

# CHAPTER 1

# VECTORS & FIELDS

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# OUTLINE

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- Vector Algebra
- Cartesian Coordinate System
- Cylindrical and Spherical Coordinate Systems
- Scalar and Vector Fields
- The Electric Field
- The Magnetic Field
- Lorentz Force Equation

# INTRODUCTION

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## ■ Key goals:

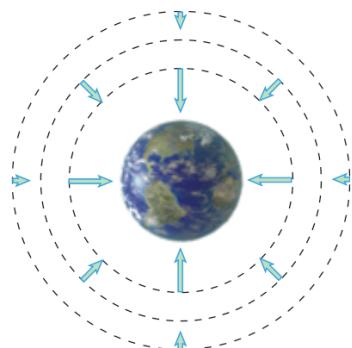
- Deal with the problems related to electric and magnetic fields (EM1) and waves (EM2)
- These fields are vector quantities and governed by Maxwell's equations.
- Mathematical manipulations are required due to the large volume of vector calculation.
- Different coordinates will be introduced for different geometrical objects
- Electrical and magnetic fields are introduced with basic laws: Coulomb (**E**, involving charges), Ampere (**M**, involving current), and Lorentz force (**E + M**).

# WHAT ARE FIELDS?

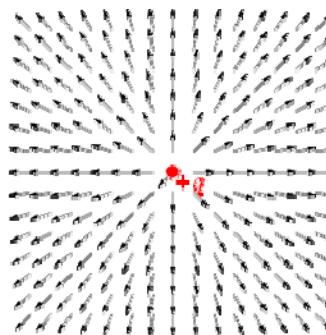
## ■ Features:

- A physical quantity which is characterized in terms of space (x,y,z) coordinates. Ex: Gravity or electric (magnetic) field

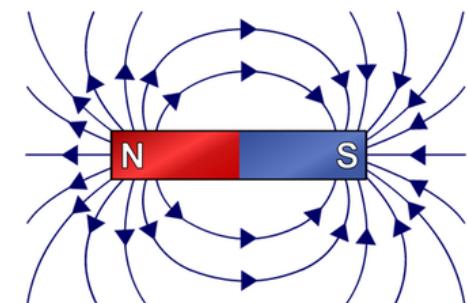
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Electric

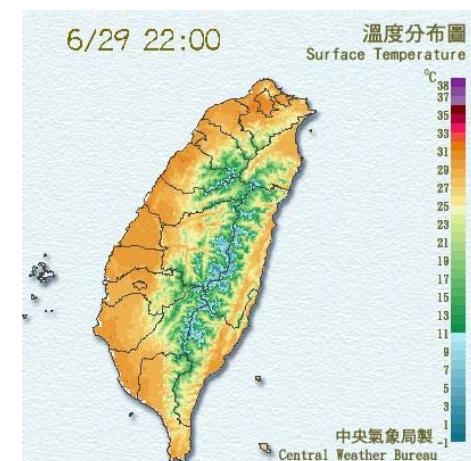


Magnetic



- Scalar vs. vector:
  - ✓ Vector: electric (gravity, magnetic) field
  - ✓ Scalar: temperature
- Classical vs. quantum fields
  - ✓ Classical: gravity, EM
  - ✓ Quantum: quantum mechanics can represent the classical fields, which generate the “quantum field theory”.

Temperature



# WHAT ARE WAVES?

## ■ Features:

- Definition: oscillations with energy transferred through space or mass
  - ✓ Water wave (by water molecules)
  - ✓ EM wave (through space)
  - ✓ Sound wave (via mass of air molecules)
- Natures:
  - ✓ Transverse: oscillation perpendicular to energy propagation; e.g. water wave, EM wave
  - ✓ Longitudinal: oscillation parallel to propagation; e.g. sound wave
- Applications:
  - ✓ Laser: EM wave
  - ✓ Mobile communication: EM wave

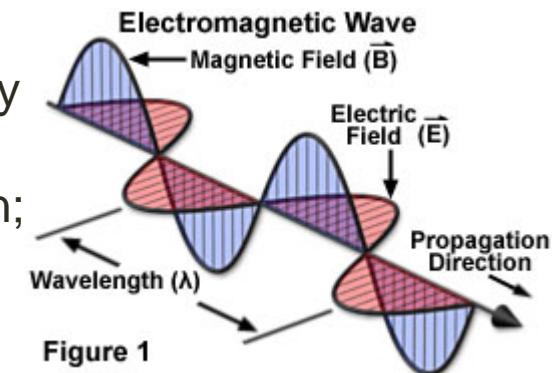
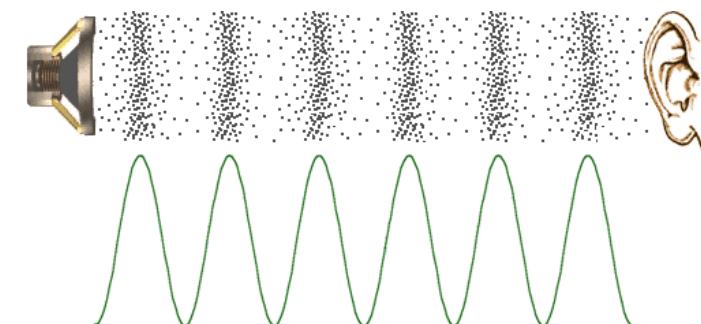
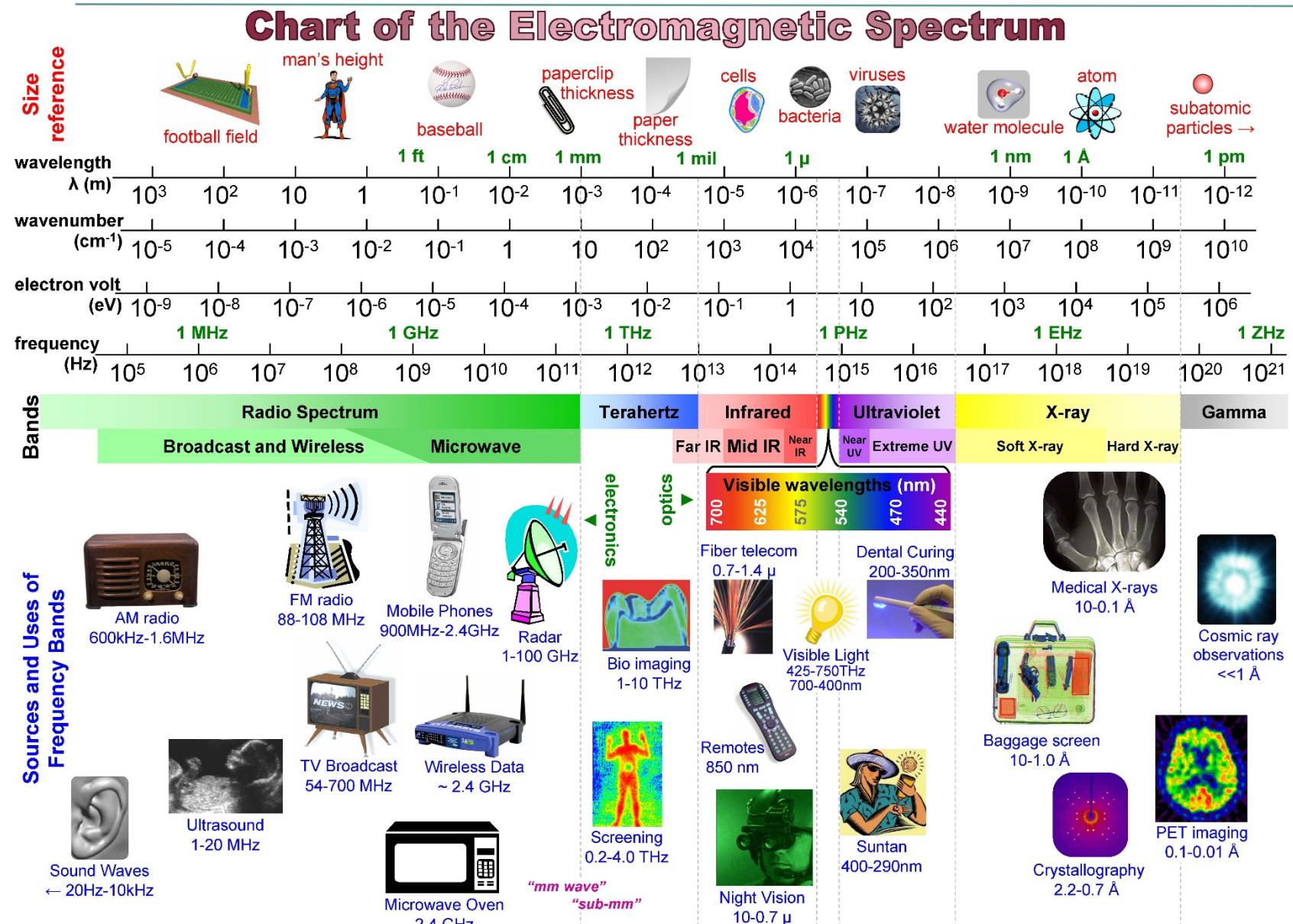


Figure 1



# WHAT ARE WAVES?



# ELECTROMAGNETIC MODEL

## ■ Essential steps for learning EM theory:

- Basic quantities:
  - ✓ Ex: circuit theory  $\Rightarrow V$  (voltages),  $I$  (current),  $(R)$  resistances,  $(L)$  inductances, and  $(C)$  capacitances
  - ✓ For EM theory, there exist several basic quantities  $\Rightarrow \rho$  (charge density),  $\mathbf{J}$  (current density),  $\mathbf{E}$  (electric field),  $\mathbf{D}$  (electric displacement flux),  $\mathbf{B}$  (magnetic flux density), and  $\mathbf{H}$  (magnetic field)
- Postulate some fundamental relations (physics) and specify rules of operation for those quantities (mathematics)
  - ✓ Ex: circuit theory  $\Rightarrow$  Kirchhoff's voltage and current laws (physics); Laplace transformation and differential equations (mathematics).
  - ✓ For EM theory, Gauss' Law, Faraday's Law, and Ampère's Law (physics); divergence of a vector field, gradient of a scalar field (mathematics)
- We first introduce the mathematical tools first (chapter 1 in Rao) followed by physical parts later (chapter 2 ~ 5 in Rao).

# I. VECTOR ALGEBRA

## ■ Physical quantities: scalar vs. vector

- Scalar:
  - ✓ characterized by magnitude only, e.g. mass, temperature, charge
  - ✓ Symbol: “lightface italic type” (e.g. A)
- Vector:
  - ✓ characterized by magnitude and specific directions, e.g. velocity, acceleration, force, electric and magnetic fields
  - ✓ Symbol: “boldface roman type” (e.g. **A**)

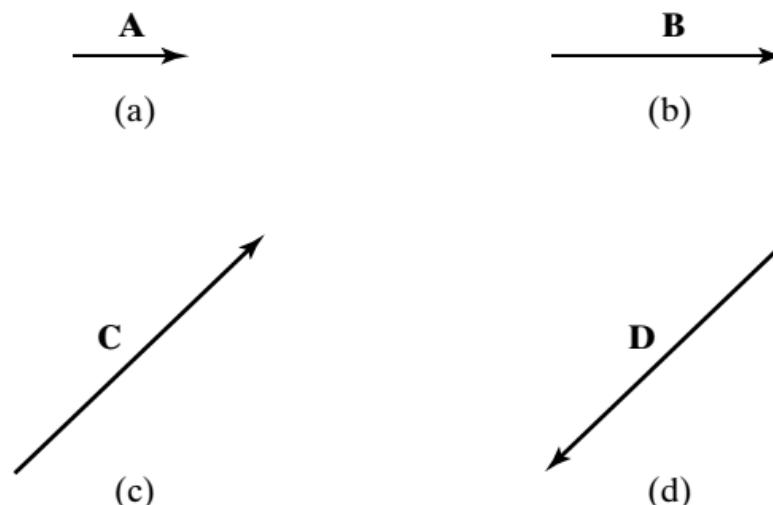


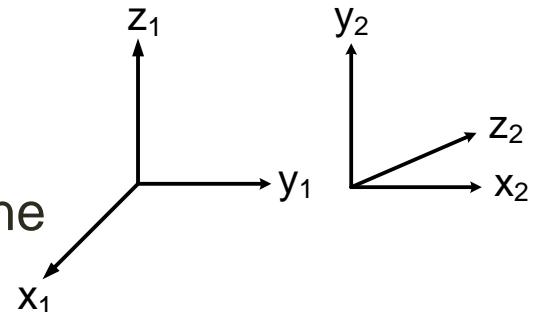
FIGURE 1.1

Graphical representation of vectors.

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## ■ Coordinates and orientations

- Frame of reference:
  - ✓ 3 directions (e.g. x, y, z) are needed to define a “point” in space
  - ✓ There are many sets of frames of reference i.e. you can define your  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  which is different from others  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$ . Assume there exists a point  $(a, b, c)$ , they can always be expressed in terms of these two frames of reference.



- Right-hand vs. left-hand:
  - ✓ For a fixed orientation such as  $\mathbf{a}_1$ , we have 2 choices to place  $\mathbf{a}_2$  and  $\mathbf{a}_3$ .
  - ✓ Use your right-hand fingers to rotate (from  $\mathbf{a}_1$  to  $\mathbf{a}_2$ ) “counter-clock-wise you got your thumb pointing along  $\mathbf{a}_3$ .
  - ✓ Similarly, you will get “clock-wise” by left-hand fingers if  $\mathbf{a}_2$  and  $\mathbf{a}_3$  are swapped.

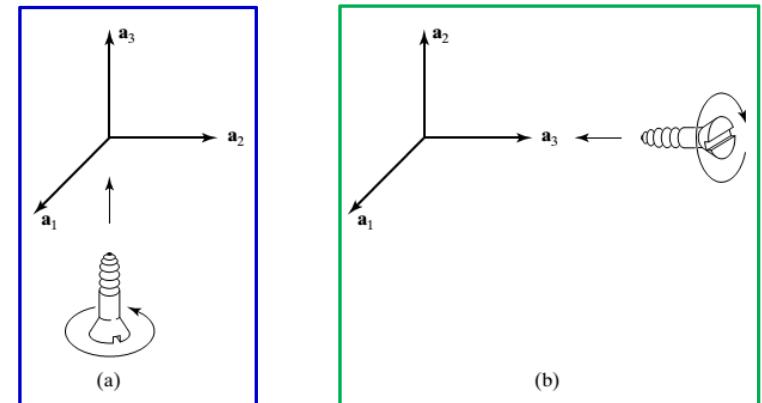


FIGURE 1.2

(a) Set of three orthogonal unit vectors in a right-handed system. (b) Set of three orthogonal unit vectors in a left-handed system.

# I. VECTOR ALGEBRA

## ■ Unit vectors

### ➤ Features:

- ✓ A unit vector has magnitude of unity and usually written as  $\mathbf{a}_1$  (bold) with a subscript 1 (or 2, 3).
- ✓ For all vectors  $\mathbf{A}_1$  (or  $\mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{A}_3$ ) along the direction of  $\mathbf{a}_1$  (or  $\mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3$ ), they can be expressed in terms of multiples of  $\mathbf{a}_2$  (or  $\mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3$ ):

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = n_1 \times \mathbf{a}_1 \text{ (or } \mathbf{A}_2 = n_2 \times \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{A}_3 = n_3 \times \mathbf{a}_3\text{)}$$

where  $n_1, n_2$ , and  $n_3$  are integers.

- ✓ For an arbitrary vector  $\mathbf{A}$ , it's written as  $\mathbf{A} = A_1\mathbf{a}_1 + A_2\mathbf{a}_2 + A_3\mathbf{a}_3$ , where  $A_1, A_2$ , and  $A_3$  are multiples of the projection of  $\mathbf{A}$  in  $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{a}_3$  components (axes)

### ➤ Example:

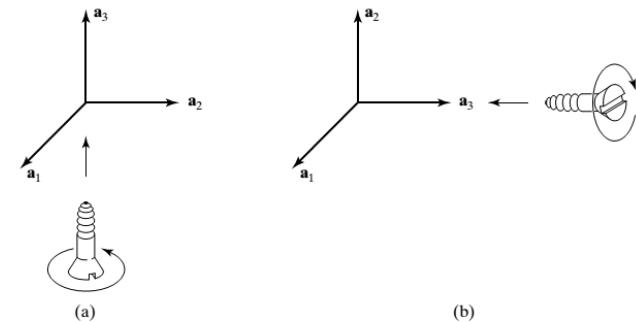
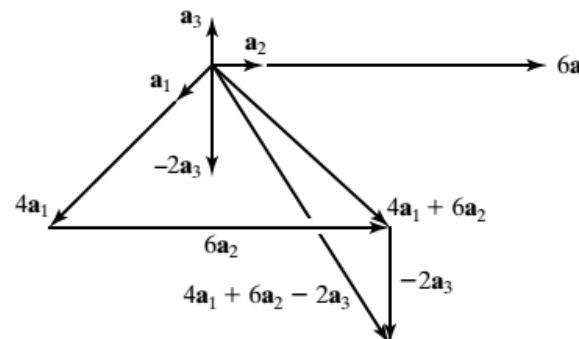


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## ■ Vector math:

- Magnitude of a vector: (where  $\mathbf{a}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{a}_3$  are unit vectors)

$$|\mathbf{A}| = |A_1\mathbf{a}_1 + A_2\mathbf{a}_2 + A_3\mathbf{a}_3| = \sqrt{A_1^2 + A_2^2 + A_3^2}$$

- Unit vector ( $\mathbf{a}_A$ ) along a arbitrary direction:

$$\mathbf{a}_A = \frac{\mathbf{A}}{|\mathbf{A}|} = \frac{A_1\mathbf{a}_1}{|\mathbf{A}|} + \frac{A_2\mathbf{a}_2}{|\mathbf{A}|} + \frac{A_3\mathbf{a}_3}{|\mathbf{A}|}$$

- Addition/subtraction: (both A and B in terms of  $\mathbf{a}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{a}_3$ )

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} \pm \mathbf{B} &= (A_1\mathbf{a}_1 + A_2\mathbf{a}_2 + A_3\mathbf{a}_3) \pm (B_1\mathbf{a}_1 + B_2\mathbf{a}_2 + B_3\mathbf{a}_3) \\ &= (A_1 \pm B_1)\mathbf{a}_1 + (A_2 \pm B_2)\mathbf{a}_2 + (A_3 \pm B_3)\mathbf{a}_3\end{aligned}$$

- Multiplication and division by scalars ( $m$  or  $n$ ):

$$m\mathbf{A} = m(A_1\mathbf{a}_1 + A_2\mathbf{a}_2 + A_3\mathbf{a}_3) = mA_1\mathbf{a}_1 + mA_2\mathbf{a}_2 + mA_3\mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{B}}{n} = \frac{1}{n}(B_1\mathbf{a}_1 + B_2\mathbf{a}_2 + B_3\mathbf{a}_3) = \frac{B_1}{n}\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{B_2}{n}\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{B_3}{n}\mathbf{a}_3$$

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## ■ Scalar (dot or inner) product:

- Scalar quantity equal to the amplitude of two vectors **A** and **B**, which are  $A$  and  $B$ , and its cosine of the angle between them.

