

①. state and Explain Coulomb's Law.

Ans:-

Statement :-

Coulomb's law states that the force F between two point charges q_1 and q_2 is

- i. Along the line joining them.
- ii. Directly proportional to the product of q_1, q_2 .
- iii. Inversely proportional to the square of the distance (R) between them.

$$F = \frac{K \cdot q_1 \cdot q_2}{R^2} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

Where, K is proportionality constant.

q_1 & q_2 in coulombs (C)

R in meters

F in Newtons

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

where, ϵ_0 - permittivity of free space (farade/meter)
(F/m)

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} = \frac{10^{-9}}{36\pi} \text{ F/m}$$

(or)

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

eqn ① becomes

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$$F = \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$$

② state Gauss Law?

Ans:

Statement:- The total electric flux Ψ through any closed surface is equal to the total charge enclosed by that surface.

Thus, $\Psi = Q_{enc}$

i.e. $\Psi = \oint \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \oint \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$

= total charge enclosed $Q = \int \rho_v dv$

$$Q = \oint \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int \rho_v dv$$

→ Integral form of Gauss law.

③ Define Linear, Isotropic and Homogeneous dielectrics?

Ans:

Linear Dielectric:- A material is said to be linear if D varies linearly with E & non-linear otherwise.

Homogeneous Dielectrics:- materials for which E (or ϵ) does not vary in the region being considered and is therefore same at all points (i.e. independent of x, y, z) are said to be homogeneous.

Isotropic Dielectric:-

materials for which D & E are in the same direction are said to be isotropic i.e. isotropic dielectrics are those which have the same properties in all directions.

④ Define poisson's and Laplace equations?

Ans: The poisson's and Laplace equations are derived easily from gauss law. (for a linear material medium).

$$\nabla \cdot D = \nabla \cdot E \epsilon = \rho_v \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$E = -\nabla V \quad \text{--- ②}$$

substituting ② in ①

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot (-\epsilon \nabla V) = \rho_v} \quad \text{for a inhomogeneous medium}$$

For homogeneous medium,

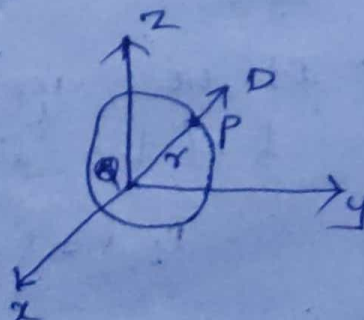
$$\boxed{\nabla^2 V = \frac{-\rho_v}{\epsilon}} \quad \text{--- poisson's Eqn}$$

For a charge free region, $\rho_v = 0$

$$\boxed{\nabla^2 V = 0} \quad \text{--- Laplace's equation.}$$

⑦ Derive D at a point P , due to a point charge and an infinite Line charge?

Ans:- a.) point charge:-



→ Suppose a point charge Q is located at the origin. To determine D at a point P , it is easy if we choose a spherical surface containing P will satisfy symmetry conditions.

→ A spherical surface centered at the origin is the gaussian surface in this case as shown in the fig.

→ Since D is normal everywhere normal to the gaussian surface i.e. $D = D_r a_r$. Then applying Gauss law.

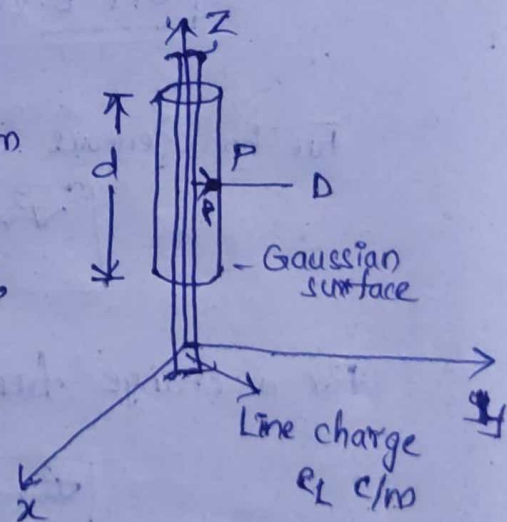
$$\Phi = \oint D \cdot ds = D_r \oint ds = D_r (4\pi r^2)$$

where $\left[\oint ds = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} r^2 \sin\alpha \, d\alpha \, d\phi = 4\pi r^2 \right]$

$$D = \frac{\Phi}{4\pi r^2} = a_r$$

b) Infinite Line charge :-

→ Suppose infinite line of uniform charge ρ_L c/m lies along the z -axis. To find D at a point P , we choose a cylindrical surface containing P to satisfy symmetry condition as shown in fig.



