

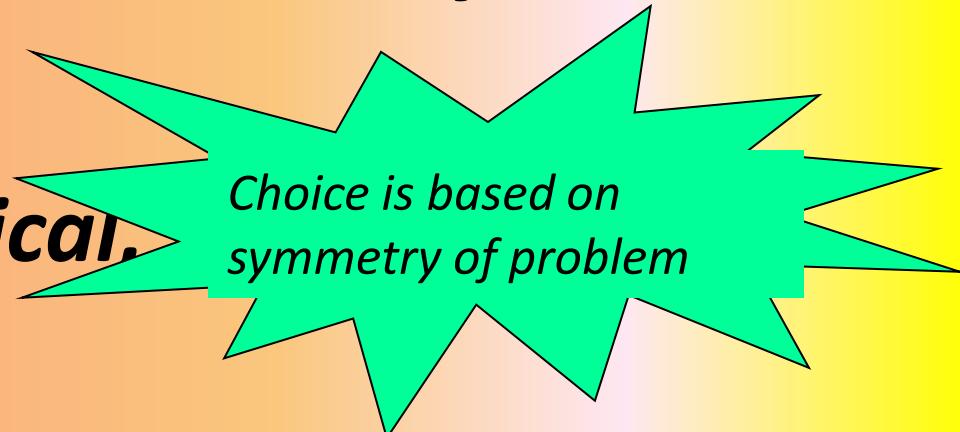
LECTURE NO 4

- Coordinate system
- Need of transformation
- Transformation from cartesian to cylindrical

Coordinate System & **Transformation**

- *EM are functions of space and time.*
- *The spatial variations of the quantities, define all points uniquely in space in a suitable manner.*
- *This requires using an appropriate coordinate system".*

- An orthogonal system is one in which the coordinates are mutually perpendicular.
- Three best-known coordinate systems:
 - The Cartesian
 - The circular cylindrical,
 - The spherical



Choice is based on symmetry of problem

CARTESIAN COORDINATES (X, Y, Z)

Point P can be represented as (x, y, z)

$$-\infty < x < \infty$$

$$-\infty < y < \infty$$

$$-\infty < z < \infty$$

Cylindrical Coordinates

(r, θ, z)

r radial distance in x-y plane

$0 \leq r \leq \infty$

Φ azimuth angle measured from the positive x-axis

$0 \leq \Phi < 2\pi$

z $-\infty < z < \infty$

Vector representation

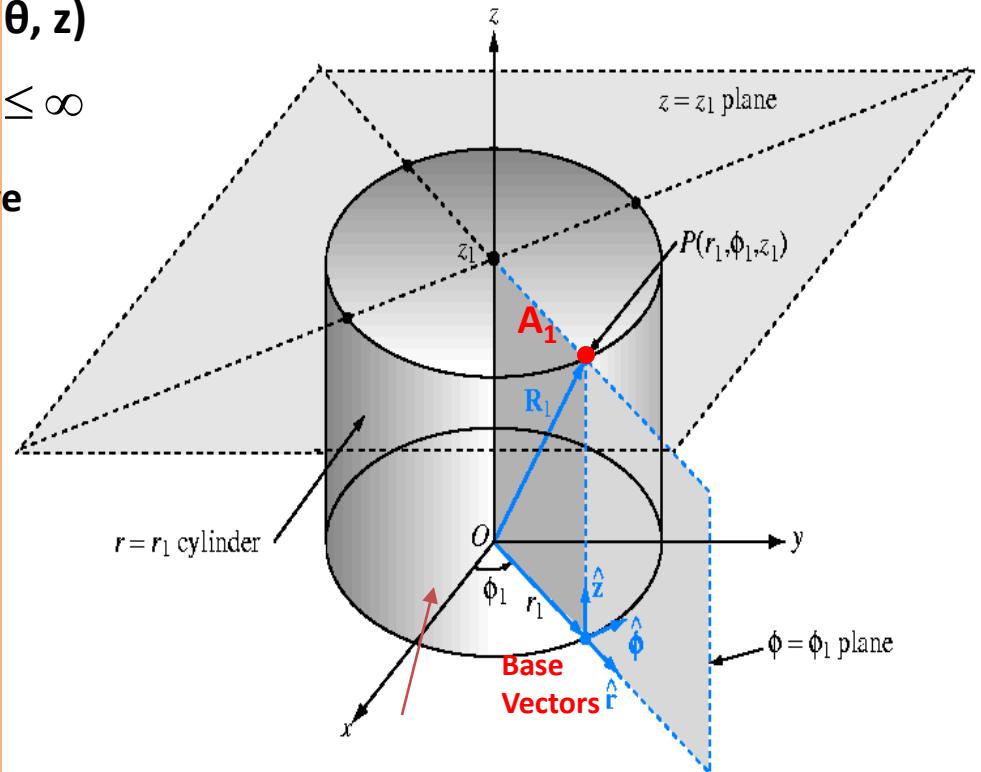
$$\vec{A} = \hat{a} |\vec{A}| = \hat{r} A_r + \hat{\Phi} A_\Phi + \hat{z} A_z$$