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}| \cos \alpha = AB \cos \alpha$$

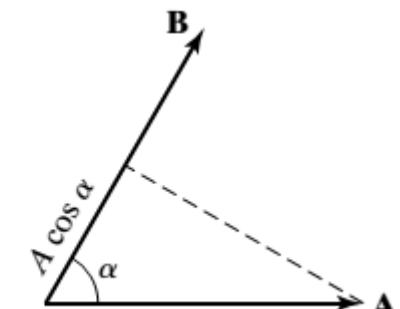
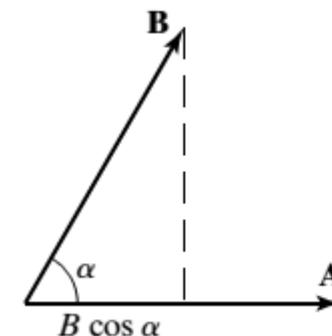
- Example: dot products of unit vectors

$$\begin{array}{lll} a_1 \cdot a_1 = 1 & a_1 \cdot a_2 = 0 & a_1 \cdot a_3 = 0 \\ a_2 \cdot a_1 = 0 & a_2 \cdot a_2 = 1 & a_2 \cdot a_3 = 0 \\ a_3 \cdot a_1 = 0 & a_3 \cdot a_2 = 0 & a_3 \cdot a_3 = 1 \end{array}$$

- Alternative: the projection of one vector onto another vector

✓ **B** on **A**:  $|\mathbf{B}| \cos \alpha \times |\mathbf{A}|$

✓ **A** on **B**:  $|\mathbf{A}| \cos \alpha \times |\mathbf{B}|$



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- Commutative:

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}| \cos\alpha = AB \cos\alpha = BA \cos\alpha = \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A}$$

- Distributive:

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C}$$

and

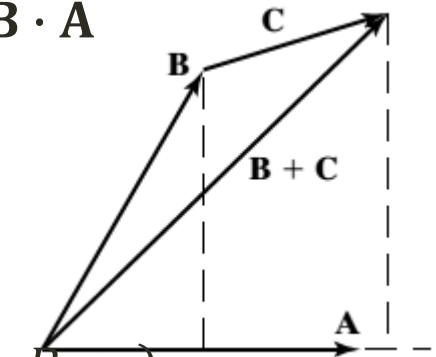
$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = (A_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + A_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + A_3 \mathbf{a}_3) \cdot (B_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + B_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + B_3 \mathbf{a}_3)$$

$$= A_1 \mathbf{a}_1 \cdot B_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + A_1 \mathbf{a}_1 \cdot B_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + A_1 \mathbf{a}_1 \cdot B_3 \mathbf{a}_3$$

$$+ A_2 \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot B_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + A_2 \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot B_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + A_2 \mathbf{a}_2 \cdot B_3 \mathbf{a}_3$$

$$+ A_3 \mathbf{a}_3 \cdot B_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + A_3 \mathbf{a}_3 \cdot B_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + A_3 \mathbf{a}_3 \cdot B_3 \mathbf{a}_3$$

$$= A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_2 + A_3 B_3$$



The angle  $\alpha$  can be written

$$\alpha = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{AB} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{A_1 B_1 + A_2 B_2 + A_3 B_3}{\sqrt{A_1^2 + A_2^2 + A_3^2} \sqrt{B_1^2 + B_2^2 + B_3^2}} \right)$$

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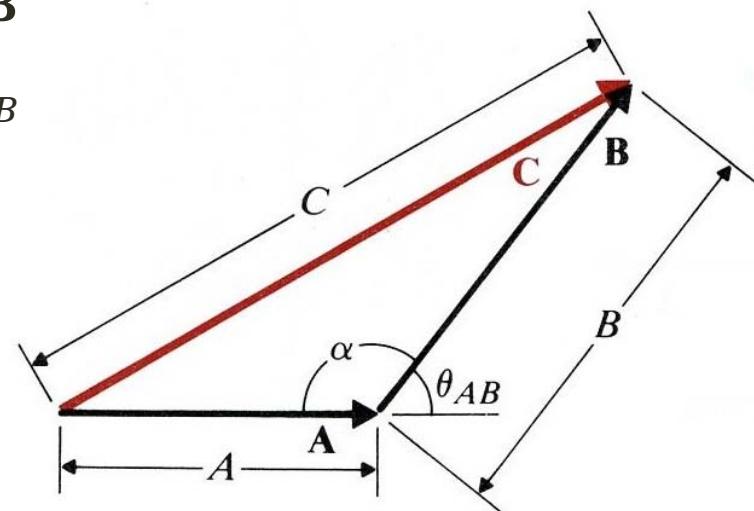
➤ **Example:** Prove the law of cosines for a triangle

- ✓ The law of cosines states that  $C = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - 2AB\cos\alpha}$  and by considering all sides are vectors, we can write

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$$

- ✓ By taking inner product of C itself, we have

$$\begin{aligned}C^2 &= \mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) \cdot (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) \\&= \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B} \\&= \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A} + 2\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B} \\&= A^2 + B^2 + 2AB\cos\theta_{AB} \\&= A^2 + B^2 - 2AB\cos\alpha\end{aligned}$$



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## ■ Vector (cross) product:

- Vector quantity:
  - ✓ Amplitude: equal to the product of the magnitudes of two vectors **A** and **B** and the sine of the smaller angle between **A** and **B** (since there are 2 angles between any 2 arbitrary vectors and their sum is  $180^\circ$ )
  - ✓ Direction: normal to the plane containing vectors **A** and **B**

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}| \sin\alpha \mathbf{a}_N = AB \sin\alpha \mathbf{a}_N$$

- Example: cross products of unit vectors

$$a_1 \times a_1 = 0$$

$$a_1 \times a_2 = a_3$$

$$a_1 \times a_3 = -a_2$$

$$a_2 \times a_1 = -a_3$$

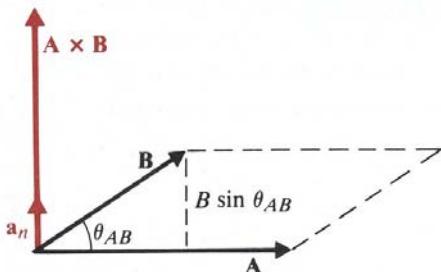
$$a_2 \times a_2 = 0$$

$$a_2 \times a_3 = a_1$$

$$a_3 \times a_1 = a_2$$

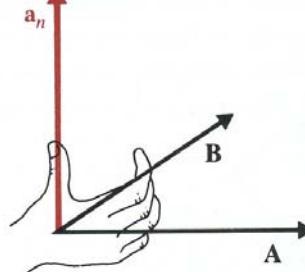
$$a_3 \times a_2 = -a_1$$

$$a_3 \times a_3 = 0$$



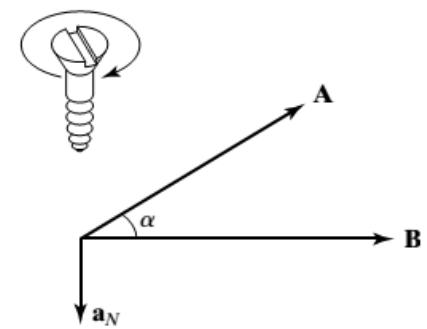
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(a)  $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{a}_n |AB \sin \theta_{AB}|$ .



(b) The right-hand rule.

FIGURE 1.5  
Cross product operation  $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$ .



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- Commutative:

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}| \sin\alpha \mathbf{a}_N = AB \sin\alpha \mathbf{a}_N = -BA \sin\alpha (-\mathbf{a}_N) = -\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}$$

- Distributive:

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C}$$

and

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = (A_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + A_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + A_3 \mathbf{a}_3) \times (B_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + B_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + B_3 \mathbf{a}_3)$$

$$= A_1 \cancel{\mathbf{a}_1 \times B_1 \mathbf{a}_1} + A_1 \mathbf{a}_1 \times B_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + A_1 \mathbf{a}_1 \times B_3 \mathbf{a}_3$$

$$+ A_2 \mathbf{a}_2 \times B_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + A_2 \cancel{\mathbf{a}_2 \times B_2 \mathbf{a}_2} + A_2 \mathbf{a}_2 \times B_3 \mathbf{a}_3$$

$$+ A_3 \mathbf{a}_3 \times B_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + A_3 \mathbf{a}_3 \times B_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + A_3 \cancel{\mathbf{a}_3 \times B_3 \mathbf{a}_3}$$

$$= \mathbf{a}_1 (A_2 B_3 - A_3 B_2) + \mathbf{a}_2 (A_3 B_1 - A_1 B_3) + \mathbf{a}_3 (A_1 B_2 - A_2 B_1)$$

or

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \mathbf{a}_3 \\ A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

- The unit normal vector  $\mathbf{a}_N$  can be expressed as  $\mathbf{a}_N = \frac{\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}}{AB \sin\alpha} = \frac{\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}}{|AB \sin\alpha|}$

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## ■ Triple products:

- Vector triple cross product: such as  $\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$  or  $(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{C}$ 
  - ✓ Generally , the above two vectors are NOT equal if we take  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{a}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{a}_1$ , and  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{a}_2$ , we have

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{a}_1 \times (\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_2) = \mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_3 = -\mathbf{a}_2$$

and ✗ , but not always

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{a}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_1) \times \mathbf{a}_2 = 0 \times \mathbf{a}_2 = 0$$

- Scalar triple product:
  - ✓ Involving three vectors with a dot and a cross operations, ex:  
 $\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$  or  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}$  (are they the same?)

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C} = (A_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + A_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + A_3 \mathbf{a}_3) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \mathbf{a}_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ C_1 & C_2 & C_3 \end{vmatrix} = \boxed{\begin{vmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ C_1 & C_2 & C_3 \end{vmatrix}}$$

- ✓ Why? Since the second term can be written as  $R_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + R_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + R_3 \mathbf{a}_3$  and the dot product action will take out all unit vectors, thus, we can replace  $\mathbf{a}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{a}_3$  with  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ , and  $A_3$ .

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- Interchange the order of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ , and  $\mathbf{C}$ :

$$\therefore \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C} = \begin{vmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ C_1 & C_2 & C_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

and we know changing the order in a cyclical manner wouldn't change the value, we have

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C} = \begin{vmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ C_1 & C_2 & C_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ C_1 & C_2 & C_3 \\ A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{A}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C} = \begin{vmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ C_1 & C_2 & C_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} C_1 & C_2 & C_3 \\ A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$$

- Distributive law works for triple vector product:

✓ For any  $\mathbf{D}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) &= (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) \cdot \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{A} \\ &= \mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{D} \cdot (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C}) \end{aligned}$$

which follows that

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C}$$

# I. VECTOR ALGEBRA

## ■ Example 1.1:

(a)  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2) + (\mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3) = 2\mathbf{a}_1 + 3\mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3$

(b)  $\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3) - (\mathbf{a}_2 + 2\mathbf{a}_3) = \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 - 4\mathbf{a}_3$

(c)  $4\mathbf{C} = 4(\mathbf{a}_2 + 2\mathbf{a}_3) = 4\mathbf{a}_2 + 8\mathbf{a}_3$

(d)  $|\mathbf{B}| = |\mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3| = \sqrt{(1)^2 + (2)^2 + (-2)^2} = 3$

(e)  $\mathbf{i}_B = \frac{\mathbf{B}}{|\mathbf{B}|} = \frac{\mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3}{3} = \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{a}_2 - \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{a}_3$

(f)  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2) \cdot (\mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3) = (1)(1) + (1)(2) + (0)(-2) = 3$

(g) Angle between  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  =  $\cos^{-1} \frac{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{AB} = \cos^{-1} \frac{3}{(\sqrt{2})(3)} = 45^\circ$

(h)  $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \mathbf{a}_3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = (-2 - 0)\mathbf{a}_1 + (0 + 2)\mathbf{a}_2 + (2 - 1)\mathbf{a}_3$   
 $= -2\mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3$

(i) Unit vector normal to  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  =  $\frac{\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}}{|\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}|} = -\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{a}_3$

(j)  $(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{C} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \mathbf{a}_3 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 3\mathbf{a}_1 + 4\mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3$

(k)  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(6) + (1)(-2) + (0)(1) = 4$

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2$$

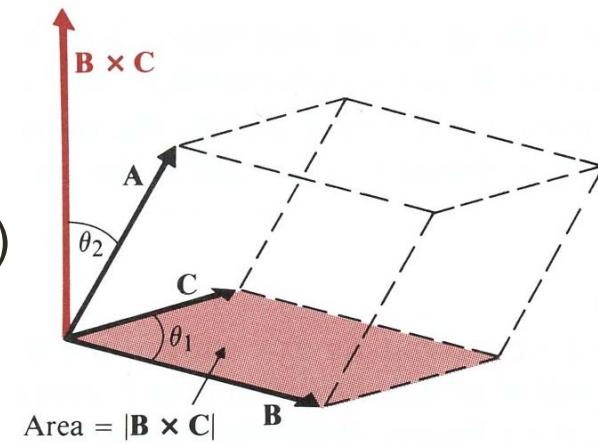
$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{a}_2 + 2\mathbf{a}_3$$

# I. VECTOR ALGEBRA

- Physical meaning of  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}$  (scalar triple product) is the volume spanned by three vectors

✓ First,  $\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}$  is the vector of  $(BC\sin\theta_1 \mathbf{a}_N)$  which includes the amplitude  $AB\sin\alpha$  with a unit vector  $\mathbf{a}_N = \frac{\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}}{|\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}|}$ .



- ✓ The area of red shaded is  $BC\sin\theta_1$
- ✓ The volume is equal to the area times the height, which is equivalent to the projection of vector  $\mathbf{A}$  onto unit vector  $\mathbf{a}_N$ . The height is

$$|\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{a}_N|$$

- ✓ Thus, the volume is

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{a}_N| BC\sin\theta_1 &= \mathbf{A} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}}{|\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}|} BC\sin\theta_1 \\ &= \mathbf{A} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}}{BC\sin\theta_1} BC\sin\theta_1 = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C} \end{aligned}$$

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## ■ Example:

Prove  $\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B})$

- Distributive law works for triple vector product:

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}_{||} + \mathbf{A}_{\perp}$$

where  $\mathbf{A}_{||}$  and  $\mathbf{A}_{\perp}$  are parallel and perpendicular to the plane containing  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$ . Then

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{A}_{||} + \mathbf{A}_{\perp}) \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{A}_{||} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$$

since  $\mathbf{A}_{\perp}$  is parallel to  $(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$  such that  $\mathbf{A}_{\perp} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{0}$

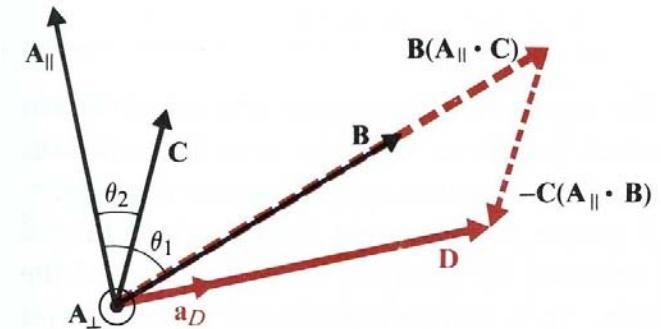
- Then we get

$$\boxed{\mathbf{D} [= \mathbf{A}_{||} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})] \cdot \mathbf{a}_D = |\mathbf{A}_{||}| |\mathbf{B}| |\mathbf{C}| \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}$$

$$= (|\mathbf{B}| \sin \theta_1) (|\mathbf{A}_{||}| |\mathbf{C}| \cos \theta_2) - (|\mathbf{C}| \sin \theta_2) (|\mathbf{A}_{||}| |\mathbf{B}| \cos \theta_1)$$

$$= \boxed{[\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})] \cdot \mathbf{a}_D}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{A}_{||} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) \text{ ? } [\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})]$  true?? Not really!!



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- If any of the above two terms has a component along the direction of  $\mathbf{A}_{||}$ , we still get the above equation, but they could be different. For example, if

$$\mathbf{D} = k\mathbf{A}_{||} + [\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})]$$

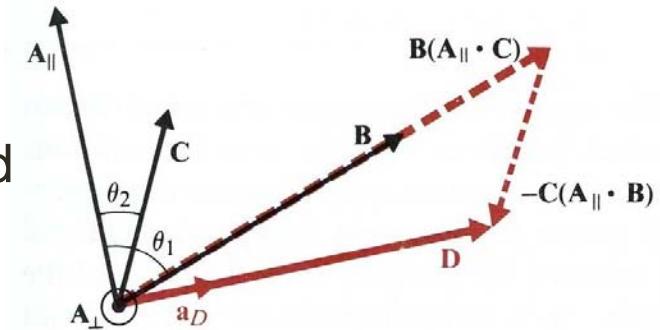
where  $k$  is a scalar. Then we will have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{a}_D &= \{k\mathbf{A}_{||} + [\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})]\} \cdot \mathbf{a}_D \\ &= \{k\mathbf{A}_{||} + [\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})]\} \cdot \mathbf{a}_D \\ &= [\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})] \cdot \mathbf{a}_D\end{aligned}$$

- To determine  $k$ , we can scalar multiply  $\mathbf{A}_{||}$  for both sides  $\mathbf{D}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{D} &= 0 = \mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \{k\mathbf{A}_{||} + [\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})]\} \\ &= k\mathbf{A}_{||}^2 + [(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - (\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C})(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})] = k\mathbf{A}_{||}^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow k = 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{D} = [\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}_{||} \cdot \mathbf{B})] = \mathbf{A}_{||} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C})$$

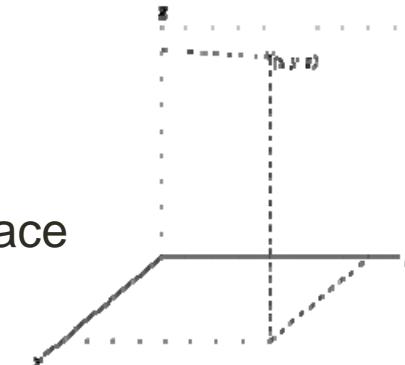


# II. COORDINATE SYSTEMS

## ■ Three major coordinate systems:

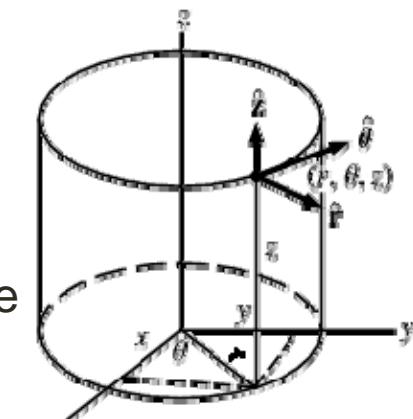
### ➤ Cartesian:

- ✓ using  $x, y, z$  to represent each point in the space
- ✓ Most common and useful system



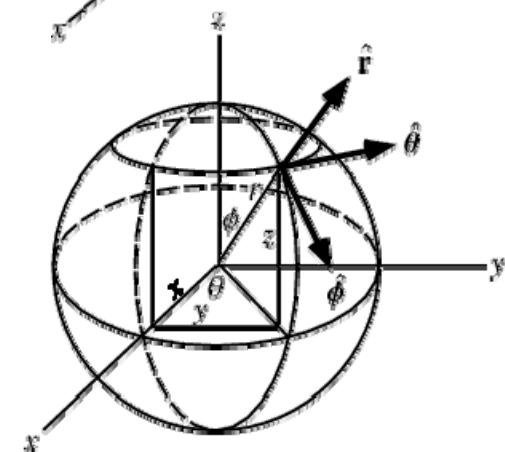
### ➤ Cylindrical:

- ✓ using  $r, \theta$  ([angle to +x-axis](#)),  $z$  to represent.....
- ✓ **Full space:**  $r = 0 \rightarrow \infty; \theta = 0 \rightarrow 2\pi;$   
 $z = -\infty \rightarrow \infty$ .
- ✓ Usually for a system with a moving direction (say  $z$ -axis) and it's symmetrical in the  $x$ - $y$  plane such as light propagation



### ➤ Spherical:

- ✓ Using  $r, \theta, \phi$  ([angle to +z-axis](#)) to represent...
- ✓ **Full space:**  $R = 0 \rightarrow \infty; \theta = 0 \rightarrow 2\pi;$   
 $\phi = -\frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$  (or  $0 \rightarrow \pi$ ).
- ✓ Most important for a “point” question such as point charge



## II. CARTESIAN COORDINATE SYSTEM

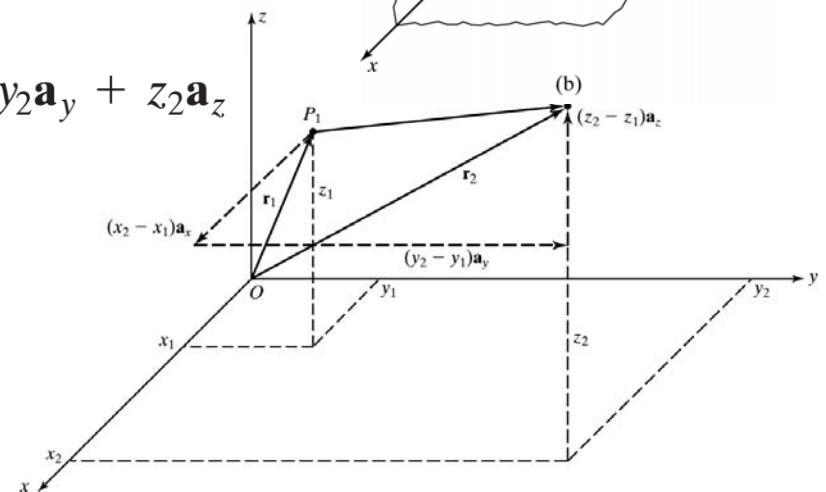
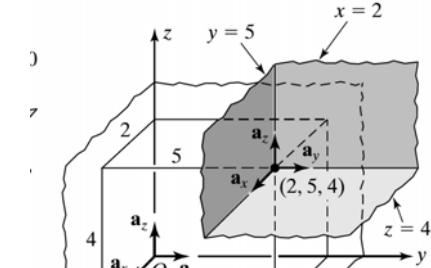
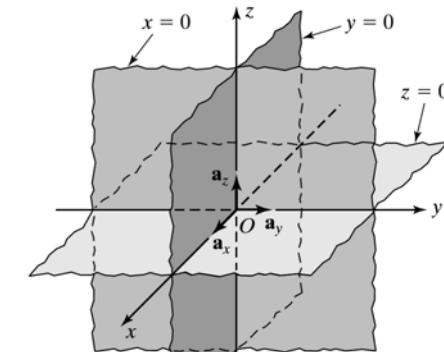
### Features:

- Three mutual orthogonal planes:
  - ✓ top (a) – ( $x=0, y=0, z=0$ );
  - ✓ bottom (b) – ( $x=2, y=5, z=4$ )
- For top case (a), two planes (e.g.  $x=0, y=0$ ) intersect to form a line; then this line intersect with the last plane ( $z=0$ ) to form a point ( $x=0, y=0, z=0$ ); similar for bottom
- Position vector:

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = x_1 \mathbf{a}_x + y_1 \mathbf{a}_y + z_1 \mathbf{a}_z \quad \mathbf{r}_2 = x_2 \mathbf{a}_x + y_2 \mathbf{a}_y + z_2 \mathbf{a}_z$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}_{12} &= \mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1 \\ &= (x_2 - x_1) \mathbf{a}_x + (y_2 - y_1) \mathbf{a}_y + (z_2 - z_1) \mathbf{a}_z \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_{12} = \frac{\mathbf{R}_{12}}{R_{12}} = \frac{(x_2 - x_1) \mathbf{a}_x + (y_2 - y_1) \mathbf{a}_y + (z_2 - z_1) \mathbf{a}_z}{[(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2]^{1/2}}$$

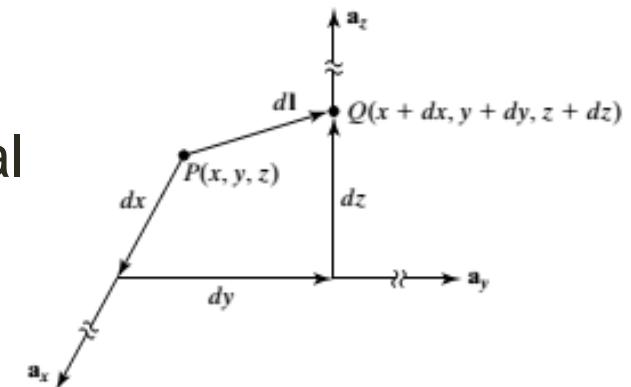


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### Differential length vector:

- defined as a vector from a point to a neighboring point with an infinitesimal distance

$$d\mathbf{l} = dx \mathbf{a}_x + dy \mathbf{a}_y + dz \mathbf{a}_z$$

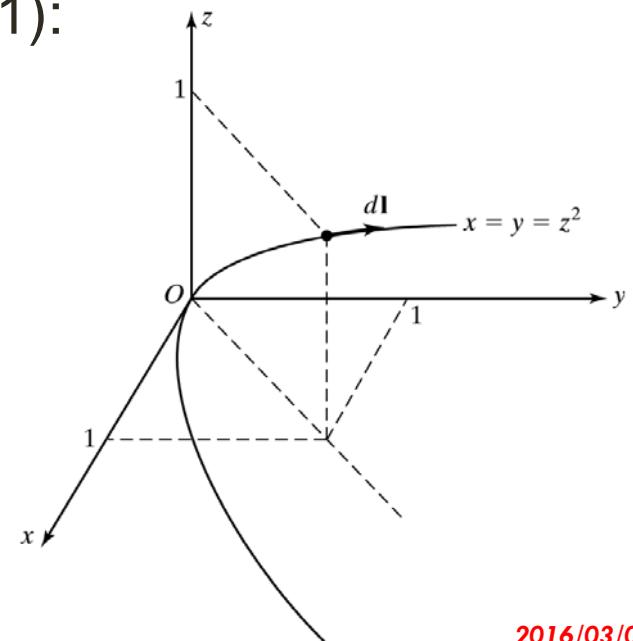


- **Example 1.2:** Find the differential length vector along a curve of  $x = y = z^2$  at the point  $(1,1,1)$ :

$$x = y = z^2 \quad dx = dy = 2z dz$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\mathbf{l} &= dx \mathbf{a}_x + dy \mathbf{a}_y + dz \mathbf{a}_z \\ &= 2 dz \mathbf{a}_x + 2 dz \mathbf{a}_y + dz \mathbf{a}_z \\ &= (2\mathbf{a}_x + 2\mathbf{a}_y + \mathbf{a}_z) dz \end{aligned}$$

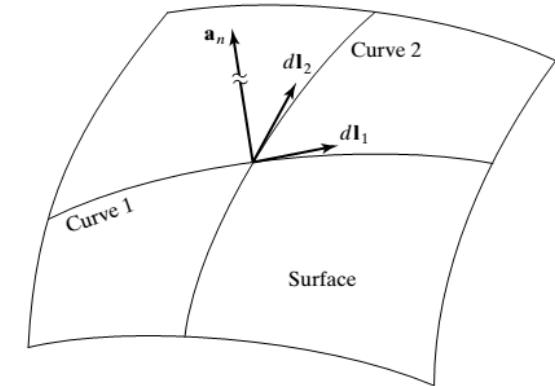
- ✓ Useful to find a unit vector normal to a surface



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- Assume for two curves 1 and 2,  $d\mathbf{l}_1$  and  $d\mathbf{l}_2$  are the differential length vectors, respectively.
- Then a unit vector at point Q which is normal to the plane containing two curves is given by

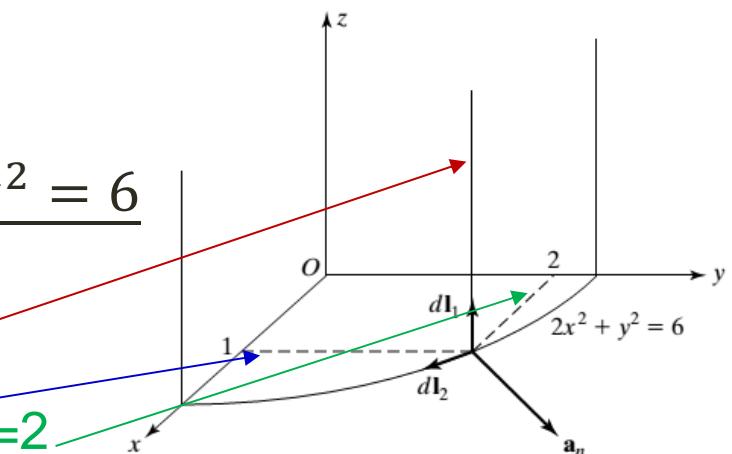
$$\mathbf{a}_n = \frac{d\mathbf{l}_1 \times d\mathbf{l}_2}{|d\mathbf{l}_1 \times d\mathbf{l}_2|}$$



- **Example 1.3:** for a surface  $2x^2 + y^2 = 6$  at point  $(1,2,0)$ , find the unit vector normal to the surface.

- ✓  $d\mathbf{l}_1$ : along the straight line of  $x=1/y=2$  (where  $z$  is arbitrary). So  $d\mathbf{l}_1 = dz\mathbf{a}_z$
- ✓  $d\mathbf{l}_2$ : tangent to the curve of  $2x^2 + y^2 = 6$  &  $z = 0$  (note: it's a line). Then we got

$$4xdx + 2ydy = 0 = dz$$



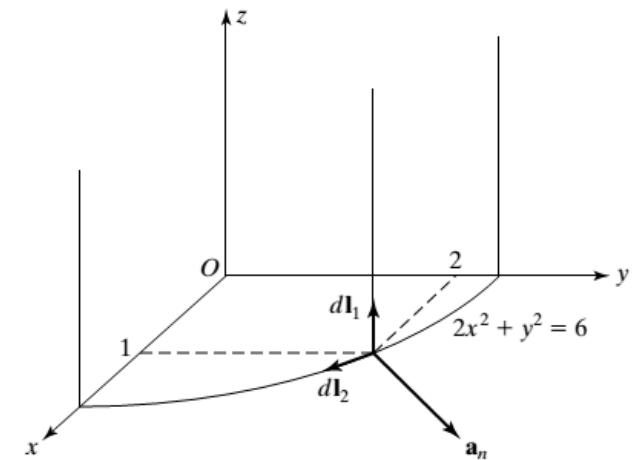
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- ✓ So at (1,2,0), we have

$$4dx + 4dy = 0 \rightarrow dx = -dy \text{ & } dz = 0$$

Then  $d\mathbf{l}_2$  becomes

$$\begin{aligned} d\mathbf{l}_2 &= dx\mathbf{a}_x + dy\mathbf{a}_y + dz\mathbf{a}_y \\ &= dx\mathbf{a}_x - dy\mathbf{a}_y \end{aligned}$$

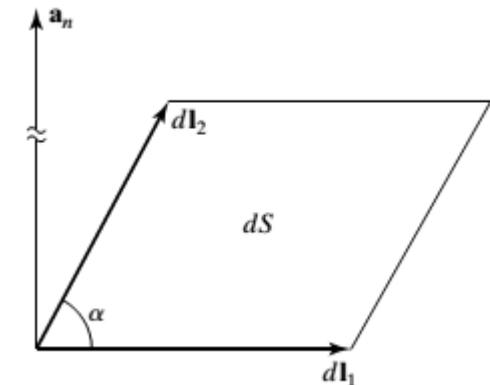


- ✓ So the unit normal vector is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_n &= \frac{dz\mathbf{a}_z \times dx(\mathbf{a}_x - \mathbf{a}_y)}{|dz\mathbf{a}_z \times dx(\mathbf{a}_x - \mathbf{a}_y)|} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y) \end{aligned}$$

### ■ Differential surface vector:

- 2 differential length vectors at a point define a differential surface (note: not a vector yet)



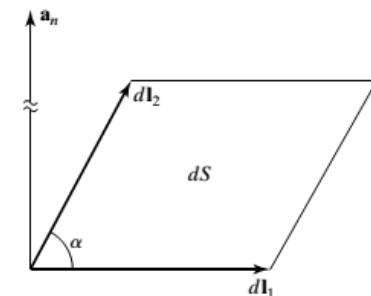
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- The differential surface area is

$$dS = dl_1 dl_2 \sin \alpha = |dl_1 \times dl_2|$$

- The corresponding differential surface vector  $d\mathbf{S}$  is

$$d\mathbf{S} = \pm dS \mathbf{a}_n = \pm |dl_1 \times dl_2| \mathbf{a}_n = \pm dl_1 \times dl_2$$

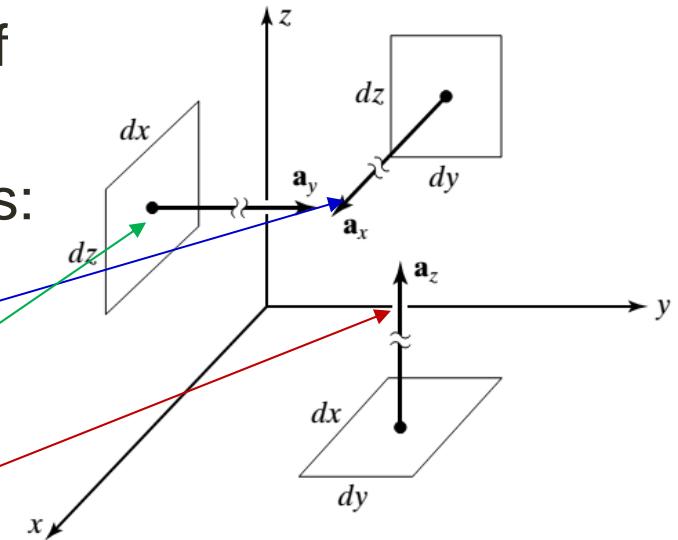


- For 3 differential length elements of  $dx \mathbf{a}_x$ ,  $dy \mathbf{a}_y$ ,  $dz \mathbf{a}_z$ , we have the following differential surface vectors:

$$\pm dy \mathbf{a}_y \times dz \mathbf{a}_z = \pm dy dz \mathbf{a}_x$$

$$\pm dz \mathbf{a}_z \times dx \mathbf{a}_x = \pm dz dx \mathbf{a}_y$$

$$\pm dx \mathbf{a}_x \times dy \mathbf{a}_y = \pm dx dy \mathbf{a}_z$$



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### Differential volume:

- 3 differential length vectors at a point define a differential volume  $dv$  (note: not a vector yet)

$$\begin{aligned} dv &= \boxed{\text{area of the base of the parallelepiped}} \times \boxed{\text{height}} \\ &= \|d\mathbf{l}_1 \times d\mathbf{l}_2\| \|d\mathbf{l}_3 \cdot \mathbf{a}_n\| \\ &= \|d\mathbf{l}_1 \times d\mathbf{l}_2\| \frac{|d\mathbf{l}_3 \cdot d\mathbf{l}_1 \times d\mathbf{l}_2|}{\|d\mathbf{l}_1 \times d\mathbf{l}_2\|} = \underline{\|d\mathbf{l}_3 \cdot d\mathbf{l}_1 \times d\mathbf{l}_2\|} \\ &= \underline{\|d\mathbf{l}_1 \cdot d\mathbf{l}_2 \times d\mathbf{l}_3\|} \text{ or } = d\mathbf{l}_2 \cdot d\mathbf{l}_3 \times d\mathbf{l}_1 \end{aligned}$$

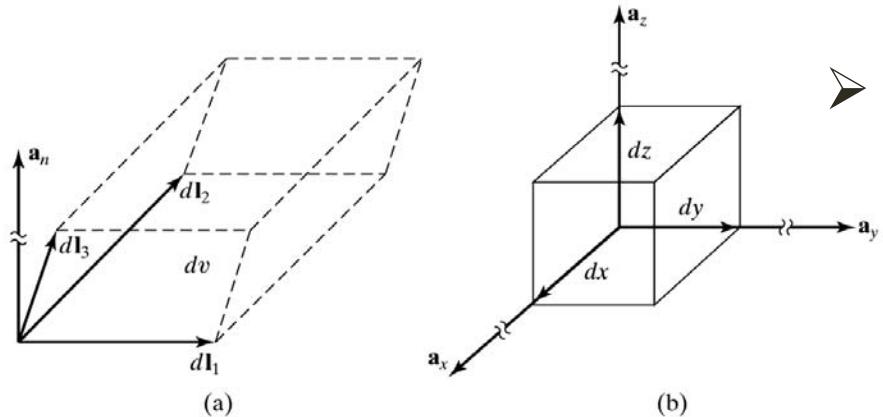


FIGURE 1.13

(a) Parallelepiped defined by three differential length vectors originating at a point.  
(b) Differential volume in the Cartesian coordinate system.

➤ For differential vectors of  
 $dx \mathbf{a}_x$ ,  $dy \mathbf{a}_y$ , and  $dz \mathbf{a}_z$

The volume is

$$dv = dx dy dz$$

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### ■ Arbitrary surface

- If a surface is defined with a function of  $f(x, y, z) = 0$ , particularly for a plane with the intercepts on x, y, and z axes can be written as

$$\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} - 1 = 0$$

- A curve is the intersection of two surfaces, so an arbitrary curve is defined by two surface equations

$$f(x, y, z) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x, y, z) = 0$$

- One can represent a curve by specifying the coordinate trace vs. time such as

$$x = x(t), \quad y = y(t), \quad z = z(t)$$

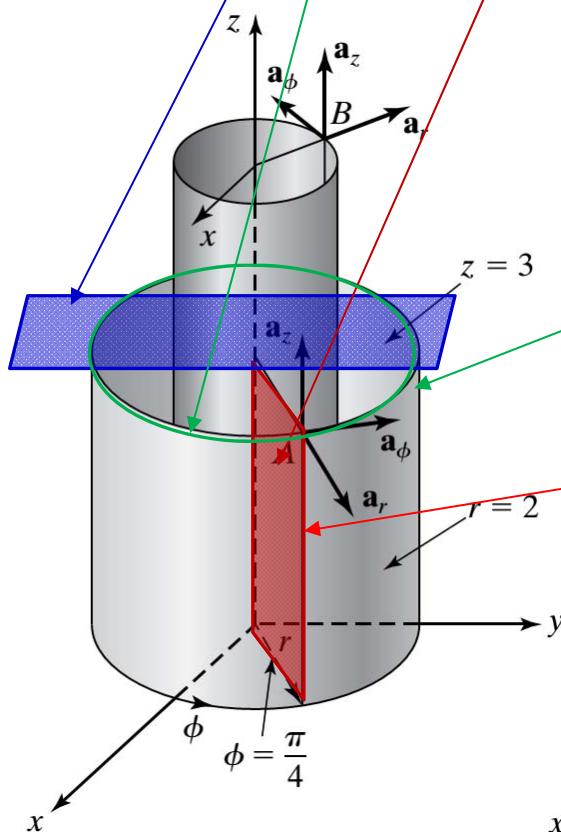
- Example: a straight line passing through the origin with same angles to x, y, and z axes.

- ✓  $y = x$  (plane) &  $z = x$  (plane) intersecting to form a line
- ✓  $x = t, y = t, z = t$ , which can also refer to the same thing

### III. CYLINDRICAL & SPHERICAL COORDINATE SYSTEMS

- Two other coordinate systems with sets of 3 orthogonal surfaces: **cylindrical & spherical**

- Cylindrical: a point can be depicted by 3 surfaces
  - ✓  $z = \text{constant}$  (Cartesian surface as before)
  - ✓  $r = \text{constant}$  (cylinder surface)
  - ✓  $\phi = \text{constant}$  (a plane normal to x-y plane)



- Example:
  - $r = 2, z = 3$  intersect to form a curve (orange circle)
  - Then this green curve intersects with  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{4}$  (red plane) to get a point A.
  - You have another way to get point A:
    1.  $r = 2$  and  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{4}$  intersect to form a vertical line
    2. Then this vertical line intersects with  $z = 3$  to get point A

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- Unit vectors and volume, etc.

✓ Unit vectors:  $\mathbf{a}_r$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_\phi$ , and  $\mathbf{a}_z$

along  $r$ ,  $\phi$ , and  $z$  directions, where  $\mathbf{a}_\phi$  is normal to  $\mathbf{a}_r$  and along the tangent of the arc.

✓ Orthonormality:

$$\mathbf{a}_r \times \mathbf{a}_\phi = \mathbf{a}_z, \quad \mathbf{a}_\phi \times \mathbf{a}_z = \mathbf{a}_r, \quad \mathbf{a}_z \times \mathbf{a}_r = \mathbf{a}_\phi$$

based on right-hand rule.

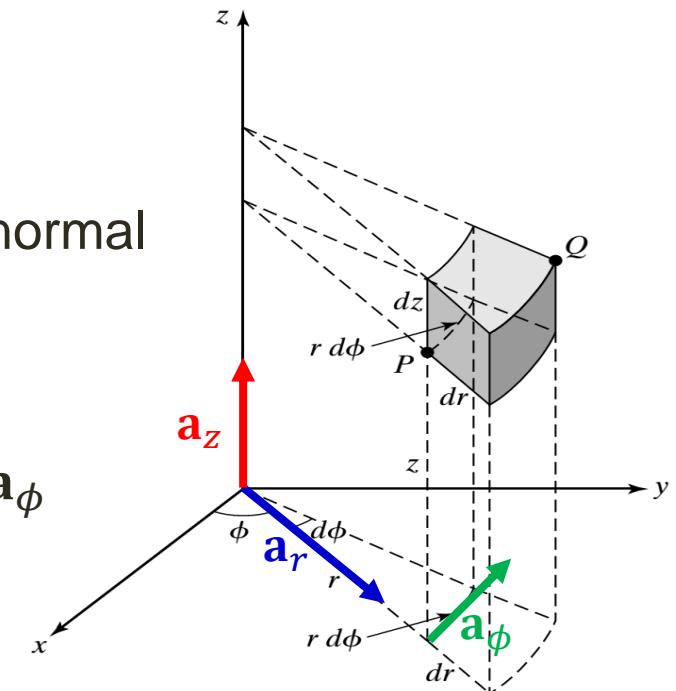
✓ Differential length vectors:

$$d\mathbf{l} = dr \mathbf{a}_r + r d\phi \mathbf{a}_\phi + dz \mathbf{a}_z$$

✓ Differential surface vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\pm r d\phi \mathbf{a}_\phi \times dz \mathbf{a}_z &= \pm r d\phi dz \mathbf{a}_r \\ \pm dz \mathbf{a}_z \times dr \mathbf{a}_r &= \pm dr dz \mathbf{a}_\phi \\ \pm dr \mathbf{a}_r \times r d\phi \mathbf{a}_\phi &= \pm r dr d\phi \mathbf{a}_z\end{aligned}$$

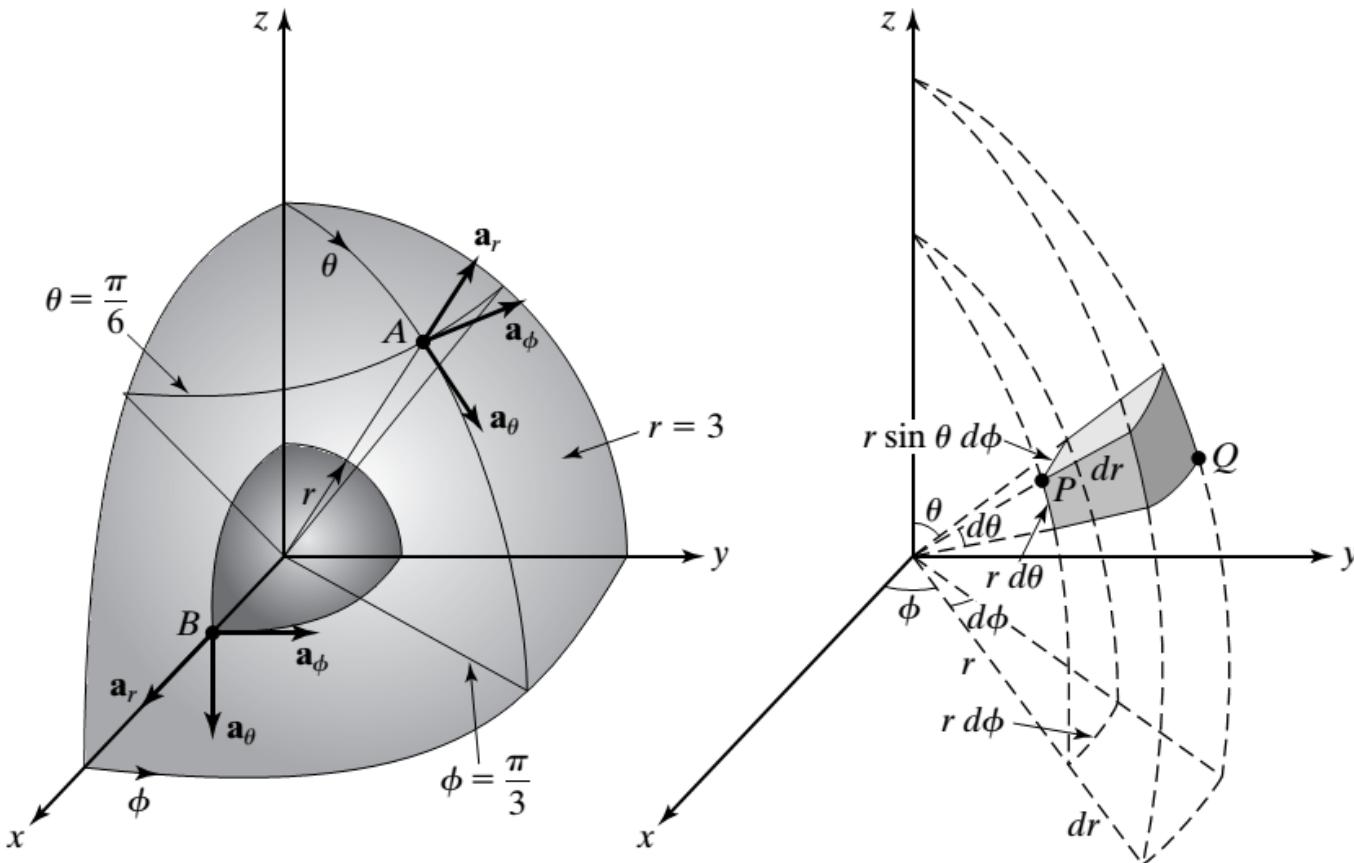
✓ Volume:  $dv = (dr)(r d\phi)(dz) = r dr d\phi dz$



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- Spherical system: a point can be depicted by 3 surfaces
  - ✓  $r = \text{constant}$  (a sphere with distance from origin)
  - ✓  $\phi = \text{constant}$  (a plane normal to x-y plane)
  - ✓  $\theta = \text{constant}$  (a cone with an angle relative to z-axis)

