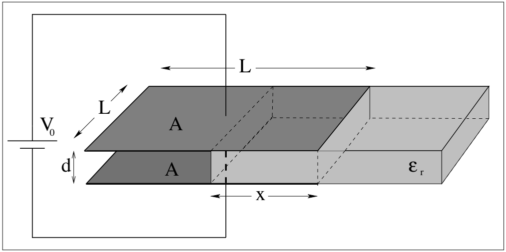

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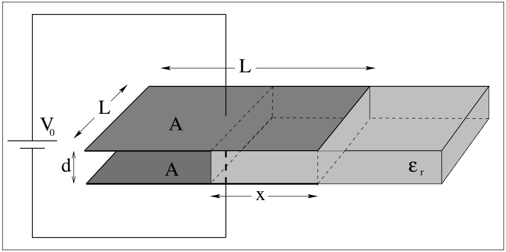

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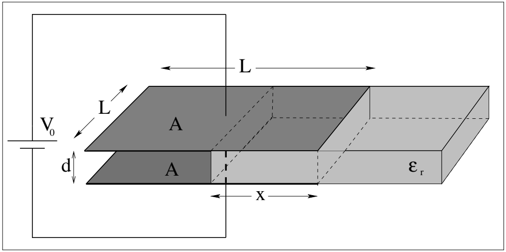

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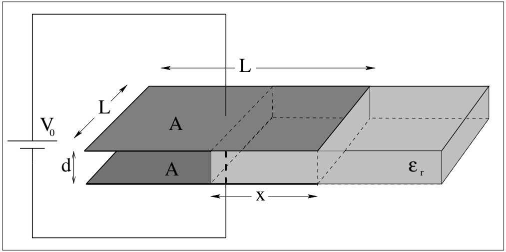

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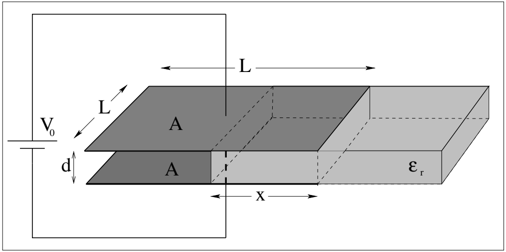

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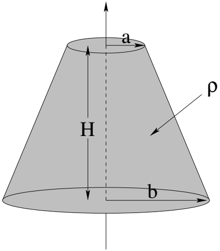

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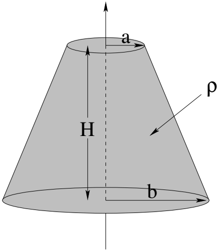

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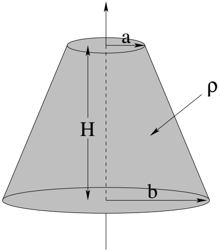

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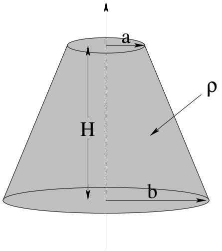

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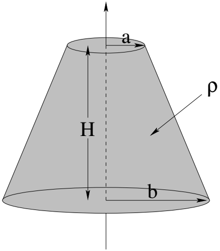

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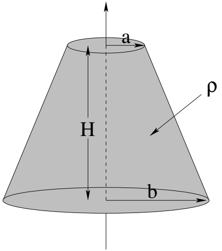

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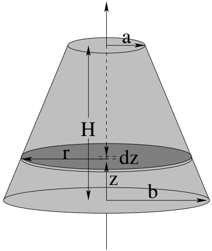

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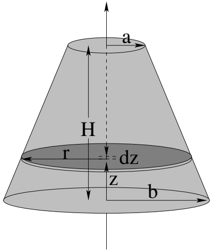

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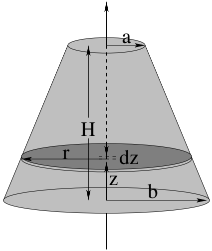

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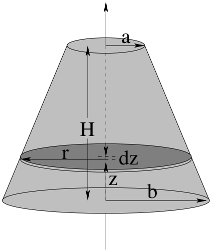

