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PHYS 158 Survey

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$$\vec{E} \rightarrow V$$
?

$$\Delta V = V_f - V_i = - \int_i^F \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

Lecture 23.

Finding \vec{E} from known V.

$$V \rightarrow \vec{E}$$
?

Now: assume that we know V and want to find \vec{E}

Challenge: V is a scalar, \vec{E} is a vector.

- ➤ How can we reproduce a vector (3 components!) from one single number?
- > We can start with finding the projection of \vec{E} on some arbitrary direction (since a projection is a scalar, too)

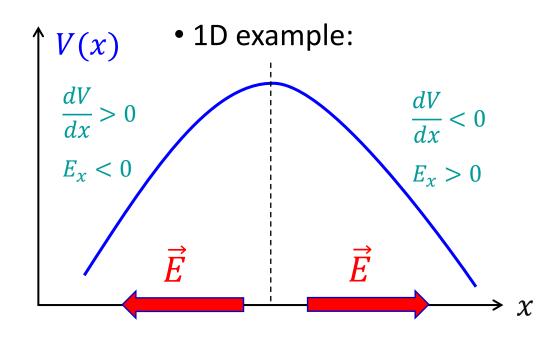
$$\Delta V(r) = -\int_{i}^{f} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} \Rightarrow \mathbf{E}_{r}$$

$$\vec{e} - (\mathbf{E} \cdot d\vec{r}) \cos \theta_{r}$$

$$dV = -\vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = -\mathbf{E}_{r} dr \Rightarrow$$

 E_r : projection of \vec{E} onto the direction $d\vec{r}$

$$E_r = -\frac{dV}{dr}$$



E-field always points downhill!

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Challenge: V is a scalar, \vec{E} is a vector.

- ➤ How can we reproduce a vector (3 components!) from one single number?
- Now we can generalize it for 3D case by considering projections of \vec{E} onto directions x, y, z:

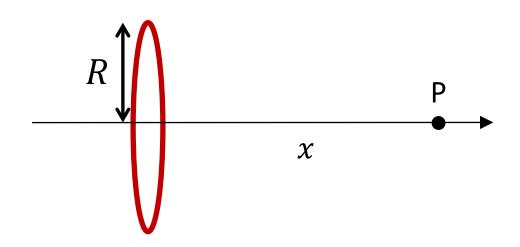
$$E_x = -\frac{dV(x, y, z)}{dx} \qquad E_y = -\frac{dV(x, y, z)}{dy} \qquad E_z = -\frac{dV(x, y, z)}{dz}$$

Strictly speaking, these are partial derivatives:
$$E_x = -\frac{\partial V(x,y,z)}{\partial x}$$
, etc. $\nabla_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

In 3D:
$$\vec{E} = -\nabla V(x, y, x) = -\vec{i} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} - \vec{j} \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} - \vec{k} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$$
 ('gradient')

Since V is usually quite easy to calculate (it's a scalar!), it might be easier to find the electric field, \vec{E} , from its derivatives than from Gauss's law of by integrating vectors!

Q: A conducting ring of radius R has a total charge Q. Find the electric potential, V(x) at the point P on its axis. Assume V is zero at infinity.



• Mentally cut the ring into small point charges, each of size dq.

Q: For the small charge dq (see picture), what is the potential dV at point P? Assume V is zero at infinity.

