

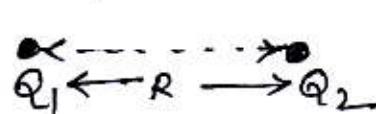
Module 1 (Dec-2017/Jan 2018)

Q: 1. State and explain Coulomb's law in vector form (05M).

Ans: Coulomb's law states that the force of attraction or repulsion between the two point charges Q_1 & Q_2 is,

- directly proportional to the product of charges Q_1 & Q_2 .
- Inversely proportional to the square of the distance between the charges &
- Acts along the line joining the two charges.

Consider the two point charges Q_1 and Q_2 as shown below separated by the distance R .



$$F \propto \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{R^2}$$

$$F = \frac{k Q_1 Q_2}{R^2}$$

Where $k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon}$ - constant of proportionality

Here ϵ - permittivity of the medium in which charges are placed.

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_r \epsilon_0$$

ϵ_r - relative permittivity of the media.

& ϵ_0 - permittivity of free space

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$$

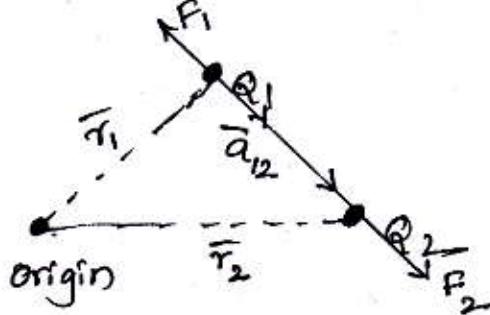
$$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 8.98 \times 10^9 \text{ N/C}$$

When both charges are of same polarity force between them is repulsive and when they are of opposite polarity force is attractive.

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To learn the vector force between them, let's consider the arrangement as in next fig.

Vector form of Coulomb's law.



The charges Q_1 and Q_2 are located at the places \vec{r}_1 and \vec{r}_2 distance away from origin.

Let's find the force exerted at Q_2 charge due to the Q_1 charge. Here Force is directive and acts along the line joining Q_1 to Q_2 , given by \vec{F}_{12} or \vec{F}_2

$$\vec{F}_2 = \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{12}^2} \vec{a}_{12} \quad (\because R_{12} = |\vec{r}_1|)$$

$$\vec{a}_{12} = \frac{\vec{R}_{12}}{|\vec{R}_{12}|} = \frac{\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1|}$$

$$F_2 = \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |R_{12}|^2} \frac{\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1|} \text{ N.}$$

If we find the force at Q_1 due to Q_2 , then,

$$\vec{F}_1 = \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{12}^2} \vec{a}_{21}$$

$$\vec{a}_{21} = \frac{\vec{R}_{21}}{|\vec{R}_{21}|} = \frac{\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|}$$

$$\therefore \vec{F}_1 = \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |R_{21}|^2} \frac{\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} \text{ N.}$$

$$\therefore \vec{F}_2 = -\vec{F}_1$$

which indicates the direction of the force opposite when we change the calculating charge.

Q:1 b. Find the electric field \vec{E} at the origin, if the following charge distributions are present in free space.

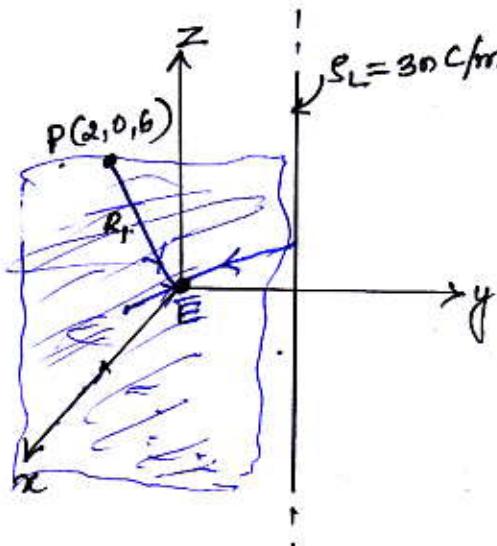
i) Point charge 12nC at P(2, 0, 6)

ii) Uniform line charge of linear charge density 3nC/m at $x=2$, $y=3$

Sol: : $Q = 12 \text{ nC}$ at $P(2, 0, 6)$

Line charge along $x=2, y=3$ point means lies along z -axis, & $\sigma_L = 3 \text{ nC/m}$.

