

Electric potential

Potential energy:

$$\Delta U = - \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

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

$$\Delta U = q \left(- \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} \right)$$

define this as ^{electric} potential, or voltage.

Sometimes called emf

inverting equation:

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

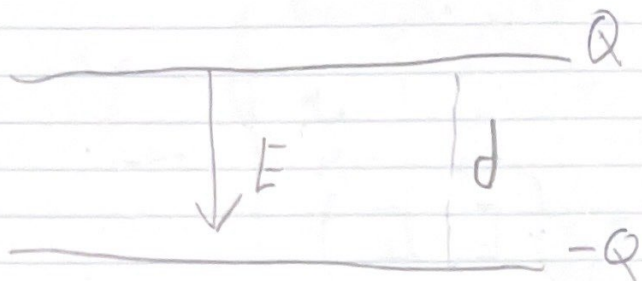
in cartesian:

$$-\frac{\partial V}{\partial x_i} = \vec{E} \cdot \hat{x}_i \quad x_i = x, y, z$$

For pairs of point charges

$$U = \frac{1}{r} q_1 q_2$$

~~Capacitor~~
= Capacitor



$$E = \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} - \left(\frac{-Q}{A\epsilon_0} \right) = \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0}$$

Voltage:

$$V_{\text{top}} - V_{\text{bottom}} = - \int_{\text{bottom}}^{\text{top}} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

\downarrow ds is opposite to \vec{E} ,
so $\vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = -E ds$

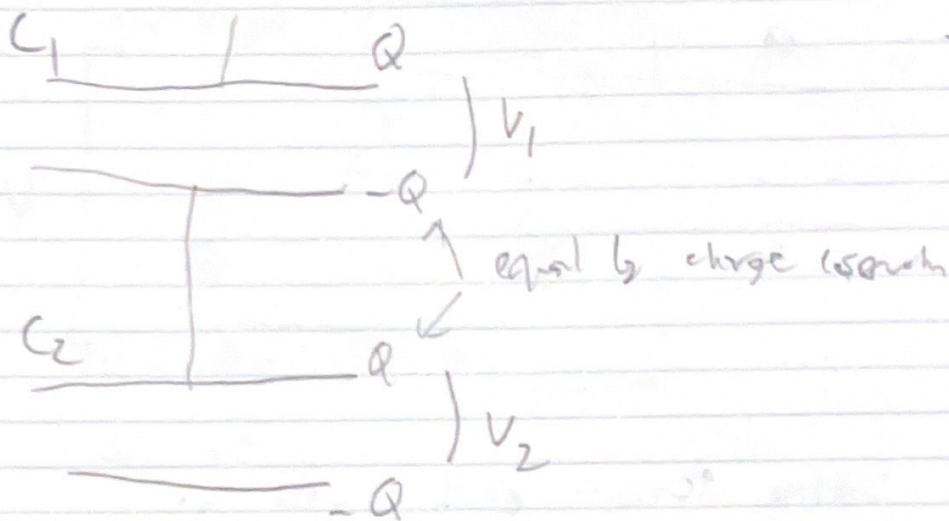
$$\int E ds = \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} d = \Delta V$$

$$\Delta V = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 d} = C \quad \text{capacitance,}$$

only depends on geometry (A, d)

or dielectric placed in between ($\epsilon_0 \rightarrow \epsilon$)

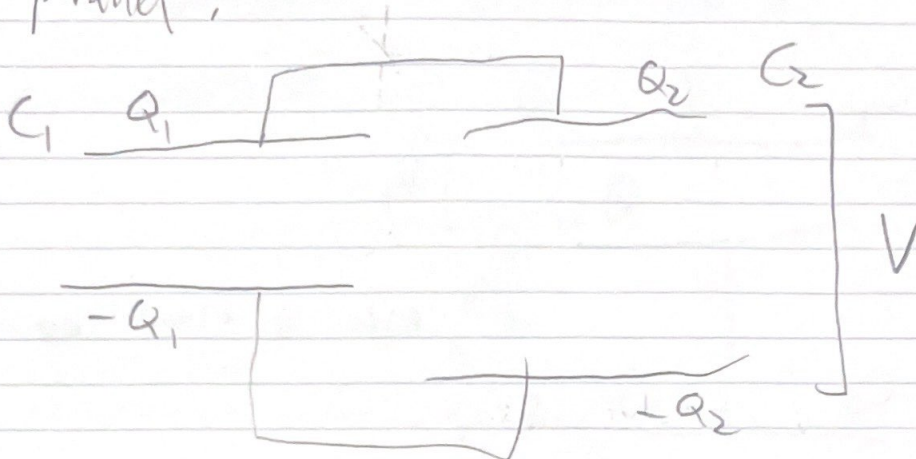
Series:



$$V_{\text{total}} = V_1 + V_2 = \frac{Q}{C_1} + \frac{Q}{C_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_{\text{total}}}{Q} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{C_{\text{total}}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}$$

parallel :



Voltage across each is the same

$$Q_{\text{total}} = Q_1 + Q_2 = C_1 V + C_2 V$$

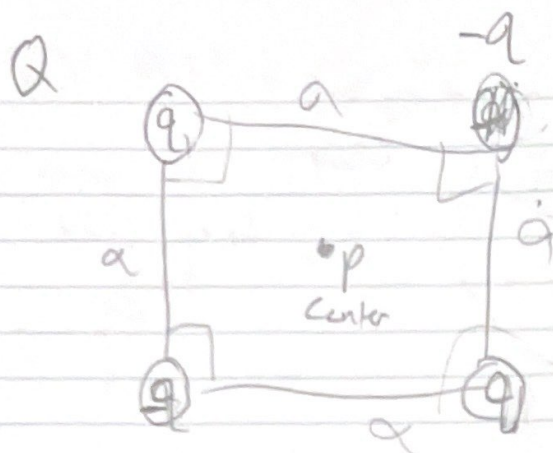
$$\Rightarrow \frac{Q_{\text{total}}}{V} = C_{\text{total}} = C_1 + C_2$$

Energy :

to bring to ~~equal~~ equal charge;

$$\int dw = \int_0^Q V dq = \int_0^Q \frac{q}{C} dq$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C} = \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = \frac{1}{2} Q V$$



total potential energy?