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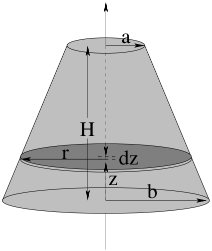

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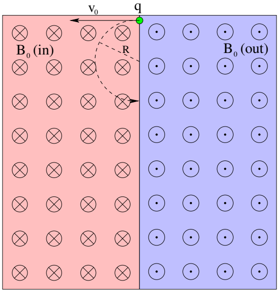

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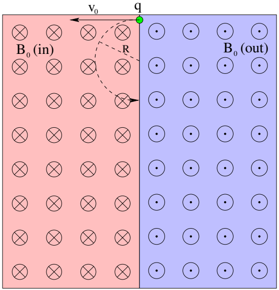

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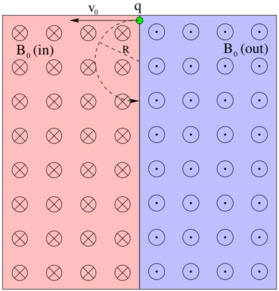

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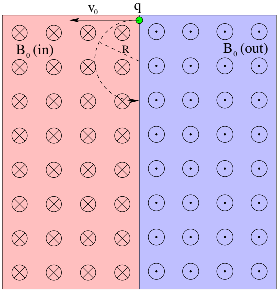

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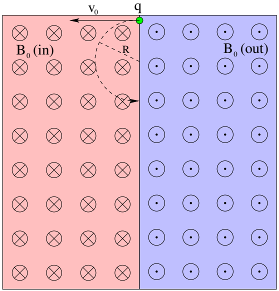

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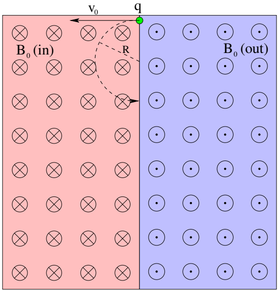

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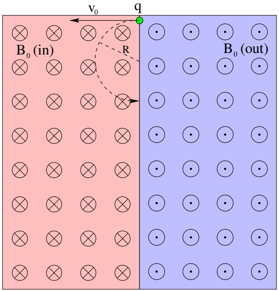

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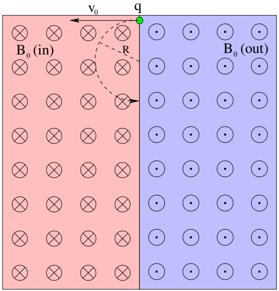

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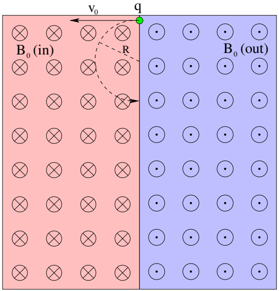

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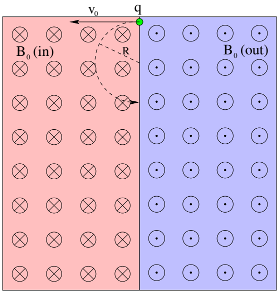

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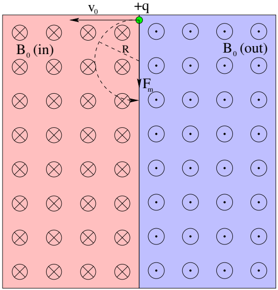

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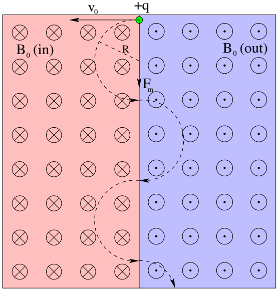

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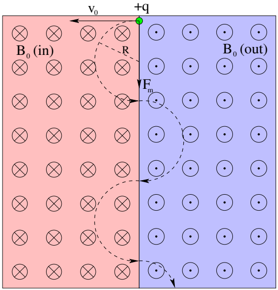

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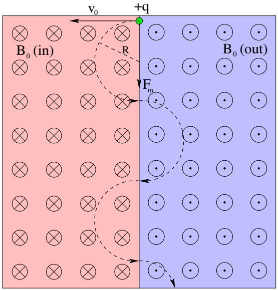