Sheet charge at $x=2$, $\sigma_s = 0.2 \text{ nC/m}^2$



$$\sigma_L = 3 \text{ nC/m}$$

Total \vec{E} at point $(0, 0, 0)$ is origin is,

$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_Q + \vec{E}_L + \vec{E}_S$$

\vec{E} due to point charge is,

$$\vec{E}_Q = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_1^2} \hat{a}_r$$

R_1 is directed from point P to O

$$\therefore \vec{R}_1 = O - P \text{ i.e. } (0, 0, 0) - (2, 0, 6)$$

$$\vec{R}_1 = -2\hat{a}_x - 6\hat{a}_z$$

$$|\vec{R}_1| = \sqrt{4+36} = \sqrt{40}$$

$$\hat{a}_r = \frac{-2\hat{a}_x - 6\hat{a}_z}{\sqrt{40}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_Q &= \frac{12 \times 10^{-9} \times 8.98 \times 10^9}{(40)^{3/2}} \cdot \{-2\hat{a}_x - 6\hat{a}_z\} \\ &= -0.8526\hat{a}_x - 2.555\hat{a}_z \text{ V/m.} \end{aligned}$$

\vec{E} due to line charge is,

$$\vec{E}_L = \frac{\sigma_L}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r_{lo}} \hat{a}_r \neq$$

$$\vec{r}_{lo} = O - \text{line charge point } (2, 3, z)$$

$$\vec{r}_{lo} = -2\hat{a}_x - 3\hat{a}_y$$

As line charge is along the z -axis, z component will be absent in the field.

$$|\vec{r}_{lo}| = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$\hat{a}_r = \frac{-2\hat{a}_x - 3\hat{a}_y}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$\therefore \vec{E}_L = \frac{3 \times 10^{-9} \{-2\hat{a}_x - 3\hat{a}_y\}}{2\pi \times 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \times \sqrt{13} \sqrt{13}} = -8.29\hat{a}_x - 12.44\hat{a}_y \text{ V/m}$$

\bar{E} due surface charge is,

$$\bar{E}_s = \frac{\sigma_s}{2\epsilon_0} (-\hat{a}_x) \quad (\because \text{as vector runs from } z=2 \text{ to origin, } -x \text{ direction})$$

$$\bar{E}_s = \frac{0.2 \times 10^{-9}}{2 \times 8.854 \times 10^{-12}} (-\hat{a}_x)$$

$$= -11.294 \hat{a}_x \text{ V/m.}$$

Now the total $\bar{E} = \bar{E}_q + \bar{E}_l + \bar{E}_s$ is,

$$\bar{E} = -20.44 \hat{a}_x - 12.44 \hat{a}_y - 2.555 \hat{a}_z \text{ V/m.}$$

Q:1c. Define volume charge density. Also find the total charge within each of the indicated volumes

i) $0 \leq r \leq 0.1, 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi, 2 \leq z \leq 4; \rho_v = r^2 z^2 \sin \phi$

ii) Universe: $\rho_v = \frac{e^{2r}}{r^2}$ (6M)

Ans: Soln - Volume charge density: When the charge is distributed in three dimensions, we refer it as volume charge. It can be in the form of cube/ rectangle/ cylinder or sphere. The charge can be positive or negative.

