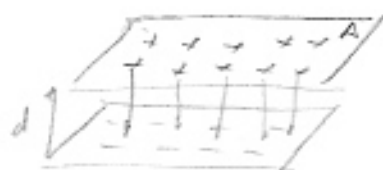


3.1.1. Gauss

$$\Delta V = - \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$$

$$E \int_0^d d\ell = Ed. \text{ for } E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} \Rightarrow \Delta V = \frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon}$$

$$Q = \sigma A \Rightarrow C = \frac{|Q|}{\Delta V} = \frac{\sigma A}{\frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon}} = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$$

Laplace

$$\nabla^2 V(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} = \frac{d^2 V}{dx^2} = 0 \quad \hat{y} \text{ and } \hat{z} \perp \hat{x}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial y^2} = 0, \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 V}{dx^2} = 0 \Rightarrow V(x) = Ax + B$$

Boundary Conditions:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Top plate} \rightarrow V_0; x = d \\ \text{Bottom plate} \rightarrow 0; x = 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} V(d) = V_0 = Ad + B \Rightarrow A = \frac{V_0 - B}{d} \\ V(0) = 0 = \frac{A}{0}x + B \Rightarrow B = 0 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \text{Top plate} \\ \text{Bottom plate} \end{array}} \right\} A = \frac{V_0}{d}$$

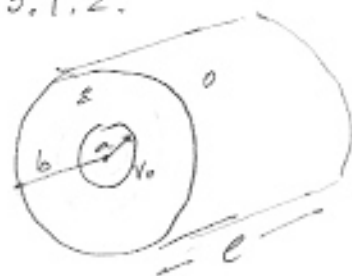
$$V(x) = \frac{V_0}{d} x$$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla V \quad \vec{E} = - \frac{dV}{dx} \hat{x} = - \frac{V_0}{d} \hat{x}$$

$$\vec{\sigma}_x = \epsilon \vec{E} = -\epsilon \frac{V_0}{d} \hat{x} \Rightarrow Q = \sigma A = -\frac{\epsilon V_0}{d} A$$

$$C = \frac{|Q|}{\Delta V} = \frac{\epsilon \frac{V_0}{d} A \frac{1}{V_0}}{1} = \frac{\epsilon A}{d}$$

3.1.2.

Gauss

$$\Delta V = - \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}_s \Rightarrow A_s = 2\pi r l$$

$$Q = \sigma A = 2\pi r l \sigma \Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{Q}{2\pi r l}$$

$$E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} = \frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon r l}$$

$$\Delta V = \int_a^b \frac{Q}{2\pi \epsilon r l} dr = \frac{Q \ln(b/a)}{2\pi \epsilon l}$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{\phi}{\frac{Q \ln(b/a)}{2\pi \epsilon l}} = \frac{2\pi \epsilon l}{\ln(b/a)}$$

for  $\frac{C}{l} = C_{\text{capacitance per unit l}} \Rightarrow C = \frac{2\pi \epsilon}{\ln(b/a)}$

Laplace in cylindrical coordinates:

$$\nabla^2 V = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{No variations in } \phi \text{ or } z$$

$$\nabla^2 V = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow r \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} = A \Rightarrow r dV = A dr \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow dV = \frac{A dr}{r} \Rightarrow V = A \ln(r) + B$$

Boundary conditions

$$\begin{cases} V = V_0 \text{ at } r = a \\ V = 0 \text{ at } r = b \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} V_0 = A \ln a + B \\ 0 = A \ln b + B \end{cases} \Rightarrow B = -A \ln b$$

$$V_0 = A \ln a + B = A \ln a - A \ln b = A \ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) \Rightarrow A = \frac{V_0}{\ln \frac{a}{b}}$$

$$B = -\frac{V_0}{\ln \frac{a}{b}} \ln b \Rightarrow V = \frac{V_0}{\ln \frac{a}{b}} \ln(r) - \frac{V_0}{\ln \frac{a}{b}} \ln b = \frac{V_0}{\ln \frac{a}{b}} \ln \frac{r}{b}$$