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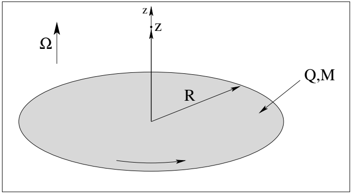

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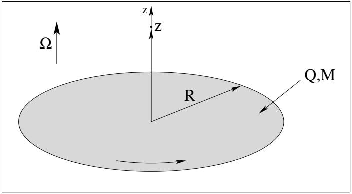

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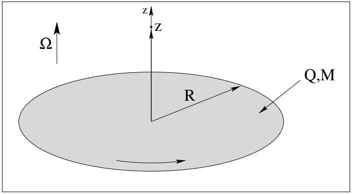

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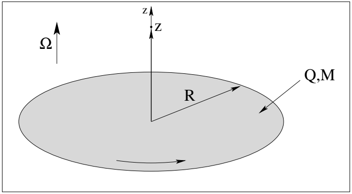

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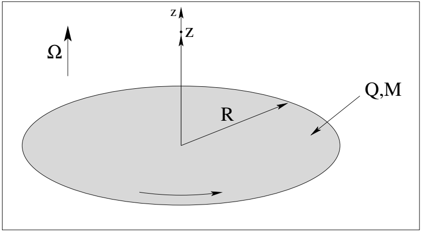

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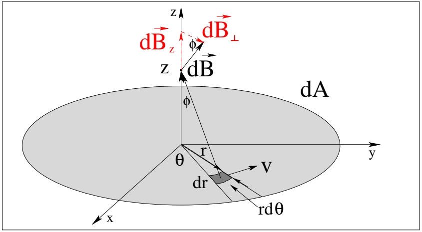

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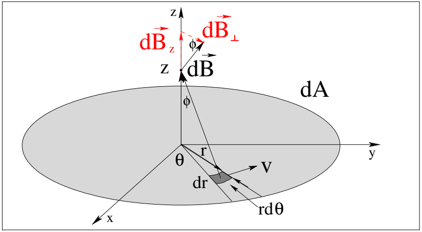

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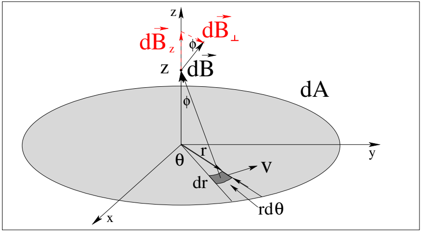

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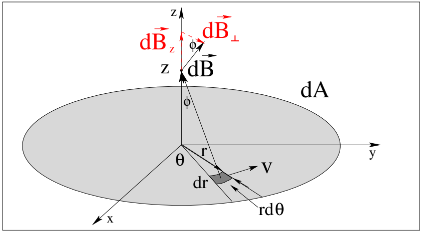

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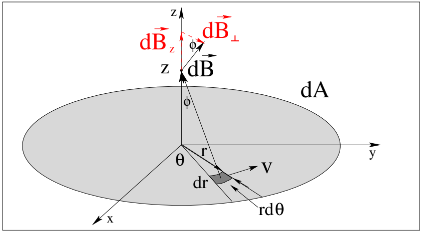

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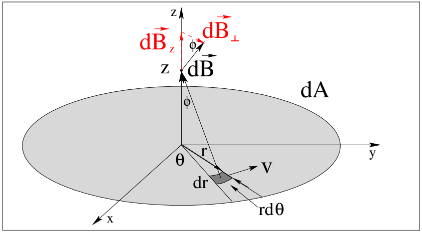

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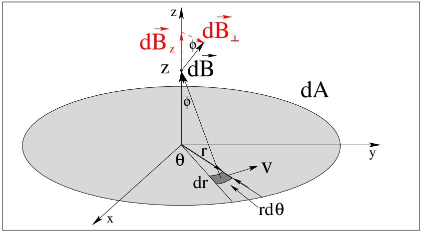

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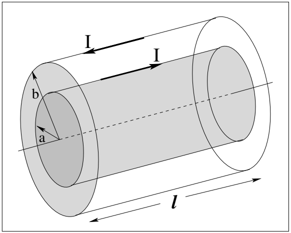

