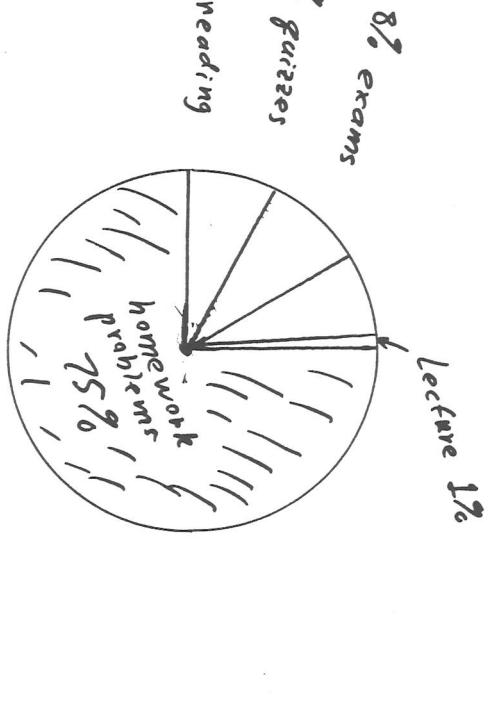


## Where learning occurs



We have 3 hours of lecture time per week. You should spend at least that much time on this course outside of class.

## Chapter 23

### Electric Charge

Some observations:

- Electric charge appears to come in two "flavors." Call them vanilla and chocolate  
— up and down
- positive and negative

It doesn't matter which is which!

- like charges repel each other while unlike charges attract each other.

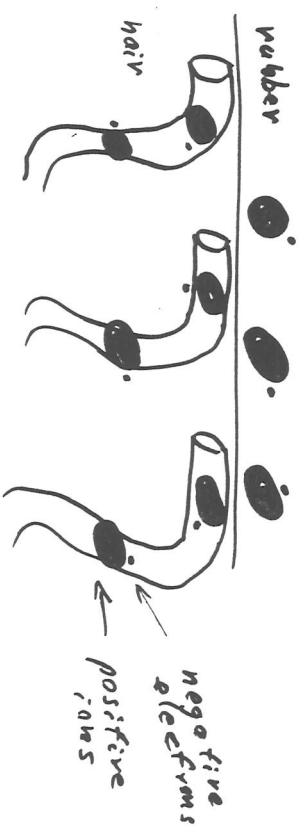
One kind of charge is applied to

rubber by stroking it with hair

(wool, fur, human hair)

negative on rubber

positive charge on fur



The other kind of charge is applied to glass by stroking it with silk.

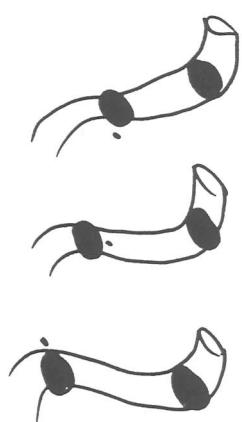
positive on glass

negative on silk

Electrons from the hair remain on the surface of the rubber. By convention, electrons are said to have negative charge.

rubber      ●      ●      ●

hair

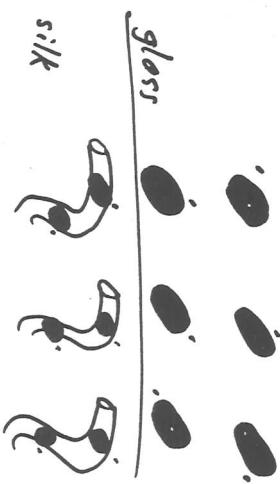


What's really going on here?

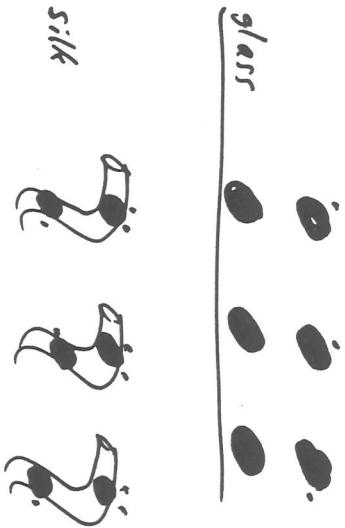
Microscopically:

Charge is conserved.

Again, microscopically:

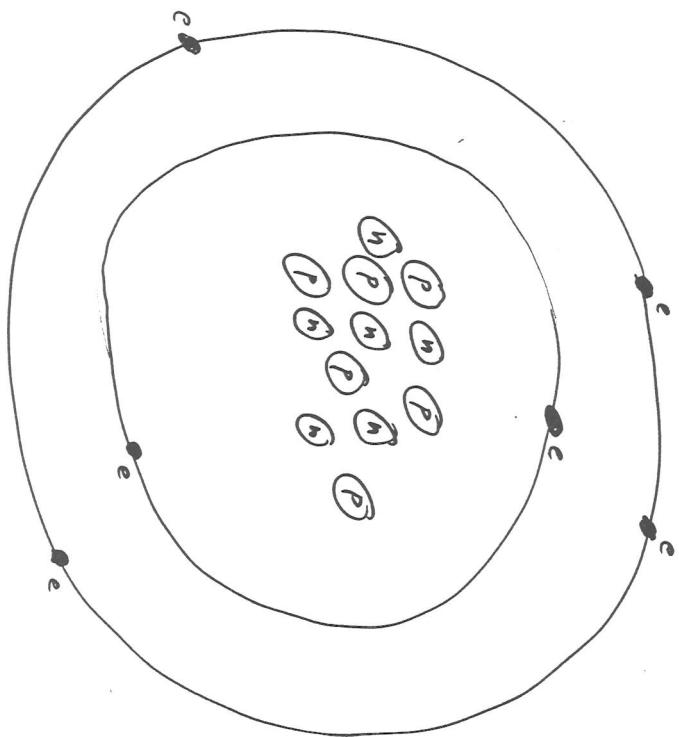


Glass removes electrons from the surface of the glass, leaving the glass positively charged.



## The Atom

(e.g. carbon)



Not to scale!

- ① proton - positively charged
  - ② neutron - zero charge (neutral)
  - e<sup>-</sup> electron - negatively charged
- The atom is electrically neutral.

All of the forces that you studied in Mechanics (1303) except gravity were electrical in origin.

- contact forces
  - normal force
  - friction
  - viscous drag
- string tension
- Hooke's Law spring force

## More Observations

Newton's Law of Universal Gravitation

$$\text{Gravity magnitude, } F_G = \frac{G M_1 M_2}{(r_{12})^2}$$

direction: along the line joining the masses

always attractive

## Electric Force

Coulomb's Law

$$\text{magnitude, } F_e = \frac{k |q_1| |q_2|}{(r_{12})^2}$$

direction: along the line joining the charges

attractive if  $\begin{cases} q_1 \text{ positive, } q_2 \text{ negative} \\ q_1 \text{ negative, } q_2 \text{ positive} \end{cases}$   
repulsive if  $\begin{cases} q_1 \text{ positive, } q_2 \text{ positive} \\ q_1 \text{ negative, } q_2 \text{ negative} \end{cases}$

$G$  is the gravitational constant.

$$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{kg}^2} \quad (\text{in MKS units})$$

$k$  is the electrostatic constant.

$$k = 8.99 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2}$$

for later convenience

$$k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \quad \epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi k}$$

Vector nature of  $\vec{F}_e$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{of } 1 \text{ on } 2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{(r_{12})^2} \hat{r}_{12}$$

$q_1, q_2$  can be positive or negative

$r_{12}$  is the distance between  $q_1$  and  $q_2$

$\hat{r}_{12}$  is a unit vector pointing from  $q_1$  to  $q_2$

Ex.



$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{C}^2}{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}$$

$\epsilon_0$  (epsilon nought) is the permittivity of free space

## The MKS unit of charge

is the coulomb (C)

1 C is an enormous amount of charge.

Ex Find the force between two 1 C charges separated by 1 m.

$$\begin{aligned} F_e &= k \frac{(q_1)(q_2)}{r^2} = \frac{8.99 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2} (1 \text{C})(1 \text{C})}{1 \text{m}^2} \\ &= \approx 9 \times 10^9 \text{ N} \left( \frac{0.225}{1 \text{m}} \right)^2 \\ &= 2 \times 10^9 \text{ N} \left( \frac{1 \text{ m}}{2.236 \times 10^{-16}} \right)^2 \\ &= 10^6 \text{ N. ms.} \end{aligned}$$

The coulomb is not one of the fundamental units (base units):

meter m

Kilogram kg

Second s

Ampere A (amp) unit of current

The coulomb is a derived unit

$$1 \text{ C} = 1 \text{ A.s}$$

like the newton (N)

$$1 \text{ N} = 1 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

Electric charge is a scalar quantity, like mass. The only difference is that mass is always positive while charge can be positive or negative.

Charge adds like a scalar:

$$\text{Ex. } 3 \text{ C} + (-4 \text{ C}) = -1 \text{ C}$$

$$\text{Ex. } 3 \text{ kg} + 5 \text{ kg} = 8 \text{ kg} \quad (\text{mass})$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{of } g_2 \text{ on } 1} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\rho_{g_2} \rho_1}{(\rho_{g_2})^2} \hat{r}_{g_2,1}$$

$\hat{r}_{g_2,1}$  points from  $g_2$  to  $g_1$ .

Change  $g_1$  cannot exert a force on itself!

This additive property of the vector force is called "superposition."