Magnitude of A

$$|\vec{A}| = \sqrt{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{A}} = \sqrt{A_r^2 + A_\Phi^2 + A_z^2}$$

Position vector A

$$\hat{r} r_1 + \hat{z} z_1$$



Base vector properties

$$\hat{r} \times \hat{\Phi} = \hat{z},$$

$$\hat{\Phi} \times \hat{z} = \hat{r},$$

$$\hat{z} \times \hat{r} = \hat{\Phi}$$

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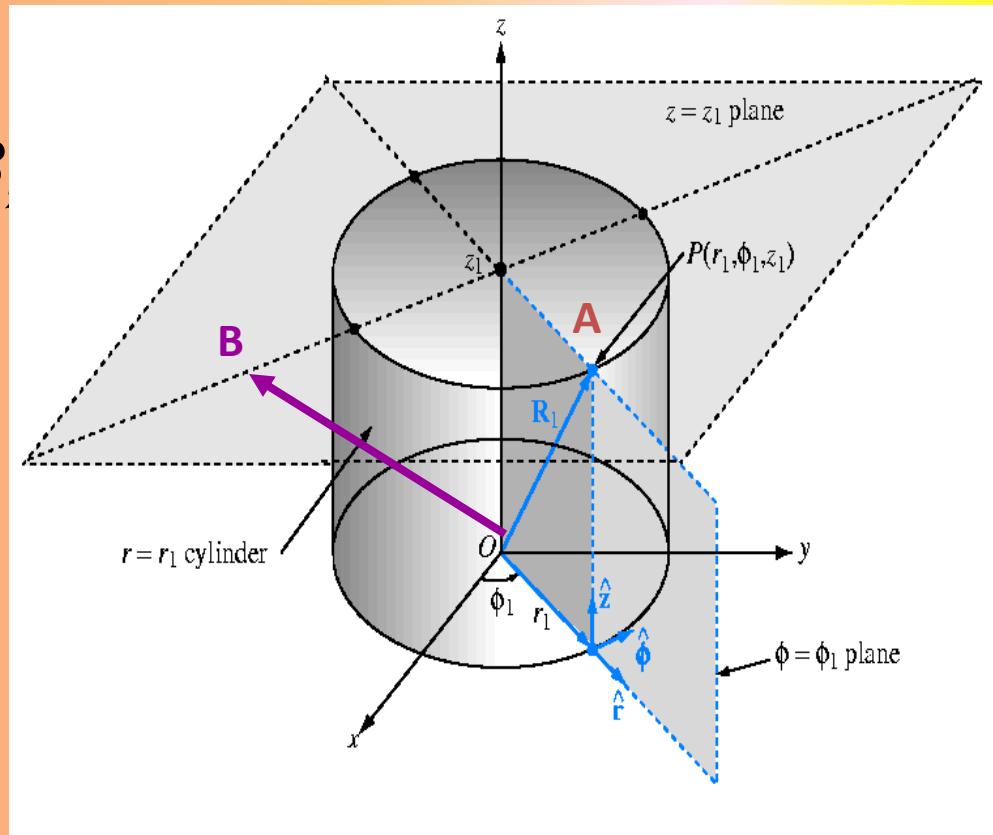
Cylindrical Coordinates