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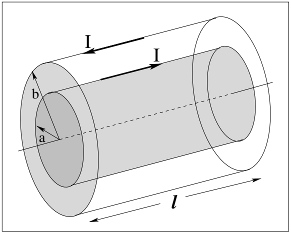

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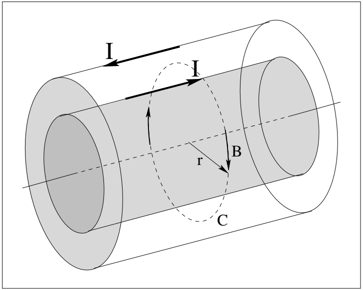

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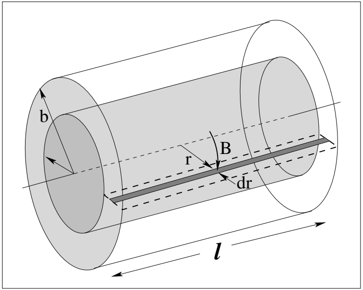

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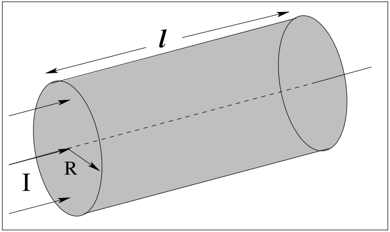

- In the figure to the left, a piece of a long straight cylindrical wire with relative permeability μ_r is shown that has radius R and length ℓ. Find its self-inductance *per unit length* (since obviously, a longer chunk of wire would have a larger inductance – we expect inductance to scale with length).

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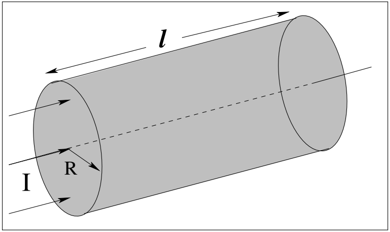

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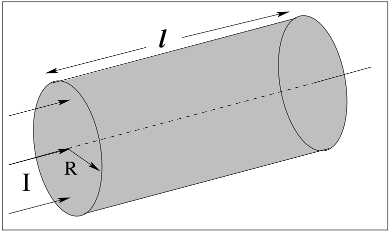

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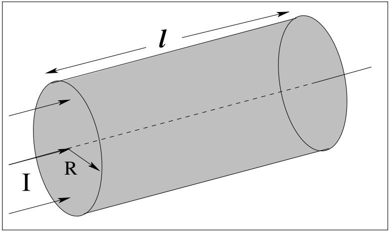

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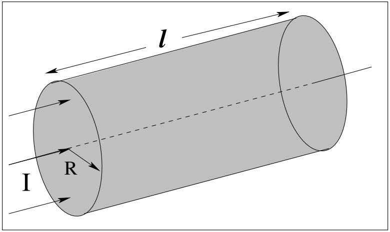

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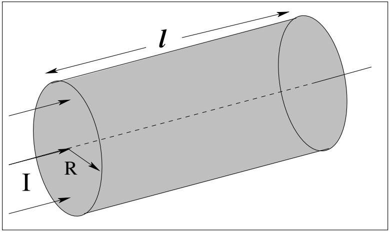

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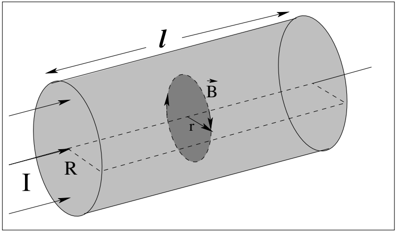

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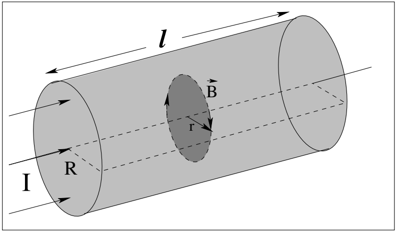

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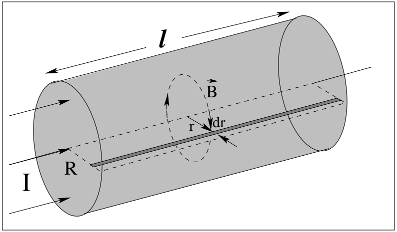

