

Unit - 3

Electrostatics

Chapter - 1

Electrostatics in Vacuum

Electric Field:

It is the space around the charge where another charge experience some force of attraction or repulsion.

$$\boxed{\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}}{q_0}}$$

Coulomb's Law:

$$\boxed{\vec{F} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \hat{r}}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1}{r^2} \hat{r}}$$

strength of electric field

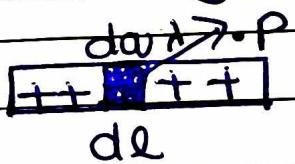
Electric Field Due to Charge Distribution



$$d\vec{E} = \frac{dq}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \int dq - \textcircled{1}$$

Linear Charge Density:

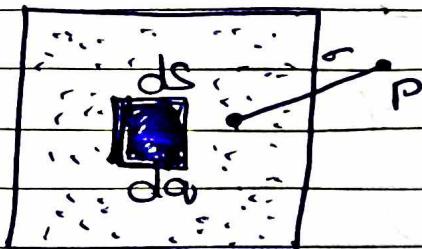


$$\lambda = \frac{dq}{dl}$$

$$dq = \lambda dl - \textcircled{2} \quad , \text{ Put } \textcircled{2} \text{ in }$$

$$\vec{E}_L = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \int \lambda dl$$

Surface charge Density:



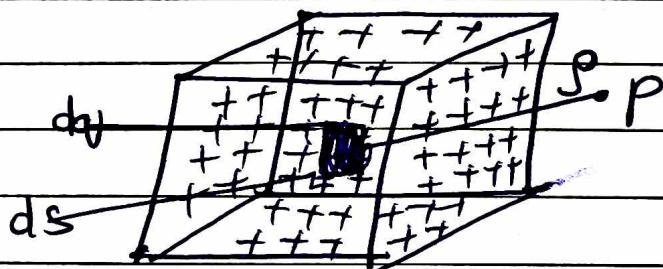
$$\sigma = \frac{dq}{ds}$$

$$dq = \sigma ds \quad \textcircled{3}$$

Put $\textcircled{3}$ in $\textcircled{1}$

$$\vec{E}_S = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \int_S \sigma ds$$

Volume charge Density:



$$\rho = \frac{dq}{dv}$$

$$dq = \rho dv \quad \textcircled{4}$$

Put $\textcircled{4}$ in $\textcircled{1}$

$$\boxed{E_v = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\partial E}{\partial r^2} \int_V \rho dV}$$

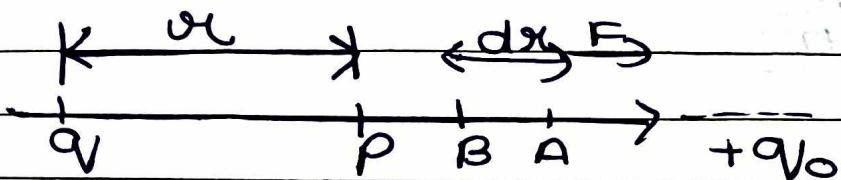
Total electric field:

$$E = E_L + E_S + E_V$$

$$\boxed{E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\partial E}{\partial r^2} \left[\int_{\text{e}} \rho d\text{d.l} + \int_{\text{S}} \rho d\text{s} + \int_V \rho dV \right]}$$

Electric Potential Due to Charge Distribution.

Elec Pot Due to Point Charge:



$$dW = \int_{\infty}^r -F \cdot dx$$

$$= - \int_{\infty}^r \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q/q_0}{x^2} dx$$

$$= - \frac{q/q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{\infty}^r \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

$$W = \frac{q/q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - ①$$

we know, $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r}$

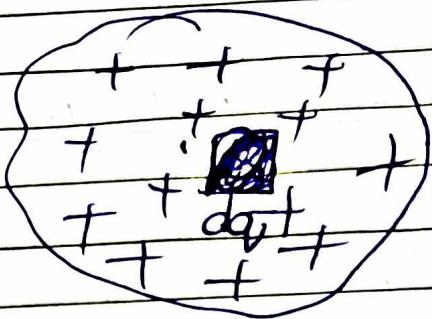
$$V = W - ②$$

$$\frac{q_0}{r}$$

Put ② in ①

$V = \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$

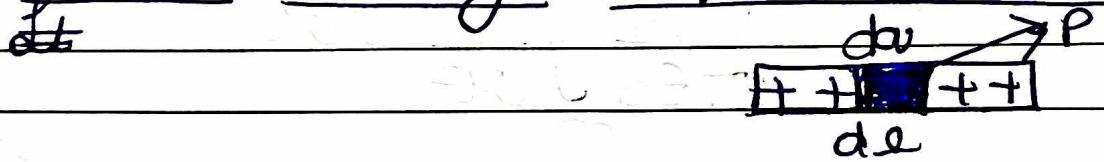
Electric potential due to uniform charge distribution:



$$dV = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} dq$$

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \int dq \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Linear charge distribution:



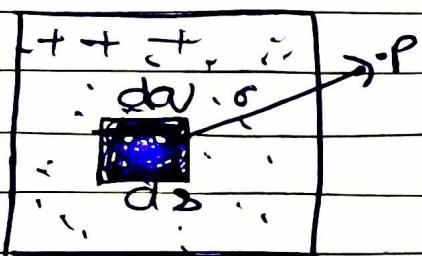
$$\rho = \frac{dq}{dl}$$

$$dq = \rho dl \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Put (2) in (1).

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \int_{-l}^{+l} \rho dl \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Surface Charge Distribution:



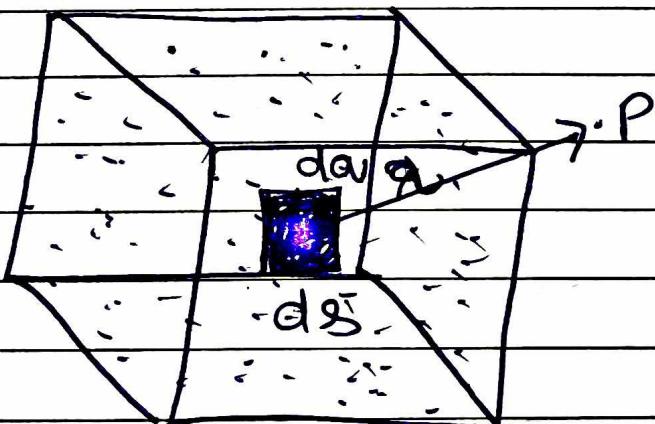
$$\sigma = \frac{dq}{dS}$$

$$dq = \sigma dS \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Put (4) in (1)

$$V_s = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \int_S \sigma dS \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Volume Charge Distribution



$$\rho = \frac{dq}{dV}$$

$$dq = \rho dV \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Put ⑥ in ①

$$\boxed{V_v = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\sigma}{r} \int \int \rho dV} - ⑦$$

Total vac potential:

$$E = E_L +$$

$$V = V_L + V_S + V_V - ⑧$$

Put ③, ⑤ & ⑦ in ⑧

$$\boxed{V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\sigma}{r} \left[\int \int \rho dV + \int \rho ds + \int \int \rho dV \right]}$$

Divergence of Vector Field:

$$\vec{A} = A_x \hat{i} + A_y \hat{j} + A_z \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}$$

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It is known as divergence of a vector field.

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right) \cdot (A_x \hat{i} + A_y \hat{j} + A_z \hat{k})$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} (\hat{i})^2 + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} (\hat{j})^2 + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z} (\hat{k})^2$$

$$\boxed{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z}}$$

so divergence of vector field
is a scalar quantity.

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$$

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\vec{A} is solenoidal field.

Divergence of Electrostatic field.



$$\rho = \frac{dq}{dV}$$

$$dq = \rho dV \quad \Rightarrow \times$$

$$q = \int \rho dV \quad -\textcircled{1}$$

We know that, from the Gauss law.

$$\int E \cdot dS = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} \quad -\textcircled{2}$$

Put $\textcircled{1}$ in $\textcircled{2}$.

$$\int E \cdot dS = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int \rho dV \quad -\textcircled{3}$$

By Gauss divergence theorem

$$\int_S \vec{A} ds = \int_V (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) dv - ④$$

On eqn ③ Put Eqn ④

$$\int_V (\nabla \cdot E) dv = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int_V f dv$$

$$\epsilon_0 \int_V (\nabla \cdot E) dv = \int_{\epsilon_0} f dv$$

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot E = \frac{f}{\epsilon_0}}$$

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Gauss theorem in differential form.

Also known as curl or divergence of electrostatic field.

Poisson's & Laplace Equation:

Consider the charge distributed over the volume V .

then,

Differential form of Gauss theorem.

$$\nabla \cdot E = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

if V is the potential field
then

$$E = -\nabla V \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Put (2) in (1)

$$\nabla \cdot (-\nabla V) = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$-\nabla(\nabla \cdot V) = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$-\nabla^2 V = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

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$$\nabla^2 V = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\boxed{\nabla^2 V + \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} = 0}$$

This is known as the Poisson's equation.

∇^2 - Laplacian operator.

In charge free space:

$$\rho = 0$$

$$\boxed{\nabla^2 V = 0}$$

This is known as the Laplace equation.