Dot product:

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = A_r B_r + A_\phi B_\phi + A_z B_z$$

Cross product:

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{r} & \hat{\phi} & \hat{z} \\ A_r & A_\phi & A_z \\ B_r & B_\phi & B_z \end{vmatrix}$$



Spherical Coordinates

Vector representation

$$\vec{A} = \hat{R}A_R + \hat{\theta}A_\theta + \hat{\phi}A_\phi$$

(R, θ, Φ)

Magnitude of A

$$|\vec{A}| = \sqrt{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{A}} = \sqrt{A_R^2 + A_\theta^2 + A_\phi^2}$$

Position vector A

$$\hat{R}R_1$$

Base vector properties

$$\hat{R} \times \hat{\Theta} = \hat{\Phi}, \quad \hat{\Theta} \times \hat{\Phi} = \hat{R}, \quad \hat{\Phi} \times \hat{R} = \hat{\Theta}$$

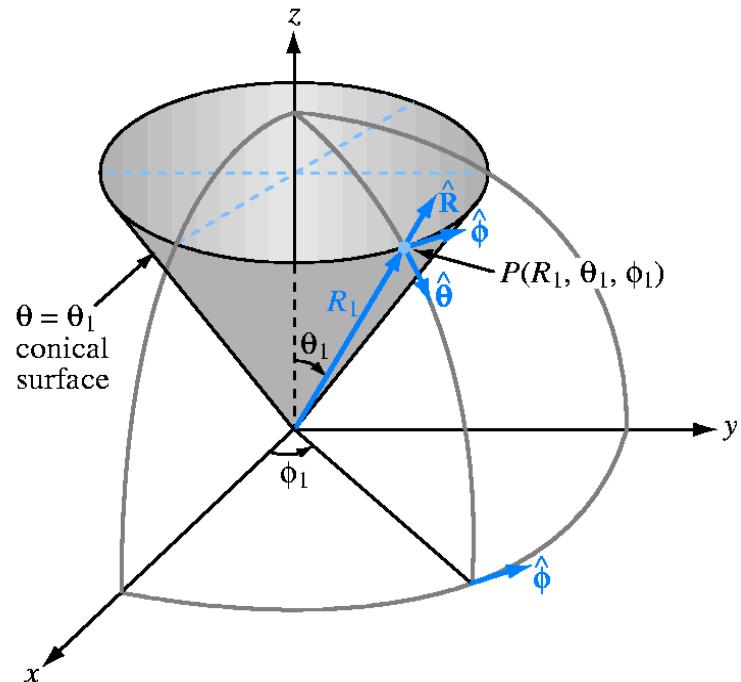


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Cartesian to Cylindrical Transformation

