

Let charge move between points I (initial) and F (Final). The difference in the Potential Energy of the charge is equal to the work done against the \vec{E} field to move the charge

$$W = \int_I^F \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = - \int_I^F q_0 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

Scalar \int line integral \cdot dot product gives scalar

$$\Delta PE \equiv \Delta U = - \int_I^F q_0 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

$$\frac{W}{q_0} = \frac{\Delta PE}{q_0} \equiv \text{Potential difference between points I and F} = V_F - V_I$$

\Rightarrow what are units **Joules/Coulomb**

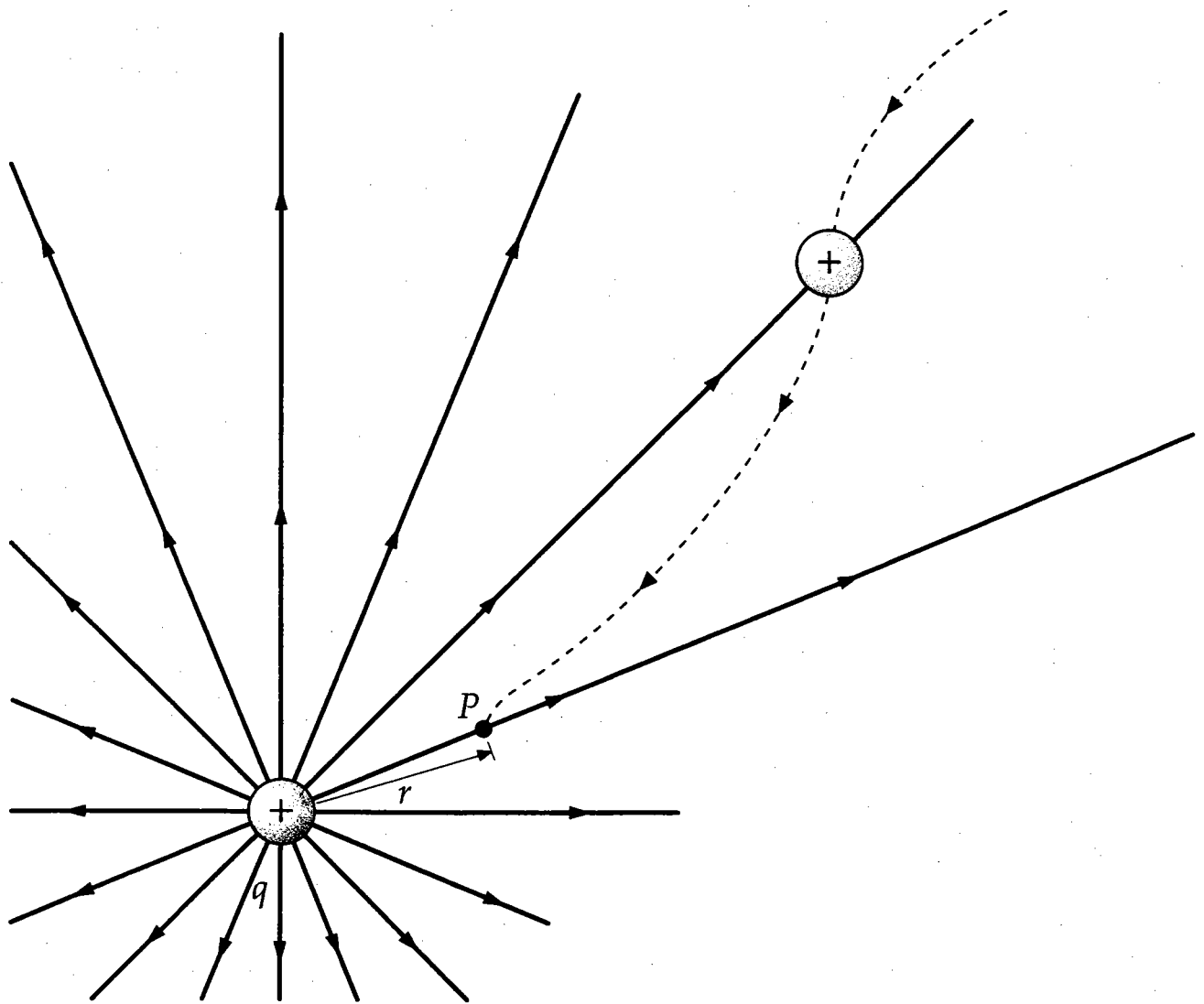
If we define a "zero" of potential energy we can calculate Absolute Potential energy and Absolute Potential