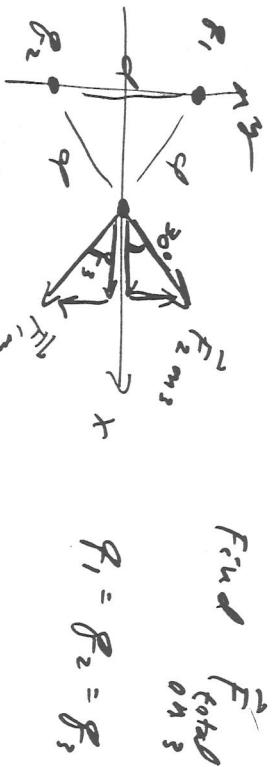
$$\text{Ex. } 1.2 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2 + 2.7 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2 = 3.9 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2$$

(moment of inertia  
on rotational inertia)

The forces on one charge due to all the rest add like vectors.

Ex Consider 3 identical positive charges at the corners of an equilateral triangle of side  $a$ .

What is the force on one charge due to the other two?



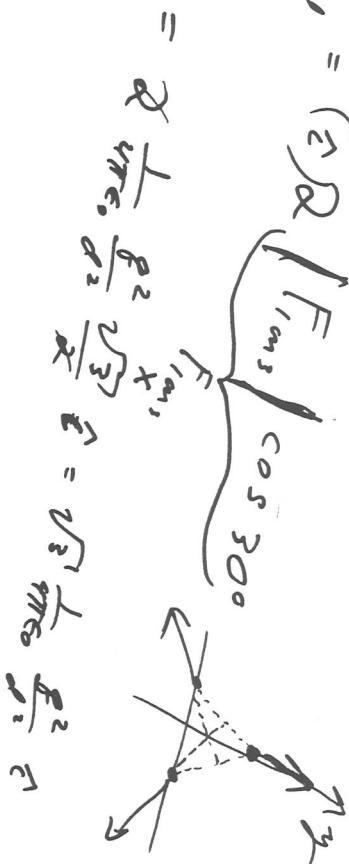
Find  $\vec{F}_{\text{total}}$

$$Q_1 = Q_2 = Q_3$$

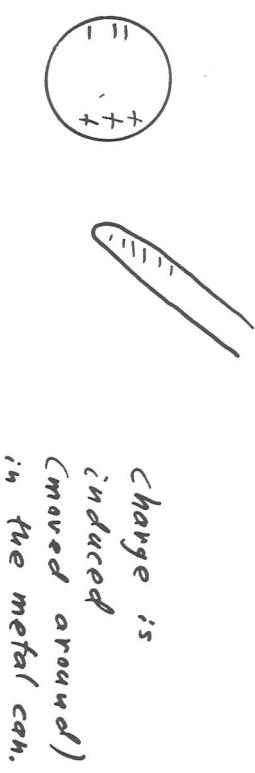
$$\left| \vec{F}_{\text{out}} \right| = \left| \vec{F}_{\text{at}Q_2} \right| = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q^2}{a^2}$$

$x$ -components, same /  
out

$$\vec{F}_{\text{total}} = (\vec{e}_x) Q \left( \vec{F}_{\text{out}} \cos 30^\circ \right)$$



An unchanged metal can is attracted by each kind of charge, never repelled. What's going on?



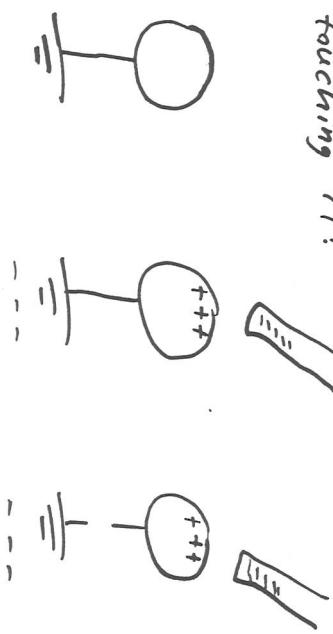
charge is induced  
(moved around)  
in the metal can.

In a conductor, charge can flow freely.

In an insulator, charge is stuck in place.

A conductor that can take as many electrons as it needs from a large supply (like the earth), or give up as many electrons as it needs, is said to be grounded.

How to charge a conductor without touching it:



Ex How much charge is in you?

$$m = 75 \text{ kg} = 75 \times 10^3 \text{ g}$$

Molecular mass of water / 18g

$$I \text{ confirm } \frac{75,000}{18g} = 4100 \text{ moles of water}$$

each mole

$6.02 \times 10^{23}$  molecules

I have

$2.5 \times 10^{23}$  molecules



$\Rightarrow 10^{-10}$  e<sup>-</sup> per molecule

How many C<sup>-</sup> of negative charge?

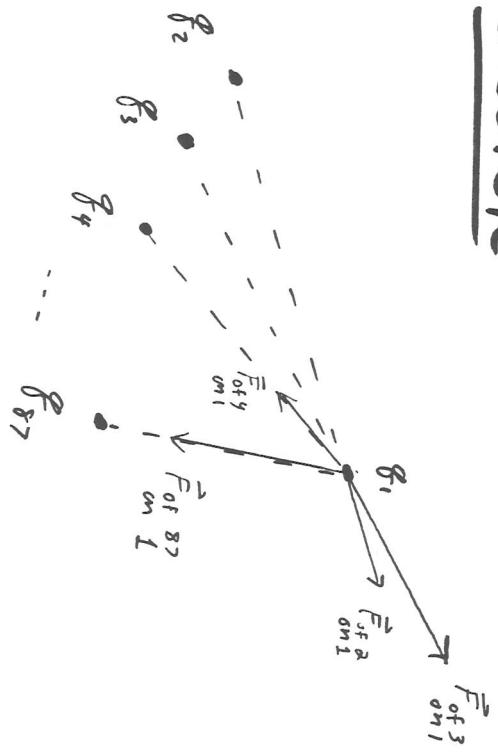
$$2.5 \times 10^{23} \times 10 \times \underbrace{(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})}_{\text{charge on electron}}$$

$$= -4 \times 10^{14} \text{ C}$$

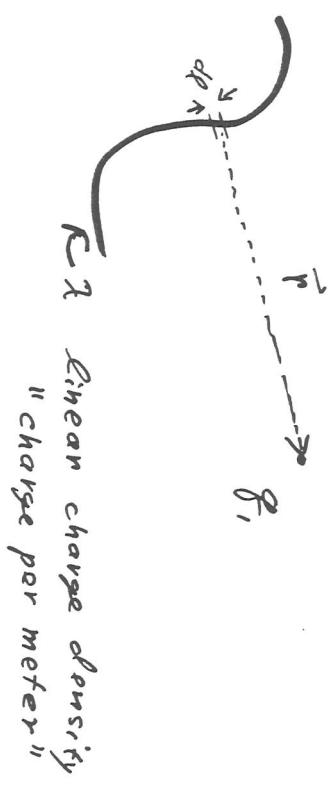
And just as much positive charge.

## Superposition

### Discrete



### Continuous



## Superposition

### Discrete

$$\vec{F}_{\text{total}} = \frac{q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=2}^{87} \frac{q_i}{(r_{i,1})^2} \hat{r}_{i,1}$$

points from  
charge  $i$  to  
charge 1.

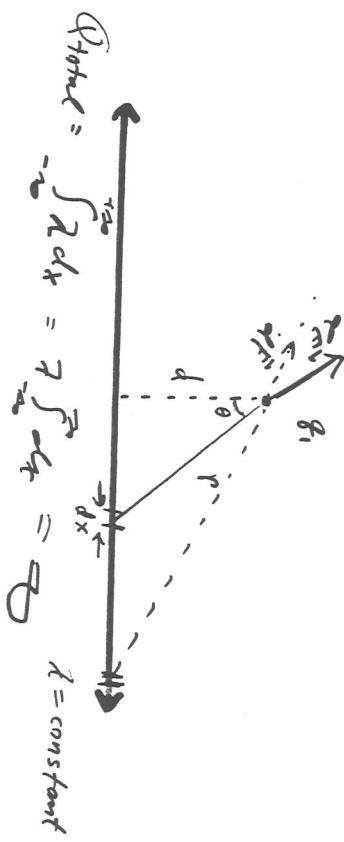
$$dq = \lambda dr$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{total}} = \frac{q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\lambda}{r^2} \hat{r} dL$$

$$= \frac{q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int dq \frac{1}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

Ex Find the force on a point charge  $\vec{q}_1$

a distance  $d$  from an infinite uniform line of charge.



$$dF = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 dq}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 \cdot r \cos\theta dx}{r^2} = \frac{q_1 r \cos\theta dx}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

The  $x$ -components will cancel, leaving a force in the  $y$ -direction only.

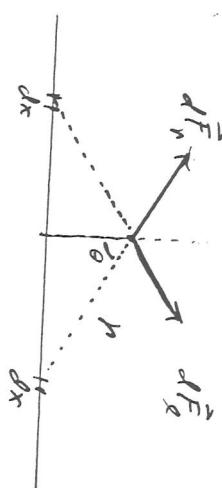
$$dF_y = dF \cos\theta$$

Direction?

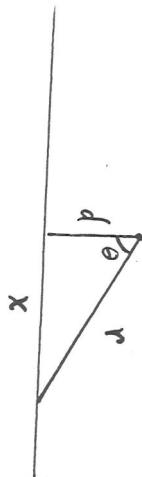
$$F_y = \int_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} dF_y = \int_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q_1 r \cos\theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} dx$$

$d\vec{F}$  has both  $x$  and  $y$  components.

