



Chapter 2:

Electrostatic Fields



Introduction to Electrostatics :

- Produced by : Charge at rest and invaring of time.
- Models:

$$\text{equations} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{rot } \vec{E} = 0 \\ \text{div } \vec{D} = \rho_v \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{B.C} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} E_{1t} - E_{2t} = 0 \\ D_{1n} - D_{2n} = \rho_S \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{And : } \vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E} = \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 \vec{E}$$

2.1: Coulomb Law and Superposition :

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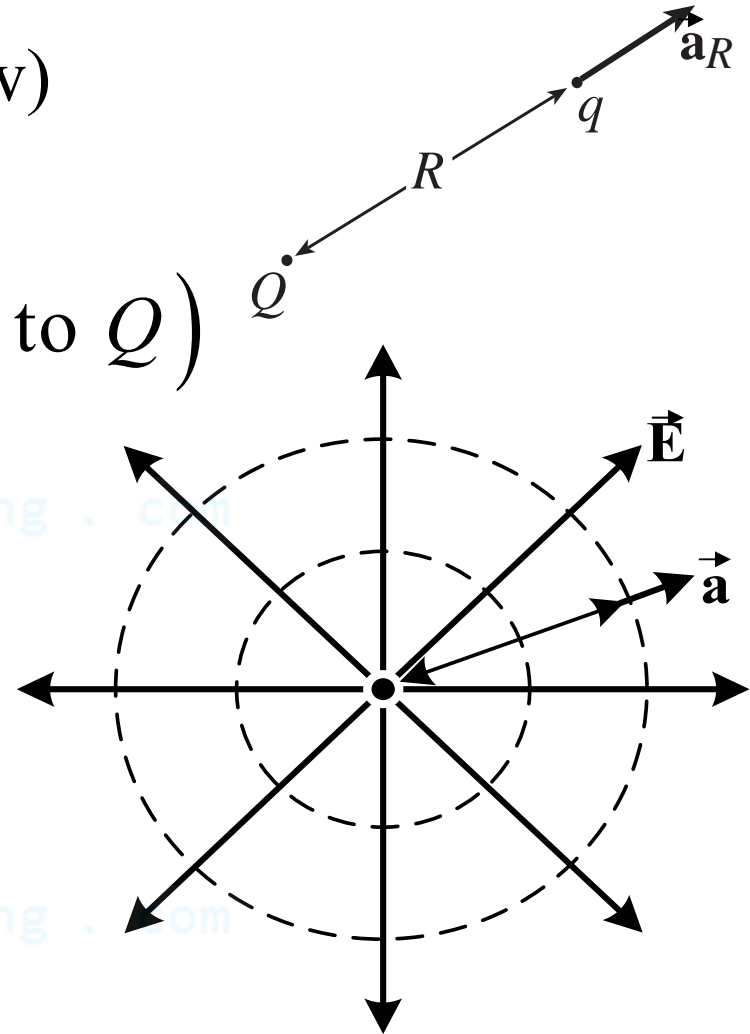
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a) Electric Field of a Point Charge:

$$\vec{\mathbf{F}}_e = \frac{Qq}{4\pi\epsilon R^2} \vec{\mathbf{a}}_R \quad (\text{Coulomb's Law})$$

$$= q \left(\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon R^2} \vec{\mathbf{a}}_R \right) = q \left(\vec{\mathbf{E}} \text{ due to } Q \right)$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{E}} \text{ due to } Q = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon R^2} \vec{\mathbf{a}}_R$$

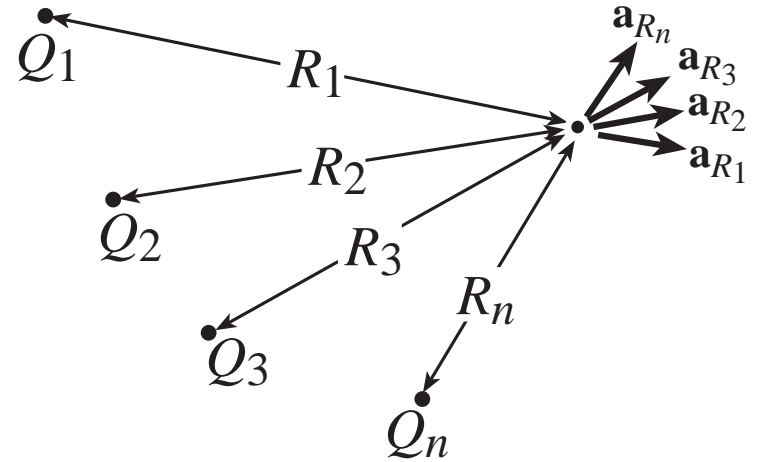


Constant magnitude surfaces are spheres centered at Q . Direction lines are radial lines emanating from Q .