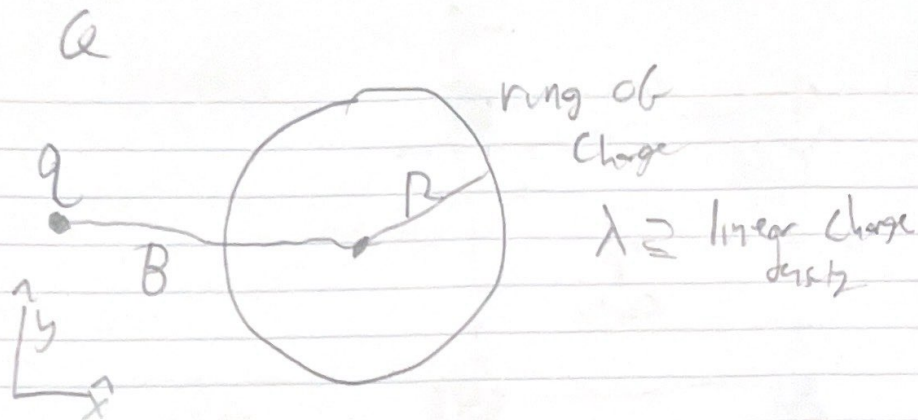
$$V_{q+p}?$$

A: Sum over all pairs:

$$\frac{kq^2}{\sqrt{2}a} + \frac{kq^2}{\sqrt{2}a} - 4 \frac{kq^2}{a}$$

$$V(p) = \boxed{0}$$

$$\frac{2k}{\sqrt{2}a} (2q - 2q) = 0$$



what is \vec{E} at p ? what is V ?

A, $\boxed{\vec{E} = \frac{kq}{B^2} \hat{x}}$ ring cancels

$$V = \frac{kq}{B} + \int_0^{2\pi R} \frac{k\lambda dL}{R}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{kq}{B} + k\lambda 2\pi R}$$

Q: $V = ax^2 + cy + d$

What is \vec{E} ?

A: $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = 2ax$

$\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = c$

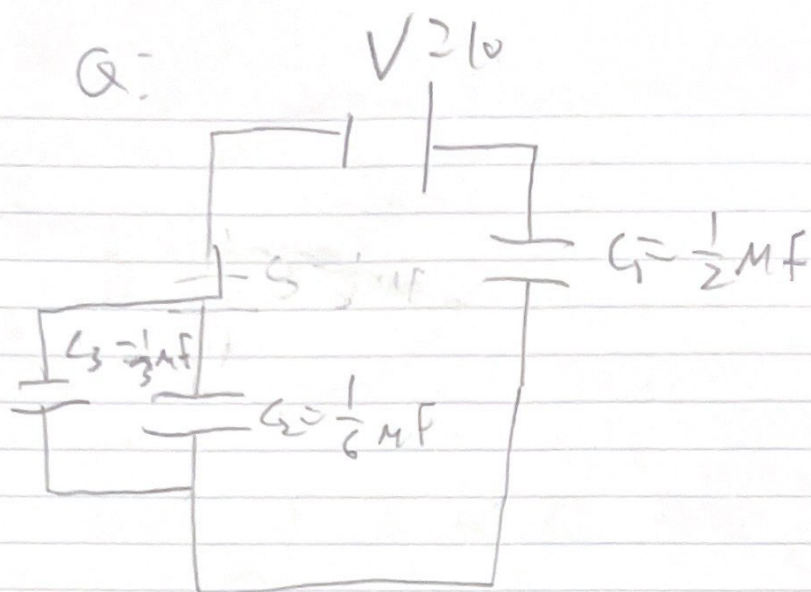
$\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = 0$

$\vec{E} = -2ax\hat{x} - c\hat{y}$

Q: $E = x^2 \hat{x}$ in metres.

ΔV between $x=0$, $x=3$

$V(3) - V(0) = -\int_0^3 x^2 dx = -9$



Total C ? Total U ?

individual U ?

A. Total $C = \left(\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_3 + C_2} \right)^{-1}$

$= (2 + 2)^{-1} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4} \text{ MF}}$

B. $U = \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = \frac{100}{8} = \boxed{12.5 \text{ MJ}}$

$$Q_{\text{tot}} = C_{\text{tot}} V = 2.5 \text{ MC}$$

top of total capacitor is just top
of C_1 .

$$U(C_1) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C_1} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q_{\text{tot}}^2}{C_1} = \boxed{6.25 \text{ MJ}}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{Q_1}{C_1} = 5 \text{ V}$$

so across other 2 capacitors is $10 - 5 = 5 \text{ V}$

$$U(C_2) = \frac{1}{2} C_2 V^2 = \frac{2.5}{6} = \boxed{4.17 \text{ MJ}}$$

$$U(C_3) = \frac{1}{2} C_3 V^2 = \frac{2.5}{12} = \boxed{2.08 \text{ MJ}}$$

$$U_{\text{tot}} = U_1 + U_2 + U_3 = 12.5 \text{ MJ}$$

same total