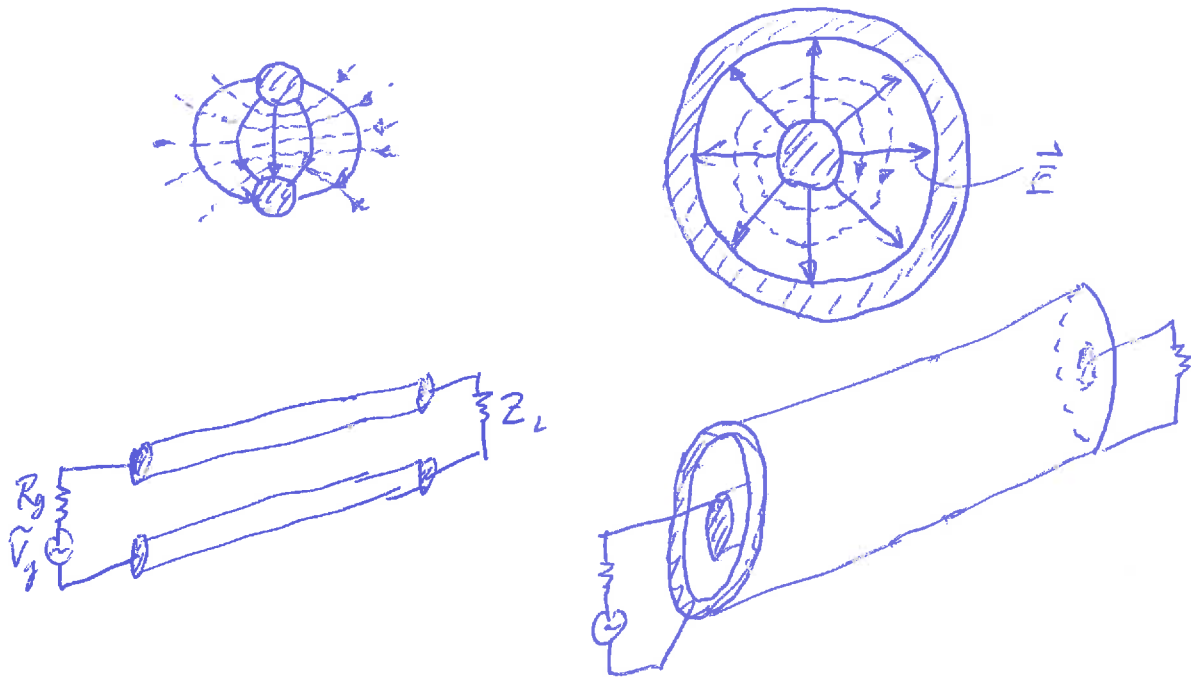


Electrostatics

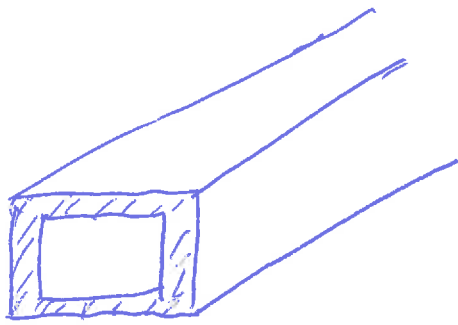
Now, we *have* finished our discussion on transmission lines.

The transmission line theory deals with a special type of waveguides, where you have two conductors.

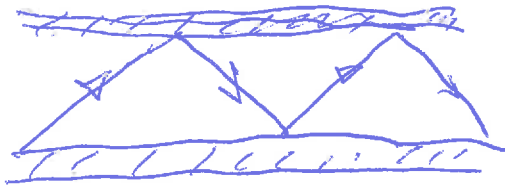


You can define local voltages $v(z, t)$ & currents $i(z, t)$ along the transmission line, and use the wave eq's of the v & i . This is one step beyond the circuit theory. But there are other waveguides, ^{lumped component}

You don't need two conductors to guide E.M. waves.



A metal tube is a wave guide.



We can have a very coarse ray optics picture:

The metal walls are like mirrors.

The EM wave behaves like light rays.

Besides waveguides, you have antennas & other things, where you can not even define a "local" voltage or current, and therefore need a "true" EM field theory.

Keep in mind that the fields are vectors.

One reason the transmission line theory is simpler is that it deals w/ v & i , which are scalars.

To handle vectors, you need vector algebra & vector calculus.