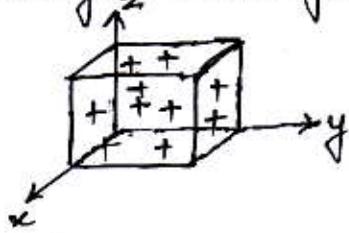


fig. cube

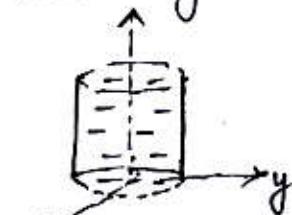


fig. cylinder

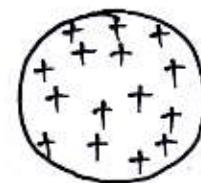


fig. sphere

Volume charge density is represented by ρ_v . The total charge is Q , and volume is V , then

$$\rho_v = \frac{\text{total charge in coulomb}}{\text{Total volume in cubic meters}} \text{ (C/m}^3\text{).}$$

In terms of differential elements it is dV and the charge enclosed by the differential element is dQ .

$$dQ = \rho_v dV$$

$$\therefore Q = \int_{\text{Volume}} dQ = \int_{\text{Vol}} \rho_v dV.$$

i) $\rho_v = r^2 z^2 \sin(0.6\phi)$ belongs to cylindrical system.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore Q &= \int \rho_v dV \\
 &= \int_{r=0}^{r=1} \int_{\phi=0}^{\pi} \int_{z=2}^4 r^2 z^2 \sin(0.6\phi) \cdot r dr d\phi dz \\
 &= \int_{r=0}^{r=1} \int_{\phi=0}^{\pi} \int_{z=2}^4 r^3 dr \sin(0.6\phi) d\phi \cdot z^2 dz \\
 &= \frac{r^4}{4} \Big|_{r=0}^{r=1} \left[z - \frac{\cos 0.6\phi}{0.6} \right]_{\phi=0}^{\pi} - \frac{z^3}{3} \Big|_{z=2}^4 \\
 Q &= 1.018 \text{ mC}.
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore The charge enclosed by the region is $Q = 1.018 \text{ mC}$.

ii) Universe; $\rho_v = \frac{e^{-2r}}{r^2}$

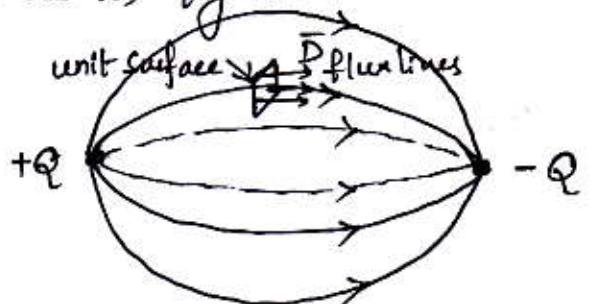
Universe is in spherical shape; having its r from 0 to ∞ and θ & ϕ over their complete range.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore Q &= \int \rho_v dV \\
 &= \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \frac{e^{-2r}}{r^2} \cdot r^2 \sin\theta d\theta dr d\phi \\
 &= \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-2r}}{r^2} r^2 dr \cdot \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} d\theta \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} d\phi \\
 &= \frac{e^{-2r}}{-2} \Big|_{r=0}^{\infty} \cdot 4\pi = \frac{e^0 - e^{-\infty}}{-2} \cdot 4\pi \\
 &= 2\pi
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Total charge enclosed by the sphere (universe of $\rho_v = \frac{e^{-2r}}{r^2}$)

Q:2 a. Define Electric flux and flux density (04M).

Ans: Consider two charges as in fig. below, As field exists in the form of electric lines of force. Consider a unit surface area as in fig. held normal to the direction of flux lines



Total number of electric lines of force around the charge is flux, represented by Ψ . & $\Psi = Q$ in Coulomb.

"The net flux passing normal through the unit surface area is called the electric flux density" represented by D .

$$D = \frac{\Psi}{S}$$

Where Ψ - total flux &
S - total surface area of the sphere

D is measured in C/m^2

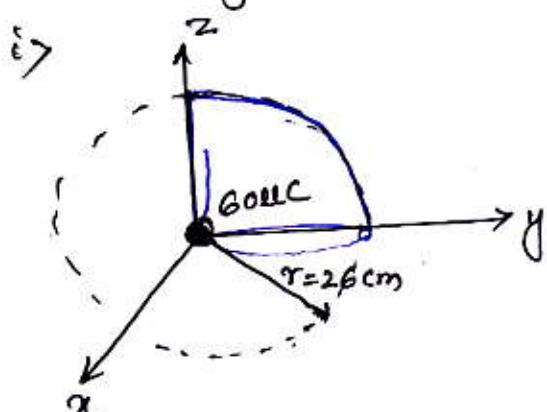
Q:2 b. Given the 60eC point charge located at the origin, find the total electric flux passing through:

i) The portion of the sphere $r=26\text{cm}$ bounded by
 $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ and $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi/2$

ii) The closed surface defined by $r=26\text{cm}$ & $z = \pm 26\text{cm}$.

