

2.1 ELECTRIC POTENTIAL

ELECTRIC FIELD OR ELECTRIC FIELD INTENSITY:

The electric field or electric field intensity is defined as the electric force per unit charge. It is given by

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

According to coulomb's law

$$F = \frac{Qq}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

Electric Field

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

Substitute F value in above equation

$$E = \frac{\frac{Qq}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}}{q}$$

$$E = \frac{Qq}{4\pi\epsilon r^2 q}$$

$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \text{ V/m}$$

The another unit of electric field is *Volts/meter*

ELECTRIC POTENTIAL DUE TO LINE CHARGE:

Considered uniformly charged line of length L whose linear charge density is ρ_l Coulomb/meter. Consider a small element dl at a distance l from one end of the charged line as shown in figure 2.1.1. Let P be any point at a distance r from the element dl .

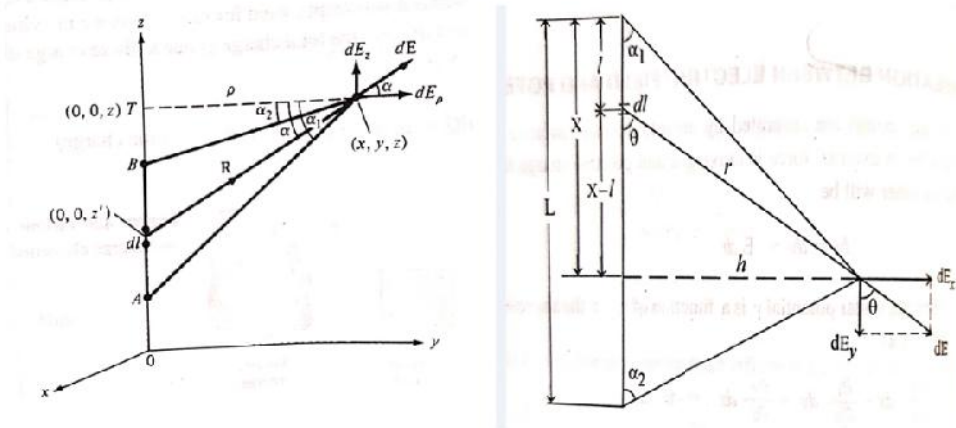


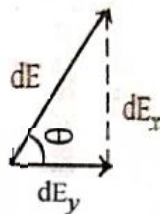
Figure 2.1.1 Evaluation of the electric potential V due to a line charge

[Source: "Elements of Electromagnetics" by Matthew N.O.Sadiku, page-114]

The electric field at a point P due to the charge element $\rho_l dl$ is given

$$dE = \frac{\rho_l dl}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

The x and y components of electric field dE are given by



From the above diagram find $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{dE_x}{dE}$$

$$dE_x = dE \sin \theta$$

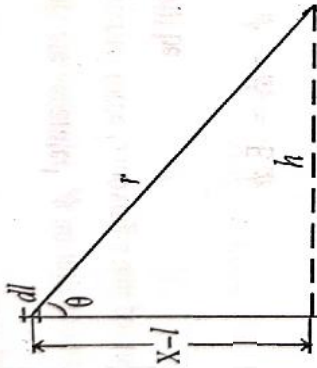
$$\cos \theta = \frac{dE_y}{dE}$$

$$dE_y = dE \cos \theta$$

Substitute dE expression in dE_x

$$dE_x = \frac{\rho_l dl \sin \theta}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_l dl \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$



From the above diagram find $\tan \theta$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{h}{x-l}$$

$$x-l = \frac{h}{\tan \theta}$$

$$x-l = h \cot \theta$$

Differentiate above equation on both sides

$$0 - dl = h(-\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta)$$

$$-dl = -h(\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta)$$

$$dl = h(\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta) \cdot d\theta$$

From the above diagram find $\sin \theta$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{h}{r}$$

$$r = \frac{h}{\sin \theta}$$

$$r = h \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

Substitute dl and r value in dE_x

$$dE_x = \frac{\rho_l dl \sin \theta}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

$$dE_x = \frac{\rho_l h (\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta) d\theta \sin \theta}{4\pi\epsilon (h \operatorname{cosec} \theta)^2}$$

$$dE_x = \frac{\rho_l h (\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta) d\theta \sin \theta}{4\pi\epsilon h^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}$$

$$dE_x = \frac{\rho_l \sin \theta d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon h}$$

