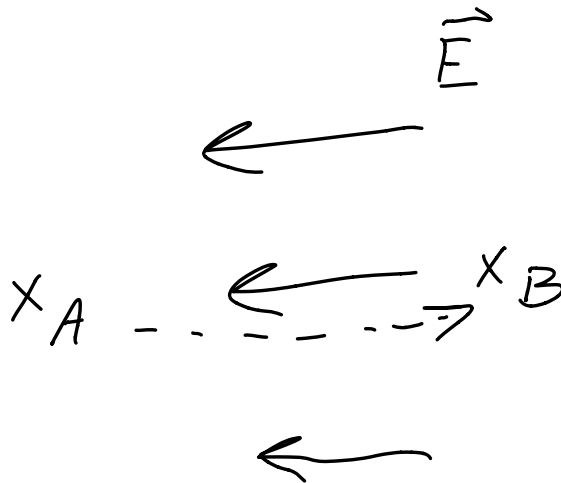




- Intuition on electric potential
  - Electric potential increases in the same direction as potential energy
  - Which direction does the charge "want" to move?
    - Decreasing  $U \Rightarrow$  negative  $\Delta U$
  - If I move it the opposite way,  $\Delta U$  is positive



$\Delta V$  pos or neg?

It takes work to move a positive  $q$  from  $A$  to  $B$ , so  $\Delta V$  is pos

$$\Delta V = -\vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{r} = -|\vec{E}||\Delta \vec{r}| \cos 180^\circ > 0$$

- B is at higher potential than A

- Positive charges move from higher to lower potential

- Negative charges move from lower to higher potential

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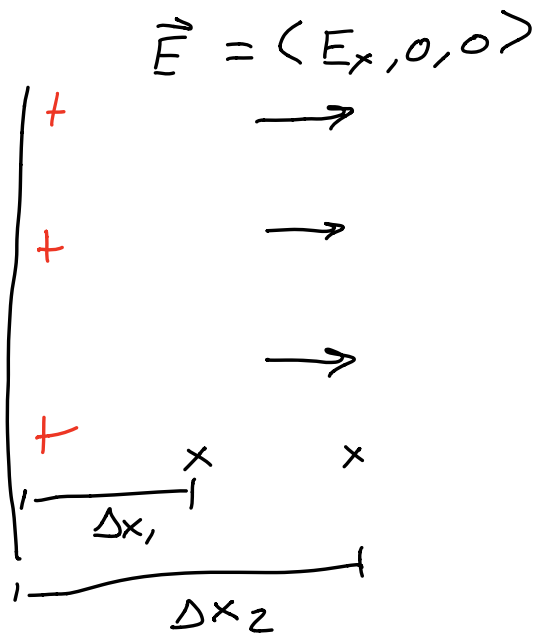
- This also means that if we know  $\Delta V$ , we know the direction of  $E$

$X_A$   $X_B$

- if  $V_A > V_B$ , what is direction of  $\vec{E}$ ?

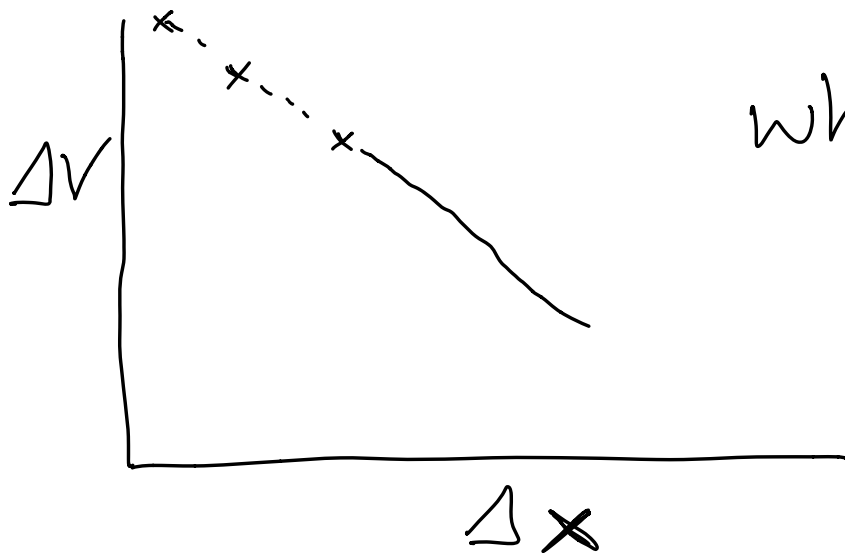
- Positive charge moves to lower potential  
 $\vec{E}$  is  $\longrightarrow$