iii) The plane $z = 26\text{cm}$. (07M)

Ans: The charge of 60eC is at origin



The sphere of radius $r=26\text{cm}$ will enclose the entire charge of 60eC when it is complete.

total area through which flux passes when sphere is complete is $4\pi r^2$

$$S_{\text{total}} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} r^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$= 4\pi r^2$$

The portion $r=26\text{cm}$, $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ & $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi/2$

$$S = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\pi/2} r^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$

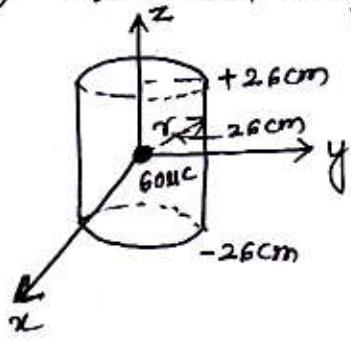
$$= r^2 - \cos\theta \Big|_0^{\pi/2} \Big|_{\theta=0}^{\pi/2} = \frac{\pi r^2}{2}$$

\therefore The charge enclosed is, $\frac{S}{S_{\text{total}}} \times \text{charge value}$

$$= \frac{\pi r^2 / 2}{4\pi r^2} \times 60\mu\text{C} = \underline{7.5\mu\text{C}}$$

The flux passing through or charge enclosed by $1/8$ of the portion of the sphere is 7.5 μC .

ii) The closed surface defined by $r=26\text{cm}$ and $z=\pm 26\text{cm}$.

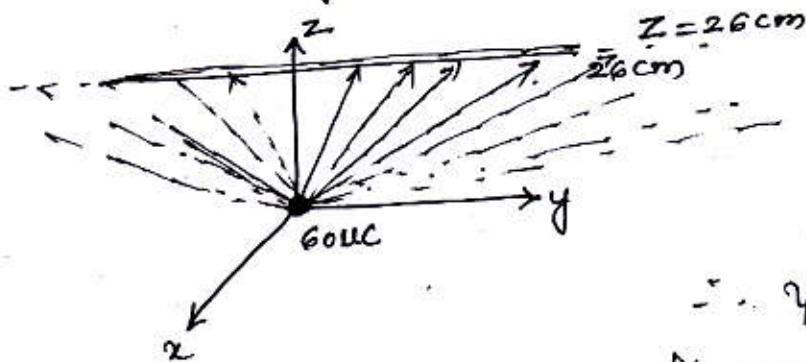


As the cylinder is complete having it's radius as $r=26\text{cm}$, $z=\pm 26\text{cm}$ and by default ϕ is from 0 to 2π .

Since it is the closed surface and encloses the point charge - $60\mu\text{C}$ comfortably. As per the gauss law

the charge enclosed is $\psi = Q = 60\mu\text{C}$.