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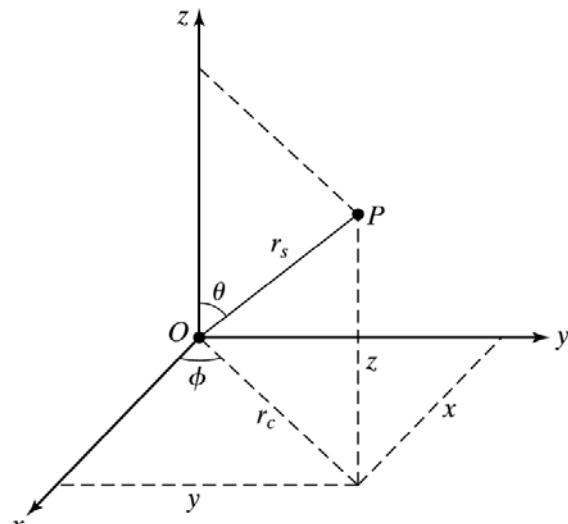
#### ■ Coordinate conversion:

- Cartesian in terms of cylindrical or spherical system

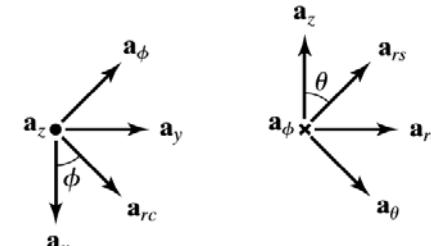
$$\begin{array}{lll} x = r_c \cos \phi & y = r_c \sin \phi & z = z \\ x = r_s \sin \theta \cos \phi & y = r_s \sin \theta \sin \phi & z = r_s \cos \theta \end{array}$$

- Cylindrical or Spherical in terms of Cartesian system

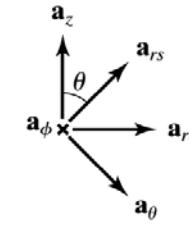
$$\begin{array}{lll} r_c = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} & \phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} & z = z \\ r_s = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} & \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{z} & \phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} \end{array}$$



Cartesian



Cylindrical



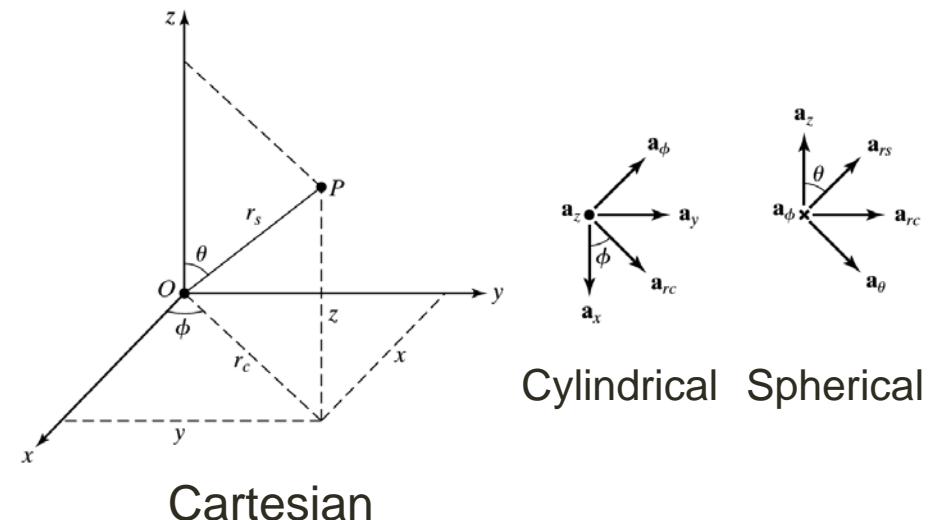
Spherical

### III. CYLINDRICAL & SPHERICAL COORDINATE SYSTEMS

#### ■ Coordinate conversion:

$$\begin{aligned}x &= r_c \cos \phi & y &= r_c \sin \phi & z &= z \\x &= r_s \sin \theta \cos \phi & y &= r_s \sin \theta \sin \phi & z &= r_s \cos \theta\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}r_c &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} & \phi &= \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} & z &= z \\r_s &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} & \theta &= \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{z} & \phi &= \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}\end{aligned}$$



$\mathbf{a}_{rc} \cdot \mathbf{a}_x = \cos \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_{rc} \cdot \mathbf{a}_y = \sin \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_{rc} \cdot \mathbf{a}_z = 0$
$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_x = -\sin \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_y = \cos \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_z = 0$
$\mathbf{a}_z \cdot \mathbf{a}_x = 0$	$\mathbf{a}_z \cdot \mathbf{a}_y = 0$	$\mathbf{a}_z \cdot \mathbf{a}_z = 1$

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$\mathbf{a}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{a}_x = \cos \theta \cos \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{a}_y = \cos \theta \sin \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{a}_z = -\sin \theta$
$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_x = -\sin \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_y = \cos \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_z = 0$

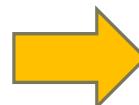
### III. CYLINDRICAL & SPHERICAL COORDINATE SYSTEMS

- Example 1.4:** Convert  $3\mathbf{a}_x + 4\mathbf{a}_y + 5\mathbf{a}_z$  into spherical coordinate

$$r_s = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{z}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$$



$$r_s = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2} = 5\sqrt{2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}}{5} = \tan^{-1} 1 = 45^\circ$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3} = 53.13^\circ$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_x \\ \mathbf{a}_y \\ \mathbf{a}_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{a}_x \cdot \mathbf{a}_{rs}) & (\mathbf{a}_x \cdot \mathbf{a}_\theta) & (\mathbf{a}_x \cdot \mathbf{a}_\phi) \\ (\mathbf{a}_y \cdot \mathbf{a}_{rs}) & (\mathbf{a}_y \cdot \mathbf{a}_\theta) & (\mathbf{a}_y \cdot \mathbf{a}_\phi) \\ (\mathbf{a}_z \cdot \mathbf{a}_{rs}) & (\mathbf{a}_z \cdot \mathbf{a}_\theta) & (\mathbf{a}_z \cdot \mathbf{a}_\phi) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_{rs} \\ \mathbf{a}_\theta \\ \mathbf{a}_\phi \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{a}_{rs} \cdot \mathbf{a}_x = \sin \theta \cos \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_{rs} \cdot \mathbf{a}_y = \sin \theta \sin \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_{rs} \cdot \mathbf{a}_z = \cos \theta$
$\mathbf{a}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{a}_x = \cos \theta \cos \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{a}_y = \cos \theta \sin \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\theta \cdot \mathbf{a}_z = -\sin \theta$
$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_x = -\sin \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_y = \cos \phi$	$\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_z = 0$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \cos \theta \cos \phi & -\sin \phi \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \sin \phi & \cos \phi \\ \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_{rs} \\ \mathbf{a}_\theta \\ \mathbf{a}_\phi \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3\sqrt{2} & 0.3\sqrt{2} & -0.8 \\ 0.4\sqrt{2} & 0.4\sqrt{2} & 0.6 \\ 0.5\sqrt{2} & -0.5\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_{rs} \\ \mathbf{a}_\theta \\ \mathbf{a}_\phi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3\mathbf{a}_x + 4\mathbf{a}_y + 5\mathbf{a}_z &= 3(0.3\sqrt{2}\mathbf{a}_{rs} + 0.3\sqrt{2}\mathbf{a}_\theta - 0.8\mathbf{a}_\phi) \\
 &\quad + 4(0.4\sqrt{2}\mathbf{a}_{rs} + 0.4\sqrt{2}\mathbf{a}_\theta + 0.6\mathbf{a}_\phi) \\
 &\quad + 5(0.5\sqrt{2}\mathbf{a}_{rs} - 0.5\sqrt{2}\mathbf{a}_\theta) \\
 &= 5\sqrt{2}\mathbf{a}_{rs}
 \end{aligned}$$

# IV. SCALAR AND VECTOR FIELDS

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## ■ Field:

- A physical phenomenon associated with any points in a region in space (such as gravitational field), usually unseen. But light (EM) field can be seen (not all spectrum).
- A physical quantity varies from point to point (in space) and in time.
- Scalar vs. vector: if the direction matters called vector field (EM); otherwise is scalar field (temperature).
- Static vs. time-varying:
  - ✓ as a charge exists in a fixed point, it will exert an electric field without changing its direction/magnitude with time.
  - ✓ Temperature is changing day and nights in Taiwan, so we say it's time-varying.

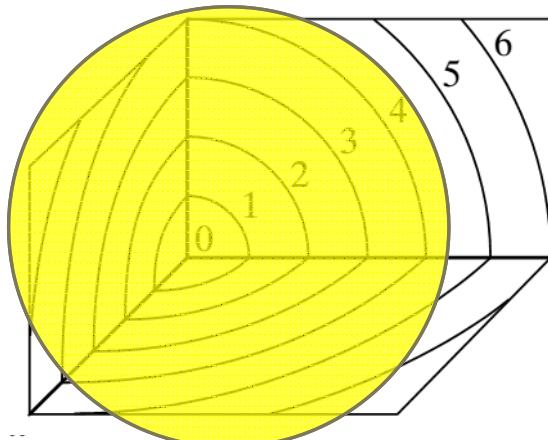
# IV. SCALAR AND VECTOR FIELDS

## ■ Scalar field:

- Relationship between height ( $h$ ) and base position ( $x, y$ ) can be written as

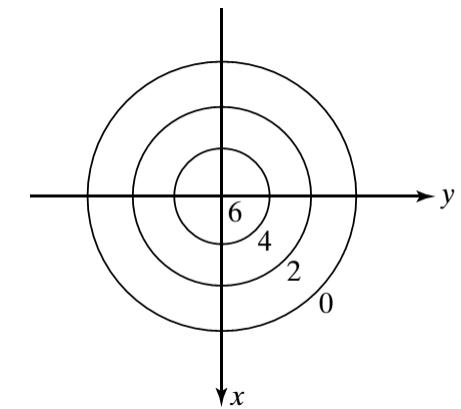
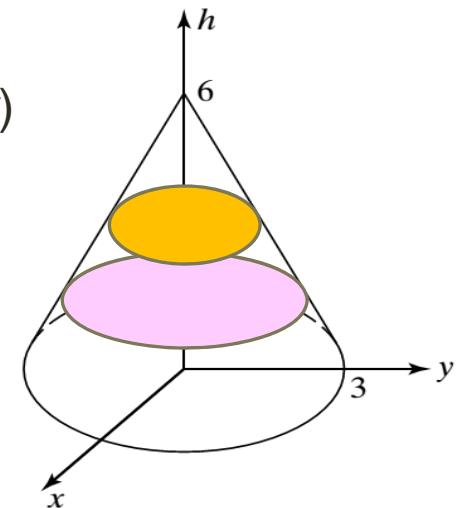
$$h(x, y) = 6 - 2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

- In a circular contour in x-y plan, one can determine its height, which does not matter with the direction, but only the magnitude of height. So it's a **two-dimensional scalar field** with its field strength in terms of  $z$  ( $h$ , in this case).
- In a rectangular system, a “distance field” expressed in terms of  $r$  of points from the origin  $O$  is



$$r(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

- A constant-distance surface is a surface with the same  $r$ , which is a **three-dimensional scalar and static field** (not changing with time)



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## ■ Time-Varying Field:

- Scalar field is generally written as  $F_s(x, y, z, t)$ , where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  denote the space and  $t$  represents time.
- Vector field is written with directions:

**Cartesian**

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z, t) = F_x(x, y, z, t)\mathbf{a}_x + F_y(x, y, z, t)\mathbf{a}_y + F_z(x, y, z, t)\mathbf{a}_z$$

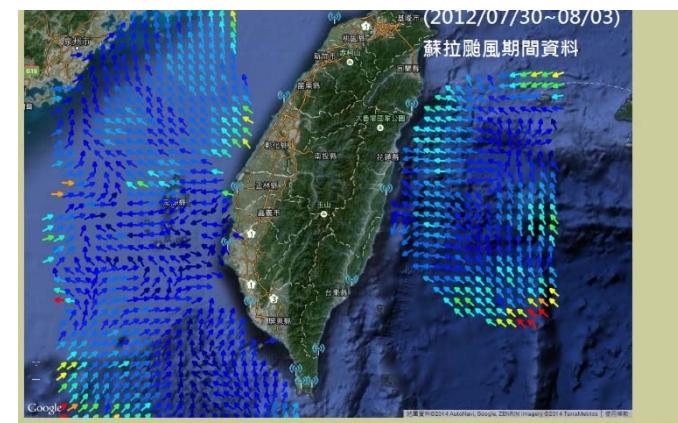
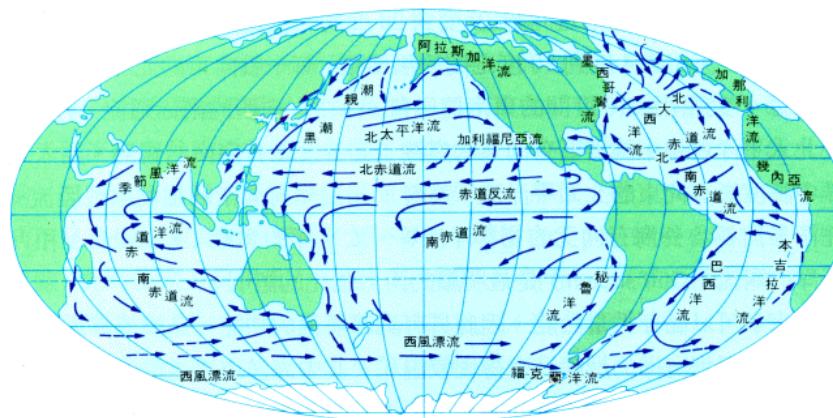
**Cylindrical**

$$\mathbf{F}(r, \phi, z, t) = F_r(r, \phi, z, t)\mathbf{a}_r + F_\phi(r, \phi, z, t)\mathbf{a}_\phi + F_z(r, \phi, z, t)\mathbf{a}_z$$

**Spherical**

$$\mathbf{F}(r, \theta, \phi, t) = F_r(r, \theta, \phi, t)\mathbf{a}_r + F_\theta(r, \theta, \phi, t)\mathbf{a}_\theta + F_\phi(r, \theta, \phi, t)\mathbf{a}_\phi$$

- Vector fields can be depicted by “**directional**” lines or called **streamlines** or **flux** lines.



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- A direction line is a curve constructed such that the field is tangential to the curve for all points. So it means at any point, there exists a direction line (or vector) which describes field direction (by arrows) with certain magnitude (by colors or arrow length).
- To quantify this, we consider a vector  $\mathbf{F}$  with a differential length vector  $d\mathbf{l}$  tangential to the curve. Since  $\mathbf{F} \parallel d\mathbf{l}$ , we have

$$\frac{dx}{F_x} = \frac{dy}{F_y} = \frac{dz}{F_z}$$

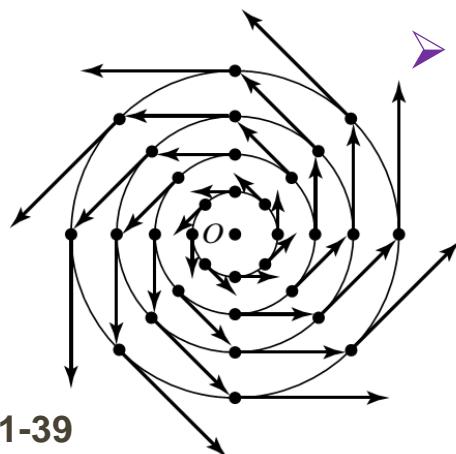
$$\frac{dr}{F_r} = \frac{r d\phi}{F_\phi} = \frac{dz}{F_z}$$

$$\frac{dr}{F_r} = \frac{r d\theta}{F_\theta} = \frac{r \sin \theta d\phi}{F_\phi}$$

Cartesian

Cylindrical

Spherical



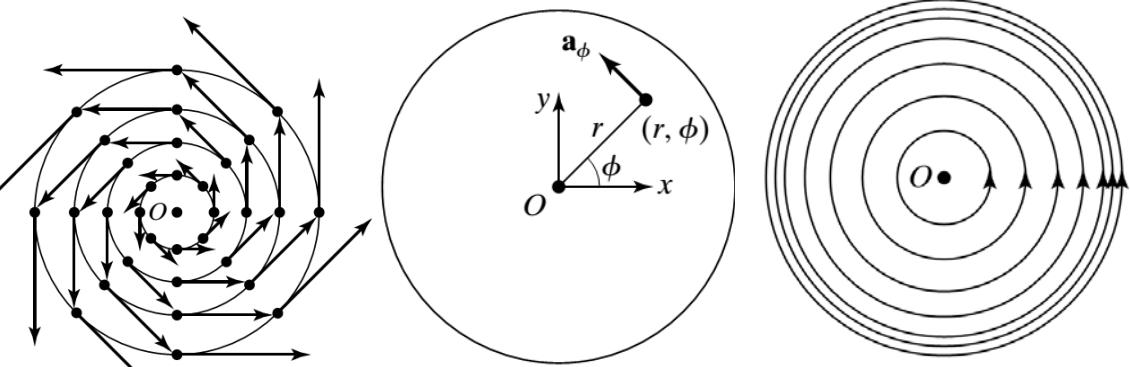
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➤ **Example 1.5:** Linear velocity vector field on a rotating disk

- ✓ A circular disk of radius  $a$  rotating with constant angular velocity  $\omega$  along an axis normal to the disk.
- ✓ Now let's describe its motion by denoting linear velocity vector field.

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- ✓ Let's select x-y as its coordinate and set up as a 2-D problem with its center as the origin.
- ✓ Since it's a centrifuge motion, we prefer to convert x-y into  $(r, \phi)$  to conserve its rotational symmetry.
- ✓ The linear tangential velocity is given as  $\mathbf{v}(r, \phi) = \omega r \mathbf{a}_\phi$ . Then based on slide 1-39, we have



$$\frac{dr}{0} = \frac{r d\phi}{\omega r} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{\begin{aligned} dr &= 0 \\ r &= \text{constant} \end{aligned}}$$

- ✓ To obtain the equations for directional lines, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}(x, y) &= \omega r (\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_x) \mathbf{a}_x + \omega r (\mathbf{a}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{a}_y) \mathbf{a}_y \\ &= \omega r (-\sin \phi \mathbf{a}_x + \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_y) \\ &= \omega (-y \mathbf{a}_x + x \mathbf{a}_y) \end{aligned}$$

$$x dx + y dy = 0$$

$$\boxed{x^2 + y^2 = \text{constant}}$$

# V. ELECTRIC FIELD

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## ■ Analogy to gravitational field

- In a gravitational field, two bodies are attracted by the force exerted associated with their masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  and the distance  $d$  in between, and last a constant  $A$  to depict the relationship ( $F_G = A \frac{m_1 m_2}{d^2}$ ).
- For an electric (E) field, the associated physical quantity becomes electric charges (q), which can be positive or negative. In SI unit, an electron owns a charge of  **$-1.602 \times 10^{-19}$  Coulomb (or C)**.  
**The body can only have charges with its magnitude equal to positive (or negative) multiples (integer) electrons.**
- Some facts on E field:
  - ✓ Magnitude of force  $\propto$  products of the associated charges
  - ✓ Magnitude of force inversely  $\propto$  the square of distance between charges
  - ✓ Depending on medium (associated with dielectric constant)
  - ✓ Force direction along the line connecting the charges
  - ✓  $+/+$  and  $-/-$  repel;  $+/-$  and  $-/+$  attract

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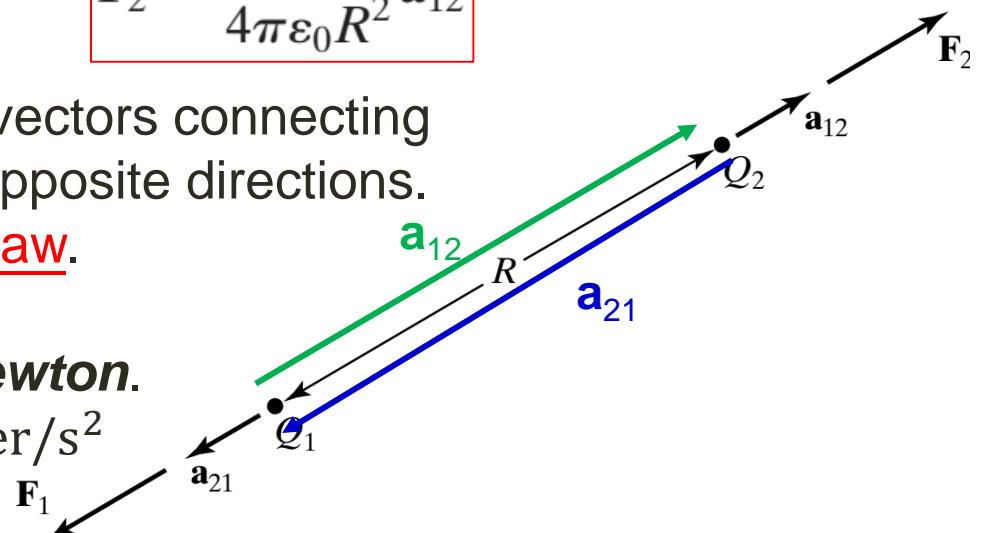
## ■ Electric force

- Gravitational force:  $F_G = A_G \frac{m_1 m_2}{d^2}$
- Electric force in vacuum:  $F_E = A_E \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{d^2}$  where  $A_E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$   
 $\epsilon_0$  is the permittivity in free space and equal to  $8.854 \times 10^{-12}$  Farads/meter or Coulombs/(Volt-meter)
- Assume two charges  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  separated by  $R$ , the force experienced (or exerted/applied on) by  $Q_1/Q_2$  are

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \mathbf{a}_{21}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = \frac{Q_2 Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \mathbf{a}_{12}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_{21}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_{12}$  are unit vectors connecting point 2 to 1 (1 to 2) along opposite directions.  
which is called Coulomb's law.



