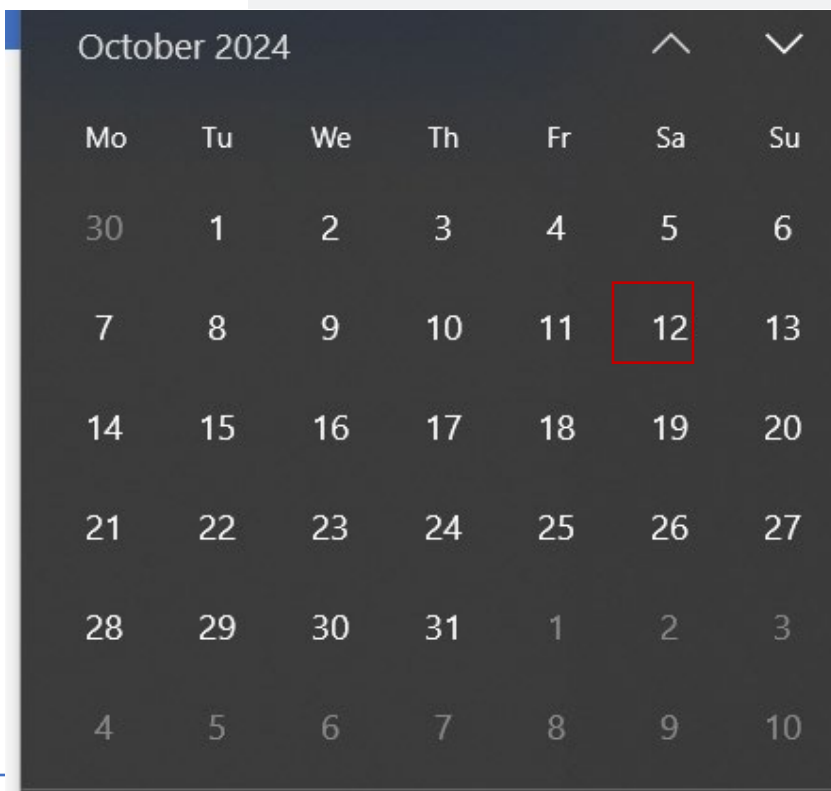




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[Announcement] Pre-Scheduled Dates for the Make-Up Class Sessions in Fall 2024-25



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Dear Faculty, Students, and other Colleagues,

This is a kind reminder on the make-up dates of classes missing due to the coming Mid-Autum Festival. The pre-scheduled

Pre-Scheduled Date	Class Missing Date
14 Sep. 2024	16 Sep. 2024
12 Oct. 2024	17 Sep. 2024

Same classrooms will be pre-booked for the class sections originally scheduled on 16 & 17 Sep. 2024.

UFUG 1504: Honors General Physics II

Chapter 24

Electric Potential

Summary (1 of 5)

Electric Potential

- The electric potential V at point P in the electric field of a charged object:

$$V = \frac{-W_{\infty}}{q_0} = \frac{U}{q_0}, \quad \text{Equation (24-2)}$$

Electric Potential Energy

- Electric potential energy U of the particle-object system:

$$U = qV. \quad \text{Equation (24-3)}$$

- If the particle moves through potential ΔV :

$$\Delta U = q\Delta V = q(V_f - V_i). \quad \text{Equation (24-4)}$$

Summary (2 of 5)

Mechanical Energy

- Applying the conservation of mechanical energy gives the change in kinetic energy:

$$\Delta K = -q\Delta V.$$

Equation (24-9)

- In case of an applied force in a particle

$$\Delta K = -q\Delta V + W_{\text{app}}.$$

Equation (24-11)

- In a special case when $\Delta K = 0$:

$$W_{\text{app}} = q\Delta V \quad \left(\text{for } K_i = K_f\right).$$

Equation (24-12)

Summary (3 of 5)

Finding V from \vec{E}

- The electric potential difference between two point I and f is:

$$V_f - V_i = -\int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}, \quad \text{Equation (24-18)}$$

Potential due to a Charged Particle

- due to a single charged particle at a distance r from that particle :

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r} \quad \text{Equation (24-26)}$$

- due to a collection of charged particles

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{q_i}{r_i}. \quad \text{Equation (24-27)}$$

Summary (4 of 5)

Potential due to an Electric Dipole

- The electric potential of the dipole is

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{p \cos \theta}{r^2}$$

Equation (24-30)

Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution

- For a continuous distribution of charge:

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{dq}{r}$$

Equation (24-32)

Summary (5 of 5)

Calculating \vec{E} from V

- The component of \vec{E} in any direction is:

$$E_s = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial s}.$$

Equation (24-40)

Electric Potential Energy of a System of Charged Particle

- For two particles at separation r :

$$U = W = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r}.$$

Equation (24-46)

24-1 Electric Potential (4 of 8)

The electric potential V at a point P in the electric field of a charged object is

$$V = \frac{-W_{\infty}}{q_0} = \frac{U}{q_0}$$

where W_{∞} is the work that would be done by the electric force on a positive test charge q_0 were it brought from an infinite distance to P , and U is the electric potential energy that would then be stored in the test charge–object system.

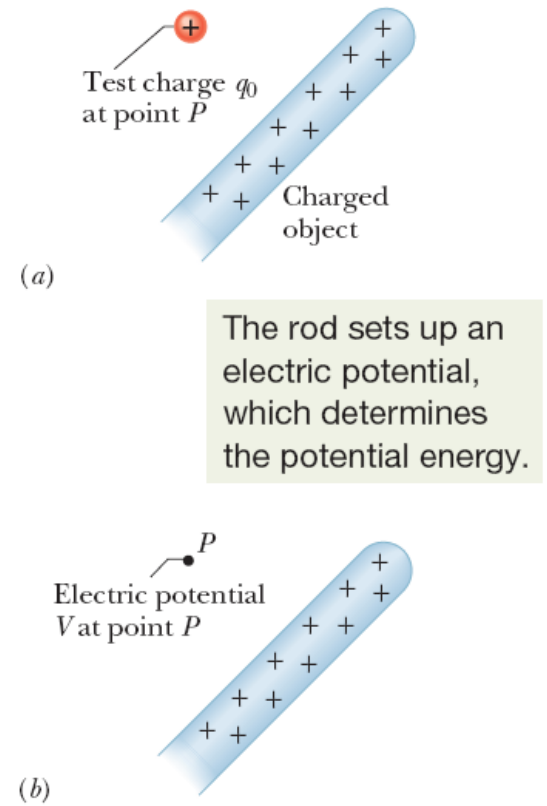


Figure 24-2 (a) A test charge has been brought in from infinity to point P in the electric field of the rod. (b) We define an electric potential V at P based on the potential energy of the configuration in (a).

24-1 Electric Potential (5 of 8)

If a particle with charge q is placed at a point where the electric potential of a charged object is V , the electric potential energy U of the particle–object system is

$$V = \frac{U}{q_0} \quad \longrightarrow \quad U = qV.$$

24-1 Electric Potential (7 of 8)

Change in Electric Potential. If the particle moves through a potential difference ΔV , the change in the change in the electric potential energy is

$$\Delta U = q\Delta V = q(V_f - V_i).$$

Work by the Field. The work W done by the electric force as the particle moves from i to f :

$$W = -\Delta U = -q \Delta V = -q(V_f - V_i).$$

24-1 Electric Potential (8 of 8)

Conservation of Energy. If a particle moves through a change ΔV in electric potential without an applied force acting on it, applying the conservation of mechanical energy gives the change in kinetic energy as

$$\Delta K = -q \Delta V = -q(V_f - V_i).$$

Work by an Applied Force. If some force in addition to the electric force acts on the particle, we account for that work

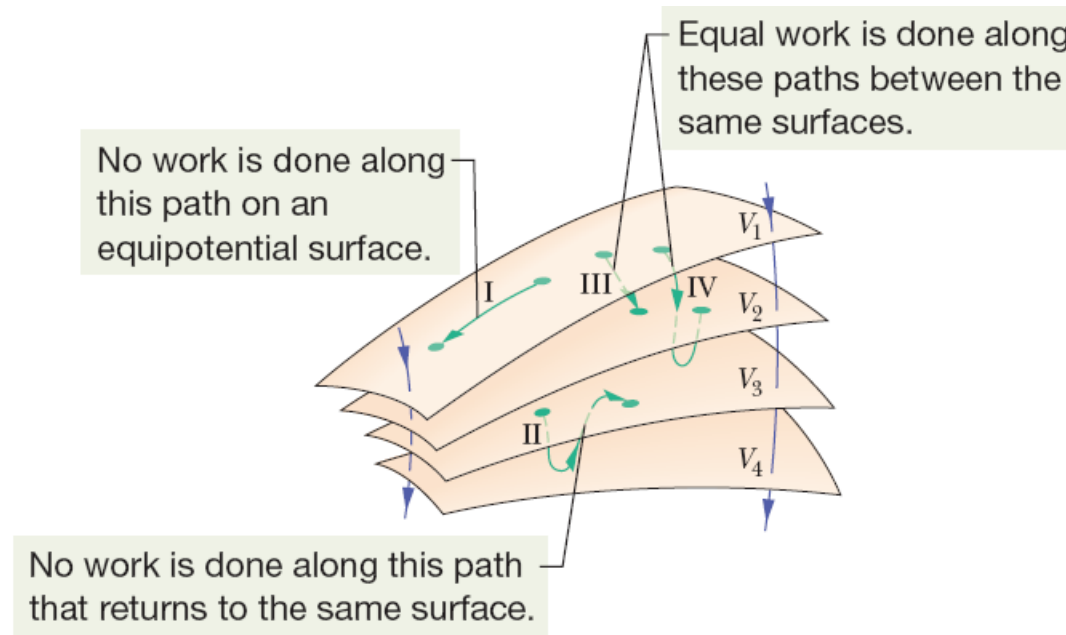
(initial energy) + (work by applied force) = (final energy)

$$U_i + K_i + W_{\text{app}} = U_f + K_f.$$

$$\Delta K = -\Delta U + W_{\text{app}} = -q \Delta V + W_{\text{app}}.$$

24-2 Equipotential Surfaces and the Electric Field (3 of 6)

Adjacent points that have the same electric potential form an **equipotential surface**, which can be either an imaginary surface or a real, physical surface.

