

# Lecture 43: More applications of the Divergence Thm.

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HW: Review problems on web

Review: Email me suggestions

Charges  $Q_i$  at locations  $\vec{x}_i$

Electric Field =  $\vec{E}(\vec{r}) = \sum \vec{E}_i(\vec{r})$  where  $\vec{E}_i = \frac{Q_i}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{x}_i)}{\|\vec{r} - \vec{x}_i\|^3}$

Gauss's Law:  $R$  a region in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Then

$$\iint_{\partial R} (\vec{E}(\vec{r}) \cdot \vec{n}) dA = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} (\text{total charge inside } R)$$

[Mention uses.]

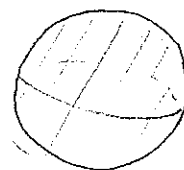
While charge is actually quantized, it often makes sense to consider "charge densities."

$\rho(x, y, z)$ . (has units  $\frac{\text{charge}}{\text{volume}}$ )

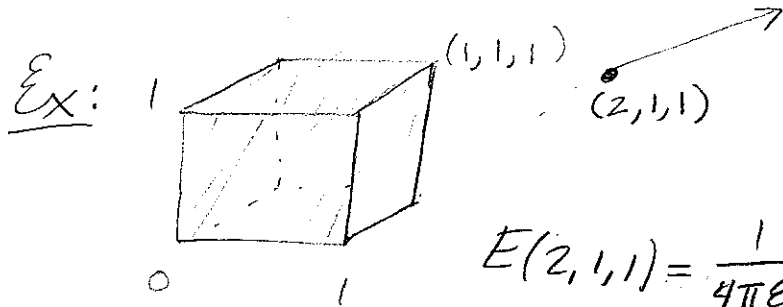
In this case

$$E(\vec{r}) = \iiint_R \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\rho(\vec{x}) (\vec{r} - \vec{x})}{\|\vec{r} - \vec{x}\|^3} dx dy dz$$

where we are integrating over  $\vec{x} = (x, y, z)$  and now



The integrand is vector-valued.



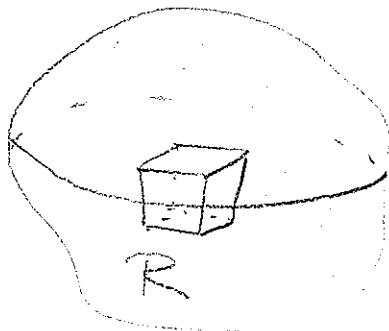
$$\rho(x, y, z) = x$$

$$E(2, 1, 1) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x(2-x, 1-y, 1-z)}{((2-x)^2 + (1-y)^2 + (1-z)^2)^{3/2}} dx dy dz$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (0.19, 0.07, 0.07)$$

On the other hand, Gauss's Law says that if  $R$  is a region containing this cube, then

$$\iint_{\partial R} (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{n}) dA = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \iiint_{\text{cube}} \rho(x, y, z) dV = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0}$$



Another advantage of looking

at a charge density is that  $\vec{E}$

is now defined everywhere [Note to self: This

is because  $\frac{1}{r^2}$  is integrable near  $\vec{0}$ .]

Thus the divergence theorem applies and

$$\iiint_R \operatorname{div} \vec{E} dV = \iint_{\partial R} (\vec{E} \cdot \vec{n}) dA = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \iiint_R \rho dV$$

for every region  $R$ . Therefore [Discuss 1<sup>st</sup> example.]

$$\operatorname{div} \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho.$$

at each point. This is Maxwell's 1<sup>st</sup> Eqn.

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Heat Flow:  $u(x, y, z, t)$  = temperature at  $(x, y, z)$   
at time  $t$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = c \Delta u = c \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

Newton's Law of Cooling:

Heat flow =  $-k \operatorname{grad}(u)$  [here  $t$  is fixed]

The rate heat flows into a region  $R$  is

$$\iint_{\substack{\partial R \\ \text{inward normal}}} -k \operatorname{grad}(u) dA = \iiint_R k \operatorname{div}(\operatorname{grad} u) dV$$

$$= \iiint_R k \Delta u \, dV.$$

The amount of heat energy in  $R$  is given by

$$\iiint_R \sigma \rho u \, dV \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{array}{l} \sigma = \text{specific heat} \\ \rho = \text{mass density} \end{array}$$

are constants.

and the rate it is changing is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \iiint_R \sigma \rho u(x, y, z, t) \, dx dy dz$$

$$= \iiint_R \sigma \rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \, dV$$

Thus as this is true for all regions,

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{k}{\sigma \rho} \Delta u}$$

[ Units: Heat is energy  $\mathcal{J}$ , so heat flux is  $W$ ,  $k$  is in  $W/mK$   
 $\rho$  in  $g/m^3$ ,  $\sigma$  in  $\mathcal{J}/gK$ . ]