

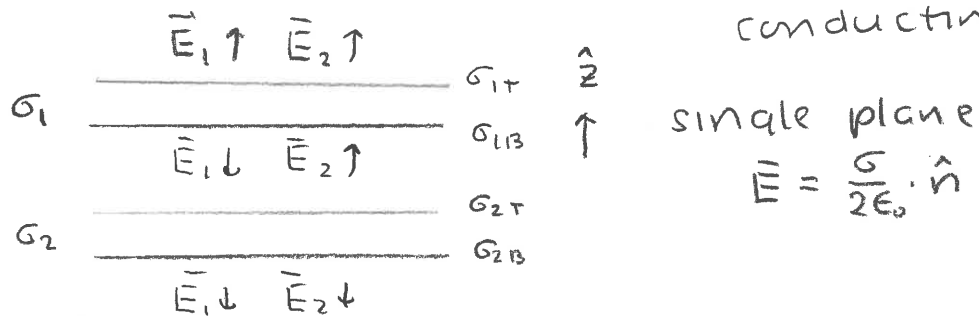
## Lecture 9

Last time

$$\Phi = \oint_S \vec{E}(\vec{r}) \cdot \hat{n}(\vec{r}) dA = \frac{Q_S}{\epsilon_0} \quad \text{Gauss Law}$$

- \* do integrals using symmetry
- \* use no field inside of conductors
- \* use superposition principle

example 1      2 uniformly charged infinite  
conducting planes



superposition gives

$$\vec{E}_{\text{TOP}} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{E}_{\text{MIDDLE}} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 = \frac{\sigma_2 - \sigma_1}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{E}_{\text{BOTTOM}} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 = -\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{z}$$

$\sigma$  conductor   $E \cdot A = \frac{\sigma A}{\epsilon_0}$        $\vec{E} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{n}$        $\sigma = \epsilon_0 E$

$$\sigma_{1T} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)$$

$$\sigma_{1B} = \epsilon_0 (-1) \frac{\sigma_2 - \sigma_1}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)$$

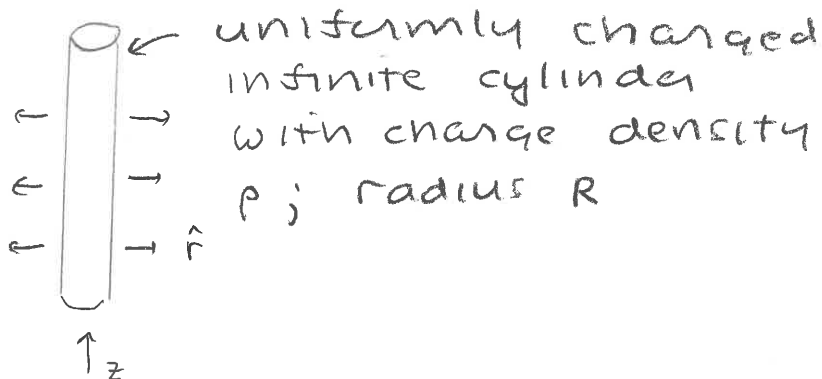
$$\sigma_{2T} = \epsilon_0 (1) \frac{\sigma_2 - \sigma_1}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_2 - \sigma_1) = -\sigma_{1B}$$

$$\sigma_{2B} = \epsilon_0 (-1)^2 \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)$$

When  $\sigma_2 = -\sigma_1 = -\sigma$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_T = \vec{E}_B = 0 \quad \vec{E}_M = -\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{z} \\ \sigma_{1T} = \sigma_{2B} = 0; \quad \sigma_{1B} = \sigma_1 = -\sigma_{2T} \end{aligned}$$

### Cylindrical Symmetry



\* by symmetry the field is radially outward  $\hat{r}$ .

\* the normal on the face of a Gaussian cylinder is  $\hat{n} = \hat{r}$

\* the normal on the top or bottom is  $\hat{z}, -\hat{z}$

\* by symmetry  $\vec{E} = E(r) \hat{r}$  independent of  $z$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi &= \oint_{\partial V} \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} dA = \int_{\text{top}} (E(r) \hat{r}) \cdot \hat{z} dA + \\ &\int_{\text{Bot}} (E(r) \hat{r}) \cdot (-\hat{z}) dA + \int_0^L dz \int_0^{2\pi} r d\theta E(r) \hat{r} \cdot \hat{r} = \\ E(r) \cdot 2\pi r L &= \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} Q(r) = \end{aligned}$$