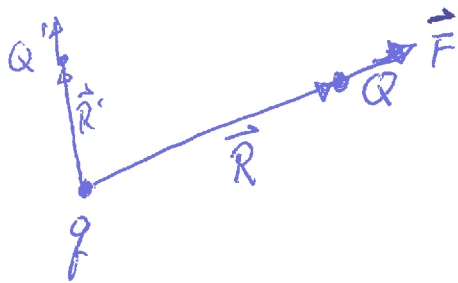
Chapter 3 of the book is all about the math

Read on your own. Individualized effort.

Coulomb's Law

Now, let's talk about fields.

First let's look at Coulomb's law in vacuum.
(free space)



$$\vec{F} = \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \hat{R}$$

Notations of vectors.

Meanings of this eq.

A different way to write this is

$$\vec{F} = \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} \vec{R}$$

$$\vec{R} = R \hat{R}, \quad R = |\vec{R}|$$

Hand-written

$$\vec{F} = \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \hat{R}$$

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$$\vec{R} = R \hat{R}, \quad R = |\vec{R}|$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \hat{R}$$

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

Printed

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \hat{\mathbf{R}}$$

Vectors: bold; italic or not

Scalars: not bold; italic

Numbers: not bold; not italic

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} \mathbf{R}$$

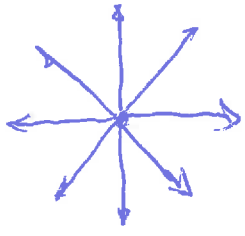
$$\mathbf{R} = R \hat{\mathbf{R}}$$

$$R = |\mathbf{R}|$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{\mathbf{R}}{R}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \hat{\mathbf{R}}$$

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



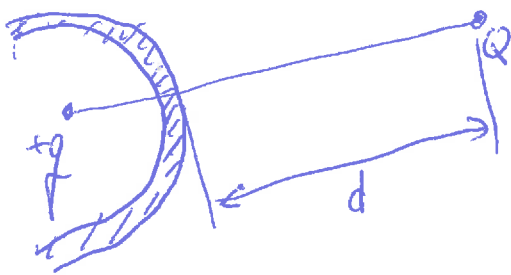
So, we can imagine something called the \vec{E} field.

$$\vec{E} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2} \hat{R}$$

when you put your testing charge Q any where, $\vec{F} = Q\vec{E}$

Long ago, people didn't know whether the field is just a mathematical convenience we created in our mind, or a real thing.

now, we know that the field is real.



If you suddenly cover q w/ a metal lid.

Q will feel the disappearance of the force after $t = d/c$.

In other words, any interaction cannot be instantaneous over distance.

The field is the medium for the interaction.

you need to handle vectors.

I encourage you to go thru it. (Chapter 3)

Math w/o a physics or engineering context is dry and not fun.

I won't go thru that in the class.

Instead, I will embed it in the physics

Anyway, when you go thru this math in the book, try to visualize it. Keep this one idea in your mind: a vector is just a quantity w/ a direction. That's it. With this, the concepts related to vectors are easy to understand.

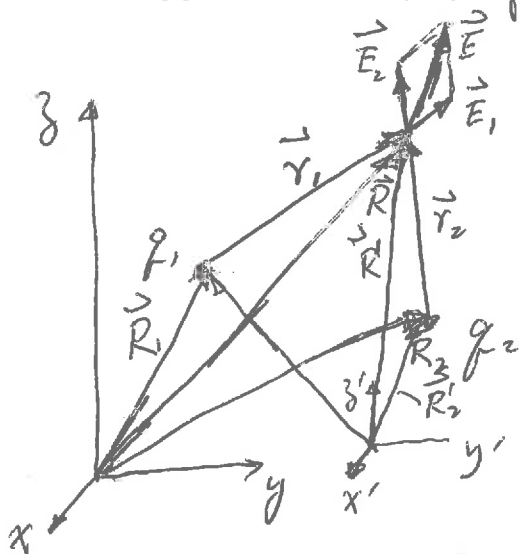
For example, you walk 4 miles to the north, turn to your right, walk ~~4~~ 3 miles

to the east. You are only 5 miles away from the starting point, although you walked 7 miles.



