

## E2-1

Given an electric potential, I can calculate the electric field at an arbitrary point

1. To do so, I will use the equation

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} * \frac{q}{|r|^2} * \hat{r}$$

This equation provides the electric field observed at any location away from the source point charge. In such case, we require the following information:

$q$  - the electric potential, or the charge of the source point

$\vec{r}$  - the vector of distance between the source charge and the point of observation

We then require the magnitude of the distance  $r$ , and the unit vector associated with  $r$ . (calculating the electric field without the unit vector results in the magnitude of the electric field, we use the unit vector to determine the direction)

### Scenario

An electron is placed at a location  $\langle 0.004, -0.026, -0.402 \rangle$  m from the origin. What is the vector form of the electric field produced by this electron at the origin, and at an observed location A =  $\langle 0.062, 0.033, -0.402 \rangle$  m

An electric field is generated from a source point charge. This electric field will radiate around the source.

We start by designating the appropriate distance vectors I will omit the steps for calculating the distance, magnitude, and unit vector.

Distance, magnitude, and unit vector between the electron and the Origin:

$$\vec{r}_{eo} = \langle -0.004, 0.026, 0.402 \rangle \text{ m}$$

$$|r_{eo}| = 0.4028 \text{ m}$$

$$\hat{r}_{eo} = \langle -0.0099, 0.0645, 0.9978 \rangle \text{ m}$$

Distance between electron and point A:

$$\vec{r}_{ea} = \langle 0.058, 0.059, 0 \rangle m$$

$$|r_{ea}| = 0.0827m$$

$$\hat{r}_{ea} = \langle 0.7010, 0.7131, 0 \rangle m$$

Then we are ready to calculate the electric field:

For the origin:

$$k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$

$$\vec{E}_{eo} = \frac{-1k * e}{|r_{eo}|^2} * \hat{r}_{eo}$$

$$\vec{E}_{eo} = \frac{-1.44e-09}{(0.4028m)^2} * \langle -0.0099, 0.0645, 0.9978 \rangle m$$

$$= \langle 8.81e-11, -5.73e-10, -8.85e-09 \rangle \frac{C}{m}$$

for the observed location:

$$\vec{E}_{ea} = \frac{-1k * e}{|r_{ea}|^2} * \hat{r}_{ea}$$

$$\vec{E}_{ea} = \frac{-1.44e-09}{(0.0827m)^2} * \langle 0.7010, 0.7131, 0 \rangle m$$

$$= \langle -1.47e-07, -1.5e-07, 0 \rangle \frac{C}{m}$$

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In [7]: import numpy as np
import scipy.constants as const

# Constants
e0= const.epsilon_0
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e = const.elementary_charge
k = 1/(4*np.pi*e0)

def vectorize(final, initial):
    # Input variables are not vectorized. This function puts them in vector format, then calculates
    # The distance between the points, with the first entry as the final location.
    # Then will calculate the magnitude and unit vector for that distance
    # Returns the distance vector, magnitude, and unit vector

    f = np.array([final])
    i = np.array([initial])
    distance = f - i
    magnitude = np.linalg.norm(distance)
    hat = distance/magnitude
    return distance, magnitude, hat

def e_calc(charge, rmag, rhat):
    # Calculate electric field, EQN: (kq/|r|^2)*rhat

    e = (k*charge/rmag**2)*rhat
    return e

electron = -1*e

# Inputting the coordinates of each point of interest.
origin = [0,0,0] # Origin Location
e_loc = [0.004, -0.026, -0.402] # Electron Location
a_loc = [0.062, 0.033, -0.402] # Observed Location

# Vector, magnitude, and unit for distance from electron to origin
r_e_origin, r_eo_mag, r_eo_hat = vectorize(origin, e_loc)

# Vector, magnitude, and unit for distance from electron to observed point
r_e_a, r_ea_mag, r_ea_hat = vectorize(a_loc, e_loc)

# Calculating the electric field at the origin due to the electron
e1 = e_calc(electron, r_eo_mag, r_eo_hat)

# Calculating the electric field at the observed location due to the electron
e2 = e_calc(electron, r_ea_mag, r_ea_hat)

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# Outputs
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print("Electric Field at Origin: ", e1)
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print("Electric Field at Observed Location: ", e2)
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Electric Field at Origin: [[ 8.80947580e-11 -5.72615927e-10 -8.85352318e-09]]
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Electric Field at Observed Location: [[-1.47475411e-07 -1.50018090e-07 -0.00000000e+00]]
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