→ D is constant on ℓ normal to the cylindrical gaussian surface, i.e. $D = D_p a_p$

→ If we apply Gauss law to an arbitrary length ℓ of the line,

$$\rho_L \ell = Q = \oint D \cdot ds = D_p \oint ds$$

$$P_L L = D_p (2\pi PL)$$

$$D_p = \frac{P_L}{2\pi P} a_p$$

$$[\because ds = \rho d\phi dz a_p]$$

$$\oint ds = \int_{z=0}^L \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \rho d\phi dz$$

$$= (2\pi)(\rho L)$$

$$= 2\pi PL]$$

[note: $\oint D \cdot ds$ evaluated on the top & bottom surfaces of the cylinder is zero. since D has no z -component i.e. D is tangential to those surfaces.]

Q) Derive the expression for equation of continuity and relaxation time?

Ans: Continuity Equation:-

→ Due to the principle of charge conservation the time rate of decrease of charge within a given volume must be equal to the net outward current flow through the closed surface of the volume.

→ Thus current I_{out} coming out of the closed surface is

$$I_{out} = \oint \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = -\frac{dQ_{in}}{dt} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

→ where Q_{in} is the total charge enclosed by the closed surface.

→ Applying divergence theorem,

$$\oint \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} dv \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

But

$$-\frac{dQ_{in}}{dt} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int_V \rho_v dv = -\int_V \frac{\partial \rho_v}{\partial t} dv \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

substituting ② & ③ in ①

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} dV = - \int_V \frac{\partial \rho_V}{\partial t} dV$$

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = - \frac{\partial \rho_V}{\partial t}} \text{ continuity of current equation.}$$

Relaxation time :-

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{\mathbf{D}}{\epsilon}, \quad \mathbf{J} = \sigma \frac{\mathbf{D}}{\epsilon}$$

The point form of the continuity equation states that

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = - \frac{\partial \rho_V}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \left(\sigma \frac{\mathbf{D}}{\epsilon} \right) = - \frac{\partial \rho_V}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}) = - \frac{\partial \rho_V}{\partial t} \quad \text{But } \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_V$$

$$\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} \rho_V = - \frac{\partial \rho_V}{\partial t}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \rho_V}{\partial t} + \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} \rho_V = 0$$

This is the 1st order differential equation in ρ_V whose solution is given by

$$\rho_V = A \cdot e^{-\sigma t / \epsilon}$$

where A is a constant

Let the initial value at $t=0$ be $\rho_v = \rho_{v0}$ pg no -7

so that $A = \rho_{v0}$

$$\therefore \rho_v = \rho_{v0} e^{-\sigma t / \epsilon}$$

The time constant $\epsilon / \sigma = T_r$ is the relaxation time in seconds.

$$\therefore \rho_v = \rho_{v0} e^{-t/T_r}$$

At $t = T_r$, $\rho_v = \frac{\rho_{v0}}{e} = 0.368 \rho_{v0}$

$\therefore T_r$ (relaxation time $T_r = \epsilon / \sigma$) is the time taken for the charge density to decay to 36.8% (or) $(1/e)$ time its initial value

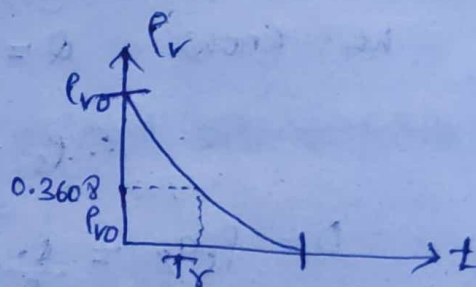


Fig. charge density & relaxation time

⑩ Define Capacitance of a capacitor in electrostatic fields? And obtain the expression for the capacitance for coaxial and parallel plate capacitors?