Integrate the above equation dE_x considered the limit as α_1 to $\pi - \alpha_2$

The electric field E_x due to the entire length of line charge is given by

$$\int dE_x = \int_{\alpha_1}^{\pi - \alpha_2} \frac{\rho_l \sin \theta d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon h}$$

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$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} \int_{\alpha_1}^{\pi - \alpha_2} \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [-\cos \theta]_{\alpha_1}^{\pi - \alpha_2}$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [-\cos(\pi - \alpha_2) - (-\cos \alpha_1)]$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\cos \alpha_2) + (\cos \alpha_1)]$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\cos \alpha_1) + (\cos \alpha_2)]$$

Substitute dl and r value in dE_x

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_l h (\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta) d\theta \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon (h \operatorname{cosec} \theta)^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_l h (\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta) d\theta \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon h^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_l h (\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta) d\theta \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon h^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_l d\theta \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon h}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_l \cos \theta d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon h}$$

Similarly for y component of E

Integrate the above equation dE_y consider the limit as α_1 to $\pi - \alpha_2$

The electric field E_y due to the entire length of line charge is given by

$$\int dE_y = \int_{\alpha_1}^{\pi - \alpha_2} \frac{\rho_l \cos \theta d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon h}$$

$$E_y = \int_{\alpha_1}^{\pi - \alpha_2} \frac{\rho_l \cos \theta d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon h}$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} \int_{\alpha_1}^{\pi - \alpha_2} \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [\sin \theta]_{\alpha_1}^{\pi - \alpha_2}$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [\sin(\pi - \alpha_2) - (\sin \alpha_1)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\sin \alpha_2) - (\sin \alpha_1)]$$

Case (i): If the point P is at bisector of a line, then $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha$

$E_y = 0$ E becomes E_x

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\cos \alpha_1) + (\cos \alpha_2)]$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\cos \alpha) + (\cos \alpha)]$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} (2\cos\alpha)$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon h} (\cos\alpha)$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\sin\alpha_2) - (\sin\alpha_1)]$$

Substitute $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\sin\alpha) - (\sin\alpha)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [0]$$

$$E_y = 0$$

E becomes E_x

$$E = E_x$$

$$E = E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon h} (\cos\alpha)$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon h} (\cos\alpha)$$

Case (ii): If the line is infinitely long then $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha = 0$

$E_y = 0$ E becomes E_x

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\cos\alpha_1) + (\cos\alpha_2)]$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\cos 0) + (\cos 0)]$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(1) + (1)]$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [2]$$

$$E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon h}$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\sin \alpha_2) - (\sin \alpha_1)]$$

Substitute $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha = 0$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(\sin 0) - (\sin 0)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [(0) - (0)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_l}{4\pi\epsilon h} [0]$$

$$E_y = 0$$

E becomes E_x

$$E = E_x$$

$$E = E_x = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon h}$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon h}$$

Work done

$$W = - \int_{r_1}^{r_2} q E dh$$

Substitute E equation in W

$$W = - \int_{r_1}^{r_2} q E dh$$

$$W = - \int_{r_1}^{r_2} q \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon h} dh$$

$$W = - \frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{1}{h} dh$$

$$W = - \frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} [\ln h]_{r_1}^{r_2}$$

$$W = -\frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon}[(\ln r_2) - (\ln r_1)]$$

Multiply the common minus term with inside terms

$$W = \frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon}[-(\ln r_2) - (-\ln r_1)]$$

$$W = \frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon}[-(\ln r_2) + (\ln r_1)]$$

$$W = \frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon}[(\ln r_1) - (\ln r_2)]$$

$$W = \frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[\frac{r_1}{r_2} \right]$$

Electric Potential Difference

$$V = \frac{W}{q}$$

Substitute **W** value in above equation

$$V = \frac{W}{q}$$

$$V = \frac{\frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[\frac{r_1}{r_2} \right]}{q}$$

$$V = \frac{q\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon q} \left[\frac{r_1}{r_2} \right]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[\frac{r_1}{r_2} \right]$$

ELECTRIC POTENTIAL DUE TO CIRCULAR DISC:

Consider a circular disc of radius R is charged uniformly with a charge density of $\rho_s \text{ coulomb/m}^2$. Let P be any point on the axis of the disc at a distance from the centre. Consider an annular ring of radius r and of radial thickness dr as shown in figure 2.1.2. The area of the annular ring is $ds = 2\pi r dr$.