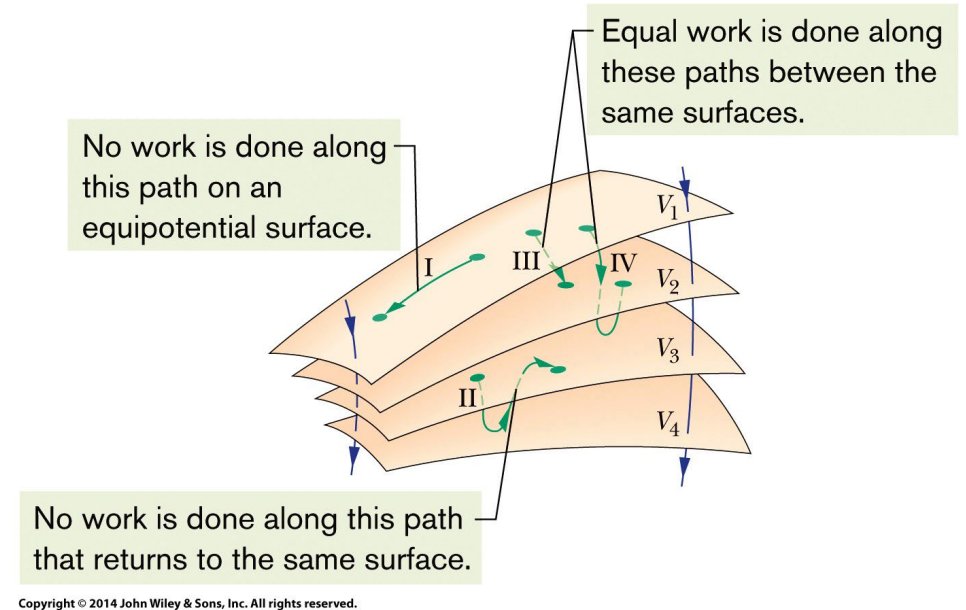


24-2 Equipotential Surfaces and the Electric Field (4 of 6)

Figure shows a family of equipotential surfaces associated with the electric field due to some distribution of charges.

The work done by the electric field on a charged particle as the particle moves from one end to the other of paths **I** and **II** is zero because each of these paths begins and ends on **the same equipotential surface** and thus there is no net change in potential. $\Delta V = 0$

The work done as the charged particle moves from one end to the other of paths **III** and **IV** is not zero but has the same value for both these paths because **the initial and final potentials are identical** for the two paths; that is, paths **III** and **IV** connect the same pair of equipotential surfaces. $\Delta V = \text{same}$



$$W = -\Delta U = -q \Delta V = -q(V_f - V_i).$$

24-2 Equipotential Surfaces and the Electric Field (5 of 6)

The electric potential difference between two points i and f is

$$V_f - V_i = -\int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s},$$

$$\vec{F} = q_0 \vec{E}$$

$$dW = \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} \quad \longrightarrow \quad dW = q_0 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

$$W = q_0 \int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}. \quad W = -q(V_f - V_i). \quad \longrightarrow \quad V_f - V_i = -\int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s},$$

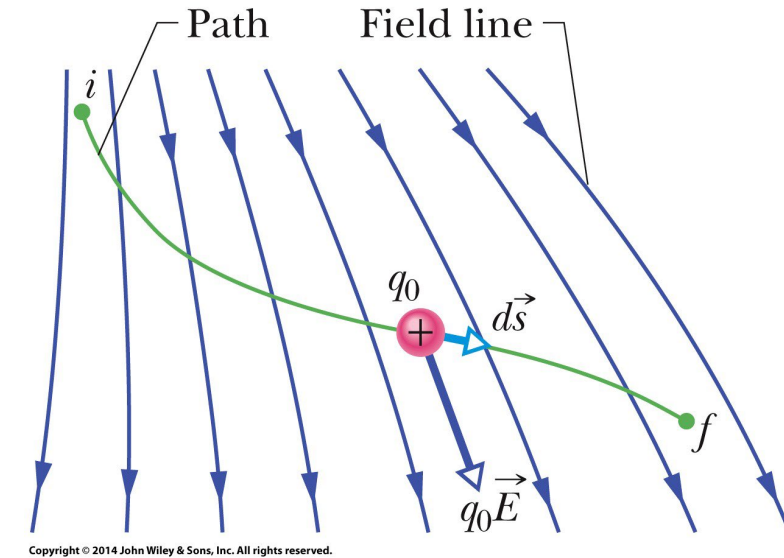


Figure 24-6 A test charge q_0 moves from point i to point f along the path shown in a nonuniform electric field. During a displacement $d\vec{s}$, an electric force $q_0 \vec{E}$ acts on the test charge. This force points in the direction of the field line at the location of the test charge.

24-2 Equipotential Surfaces and the Electric Field (5 of 6)

The electric potential difference between two points i and f is

$$V_f - V_i = -\int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s},$$

where the integral is taken over any path connecting the points. If the integration is difficult along any particular path, we can choose a different path along which the integration might be easier. **If we choose $V_i = 0$, we have, for the potential at a particular point,**

$$V = -\int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}.$$

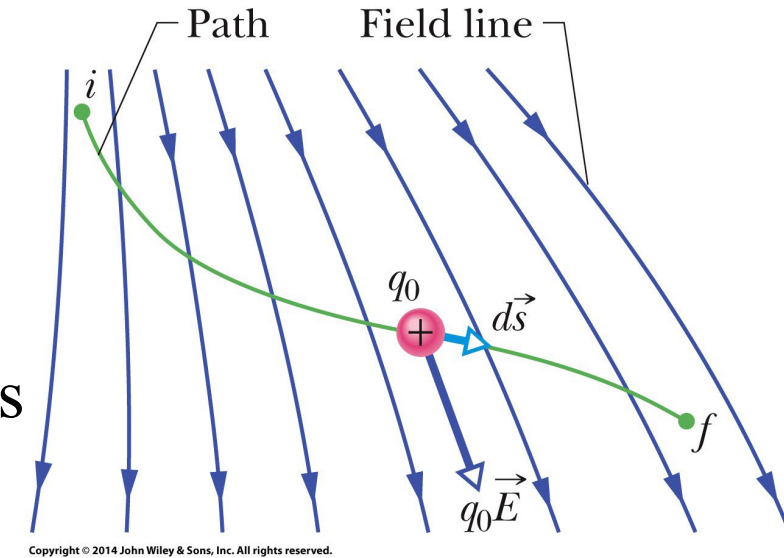


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24-2 Equipotential Surfaces and the Electric Field (6 of 6)

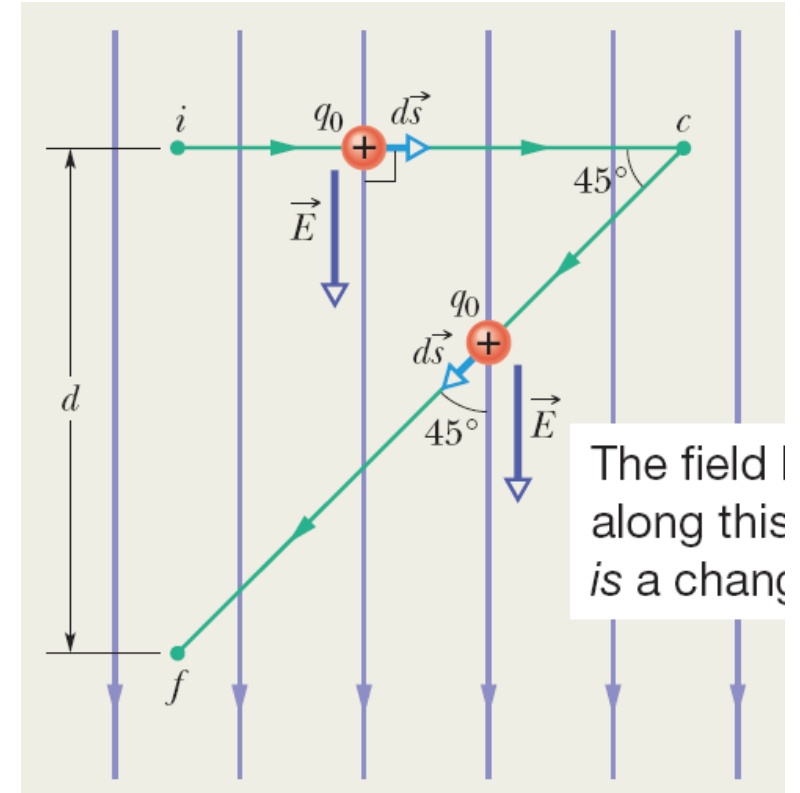
$$V = -\int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}.$$