The volume of the cylinder is

$$\pi r^2 L$$

outside the cylinder the total charge is

$$Q = \pi R^2 L \rho$$

inside - a distance  $r$  from the  $z$  axis the charge in the gaussian surface is

$$Q = \pi r^2 L \rho$$

$$\therefore \vec{E}(r) = E(r) \hat{r} = \frac{Q(r)}{2\pi r L \epsilon_0} \hat{r}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{r}}{2\pi r L \epsilon_0} \begin{cases} \pi R^2 L \rho & \text{outside} \\ \pi r^2 L \rho & \text{inside} \end{cases}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{r} \rho}{2 \epsilon_0} \begin{cases} \frac{R^2}{r} & \text{outside} \\ r & \text{inside} \end{cases}$$

## Chapter 24 potentials

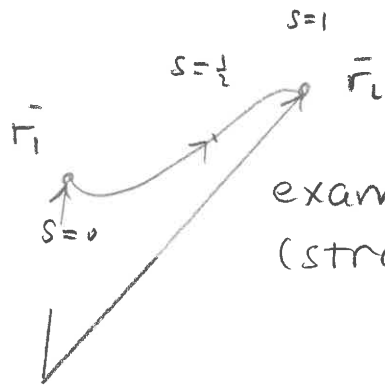
\* work done against force increases the potential energy

\* consider a charge  $Q$  at the origin

consider a path from  $\vec{r}_1$  to  $\vec{r}_2$

$$\vec{r}(s) = (x(s), y(s), z(s))$$

$$\vec{r}(0) = \vec{r}_1 \quad \vec{r}(1) = \vec{r}_2$$



example  $\vec{r}(s) = \vec{r}_1 + s(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)$   
(straight line).

$$dV = dW = -\vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = -\vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} ds$$

for a charge  $q$

$$= -\left(k \frac{Qq}{r(s)^2} \hat{r}(s)\right) \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} ds$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -kQq \frac{1}{r^2(s)} \left( \frac{x}{r}, \frac{y}{r}, \frac{z}{r} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dy}{ds}, \frac{dz}{ds} \right) ds \\
 &= -kQq \left( \frac{x \frac{dx}{ds} + y \frac{dy}{ds} + z \frac{dz}{ds}}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \right) ds
 \end{aligned}$$

Note

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{ds} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-1/2} &= -\frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2} \cdot \left( 2x \frac{dx}{ds} + 2y \frac{dy}{ds} + 2z \frac{dz}{ds} \right) \\
 &= - \frac{x \frac{dx}{ds} + y \frac{dy}{ds} + z \frac{dz}{ds}}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

thus means

$$dW = kQq \frac{d}{ds} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-1/2} \cdot ds = du$$

$$dW = kQq \frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{1}{r} \right) ds$$

The total work done moving the charge  $q$  against the coulomb force is

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_{12} &= \int_0^1 kQq \frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{1}{r(s)} \right) ds = kQq \left( \frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{r_2} \right) \\
 &= kQq \left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right) = u_2 - u_1
 \end{aligned}$$

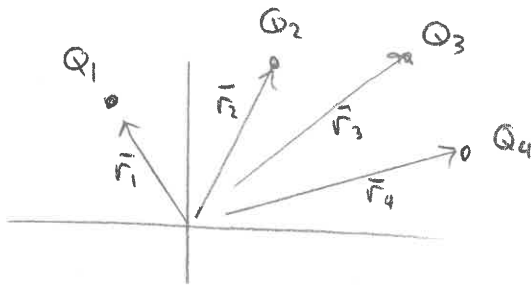
observations

- ① The work done against the field is independent of path; it only depends on the endpoints
- ② this means the force is conservative, - the change in potential energy is the work done against the force

$$u(\vec{r}_2) - u(\vec{r}_1) = kqQ \left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right)$$

- ③  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  represent the distance between  $q$  and  $Q$  at the initial and final points.

Next consider a distribution of charges  $Q_1 \dots Q_n$  at  $\vec{r}_1 \dots \vec{r}_n$



We use superposition

$$dW = -\vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = -\sum q \vec{E}_i \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$W_{12} = \sum_{n=1}^N k q Q_n \left( \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_n|} - \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_n|} \right) = U_2 - U_1$$

The charge  $q$  is a property of the particle; the rest of the expression is related to the field.