For each infinitesimal charge  $dq$  on the right of  $\vec{q}_1$ , there is a corresponding  $d\vec{F}$  on the left of  $\vec{q}_1$ .



$r$ ,  $\theta$ , and  $x$  are related:



$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} = \frac{x}{r} \rightarrow x = r \tan \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}} = \frac{r}{d} \Rightarrow r = \frac{d}{\cos \theta}$$

$$= \frac{R_1 A}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{+\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos \theta}{(\frac{d}{\cos \theta})^2} d \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{R_1 A}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{+\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos \theta \ d\theta$$

We need  $dx$ , so differentiate both sides of

$$x = d \tan \theta$$

$$dx = d \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{R_1 A}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d} \left[ \sin \theta \right]_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{+\frac{\pi}{2}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2R_1 A}{d}}$$

$$\overline{F}_{\text{total}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2R_1 A}{d}$$

Finally,

$x = -\infty$  corresponds to  $\theta = -\frac{\pi}{2}$

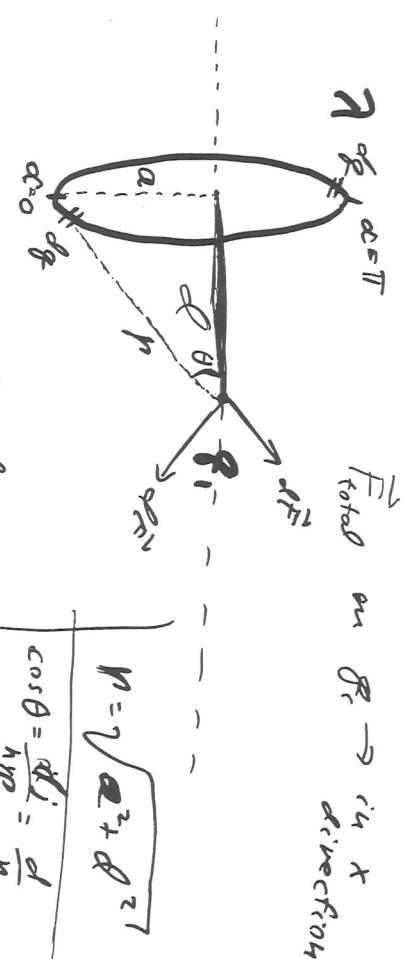
$x = +\infty$

corresponds to  $\theta = +\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= d \tan \theta, \quad \tan \frac{\pi}{2} = +\infty \\ \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$F_y = \int_{x=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{R_1 A \cos \theta}{d^2} dx$$

Find the electric field  
on the axis of a ring  
of charge, a distance  $d$   
from the center.



$$dF_x = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{R_i dq}{\rho^2} \cos \theta$$

$$dF_x = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{R_i dq \cos \theta}{\rho^2}$$

$$F_x = \int dF_x = \int_{\alpha=0}^{2\pi} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{R_i dq \cos \theta}{\rho^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{\alpha=0}^{2\pi} \frac{(a^2 + d^2)}{\sqrt{a^2 + d^2}} \frac{da}{\rho^2} \hat{z} \propto da$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_i da}{(a^2 + d^2)^{3/2}} \hat{z} \propto \frac{q_i (da)}{(a^2 + d^2)^{3/2}}$$

dimensions:

$$[F] = \left[ \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_i p^2}{\rho^2} \right]$$

$$\frac{q_i (da)}{(a^2 + d^2)^{3/2}}$$

## Charge is Quantized

What is the force on a charge  $q_1$  -

$$\left[ \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \right] (\vec{F}_1)$$

proton charge:  $+e = +1.6 \times 10^{-19} C$

electron charge:  $-e = -1.6 \times 10^{-19} C$

$$\left[ \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \right] (5.7 \vec{F}_1)$$

When dealing with lines of charge,

we treat the charge as continuous.

This approximation is valid as long as "e" is small compared to the other charges in the system.

The approximation fails in Atomic Physics.

## Quarks

$$u = \text{up quark, charge } +\frac{2}{3}e \\ d = \text{down quark, charge } -\frac{1}{3}e \\ \text{Proton} = (uud) \quad \text{Neutron} = (udd)$$

electron = electron

15.7  $\vec{F}_1$ ?

The Force on the charge at position 1 is

$$(Electric \ Field \ at \ position \ 1) \vec{F}_1$$

The Electric Field is the "Force per unit charge" at position 1.

Since the force is a vector, the electric field is also a vector.

The Electric Field exists at position 1 even if there is no charge at position 1 to feel a force.

(The electric field at position 1 is created by all of the other charges in the problem.)

#### Mechanical Analog:

The gravitational field (acceleration, or "force per unit mass") of the Earth exists even if there is no small mass  $m$ , to feel the attractive force.

If you jiggle the other charges ( $2 \rightarrow 8 \gamma$ ) you will create waves in the electric field. These waves travel at the speed of light, and are called radiation.

Radiation is extremely complicated, so we will first study statics, in which the charges will not move.

#### Units

MKS units of the electric field are

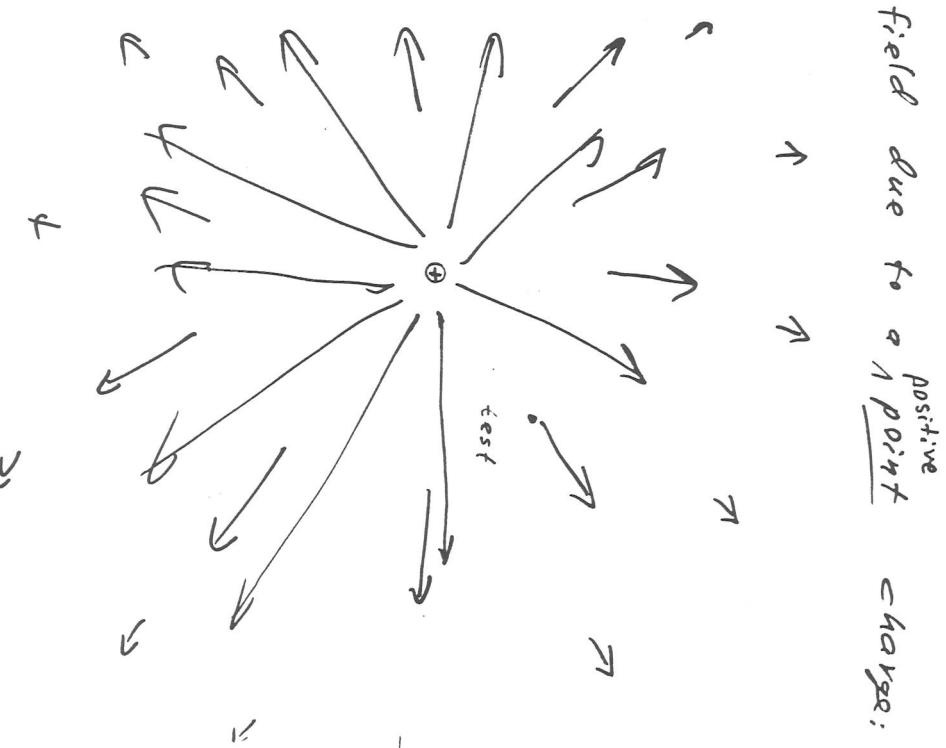
$$\frac{N}{C} = \frac{\text{newtons}}{\text{coulomb}}$$

The  $\vec{E}$  field is a vector, so we can represent it graphically with directed lines.

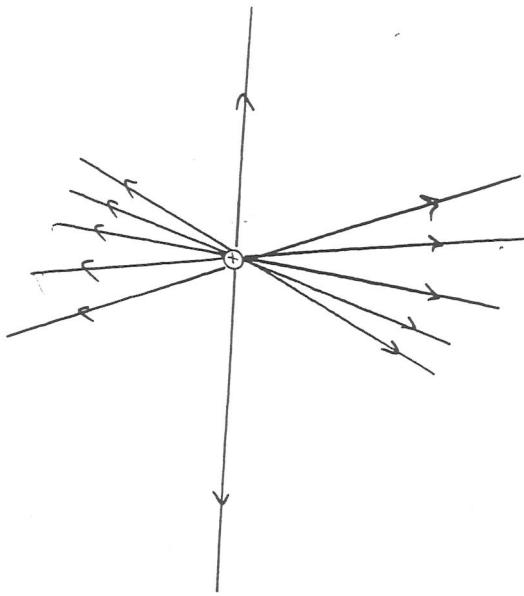
Convention:  $\vec{E}$  field lines point away from positive charges and toward negative charges.

We will use a <sup>infinitely</sup> small positive "test charge" to map the electric field.