$$A_r = A_x \cos \phi + A_y \sin \phi$$

$$A_\phi = -A_x \sin \phi + A_y \cos \phi$$

$$A_z = A_z$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$$

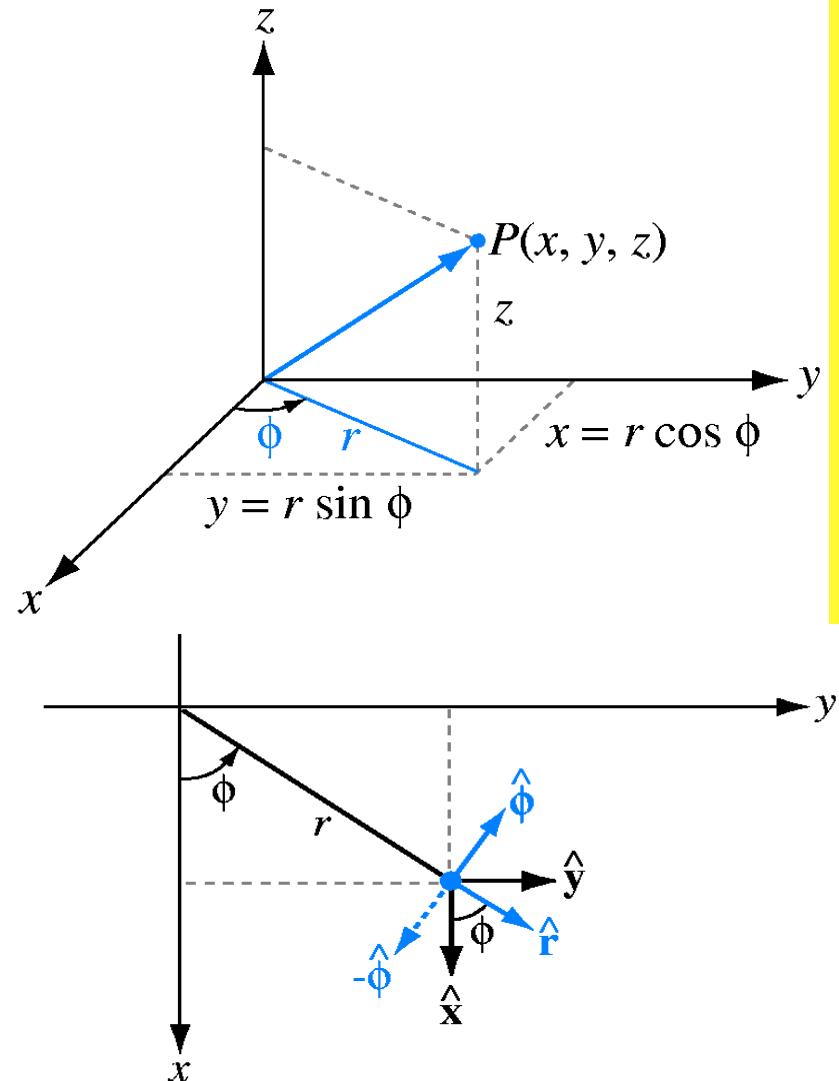
$$z = z$$

$$\hat{r} = \hat{x} \cos \phi + \hat{y} \sin \phi$$

$$\hat{\phi} = -\hat{x} \sin \phi + \hat{y} \cos \phi$$

$$\hat{z} = \hat{z}$$

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CONVERSION OF CARTESIAN VECTOR TO CYLINDRICAL VECTOR

$$\mathbf{a}_x = \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_\rho - \sin \phi \mathbf{a}_\phi$$

$$\mathbf{a}_y = \sin \phi \mathbf{a}_\rho + \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_\phi$$

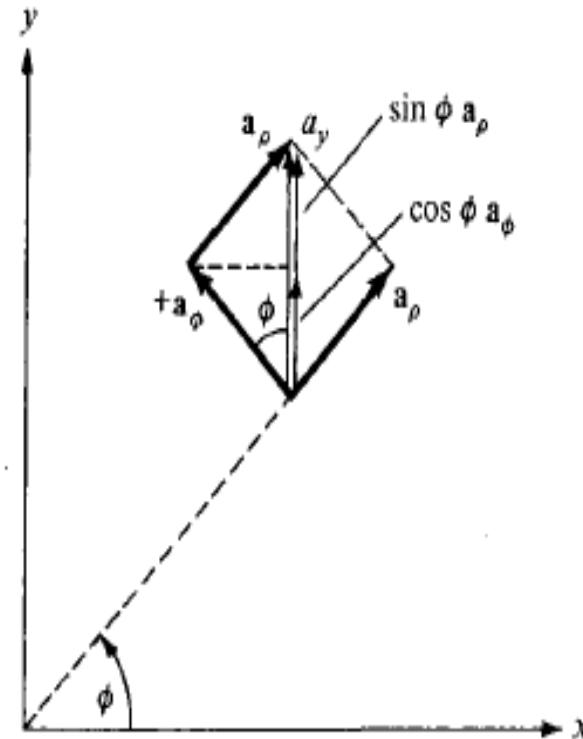
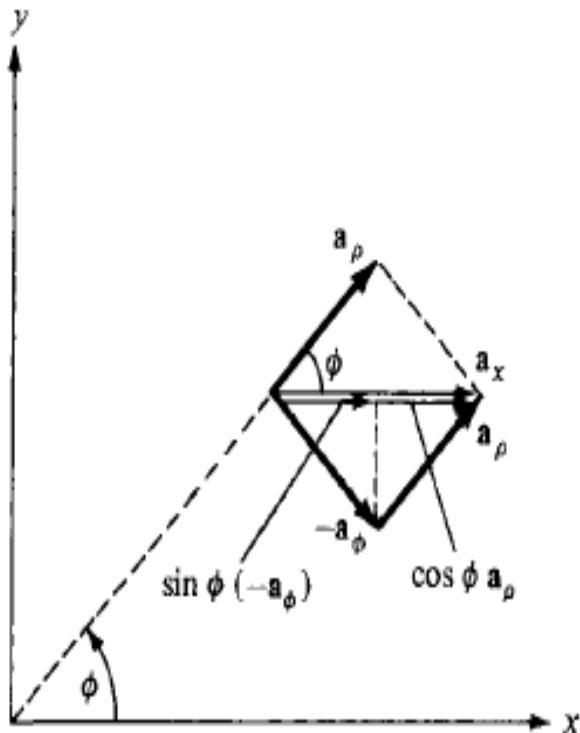
$$\mathbf{a}_z = \mathbf{a}_z$$