$$q: \quad V(r) = \frac{kq}{r}$$

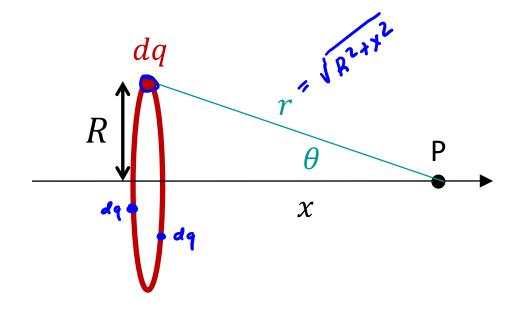
$$dq: V(P) = ?$$

A.
$$dV = \frac{k \, dq}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$$

B.
$$dV = \frac{k dq}{x^2 + R^2}$$

C.
$$dV = \frac{k \, dq \cos \theta}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$$

D.
$$dV = \frac{k \, dq \cos \theta}{x^2 + R^2}$$



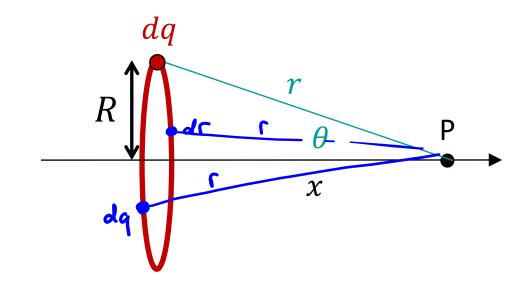
• Mentally cut the ring into small point charges, each of size dq.

Q: What is the potential *V* at point P? Assume *V* is zero at infinity.

$$dV = \frac{k \ dq}{r}$$
 with $r = \sqrt{x^2 + R^2}$. Hence, $dV = \frac{k \ dq}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$.

$$V = \int_{\text{ring}} dV = \int_{\text{ring}} \frac{k dq}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}} =$$

$$= \frac{k}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}} \int_{\text{ring}} dq$$



$$V(x) = \frac{k Q}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$$

+ const, which we set to be zero (since $V(\infty) = 0$)

Now let's use the potential of the ring on the x-axis, namely,

$$V(x) = \frac{k Q}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$$

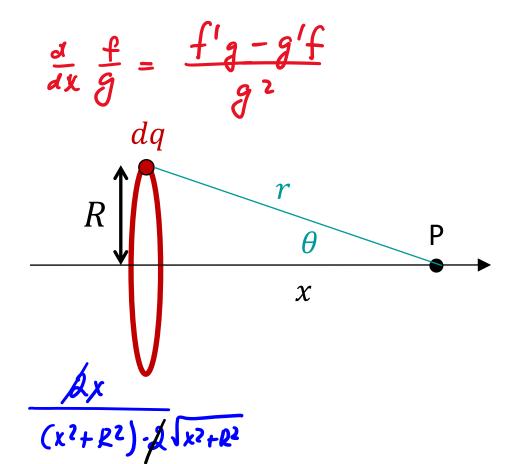
to compute the electric field of the ring on the x-axis.

$$V(x) = \frac{k Q}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$V(x) : \quad E_y = -\frac{2V}{2} = 0$$

$$E_z = -\frac{2V}{2z} = 0$$
I of the ring on the x-axis

A.
$$E_{\chi} = \frac{k Q}{(x^2 + R^2)^{3/2}}$$
 $E_{\chi} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial \chi} = \frac{k Q x}{(x^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \chi} \frac{k Q}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \chi} \frac{k Q}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}} = -\frac{k Q}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}} = -\frac{k Q x}{(x^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$



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A.
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$$E_{x} = \frac{k Q x}{(x^{2} + R^{2})^{3/2}}$$

$$C. E_{\chi} = \frac{k Q}{(\chi^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$$

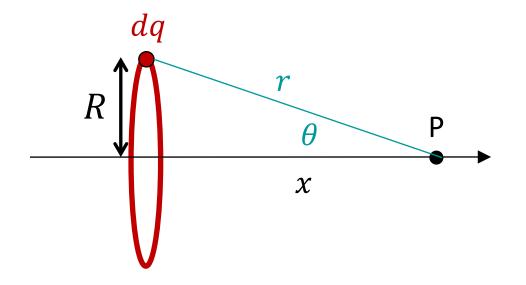
D.
$$E_{\chi} = \frac{k Q \chi}{(\chi^2 + R^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$E_{x} = -\frac{dV(x)}{dx}$$
A. $E_{x} = \frac{k Q}{(x^{2} + R^{2})^{3/2}}$

$$= -\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{k Q}{(x^{2} + R^{2})^{1/2}} \right)$$
B. $E_{x} = \frac{k Q x}{(x^{2} + R^{2})^{3/2}}$

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Q: Assume that a potential is given as $V(x,y) = \frac{\kappa q}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{\kappa q}{r} = \sqrt{r}$

- a) What are the x- and y-components of the electric field?
- b) What is the magnitude of the field (electric field strength) at that point?

