Review



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Party Balloons



Coulomb's Law

 $F_{e} = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$

Coulomb force or electrical force. (vector) Be careful on determining the "sign" & direction.

$$k = 9 \cdot 10^{9} (N \cdot m^{2} / C^{2})$$
$$k = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_{o}}$$

k is the Coulomb's constant, ε_o is called permittivity of vacuum, for now it's just a constant.

$$\varepsilon_{o} = \frac{1}{4\pi k} = \frac{10^{-9}}{36\pi} = 8.84 \cdot 10^{-12} \left(\frac{C^{2}}{N \cdot m^{2}}\right)$$



Electric Field Lines (F = qE)

Think of the direction of coulomb force on a "+" test charge







Two opposite charges





Other combinations



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Conductor & E-field: Property 1



- The electric field is <u>zero</u> everywhere <u>inside</u> the conducting material
 - Consider if this were not true
 - If there were an electric field inside the conductor, the free charge there would move and there would be a flow of charge
 - If there were a movement of charge, the conductor would not be in equilibrium. (Electrostatic !!)

Property 2



- Any excess charge on an isolated conductor resides entirely on its surface
 - A direct result of the 1/r² repulsion between like charges in Coulomb's Law
 - If some excess of charge could be placed inside the conductor, the repulsive forces would push them as far apart as possible, causing them to migrate to the surface



Property 3

- The electric field just outside a charged conductor is perpendicular to the conductor's surface
 - Consider what would happen it this was not true
 - The component along the surface would cause the charge to move
 - It would not be in equilibrium





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Property 4

 On an irregularly shaped conductor, the charge accumulates at locations where the radius of curvature of the surface is smallest (that is, at sharp points)



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e.g. Metal shielding

Place a point charge inside a conducting shell.





E field of a charged conductor

irregular shape...



E field lines are perpendicular to the surface.

E = 0 inside conductor.

Charges are cumulated on the surface.

E field is more intense at small radius (higher concentration of charges)



Charge distribution



A non-conducting thin wire of 2 m long, carrying a charge density of $\pm 10\mu$ C/m. What is the electric field at 10 cm from the center of the wire?



Gauss



Carl Friedrich Gauss German mathematician & scientist 1777 - 1855



In cgs, gauss is the unit for magnetic field.

Many contributions in math and geophysics.

Most known for his electrostatic work.... Known as the Gauss's Law.

Electric Flux

- Field lines penetrating an area A perpendicular to the field
- The product of EA is the flux, Φ
- In general:
 - $\Phi_{E} = E A \cos \theta$

$$\Phi_{\rm E} \equiv \int \vec{\rm E} \cdot d\vec{\rm a}$$





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Gauss' Law

• Gauss' Law states that the electric flux through any closed surface is equal to the net charge Q inside the surface divided by ε_0

$$\Phi_E = \frac{Q_{inside}}{\mathcal{E}_o}$$

- ϵ_{o} is the *permittivity of free space* and equals 8.85 x 10⁻¹² C²/Nm²
- The area in Φ is an imaginary surface, a Gaussian surface, it does not have to coincide with the surface of a physical object

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{Q_{\text{inside}}}{\varepsilon_{o}}$$



Total flux does not depends on the shape chosen





Gaussian Surface

- Have the same symmetry as the charge distribution, such that...
- E field is uniform on the surface
- E field is perpendicular to the surface

$$\Phi_{\rm E} \equiv \int \vec{\rm E} \cdot d\vec{\rm a} = {\rm E}{\rm A}$$

$$EA = \frac{Q_{inside}}{\varepsilon_o}$$



e.g. Point Charge

Gaussian surface is a sphere







which is the E field for a point charge

E field of a line or plane of charge





E field of a uniformly charged sphere Spherical



Divergence Theorem

or Gauss's Theorem

$$\int_{V} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} dV = \oint_{S} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

for any vector E.

Gauss's Law

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{Q_{inside}}{\varepsilon_o}$$
$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{E} dV = \int_V \frac{\rho dV}{\varepsilon_o}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\varepsilon_o}$$

Gauss's Law in differential form



$$\int_{S} \nabla \times \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \oint_{L} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} \quad \text{for }$$

or any vector E.



In electrostatic, we defined electric potential (voltage): $V = -\int_{L} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$

and $\oint_{L} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = 0$ Conservative field, Kirchhoff's rule.

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$$