

(1) Electromagnetic field theory

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2. Definition of the field
3. Rotation and divergence
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Electric field

\vec{E} $\left[\frac{V}{m} \right]$ Electric field intensity

(E field)

\vec{D} $\left[\frac{C}{m^2} \right]$ Electric flux density

(D field)

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon \cdot \vec{E} \quad \left[\frac{C}{m^2} \right]$$

Permittivity or dielectric constant

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_r \cdot \epsilon_0 \quad \left[\frac{F}{m} \right]$$

In vacuum: ϵ_r relative permittivity ★

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{36\pi} \cdot 10^{-9} \frac{F}{m}$$

Example for relative permittivity

Air: 1, Glass: 5~9, ~~4~5~~

FR4: 4~5, PE: 2.25, Nylon: 3.4

Metal: 1, Soil: 4,

Please notice that ϵ_r and its loss are frequency dependent.

Other fields

ρ $\left[\frac{C}{m^3} \right]$ charge density

(Volume charge)

ρ_s $\left[\frac{C}{m^2} \right]$ surface charge density

(area charge)

Q $[C]$ point charge

(abstract model)

(2) Definition of electric field

Definition:

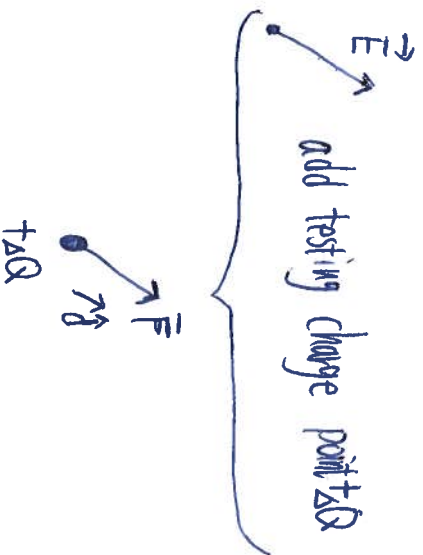
$$\vec{E} \triangleq \lim_{\Delta Q \rightarrow 0} \frac{|\vec{F}|}{\Delta Q} \cdot \hat{d} \quad \left[\frac{N}{C} = \frac{N \cdot m}{A \cdot s \cdot m} = \frac{J}{A \cdot s \cdot m} = \frac{W \cdot s}{A \cdot s \cdot m} = \frac{V \cdot A \cdot s}{A \cdot s \cdot m} = \frac{V}{m} \right]$$

where

\vec{F} [N] is force

ΔQ [C] is a positive testing charge

★ Use SI unit for calculation



Vectors

\vec{d} [m] direction vector

$$\hat{d} = \frac{\vec{d}}{|\vec{d}|} = \frac{\vec{d}}{d} \quad \left[\frac{m}{m} = \cdot \right] \text{ unit direction vector}$$

$$\text{where } d = |\vec{d}| = \sqrt{dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2}$$

Others

\vec{t}, \hat{t} Tangent vector, unit tangent vector

\vec{n}, \hat{n} Normal vector, unit normal vector

(3) Coulomb's law

$$\vec{F} = \frac{Q_1 \cdot Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon \cdot d^2} \cdot \hat{d} [N]$$

where

Q_1, Q_2 [C] are charge

\vec{F} [N] are force

d [m] is the distance between Q_1 and Q_2

\hat{d} [·] is unit direction vector

ϵ [$\frac{F}{m}$] is permittivity

Electric field around a point charge

We let Q_1 a point charge and Q_2 a testing charge:

$$\vec{E}_{Q_1} = \frac{\vec{F}}{Q_2} = \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon d^2} \cdot \hat{d} \left[\frac{V}{m} \right]$$



If spherical coordinates are applied:

$$\vec{E}_{Q_1(r, \theta, \varphi)} = \frac{Q_p}{4\pi\epsilon \cdot r^2} \cdot \hat{r} \left[\frac{V}{m} \right]$$

Media independent field

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{D} &= \epsilon \cdot \vec{E} \\ &= \frac{Q_p}{4\pi r^2} \cdot \hat{r} \left[\frac{C}{m^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

(4) Rotation and divergence

\vec{E} field is spherical symmetry

So $\vec{E} = f(r) \cdot \hat{r}$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{r} & r\hat{\theta} & r\sin\theta\hat{\phi} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \\ f(r) & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \vec{0}$$

\vec{E} field is conservative.

For divergence, we apply divergence theorem for electric charge

$$\oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_V \rho dV = Q_{\text{tot}}$$

Since $\oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_V \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} dV = \int_V \rho dV$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon}$$

\vec{E} field is a ~~source~~ source field.

Illustration of electric field

We have one charge point $+Q_p$ that is placed in the electric field of $+Q_1$ and $-Q_2$



(15) Electric potential

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{E} = -\nabla V & [\frac{V}{m}] \\ -\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = V & [V] \end{cases}$$

Potential between two points

$$V_{AB} = - \int_A^B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_A^B \nabla V \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_A^B dV = V(B) - V(A) [V]$$



Potential around a point charge



$$\begin{aligned} V_{\infty B} &= \int_{\infty}^x -\vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \int_{\infty}^x \frac{Q_p}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} dr \\ &= - \frac{Q_p}{4\pi\epsilon} \int_{\infty}^x \frac{1}{r^2} dr = \frac{Q_p}{4\pi\epsilon} \left[\frac{1}{r} \right]_{\infty}^x \\ &= \frac{Q_p}{4\pi\epsilon x} \\ &= V(B) - V(\infty) = V(B) - 0 = V(B) \end{aligned}$$

Potential of point B

Potential is a relative value. If the reference point is ∞ , this potential is called absolute potential.