$$E_t = -\frac{\partial V(x,y)}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$E_{x} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{kq}{\sqrt{x^{2}+y^{2}}} = -kq \frac{-\sqrt{x}}{(x^{2}+y^{2})} = \frac{kq}{(x^{2}+y^{2})^{\frac{2}{3}/2}} = \frac{kq}{(x^{2}+y^{2})^{\frac{2}{3}/2}} = \frac{kq}{r^{2}} \cdot \frac{r}{r} = \frac{kq}{r^{2}} \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$E_{3} = -\frac{3}{2y} \frac{kq}{\sqrt{x^{2} + y^{2}}} = \cdots = \frac{kqy}{(x^{2} + y^{2})^{3/2}} = \frac{kq}{r^{2}} \cdot \frac{y}{r} = \frac{kq}{r^{2}} \cdot 8ia\theta$$

$$E = \sqrt{E_{\chi}^2 + E_{y}^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{kq}{r^2}\right)^2 \left[\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta\right]} = \frac{kq}{r^2} = E_{p.ch.}$$

Capacitance

 In a charged capacitor the voltage created across its plates and the charge on its plates are proportional to each other:

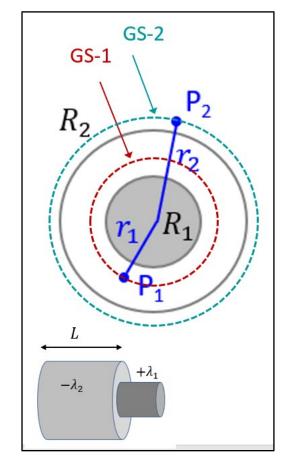
$$Q = C \Delta V_C$$

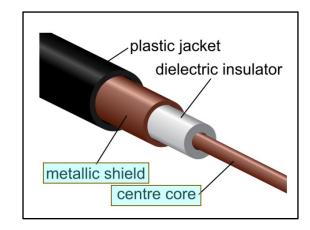
• Capacitance: $C = Q/\Delta V_C$

(meaning: how much charge we can store at a given voltage)

• C depends only on geometry

Recap





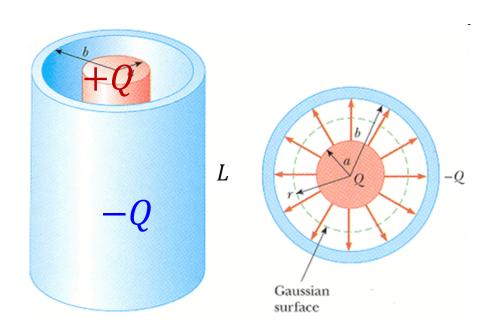
$$E(R_1 < r < R_2) = \frac{\lambda_1}{2\pi\varepsilon_0 \cdot r}$$

$$E(r > R_2) = \frac{(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)}{2\pi\varepsilon_0 \cdot r}$$
$$= 0 \text{ if } \lambda_1 = \lambda_2$$

Q: Consider two co-centric cylinders (a core and a shield). The outer radius of the core is a, and the inner radius of the shield is b. The length of the cylinders is L.

Assume there is a charge +Q on the central core and -Q on the metallic shield. Assume air between them. Assume the shield is grounded.

What is the capacitance of this capacitor?



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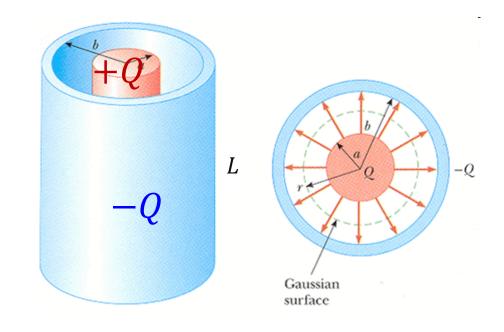
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Strategy:

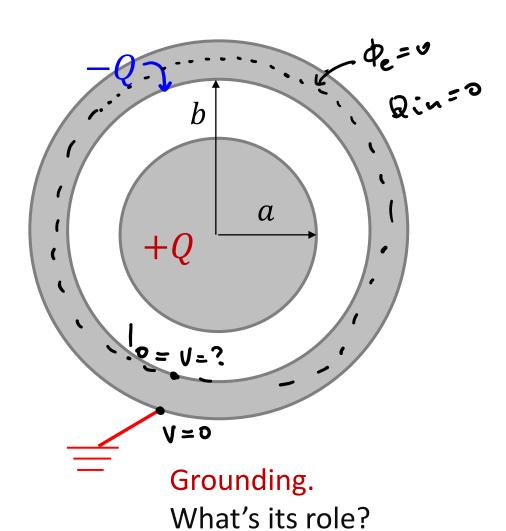
- Find the electric field (Gauss's law):
 - 1) between the core and the shield, E_1
 - 2) outside the metallic shield, E_2 .

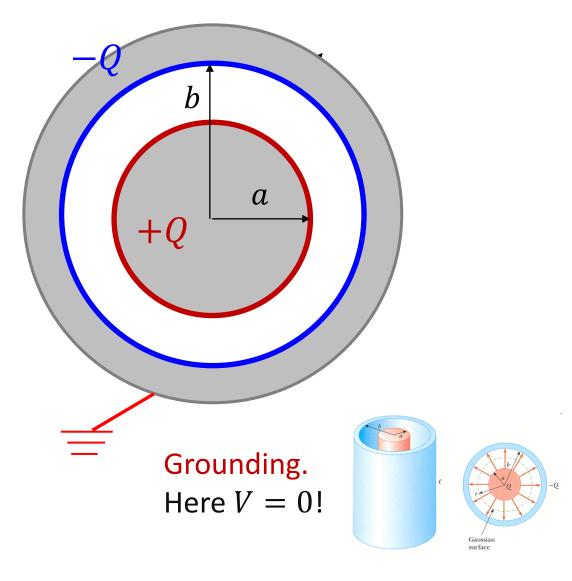
•
$$\vec{E}(r) \Rightarrow V(r)$$



• V(r) will be proportional to Q => we will find capacitance, $C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V}$

Charge distribution





• From Gauss's law
$$E = \frac{2k\lambda}{r}$$
 with $\lambda = \frac{Q_{in}}{L}$

• Electric potential ⇔ Electric field:

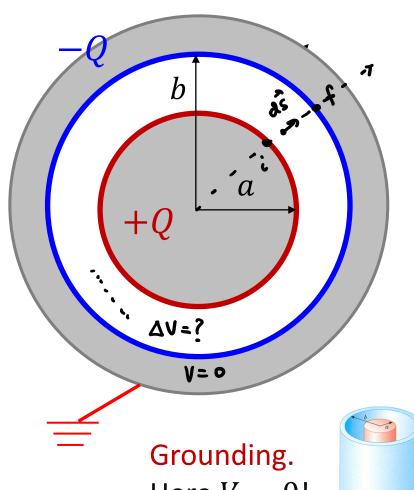
$$E = -\frac{dV}{dr}$$

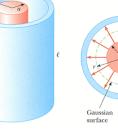
$$V_f - V_i = -\int_{\mathbf{i}}^{\mathbf{f}} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

- Way 1: Integrate E-field for each part of space (remember to integrate outwards!)
- Way 2: Recall that Can this help?

$$\frac{d\ln(r)}{dr} = \frac{1}{r}$$

Charge distribution





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$$E = -\frac{dV}{dr}$$

$$\frac{d\ln(r)}{dr} = \frac{1}{r} - \frac{dV}{dr} = \overline{E} = 0$$

$$V(r) = -2k\lambda \ln(r) + \underline{\text{const}}$$

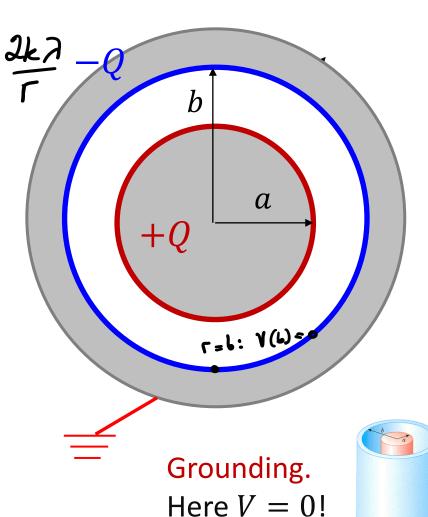
• Find the integration constant from boundary condition: V(b) = 0

$$V(b) = -2k\lambda \ln(b) + \text{const} = 0 \implies$$

 $\text{const} = 2k\lambda \ln(b) \implies$

$V(r) = -2k\lambda \ln(r) + 2k\lambda \ln(b)$

Charge distribution



Q: What is the potential difference, $V_a - V_b$, across this cylindrical capacitor?