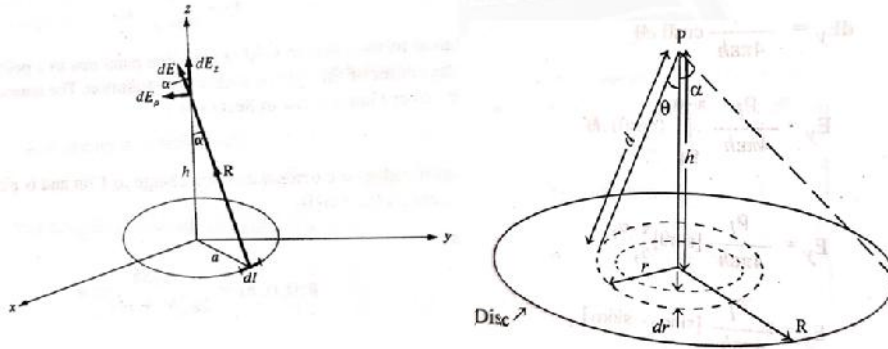


Figure 2.1.2 Evaluation of the E field due to a charged ring

[Source: "Elements of Electromagnetics" by Matthew N.O.Sadiku, page-120]

The field intensity at point P due to the charged annular ring is given by

$$dE = \frac{\rho_s ds}{4\pi\epsilon d^2}$$

Since the horizontal component of electric field intensity is zero, The horizontal components and vertical components are dE_x and dE_y

The horizontal components of angular ring is zero

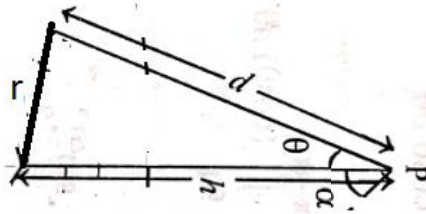
$$dE_x = 0$$

$$E_x = 0$$

The horizontal components of angular ring E_y have to find for circular ring.

the vertical component is given by

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_s ds \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon d^2}$$



From the above diagram find $\tan \theta$ and $\sin \theta$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{r}{h}$$

$$r = h \tan \theta$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{r}{d}$$

$$d = \frac{r}{\sin \theta}$$

Assume

$$ds = 2\pi r dr$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_s ds \cos \theta}{4\pi \epsilon d^2}$$

Substitute ds in dE_y

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_s 2\pi r dr \cos \theta}{4\pi \epsilon d^2}$$

$$r = h \tan \theta$$

Differentiate above equation

$$dr = h \sec^2 \theta d\theta$$

Substitute dr and d in dE_y

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_s (2\pi r) h \sec^2 \theta d\theta \cos \theta}{4\pi \epsilon d^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_s (2\pi r) h \sec^2 \theta d\theta \cos \theta}{4\pi \epsilon \left(\frac{r}{\sin \theta}\right)^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S(2\pi r)(h \sec^2 \theta) d\theta \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S(2\pi r)(h \sec^2 \theta) \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S(2\pi r)(h) \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon r^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

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$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S(2\pi r)(h) \tan \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S(h) \tan \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon r}$$

Substitute r in dE_y

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S(h) \tan \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon r}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S(h) \tan \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon h \tan \theta}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon}$$

Integrate the above equation dE_y considered the limit as 0 to α

$$\int dE_y = \int_0^\alpha \frac{\rho_S \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon}$$

$$\int dE_y = \frac{\rho_S}{2\epsilon} \int_0^\alpha \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_S}{2\epsilon} [-\cos \theta]_0^\alpha$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [(-\cos \alpha) - (-\cos 0)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [(-\cos \alpha) + (1)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [(1) + (-\cos \alpha)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