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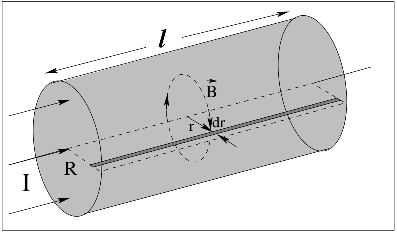

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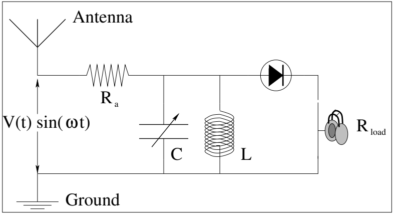

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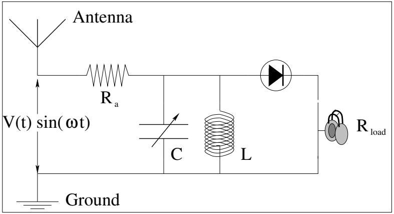

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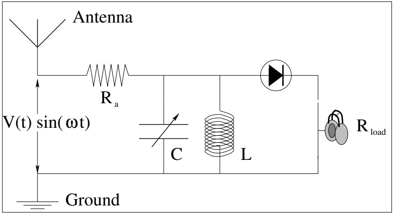

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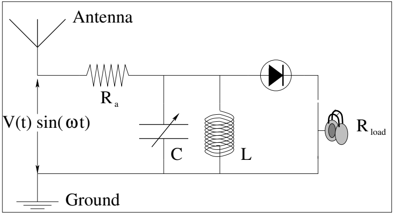

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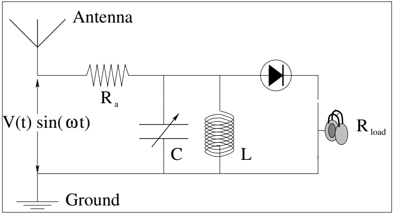

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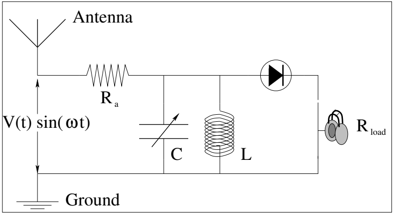

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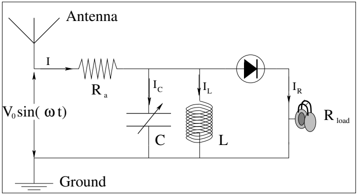

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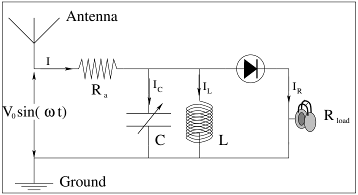

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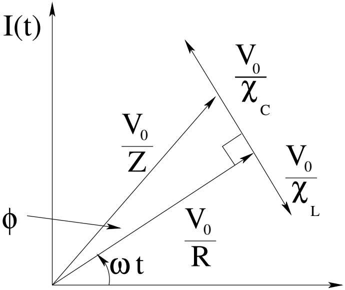

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as expected, and we've already shown that in this case we'll have the *maximum possible* power dissipated in R if and only if $r = R$ (the resistances of antenna and load match). This is ***resonance*** in an ***well-matched circuit***.

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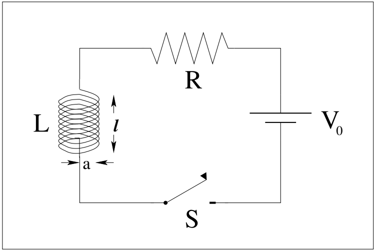

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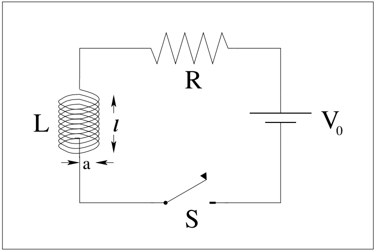

