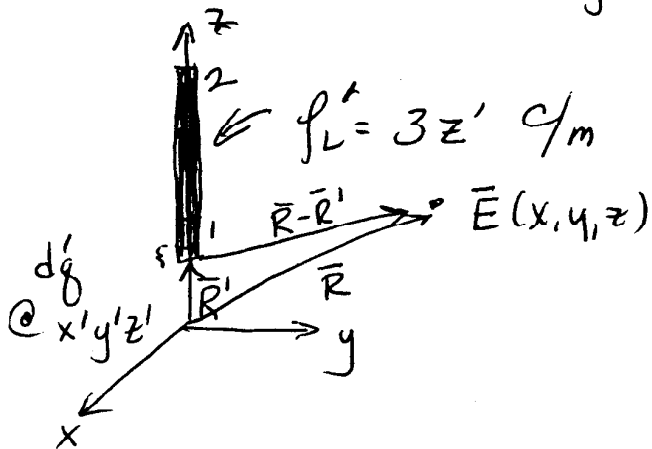


# Example of Coulomb's Law

## Linear Rectangular



① Vector from origin to charge (primed coordinates)

$$\vec{R}' = x' \hat{x} + y' \hat{y} + z' \hat{z} = z' \hat{z}$$

$\uparrow$                        $\uparrow$   
 0                      0      for our geometry

② Vector from origin to field (unprimed coordinates)

$$\vec{R} = x \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + z \hat{z}$$

③ Apply Coulomb's Law

$$d\vec{E} = \frac{dq \hat{R}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$$

" $\hat{R}$ " = unit vector from charge to field

$$= \frac{\vec{R} - \vec{R}'}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}'|} = \frac{x \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + (z - z') \hat{z}}{[x^2 + y^2 + (z - z')^2]^{1/2}}$$

" $R$ " = distance from charge to field =  $|\vec{R} - \vec{R}'|$   
 $= [x^2 + y^2 + (z - z')^2]^{1/2}$

$\vec{R} - \vec{R}'$  = vector from charge to field (not unit vector)

$$dq = \rho_L dL = (3z') dz'$$

$\uparrow$  because of our geometry

## Linear-Rect | continued

$$\bar{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{z'=0}^{2m} \frac{(3z') x \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + (z-z') \hat{z}}{[x^2 + y^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} dz'$$

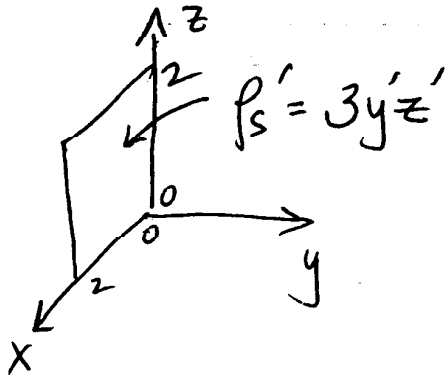
$$\begin{aligned} \bar{E}(x,y,z) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} & \left\{ \int_{z'=0}^{2m} \frac{3z' x dz'}{[x^2 + y^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} \hat{x} \right. \\ & + \int_{z'=0}^{2m} \frac{3z' y dz'}{[x^2 + y^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} \hat{y} \\ & \left. + \int_{z'=0}^{2m} \frac{3z' (z-z') dz'}{[x^2 + y^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} \hat{z} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

If location of  $\bar{E}$  is given,  
substitute this  $(x,y,z)$  for  
 $x,y,z$

↑  
3 components  
of  $\bar{E}$

# Example of Coulomb's Law

## Surface Rectangular



① Vector from origin to charge

$$\vec{R}' = x' \hat{x} + y' \hat{y} + z' \hat{z} = x' \hat{x} + z' \hat{z}$$

$\hat{y} = 0$  because of our geometry

② Vector from origin to field

$$\vec{R} = x \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + z \hat{z}$$

③ Coulomb's Law

$$d\vec{E} = \frac{dq' \cdot \hat{R}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$$

" $\hat{R}$ " = unit vector from charge to field

$$= \frac{\vec{R} - \vec{R}'}{|\vec{R} - \vec{R}'|} = \frac{(x-x') \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + (z-z') \hat{z}}{[(x-x')^2 + y^2 + (z-z')^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