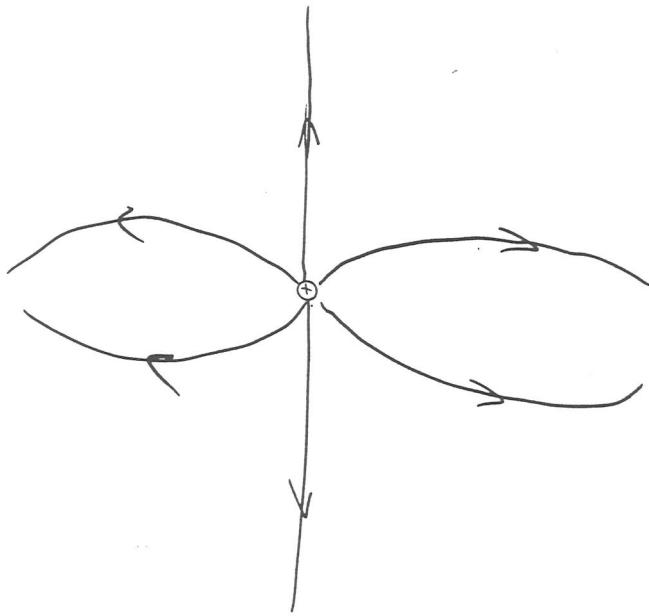
Force on a positive test charge is in the direction of  $\vec{E}$  field.



A symmetry argument:



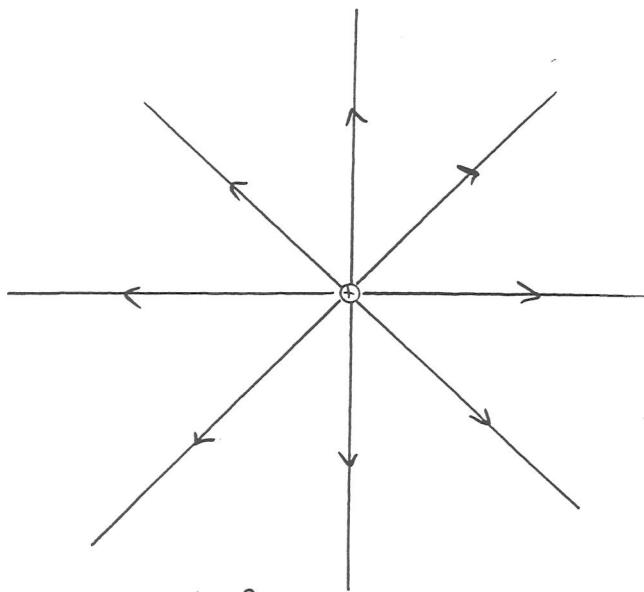
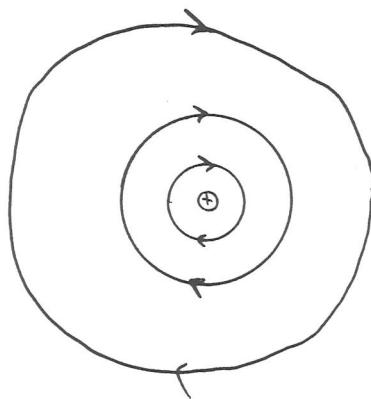
A symmetry argument:



A symmetry argument:

The  $\vec{E}$  field lines are radially outward.  
They are infinitely long.

They are radially symmetric (not  
bunched up on one side).

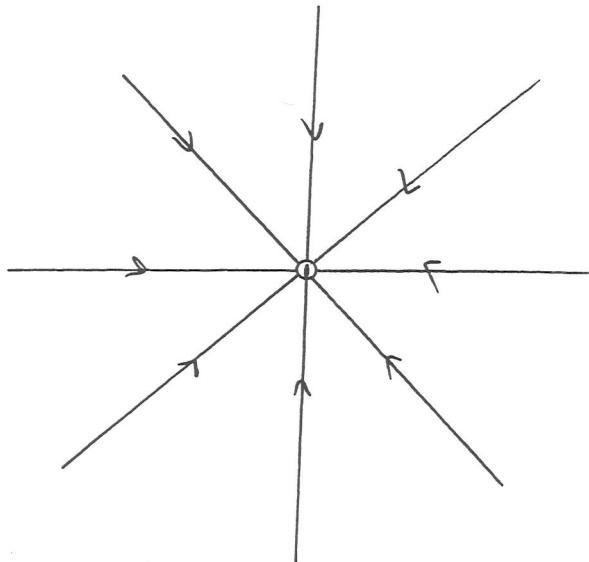


Density  
of lines =  
strength of  
 $E$  field.

use a test charge to eliminate this possibility.

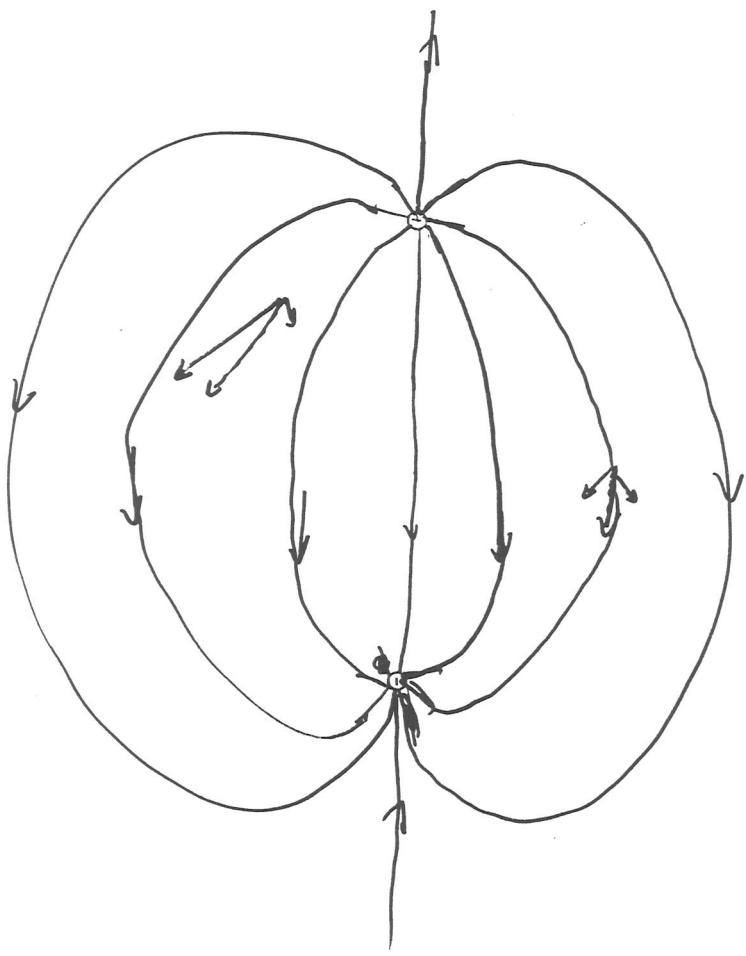
How many  $\vec{E}$  field lines are there?  
Ininitely many.  
Draw as many as you like.

$\vec{E}$  field due to a negative point charge

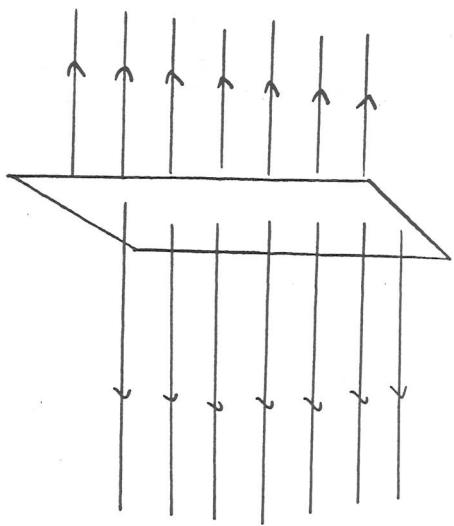


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$\vec{E}$  field for a pair of positive and negative point charges. (Dipole)  
of the same magnitude



$\vec{E}$  field due to an infinite uniformly charged plate:



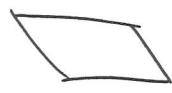
uniformly  
spaced

The electric field any distance from an infinite plate is constant.

Symmetry argument!

$$\vec{E} = \sigma c \frac{\hat{n}}{\epsilon_0}$$

Binoculars (the right way)

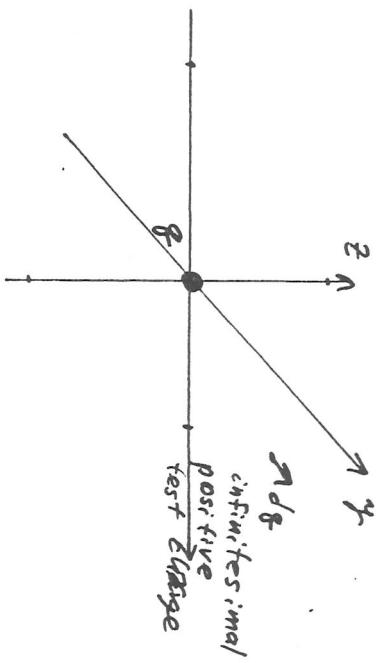


$$(\vec{G}) = 10 \frac{c}{\epsilon_0}$$

Binoculars (the wrong way)



$\vec{E}$  field due to a positive point charge  $q$  at the origin.



$$(\vec{z} - \frac{\vec{d}}{2})^2 = z^2 \left(1 - \frac{d}{2z}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{(\vec{z} - \frac{\vec{d}}{2})^2} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{-q}{(\vec{z} + \frac{\vec{d}}{2})^2}$$

For points on the  $z$ -axis:

$$E(z) = E_{(+)} + E_{(-)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{\left(z - \frac{d}{2}\right)^2} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{-q}{\left(z + \frac{d}{2}\right)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{z^2} \left[ \left(1 - \frac{d}{2z}\right)^{-2} - \left(1 + \frac{d}{2z}\right)^{-2} \right]$$

Force:

$$\vec{F}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2} \frac{d\vec{q}}{dr} \quad \vec{r}$$

on test charge

Electric Field:

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2} \vec{r}$$

## Binomial Theorem

$\vec{E}$  field of an electric dipole  
on the dipole axis:

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)x^2}{2!}$$

$$+ \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\underline{|x| < 1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{z^2} \left[ \left(1 + \frac{d}{2z} + \dots\right) - \left(1 - \frac{d}{2z} + \dots\right) \right]$$

$$(1 - \frac{d}{2z})^{-2} = 1 + (-2)\left(\frac{-d}{2z}\right) + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{d}{z} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{z^2} \left[ \frac{2d}{z} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2qd}{z^3} + \dots = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2P}{z^3} + \dots$$

$$(1 + \frac{d}{2z})^{-2} = 1 + (-2)\left(\frac{d}{2z}\right) + \dots$$

$$= 1 - \frac{d}{z} + \dots$$

$$z \gg d$$

$\hat{C}$  First term in an infinite series. This is a good approximation as long as  $z \gg d$

## Electric Dipole Moment

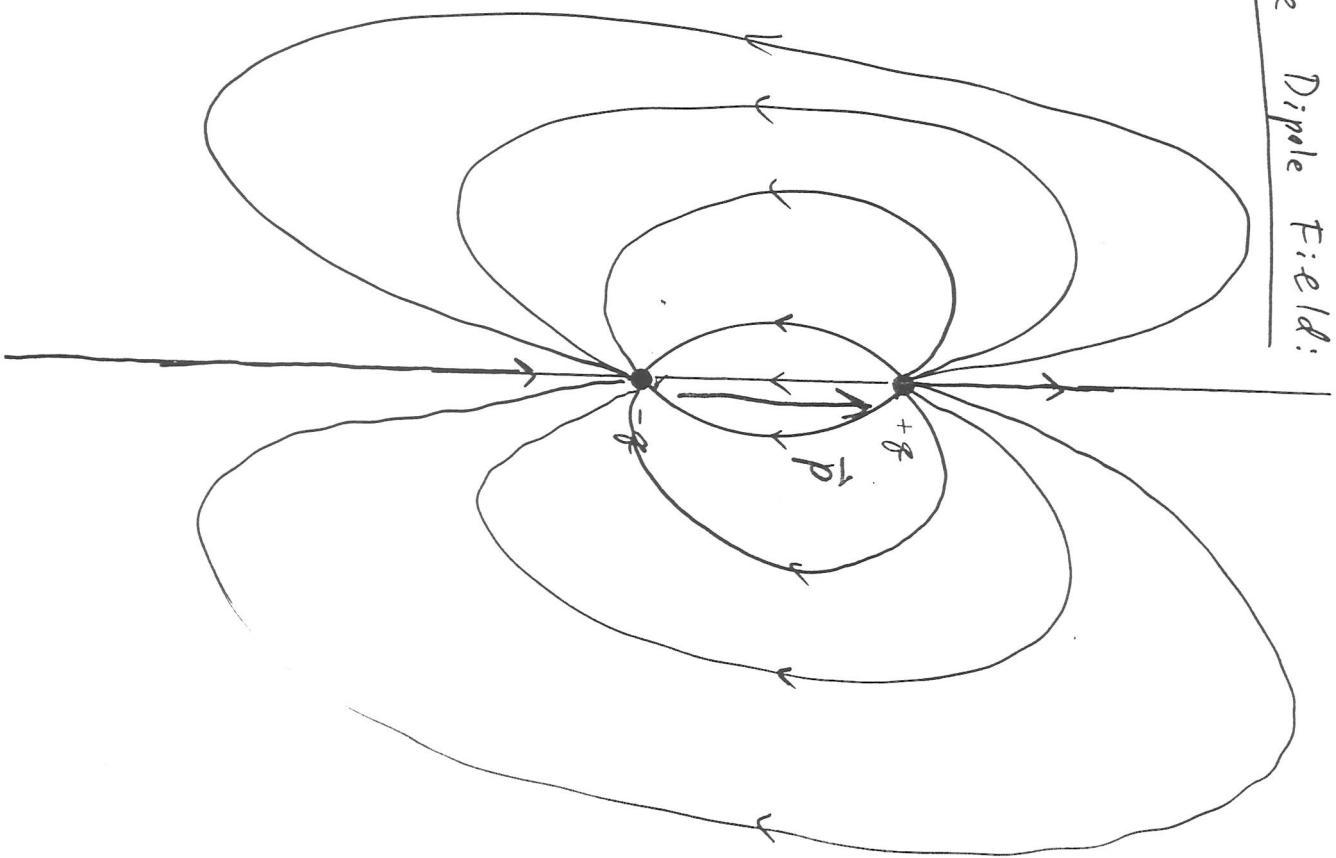
The Dipole Field:

If two charges, each of magnitude  $q$ , but of opposite sign are separated by a distance  $d$ , that configuration has an electric dipole moment

$$|\vec{p}| = q d$$

The direction of  $\vec{p}$  is from the negative charge to the positive one, opposite to the  $\vec{E}$  field.

$$+\overset{\oplus}{q} \quad \overset{\ominus}{q} \quad d \quad \vec{p} \quad -q$$



## Mechanics

$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

Newton's 2nd Law

## Electricity & Magnetism

4 Maxwell's Equations

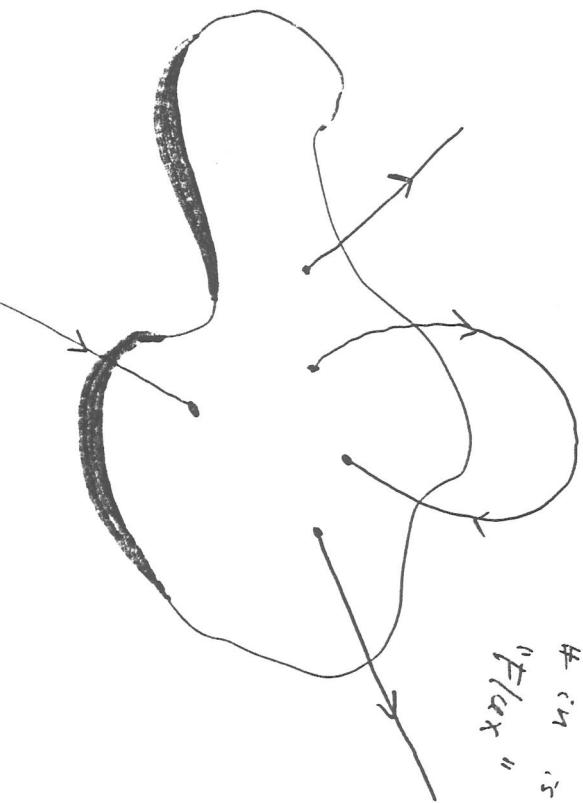
The number of electric field lines poking out through a closed surface minus the number of field lines poking into the surface tells you something about the net charge enclose & within that surface.

#out -

#in is called  
"Flux"

the first one that we

will study is

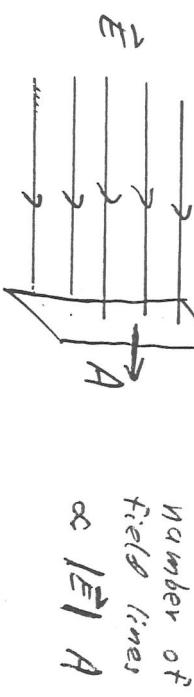


## Gauss' Law

## Special Cases

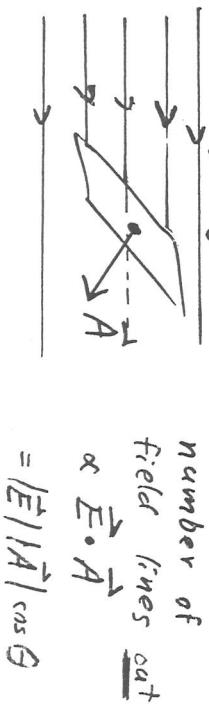
1) Constant  $\vec{E}$  field perpendicular

to a piece of flat area:



2) Constant  $\vec{E}$  field striking a piece

of flat Area obliquely:



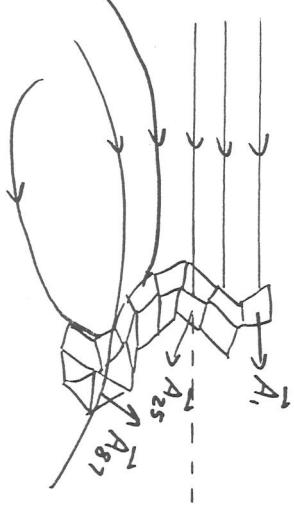
A points out of the closed surface

$$\propto \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{E}_i \cdot \vec{A}_i$$

number of field lines cut

What if the electric field is not constant, and the piece of Area is not flat?

Break the surface into tiny regions which are almost flat and over which the  $\vec{E}$  field does not vary considerably.



To obtain a more accurate answer, let the size of each piece of area shrink to zero while increasing the number  $N$  of pieces!