In a uniform field of magnitude E , the change in potential from a higher equipotential surface to a lower one, separated by distance Δx , is

$$\Delta V = -E \Delta x.$$

24-2 Equipotential Surfaces and the Electric Field (6 of 6)

Figure shows two points i and f in a uniform electric field \vec{E} . The points lie on the same electric field line (not shown) and are separated by a distance d . Now find the potential difference $V_f - V_i$ by moving the positive test charge q_0 from i to f along the path icf shown in Figure.



24-2 Equipotential Surfaces and the Electric Field (6 of 6)

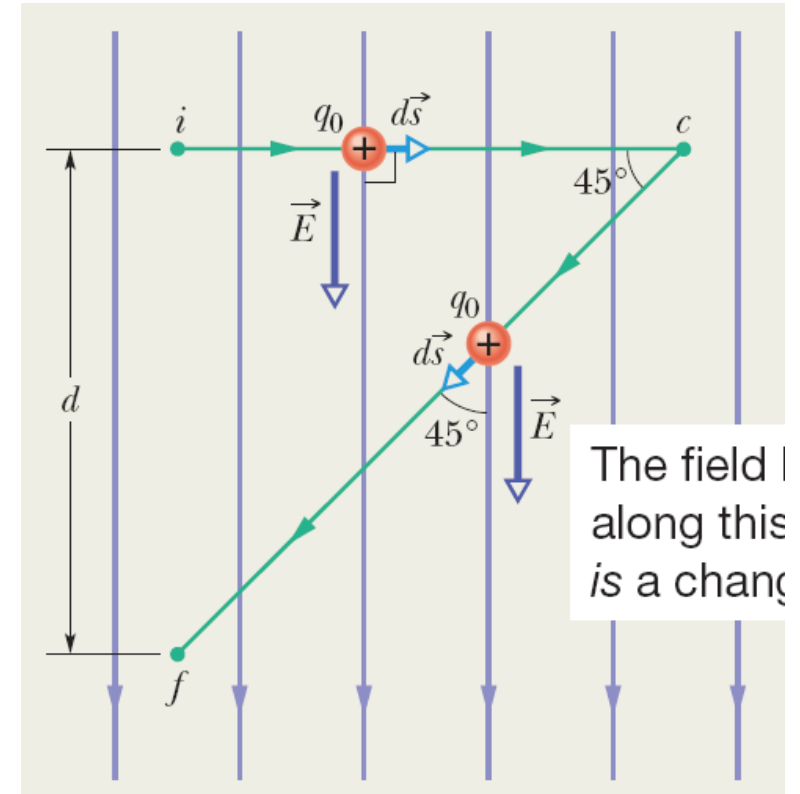
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Two lines: ic and cf

ic the angle θ between \vec{E} and $d\vec{s}$ is 90° ,
so the dot product $\vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$ is 0.

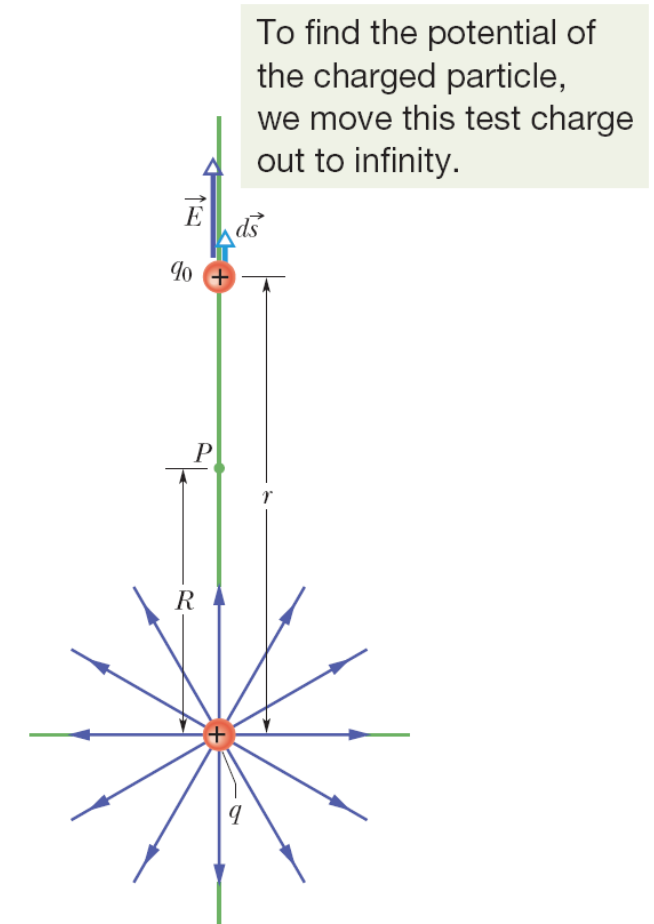
$$V_c - V_i = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} cf \quad \theta = 45^\circ \quad V_f - V_i &= - \int_c^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = - \int_c^f E(\cos 45^\circ) ds \\ &= -E(\cos 45^\circ) \int_c^f ds. \\ &= -E(\cos 45^\circ) \frac{d}{\cos 45^\circ} = -Ed. \end{aligned}$$



24-3 Potential due to a Charged Particle (3 of 6)

In this figure the particle with positive charge q produces an electric field \vec{E} and an electric potential V at point P . We find the potential by moving a test charge q_0 from P to infinity. The test charge is shown at distance r from the particle, during differential displacement $d\vec{s}$.



24-3 Potential due to a Charged Particle (3 of 6)

We know that the electric potential difference between two points i and f is

$$V_f - V_i = -\int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s},$$

For radial path

$$V_f - V_i = -\int_R^\infty E \, dr.$$

The magnitude of the electric field at the site of the test charge

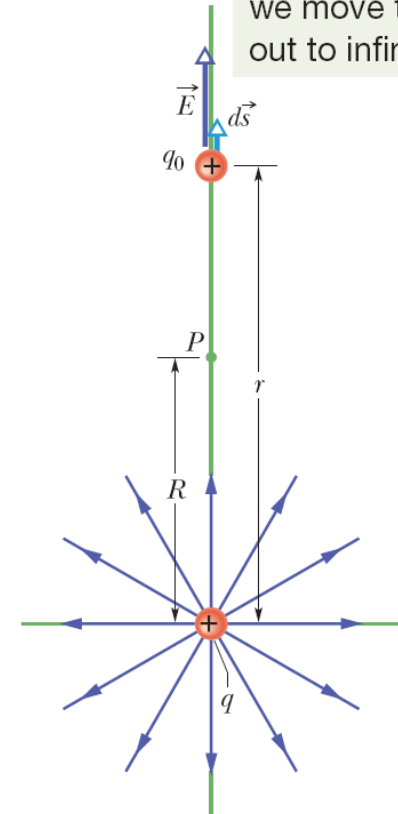
$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2}.$$

We set $V_f = 0$ (at ∞)

and $V_i = V$ (at R)

$$0 - V = -\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_R^\infty \frac{1}{r^2} dr = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{1}{r} \right]_R^\infty$$

To find the potential of the charged particle, we move this test charge out to infinity.



24-3 Potential due to a Charged Particle (4 of 6)

Solving for V and switching
 R to r , we get



$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r}$$

In this figure the particle with positive charge q produces an electric field \vec{E} and an electric potential V at point P . We find the potential by moving a test charge q_0 from P to infinity. The test charge is shown at distance r from the particle, during differential displacement $d\vec{s}$.

24-3 Potential due to a Charged Particle (5 of 6)

Potential due to a group of Charged Particles

The potential due to a collection of charged particles is

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{q_i}{r_i} \quad (n \text{ charged particles}).$$

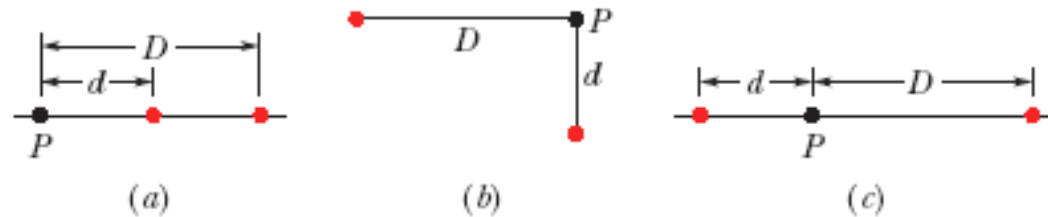
Thus, the potential is the algebraic sum of the individual potentials, with no consideration of directions.