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For our first example, let's calculate the total electric field due to two charges



$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2$$

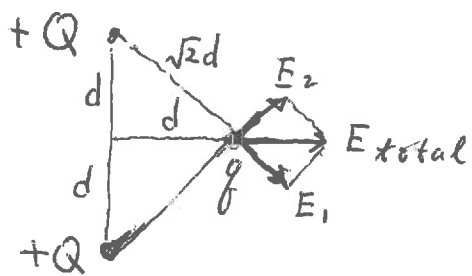
$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1}{r_1^2} \hat{r}_1 + \frac{q_2}{r_2^2} \hat{r}_2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}_1|^2} \frac{\vec{R} - \vec{R}_1}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}_1|} + \frac{q_2}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}_2|^2} \frac{\vec{R} - \vec{R}_2}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}_2|} \right)$$

$$\vec{r}_1 = \vec{R} - \vec{R}_1 = \vec{R}' - \vec{R}_1'$$

$\vec{r}_2 = \vec{R} - \vec{R}_2 = \vec{R}' - \vec{R}_2'$ Notice that this applies to any choice of the origin.

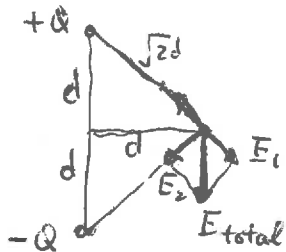
Example



$$E_1 = E_2 = E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{(\sqrt{2}d)^2} = \frac{1}{8\pi\epsilon} \frac{Q}{d^2}$$

$$E_{total} = \sqrt{2} E = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{8\pi\epsilon} \frac{Q}{d^2}$$

$$F = q E_{total}$$



If you have more than 2 charges, just add them all up.

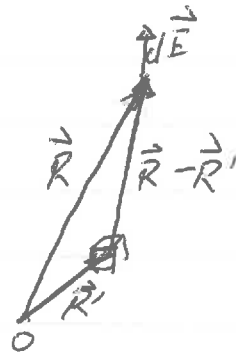
Charge can be distributed continuously.

In this case, we use integral to do the summing.

~~And~~ In a small volume dV around position \vec{R}' , the charge density is ρ (or ρ_v).

At \vec{R} , the field is

$$d\vec{E} = \frac{\rho dV}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|^2} \frac{\vec{R}-\vec{R}'}{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|}$$



The total field is

$$\vec{E} = \int d\vec{E}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho}{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|^2} \frac{\vec{R}-\vec{R}'}{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|} dV$$

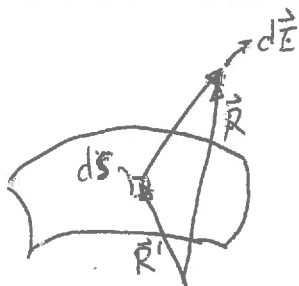
Of course, the total charge is

$$Q = \int \rho dV$$

(e.g. conductor surface)

The charge could be confined in a surface.

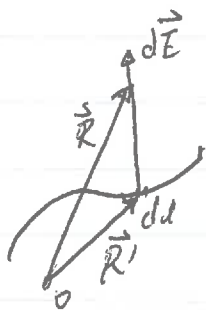
In this case, we define areal density ρ_s (or σ).



$$\vec{E} = \int_s \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\rho_s}{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|^2} \frac{\vec{R}-\vec{R}'}{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|} dS$$

$$Q = \int_s \rho_s dS$$

The charge could be ~~confined~~ along a line, in which case you can define the line density ρ_L .

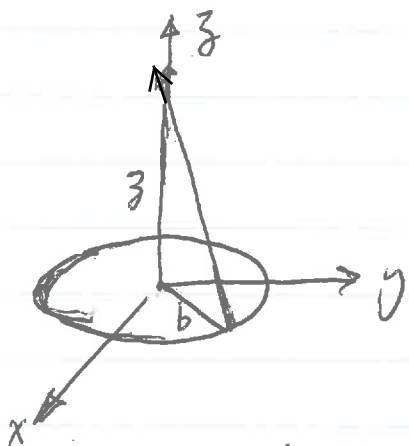


$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho_L}{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|^2} \frac{\vec{R}-\vec{R}'}{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|} dl$$

$$Q = \int \rho_L dl$$

These formulas are quite general, and therefore abstract. You may not get a lot of insight from them.

Let's look at some examples now.



Let's say we have a ring of charge, w/ a density ρ_L . Radius b .

