

Electrostatics & Magnetostatics

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Capacitance

- Capacitance is the ratio of charge to electric potential difference.

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} \quad (F)$$

- C = capacitance (Farads)
- Q = capacitor charge (Coulombs)
- V = potential difference (Volts)

Three steps to calculating capacitance

<p>STEP1 Apply Gauss's law to find the flux density and the electric field distribution. ($\mathbf{D} = \epsilon\mathbf{E}$)</p>	$\oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{S} = Q_{enc} \quad (C)$
<p>STEP2 Apply the potential law to find the potential difference between the conductors which form the structure of the capacitor.</p>	$V_{AB} = -\int_B^A \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} \quad (V)$
<p>STEP3 Apply $Q=CV$ or an equivalent. As in the case of a line conductor ($\lambda L=CV$). This will give capacitance per unit length.</p>	$C = \frac{Q}{V_{AB}} \quad (F)$ $C = \frac{\lambda}{V_{AB}} \quad (F/m)$

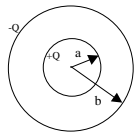
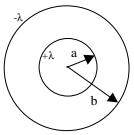
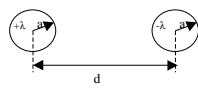
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Capacitance of three simple structures

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} \quad (F)$$

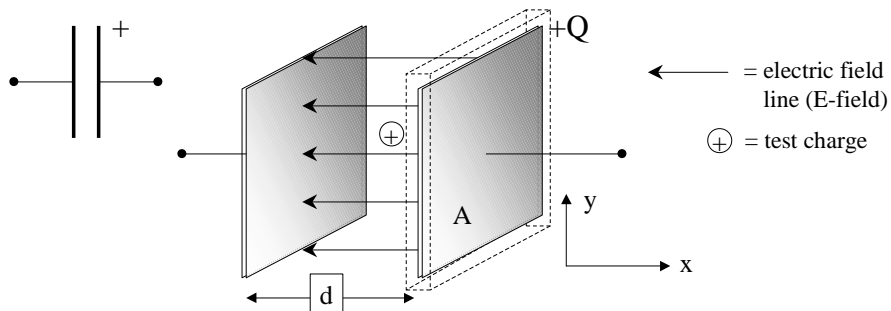
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaxial spheres $V_{AB} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right) \quad (V)$	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaxial cylinders $V_{AB} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) \quad (V)$	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twin conductors $V_{AB} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{d-a}{a}\right) \quad (V)$	

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Electrostatic analysis of a parallel plate capacitor (assume no fringing fields)



flux density	field intensity	potential difference	capacitance
$D_x = \frac{Q}{A}$	$\Rightarrow E_x = \frac{Q}{\epsilon A}$	$\Rightarrow V = \frac{Qd}{\epsilon A}$	$\Rightarrow C = \frac{Q}{V} \Rightarrow C = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$
(C/m ²)	(V/m)	(V)	(F)

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Flux Linkage

- Inductance is calculated using the notion of **flux linkage**.

$$L = \frac{\Lambda}{I} \quad (H)$$

- Λ = flux linkage (Weber-turns)
- L = inductance (Henries)
- I = current (Amperes)

- **For self inductance cases:-**

- Flux linkage is the linkage of magnetic flux from one magnetic circuit to itself.

- **For mutual inductance cases:-**

- Flux linkage is the linkage of magnetic flux from one magnetic circuit to another.

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Three steps to calculating inductance

<p>STEP1 Apply Ampere's law to determine the magnetic field distribution around the circuit. Then find the flux density.</p>	$\oint_l \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = I_{enc} \quad (A)$ $\vec{B} = \mu_0 \mu_r \vec{H} \quad (Wb/m^2)$
<p>STEP2 Apply the flux law to find the total flux passing through the circuit. Then determine the flux linkage, (shown is for a N-turn coil).</p>	$\Phi = \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} \quad (Wb)$ $\Lambda = N\Phi \quad (Wb\text{-turns})$
<p>STEP3 Apply $\Lambda = LI$ to find the inductance.</p>	$L = \frac{\Lambda}{I} \quad (H)$

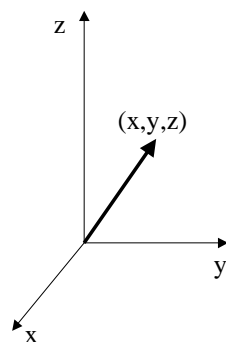
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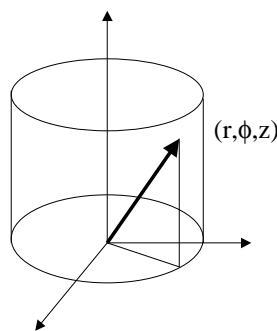
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Co-ordinate Systems

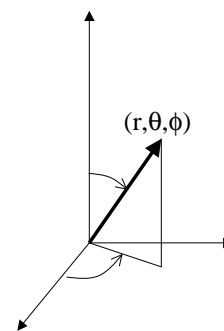
- Using the appropriate coordinate system can simplify the solution to a problem. In selecting the correct one you should be looking to find the natural symmetry of the problem itself.



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CYLINDRICAL



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Field Vectors

- The same E-field can be described using different coordinate systems.
- THIS FIELD IS INDEPENDENT OF THE COORDINATE SYSTEM!!!

E-vector	Coordinates	Range of Coordinates
$\vec{E} = \vec{a}_x E_x + \vec{a}_y E_y + \vec{a}_z E_z$	cartesian (x, y, z)	$-\infty < x < \infty$ $-\infty < y < \infty$ $-\infty < z < \infty$
$\vec{E} = \vec{a}_r E_r + \vec{a}_\theta E_\theta + \vec{a}_z E_z$	cylindrical (r, θ , z)	$0 \leq r < \infty$ $0 \leq \phi < 2\pi$ $-\infty < z < \infty$
$\vec{E} = \vec{a}_r E_r + \vec{a}_\theta E_\theta + \vec{a}_\phi E_\phi$	spherical (r, θ , ϕ)	$0 \leq r < \infty$ $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ $0 \leq \phi < 2\pi$

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Drawing current directed at right angles to the page.

- The following is used for representing current flowing towards or away from the observer.

Current towards
the observer

Current away
from the observer



Memory Aid:

Think of a dart,
with the POINT (arrowhead) travelling TOWARDS you
and the TAIL (feather) travelling AWAY from you.

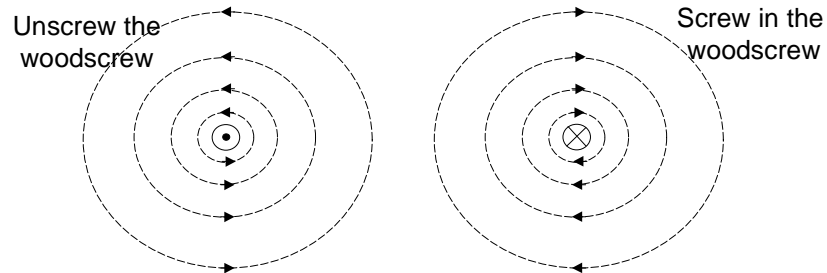
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The grip rule

- Now draw the field around a current carrying conductor using the RIGHT-HAND THREAD rule.



Memory Aid:

Grip your right hand around the conductor
with your thumb in the same direction as the conductor.
Your 4 fingers now show the direction of the magnetic field.