The total electric field

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_x + \mathbf{E}_y$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_x + \mathbf{E}_y$$

$$\mathbf{E}_x = 0$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

$$\mathbf{E} = 0 + \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

The electric potential V at any point P due to charge disc

$$V = - \int_d^0 E dx$$

Substitute \mathbf{E} value in above equation

$$V = - \int_d^0 \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha] dx$$

Substitute $\alpha = \theta$ in above equation

$$V = - \int_d^0 \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \theta] dx$$

Integrate above equation with respect to x

$$V = -\frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \theta] \int_d^0 dx$$

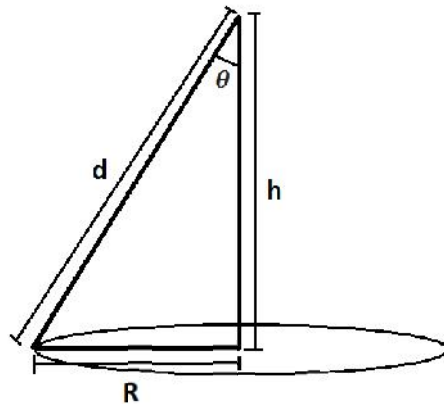
$$V = -\frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \theta] [x]_d^0$$

$$V = -\frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \theta] [(0) - (d)]$$

$$V = -\frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \theta] [-(d)]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \theta] [(d)]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s d}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \theta]$$



$$d^2 = R^2 + h^2$$

$$d = \sqrt{R^2 + h^2}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{h}{d}$$

Substitute d value in above equation

$$\cos \theta = \frac{h}{\sqrt{R^2 + h^2}}$$

Substitute $\cos \theta$ equation in V

$$V = \frac{\rho_s d}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \theta]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s \sqrt{R^2 + h^2}}{2\epsilon} \left[1 - \frac{h}{\sqrt{R^2 + h^2}} \right]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s \sqrt{R^2 + h^2}}{2\epsilon} \times \left[\frac{\sqrt{R^2 + h^2} - h}{\sqrt{R^2 + h^2}} \right]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s \sqrt{R^2 + h^2}}{2\epsilon} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{R^2 + h^2}} \right) \times \left[\sqrt{R^2 + h^2} - h \right]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} \left[\sqrt{R^2 + h^2} - h \right]$$

ELECTRIC POTENTIAL DUE TO INFINITE SHEET OF CHARGE:

Consider an infinite plane sheet which is uniformly charged with a charge density of ρ_s Coulom/ n^2 as shown in figure 2.1.3.

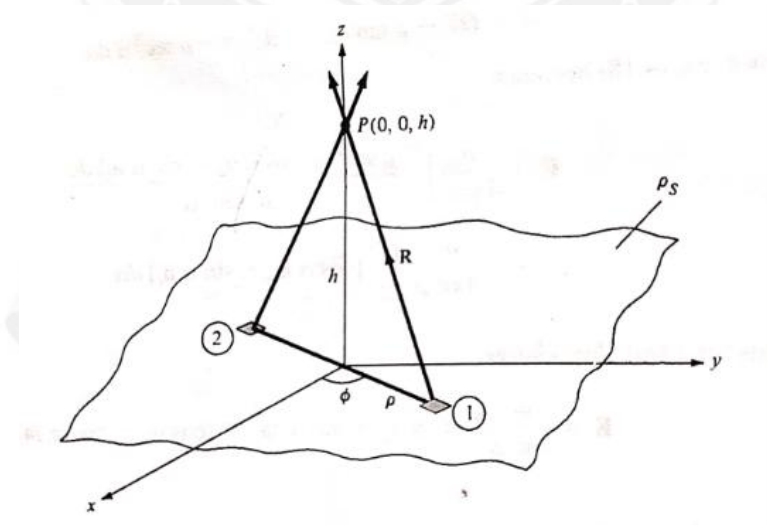


Figure 2.1.3 Evaluation of the E field due to an infinite sheet of charge

[Source: "Elements of Electromagnetics" by Matthew N.O.Sadiku, page-116]

The field intensity at any point P due to infinite plane sheet of charge can be evaluated by applying expression of charged circular disc.