$$V(r) = -2k\lambda \ln(r) + 2k\lambda \ln(b)$$

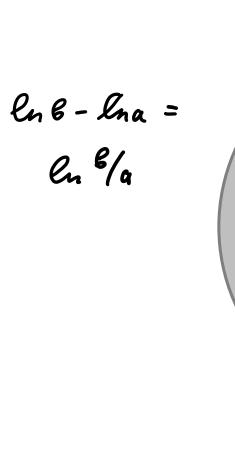
A.
$$V_a - V_b = 2k\left(\frac{Q}{L}\right) \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

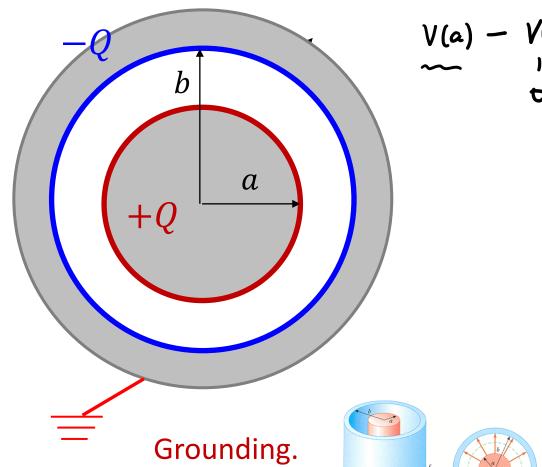
B.
$$V_a - V_b = 2k\left(\frac{Q}{L}\right) \ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$$

C.
$$V_a - V_b = 2k\left(\frac{Q}{L}\right)$$

D.
$$V_a - V_b = 2kQ \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

$$E. V_a - V_b = 2kQ \ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$$





Q: What is the capacitance, $C_{\rm cvl}$, of this cylindrical capacitor?

A.
$$C_{\text{cyl}} = \frac{2k}{L} \ln \left(\frac{b}{a} \right)$$

B.
$$C_{\text{cyl}} = \frac{2k}{L} \ln \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)$$

C.
$$C_{\text{cyl}} = \frac{2k}{L}$$

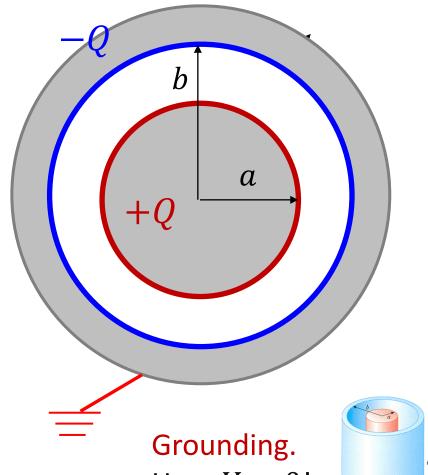
D.
$$C_{\text{cyl}} = \frac{L}{2k \ln(\frac{b}{a})}$$

$$E. C_{\text{cyl}} = \frac{L}{2k \ln(\frac{a}{b})}$$

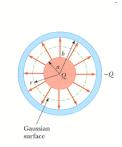
$$V(r) = -2k\lambda \ln(r) + 2k\lambda \ln(b)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{0}{4}$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V}$$







$$V(r) = -2k\lambda \ln(r) + 2k\lambda \ln(b)$$

 Now we can find the potential difference across the two conductors:

$$V(a) = -2k\lambda \ln(a) + 2k\lambda \ln(b)$$

$$V(b) = 0$$

$$\Delta V = V_a - V_b = 2k\lambda(\ln b - \ln a) = 2k\frac{Q}{L}\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

$$C_{\text{cyl}} = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{L}{2k \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)}$$

Charge distribution

