

EE468G NOTES (3)

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Charge (Q):

Unit: Coulomb, [C]

Polarization: positive, negative

Elemental charge particles: electron and proton

Electron charge = -1.60210×10^{-19} [C]

Point charges

Charge distribution: volume, surface, line

Volume charge density: ρ_V , $Q = \int_V \rho_V(x, y, z) dV$

Surface charge density: ρ_S

Line charge density: ρ_l

Law of conservation of charge: The total charge in a closed system remain the same for all time.

Current (I):

Flow of charges (Rate of change in charge)

Unit: Ampere, [A], or [C/s]

Direction: positive charge moving direction.

Current = integral of current density

Volume current density: [A/m²], Symbol: \vec{J}

Surface current density: [A/m], \vec{J}_S

Continuity relation:

Integral format: $\oint_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{S} = -\frac{\partial Q_{enc}}{\partial t}$,

Differential format: $\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho_V}{\partial t}$

Two point charges suspended in free-space will act a force to each other.



Consider one charge in space. It has the ability to act a force to a charge if it is put into the space. We use a test charge to examine the force. If the testing charge has charge Q , the force acting on it is F , then, the *electric field intensity* is defined as:

$$\vec{E} = \lim_{Q \rightarrow 0} \frac{\vec{F}}{Q}, \quad [\text{N/C, or V/m}]$$

Lorentz force: The forces act on a test charge Q by the fields.

$$\vec{F} = Q(\vec{E} + \vec{u} \times \vec{B}) = Q\vec{E} + Q\vec{u} \times \vec{B}$$

The first term is the electric force, it defines electric field intensity

The second force is the magnetic force (acts on a moving charge), it defines magnetic flux density.