

CALCULUS-BASED PHYSICS-2: ELECTRICITY, MAGNETISM, AND THERMODYNAMICS (PHYS180-02): UNIT 0

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5. PHYS150 or PHYS135A and MATH-141B or MATH-142
(concurrent)
6. Text: University Physics Volume 2 (openstax.org)

SUMMARY

Physics - φυσική - "phusiké": knowledge of nature
from φύσις - "phúsis": nature

Reading: Chapters 1 and 2 (for Unit 1)

1. Estimation/Approximation
 - Estimating the correct order of magnitude
 - Building complex quantities
 - Unit analysis
2. Review of concepts from Newtonian mechanics
 - Kinematics and Newton's Laws
 - Work-energy theorem, energy conservation
 - Momentum, conservation of momentum
3. Charge
 - Types of charge, charge conservation
 - Coulomb force
 - Electric fields

Bonus Essay assignment: If you submit a 10-page paper on the history of physics, including references from both online and library sources by the end of the semester, I will replace your lowest midterm score with the grade of the paper. Example topics:

- A paper on the Advanced LIGO experiment, and gravitational radiation (Nobel Prize 2017)
- Development of the idea of energy conservation versus caloric theory by James Joule and others
- Discovery of the charge to mass ratio of the electron by J.J. Thompson
- First description of the *photoelectric effect* by Albert Einstein

Before beginning the essay, please make an appointment with me in office hours so that we may agree upon a topic.



WAT.



ESTIMATION/APPROXIMATION

In science and engineering, estimation is to obtain a quantity in the absence of precision, informed by rational constraints.

1. Define relevant scales: mg, g, kg
2. Obtain complex quantities from simple ones
 - Obtain *areas* and *volumes* from *lengths*
 - Obtain *rates* from *numerators* and *denominators*
3. Constrain the unknown with upper and lower limits
4. Scaling problems: how does a complex quantity depend on other quantities?

Choose a reasonable scale:

Estimate the mass of termites in a termite colony. Assume that the colony is a species known to have 10^6 individuals (roughly) per colony.

- A: 0.01 kg
- B: 0.1 kg
- C: 1 kg
- D: 10 kg

Volume/density from other

quantities: An adult humpback whale is about 15 meters long.

What is the mass of a humpback whale? (1 tonne = 1000 kg).

- A: 200 tonnes
- B: 30 tonnes
- C: 3 tonnes
- D: 1 tonnes

ESTIMATION/APPROXIMATION

Upper and lower bound: The density of water is 1000 kg/m^3 . What is the density of ice, approximately? (Don't think too hard!)

- A: 550 kg/m^3
- B: 920 kg/m^3
- C: 1050 kg/m^3
- D: 1200 kg/m^3

Volumes from other quantities: A jar at the coffee shop is filled with coffee beans, and a we can win a prize for guessing the number of beans. If the radius of the jar is about 4 cm, and the height is about 10 cm, how many beans are in the jar?

- A: 200
- B: 2,000
- C: 10,000
- D: Um, like, a million...

Rates from other quantities: A student travels from uptown Whittier to SLC in roughly 10 minutes. What is her average speed?

- A: 0.1 m/s
- B: 1 m/s
- C: 5 m/s
- D: 10 m/s

Scale: The distance between the Earth and the sun is 1 AU. What is the distance between the Sun and Venus?

- A: 10 million km
- B: 100 million km
- C: 0.2 AU
- D: 0.7 AU

Scaling problem: A balloon has an initial volume of 10 cm^3 . It is inflated such that the radius doubles. What is the new volume?

- A: 20 cm^3
- B: 40 cm^3
- C: 60 cm^3
- D: 80 cm^3

Scaling problem: If the distance between two massive objects decreases by a factor of 2, by how much does the force of gravity between them change?

- A: 4
- B: 8
- C: 2
- D: 1

Unit analysis: Which of the following are top speeds of a runner at the end of a sprint?