Ans:- Capacitance of a capacitor:-

Capacitance C of a capacitor is the ratio of magnitude of the charge on one of the plates to the potential difference b/w them

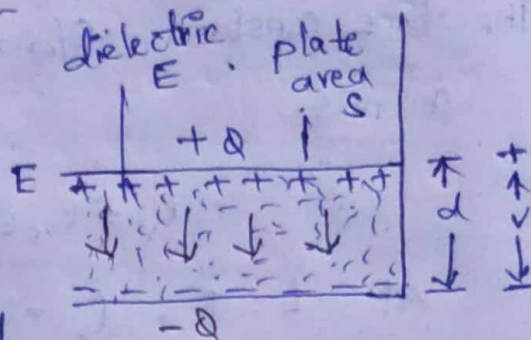
$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{\oint \epsilon \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{s}}{\int \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l}}$$

unit - farads

→ The negative sign for $V = -\int E \cdot dl$ has been dropped because we consider only absolute value of V .

① ⇒ parallel-plate Capacitor :-

→ Consider the parallel plate capacitor shown.



→ Each of the plates has an area S & they are separated by a distance d . We assume that plates 1 & 2 respectively carry charges $+Q$ & $-Q$ uniformly distributed on them, so

We know, $Q = \epsilon_0 S$

$\therefore \epsilon_0 = Q/S$

$D = \epsilon_0 a_z = \frac{Q}{S} a_z$

$E = \frac{D}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 S} a_z$

$V = \int_1 E dl = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 S} a_z \cdot d \cdot a_z$

$= \frac{Q \cdot d}{\epsilon_0 S} a_z \cdot a_z = \frac{Qd}{\epsilon_0 S} \text{ volts}$

$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{Q \cdot \epsilon_0 S}{Qd} = \frac{\epsilon_0 S}{d} \text{ volts,}$

$\therefore \boxed{C = \frac{\epsilon_0 S}{d} \text{ volts}}$

e-cap of 11el plates
with dielectric
field

$\boxed{\epsilon_r = \frac{C}{\epsilon_0}}$

co-cap of 11el plates
with air field

→ Energy stored in a capacitor

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$$W_E = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} QV = \frac{Q^2}{2C}$$

coaxial capacitor:-

- This is a coaxial cable or coaxial cylindrical capacitor.

consider length L of two coaxial

conductors of inner radius a & outer radius b ($b > a$).



→ E is directed from inner conductor to the outer conductor. The potential difference is work done in moving unit charge against E i.e. from $r=b$ to $r=a$.

→ space b/t the conductors is filled with a homogeneous dielectric with permittivity ϵ .

→ We assume that conductors 1 & 2 respectively carry $+Q$ & $-Q$.

→ Applying Gauss's Law

$$Q = \oint E \cdot d\mathbf{s}$$

$$= E \cdot \epsilon_p \cdot 2\pi r L$$

$$E = \frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon_p \epsilon_0 L} \frac{1}{r}$$

$$\therefore d\mathbf{s} = \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \int_{z=0}^L r d\phi dz$$

$$= (2\pi)(L)$$

$$= 2\pi L$$

$$V = - \int_a^b E dr = - \int_a^b \left[\frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon_p \epsilon_0 L} \frac{1}{r} \right] dr$$

$$= - \frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon_p \epsilon_0 L} \left[\ln(r) \right]_a^b = \frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon_p \epsilon_0 L} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

∴ capacitance of co-axial cylinder is, Pgno-10

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon L}{\ln(b/a)}$$

⑤ state Maxwells equations for static electrostatics fields in both differential and integral form?

Ans:

→ Maxwell equation for static electrostatics fields in differential form:

$$\rho_v = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}$$

→ It is also called point first form Maxwell equation.