A positively charged particle produces a positive electric potential. A negatively charged particle produces a negative electric potential.

24-3 Potential due to a Charged Particle (6 of 6)

Checkpoint 3

The figure here shows three arrangements of two protons. Rank the arrangements according to the net electric potential produced at point P by the protons, greatest first.



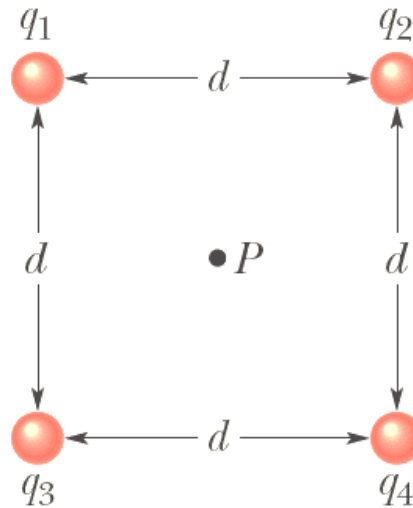
Answer:
$$V = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{q_i}{r_i} \quad (n \text{ charged particles}).$$

Same net potential (a) = (b) = (c)

24-3 Potential due to a Charged Particle (6 of 6)

What is the electric potential at point P , located at the center of the square of charged particles shown in Fig. 24-11a? The distance d is 1.3 m, and the charges are

$$\begin{aligned}q_1 &= +12 \text{ nC}, & q_3 &= +31 \text{ nC}, \\q_2 &= -24 \text{ nC}, & q_4 &= +17 \text{ nC}.\end{aligned}$$



24-3 Potential due to a Charged Particle (6 of 6)

24-3 Potential due to a Charged Particle (6 of 6)

Calculations: From Eq. 24-27, we have

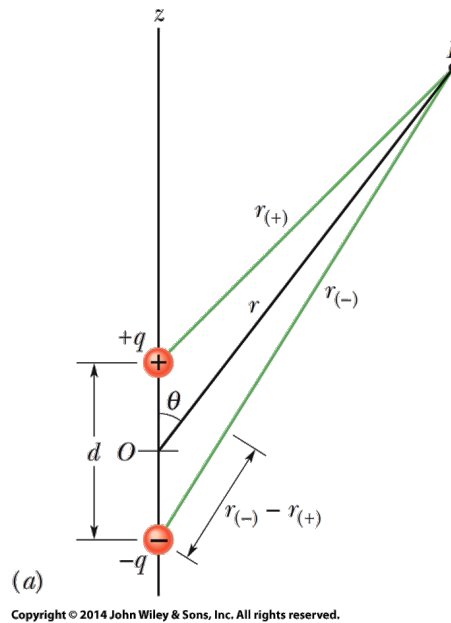
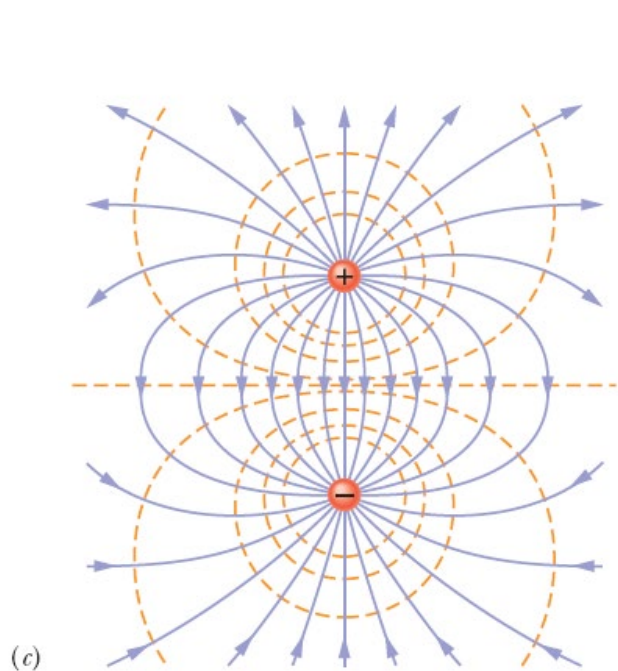
$$V = \sum_{i=1}^4 V_i = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q_1}{r} + \frac{q_2}{r} + \frac{q_3}{r} + \frac{q_4}{r} \right).$$

The distance r is $d/\sqrt{2}$, which is 0.919 m, and the sum of the charges is

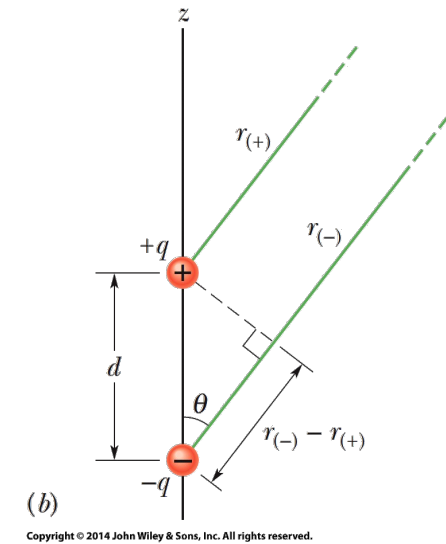
$$\begin{aligned} q_1 + q_2 + q_3 + q_4 &= (12 - 24 + 31 + 17) \times 10^{-9} \text{ C} \\ &= 36 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } V &= \frac{(8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{C}^2)(36 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C})}{0.919 \text{ m}} \\ &\approx 350 \text{ V}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

24-4 Potential due to a Electric Dipole (4 of 4)



- (a) Point P is a distance r from the midpoint O of a dipole. The line OP makes an angle θ with the dipole axis.



- (b) If P is far from the dipole, the lines of lengths $r_{(+)}$ and $r_{(-)}$ are approximately parallel to the line of length r , and the dashed black line is approximately perpendicular to the line of length $r_{(-)}$.

24-4 Potential due to a Electric Dipole (2 of 4)

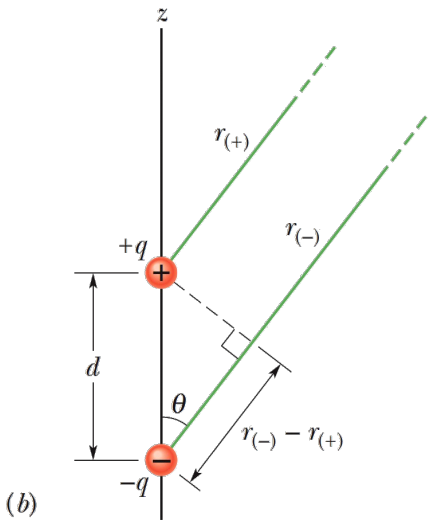
The net potential at P is given by

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \sum_{i=1}^2 V_i = V_{(+)} + V_{(-)} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q}{r_{(+)}} + \frac{-q}{r_{(-)}} \right) \\ &= \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{r_{(-)} - r_{(+)}}{r_{(-)} r_{(+)}}. \end{aligned}$$

We can approximate the two lines to P as being parallel and their length difference as being the leg of a right triangle with hypotenuse d .

Also, that difference is so small that the product of the lengths is approximately r^2 .

$$\text{Hence } r_{(-)} - r_{(+)} \approx d \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad r_{(-)} r_{(+)} \approx r^2.$$



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24-4 Potential due to a Electric Dipole (3 of 4)

$$V = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{r_{(-)} - r_{(+)}}{r_{(-)}r_{(+)}}. \quad \& \quad r_{(-)} - r_{(+)} \approx d \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad r_{(-)}r_{(+)} \approx r^2.$$