$$V = \frac{V_0 \ln \frac{b}{r}}{\ln \frac{b}{a}} \Rightarrow \vec{E} = -\nabla V = -\frac{V_0}{\ln \frac{b}{a}} \frac{d(\ln b - \ln r)}{dr} = \frac{V_0}{r \ln(\frac{b}{a})}$$

$$\sigma = \epsilon E = \frac{\epsilon V_0}{r \ln(\frac{b}{a})} \Rightarrow Q = \sigma A = \frac{\epsilon V_0 2\pi r l}{r \ln(\frac{b}{a})} \Rightarrow C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{2\pi \epsilon l V_0}{V_0 \ln(\frac{b}{a})} \Rightarrow C = \frac{2\pi \epsilon l}{\ln(\frac{b}{a})}$$

3.1.3.

Gauss

$$\sigma = \frac{Q}{\epsilon} \quad \therefore \quad \phi = \oint E ds = \int E ds \cos \theta = E \int ds = E 4\pi r^2$$

$$E 4\pi r^2 = \frac{Q}{\epsilon} \Rightarrow E = \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon r^2}$$

$$\Delta V = \int_a^b E dr = \int_a^b \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon r^2} dr = \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon} \left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q}{\frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon} \left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} = \frac{4\pi \epsilon}{\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}} = \frac{4\pi \epsilon a b}{a - b}$$

Laplace in Spherical coordinates:  $V$  is only function of  $r$  so

$$\nabla^2 V = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \right) = 0 \quad \text{if } r \neq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dV}{dr} \right) = 0$$

$$r^2 \frac{dV}{dr} = A \Rightarrow dV = \frac{A}{r^2} dr \Rightarrow V = -\frac{A}{r} + B$$

Boundary Conditions

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} r=a \quad V=V_0 \\ r=b \quad V=0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} -\frac{A}{b} + B = 0 \Rightarrow B = \frac{A}{b} \text{ or } A = Bb \\ V_0 = -\frac{A}{a} + B = -\frac{A}{a} + \frac{A}{b} = A \left( \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{a} \right) \end{array}$$

$$A = \frac{V_0}{\left( \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{a} \right)} \Rightarrow V(r) = \frac{V_0}{r \left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} - \frac{V_0}{b \left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} = \frac{V_0}{\left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} \left( \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{b} \right)$$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla V = -\frac{dV}{dr} \hat{r} = -\frac{d}{dr} \left[ \frac{V_0}{\left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} \left( \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{b} \right) \right] = -\frac{V_0}{\left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} \left( -\frac{1}{r^2} \right) = \frac{V_0}{r^2 \left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)}$$

$$\sigma = \epsilon E = \frac{V_0 \epsilon}{r^2 \left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} \Rightarrow Q = \int \sigma dA = \frac{V_0 \epsilon}{\left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{r^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi}{r^2} =$$

$$Q = \frac{V_0 \epsilon}{\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}} \left( -\cos \theta \right) \Big|_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} = \frac{4\pi \epsilon V_0}{\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}} \Rightarrow C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{4\pi \epsilon V_0}{V_0 \left( \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right)} = \frac{4\pi \epsilon}{\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}}$$

### 3.1.4.1 Equal and Opposite.

Yes it is true. The charge density may differ depending on their shape, but the total charge must be equal. If not, current (charges) will be drawn from the battery.

