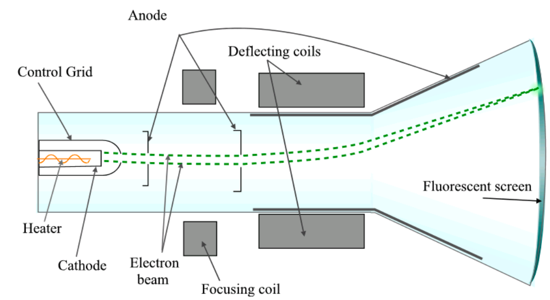
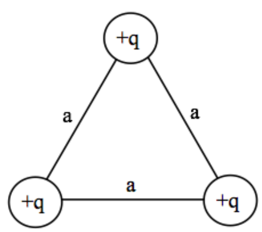
We usually choose $V(r \to \infty) \equiv 0$ when calculating the potential of a point charge to be $V(r) = +kq/r$. How does the potential $V(r)$ change if we choose our reference point to be $V(R) = 0$ where R is close to $+q$.

A. $V(r)$ is positive but smaller than kq/r
B. $V(r)$ is positive but larger than kq/r
C. $V(r)$ is negative
D. $V(r)$ doesn't change (V is independent of choice of reference)

ELECTROSTATIC POTENTIAL ENERGY



Three identical charges $+q$ sit on an equilateral triangle. What would be the final KE of the top charge if you released it (keeping the other two fixed)?



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B. $\frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0}\frac{2q^2}{3a}$
C. $\frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0}\frac{2q^2}{a}$
D. $\frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0}\frac{3q^2}{a}$
E. Other

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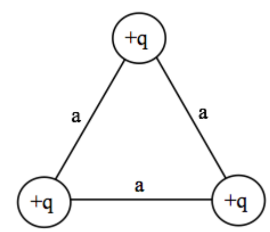

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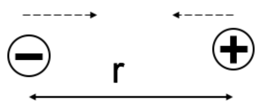
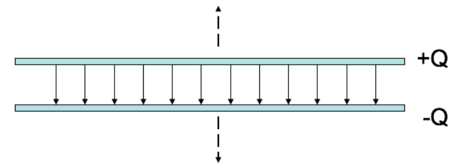


Two charges, $+q$ and $-q$, are a distance r apart. As the charges are slowly moved together, the total field energy

$$\frac{\varepsilon_0}{2}\int E^2 d\tau$$

A. increases
B. decreases
C. remains constant



A parallel-plate capacitor has $+Q$ on one plate, $-Q$ on the other. The plates are isolated so the charge Q cannot change. As the plates are pulled apart, the total electrostatic energy stored in the capacitor:

A. increases
B. decreases
C. remains constant.