We can approximate V to be

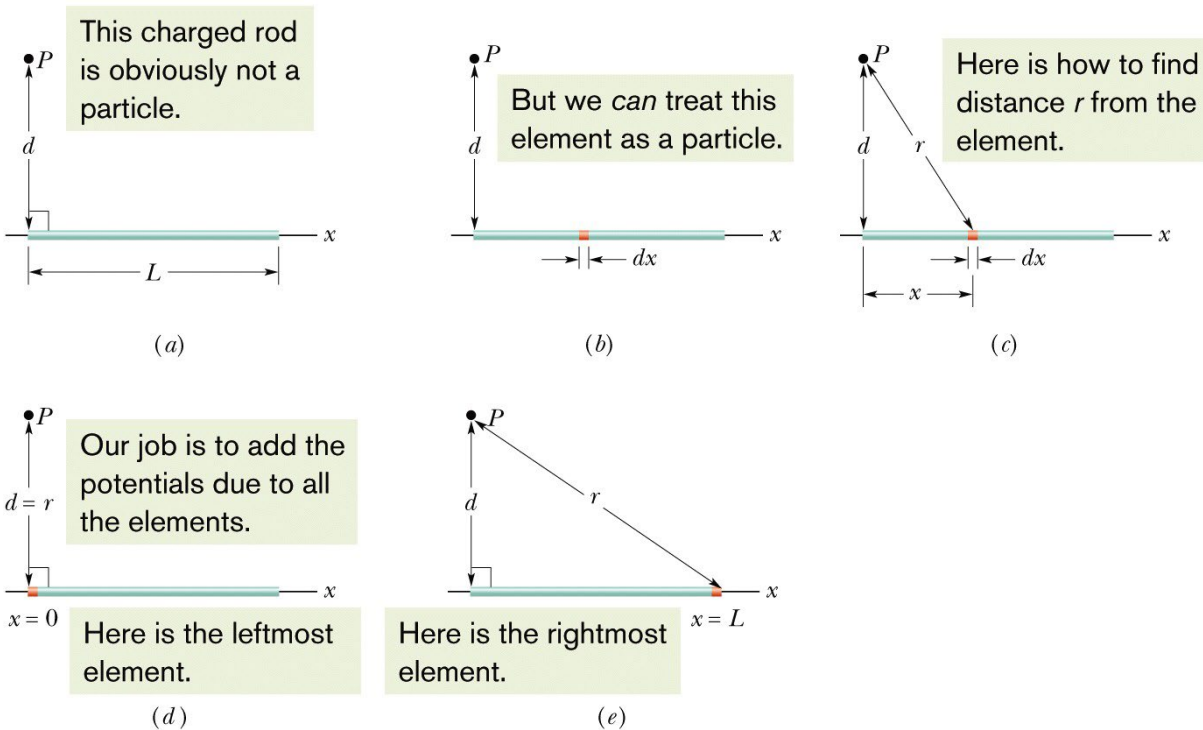
$$V = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{d \cos \theta}{r^2},$$

where θ is measured from the dipole axis

And since $p=qd$, we have

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{p \cos \theta}{r^2} \quad (\text{electric dipole})$$

24-5 Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution (2 of 8)



For a continuous distribution of charge (over an extended object), the potential is found by

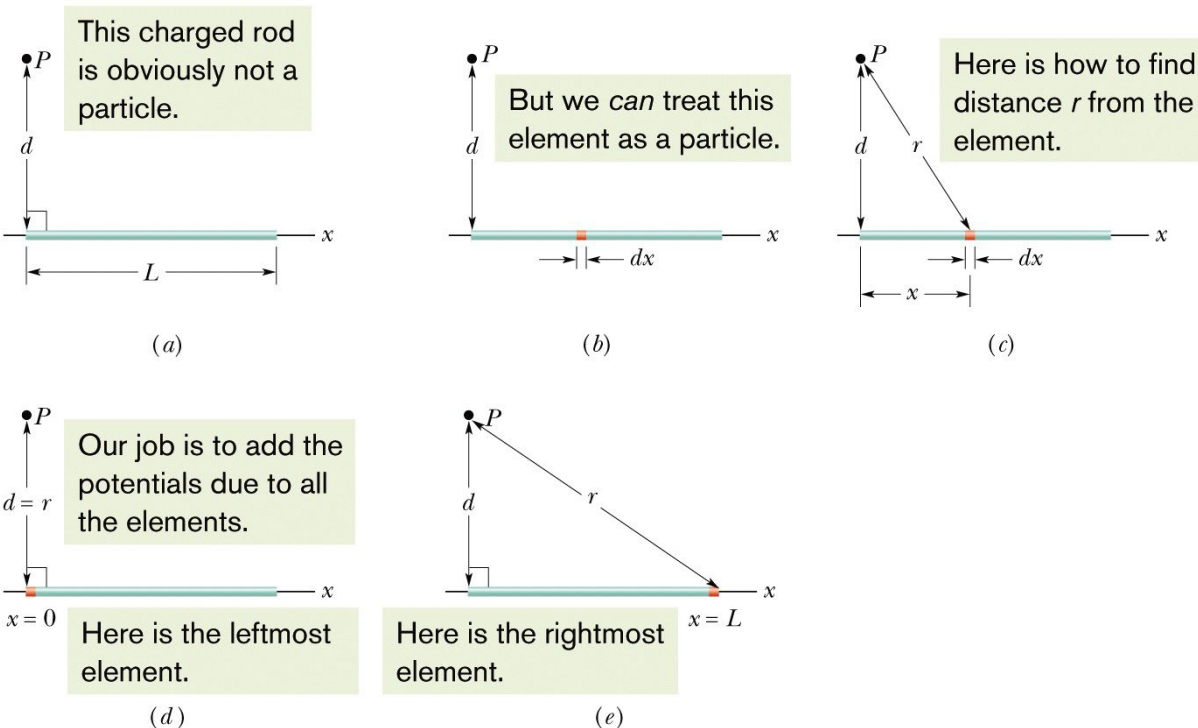
- (1) dividing the distribution into charge elements dq that can be treated as particles and then
- (2) summing the potential due to each element by integrating over the full distribution:

$$V = \int dV = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{dq}{r}.$$

We now examine two continuous charge distributions, a line and a disk.

24-5 Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution (3 of 8)

Q3 Line of Charge



$$V = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \left[\frac{L + (L^2 + d^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{d} \right].$$

24-5 Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution (3 of 8)