$$\mathbf{a}_\rho = \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_x + \sin \phi \mathbf{a}_y$$

$$\mathbf{a}_\phi = -\sin \phi \mathbf{a}_x + \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_y$$

$$\mathbf{a}_z = \mathbf{a}_z$$

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$$A_\rho = A_x \cos \phi + A_y \sin \phi$$

$$A_\phi = -A_x \sin \phi + A_y \cos \phi$$

$$A_z = A_z$$

CONVERSION OF CARTESIAN VECTOR TO CYLINDRICAL VECTOR

In matrix form, we have the transformation of vector \mathbf{A} from (A_x, A_y, A_z) to (A_ρ, A_ϕ, A_z) as

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_\rho \\ A_\phi \\ A_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ A_z \end{bmatrix}$$

CONVERSION OF CARTESIAN VECTOR TO CYLINDRICAL VECTOR

The inverse of the transformation $(A_\rho, A_\phi, A_z) \rightarrow (A_x, A_y, A_z)$ is obtained as

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ A_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A_\rho \\ A_\phi \\ A_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ A_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi & 0 \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_\rho \\ A_\phi \\ A_z \end{bmatrix}}$$

Spherical Coordinate system

$$0 \leq r < \infty$$

$$0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

$$0 \leq \phi < 2\pi$$

$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi, \quad y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi, \quad z = r \cos \theta$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \quad \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{z}, \quad \phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$$

Spherical Coordinate system

The unit vectors \mathbf{a}_x , \mathbf{a}_y , \mathbf{a}_z and \mathbf{a}_r , \mathbf{a}_θ , \mathbf{a}_ϕ are related as follows:

$$\mathbf{a}_x = \sin \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_r + \cos \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_\theta - \sin \phi \mathbf{a}_\phi$$

$$\mathbf{a}_y = \sin \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{a}_r + \cos \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{a}_\theta + \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_\phi$$

$$\mathbf{a}_z = \cos \theta \mathbf{a}_r - \sin \theta \mathbf{a}_\theta$$

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \sin \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_x + \sin \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{a}_y + \cos \theta \mathbf{a}_z$$

$$\mathbf{a}_\theta = \cos \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_x + \cos \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{a}_y - \sin \theta \mathbf{a}_z$$

$$\mathbf{a}_\phi = -\sin \phi \mathbf{a}_x + \cos \phi \mathbf{a}_y$$

Conversion of Cartesian to Spherical Coordinate system and vice-versa

In matrix form, the $(A_x, A_y, A_z) \rightarrow (A_r, A_\theta, A_\phi)$ vector transformation is performed according to

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_r \\ A_\theta \\ A_\phi \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \\ -\cos \theta \cos \phi & \cos \theta \sin \phi & -\sin \theta \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ A_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ A_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \cos \theta \cos \phi & -\sin \phi \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \sin \phi & \cos \phi \\ \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_r \\ A_\theta \\ A_\phi \end{bmatrix}$$