### 3.1.4.2 Justification of steps.

$$\nabla^2 \varphi(x) = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{d^2 \varphi}{dx^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 \varphi(x) = \nabla \cdot \nabla \varphi(x) = \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right] \cdot \left[ \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \right] = \frac{d^2 \varphi}{dx^2} \rightarrow \text{partial derivatives are used for multiple variables, and ordinary derivative for single variables.}$$

Because  $\varphi(x)$  is only dependent on  $x$   $\frac{d^2 \varphi}{dx^2}$  can be written as  $\frac{d^2 \varphi}{dx^2}$

### 3.1.4.3 Approximation

- Only the Concentric spherical shells capacitance is exact.
- For the parallel plate, the capacitance is approximated, as the fringing field are ignored. This capacitance is nearly exact, when the Area  $\gg d$ .
- Similarly, the long coaxial cylinders are approximated for the same reason (fringing fields), but  $C$  becomes nearly exact as the length of the cylinder is much greater than the radius  $L \gg r$

### 3.1.4.4

$$\Delta V_T = \Delta V_1 + \Delta V_2 = E \int_{d_1}^{d_2} dx + E \int_0^{d_1} dx = \frac{\sigma d_1}{\epsilon} + \frac{\sigma d_2}{\epsilon}$$

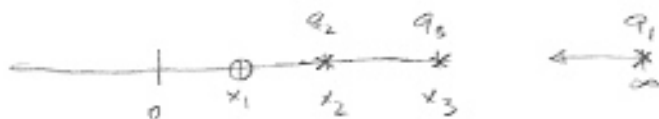
$$Q = \sigma A \Rightarrow C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} \Rightarrow \Delta V = \frac{Q}{C_T} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Delta V_T = \frac{Q}{C_T}; \quad \Delta V_1 = \frac{\sigma d_1}{\epsilon}; \quad \Delta V_2 = \frac{\sigma d_2}{\epsilon} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{C_T} = \frac{\sigma d_1}{\epsilon Q} + \frac{\sigma d_2}{\epsilon Q}; \quad \frac{1}{C_T} = \frac{d_1}{\epsilon A} + \frac{d_2}{\epsilon A}$$

$$\frac{1}{C_T} = \frac{\Delta V_T}{Q} = \frac{\sigma(d_1 + d_2)}{\epsilon \sigma A} = \frac{d_1}{\epsilon A} + \frac{d_2}{\epsilon A} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}$$

## 3.2. Potential due to Point charges.

3.2.1.  $W_1$  to move  $q_1$  from  $\infty$  to  $x_1$



$U = \infty \Rightarrow$  as  $q_1$  moves closer to  $q_3$  the work increases to overcome the charge repulsion force between  $q_1$  and  $q_3$

For example let's look at  $q_1$  as it approaches  $q_3$  with a separation as  $d = [x_1 - x_3]$

$$U = - \int_{\infty}^d \frac{q_1 q_3}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} dr = \frac{q_1 q_3}{4\pi\epsilon d} \Rightarrow \text{and } U d \frac{1}{d} = 0 \Rightarrow U \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } d \rightarrow 0$$

$d$  is positive in this equation (ideally you would have labeled it on your sketch). As a result, the sign of  $U$  only depends on the signs of  $q_1$  and  $q_3$ .

3.2.2  $\Rightarrow U = \infty$ , same as before

3.2.3  $\Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow U = \frac{q_3 q_1}{4\pi\epsilon (x_1 - x_3)} + \frac{q_3 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon (x_2 - x_3)}$$

For charges  $q_2$  | ——— |

Should be  $|x_1 - x_3|$  and  $|x_2 - x_3|$ .

$$\varphi_1 = \frac{q_2}{4\pi\epsilon [x_2 - x_1]} + \frac{q_3}{4\pi\epsilon [x_3 - x_1]}$$

$$\varphi_2 = \frac{q_1}{4\pi\epsilon [x_1 - x_2]} + \frac{q_3}{4\pi\epsilon [x_3 - x_2]}$$

$$\varphi_3 = \frac{q_1}{4\pi\epsilon [x_1 - x_3]} + \frac{q_2}{4\pi\epsilon [x_2 - x_3]}$$

$$\varphi_{\infty} = 0 \text{ as } [\infty - x] = \infty \Rightarrow \frac{q}{\infty} = 0$$