iii) The plane $z=26\text{cm}$

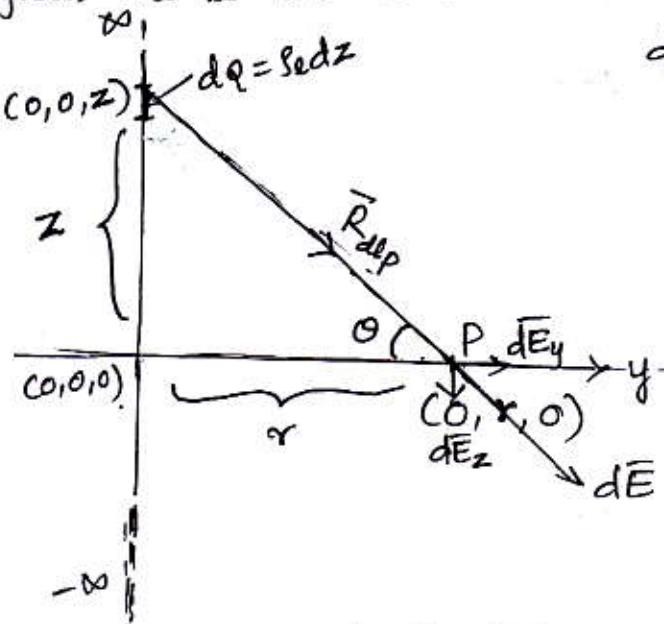


As the surface is infinitesimal almost half the flux lines of the charge pass through the $z=26\text{cm}$ surface

$\therefore \psi = \frac{Q}{2} = 30\mu\text{C}$. amount of flux passes through the surface.

Q.2c. Derive the expression for \vec{E} due to infinite line of charge with $\sigma_L \text{ C/m}$ (05M).

Ans: Electric field Intensity due an infinite line of $\sigma_L \text{ C/m}$ charge density. Let the line charge lies along z-axis ranging from $-\infty$ to ∞ . Consider a differential element of length dl of charge value dQ



$$dQ = \sigma_L dl = \sigma_L dz$$

at a distance z from origin.

Let's find the \vec{E} at point $P(0, r, 0)$ along the y-axis.

The line joining the element dl and P makes an angle θ with y-axis.

$$\text{The vector length } \bar{R}_{\text{dpl}} = \bar{P} - \bar{dl} = r\bar{a}_y - z\bar{a}_z$$

$$|\bar{R}_{\text{dpl}}| = \sqrt{r^2 + z^2}$$

$$\bar{a}_{\text{dpl}} = \frac{r\bar{a}_y - z\bar{a}_z}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}}$$

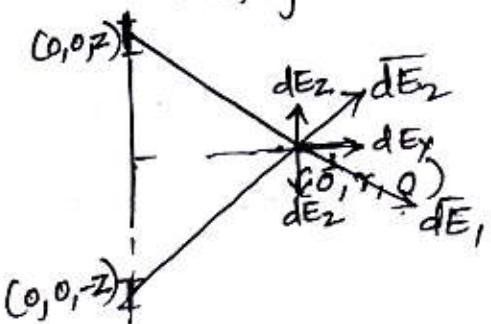
The electric field at point P due to the considered element of length dl is,

$$\bar{dE} = \frac{dQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |\bar{R}_{\text{dpl}}|^2} \bar{a}_{\text{dpl}}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma_L dz}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} (r\bar{a}_y - z\bar{a}_z)$$

As, if the other element of dl is considered at $(0, 0, -z)$, the electric field intensity \bar{dE}_2 will have its z component opposite to that of \bar{dE}_1 .

Whereas y components add together. Therefore neglecting the z components as they cancel out.



Now, the \bar{E} due to entire line charge is,

$$\bar{E} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\bar{E} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma dz \bar{a}_y}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}.$$

let $z = r\tan\theta$
 $dz = r\sec^2\theta d\theta$.

when $z = -\infty, \theta = -\pi/2$ & $z = \infty, \theta = \pi/2$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{E} &= \int_{\theta=-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{\sigma r^2 \sec^2\theta d\theta \bar{a}_y}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (r^2 + r^2 \tan^2\theta)^{3/2}} \\ &= \frac{\sigma r}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{r^2 \sec^2\theta d\theta \bar{a}_y}{r^3 (1 + \tan^2\theta)^{3/2}} \\ &= \frac{\sigma r}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos\theta d\theta \bar{a}_y \\ &= \frac{\sigma r}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \left. \sin\theta \right|_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \bar{a}_y \\ &= \frac{\sigma r}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} 2 \bar{a}_y \\ \bar{E} &= \frac{\sigma r}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \bar{a}_y \text{ V/m}.\end{aligned}$$

The electric field intensity due to an infinite line charge will not have its component along the axis in which line charge is located.