- **The unit of the force is newton.**, which is equal to  $\text{kg} \cdot \text{meter/s}^2$

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## ■ Electric field

- Gravitation field: the gravitational field created by body 1 (with mass  $m_1$ ) is

$$GF = A_G \frac{m_1}{d^2} = \frac{F_G}{m_2}$$

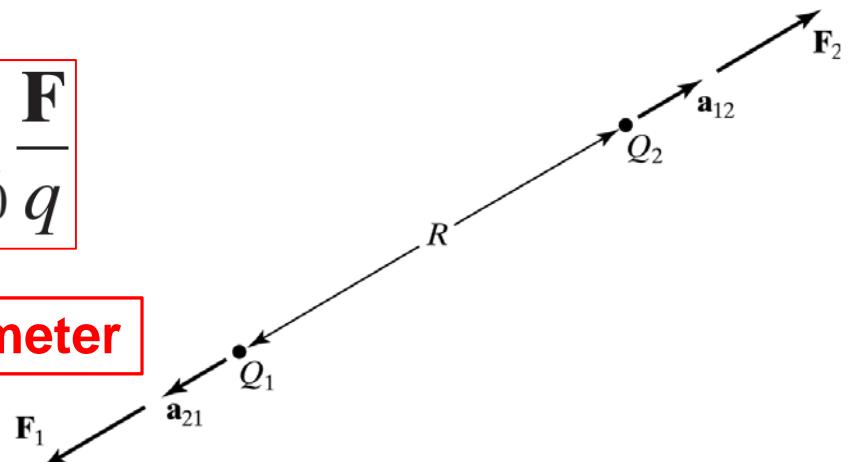
- Electric field: the magnitude of electric field created by body 1 (with charge  $Q_1$ ) is

$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q_1}{d^2} = \frac{F}{Q_2}$$

- More rigorous definition: a force experienced by a testing charge with extremely small quantity of charge placed in an electric field which is created by whatever other charges divided by its charge magnitude.

$$\mathbf{E} = \lim_{q \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{F}}{q}$$

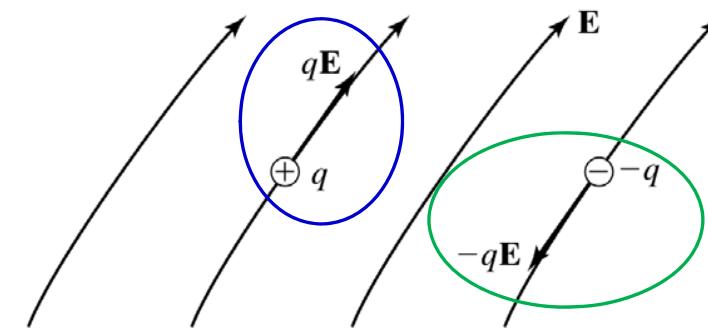
- Unit: **Newton/Coulomb** or **Volt/meter**



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- Field vs. force: depending on the charge type, if positive, the direction is parallel; if negative, the direction is anti-parallel.

$$\mathbf{E} = \lim_{q \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{F}}{q}$$



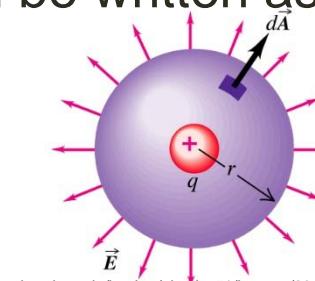
- If a testing charge of  $q$  is placed in a field created by a charge  $Q_1$ , one can write the force on testing charge  $q$  and field created by  $Q_1$  as follows: (note: the direction is  $\mathbf{a}_{12}$  from  $Q_1$  to  $q$ )

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = \frac{Q_1 q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \mathbf{a}_{12} \quad \mathbf{E}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{F}_2}{q} = \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \mathbf{a}_{12}$$

- A general form of an  $\mathbf{E}$  field by a charge  $Q$  can be written as

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \mathbf{a}_R$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_R$  represents  
the outward unit vector



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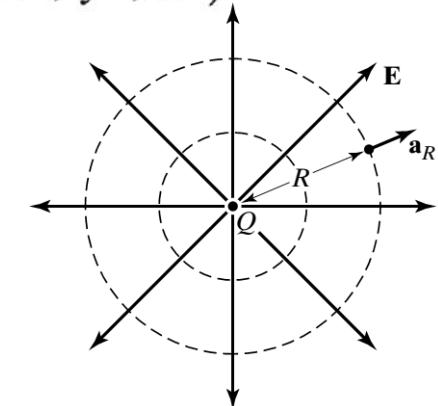
- At point  $P(x, y, z)$  due to a point charge  $Q$  at  $P'(x', y', z')$ , the distance vector  $\mathbf{R}$  from  $P'$  to  $P$  is given

$$[(x - x')\mathbf{a}_x + (y - y')\mathbf{a}_y + (z - z')\mathbf{a}_z]$$

with unit vector of  $\mathbf{a}_R = \mathbf{R}/R$ .

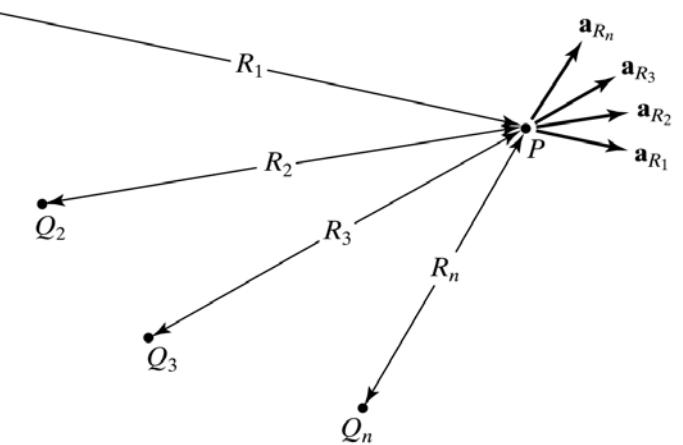
- The  $\mathbf{E}$  field can be written as follows:

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \mathbf{a}_R = \frac{Q\mathbf{R}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(x - x')\mathbf{a}_x + (y - y')\mathbf{a}_y + (z - z')\mathbf{a}_z}{[(x - x')^2 + (y - y')^2 + (z - z')^2]^{3/2}}$$



- For a point  $P$  with multiple charges  $Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_n$ , the electric field is

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_1^2} \mathbf{a}_{R_1} + \frac{Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_2^2} \mathbf{a}_{R_2} + \dots + \frac{Q_n}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_n^2} \mathbf{a}_{R_n}$$

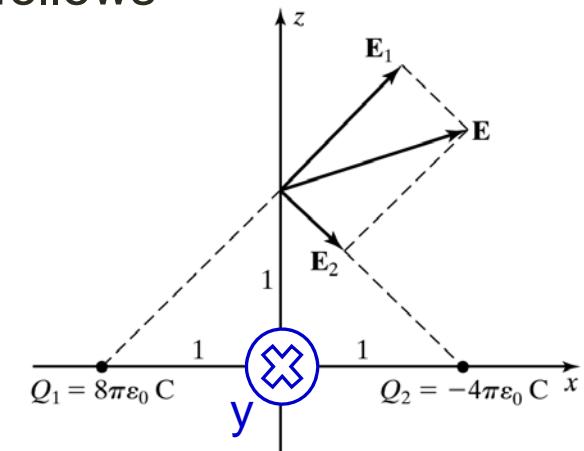


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- **Example 1.6:** 2 point charges  $Q_1 = 8\pi\epsilon_0 \text{ C}$  &  $Q_2 = -4\pi\epsilon_0 \text{ C}$  at  $(-1,0,0)$  and  $(1,0,0)$ , respectively. We'd like to a) find E field at  $(0,0,1)$  and b) discuss streamlines of E field through  $(0,0,1)$ .

- a) At  $(0,0,1)$ , the E field can be calculated as follows based on slide (1-44):

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{E}]_{(0,0,1)} &= [\mathbf{E}_1]_{(0,0,1)} + [\mathbf{E}_2]_{(0,0,1)} \\ &= \frac{8\pi\epsilon_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_z)}{2^{3/2}} - \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(-\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_z)}{2^{3/2}} \\ &= 1.118 \left( \frac{3\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_z}{\sqrt{10}} \right) \end{aligned}$$



- b) For streamlines, we recall they are curves such that at any given point on the curves, the E-field is tangential to the curve with the magnitude labeled by the arrow length or color.

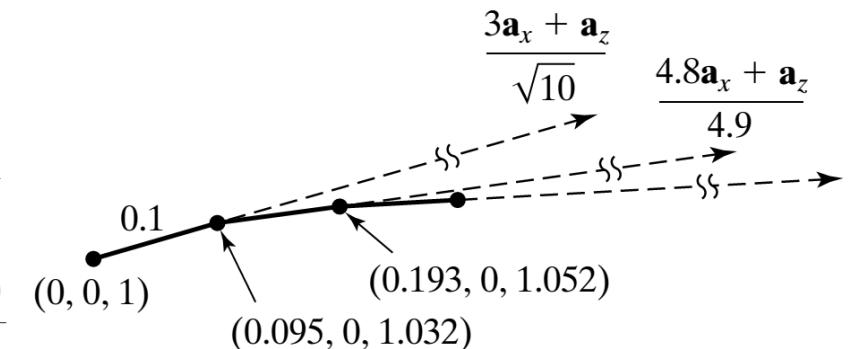
Let's pick an increment vector  $(3\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_z)/\sqrt{10}$  with magnitude of 0.1 along the unit vector of E field from  $(0,0,1)$ , we got

$$(0.095, 0, 1.032) = (0,0,1) + 0.1 \times \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \right)$$

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Then at this point, the E field is

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{E}]_{(0.095, 0, 1.032)} &= \frac{8\pi\epsilon_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(1.095\mathbf{a}_x + 1.032\mathbf{a}_z)}{(1.095^2 + 1.032^2)^{3/2}} \\ &\quad - \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(-0.905\mathbf{a}_x + 1.032\mathbf{a}_z)}{(0.905^2 + 1.032^2)^{3/2}} \\ &= 1.015 \left( \frac{4.8\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_z}{4.9} \right) \end{aligned}$$



Then we repeat a new unit vector  $(4.8\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_z)/4.9$  with magnitude of 0.1 to find the ending coordinate of  $(0.193, 0, 1.052) =$

$$(0.095, 0, 1.032) + 0.1 \times \left( \frac{4.8}{4.9}, 0, \frac{1}{4.9} \right)$$

**Coordinates**

X = 0.095      Z = 1.032

**Field strength**

E = 1.015

**Field components**

UX = 0.979      UZ = 0.204

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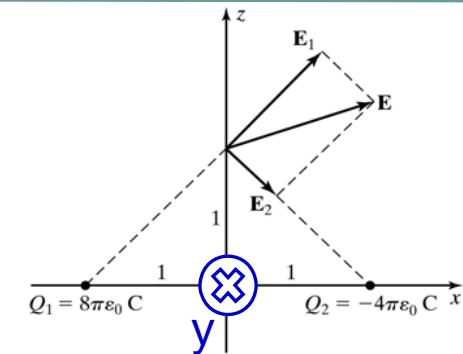
- ✓ Moving toward  $Q_2$

**TABLE 1.1** Values of Parameters Pertinent to the Steps in the Computer Generation of the Direction Line of  $\mathbf{E}$  in Fig. 1.25 for (a) the Segment from  $(0, 0, 1)$  Toward the Charge  $Q_2$  and (b) the Segment from  $(0, 0, 1)$  Back Toward the Charge  $Q_1$ .

$X = 0.000$	$Z = 1.000$	$E = 1.118$	$UX = 0.949$	$UZ = 0.316$
$X = 0.095$	$Z = 1.032$	$E = 1.015$	$UX = 0.979$	$UZ = 0.204$
$X = 0.193$	$Z = 1.052$	$E = 0.942$	$UX = 0.997$	$UZ = 0.076$
$X = 0.292$	$Z = 1.060$	$E = 0.898$	$UX = 0.998$	$UZ = -0.065$
$X = 0.392$	$Z = 1.053$	$E = 0.882$	$UX = 0.977$	$UZ = -0.215$
$X = 0.490$	$Z = 1.032$	$E = 0.898$	$UX = 0.930$	$UZ = -0.368$
$X = 0.583$	$Z = 0.995$	$E = 0.951$	$UX = 0.858$	$UZ = -0.513$
$X = 0.669$	$Z = 0.944$	$E = 1.051$	$UX = 0.766$	$UZ = -0.643$
$X = 0.745$	$Z = 0.879$	$E = 1.212$	$UX = 0.660$	$UZ = -0.751$
$X = 0.811$	$Z = 0.804$	$E = 1.459$	$UX = 0.548$	$UZ = -0.836$
$X = 0.866$	$Z = 0.721$	$E = 1.837$	$UX = 0.439$	$UZ = -0.899$
$X = 0.910$	$Z = 0.631$	$E = 2.426$	$UX = 0.337$	$UZ = -0.942$
$X = 0.944$	$Z = 0.536$	$E = 3.391$	$UX = 0.246$	$UZ = -0.969$
$X = 0.968$	$Z = 0.440$	$E = 5.100$	$UX = 0.167$	$UZ = -0.986$
$X = 0.985$	$Z = 0.341$	$E = 8.537$	$UX = 0.101$	$UZ = -0.995$
$X = 0.995$	$Z = 0.241$	$E = 17.101$	$UX = 0.049$	$UZ = -0.999$
$X = 1.000$	$Z = 0.142$	$E = 49.846$	$UX = 0.010$	$UZ = -1.000$
$X = 1.001$	$Z = 0.042$	$E = 577.540$	$UX = -0.023$	$UZ = -1.000$

Number of steps = 17

(a)



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## ✓ Moving toward $Q_1$

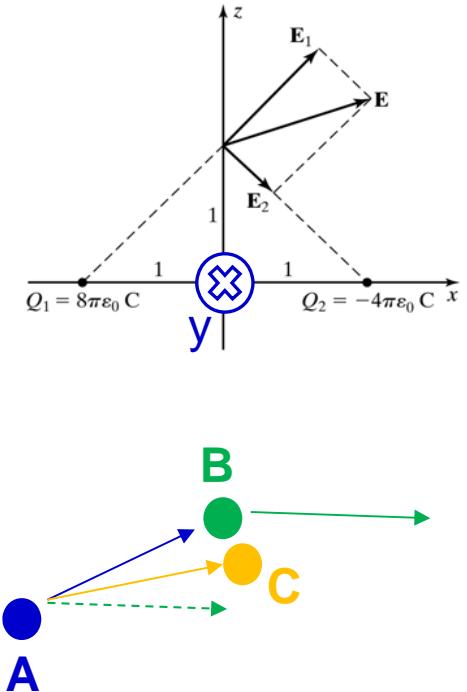
$X = 0.000$	$Z = 1.000$	$E = 1.118$	$UX = 0.949$	$UZ = 0.316$
$X = -0.095$	$Z = 0.968$	$E = 1.243$	$UX = 0.908$	$UZ = 0.420$
$X = -0.186$	$Z = 0.926$	$E = 1.411$	$UX = 0.862$	$UZ = 0.507$
$X = -0.272$	$Z = 0.876$	$E = 1.634$	$UX = 0.815$	$UZ = 0.580$
$X = -0.353$	$Z = 0.818$	$E = 1.931$	$UX = 0.768$	$UZ = 0.640$
$X = -0.430$	$Z = 0.754$	$E = 2.333$	$UX = 0.724$	$UZ = 0.689$
$X = -0.503$	$Z = 0.685$	$E = 2.888$	$UX = 0.684$	$UZ = 0.730$
$X = -0.571$	$Z = 0.612$	$E = 3.681$	$UX = 0.648$	$UZ = 0.762$
$X = -0.636$	$Z = 0.536$	$E = 4.871$	$UX = 0.616$	$UZ = 0.788$
$X = -0.697$	$Z = 0.457$	$E = 6.769$	$UX = 0.590$	$UZ = 0.808$
$X = -0.756$	$Z = 0.376$	$E = 10.074$	$UX = 0.568$	$UZ = 0.823$
$X = -0.813$	$Z = 0.294$	$E = 16.616$	$UX = 0.551$	$UZ = 0.835$
$X = -0.868$	$Z = 0.210$	$E = 32.588$	$UX = 0.538$	$UZ = 0.843$
$X = -0.922$	$Z = 0.126$	$E = 91.176$	$UX = 0.529$	$UZ = 0.849$
$X = -0.975$	$Z = 0.041$	$E = 860.610$	$UX = 0.522$	$UZ = 0.853$

Number of steps = 14

(b)

## ✓ Cumulative errors

- For points **A** to **B** with  $0.1 \times$  length of unit vector, we assume the **E** field is constant along the path, which is not the case. In reality, **E** field is changing across the entire space.
- To Improve this cumulative error, we could insert a point, say **C**. The magnitude of the new vector is still  $0.1 \times$  length of unit vector, but along a new vector which is the bi-sect of **E** field at points **A** and **B**. not along the **E** vector at point **A**.



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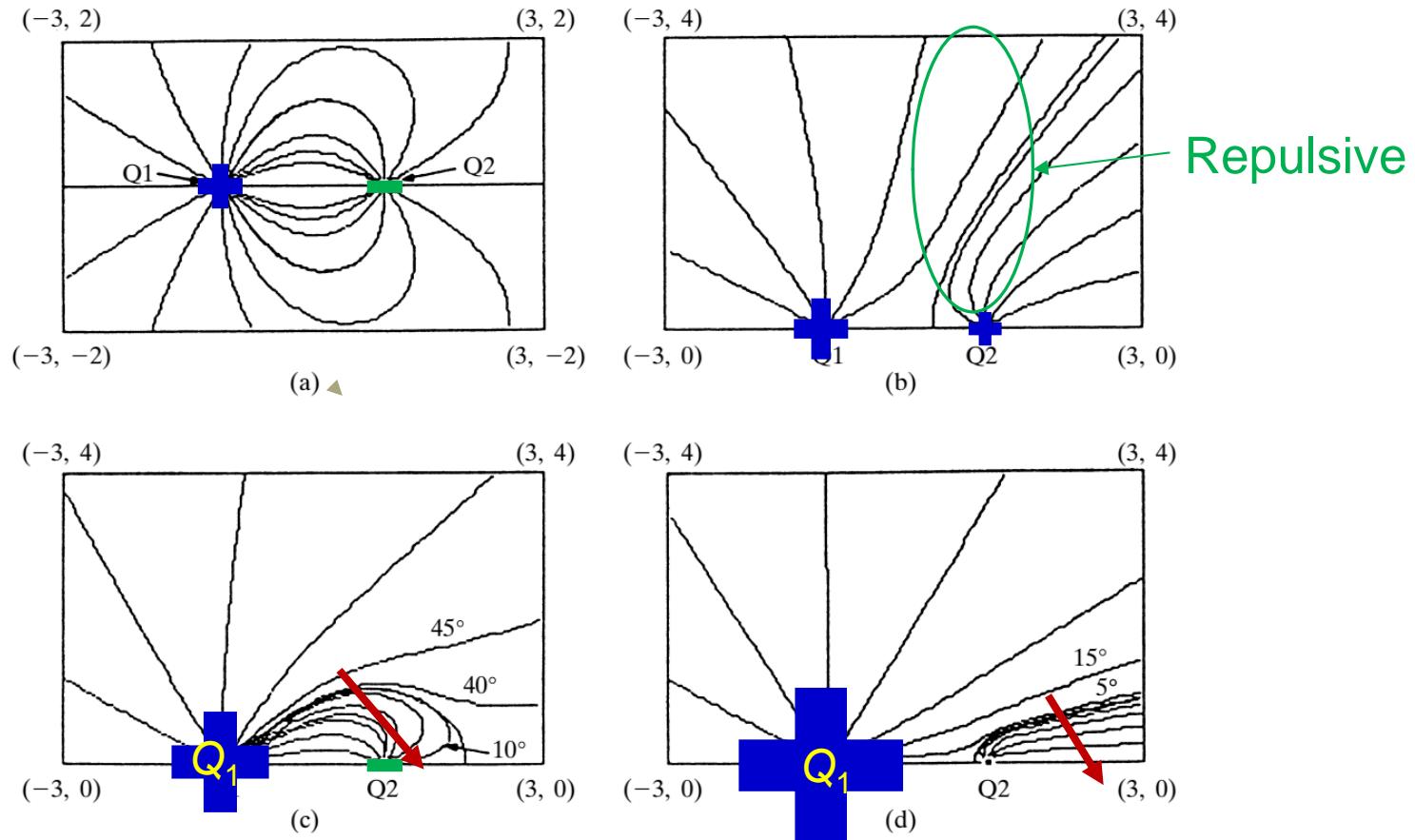


FIGURE 1.26

Computer-generated maps of direction lines of electric field for pairs of point charges  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  at  $(-1, 0)$  and  $(1, 0)$ , respectively, in the  $xz$ -plane. (a)  $Q_1 = 2Q$ ,  $Q_2 = -Q$ ; (b)  $Q_1 = 4Q$ ,  $Q_2 = Q$ ; (c)  $Q_1 = 9Q$ ,  $Q_2 = -Q$ ; and (d)  $Q_1 = 81Q$ ,  $Q_2 = Q$ .