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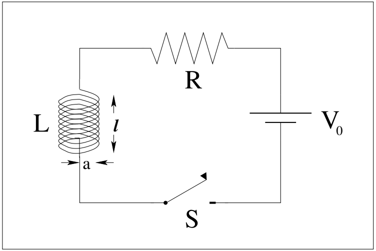

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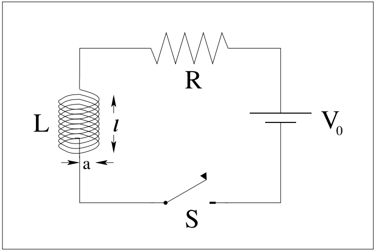

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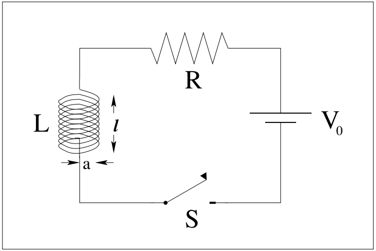

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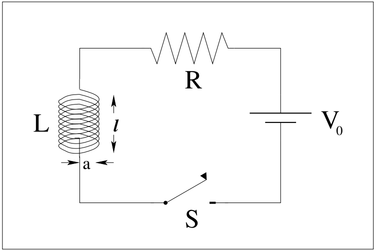

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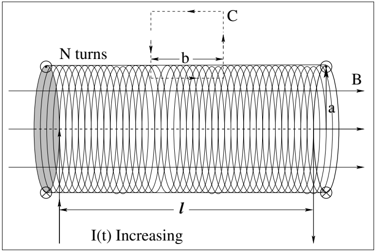

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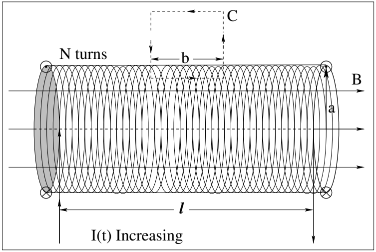

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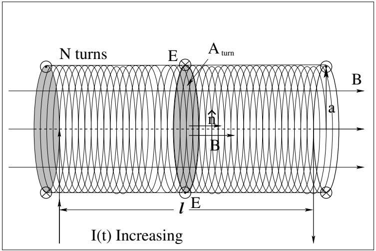

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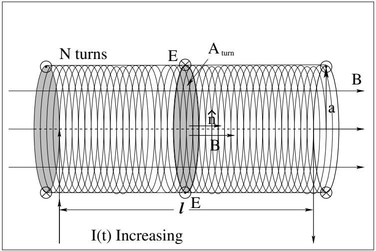

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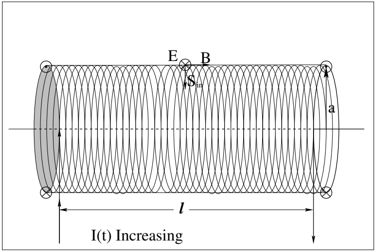

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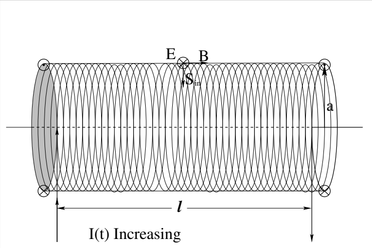

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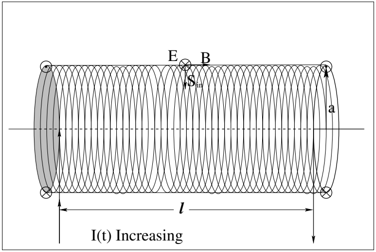

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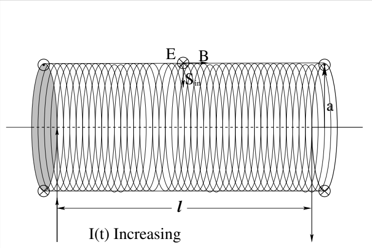

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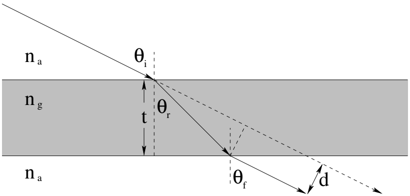