The field intensity at point P due to the charged annular ring is given by

$$dE = \frac{\rho_s ds}{4\pi\epsilon d^2}$$

Since the horizontal component of electric field intensity is zero, The horizontal components and vertical components are dE_x and dE_y

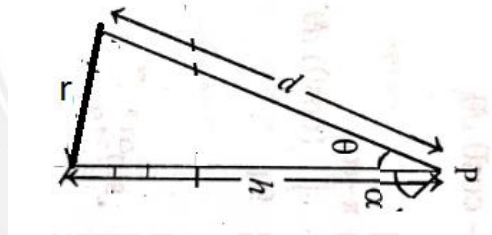
The horizontal components of angular ring is zero

$$dE_x = 0$$

$$E_x = 0$$

The horizontal components of angular ring E_y have to find for circular ring. the vertical component is given by

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_s ds \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon d^2}$$



From the above diagram find $\tan \theta$ and $\sin \theta$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{r}{h}$$

$$r = h \tan \theta$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{r}{d}$$

$$d = \frac{r}{\sin \theta}$$

Assume

$$ds = 2\pi r dr$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_s ds \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon d^2}$$

Substitute ds in dE_y

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S 2\pi r dr \cos \theta}{4\pi \epsilon d^2}$$

$$r = h \tan \theta$$

Differentiate above equation

$$dr = h \sec^2 \theta d\theta$$

Substitute dr and d in dE_y

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (2\pi r) h \sec^2 \theta d\theta \cos \theta}{4\pi \epsilon d^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (2\pi r) h \sec^2 \theta d\theta \cos \theta}{4\pi \epsilon \left(\frac{r}{\sin \theta}\right)^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (2\pi r) (h \sec^2 \theta) d\theta \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta}{4\pi \epsilon r^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (2\pi r) (h \sec^2 \theta) \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta}{4\pi \epsilon r^2}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (2\pi r) (h) \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta}{4\pi \epsilon r^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (2\pi r) (h) \sin^2 \theta d\theta}{4\pi \epsilon r^2 \cos \theta}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (2\pi r) (h) \tan \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{4\pi \epsilon r^2}$$

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$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (h) \tan \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon r}$$

Substitute r in dE_y

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (h) \tan \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon r}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_S (h) \tan \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon h \tan \theta}$$

$$dE_y = \frac{\rho_s \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon}$$

Integrate the above equation dE_y consider the limit as 0 to α

$$\int dE_y = \int_0^\alpha \frac{\rho_s \sin \theta d\theta}{2\epsilon}$$

$$\int dE_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} \int_0^\alpha \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [-\cos \theta]_0^\alpha$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [(-\cos \alpha) - (-\cos 0)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [(-\cos \alpha) + (1)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [(1) + (-\cos \alpha)]$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

The total electric field

$$E = E_x + E_y$$

$$E = E_x + E_y$$

$$E_x = 0$$

$$E_y = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

$$E = 0 + \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

The electric field due to infinite uniformly charge sheet $\alpha = 90^\circ$

$$E = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos \alpha]$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - \cos 90^\circ]$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1 - 0]$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [1]$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon}$$

The electric potential V at any point P is given by

$$V = - \int_d^0 E dx$$

Substitute E value in above equation

$$V = - \int_d^0 \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} dx$$

Substitute $\alpha = \theta$ in above equation

$$V = - \int_d^0 \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} dx$$

Integrate above equation with respect to x

$$V = - \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} \int_d^0 dx$$

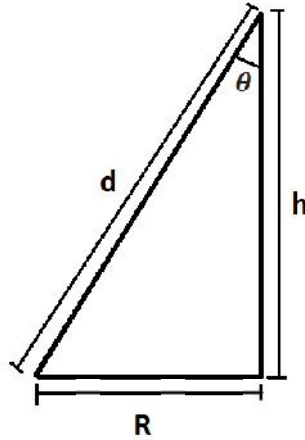
$$V = - \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [x]_d^0$$

$$V = - \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [(0) - (d)]$$

$$V = - \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [-(d)]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} [(d)]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s d}{2\epsilon}$$



$$d^2 = R^2 + h^2$$

$$d = \sqrt{R^2 + h^2}$$

Substitute d equation in V

$$V = \frac{\rho_s d}{2\epsilon}$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s \sqrt{R^2 + h^2}}{2\epsilon}$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_s}{2\epsilon} \left[\sqrt{R^2 + h^2} \right] \text{ volts}$$