Line of Charge

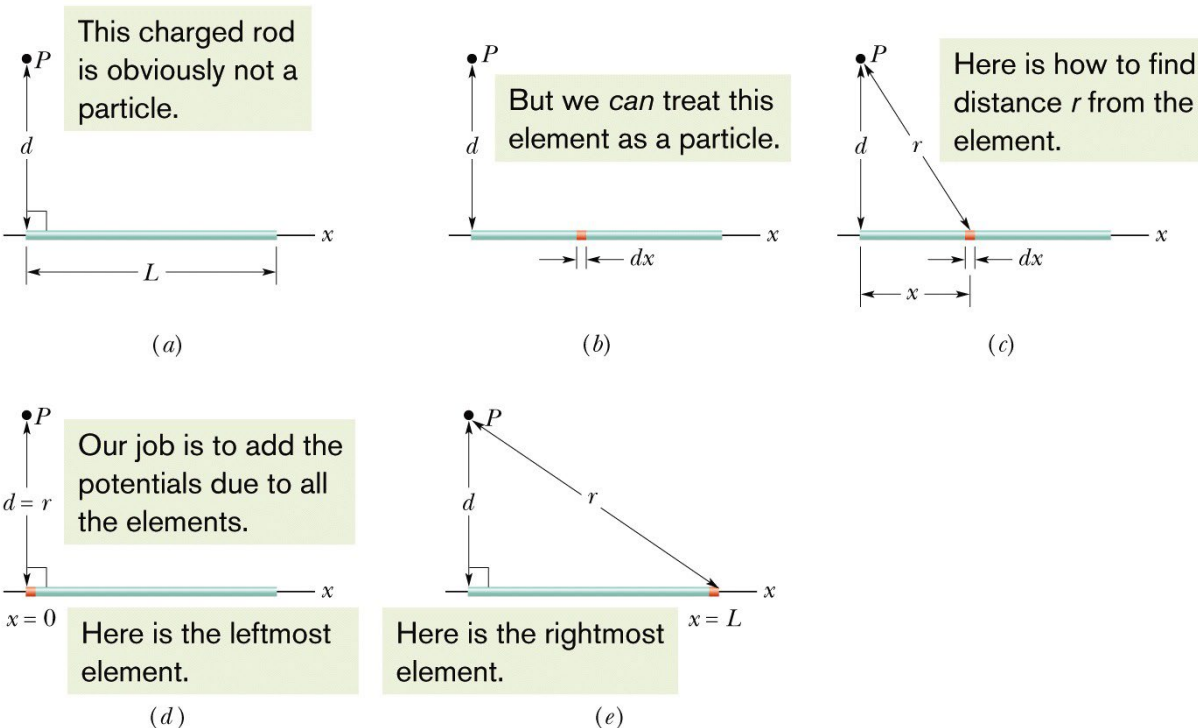


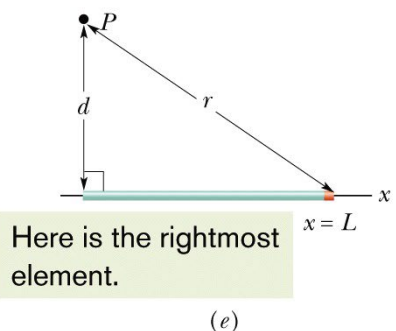
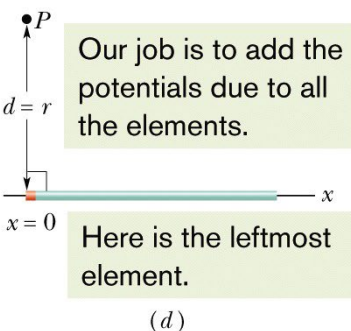
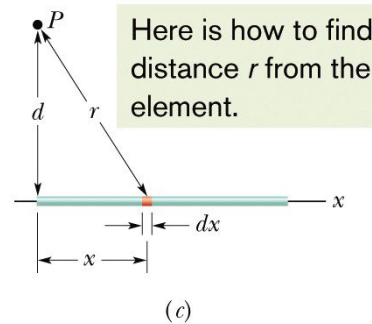
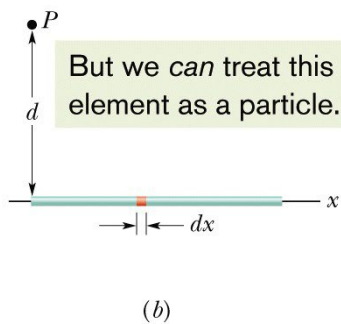
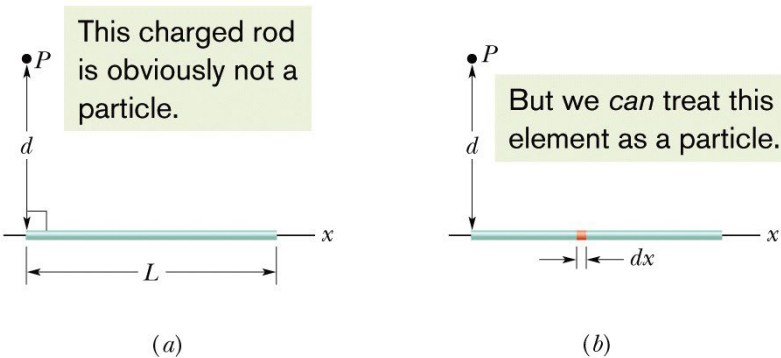
Fig. a has a thin conducting rod of length L . As shown in fig. b the element of the rod has a differential charge of

$$dq = \lambda dx.$$

This element produces an electric potential dV at point P (fig c) given by

$$dV = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{dq}{r} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\lambda dx}{(x^2 + d^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}.$$

24-5 Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution (3 of 8)

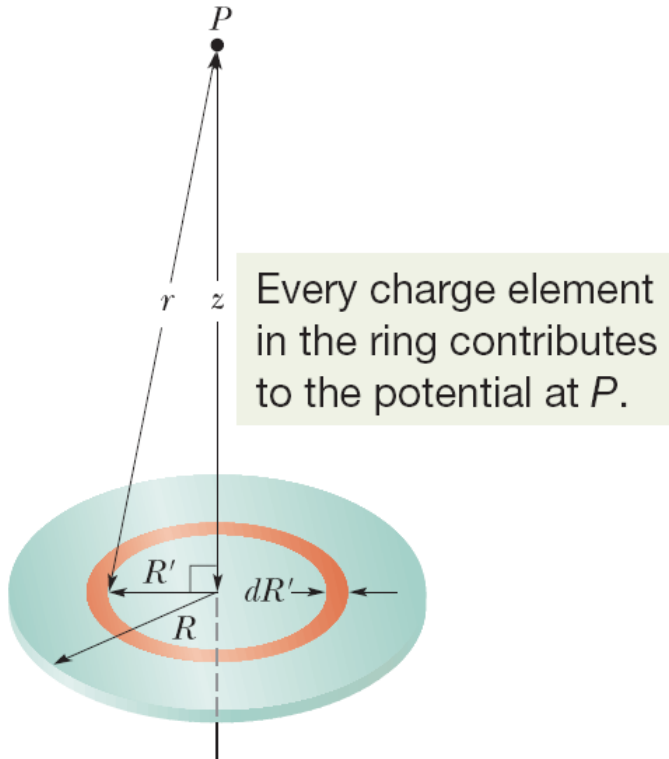


Tips: $\int \frac{dx}{x} = \ln |x|$
 $\ln A - \ln B = \ln(A/B)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= \int dV = \int_0^L \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\lambda}{(x^2 + d^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} dx \\
 &= \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^L \frac{dx}{(x^2 + d^2)^{1/2}} \\
 &= \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\ln \left(x + (x^2 + d^2)^{1/2} \right) \right]_0^L \\
 &= \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\ln \left(L + (L^2 + d^2)^{1/2} \right) - \ln d \right] \\
 V &= \frac{\lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \ln \left[\frac{L + (L^2 + d^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{d} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

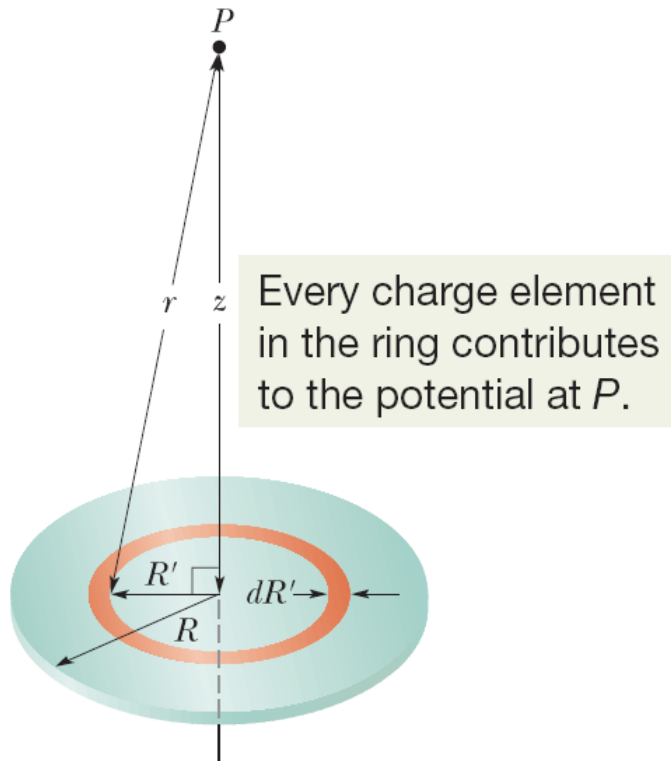
24-5 Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution (6 of 8)

Q4 Charged Disk



$$V = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left(\sqrt{z^2 + R^2} - z \right)$$

24-5 Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution (6 of 8)



Charged Disk

In figure, consider a differential element consisting of a flat ring of radius R' and radial width dR' . Its charge has magnitude

$$dq = \sigma(2\pi R')(dR'),$$

in which $(2\pi R')(dR')$ is the upper surface area of the ring. The contribution of this ring to the electric potential at P is

$$dV = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{dq}{r} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\sigma(2\pi R')(dR')}{\sqrt{z^2 + R'^2}}.$$

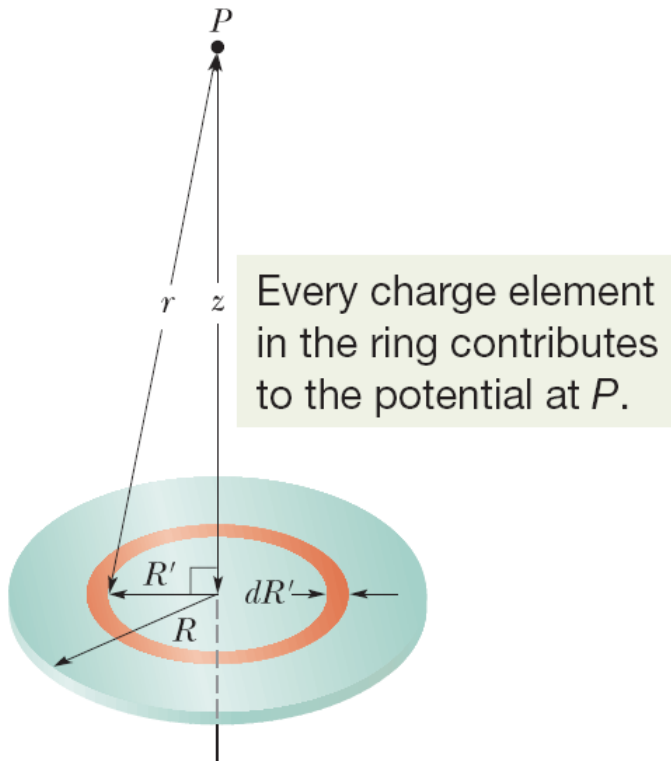
24-5 Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution (7 of 8)

$$dV = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{dq}{r} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\sigma(2\pi R')(dR')}{\sqrt{z^2 + R'^2}}.$$

We find the net potential at P by adding (via integration) the contributions of all the rings from $R'=0$ to $R'=R$:

$$V = \int dV = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \int_0^R \frac{R' dR'}{\sqrt{z^2 + R'^2}} = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left(\sqrt{z^2 + R^2} - z \right).$$

Note that the variable in the second integral is R' and not z



24-6 Calculating the Field from the Potential (2 of 3)

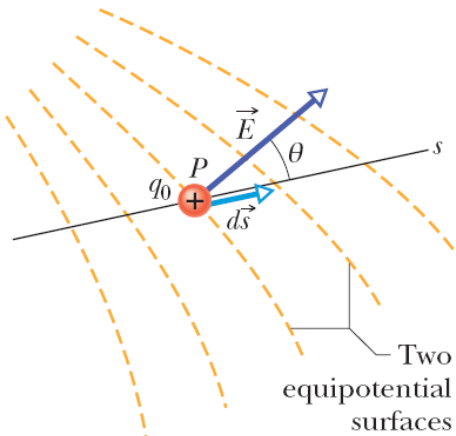


Figure 24-17 A test charge q_0 moves a distance $d\vec{s}$ from one equipotential surface to another. (The separation between the surfaces has been exaggerated for clarity.) The displacement $d\vec{s}$ makes an angle θ with the direction of the electric field \vec{E} .