- A: 10 m/s^2
- B: 30 kg m/s
- C: 7 m/s
- D: 40 miles per hour

What physical quantities do each of the units represent?

Unit analysis: What is $9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg m/s}$ in g cm/s ?

- A: 9 g cm/s
- B: 90 g cm/s
- C: 900 g cm/s
- D: 9000 g cm/s

VECTORS

$$\vec{p} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}, \vec{q} = -4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}.$$

Compute $\vec{p} + \vec{q}$.

- A: $4\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$
- B: $0\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$
- C: $4\hat{i} + 0\hat{j}$
- D: 0

$$\vec{p} = -1\hat{i} + 6\hat{j}, \vec{q} = 3\hat{i} + 0.5\hat{j}.$$

Compute $\vec{p} \cdot \vec{q}$.

- A: -1
- B: 1
- C: 0
- D: 3

Vector *fields*:

[http://user.mendelu.cz/marik/EquationExplorer/
vectorfield.html](http://user.mendelu.cz/marik/EquationExplorer/vectorfield.html)

$$\vec{f}(x, y) = 4x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j}.$$

$$\vec{g}(x, y) = 4x\hat{i} - 2y\hat{j}.$$

Compute $\vec{f} + \vec{g}$.

- A: $4x\hat{i} + 4y\hat{j}$
- B: $8x\hat{j}$
- C: $8x\hat{i}$
- D: $4x\hat{i}$

$$\vec{f}(x, y) = x^2\hat{i} + y^2\hat{j}. \quad \vec{g}(x, y) = -2y\hat{j}.$$

Compute $\vec{f} \cdot \vec{g}$.

- A: y^3
- B: $-2y^2$
- C: $-2y^3$
- D: -2

What about a dot-product with an *operator*?

$$\vec{\nabla} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \quad (1)$$

Equation 1 is called the *gradient operator*. We use it like this:

$$\vec{f}(x, y) = xy\hat{i} - xy\hat{j} \quad (2)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{f} = y - x \quad (3)$$

*Notice that the result is a scalar function.*¹ It turns out that **charge** is proportional to the **divergence** of an electric field.

¹We call this operation the divergence of \vec{f} .

The *gradient* of a scalar function is

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{j} \quad (4)$$

It turns out that the gradient of a scalar function called **voltage** is proportional to the **electric field**. The gradient of **gravitational potential energy** is proportional to the **gravitational field**.

(Professor: pause here for some examples).

$f(x, y) = 4x + 2y$. What is $\nabla f(x, y)$?

- A: $4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$
- B: 6
- C: $4x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j}$
- D: $-4\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}$

$\vec{f}(x, y) = -x\hat{i} + y^2\hat{j}$. What is $\nabla \cdot \vec{f}(x, y)$?

- A: $-x\hat{i} + y^2\hat{j}$
- B: $x - y^2$
- C: $-x + y^2$
- D: $2y - 1$

KINEMATICS AND NEWTON'S LAWS

Kinematics - A description of the motion of particles and systems

Dynamics - An explanation of the motion of particles and systems

What causes an object to move? **Forces**. Forces exist as a result of the **interactions** of objects or systems.

Evolution - A description of the change of biological species

Natural Selection - An explanation of change in biological species

What causes species to evolve? **Natural selection**. Natural selection exists because of selection pressures, numerous offspring, and variation among offspring.

Newton's First Law: A man slides a palette crate across a concrete floor of his shop. He exerts a force of 60.0 N, and the box has a constant velocity of 0.5 m/s. What is the force of friction?

- A: 60.0 N
- B: 30.0 N
- C: -30.0 N
- D: -60.0 N

Newton's First Law: A man walks past a palette crate at rest in his shop. *From his perspective*, the crate moves at 2 m/s. What is the net force on the palette crate?

- A: 30.0 N
- B: -30.0 N
- C: 0.0 N
- D: 60.0 N

Newton's Second Law: The crate has a mass of 50 kg, and the force of friction is -10.0 N. If the pushing force is still 60 N, what is the acceleration?