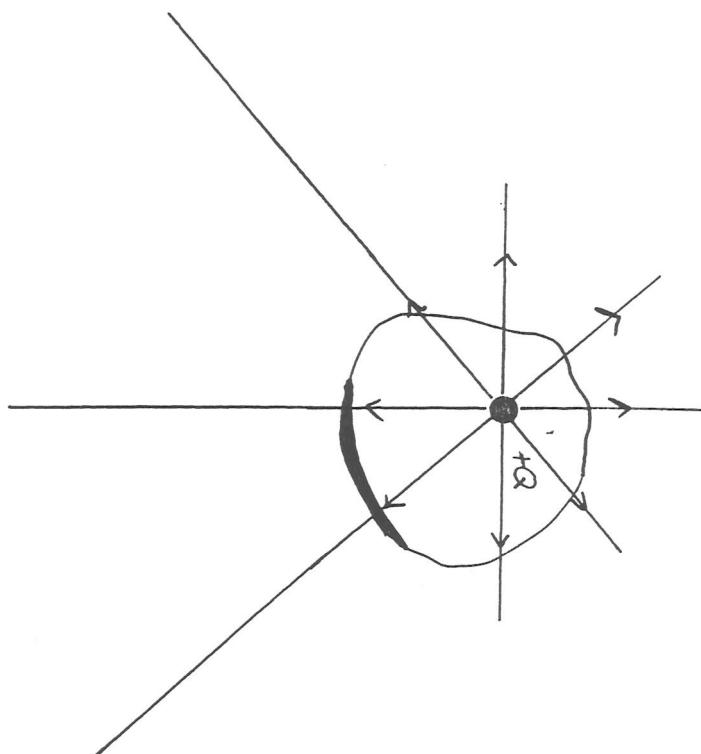
$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{E}_i \cdot \vec{A}_i = \iint \vec{E}(r) \cdot d\vec{A}$$

## Gauss' Law

$$\oint \vec{E}(r) \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{enc}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

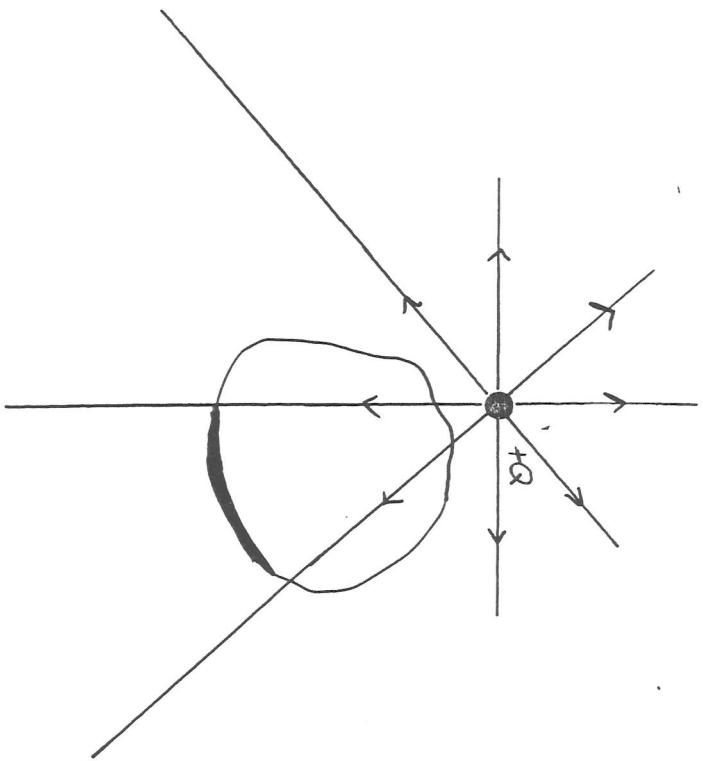
Gauss' Law

*Intuitively, the electric field lines pierce the surface on their way out.*

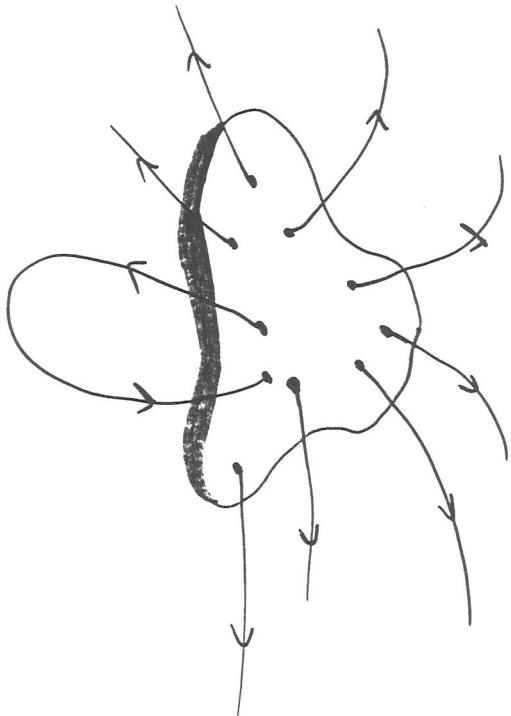


Electric field lines pierce the surface on their way out.

Suppose that you couldn't see inside the mathematical surface.

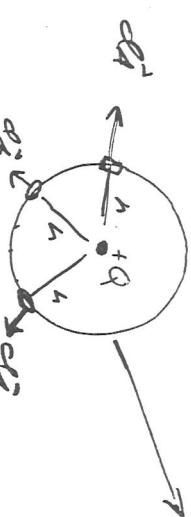


2 lines enter,  
2 lines leave the surface.  
The net flux through the surface is zero.



What is inside?  
Net charge  $+Q$  inside.  
could be  $(3Q$  and  $-2Q)$   
 $\text{or } (4\gamma Q$  and  $-4\gamma Q)$

Gauss' Law:  $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{enc}}}{\epsilon_0}$   
 and Coulomb's Law:  $\vec{F} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \hat{r}$   
 contain exactly the same physics.



Recall Newton's 2nd Law:  $\vec{F} = ma$

and Energy Conservation:

$$U_i + K_i = U_f + K_f$$

also contain the same physics.

They are different methods for obtaining the same answer. Usually, one is easier than the other for a given problem.

Gauss' Law is easy when the problem has a high degree of symmetry.

Use Gauss' Law to derive the electric field due to a point charge.

Radial or spherical symmetry

Magnitude of  $\vec{E}$  field depends only on  $r$   
 $d\vec{A}$  points naturally outward

$\vec{E}$  is parallel to  $d\vec{A}$

$$\oint \vec{E}(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{enc}}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{+Q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$= \oint |\vec{E}(r)| \hat{n} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

$$= |\vec{E}(r)| \oint \hat{n} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

$$= |\vec{E}_0| \text{Area}$$

$$= |\vec{E}_0| 4\pi r^2$$

Direction symmetry.

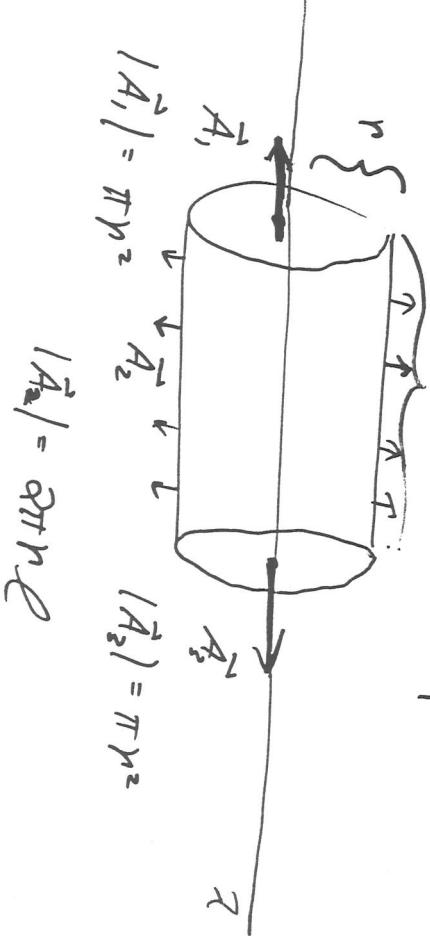
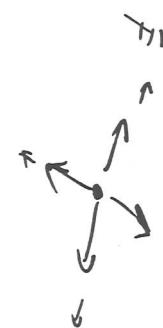
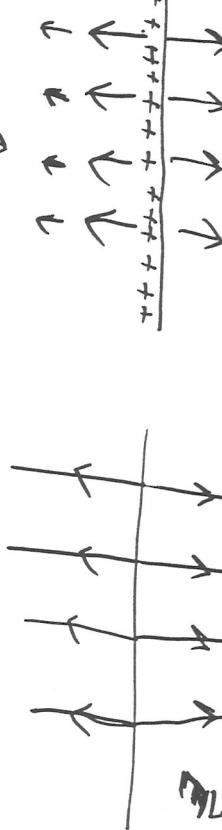
$$\therefore |\vec{E}(r)| = \frac{+Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \text{ magnitude}$$

Use Gauss' Law to derive the electric field due to an infinite line of charge with linear charge density  $\lambda$ .