" $R$ " = distance from charge to field

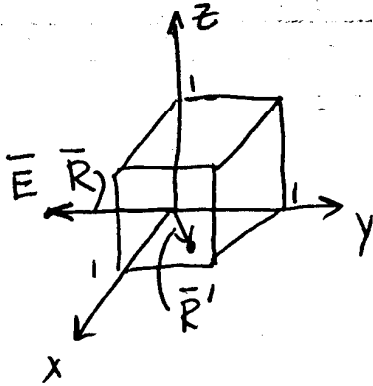
$$= |\vec{R} - \vec{R}'| = [(x-x')^2 + y^2 + (z-z')^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$dq' = \rho_s' ds' = (3y'z') \underbrace{dx' dz'}_{\text{because of our geometry}}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{x'=0}^{2m} \int_{z'=0}^{2m} (3y'z') \frac{(x-x') \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + (z-z') \hat{z}}{[(x-x')^2 + y^2 + (z-z')^2]^{\frac{3}{2}}} dx' dz'$$

## Examples of Coulomb's Law

Volume charge distribution in rectangular coord.



Given:  $\rho_v = \frac{x'^2 y'}{z'} \frac{C}{m^3}$  (Non-uniform charge distribution)

- ① Vector from origin to charge point

$$\bar{R}' = x' \hat{x} + y' \hat{y} + z' \hat{z}$$

↑ use "primed" coordinates & variables for charges.

- ② Vector from origin to  $\bar{E}$  field point

$$\bar{R} = x \hat{x} + y \hat{y} + z \hat{z}$$

↑ use "unprimed" coordinates & variables for field pt.

- ③ Apply Coulomb's Law

$$d\bar{E} = \frac{dq'}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R'^2} \hat{R}'$$

↑ distance from charge to field point  
↑ unit vector from charge to field point

$$\hat{R}' = \frac{\bar{R} - \bar{R}'}{|\bar{R} - \bar{R}'|} = \frac{(x-x')\hat{x} + (y-y')\hat{y} + (z-z')\hat{z}}{[(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2]^{1/2}}$$

$$R' = |\bar{R} - \bar{R}'| = [(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2]^{1/2}$$

$$dq' = \rho_v' dv' = \underbrace{\left(\frac{x'^2 y'}{z'}\right)}_{\rho_v' \text{ given above}} \underbrace{dx' dy' dz'}_{dv' \text{ see page 110}}$$

# Coulomb - Volume - ~~Spherical~~ - Rectangular - cont

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{x'=0}^1 \int_{y'=0}^1 \int_{z'=0}^1 \left[ \frac{(x')^2 y'}{z'} \right] \frac{(x-x')\hat{x} + (y-y')\hat{y} + (z-z')\hat{z}}{[(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} dx' dy' dz'$$

← Limits on charge distribution

$$\left[ \frac{(x')^2 y'}{z'} \right] \frac{(x-x')\hat{x} + (y-y')\hat{y} + (z-z')\hat{z}}{[(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} dx' dy' dz'$$

Integrate over charges

$x, y, z$  are "constant" wrt  $x', y', z'$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \int \int \int \frac{(x')^2 y'}{z'} \frac{(x-x')\hat{x}}{[(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} dx' dy' dz' \leftarrow \text{This gives } \hat{x} \text{ component of field} \right.$$

$$+ \int \int \int \frac{(x')^2 y'}{z'} \frac{(y-y')\hat{y}}{[(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} dx' dy' dz' \leftarrow \hat{y} \text{ component}$$

$$+ \int \int \int \frac{(x')^2 y'}{z'} \frac{(z-z')\hat{z}}{[(x-x')^2 + (y-y')^2 + (z-z')^2]^{3/2}} dx' dy' dz' \leftarrow \hat{z} \text{ component}$$

$$= E_x \hat{x} + E_y \hat{y} + E_z \hat{z}$$

↑  
 These will be functions of  $x, y, z$   
 OR  $x, y, z$  could be specified, and then you  
 could find  $\vec{E}$  at that point.