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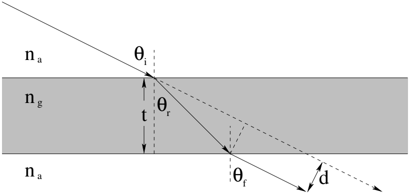

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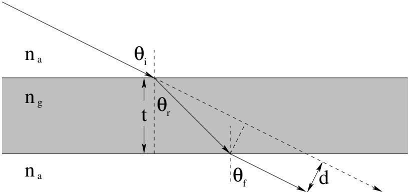

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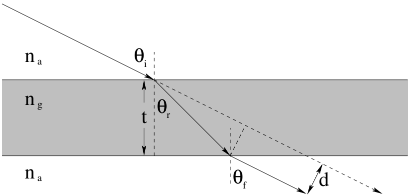

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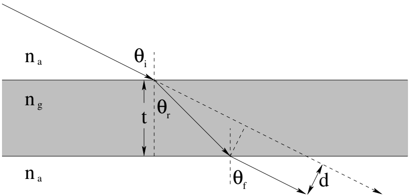

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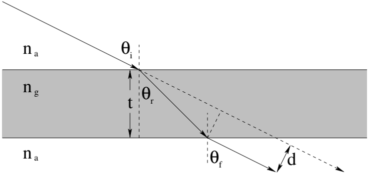

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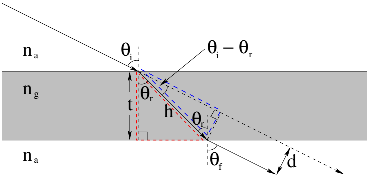

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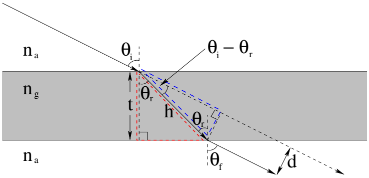

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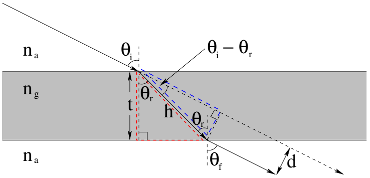

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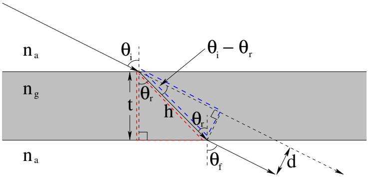

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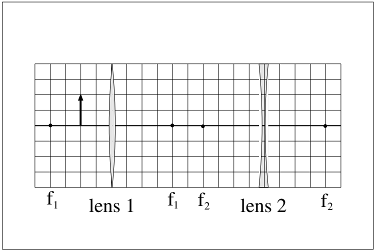

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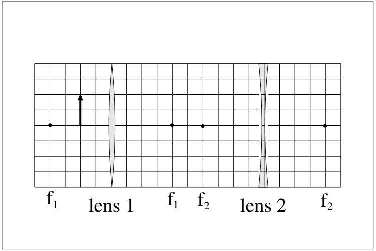

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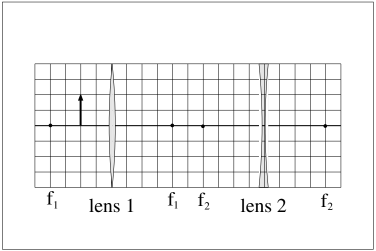

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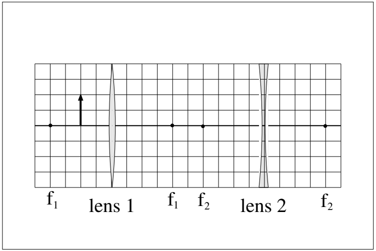

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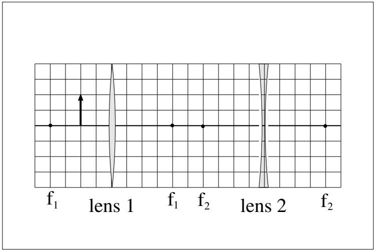