- E as derivative of V



$$\Delta V_1 = -E_x \Delta x_1$$

$$\Delta V_2 = -E_x \Delta x_2, \dots$$



what's  
the slope?

$$y = mx, \Delta V = -E_x \Delta x$$

$$m = -E_x$$

$$-E_x = \frac{dV}{dx} \Rightarrow \boxed{E_x = -\frac{dV}{dx}}$$

Another way:

$$\Delta V = -E_x \Delta x$$

$$E_x = -\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta x}$$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} -\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta x} = -\frac{dV}{dx}$$

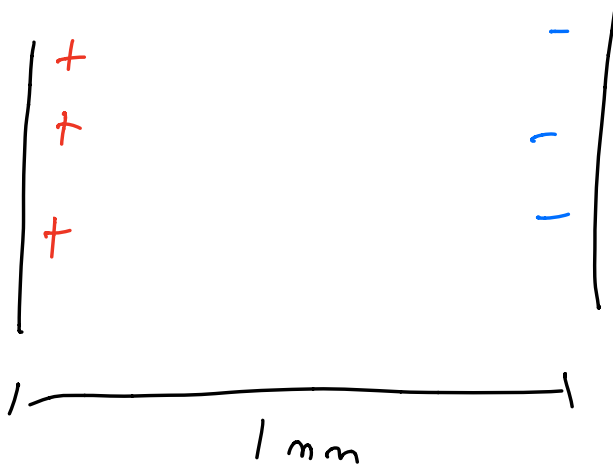
$$E_x = -\frac{dV}{dx}$$

Same for  $y, z$

$$E_x = -\frac{dV}{dx}, E_y = -\frac{dV}{dy}, E_z = -\frac{dV}{dz}$$

$$\vec{E} = \left( \frac{dV}{dx}, \frac{dV}{dy}, \frac{dV}{dz} \right)$$

$E_x$ :



$$\Delta V = 50 \text{ V}$$

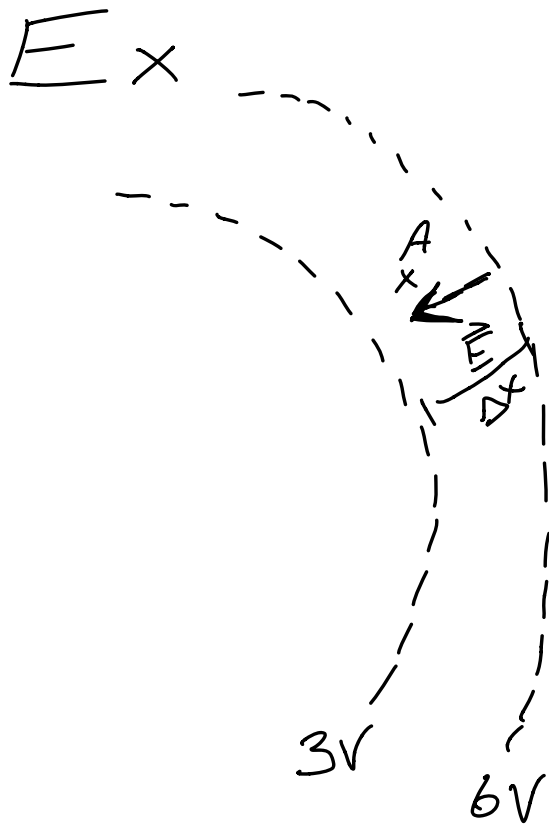
$$|\vec{E}| = \left| -\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta x} \right| = \frac{50}{10^{-3}} = 5 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}}$$

Direction ?  $\hat{x}$

$$\vec{E} = -5 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}} \hat{x}$$

$\frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}}$  ? or  $\frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}}$

$$V = \frac{W}{q} = \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{C}}, \text{ so } \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}} = \frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{Cm}} = \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}} \checkmark$$