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- **Example 1.7:** Find the intensity of electric field at z-axis for charge Q (C) uniformly distributed along the circle of radius  $a$  in x-y plane at  $z = 0$

- ✓ Let's divide the ring into  $2n$  segments (1, 2, 3, ...,  $2n$ ). The electric field at  $j^{\text{th}}$  segment is

$$\mathbf{E}_j = \frac{Q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_j^2} \mathbf{a}_{R_j}$$

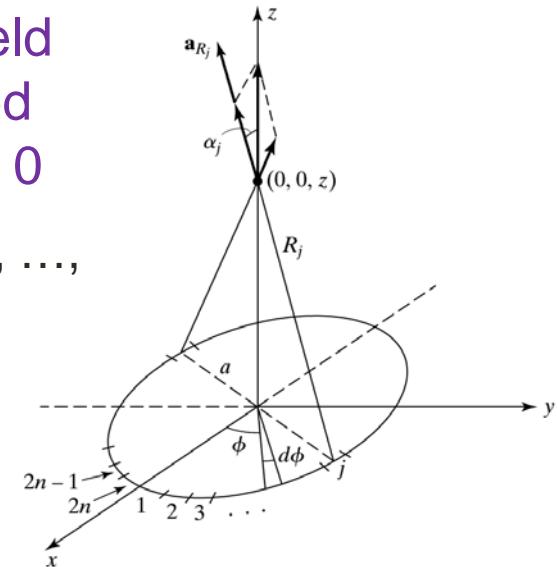
- ✓ Since (total)  $Q$  is uniformly distributed, one can write  $Q_j$  as follows:

$$Q_j = \left( \frac{Q}{2\pi a} \right) \left( \frac{2\pi a}{2n} \right) = \frac{Q}{2n}$$

- ✓ And  $R_j$  is  $R_j = \sqrt{z^2 + a^2}$

- ✓ Due to the **circular symmetry**, components of  $E$  fields lying on x-y plane canceled with each other, but **only z-component left**. We can sum up  $E$  fields as follows

$$[\mathbf{E}]_{(0, 0, z)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2Q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_j^2} (\mathbf{a}_{R_j} \cdot \mathbf{a}_z) \mathbf{a}_z$$



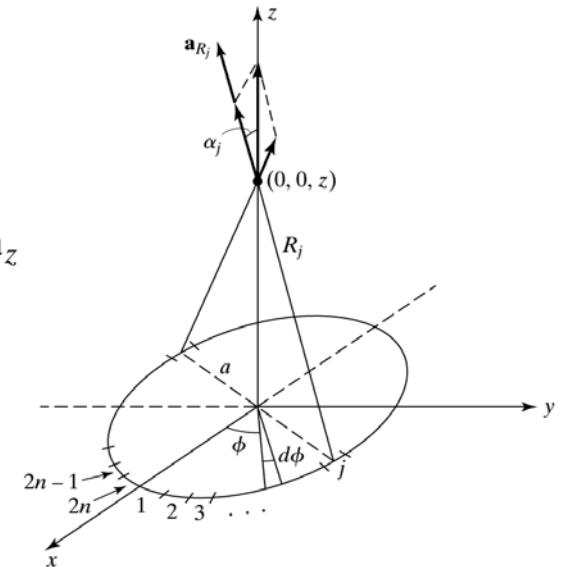
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$$\begin{aligned}
 [\mathbf{E}]_{(0, 0, z)} &= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{Q_j}{2\pi\epsilon_0 R_j^2} \cos \alpha_j \mathbf{a}_z = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{Q_j z}{2\pi\epsilon_0 R_j^3} \mathbf{a}_z \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{Q z}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n(z^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \mathbf{a}_z = \frac{Q z}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (z^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \mathbf{a}_z
 \end{aligned}$$

- ✓ The E field points toward  $+z$  if  $z > 0$ ; toward  $-z$  direction if  $z < 0$ .
- ✓ Another way to summation is by integration as follows:

$$[\mathbf{E}]_{(0, 0, z)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2Q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_j^2} (\mathbf{a}_{R_j} \cdot \mathbf{a}_z) \mathbf{a}_z$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [E_z]_{(0, 0, z)} &= \int_{\phi=0}^{\pi} \frac{2(Q/2\pi a)a d\phi}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (a^2 + z^2)} \frac{z}{(a^2 + z^2)^{1/2}} \\
 &= \frac{Qz}{4\pi^2\epsilon_0 (a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \int_{\phi=0}^{\pi} d\phi \\
 &= \frac{Qz}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}
 \end{aligned}$$



1. Uniformly charge distribution:

$$\sum_{1}^{2n} \dots = 2 \times \sum_{1}^n \dots = \int_0^{2\pi} \dots = \int_0^\pi 2 \times \dots$$

2. Charge density:

$$R_j^2 \Rightarrow (a^2 + z^2)$$

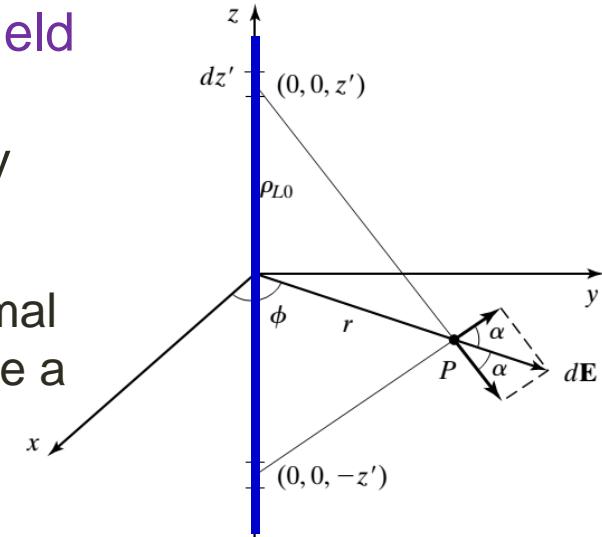
3. z-axis component

$$(\mathbf{a}_{R_j} \cdot \mathbf{a}_z) \Rightarrow \frac{z}{(a^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$$

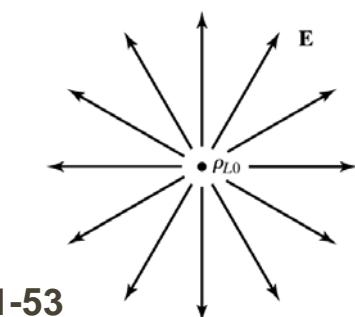
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- **Example 1.8:** Find the intensity of electric field everywhere for an infinitely long line charge (blue) along z –axis with uniform line density  $\rho_{L0}$  C/m.

- ✓ Let's divide the line into a series of infinitesimal segments by considering each segment to be a point charge. Then superimpose them.
- ✓ Consider at point P( $r, \phi, 0$ ):
  - Since point P lies at x-y plane ( $z = 0$ ), exists a pair of segments on the charge line:  $(0,0, z')$  and  $(0,0, -z')$ . Both have the same length  $dz$ . The component along r direction of E field due to the two segments (points) can be written as



$$[d\mathbf{E}]_{(r, \phi, 0)} = \frac{2 \frac{\rho_{L0} dz'}{z' + (-z')}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 [r^2 + (z')^2]} \cos \alpha \mathbf{a}_r = \frac{\rho_{L0} r dz'}{2\pi\epsilon_0 [r^2 + (z')^2]^{3/2}} \mathbf{a}_r$$



$$[\mathbf{E}]_{(r, \phi, 0)} = \int_{z'=0}^{\infty} [d\mathbf{E}]_{(r, \phi, 0)} = \int_{z'=0}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_{L0} r dz'}{2\pi\epsilon_0 [r^2 + (z')^2]^{3/2}} \mathbf{a}_r = \frac{\rho_{L0}}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \int_{\alpha=0}^{\pi/2} \cos \alpha d\alpha$$

$$= \frac{\rho_{L0}}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \mathbf{a}_r$$

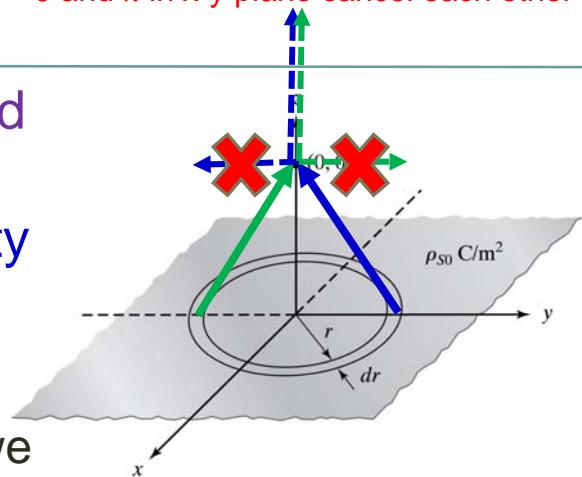
since the  $E_z$  components by  $-z$  and  $z$  cancelled each other.

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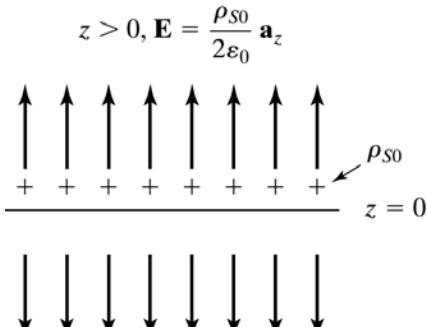
- **Example 1.9:** Find the intensity of electric field everywhere for an infinite plane sheet of charge in x-y plane with uniform charge density  $\rho_{S0}$  C/m<sup>2</sup>.

- ✓ Similar to the above example, one can divide the charge sheet into very small parts. Then we select a point at z-axis (0,0,z).
- ✓ Assuming the sheet can be divided and represented by a “circular plate” composed of many rings. At certain angle, the components of E fields are along z and x-y plane. At the opposite angle, there will be a x-y plane component which cancelled each other with only z component left.

the components with azimuthal angle 0 and  $\pi$  in x-y plane cancel each other



$$z > 0, \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho_{S0}}{2\epsilon_0} \mathbf{a}_z$$


  
 $z = 0$

$$z < 0, \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\rho_{S0}}{2\epsilon_0} \mathbf{a}_z$$

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charge      distance+z-component

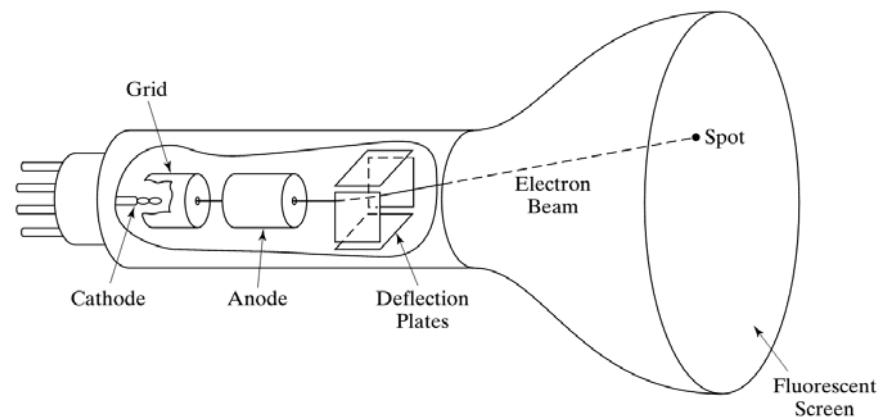
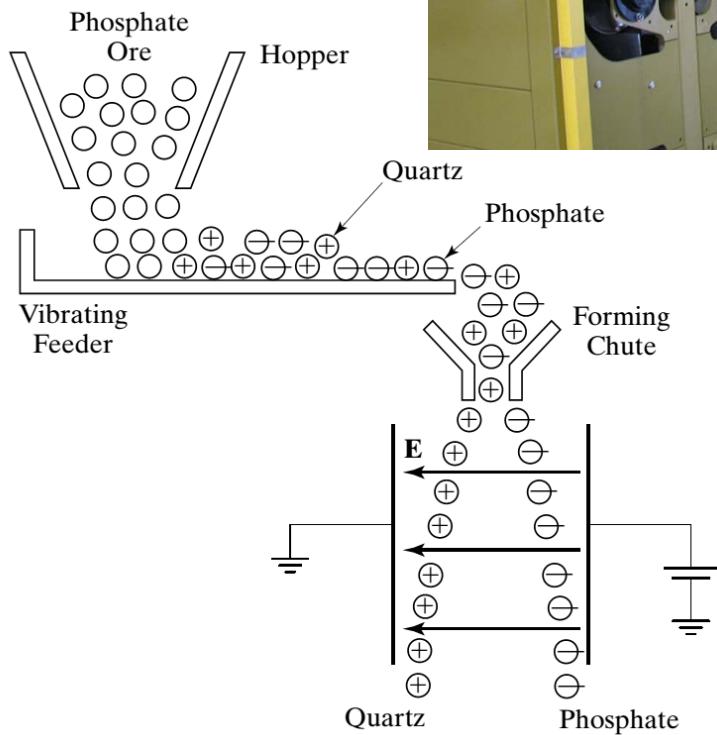
$$[d\mathbf{E}]_{(0,0,z)} = \frac{(\rho_{S0} 2\pi r dr) z}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \mathbf{a}_z$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{E}]_{(0,0,z)} &= \int_{r=0}^{\infty} [d\mathbf{E}]_{(0,0,z)} = \int_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_{S0} r z dr}{2\epsilon_0 (r^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \mathbf{a}_z \\ &= \frac{\rho_{S0} z}{2\epsilon_0} \left[ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}} \right]_{r=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{a}_z = \frac{\rho_{S0} z}{2\epsilon_0 |z|} \mathbf{a}_z = \pm \frac{\rho_{S0}}{2\epsilon_0} \mathbf{a}_z \end{aligned}$$

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## ■ Applications

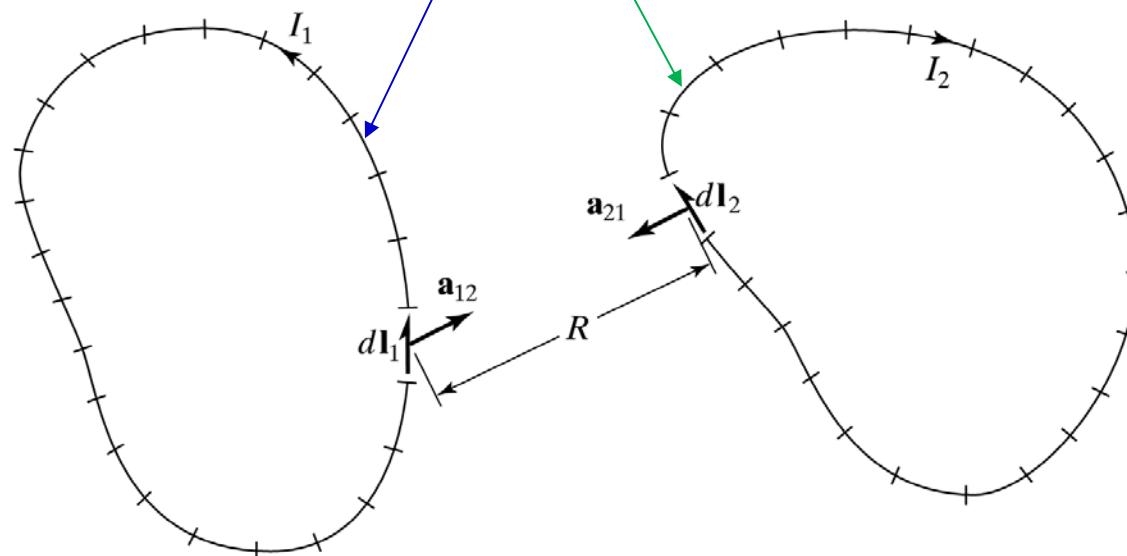
- Cathode Ray Tube (陰極射線管) for old TV technology (1934)
- Mineral separator



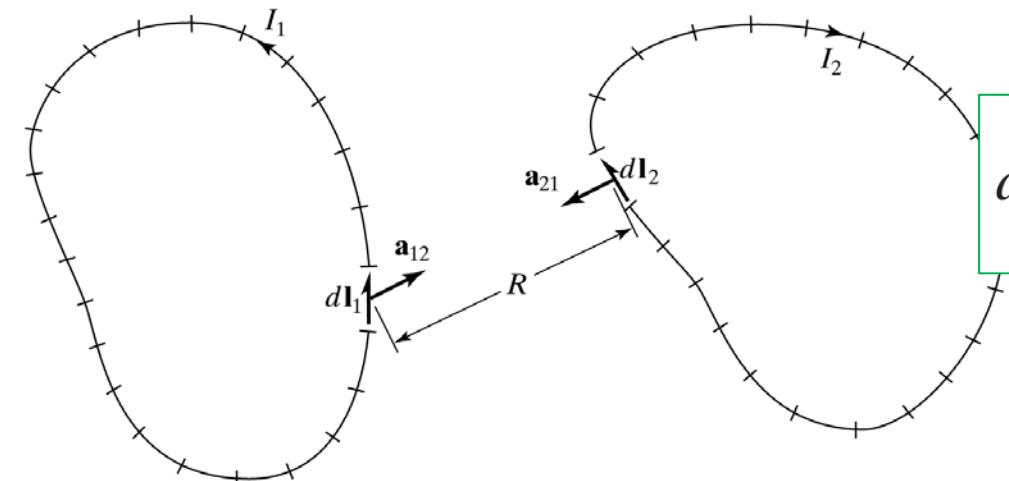
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## ■ Ampère's law

- Similar to Coulomb's law for electric field, Ampère's law depicts the nature of magnetic objects in magnetic field.
- Two circulating current loops generate magnetic force in between.
  - ✓ The total force experienced by a loop is the vector sum of forces experienced by the infinitesimal current elements (e.g.  $d\mathbf{l}_1$  and  $d\mathbf{l}_2$ ).
  - ✓ The force experienced by each current element is the vector sum of forces exerted from the infinitesimal elements in the second loop



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$$d\mathbf{F}_2 = I_2 d\mathbf{l}_2 \times \left( \frac{k I_1 d\mathbf{l}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_{12}}{R^2} \right)$$

Force on loop 2

$$d\mathbf{F}_1 = I_1 d\mathbf{l}_1 \times \left( \frac{k I_2 d\mathbf{l}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_{21}}{R^2} \right)$$

Force on loop 1

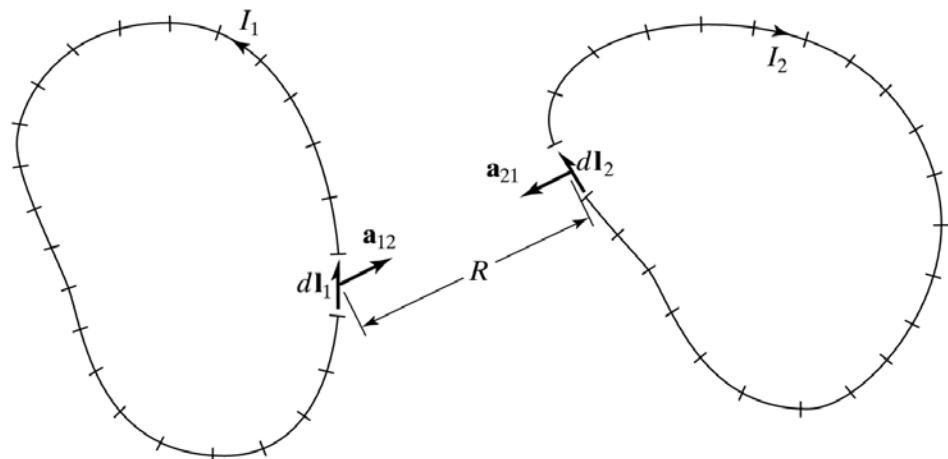
- \$d\mathbf{l}\_1\$ and \$d\mathbf{l}\_2\$: tangential vectors along the current loops
- \$\mathbf{a}\_{12}\$ and \$\mathbf{a}\_{21}\$: unit vectors joining the current elements in two loops (away from the current elements)

- \$k (= \frac{\mu\_0}{4\pi} = 10^{-7} \text{ H/m in free space})\$: proportional constant, where \$\mu\_0\$ is the permeability of free space (unit: newton/A or henry/m and henry = newton-m/A); \$R\$: distance
- Force \$\propto\$ current (\$I\_1\$ and \$I\_2\$), length (\$d\mathbf{l}\_1\$ and \$d\mathbf{l}\_2\$), \$\frac{1}{R^2}\$;
- Force direction follows right-hand rule: if \$I\_1\$ and \$I\_2\$ circular with the opposite (same) orientation, the force will be attractive (repulsive)

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- From  $dF_1$  and  $dF_2$ , one can observe that each force depends on the other current loop and its current. Thus, a magnetic field ( $B_1$ ) provided by I1 loop on current loop I2 can be written as

$$d\mathbf{F}_2 = I_2 d\mathbf{l}_2 \times \left( \frac{kI_1 d\mathbf{l}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_{12}}{R^2} \right) = I_2 d\mathbf{l}_2 \times \mathbf{B}_1$$



$$\mathbf{B}_1 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I_1 d\mathbf{l}_1 \times \mathbf{a}_{12}}{R^2}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_2 = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I_2 d\mathbf{l}_2 \times \mathbf{a}_{21}}{R^2}$$

- So the force can be written as  $d\mathbf{F} = I d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B}$

where  $\mathbf{B}$  is called magnetic flux density vector

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{a}_R}{R^2}$$

*Biot-Savart's law*

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### ■ ***Example 1.10:*** Magnetic flux density

An infinitesimal length of 1 mm wire located at (1,0,0) with current of 2A in  $\mathbf{a}_x$  direction. Find out the magnetic flux density at (0,2,2).

- Current element is given by

$$I d\mathbf{l} = (2)(10^{-3})\mathbf{a}_x = 0.002\mathbf{a}_x$$

- The distance  $\mathbf{R}$  is

$$\mathbf{R} = (0 - 1)\mathbf{a}_x + (2 - 0)\mathbf{a}_y + (2 - 0)\mathbf{a}_z = -\mathbf{a}_x + 2\mathbf{a}_y + 2\mathbf{a}_z$$

- Then by *Biot-Savart's* law, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{B}]_{(0,2,2)} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{a}_R}{R^2} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{R}}{R^3} \\ &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{0.002\mathbf{a}_x \times (-\mathbf{a}_x + 2\mathbf{a}_y + 2\mathbf{a}_z)}{27} = \frac{0.001\mu_0}{27\pi} (-\mathbf{a}_y + \mathbf{a}_z) \text{ Wb/m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

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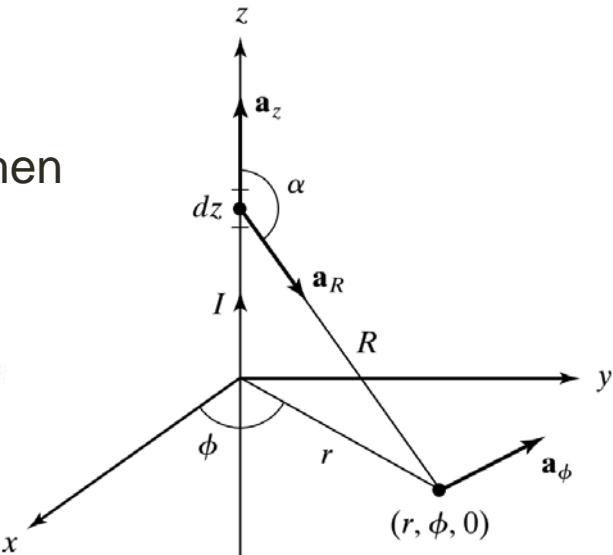
## ■ Example 1.11: Magnetic field of an infinitely long wire

An infinitely long straight wire along z-axis with 1A in +z direction.