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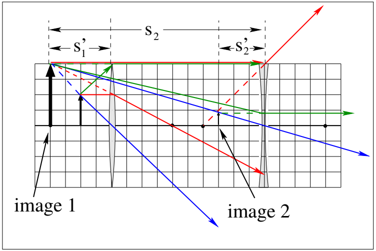

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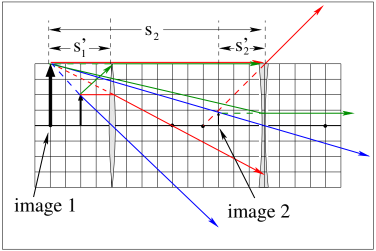

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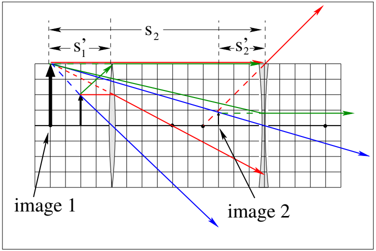

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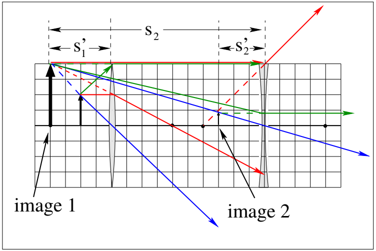

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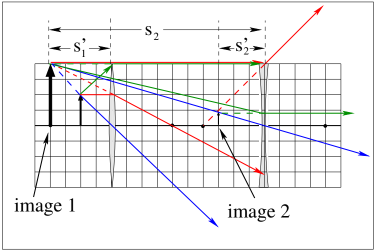

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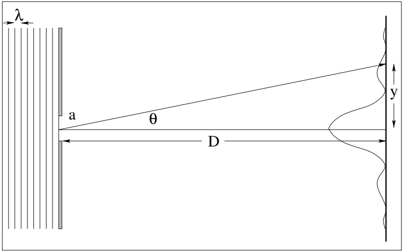

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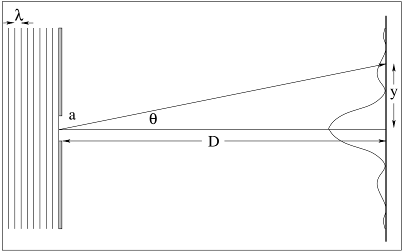

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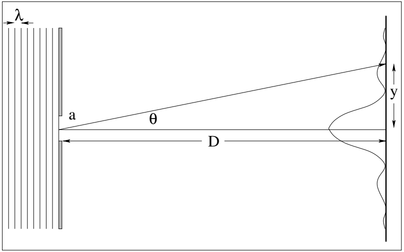

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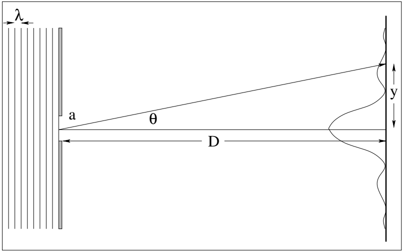

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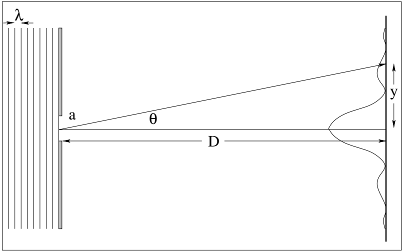

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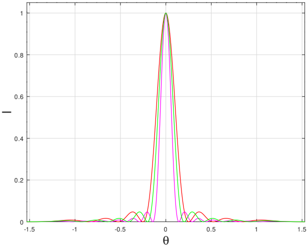

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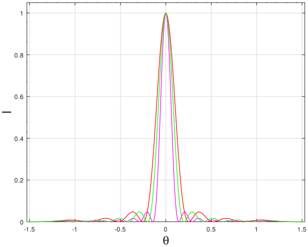

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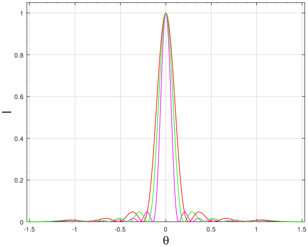

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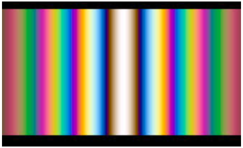

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