$\vec{E}(\vec{r}) \cdot \vec{A}_1 = 0$

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}) \cdot \vec{A}_3 = 0$$

$\vec{E}(\vec{r})$  is parallel to  $\vec{A}_2$  at all points.



$$|A_1| = \pi r^2$$

$$|A_2| = \pi r^2$$

$$|A_l| = 2\pi rL$$

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{A} = |\vec{E}| |\vec{d}A|$$

$$\oint \vec{E}(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$= \iint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}_1 + \iint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}_2 + \iiint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}_l$$

$$= |\vec{E}| \iint_{A_1} dA_1 + |\vec{E}| \iint_{A_2} dA_2$$

$$= |\vec{E}_r| (\partial \pi r L) = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{\lambda L}{\epsilon_0}$$

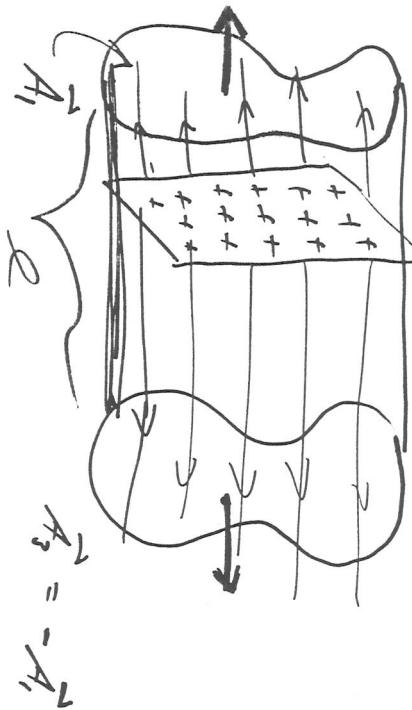
electric field  
at distance  
 $r$  away  
from line

$$|\vec{E}(r)| = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

Direction of measurement  
away from wire

Some as Coulomb's law from  
2 lectures ago,

Use Gauss' law to derive the electric field due to an infinite sheet of charge with surface charge density  $\sigma$ .

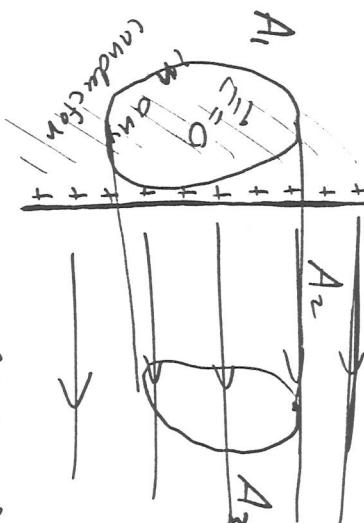


$$|A_1| = |A_3|$$

$$\vec{A}_3 = -\vec{A}_1$$

insulated  
infinitely thin

Find the electric field due to a surface charge density  $\sigma$  on one side of an infinite conducting sheet.



$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$= \iint_{A_1} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}_1 + \iint_{A_2} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}_2 + \iint_{A_3} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}_3$$

since  $E = 0$

$$\iint_{A_1} dA_1 + 0 + \iint_{A_3} dA_3$$

$$|E| \iint_{A_1} dA_1 + 0 + |E| \iint_{A_3} dA_3$$

$$|E| A_1 + |E| A_3$$

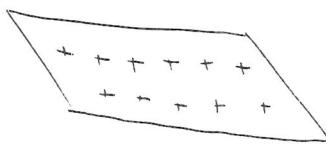
$$|E| A_1 = \frac{\sigma A_1}{\epsilon_0}$$

at any  
distance  
away

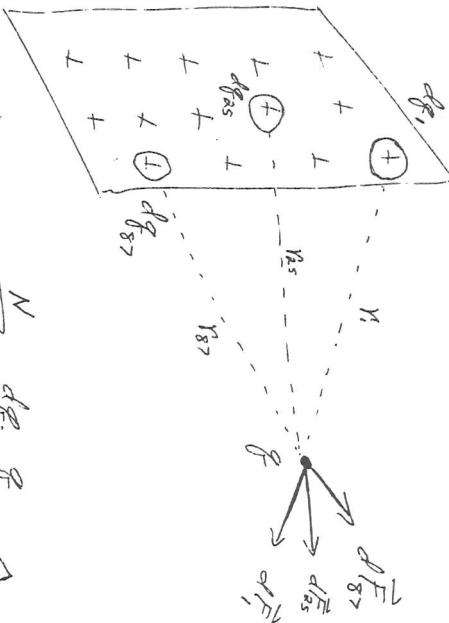
$$|E| = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$

at any  
distance  
away

To see that Gauss' Law is easier than Coulomb's Law for the case of an infinite sheet of charge, we will set up the Coulomb's law calculation (but not solve it!)



positive infinitesimal test charge



$$\vec{F}_{\text{total}} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{d\vec{F}_i}{(r_i)^2}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{d\vec{F}_i}{(r_i)^2} \hat{r}_i$$

$$\xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{} \int \iint \frac{d\vec{F}}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

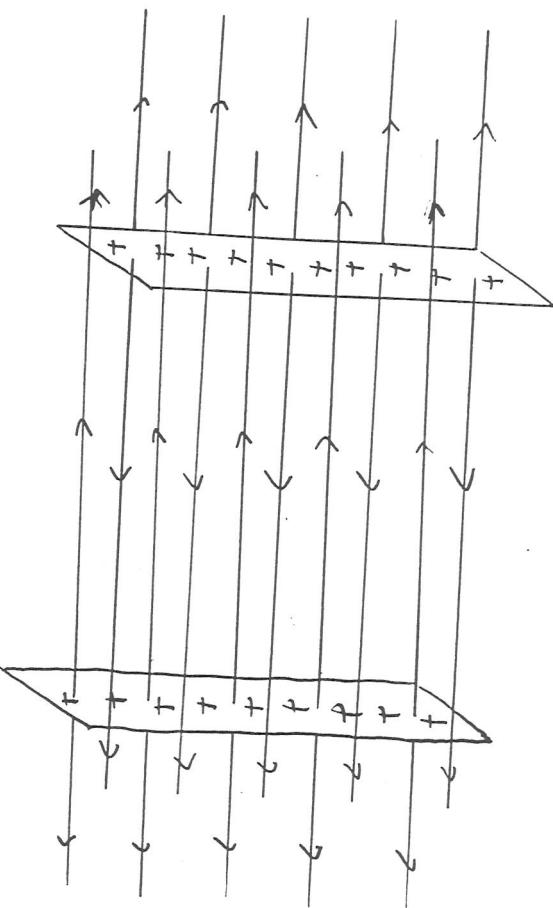
$$\boxed{d\vec{F} = \sigma dA \hat{r}}$$

- 1) Find the total vector force  $\vec{F}$  acting on the test charge  $\vec{q}$ .
- 2) Divide by  $q$ , to get the electric field  $\vec{E}$  (force per unit charge).

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma dx dy}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

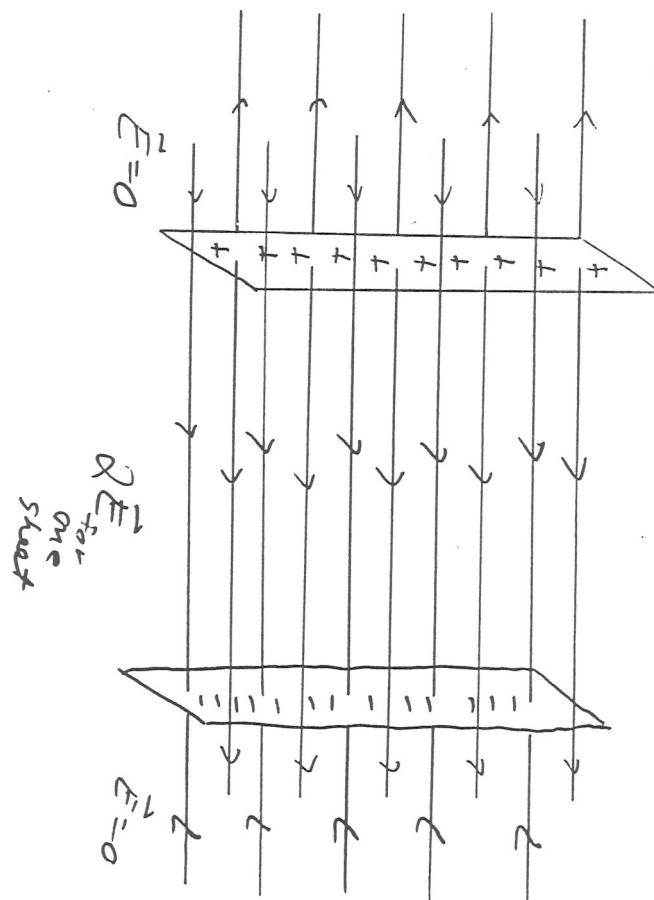
Obviously Gauss' Law is much easier!

The electric field due to many sheets of charge . Superposition



$$\vec{E} = \partial \vec{E}_{\text{one sheet}}$$

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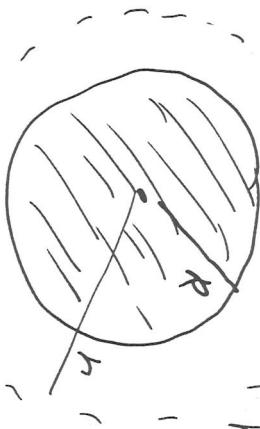
$$\vec{E} = 0$$

The electric field due to many sheets of charge . Superposition

Find the electric field due to a uniform ball of charge with radius  $R$  and volume charge density  $\rho$ .