→ Maxwell equation for static electrostatics fields in integral form:

$$Q = \oint_V \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_V \rho_v dv$$

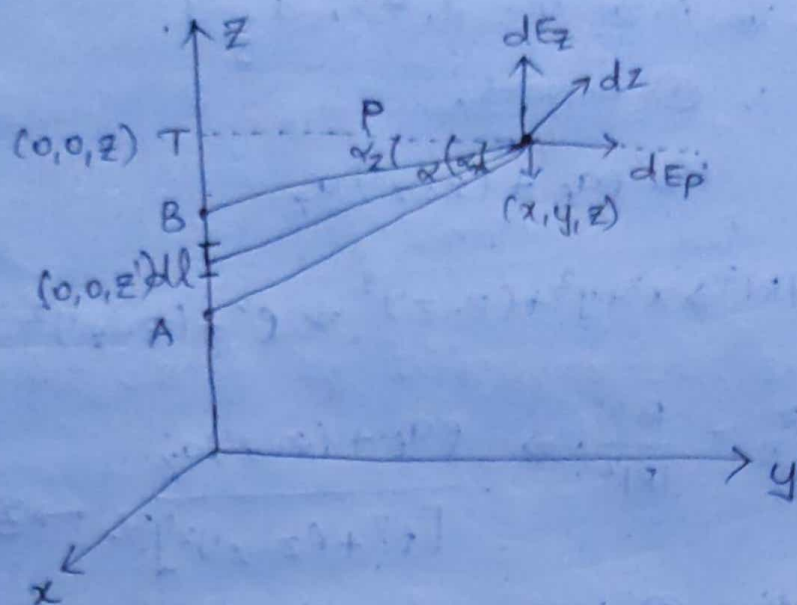
⑥ obtain an expression for electric field at a point due to an infinite line charge?

Ans:

Consider a line charge with uniform charge density ρ_L extending from A to B along z direction as shown.

→ The charge element dQ associated with the element $dl=dz$ of the line is,

$$dQ = \rho_L dl = \rho_L dz$$



→ The total charge Q is, $Q = \int_{z_A}^{z_B} \rho_l dz$

→ The electric field intensity E at an arbitrary point $P(x, y, z)$ can be found by eqn,

$$E = \int \frac{\rho_l dl}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \mathbf{a}_R \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

→ we denote field point by (x, y, z) and the source point by (x', y', z') .

From figure,

$$dl = dz'$$

$$\mathbf{R} = (x, y, z) - (0, 0, z')$$

$$\Rightarrow x\mathbf{a}_x + y\mathbf{a}_y + (z - z')\mathbf{a}_z \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

put $\mathbf{a}_x = \cos\phi\mathbf{a}_\rho - \sin\phi\mathbf{a}_\phi$

$\mathbf{a}_y = \sin\phi\mathbf{a}_\rho + \cos\phi\mathbf{a}_\phi$

$x = \rho\cos\phi$

$y = \rho\sin\phi$

} → (b)

sub ⑥ in ① for x, a_x, y, a_y

\therefore ① becomes,

$$R = \rho a_e + (z - z') a_z$$

$$R^2 = |R|^2 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + (z - z')^2 \Rightarrow \rho^2 + (z - z')^2$$

$$\frac{a_R}{R^2} = \frac{R}{|R|^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\rho a_e + (z - z') a_z}{[\rho^2 + (z - z')^2]^{3/2}} \rightarrow ②$$

substituting ② in ① and $dl = dz'$

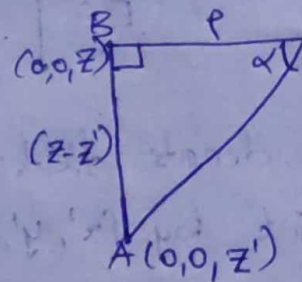
$$E = \frac{\rho_L}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho a_e + (z - z') a_z}{[\rho^2 + (z - z')^2]^{3/2}} dz' \rightarrow ③$$

Let we define α , α_1 and α_2 in the figure,

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{\rho}{R} \quad \frac{1}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{R}{\rho}$$

$$\boxed{\rho = R \cos \alpha}$$

$$, \sec \alpha = \frac{R}{\rho}$$



$$\boxed{R = \rho \sec \alpha}$$

$$R^2 = \rho^2 + (z - z')^2$$

$$\boxed{R = \sqrt{\rho^2 + (z - z')^2} = \rho \sec \alpha}$$

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{z - z'}{R}$$

$$\boxed{z - z' = R \sin \alpha}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{z - z'}{\rho}$$