Completely Analagous to gravitational Potential and potential energy

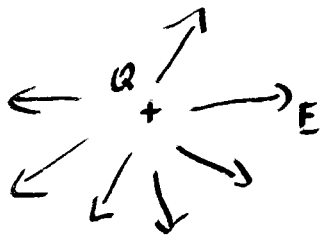
What is real are Potential differences

Absolute value of Potential at a point depends on Definition of "zero" of potential

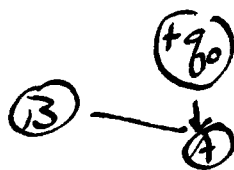
Work required to bring a test charge to a point a distance r from a point charge



~~Last class I blew the formula sign~~



charge Q
more charge q_0 from
A to B



ds
F on charge due to other charge
F I put in

$$\begin{aligned}
 W &= \int_A^B \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_A^B \cancel{\frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} E} ds \\
 &= \int_A^B |F| ds = - \int_A^B q_0 E dr \\
 &= - \int_A^B q_0 \frac{Q}{r^2} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} dr = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{Qq_0}{r} \right]_A^B \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} Qq_0 \left(\frac{1}{r_B} - \frac{1}{r_A} \right) \\
 &\quad r_A > r_B \quad \therefore V is \oplus
 \end{aligned}$$

I have done work on system

I have increased the potential energy
of the system

$W_{\text{put into system}} = \Delta PE_{\text{of system}}$

$$\frac{W}{q_0} = \frac{\Delta PE}{q_0}$$

work per unit charge in moving from A \rightarrow B
or ΔPE per unit charge moving
from A \rightarrow B

\equiv Potential Difference, ΔV

$$V_B - V_A$$

Completely analogous to gravitational potential energy
and gravitational potential

Suppose I define "zero" of
electrostatic potential energy of Q - q_0 system
to be when q_0 is at ∞

$$r_A = \infty$$

Then

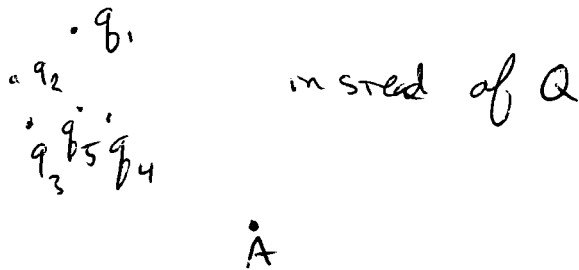
ΔPE as q_0 from ∞ to r_B

$$\Delta PE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{Qq_0}{r_B}$$

$$\frac{\Delta PE}{q_0} = V_B - V_\infty = V_B = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r_B}$$

This is the absolute potential at the point r_B !

Suppose I have



What is potential at A due to $q_1 - q_n$

$$V_A = \sum_n V_i = \sum_n \frac{kq_i}{r_i}$$

If charge distribution is continuous

$$V_A = \int dV = \int k \frac{dq}{r}$$

Not
volume



↑
Continuous
Charge Dist.

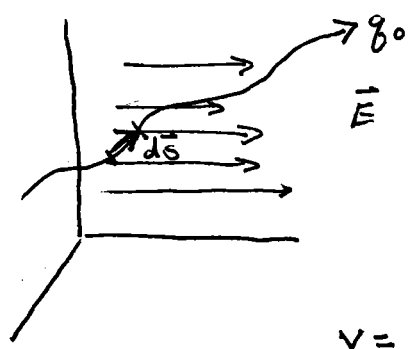
sometimes harder
vector parts sometimes
cancel
• $1/r^2$ sometimes
easier

This is sometimes easier to
calculate than \vec{E}

- 1) scalar
- 2) $1/r$ not $1/r^2$

This is imp't because V CAN be used
to calculate \vec{E} (Always want \vec{E} to find force
on charges)

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$\vec{E} = |\vec{E}| \hat{i}$ or \hat{x} if you prefer

$$V = \frac{W}{q_0} \Rightarrow dV = \frac{dW}{q_0} = -\vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = -E_s ds$$

"negative of the" $\therefore E_s = -\frac{dV}{ds}$

The rate of change of the potential in any direction is equal to the component of the electric field in that direction

$$E_x = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \quad E_y = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \quad E_z = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z}$$

⇒ what are these funny symbols? ∂

Know This - you'll see a 1-d problem on this, maybe simple 2-d vector

$$\vec{E} = -\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right)$$

must add w/ vector addition

Really Using This is Beyond Scope of This course

define a Vector operator, $\vec{\nabla}$ or grad , called the gradient

$$\vec{\nabla} \text{ or } \vec{\text{grad}} \equiv \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right)$$