Suppose that a positive test charge q_0 moves through a displacement $d\vec{s}$ from one equipotential surface to the adjacent surface. The work the electric field does on the test charge during the move is $-q_0 dV$. On the other hand the work done by the electric field may also be written as the scalar product $(q_0 \vec{E}) \cdot d\vec{s}$. Equating these two expressions for the work yields

$$-q_0 dV = q_0 E (\cos \theta) ds,$$

or

$$E \cos \theta = -\frac{dV}{ds}.$$

Since $E \cos \theta$ is the component of \vec{E} in the direction of $d\vec{s}$, we get,

$$E_s = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial s}.$$

24-6 Calculating the Field from the Potential (2 of 3)

$$E_s = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial s}.$$

If we take the s axis to be, in turn, the x , y , and z axes, we find that the x , y , and z components of E at any point are

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

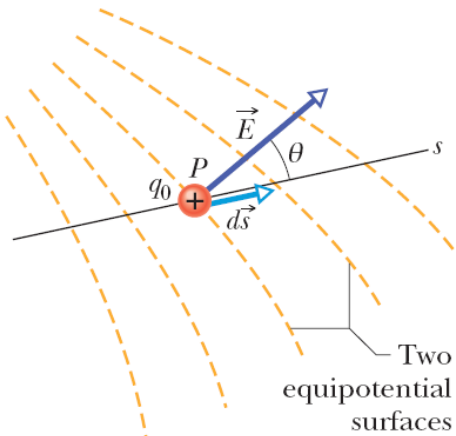


Figure 24-17 A test charge q_0 moves a distance $d\vec{s}$ from one equipotential surface to another. (The separation between the surfaces has been exaggerated for clarity.) The displacement $d\vec{s}$ makes an angle θ with the direction of the electric field \vec{E} .

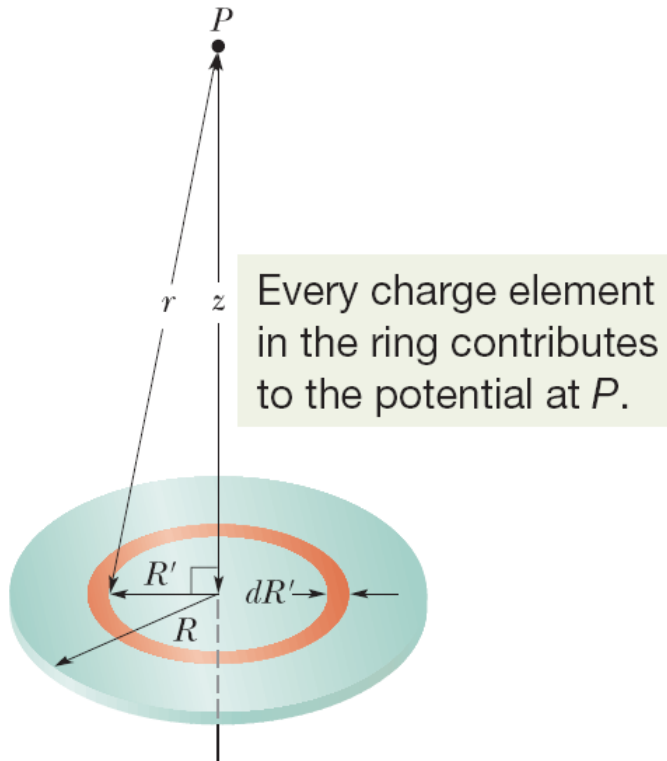
24-6 Calculating the Field from the Potential (2 of 3)

$$E_s = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial s}.$$

The electric potential at any point on the central axis of a uniformly charged disk is given by

$$V = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left(\sqrt{z^2 + R^2} - z \right)$$

Q5 derive an expression for the electric field at any point on the axis of the disk.



24-6 Calculating the Field from the Potential (2 of 3)

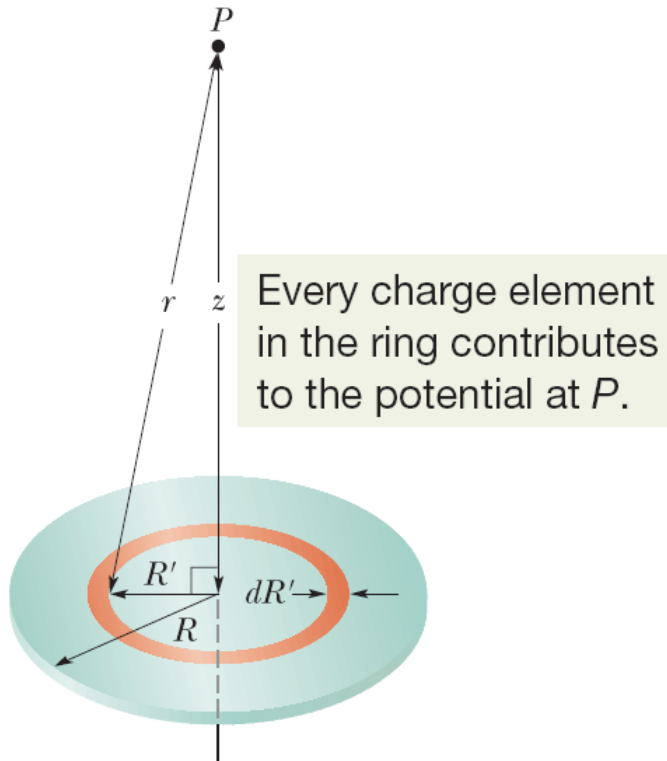
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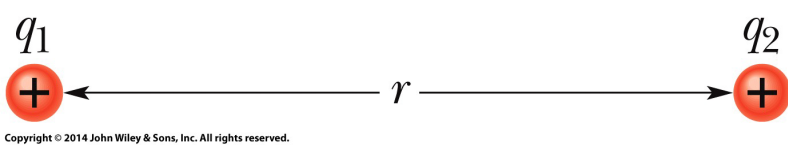
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Q5 derive an expression for the electric field at any point on the axis of the disk.

$$\begin{aligned} E_z &= -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = -\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{d}{dz} (\sqrt{z^2 + R^2} - z) \\ &= \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2 + R^2}} \right). \end{aligned}$$



24-7 Electric Potential Energy of a System of Charged Particles (3 of 4)



Two charges held a fixed distance r apart.

The total potential energy of a system of particles is **the sum of the potential energies for every pair of particles in the system.**

$$U_f - U_i = q_1(V_f - V_i).$$

The initial potential energy is $U_i = 0$

$$V_f = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_2}{r}.$$

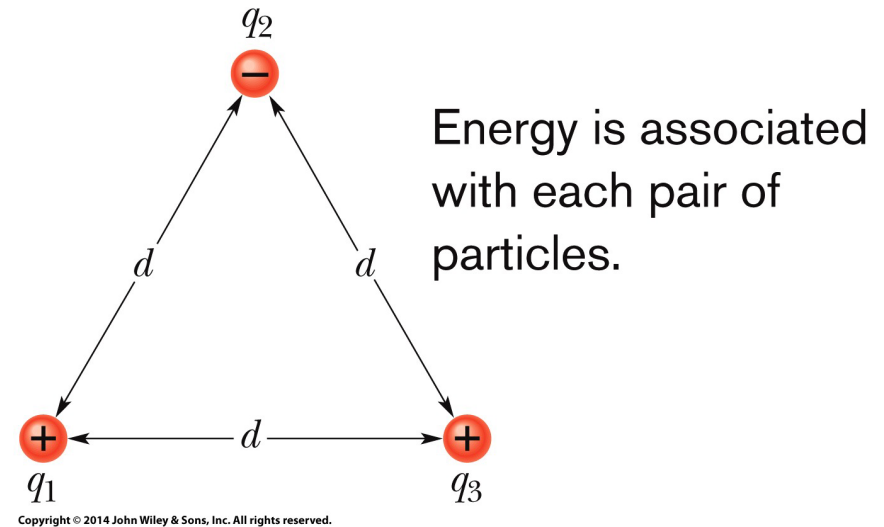
Hence
$$U = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r} \quad (\text{two-particle system}).$$

24-7 Electric Potential Energy of a System of Charged Particles (4 of 4)

Potential energy of a system of three charged particles

Figure 24-19 shows three charged particles held in fixed positions by forces that are not shown. What is the electric potential energy U of this system of charges? Assume that $d = 12$ cm and that

$q_1 = +q$, $q_2 = -4q$, and $q_3 = +2q$,
in which $q = 150$ nC.