COAXIAL CYLINDER

Consider the two coaxial cylindrical conductors forming a coaxial cable. The radius of the inner cylinder is a while the radius of the outer cylinder is b . The coaxial cable is shown in figure 2.1.4. The length of cable is L .

The line charge density of inner cylinder is ρ_l . The line charge density of inner cylinder is $-\rho_l$.

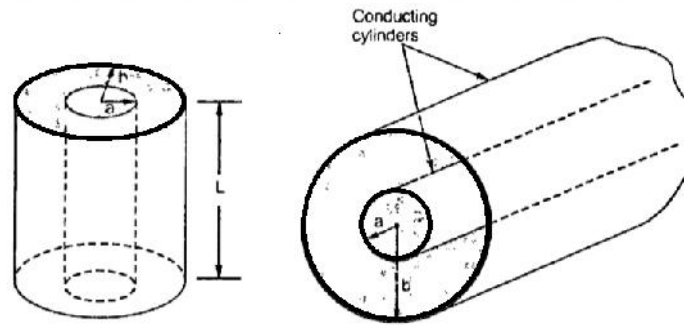


Figure 2.1.4 Coaxial Cable

[Source: "Electromagnetic Theory" by U.A.Bakshi, page-3.19]

In outer side the integral of electric flux density over a space is equal to charge.

$$\int D d_s = Q$$

The line charge density

$$\rho_l = \frac{Q}{l} \text{ Coulomb/meter}(c/n)$$

$$\rho_l = \frac{Q}{l}$$

$$Q = \rho_l l$$

Substitute Q in $D d_s$

$$\int D d_s = Q$$

$$\int D d_s = \rho_l l$$

Substitute D in $D d_s$ equation

$$D = \epsilon E$$

$$\int \epsilon E d_s = \rho_l l$$

$$\epsilon E \int d_s = \rho_l l$$

$$\int d_s = S = A$$

Substitute d_s value in above equation

$$\epsilon EA = \rho_l l$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_l l}{\epsilon A}$$

Area of Cylinder

$$A = 2\pi r l$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_l l}{\epsilon 2\pi r l}$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_l}{\epsilon 2\pi r}$$

$$E = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi \epsilon r}$$

The potential difference between the two cylinders

$$V = - \int_b^a E dr$$

Substitute E in V

$$V = - \int_b^a \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi \epsilon r} dr$$

$$V = - \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi \epsilon} \int_b^a \frac{1}{r} dr$$

$$V = - \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi \epsilon} [\ln r]_b^a$$

$$V = - \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi \epsilon} [(\ln a) - (\ln b)]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi \epsilon} [-(\ln a) - (-\ln b)]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi \epsilon} [(\ln b) - (\ln a)]$$

$$V = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \right]$$

The electric fields can be written as in terms of potential

$$V = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \right]$$

Substitute E expression in above equation

$$V = \frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \right]$$

$$\frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} = Er$$

$$V = -\frac{\rho_l}{2\pi\epsilon} \left[\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \right]$$

$$V = Er \left[\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \right]$$

$$E = \frac{V}{r \left[\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \right]}$$

ELECTRIC POTENTIAL DUE TO SHELL OF CHARGE

Electric Potential Single Shell of Charge:

A positive charge Q is uniformly distributed over a spherical surface of radius a as shown in figure.

By applying Gauss's law inside the shell the integral of flux density D over a spherical surface is zero as no charge is enclosed by the surface.

$$\oint D ds = 0 \quad r < a$$

$$D = \epsilon E$$

Substitute D expression in $\oint D ds$

$$\oint D ds = 0$$

$$\oint \epsilon E ds = 0$$

$$\epsilon \oint E ds = 0$$

$$E = 0 \quad r < a$$

Electric field is zero inside the shell.