- A: 2.0 m/s^2
- B: 1.0 m/s^2
- C: -1.0 m/s^2
- D: -2.0 m/s^2

Kinematics: If the acceleration is 1.0 m/s^2 , and the crate begins with a velocity of 1 m/s , what is the velocity after 5 seconds?

- A: 4 m/s
- B: 5 m/s
- C: 6 m/s
- D: 7 m/s

Newton's Third Law: Suppose the crate is now touching a wall, and it is on wheels (so there is no friction). If a 70 kg man pushes the crate with 100 N, what is the net force on the man by the crate?

- A: 100 N
- B: -100 N
- C: 0 N
- D: 700 N

WORK-ENERGY THEOREM AND CONSERVATION OF ENERGY

Physical Definition of Work

Let \vec{F} be a force exerted on a system, which is displaced by a displacement \vec{x} . The **work** done on the system is

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{x}$$

The units of work are $\text{N m} = \text{kg m/s}^2$, or *Joules*.

Let θ be the angle between the force and the displacement.
Then this equation

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{x} \quad (5)$$

becomes

$$W = Fx \cos \theta \quad (6)$$

Definitions of Work: Suppose an object is located at $(4, 0)$ in a 2D coordinate system. The object is in a force field $\vec{f} = -4\hat{i}$. If the object is moved to the origin by the force, what is the work done?

- A: 4 J
- B: -4 J
- C: 16 J
- D: -16 J

Work-Energy theorem: If the work done is 16 J, what is the final velocity of the object, if the mass is 1.6 kg?

- A: $\sqrt{20}$ m/s
- B: $\sqrt{10}$ m/s
- C: 20 m/s
- D: -10 m/s

What if the force varies over the trajectory of the system? We simply have to add up each contribution along the trajectory:

$$W = \int_{AB} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} \quad (7)$$

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- A: 16 J
- B: -16 J
- C: 32 J
- D: 4 J

(Professor: more examples on the board).

In the first semester we encountered *irreversible* processes: energy lost to *friction*, and energy lost to *drag*. The irreversible process is a deeper notion in thermal physics, because it leads to the Second Law of Thermodynamics.

Group board exercise: Suppose a system moves at constant speed along a rough surface. Draw two closed, two-dimensional paths, each describing the trajectory of the system. A closed path means the system has a final displacement of zero. Which path requires more work? **Key question:** If the speed is constant the entire time, and one path requires more work than the other, what happens to the excess energy (*they have the same final kinetic energy*)?

Group board exercise: A firework of mass 1 kg is launched straight upwards. The gunpowder releases 500 J of energy. What is the velocity of the shell as it leaves the launcher? How high does it fly straight upwards?

MOMENTUM

DEFINITION OF MOMENTUM

Let the momentum of a system be

$$\vec{p} = m\vec{v} \quad (8)$$

Newton's second law is then

$$\vec{F}_{Net} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} \quad (9)$$

Momentum is a conserved quantity, and in interactions where the kinetic energy is also conserved, we denote them *elastic interactions*. Otherwise, we denote them *inelastic*. Totally inelastic collisions correspond to maximum kinetic energy lost.

DEFINITION OF MOMENTUM

An object that has a small mass and an object that has a large mass have the same momentum. Which mass has the largest kinetic energy?

- A: The one with the small mass
- B: The one with the large mass
- C: If the momentum is the same the kinetic energy is the same
- D: Cannot determine the answer

Hint: plug in your own numbers to test your answer.

Group board problem: Two charged particles, each having opposite sign charge, will always repel each other. Particle 1 has mass $3m$, and particle 2 has just m . Each approaches the other with speed v (particle 2 is going to the left, particle 1 to the right). Particle 1 is observed after the collision with speed $-\frac{1}{6}v$. What is the speed of particle 2?

So which parts of Newtonian mechanics are we going to need to understand thermal physics? (Heat, temperature, energy transfer).