24-7 Electric Potential Energy of a System of Charged Particles (4 of 4)

Potential energy of a system of three charged particles

Tips: The total potential energy of a system of particles is the sum of the potential energies for every pair of particles in the system.

$$U_{12} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{d}$$

$$U_{13} + U_{23} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_3}{d} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_2 q_3}{d}.$$

$$U = U_{12} + U_{13} + U_{23}$$

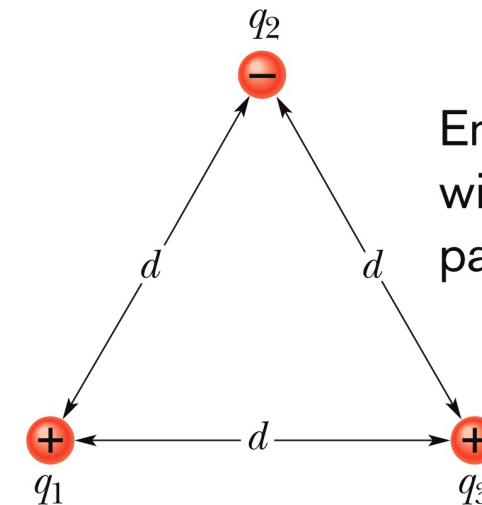
$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{(+q)(-4q)}{d} + \frac{(+q)(+2q)}{d} + \frac{(-4q)(+2q)}{d} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{10q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d}$$

$$= -\frac{(8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{C}^2)(10)(150 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C})^2}{0.12 \text{ m}}$$

$$= -1.7 \times 10^{-2} \text{ J} = -17 \text{ mJ}.$$

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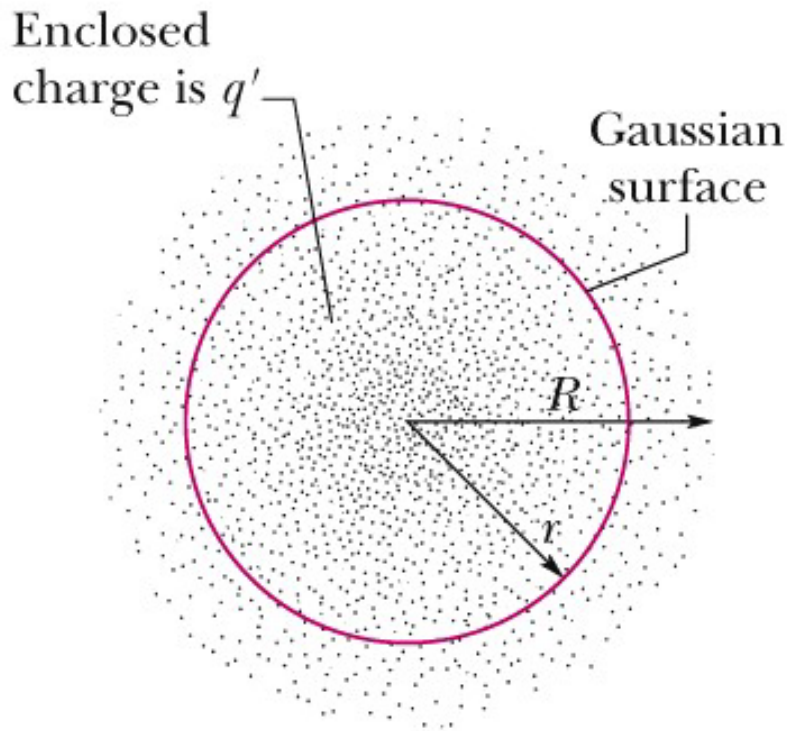
Energy is associated with each pair of particles.

Remind: 23-6 Applying Gauss' Law: Spherical Symmetry (6 of 6)

The dots represent a spherically symmetric distribution of charge of radius R , whose **volume charge density** ρ is a function only of distance from the center. The charge is assumed to be fixed in position.

When $r > R$, treat it like a particle with charge q

$$E = \left(\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \right)$$



How to calculate the E when $r < R$?

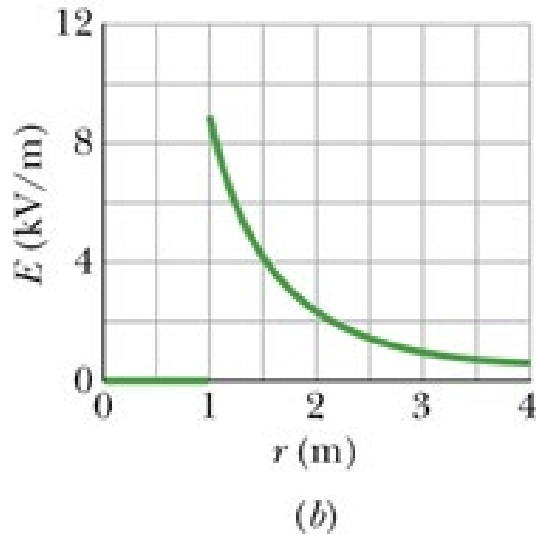
we separately consider the **charge inside** it and the **charge outside** it.

But **outside it is 0 because shell theory II**.

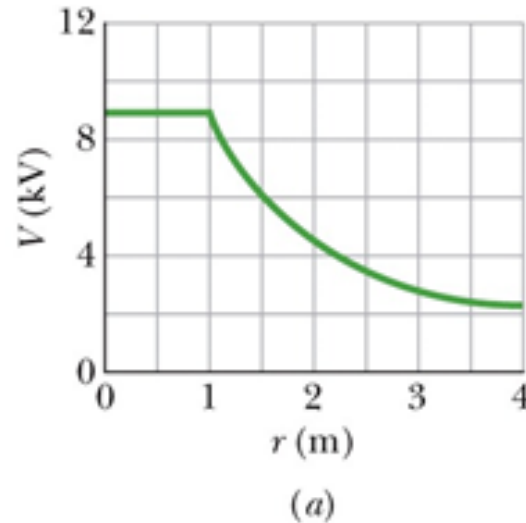
Inside: q' represent that enclosed charge, **volume charge density ρ is same**

$$\frac{q'}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3} = \frac{q}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \quad \Rightarrow \quad E = \left(\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} \right) r \quad (\text{uniform charge, field at } r \leq R).$$

24-8 Potential of a Charged Isolated Conductor (3 of 4)



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$$V_f - V_i = - \int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}.$$

Since $E = 0$ for all points within a conductor, it follows directly that $V_f = V_i$ for all possible pairs of points i and f in the conductor

(b) A plot of $E(r)$ for the same shell.

(a) A plot of $V(r)$ both inside and outside a charged spherical shell of radius 1.0 m.

24-8 Potential of a Charged Isolated Conductor (4 of 4)

It is wise to enclose yourself in a cavity inside a conducting shell, where the electric field is guaranteed to be zero. A car (unless it is a convertible or made with a plastic body) is almost ideal.



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Summary (1 of 5)

Electric Potential

- The electric potential V at point P in the electric field of a charged object:
 $U = qV.$

$$V = \frac{-W_{\infty}}{q_0} = \frac{U}{q_0},$$

Equation (24-2)

Electric Potential Energy

- Electric potential energy U of the particle-object system:

Equation (24-3)

- If the particle moves through potential ΔV :

$$\Delta U = q\Delta V = q(V_f - V_i).$$

Equation (24-4)

Summary (2 of 5)

Mechanical Energy

- Applying the conservation of mechanical energy gives the change in kinetic energy:
 $\Delta K = -q\Delta V + W_{\text{app}}$

$$\Delta K = -q\Delta V.$$

Equation (24-9)

- In case of an applied force in a particle

Equation (24-11)

- In a special case when $\Delta K = 0$:

$$W_{\text{app}} = q\Delta V \quad \left(\text{for } K_i = K_f\right).$$

Equation (24-12)

Summary (3 of 5)

Finding V from \vec{E}

- The electric potential difference between two point I and f is:

$$V_f - V_i = -\int_i^f \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}, \quad \text{Equation (24-18)}$$

Potential due to a Charged Particle

- due to a single charged particle at a distance r from that particle :

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r} \quad \text{Equation (24-26)}$$

- due to a collection of charged particles

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{q_i}{r_i}. \quad \text{Equation (24-27)}$$

Summary (4 of 5)

Potential due to an Electric Dipole

- The electric potential of the dipole is

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{p \cos \theta}{r^2} \quad \text{Equation (24-30)}$$

Potential due to a Continuous Charge Distribution

- For a continuous distribution of charge:

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{dq}{r} \quad \text{Equation (24-32)}$$

Summary (5 of 5)

Calculating \vec{E} from V

- The component of \vec{E} in any direction is:

$$E_s = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial s}.$$

Equation (24-40)

Electric Potential Energy of a System of Charged Particle

- For two particles at separation r :

Equation (24-46)