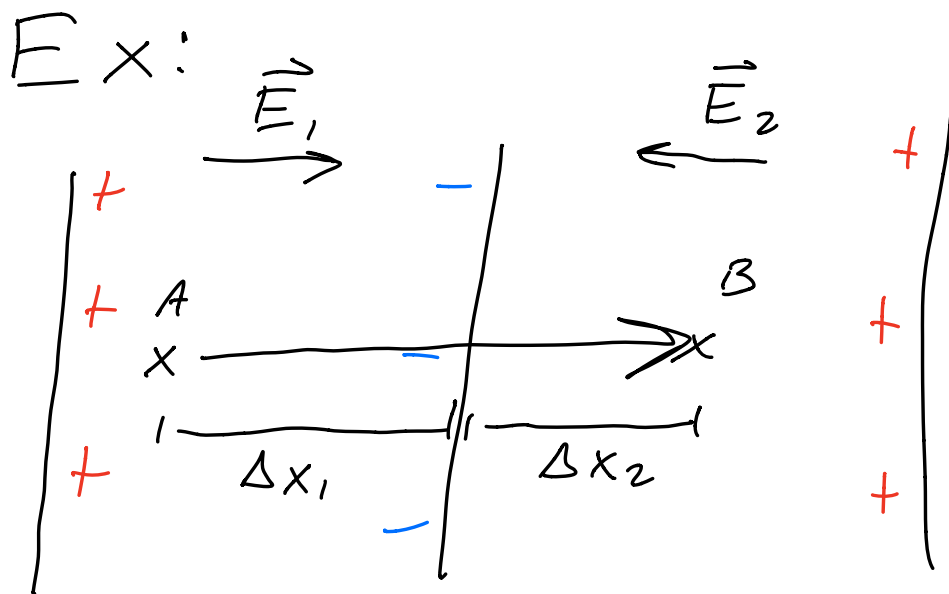
$$\vec{E}_A = ?$$

$\vec{E}$  is  $\perp$

$\vec{E}$  points from high to low

$|\vec{E}|$ ? Measure  $\Delta x$  (2 cm)

$$|\vec{E}| = \left| -\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta x} \right| = \frac{3}{2 \times 10^{-2}} = 150 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}}$$



What  $\Delta V = V_B - V_A$ ?

$$\Delta V = \Delta V_1 + \Delta V_2$$

$$= -E_1 \Delta x_1 + E_2 \Delta x_2$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \vec{E}_1 & \vec{E}_2 & \vec{E}_3 & \vec{E}_4 \\ | & | & | & | \\ \Delta \vec{r}_1 & \Delta \vec{r}_2 & \Delta \vec{r}_3 & \Delta \vec{r}_4 \end{array}$$

$$\Delta V = -\vec{E}_1 \cdot \Delta \vec{r}_1 - \vec{E}_2 \cdot \Delta \vec{r}_2 \dots$$