- Newton's laws, momentum and kinetics → motions of molecules in gases → temperature and heat
- Work and energy → work done by thermal systems → energy conservation with heat
- Irreversible processes → energy dissipation → entropy

CHARGE

Charge the following intrinsic properties:

1. Charge is conserved globally (charge cannot be created nor destroyed). Mass has the same property.
2. Charge is conserved locally (if we pull charge out of the system, charge will flow into the system).
3. Charge is quantized, with an electron (for example) having the fundamental negative unit, and a proton (for example) having the fundamental positive unit.
4. The laws of physics are the same for positive and negative charges.
5. The two kinds of charge emit fields that attract each other; fields emitted by charges of the same type repel such charges.

Benjamin Franklin and the Leyden Jar. (Good paper topic).

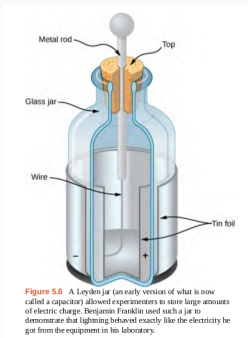


Figure 1: A Leyden jar was an early version of a capacitor. Benjamin Franklin guessed that one type of charge moves and another remains stationary, explaining several behaviors of charged objects.

CHARGE, CONDUCTORS AND INSULATORS

The rest of the properties of charge are connected to the development of the structure of the atom, and we will return to this topic at the end of the semester.

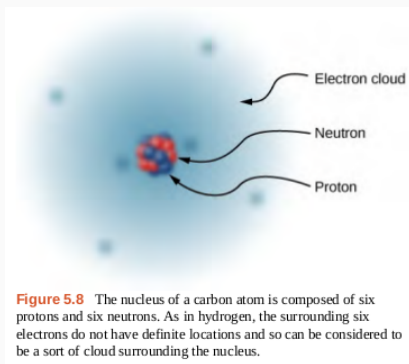


Figure 2: A sketch of our current atomic paradigm.

Suppose an ion is composed of six protons, eight neutrons, and five electrons. What is the net charge?

- A: +1
- B: 0
- C: -1
- D: -2

An insulator with a positive charge is held next to a *conductor* (an object in which charge can move around freely). Which of the following is true?

- A: The charges in the conductor all remain in place because charge is conserved.
- B: The negative charges in the conductor move toward the positive charges in the rod.
- C: The positive charges remain in place but the negative charges move away from the rod.
- D: The positive charges move toward the rod and the negative charges remain in place.

An *insulator* with a net positive charge is held next to an *insulator* with a net negative charge. Which of the following is true?

- A: The charges in the conductor all remain in place, and the force is attractive.
- B: The charges in the conductor all move around until the force is attractive.
- C: The charges in the conductor all remain in place, and the force is repellent.
- D: The charges in the conductor all move around until the force is repellent.

The boundary conditions of problems can vary depending on the materials involved:

Insulator: A material in which there are no free charges available to conduct electricity. Charges may be fixed in position within an insulator.

Conductor: A material in which there are free charges available to conduct electricity. Charges may not be fixed in position within a conductor.

Semi-conductor: A material in which there are free charges available to conduct electricity if certain requirements are met.

A charge insulator polarizes a conductor.

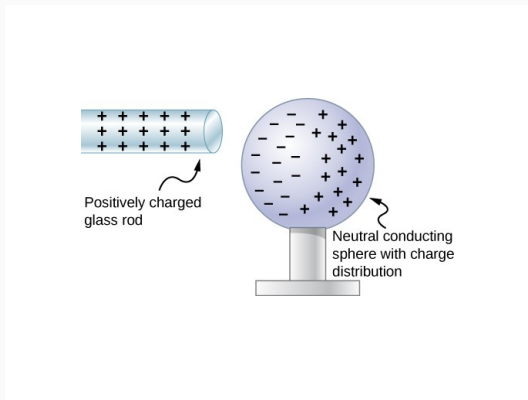


Figure 3: The glass rod has had some positive charge placed on it. Free charges in the conducting sphere move accordingly.

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A charge insulator polarizes insulators.

