

Halliday/Resnick/Walker Fundamentals of Physics

Classroom Response System Questions

Chapter 23 Gauss' Law

Interactive Lecture Questions

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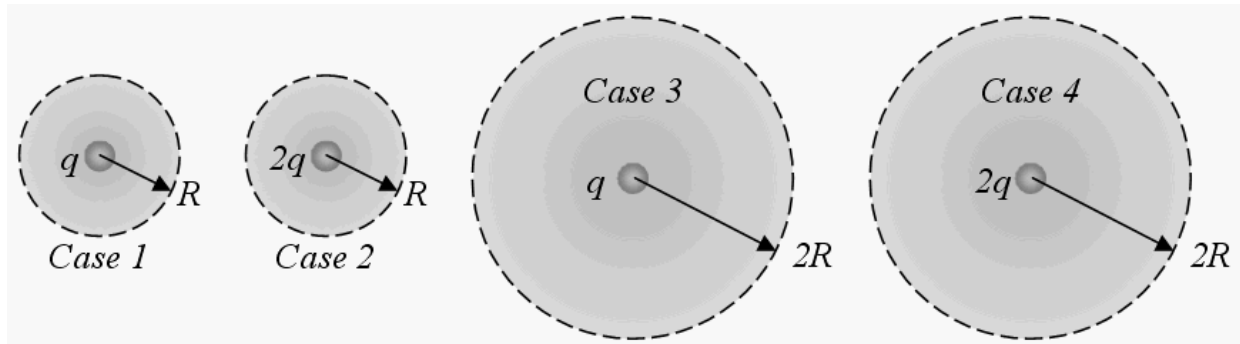
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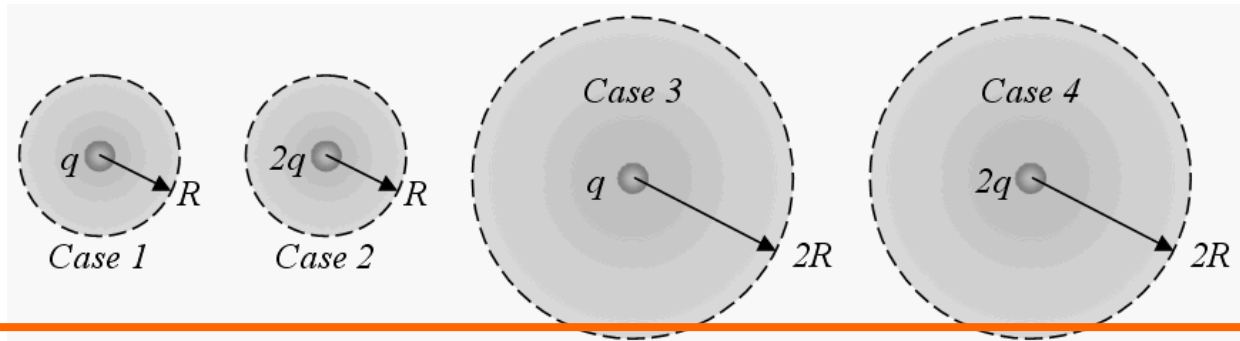
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