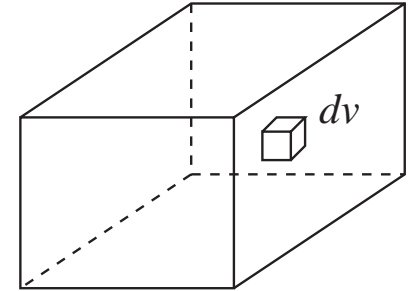
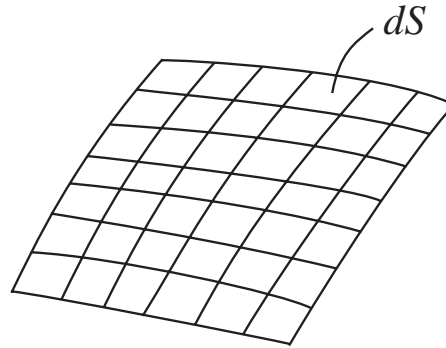
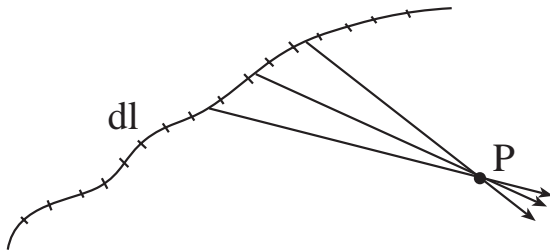
b) \vec{E} due to Collection of point charges :

Superposition :

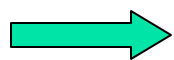
$$\vec{E} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{Q_j}{4\pi\epsilon R_j^2} \vec{a}_{Rj}$$



c) \vec{E} due to charge distributions :



Differential Charge : $dq = \begin{cases} \rho_L d\ell \\ \rho_S dS \\ \rho_V dV \end{cases}$

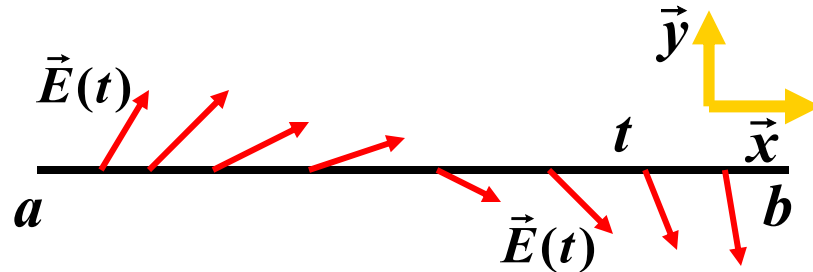


$$\vec{E} = \int_{L,S,V} \frac{dq}{4\pi\epsilon R^2} \vec{a}_R = \int_{L,S,V} \frac{dq}{4\pi\epsilon R^3} \vec{R}$$

❖ Find the electric field: values of Vector Integrals ?

Integrals containing vector functions

$$\int_a^b \vec{E}(t) dt$$



How can we find the values of such integrals?

$\int_a^b \vec{E}(t) dt$ - this is the vector, so we can calculate each component of this vector

We can write $\vec{E}(t) = E_1(t)\vec{x} + E_2(t)\vec{y}$, where only scalar functions $E_1(t), E_2(t)$ depend on t , but not the basis vectors \vec{x}, \vec{y} .

Then the integral takes the form

$$\int_a^b \vec{E}(t) dt = \vec{x} \int_a^b E_1(t) dt + \vec{y} \int_a^b E_2(t) dt$$

so now there are **two integrals** which contain only **scalar** functions