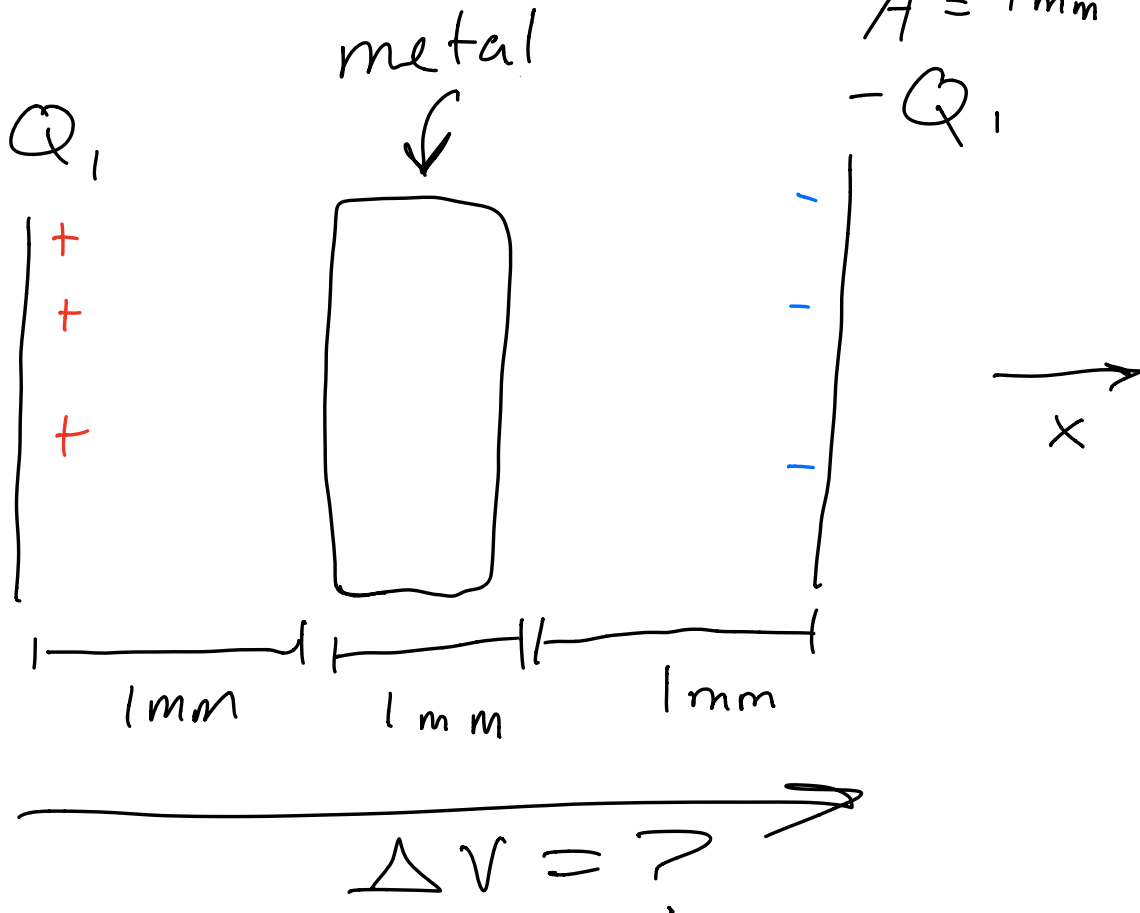


$$\Delta V = - \sum \vec{E}_i \cdot \Delta \vec{r}_i$$

$$Q_1 = 1 \mu C$$

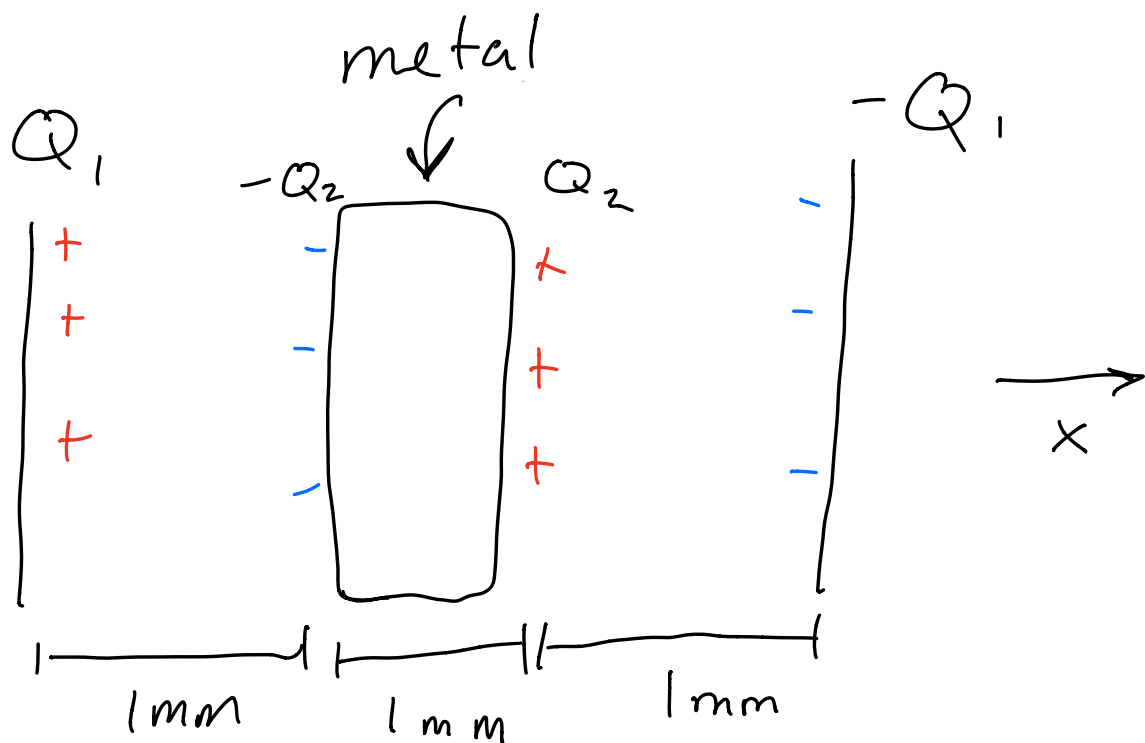
$$A = 1 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$-Q_1$$