So
$$\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} V \text{ or } \vec{E} = -\vec{\text{grad}} V$$

In one dimensional problems

$$E_x = -\frac{dV(x)}{dx} \quad \text{if } V = V(x)$$

$$E_y = -\frac{dV(y)}{dy} \quad \text{if } V = V(y)$$

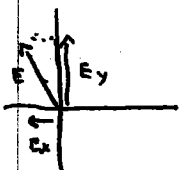
$$E_z = -\frac{dV(z)}{dz} \quad \text{if } V = V(z)$$

$$E_r = -\frac{dV(r)}{dr} \quad \text{if } V = V(r)$$

2 dimensional example -

$$V(x, y) = 3 + 2x - 6y$$

$$E_x = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = -\frac{dV}{dx} \Big|_{y=\text{const}} = -2 \quad \text{Joules/Coulomb or Volts}$$

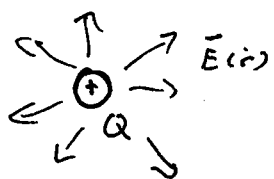


⇒ How do I know this is Joules/Coulomb?

$$E_y = \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = -\frac{dV}{dy} \Big|_{x=\text{const}} = +6 \quad \text{Joules/Coulomb}$$

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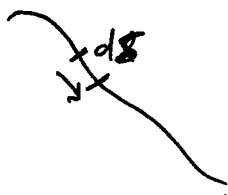
another example - PT charge what is \vec{E} for a PT charge?



Have shown $V(r) = \frac{kQ}{r}$

$$\vec{E}(r) = -\frac{dV(r)}{dr} \hat{r} = +\frac{kQ}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

Equipotential Surface



$$dV = 0$$

Surface where V is constant

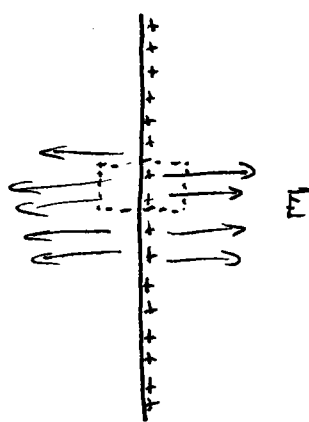
Since $dV = -\vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$

implies $\vec{E} = 0$ or $\vec{E} \perp$ to $d\vec{s}$

More general!

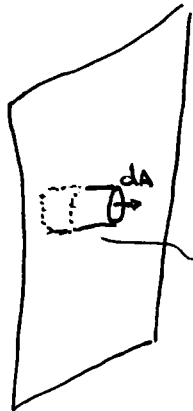
Another example

This time use E to get V



∞ plane
 $dQ = \sigma dA$

uniform charge density



2 x ends

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = |E| \int dA = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

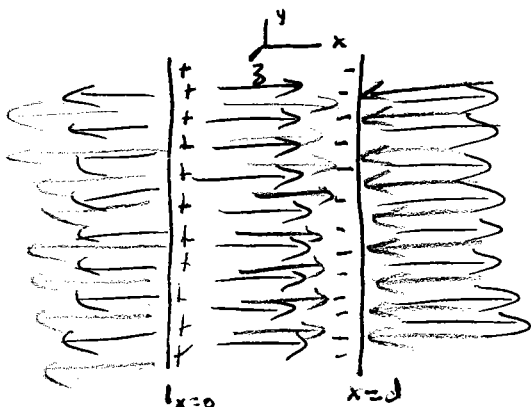
$$Q_{enc} = \sigma A$$

scrubby cylinder

$$2|E|dA = \frac{\sigma A}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$|E| = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$

Now for problem

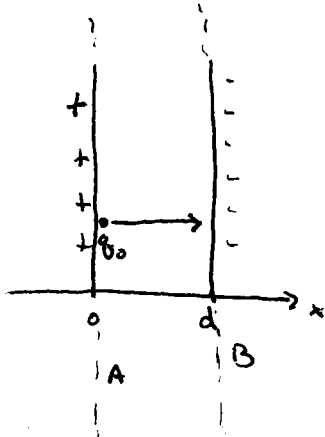


use two transparencies

$$E_{between} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{x}$$

2 ∞ conducting planes // to each other
 each w/ σ

Put + plane at $x=0$ - plane at $x=d$



move q_0 from A to B plane

$$dV = -\vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = -|E| dx$$

$$V_d - V_0 = \int_0^d |E| dx = |E| d$$