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}}{q} \rightarrow V_{\text{electrostatic potential}} = \frac{U_{\text{potential energy}}}{q}$$

\* the units of electrostatic potential are

$$1 \text{ Volt} = \frac{1 \text{ Joule}}{1 \text{ Coulomb}} = \frac{1 \text{ Newton} \cdot \text{meter}}{1 \text{ coulomb}}$$

\* Just like potential energy - what matters is the difference in electrostatic potential

example point charge  $q$

$$\Delta U = u_2 - u_1 = \frac{kqQ}{r_2} - \frac{kqQ}{r_1}$$

$$\Delta V = \frac{u_2}{Q} - \frac{u_1}{Q} = \frac{kq}{r_2} - \frac{kq}{r_1}$$

it is useful to define the potential when  $r = \infty$  as 0. Then  $u_1 = 0$

$$V(r) = \frac{kq}{r} \quad \text{point charge at origin}$$

$$V(r) = \frac{kq}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

Relation to Electric field

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} &= kq \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2} \cdot (2x) \\ &= -kq \frac{x}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} = -kq \frac{x}{r^{3/2}} = -\vec{E} \cdot \hat{x} = -E_x \end{aligned}$$

similarly

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = -kq \frac{y}{r^{3/2}} = -\vec{E} \cdot \hat{y} = -E_y$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = -kq \frac{z}{r^{3/2}} = -\vec{E} \cdot \hat{z} = -E_z$$



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

$$= -\hat{x} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} - \hat{y} \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} - \hat{z} \frac{\partial V}{\partial z}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} V} \quad \text{point charge}$$

For many charges we use superposition

$$V(\vec{r}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{kQ_n}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n|}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}(\vec{r}) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} kQ_n \frac{\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n|^3} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} kQ_n (-\vec{\nabla}) \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n|} \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\vec{\nabla} V$$

(here we used

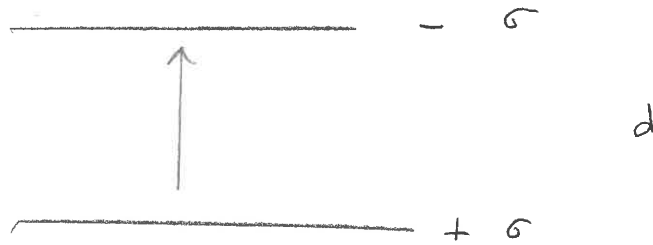
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-x_n)^2 + (y-y_n)^2 + (z-z_n)^2}} =$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{2(x-x_n)}{(\sqrt{(x-x_n)^2 + (y-y_n)^2 + (z-z_n)^2})^3} (2(x-x_n))$$

$$= -\frac{x-x_n}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n|^3}$$

etc.

consider a pair of oppositely charged infinite parallel plates with separation  $d$



from the beginning of the lecture the electric field is constant

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{z}$$

the work done in moving a charge from the negative plate to the positive plate is

$$U_+ - U_- = W_{- \rightarrow +} = q \vec{E} \cdot (-\hat{z}, d)$$

$$V_+ - V_- = \frac{W_{- \rightarrow +}}{q} = -Ed = -\frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon_0}$$

so the potential difference is

$$V = -\frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon_0}$$

if we only move by  $z$

$$V = -\frac{\sigma z}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$-\nabla V = -\hat{x} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} - \hat{y} \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} - \hat{z} \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = \hat{z}(-1) \left(-\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}\right) = \hat{z} \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$$

We can use the reverse - if we put a potential difference of 5 volts on the plates, then

$$\frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon_0} = 5V \quad \sigma = \frac{\epsilon_0 (5V)}{d} \quad E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} = \left(\frac{5V}{d}\right)$$

electric potential due to a dipole

recall

$$\vec{F} = kq(-\bar{\nabla}) \left(\frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3}\right)$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}}{q} = k(-\bar{\nabla}) \left(\frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3}\right)$$

It follows that

$$V_{\text{dipole}} = k \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{p \cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

potential due to a continuous charge distribution

$$V(r) = k \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{q_n}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_n|} \rightarrow \sum q_n \rightarrow \int \rho(r) dv$$

$$k \int dv \frac{\rho(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \quad (\text{volume charge})$$

or

$$k \int dA \frac{\sigma(r')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \quad (\text{surface charge})$$

$$k \int ds \frac{\lambda(r')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} \quad (\text{line charge})$$

example - circular loop of radius  $r$  in  $xy$  plane

$$\begin{aligned} V(r) &= k \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\lambda R d\theta}{(x - R \cos \theta)^2 + (y - R \sin \theta)^2 + z^2}^{1/2} \\ &= k \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\lambda R d\theta}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + R^2 - 2xR \cos \theta - 2yR \sin \theta}} \end{aligned}$$

when  $x = y = 0$  (on  $z$  axis)

$$V(00z) = 2\pi k R \lambda \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + R^2}}$$

$$E_z = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} V(00z) = 2\pi k R \lambda \frac{z}{(\sqrt{z^2 + R^2})^3}$$