



PHYS 301
Electricity and Magnetism

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Today!

- Quiz!
- Integral vector calculus:
 - Fundamental theorem of divergences
- Electric fields

Integral Calculus: Divergences

- The **fundamental theorem of divergences**:

$$\int_{\text{vol}} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}) dV = \oint_{\text{surface}} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

- Also called **GAUSS' THM** or **GREEN's THM**

- NOTE: $d\vec{A} = \hat{n} dA$ where \hat{n} is \perp the surface, pointing outward from the enclosed volume.
- $\vec{B} \cdot \hat{n}$ = component of $\vec{B} \perp$ surface.

ELECTROSTATICS

[Source charges at rest]

- Basic problem:**
Find forces on **test charge** due to **source charges**
- Superposition Principle** holds for forces and vector fields

COULOMB'S LAW:

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

where

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 / \text{Nm}^2$$

for point charges q and Q

ELECTRIC FIELD:

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

so, FOR THE SOURCE POINT CHARGES q_i ,

$$\vec{E}(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{q_i}{r_i^2} \hat{r}_i \quad (\text{SUPERPOSITION!})$$

FIELD POINT

$$\hat{r}_i = \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_i|}$$

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THE ELECTRIC FIELD:

For a single point charge:
$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

For a differentially small point charge:
$$d\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \frac{dq}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

For continuous charge distribution:
$$\vec{E} = \int d\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_o} \int \frac{dq}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

where $\epsilon_o = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 / \text{Nm}^2$