So the total charge

$$Q = \rho_L \cdot 2\pi b$$

Let's find the field at any point along the z axis.

only need to find dE_z . due to symmetry.

$$dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{z^2+b^2} \cdot \rho_L b d\phi$$



$$dE_z = dE \cos \theta$$

In other words.

$$\frac{dE_z}{dE} = \frac{z}{\sqrt{b^2 + z^2}}$$

$$\therefore dE_z = dE \frac{z}{\sqrt{b^2 + z^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\rho_e b d\phi}{z^2 + b^2} \cdot \frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2 + b^2}}$$

~~$$E = E_z = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\rho_e b}{z^2 + b^2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi$$~~

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{3\rho_e b}{(z^2 + b^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} d\phi$$

$$E = E_z = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{3\rho_e b}{(z^2 + b^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} d\phi$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{3\rho_e b}{(z^2 + b^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}, \quad Q = 2\pi b \rho_e$$

$$= \frac{3}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (b^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} Q$$

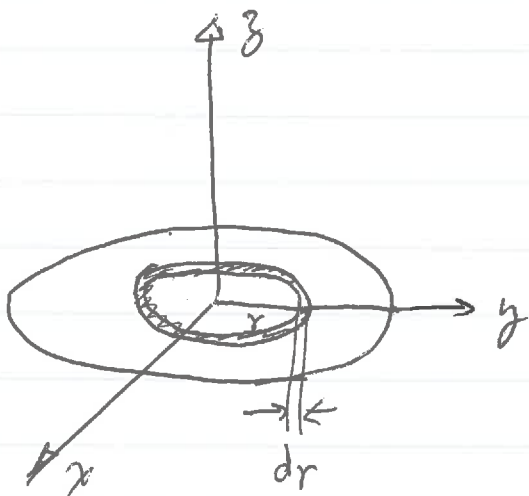
You can compare this method w/ the one in the text book. This is much simpler and faster. Why? ... symmetry.

Let's now do a sanity check.

$$E(z=0) = 0$$

$$E(z \rightarrow \infty) = \frac{z}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} Q = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 z^2}$$

Now we can use the result of this example to find the field along the axis of a charged disk.



We can ~~think~~ regard the disk as made of many many rings with a width of dr.

So, the charge on such a ring is

$$dQ = 2\pi r \cdot dr \cdot \rho_s$$

The field due to such a ring is

$$dE = \frac{z}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} 2\pi\rho_s r dr$$

So now, you add up all the rings

$$E = \frac{z}{4\pi\epsilon_0} 2\pi\rho_s \int_0^a \frac{r dr}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

Now let's have a bit of math exercise

$$\int_0^a \frac{r dr}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a \frac{d(r^2)}{(r^2 + z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{(x + x_0)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \int \frac{d(x + x_0)}{(x + x_0)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

Recall that

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

$$\text{Here } n = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\dots = \frac{1}{-\frac{3}{2} + 1} (x + x_0)^{-\frac{3}{2} + 1}$$

$$= -2 (x + x_0)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = -2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x + x_0}}$$

$$\therefore \rightarrow = \frac{1}{2} (-2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}} \Big|_0^a$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 + z^2}} \Big|_a^0$$

$$= \frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}}$$

$$\therefore E = \frac{3P_s}{2\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}} \right) = \frac{P_s}{2\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}} \right)$$

for $z > 0$.

OK. now let's do some sanity check again.

$$P_s = \frac{Q}{\pi a^2}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{\pi a^2} \left(1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}} \right)$$

~~$$E(z \rightarrow 0) = \frac{Q}{2\pi\epsilon_0 a^2} \left[1 - \frac{z/a}{\sqrt{1 + (z/a)^2}} \right]$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{\pi a^2} \left[1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{a}{z} \right)^2}} \right]$$

$$E(z \rightarrow \infty) = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{\pi a^2} \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{a}{z} \right)^2 \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q}{\pi a^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \frac{a^2}{z^2}$$

$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 z^2}$$

yes!

$$E(z \rightarrow 0) = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q}{\pi a^2} \neq 0 !$$

anything wrong??!

Donut vs pie???

actually. $z \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow a \rightarrow \infty \quad \left(\frac{z}{a} \right) \rightarrow 0.$

$$E \left(\frac{z}{a} \rightarrow 0 \right) = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon}$$

The field of an infinite sheet of charge.

We will get back to this after we discuss the Gauss's law.

Okay, now you can calculate the field of a charged cylinder.

How?

You can use the same method to find the field of a charged sphere at a point outside the sphere. Have the fun yourself.

Since you already got the point, I don't want to bore you w/ more math.

Next, we talk about Gauss's law.

Recall that I said I would embed the math in physics, coz I don't want to talk about the math w/o a context, which is dry and boring.

So, when you study ~~it~~ after the class,

you should read the relevant sections in both Ch. 4 & Ch. 3.