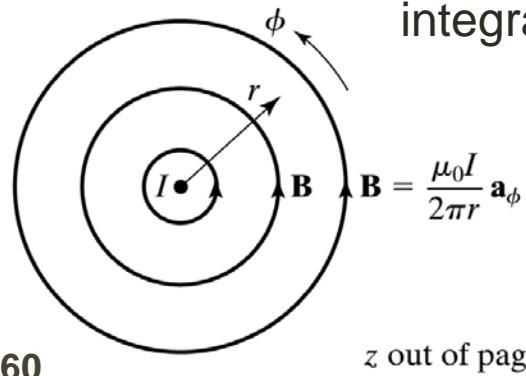
Find the magnetic flux density everywhere.

- At a point on x-y plane of  $(r, \phi, 0)$ , consider a differential length  $dz$  on the wire at  $(0,0,z)$ . Then via *Biot-Savart's law*

$$\begin{aligned} [d\mathbf{B}]_{(r, \phi, 0)} &= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I dz \mathbf{a}_z \times \mathbf{a}_R}{R^2} = \frac{\mu_0 I dz \sin \alpha}{4\pi R^2} \mathbf{a}_\phi \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I dz}{4\pi} \frac{r}{R^3} \mathbf{a}_\phi = \frac{\mu_0 I r dz}{4\pi(z^2 + r^2)^{3/2}} \mathbf{a}_\phi \end{aligned}$$



- The contribution throughout the entire wire can be obtained by integration

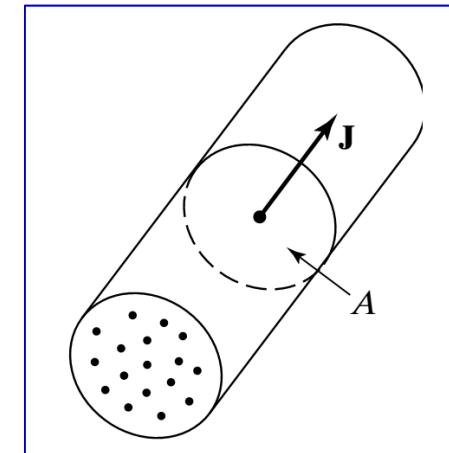


$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{B}]_{(r, \phi, 0)} &= \int_{z=-\infty}^{\infty} d\mathbf{B} = \int_{z=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\mu_0 I r}{4\pi(z^2 + r^2)^{3/2}} dz \mathbf{a}_\phi \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I r}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{z}{r^2 \sqrt{z^2 + r^2}} \right]_{z=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{a}_\phi = \boxed{\frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} \mathbf{a}_\phi} \end{aligned}$$

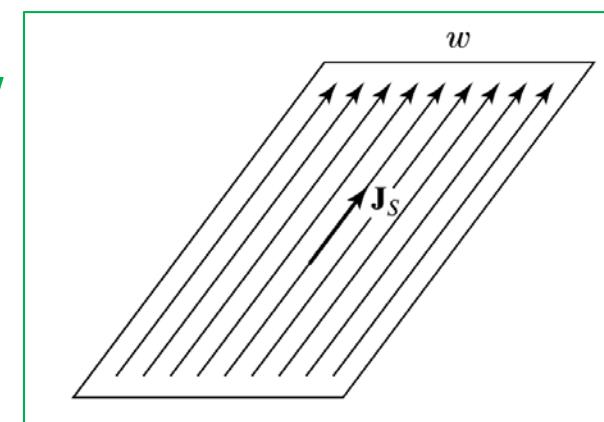
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## ■ Current Distributions:

- Volume current density ( $\mathbf{J}_{2D}$ ):
  - ✓ Current flows through a certain cross-section of area A
  - ✓ Unit: amperes/area such as  $A/cm^2$  or  $A/m^2$
  - ✓ Total current ( $I$ ) =  $\mathbf{J}_{2D} \times \text{Area}$  if current flows uniformly; if not,  $I = \int \mathbf{J}_{2D} ds$ , where  $ds$  represents area integration



- Surface current density ( $\mathbf{J}_{1D}$ ):
  - ✓ Current flows through a certain width w
  - ✓ Unit: amperes/width such as  $A/cm$  or  $A/m$
  - ✓ Total current ( $I$ ) =  $\mathbf{J}_{1D} \times \text{Area}$  if current flows uniformly; if not,  $I = \int \mathbf{J}_{1D} dl$ , where  $dl$  represents line integration



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## ■ Current Spreading (crowding):

- Since the resistance for the infinitesimal current components along their each flowing paths is NOT the same (path-dependent), current will not flow uniformly. Thus, current density is NOT total current divided by area.

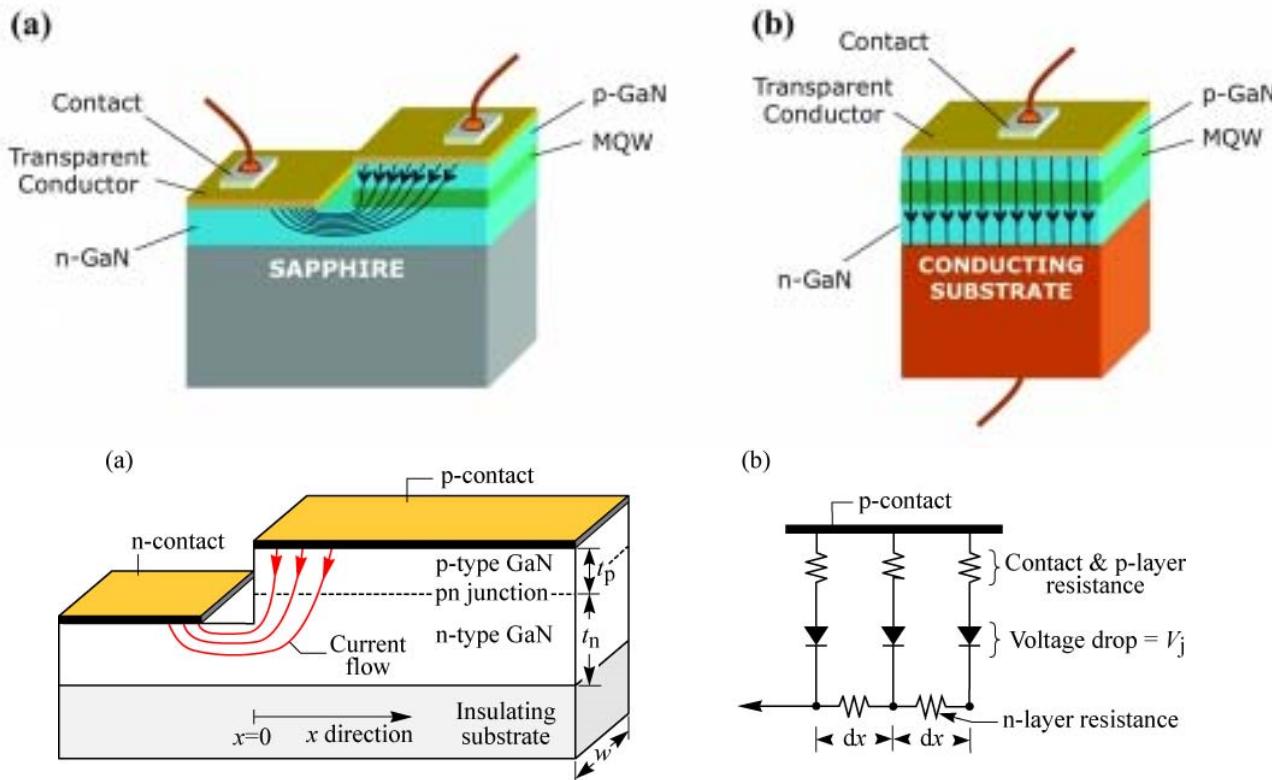
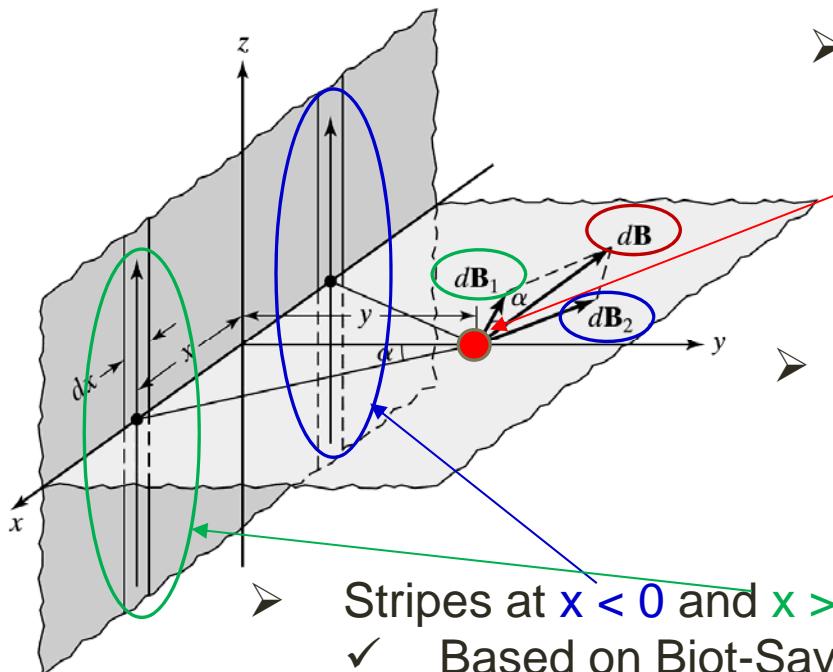


Fig. 8.7. (a) Current crowding in a mesa-structure GaN-based LED grown on an insulating substrate. (b) Equivalent circuit consisting of n-type and p-type layer resistances, p-type contact resistance, and ideal diodes representing the p-n junction.

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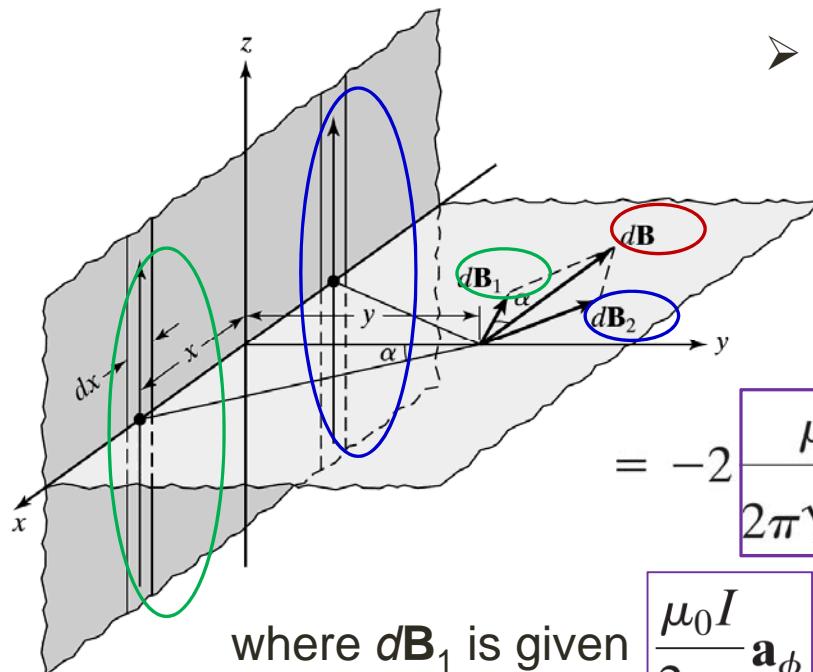
## ■ **Example 1.12:** Magnetic field of an infinite plane current sheet

An infinite current sheet in  $xz$ -plane of uniform current density  $\mathbf{J}_S = J_{S0}\mathbf{a}_z$  A/m, find the magnetic flux density ( $B$ ) everywhere.



- Consider a point  $(0, y, 0)$  at  $y$ -axis. Then we divide the current plane into infinite current vertical lines (along  $z$ -axis) with superposition used to integrate the overall magnetic fields by each strips (lines).
- There exists two vertical strips at  $x > 0$  and  $x < 0$  with the same distance  $x$  to the origin, which will induce the same magnitude of magnetic field, but some parts can be cancelled out.
- Stripes at  $x < 0$  and  $x > 0$ :
  - ✓ Based on Biot-Savart's law, the resulting  $B$ 's ( $\perp \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_R$ ) by  $x < 0$  and  $x > 0$  are  $d\mathbf{B}_2$  and  $d\mathbf{B}_1$ , which can be divided into two components along  $x$  and  $y$ -axes.
  - ✓ Their components along  $y$ -axis can be cancelled out, so the only term left is along  $x$ -axis ( $d\mathbf{B}$ ).

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- Then the resulting magnetic flux by applying Biot-Savart's law

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{I d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{a}_R}{R^2}$$

$$d\mathbf{B} = d\mathbf{B}_1 + d\mathbf{B}_2 = -2 dB_1 \cos \alpha \mathbf{a}_x$$

$$= -2 \frac{\mu_0 J_{S0} dx}{2\pi \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \mathbf{a}_x = -\frac{\mu_0 J_{S0} y dx}{\pi(x^2 + y^2)} \mathbf{a}_x$$

where  $d\mathbf{B}_1$  is given  $\frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} \mathbf{a}_\phi$  (based on the results from Example 1.11).

- The total B flux from the entire current sheet is obtained by integration

$$[\mathbf{B}]_{(0, y, 0)} = \int_{x=0}^{\infty} d\mathbf{B} = - \int_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu_0 J_{S0} y}{\pi(x^2 + y^2)} dx \mathbf{a}_x = -\frac{\mu_0 J_{S0} y}{\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{y} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y} \right]_{x=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{a}_x$$

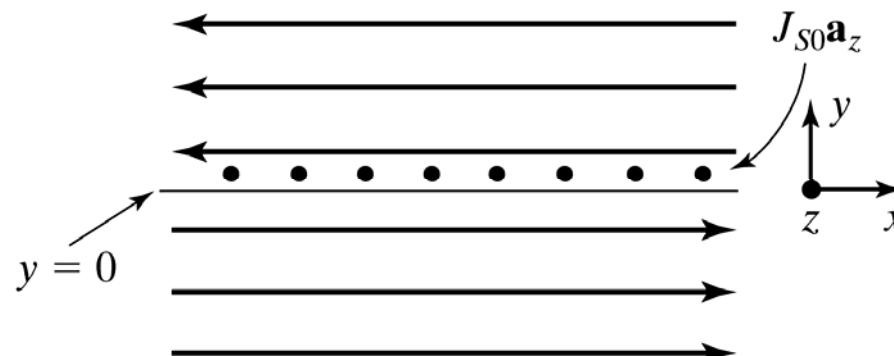
$$= -\frac{\mu_0 J_{S0}}{2} \mathbf{a}_x \quad \text{for } y > 0 \quad = \frac{\mu_0 J_{S0}}{2} \mathbf{a}_x \quad \text{for } y < 0$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{B} = \mp \frac{\mu_0 J_{S0}}{2} \mathbf{a}_x \quad \text{for } y \geq 0}$$

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- The magnetic flux has the magnitude of  $\mu_0 J_{S0}/2$  everywhere along the  $\mp \mathbf{a}_x$  direction for  $y \geq 0$

$$y > 0, \mathbf{B} = -\frac{\mu_0 J_{S0}}{2} \mathbf{a}_x$$



$$y < 0, \mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 J_{S0}}{2} \mathbf{a}_x$$

- Define  $\mathbf{a}_n$  to be unit normal vector away from the current sheet

$$\mathbf{a}_n = \pm \mathbf{a}_y \quad \text{for } y \geq 0$$

- And the magnetic flux  $\mathbf{B}$  is

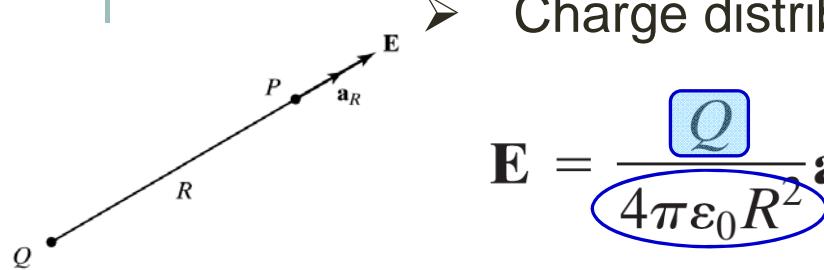
$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{2} (J_{S0} \mathbf{a}_z) \times (\pm \mathbf{a}_y) \quad \text{for } y \geq 0$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{2} \mathbf{J}_S \times \mathbf{a}_n}$$

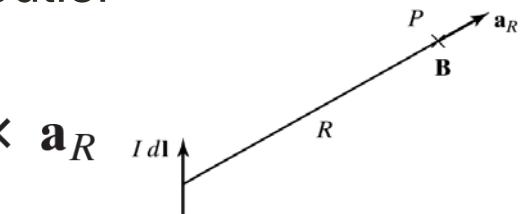
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## ■ Analogy between magnetic field and electric field

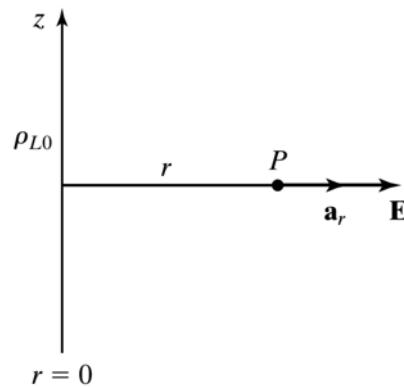
➤ Charge distribution vs. current distribution



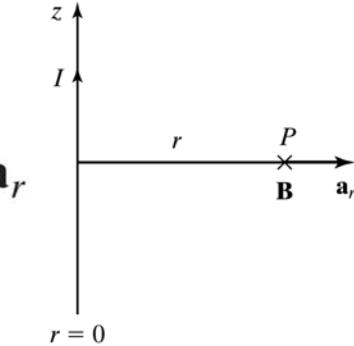
$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \mathbf{a}_R \leftrightarrow \mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{4\pi R^2} d\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{a}_R$$



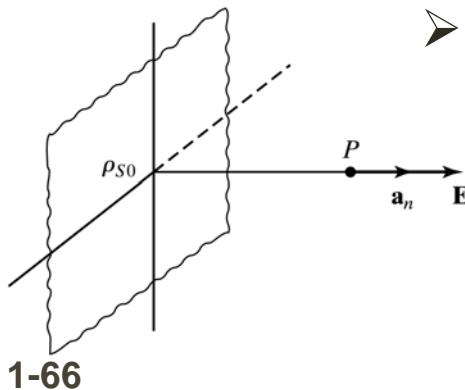
➤ Infinite long line charge of uniform density vs. infinite long line current



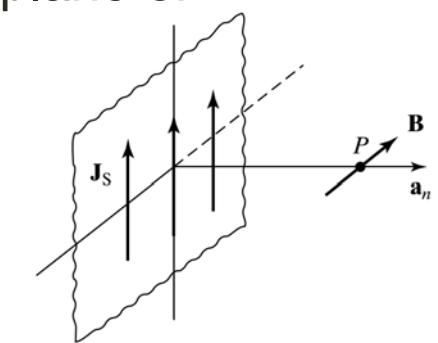
$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho_{L0}}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \mathbf{a}_r \leftrightarrow \mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} \mathbf{a}_\phi = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} \mathbf{a}_z \times \mathbf{a}_r$$



➤ Infinite plane of charge sheet vs. infinite plane of current sheet (both of uniform density)



$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho_{S0}}{2\epsilon_0} \mathbf{a}_n \leftrightarrow \mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{2} \mathbf{J}_S \times \mathbf{a}_n$$



# VI. MAGNETIC FIELD

## ■ Magnetic force

- Magnetic flux is caused by current (i.e. charge movement), so the magnetic force (slide #1-57) can be expressed as

$$d\mathbf{F} = Id\mathbf{l} \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{dQ}{dt} \mathbf{v} dt \times \mathbf{B} = dQ \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$$

- So

$$\mathbf{F} = q\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{B} = \frac{\mathbf{F}_m \times \mathbf{a}_m}{qv}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B} = \lim_{qv \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{F}_m \times \mathbf{a}_m}{qv}$$

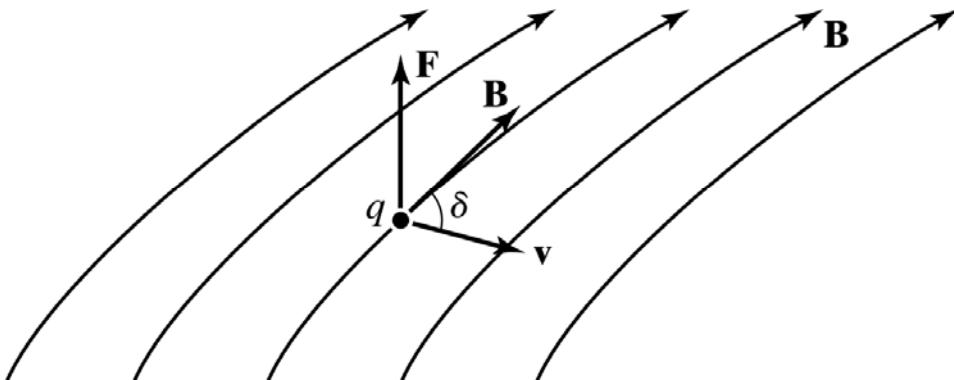


FIGURE 1.38

Force experienced by a test charge  $q$  moving with a velocity  $\mathbf{v}$  in a magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}$ .