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$$z - z' = \rho \tan \alpha$$

$$\frac{dz}{d\alpha} - \frac{dz'}{d\alpha} = \rho \sec^2 \alpha$$

$$\boxed{dz' = -\rho \sec^2 \alpha d\alpha}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dz}{d\alpha} \text{ is a constant} = 0$$

\therefore eqⁿ ③ becomes,

$$E = -\frac{\rho_L}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{\alpha_1}^{\alpha_2} \frac{(R \cos \alpha a_\rho + R \sin \alpha a_z)}{\rho^3 \sec^3 \alpha} \rho \sec^2 \alpha d\alpha$$

$$= -\frac{\rho_L}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{\alpha_1}^{\alpha_2} \frac{(\cos \alpha a_\rho + \sin \alpha a_z)}{\rho^2 \sec^2 \alpha} \rho^2 \sec^2 \alpha d\alpha$$

$$= -\frac{\rho_L}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{\alpha_1}^{\alpha_2} (\cos \alpha a_\rho + \sin \alpha a_z) d\alpha$$

For a finite line charge,

$$E = \frac{\rho_L}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \rho} \left[-\sin \alpha a_\rho + \cos \alpha a_z \right]_{\alpha_1}^{\alpha_2}$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_L}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \rho} \left[-(\sin \alpha_2 - \sin \alpha_1) a_\rho + (\cos \alpha_2 - \cos \alpha_1) a_z \right]$$

For an infinite line charge,

point B is at $(0, 0, \infty)$ and point A is at $(\rho, 0, -\infty)$

so, that

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_2 = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

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$$\therefore E = \frac{q_L}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \hat{a}_r$$

⑧ Derive the expression for electric potential in electrostatic fields?

Ans:

→ To move a point charge Q from point A to point B in an electric field E , the work done in displacing the charge by dl is,

$$dw = -F dl \Rightarrow -QE \cdot dl$$

where ' F ' is the force on Q .

→ The (-ve) sign indicates that the work is being done by an external agent.

→ The total work done or the potential energy required in moving Q from A to B is,

$$W = -Q \int_A^B E \cdot dl$$

→ The potential energy per unit charge or the potential difference b/w points A and B is

$$V_{AB} = \frac{W}{Q} = - \int_A^B E \cdot dl$$

→ Electric potential at any point is the negative gradient of line integral of electric field from ∞ to given point.

Note:-

i. In determining V_{AB} , 'A' is the initial point while 'B' is the final point.

ii. V_{AB} is independent of the path taken.

iii. V_{AB} is measured in Joules/coulomb or volts.

→ If E is the field due to a point charge Q located at the origin then,

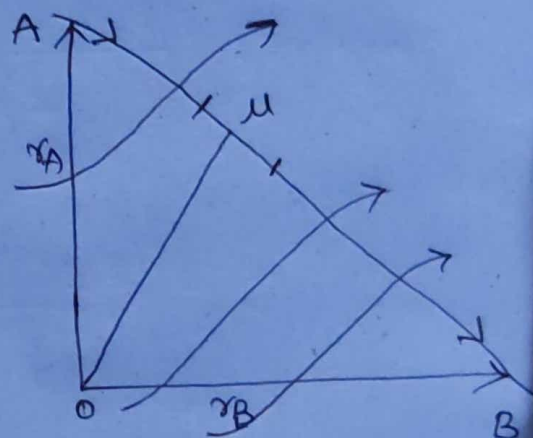
$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \text{ or}$$

substituting E in V_{AB} eqⁿ

$$V_{AB} = - \int_{r_A}^{r_B} \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \text{ or } dr \text{ or}$$

$$= - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{-1}{r} \right]_{r_A}^{r_B}$$

$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{r_B} - \frac{1}{r_A} \right]$$



$$\boxed{V_{AB} = V_B - V_A}$$

where V_A & V_B are potentials at A & B.

→ V_{AB} is potential at B w.r.t A.

→ In problems involving point charges, it is customary to choose infinity as reference i.e. potential at infinity is zero.

→ In general, the potential at any point Q is defined as the potential difference b/w that point and a chosen point at which the potential is zero.

→ If the point charge Q is not located at the origin but at a point where position vector is r' , the potential $V(x, y, z)$ or $V(r)$ is,

$$V(r) = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |r-r'|}$$