

# Electrostatic Fields & Charges

## Governing Eqs.

Conditions

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \omega = 0 \quad & \nabla \times \vec{E} = 0 \\ 2. \text{Size } \ll \lambda \quad & \nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_v \\ & \vec{D} = [\epsilon] \vec{E} \end{aligned}$$

## Power & Energy

Energy in the Field:

$$W = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \iiint_V (\vec{D} \cdot \vec{E}) dv & \text{general case} \\ \frac{1}{2} \iiint_V \epsilon |\vec{E}|^2 dv & \text{for LHI} \end{cases}$$

## Electric Potential

Calculating  $\vec{E}$  from  $V$ :

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla V$$

Calculating  $V$  from  $\vec{E}$ :

$$V_{AB} = V_B - V_A = \frac{W}{Q} = - \int_A^B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$$

Power in Conductors:

$$P = \begin{cases} \iiint_V (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{J}) dv & \text{general Joule's law} \\ \iiint_V \sigma |\vec{E}|^2 dv & \text{more common form} \end{cases}$$

## Charge Distributions

Quantity	Line $\rho_\ell$ (C/m)	Surface $\rho_s$ (C/m <sup>2</sup> )	Volume $\rho_v$ (C/m <sup>3</sup> )
Total Charge $Q$ (C)	$\int_L \rho_\ell d\ell$	$\iint_S \rho_s ds$	$\iiint_V \rho_v dv$
Total Field $\vec{D}$ (C/m <sup>2</sup> )	$\int_L \frac{\rho_\ell d\ell}{4\pi R^2} \hat{a}_R$	$\iint_S \frac{\rho_s ds}{4\pi R^2} \hat{a}_R$	$\iiint_V \frac{\rho_v dv}{4\pi R^2} \hat{a}_R$
Electric Potential $V$ (V)	$\int_L \frac{\rho_\ell d\ell}{4\pi \epsilon  \vec{r} - \vec{r}' }$	$\iint_S \frac{\rho_s ds}{4\pi \epsilon  \vec{r} - \vec{r}' }$	$\iiint_V \frac{\rho_v dv}{4\pi \epsilon  \vec{r} - \vec{r}' }$
Energy $W$ (J)	$\frac{1}{2} \int_L \rho_\ell V d\ell$	$\frac{1}{2} \iint_S \rho_s V ds$	$\frac{1}{2} \iiint_V \rho_v V dv$

## Point Charges

Single Charge  $Q$ :

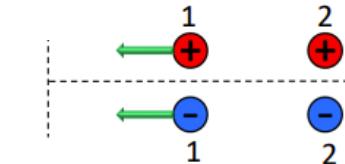
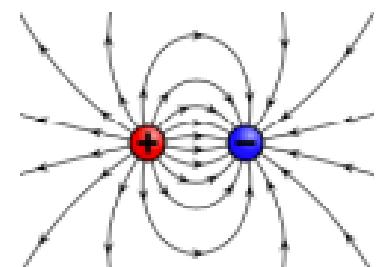
$$\vec{D} = \frac{Q}{4\pi} \frac{\hat{a}_R}{R^2} = \frac{Q}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}_Q}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_Q|^3}$$

$$\vec{E} = \vec{D} / \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r$$

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \frac{Q}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_Q|}$$

Force on a Charge:

$$\vec{F} = Q \vec{E}$$



Coulomb's Law

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}_{12} &= \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{4\pi \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \frac{\hat{a}_{12}}{R_{12}^2} \\ \vec{R}_{12} &= \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1 \end{aligned}$$

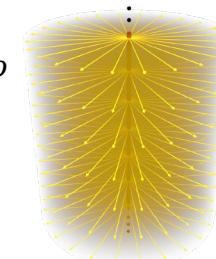
Multiple Point Charges:

$$\vec{D}_T = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{Q_i}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i|^3}$$

$$W_T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N Q_i V_i$$

Line Charge

$$Q = \rho_\ell L$$

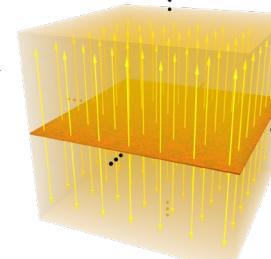


$$\vec{D} = \frac{\rho_\ell}{4\pi \rho} \hat{a}_\rho$$

$$V_T = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{Q_i}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i|}$$

Surface Charge

$$Q = \rho_s S$$



$$\vec{D} = \frac{\rho_s}{2} \hat{a}_n$$