$$\Delta V = - \vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{r}$$

What is  $\vec{E}$ ?



$$\vec{E} = \frac{Q/A}{\epsilon_0} \hat{x}$$

$\vec{E}$  inside the metal?

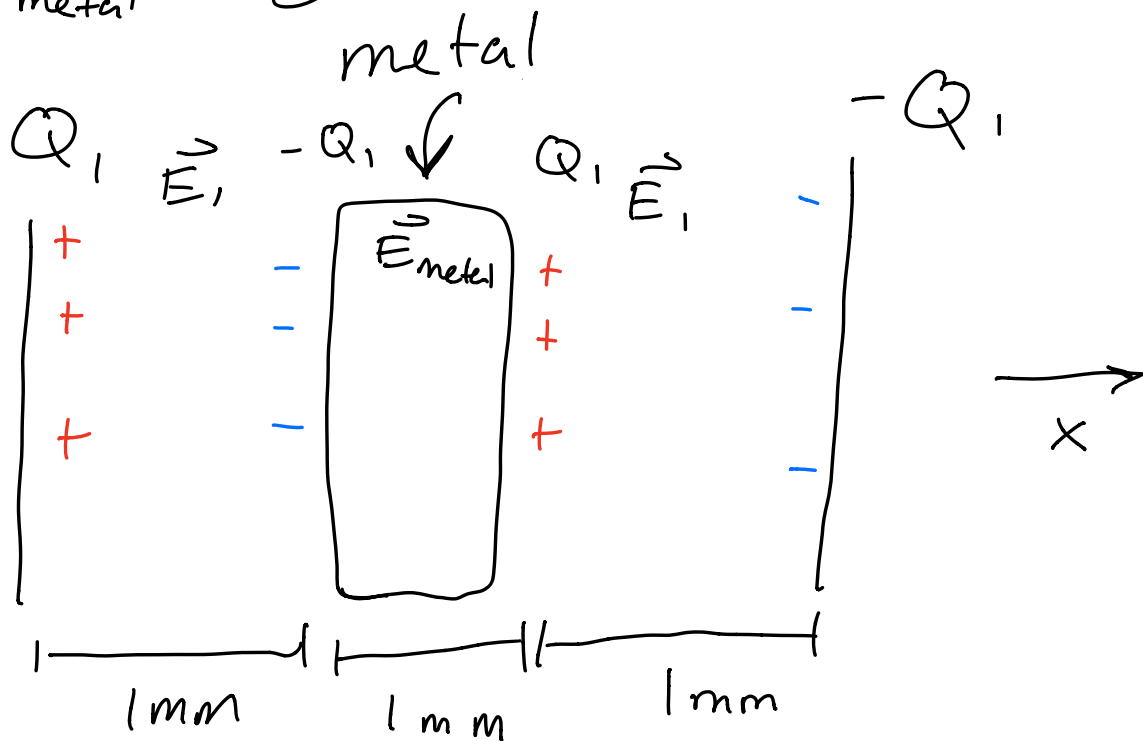
$$\vec{E} = 0$$

$$\vec{E}_{\text{metal}} = \vec{E} + \vec{E}_{\text{ind}}$$

$$= \frac{Q_1/A}{\epsilon_0} \hat{x} - \frac{Q_2/A}{\epsilon_0} \hat{x} = 0$$

$$Q_1 = Q_2$$

$$\vec{E}_{\text{metal}} = 0$$



Two capacitors!

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta V &= -E_{1,x} \Delta x - E_{1,x} \Delta x \\ &= -2E_{1,x} \Delta x\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta V = -2 \frac{Q_1/A}{\epsilon_0} (1\text{mm})$$