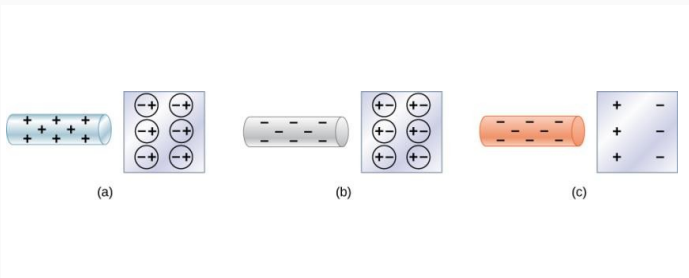


Figure 4: The glass rod has had some positive or negative charge placed on it. Bound charges in the insulating objects polarize accordingly. The conductor behaves as before.

ACTIVITY: PHET SIMULATION OF CHARGES AND FIELDS

At your tables, go to the following URL:

<https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/charges-and-fields>

Click on the java app to get it running. Notice the following:

1. This is a 2D coordinate space, and you can activate the grid lines at right, by clicking *grid*.
2. Clicking *values* gives you the measurement scale.
3. Click *electric field*, or make sure it is activated.
4. Verify the length scale with the **ruler tool**, shaped like a tape measure. It can be dragged from the box at right.

ACTIVITY: PHET CHARGES AND FIELDS

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Click and drag a positive charge into the 2D coordinate system. This is analagous to charging an insulator.

1. Drag the yellow tool at the bottom into the space, and use it to measure the field strength. Notice the units are in V/m and m.
2. Copy to excel the field strength (E) versus distance (r). Use 25 cm distance increments, and record 15 data points in two columns.
3. In a third column, compute r^2E .

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1. Plot r^2E vs. r . Do you observe a flat line? What are some sources of error that contribute to the uncertainty in the slope?
2. Repeat this same exercise, but instead of measuring field strength versus *distance*, measure it in one location, versus *charge*. Take 15 data points in two columns and plot the results in Excel. What is the slope of the line? Notice the units of charge are nC.

Example data: See Moodle for sample data drawn from this PhET.

Charge: the constant of proportionality between the strength of a *field* and the force a field exerts on an *object*.

Gravity

1. Force: $\vec{F} = G \frac{mM}{r^2} \hat{r}$
2. Parameters: r is absolute distance between two objects with masses m and M , and the direction is \hat{r}
3. *Charge* of one object: m
4. *Field felt by that object*:
 $\vec{G} = G \frac{M}{r^2} \hat{r}$
5. $\vec{F} = m\vec{G}$

Electricity

1. Force: $\vec{F} = k \frac{qQ}{r^2} \hat{r}$
2. Parameters: r is absolute distance between two objects with electric charges q and Q , and the direction is \hat{r}
3. *Charge* of one object: q
4. *Field felt by that object*:
 $\vec{E} = G \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r}$
5. $\vec{F} = q\vec{E}$

Charge: the constant of proportionality between the strength of a *field* and the force a field exerts on an *object*.

In the field paradigm, objects with charges *emanate* fields, causing other objects with charge to experience force.

Gravity

How many *types of charge*, or how many charges, exist under the force of gravity?

One. We call it mass.

Electricity

How many *types of charge*, or how many charges, exist under the force of electricity?

Two. We call one positive, and one negative.

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In the field paradigm, gravity has one charge (mass), and electricity has two charges (positive and negative).

There is one fundamental fact that is puzzling. What about Newton's 2nd law? Acceleration is not a field, it is a kinematic function.

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a} \quad (10)$$

Aparently there are *two kinds of mass*: **inertial** and **gravitational**.

Equivalence principle:

There are *two kinds of mass*: **inertial** and **gravitational**, with **equal value** for a given object.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Equivalence_principle

There is no similar principle for charge. If the electric force on a charged object is calculated, that force must still be inserted into **Newton's 2nd Law** to obtain the acceleration, and the inertial mass must be known.

CONCLUSION

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