By applying Gauss's law just outside the shell, the integral of flux density D over a spherical surface is the charge of the shell.

$$\oint_s D ds = Q$$

$$D = \epsilon E$$

Substitute D expression in $D ds$

$$\oint_s D ds = Q$$

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$$\oint_s ds = A$$

Area of sphere

$$A = 4\pi r^2$$

Substitute A expression in above equation

$$\oint_s ds = A$$

$$\oint_s ds = 4\pi r^2$$

Substitute $\oint_s ds$ expression in $D ds$ equation

$$\epsilon E \oint_s ds = Q$$

$$\epsilon E 4\pi r^2 = Q$$

$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

This is the electric field just outside the spherical shell

The potential just outside the shell is

$$V = - \int E dr$$

Substitute V expression in E equation

$$V = - \int E dr$$

$$V = - \int \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} dr$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \int \frac{1}{r^2} dr$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \int r^{-2} dr$$

Integrate the above equation V

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{r^{-2+1}}{-2+1}$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{r^{-1}}{(-1)}$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{-1}{(r)}$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon \times r}$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r} \quad r > a$$

At $r = a$ electric potential on the sphere

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r}$$

Substitute $r = a$ in above equation

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon a}$$

Since electric field E inside the shell is zero. It requires no work to move a test charge inside the shell and hence the electric potential V inside the shell is constant.

$$V = - \int E dr = \text{Constant}$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon a} \quad r < a$$

ELECTRIC POTENTIAL TWO CONCENTRIC SHELL OF CHARGE:

Electric field intensity between two shells:

Consider two spherical shells of radius a and b . Let Q_1 and Q_2 be the charges uniformly distributed over the inner shell of radius a and outer shell of radius b respectively.

By applying Gauss's law the line integral of flux density D over a closed surface is zero.

$$\oint D ds = 0 \quad r < a$$

$$D = \epsilon E$$

Substitute D expression in $\oint D ds$

$$\oint D ds = 0$$

$$\oint \epsilon E ds = 0$$

$$\epsilon \oint E ds = 0$$

$$E = 0 \quad r < a$$

Electric field is zero inside the shell.

The electric field intensity between the two shells ($a < r < b$)

$$E = \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \quad (a < r < b)$$

The electric field intensity just outside both shells due to Q_1 and Q_2 ($r > b > a$)

$$E = \frac{Q_1 + Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \quad (r > b > a)$$

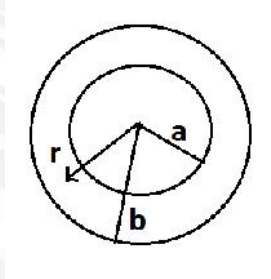
At the inner shell $r = a$ the electric field intensity

$$E = \frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

At the outer shell $r = b$ the electric field intensity

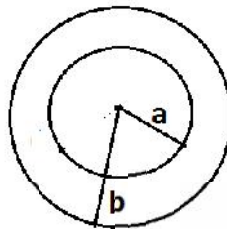
$$E = \frac{Q_1 + Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

The variation of electric field intensity is shown in figure



The potential between two concentric shells:

The potential difference between the two shells is given by



$$V = - \int_b^a E dr$$

Substitute E expression in above equation

$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}$$

$$V = - \int_b^a \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} dr$$

Integrate above equation with respect to r

$$V = - \int_b^a \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} dr$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \int_b^a \frac{1}{r^2} dr$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \int_b^a r^{-2} dr$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \left[\frac{r^{-2+1}}{-2+1} \right]_b^a$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \left[\frac{r^{-1}}{(-1)} \right]_b^a$$

$$V = - \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \left[\frac{(-1)}{r} \right]_b^a$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \left[\frac{(1)}{r} \right]_b^a$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{a} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{b} \right) \right]$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \left[\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right]$$

If Q_1 be the charge distributed over inner shell and Q_2 be the charge distributed over outer shell, then potential difference

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \left[\frac{Q_1}{a} - \frac{Q_2}{b} \right]$$