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### ■ Force experienced by a charge in a magnetic field

- A charge in an electric field (**E**) is experienced a force

$$\mathbf{F}_E = q\mathbf{E}$$

- A “moving charge” in a magnetic field with a flux density (**B**) experiences a force (called Lorentz force)

$$\mathbf{F}_M = q\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$$

- A combined force equation (Lorentz equation) is then given by

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}_E + \mathbf{F}_M = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

- How to solve these two fields under a certain total force?
  - ✓ For a given **B** and one specific velocity,  $\mathbf{F}_E$  can be found from the total force minus  $\mathbf{F}_M$  since **E** is along the same direction of  $\mathbf{F}_E$  (vice versa).
  - ✓ For a given **E**, **B** will be obtained from two “non-collinear velocities, since for  $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$ , there could be two choices for v's

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### ■ ***Example 1.13:*** Finding the electric and magnetic fields from forces on a test charge

A test charge  $q$  for 3 velocities experiences the forces by electric and magnetic fields

- A charge in an electric field (**E**) is experienced a force

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = qE_0\mathbf{a}_x \quad \text{for } \mathbf{v}_1 = v_0\mathbf{a}_x$$

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = qE_0(2\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y) \quad \text{for } \mathbf{v}_2 = v_0\mathbf{a}_y$$

$$\mathbf{F}_3 = qE_0(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y) \quad \text{for } \mathbf{v}_3 = v_0\mathbf{a}_z$$

- From Lorentz equation, we have

$$q\mathbf{E} + qv_0\mathbf{a}_x \times \mathbf{B} = qE_0\mathbf{a}_x$$

$$q\mathbf{E} + qv_0\mathbf{a}_y \times \mathbf{B} = q(2E_0\mathbf{a}_x + E_0\mathbf{a}_y)$$

$$q\mathbf{E} + qv_0\mathbf{a}_z \times \mathbf{B} = q(E_0\mathbf{a}_x + E_0\mathbf{a}_y)$$

- By subtracting each other for the above three equations,

$$v_0(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_x) \times \mathbf{B} = E_0(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y)$$

$$v_0(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_z) \times \mathbf{B} = E_0\mathbf{a}_x$$

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$$v_0(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_x) \times \mathbf{B} = E_0(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y)$$

$$v_0(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_z) \times \mathbf{B} = E_0\mathbf{a}_x$$

- For the first equation, let's try three direction for  $\mathbf{B}$ :

- ✓ x:  $(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_x) \times \mathbf{a}_x = -\mathbf{a}_z$

- ✓ y:  $(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_x) \times \mathbf{a}_y = -\mathbf{a}_z$

- ✓ z:  $(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_x) \times \mathbf{a}_z = \mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_z$

- The other formal way is:

- ✓  $\mathbf{B}$  is perpendicular to  $(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y)$  and  $\mathbf{a}_x$ .

- ✓  $(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y) \times \mathbf{a}_x = -\mathbf{a}_z$ , which is perpendicular to  $(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y)$  and  $\mathbf{a}_x$ .

- ✓ Combine the above two, we know  $\mathbf{B}$  is related to  $\mathbf{a}_z$

$$\mathbf{B} = C(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y) \times \mathbf{a}_x = -C\mathbf{a}_z$$

- By replacing the above to second equation at top, we have

$$v_0(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_z) \times (-C\mathbf{a}_z) = E_0\mathbf{a}_x$$

$$-v_0C\mathbf{a}_x = E_0\mathbf{a}_x \Rightarrow C = -E_0/v_0$$

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➤ Thus,

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{E_0}{v_0} \mathbf{a}_z$$

➤ The alternative way is to assume

$$\mathbf{B} = B_x \mathbf{a}_x + B_y \mathbf{a}_y + B_z \mathbf{a}_z$$

➤ Then

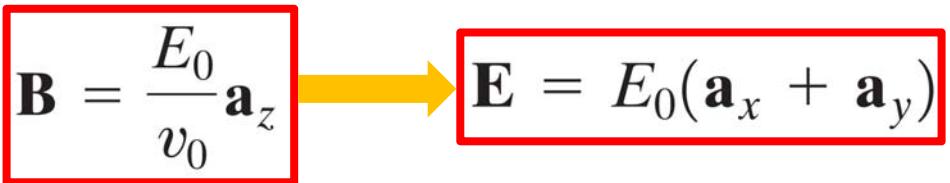
$$v_0 \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}_x & \mathbf{a}_y & \mathbf{a}_z \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = E_0(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y)$$


$$v_0[B_z \mathbf{a}_x + B_z \mathbf{a}_y - (B_y + B_x) \mathbf{a}_z] = E_0 \mathbf{a}_x + E_0 \mathbf{a}_y$$

$$B_z = \frac{E_0}{v_0} \quad \text{and} \quad (B_y + B_x) = 0$$

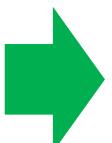
$$v_0(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_x) \times \mathbf{B} = E_0(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y)$$

$$v_0(\mathbf{a}_y - \mathbf{a}_z) \times \mathbf{B} = E_0 \mathbf{a}_x$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{E_0}{v_0} \mathbf{a}_z$$

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0(\mathbf{a}_x + \mathbf{a}_y)$$

$$v_0 \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}_x & \mathbf{a}_y & \mathbf{a}_z \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = E_0 \mathbf{a}_x$$


$$v_0[(B_z + B_y) \mathbf{a}_x - B_x \mathbf{a}_y - B_x \mathbf{a}_z] = E_0 \mathbf{a}_x$$

$$B_z + B_y = \frac{E_0}{v_0} \quad \text{and} \quad B_x = 0$$

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■ Most important (common) applications: Hall Effect:

➤ Equations of motion:

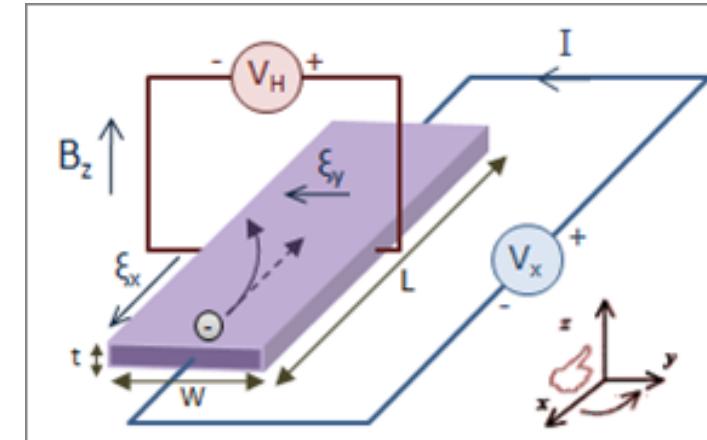
$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = -e \left( \vec{E} + \frac{\vec{p}}{m} \times \vec{B} \right) - \frac{\vec{p}}{\tau}$$

✓ Steady state:

$$x: -eE_x - e \frac{B_z}{m} p_y - \frac{p_x}{\tau} = 0$$

$$y: -eE_y + e \frac{B_z}{m} p_x - \frac{p_y}{\tau} = 0$$

where  $\omega_c \equiv e \frac{B_z}{m}$  is defined as cyclotron frequency



➤ Hall coefficient:  $R_H \equiv \frac{E_y}{j_x B_z}$

✓  $p_x$  and  $p_y$ :

$$j_x = -nev_x = \frac{-nep_x}{m} \rightarrow p_x = \frac{mj_x}{-ne}; \quad j_y = -nev_y = \frac{-nep_y}{m} \rightarrow p_y = \frac{mj_y}{-ne}$$

So  $R_H \equiv \frac{E_y}{j_x B_z} = \frac{-1}{ne}$

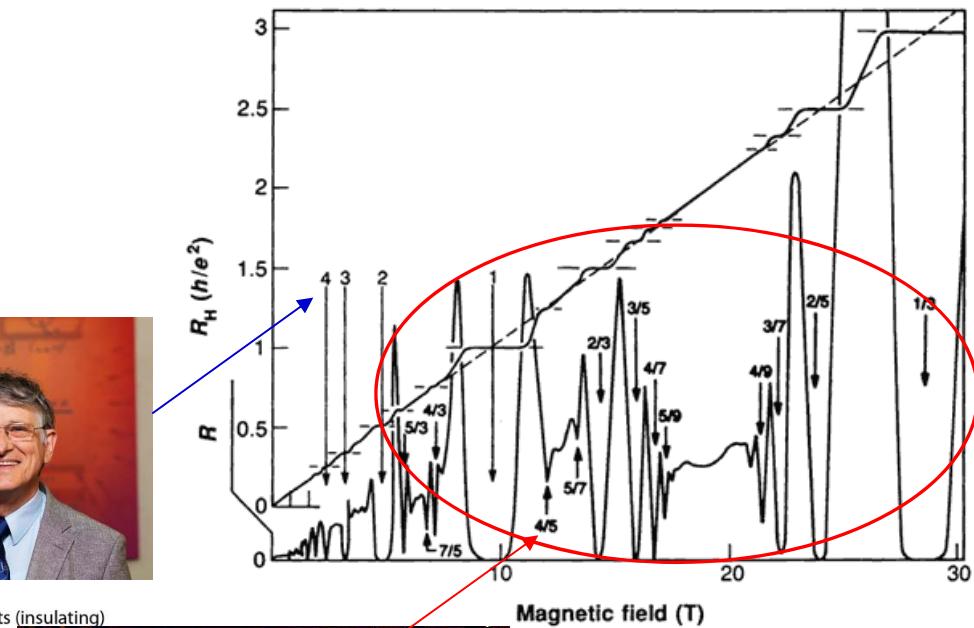
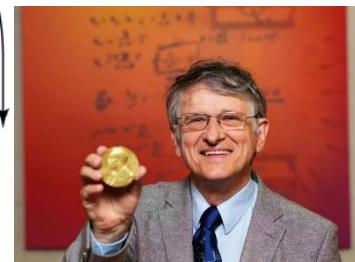
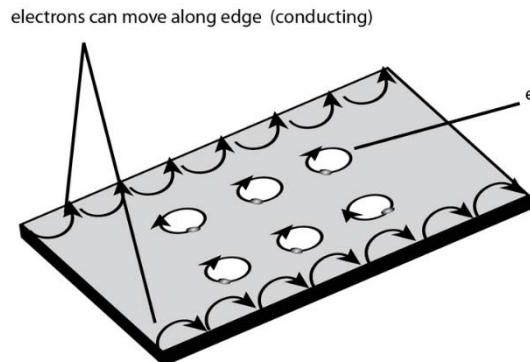
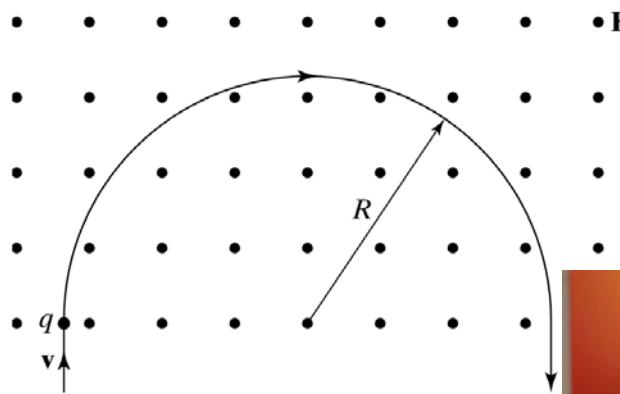
➤ Measurement sequence:

✓ Measure  $V_y$ , then we get  $E_y = V_y/w$

✓  $B$  and  $J_x$  ( $I_x/wt$ ) are known, we then know  $R_H$  and  $n$ .

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- Circular motion for a charge in a magnetic field in free space
- Semi-circular motion for a charge in a real sample made of metal or semiconductor. This is the fundamental picture for Quantum Hall Effect, 1998 Nobel Physics Prize.



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## ■ Tracing the path of a charged particle

- Requires the knowledge of mechanic force (i.e.  $\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$ ) and the  $\mathbf{E}$  (electric)/ $\mathbf{M}$  (magnetic) forces via Lorentz equation

$$\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{F}_E + \mathbf{F}_M = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

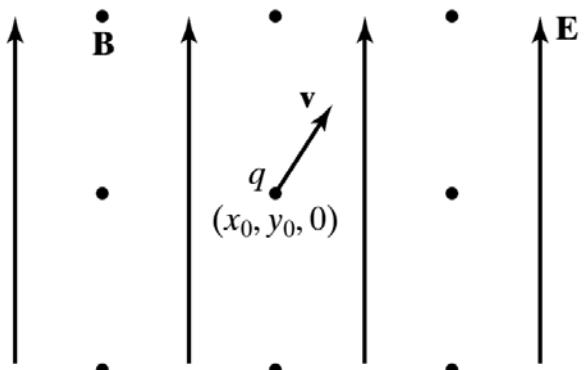
- For example, consider a two-dimensional motion (e.g. a charge moving in x-y plane) with  $\mathbf{E} = E_0\mathbf{a}_y$  and  $\mathbf{B} = B_0\mathbf{a}_z$
- Assume at  $t = 0$ , the charge has an initial velocity

$$\mathbf{v} = v_{x0}\mathbf{a}_x + v_{y0}\mathbf{a}_y$$

- The Lorentz force equation is

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F} &= q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) \\ &= qE_0\mathbf{a}_y + q(v_x\mathbf{a}_x + v_y\mathbf{a}_y + v_z\mathbf{a}_z) \times B_0\mathbf{a}_z \\ &= qB_0v_y\mathbf{a}_x + (qE_0 - qB_0v_x)\mathbf{a}_y \\ \frac{dv_x}{dt} &= \frac{qB_0}{m}v_y \quad \frac{dv_y}{dt} = \frac{qE_0}{m} - \frac{qB_0}{m}v_x \quad \frac{dv_z}{dt} = 0\end{aligned}$$

via motion equation ( $F = m \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt}$ )



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- Eliminating  $v_y$ , we obtain

$$\frac{d^2v_x}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{qB_0}{m}\right)^2 v_x = \left(\frac{q}{m}\right)^2 B_0 E_0$$

- Solution is

$$v_x = \frac{E_0}{B_0} + C_1 \cos \omega_c t + C_2 \sin \omega_c t$$

$$v_y = -C_1 \sin \omega_c t + C_2 \cos \omega_c t$$

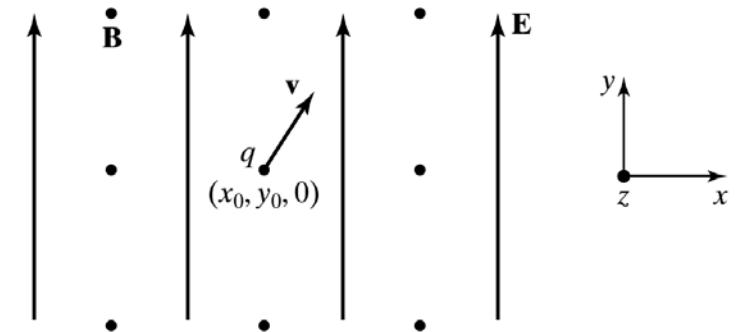
- With the initial condition  $\mathbf{v} = v_{x0}\mathbf{a}_x + v_{y0}\mathbf{a}_y$  and  $\omega_c = qB_0/m$

$$\begin{aligned} v_x &= \frac{E_0}{B_0} + \left(v_{x0} - \frac{E_0}{B_0}\right) \cos \omega_c t + v_{y0} \sin \omega_c t \\ v_y &= -\left(v_{x0} - \frac{E_0}{B_0}\right) \sin \omega_c t + v_{y0} \cos \omega_c t \end{aligned}$$

- By integration from  $t = 0$  with  $x = x_0$  and  $y = y_0$ , we have positions

$$x = x_0 + \frac{E_0}{B_0}t + \frac{1}{\omega_c} \left(v_{x0} - \frac{E_0}{B_0}\right) \sin \omega_c t + \frac{v_{y0}}{\omega_c} (1 - \cos \omega_c t)$$

$$y = y_0 - \frac{1}{\omega_c} \left(v_{x0} - \frac{E_0}{B_0}\right) (1 - \cos \omega_c t) + \frac{v_{y0}}{\omega_c} \sin \omega_c t$$



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- Special case:  $B_0 = 0, \omega_c \rightarrow 0$ 
  - ✓ No magnetic field, and no circular motion so frequency is zero
  - ✓ Then the final solution becomes familiar (which can be solved by general Newton's law with only electric force present)

$$x = x_0 + v_{x0}t$$

$$y = y_0 + v_{y0}t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{qE_0}{m} t^2$$

$$v_x = v_{x0}$$

$$v_y = v_{y0} + \frac{qE_0}{m} t$$

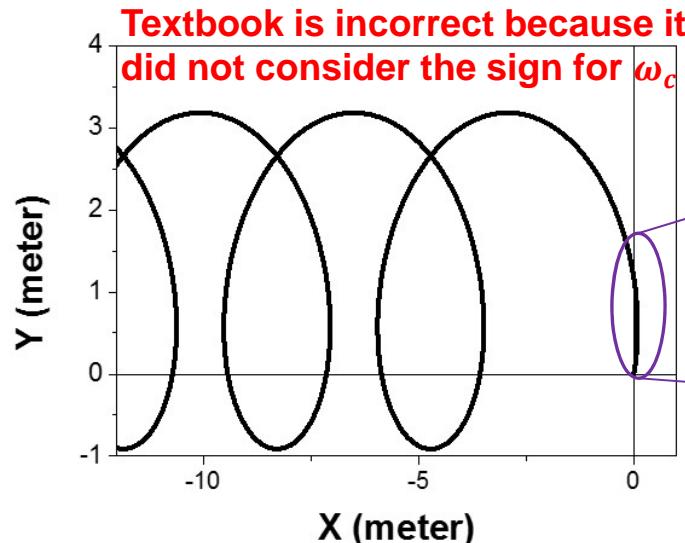
- Changed particle trace

- ✓ Initial condition:

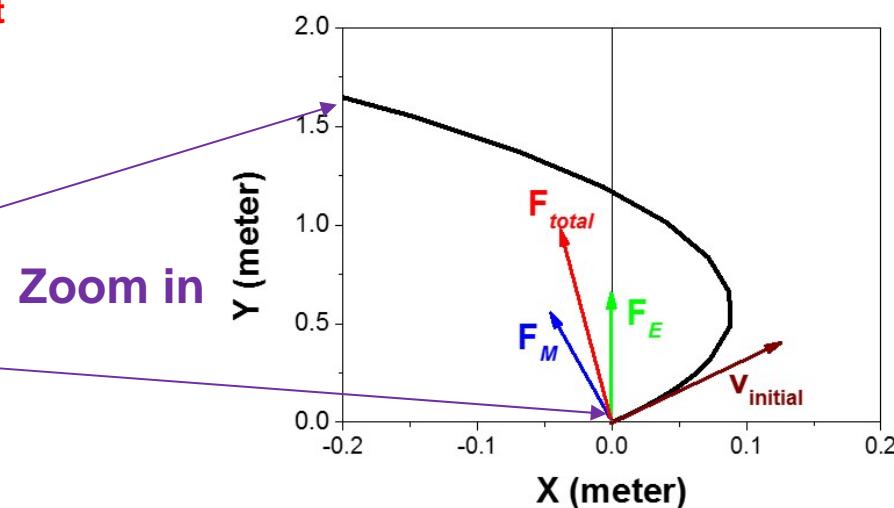
$$\mathbf{F} = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

$x_0 = 0, y_0 = 0, E_0 = -10^3 \text{ V/m}, B_0 = 10^{-4} \text{ Wb/m}^2$

$v_{x0} = 10^7 \text{ m/s, and } v_{y0} = 3 \times 10^7 \text{ m/s}$



Zoom in



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- Why is the curvature at **top** and **bottom** different?

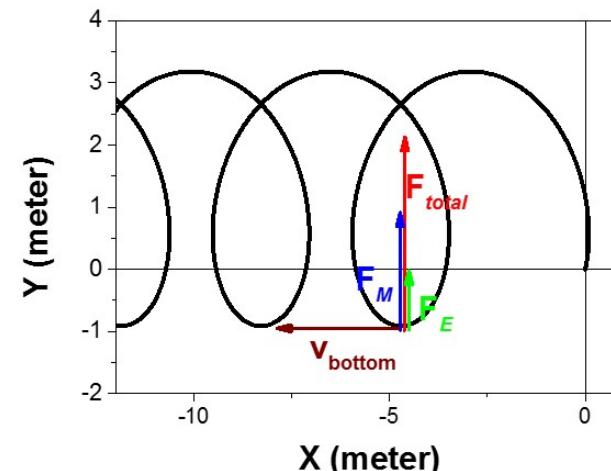
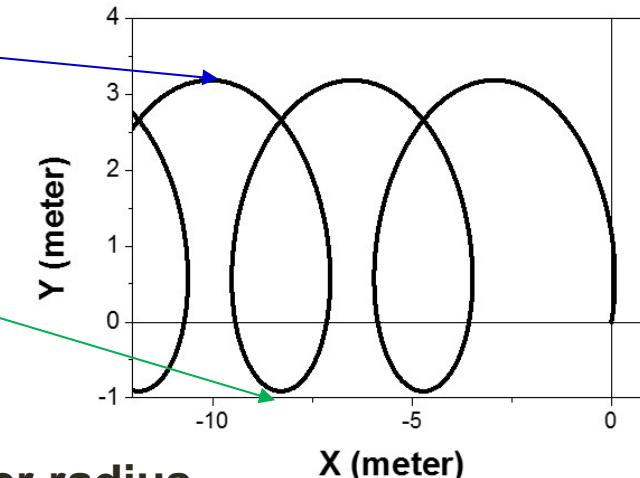
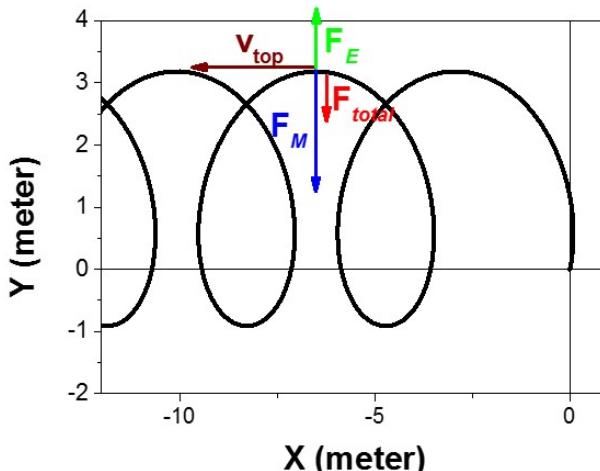
$$\mathbf{F} = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$

- ✓ It can be obtained from the magnitude of the centrifuge force

$$F = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

Larger force, smaller radius,  
and more curved

- ✓ At top (bottom), total force is smaller (larger), so curvature is larger (smaller)



## VIII. HOMEWORK DUE

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- Due at March 30<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) in class
- Chapter 1 problems: 1, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 38, 40, 43, 44, 48, 51, 53, 54
- Sorry I know it's a lot, but it's the same no matter whose class you're attending.