$\rho_{2S-pp}$ ,  $r > R$

$$r > R$$



$r > R$

$$\text{Gauss' law} \quad \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{enc}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

by symmetry  $\vec{E}$  fixed in radial

$$|E(r)| \oint dA = \frac{\rho \text{Volume near sphere}}{\epsilon_0}$$

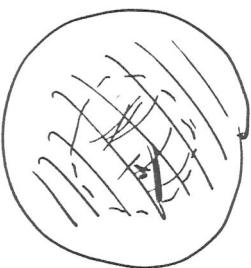
$$E(r) 4\pi r^2 = \frac{\rho \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E(r) 4\pi r^2 = \frac{\rho \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q_{\text{total}}}{r^2}$$

$r < R$

Cross

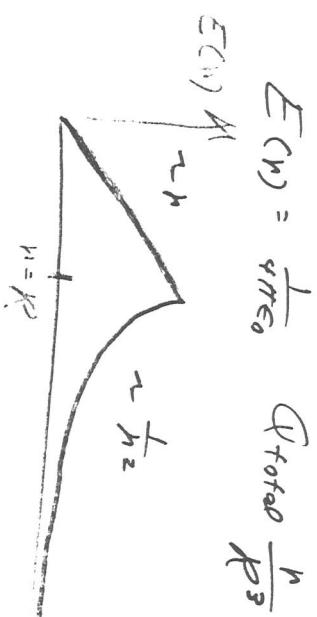


$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{enc}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E \oint dA = \frac{\rho \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q_{\text{enc}}}{r^2}$$

$$E(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q_{\text{total}}}{r^2}$$



# Electric Potential Energy

E<sub>x.</sub> Find  $\Delta U_{\text{grav}}$  for a stone of mass  $m$  lifted up to the top of a tower of height  $h$ .

Recall from Mechanics:

Gravitational Potential Energy

$$\Delta U_{\text{grav}} \equiv -W_{\text{grav}} = - \int_{r_i}^{r_f} \vec{F}_{\text{grav}} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

change in  
P.E.

(unique) Work done by the force of gravity  
on some object with mass.

$$W_{\text{grav}} = \int_c^f \vec{F}_{\text{grav}} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{y=0}^h mg(-\hat{j}) dy \uparrow$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{grav}} = mg(-\hat{j})$$

$$d\vec{s} = dy (\hat{j})$$

$$\hat{i} \cdot \hat{j} = 1$$

$$= \int_{y=0}^h -mg dy = -mgh \Big|_0^h = +mgh$$

$$U_{\text{grav}}(\vec{r}) = - \int \vec{F}_{\text{grav}} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

$\uparrow$  indefinite integral

Potential Energy

Function

(defined up to an arbitrary constant  
of integration)

$$\frac{\Delta U_{\text{grav}}(y)}{U_{\text{grav}}(y)} = -W_{\text{grav}} = +mgh$$

$$= \int_{y=0}^h +mgy dy = +mgh + \text{constant}$$

Consequence: The zero of  $U_{\text{grav}}(\vec{r})$  can be chosen arbitrarily.

## Electric Potential Energy

$$\Delta U_{\text{elec}} = -W_{\text{elec}} = - \int_i^f \vec{F}_{\text{elec}} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

arises

Work done by the Coulomb force on some object with charge.

$$U_{\text{elec}}(\vec{r}) = - \int \vec{F}_{\text{elec}} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

The zero of  $U_{\text{elec}}(\vec{r})$  can be chosen arbitrarily.

The usual choice is:

$$U_{\text{elec}}(\vec{r}) = 0 \text{ or } (\vec{r}) = \infty$$

by the electric field as the charges are brought together from infinitely far apart.

NOT the work that you do to assemble them!

This is the electric field due to the charges already assembled,

not including the one you are bringing in from infinity.

Note: Both the force of gravity and the Coulomb force are CONSERVATIVE. The work  $W$  and the potential energy are independent of the path from  $i$  to  $f$ .

The electric potential energy of a configuration of charges with the choice  $U(\infty) = 0$  is the negative

of the work done on the charges

Ex. What is the potential energy of two charges ( $+q_1$ ) and ( $-q_2$ ) separated by distance  $d$ ?

$$W_{\text{elec}} = \int_{r=0}^d \vec{F}_{\text{elec}} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

on  $-q_2$   
due to  
 $+q_1$

choose a simple path — straight line



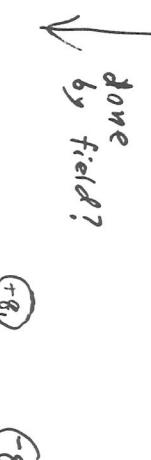
work done by field?  
 $\downarrow$

$V_{\text{elec}} = 0$  no charges assembled yet

$$= \int_{r=\infty}^d \left[ \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(+q_1)(-q_2)}{r^2} (\hat{r}) \right] \cdot [dr \hat{r}]$$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{r}_1, \hat{r}_2 = \hat{r} \\ \hat{r}_1 \cdot \hat{r}_2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

work done by field?  
 $\downarrow$



$$= \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \int_{r=\infty}^d +\frac{1}{r} \right] d$$

$$= \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{d} - \cancel{\frac{1}{r_0}} \right] d = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d}$$

This work is positive.

$$U_{\text{elec}} = -W_{\text{elec}} = -\frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d} = \frac{F q_1 / (-q_2)}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d}$$

# Electric Potential

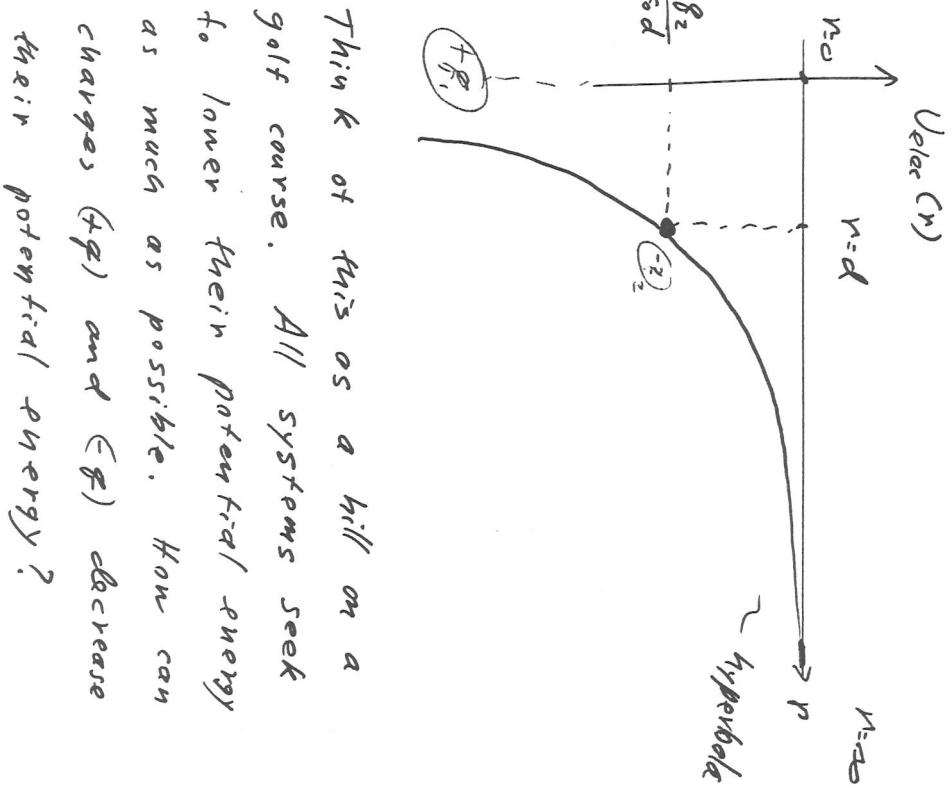
Voltage

same arbitrariness  
in choosing the zero.

$$V(r) \equiv \frac{U_{\text{elec}}(r)}{q}$$

Electric Potential is Electric Potential Energy per unit charge.

$$\Delta V_{\text{elec}} = - \int_{\text{initial}}^{\text{final}} \vec{F}_{\text{elec}} \cdot d\vec{s}$$



Think of this as a hill on a golf course. All systems seek to lower their potential energy as much as possible. How can charges ( $+q_1$ ) and ( $-q_2$ ) decrease their potential energy?

Electric field is the negative gradient of electric potential.

Ex What is the electric potential  
at a distance  $d$  away from  
a point charge ( $+q$ ) with the  
choice  $V=0$  at infinity?

$$U = \frac{(+q)(-q)}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d}$$

$$\text{Voltage} (\text{charge}) = \text{Energy}$$

$$1 V \quad 1 C = 1 J$$

$$1 V = 1 \frac{J}{C}$$

$$(1 V) (1 e) = 1 eV$$

$= 1 \text{ electron-volt}$

$$= (1 V) (1.6 \times 10^{-19} C)$$

$$= 1.6 \times 10^{-19} J = 1 eV$$

$$\checkmark = \frac{U_{\text{elec}}}{+q_1 \leftrightarrow -q_2} = \frac{+q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d}$$

Find  $V_{\text{place}}$  or

$$\Delta V_{1 \rightarrow 2} = - \int_1^2 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$



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

$$E_y = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} V$$

$$E_z = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} V$$

$$V_{\text{place}} = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d_1} + \frac{q_2 q_3}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d_3} + \frac{q_1 q_3}{4\pi\epsilon_0 d_2}$$

with the choice  $V(\infty) \rightarrow 0$

$$\sqrt{(x_1^2 + y_1^2)} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$d_1 = \sqrt{d_x^2 + d_y^2}$

# terms = 6

$\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{matrix}$

- (1-2)
- (2-3)
- (1-3)
- (2-4)
- (1-4)

$$\# \text{ terms} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$n$  charges

$$E_x = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2x^2y + y^2) = -(4xy + 0)$$

$$E_y = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (2x^2y + y^2) = -(2x^2 + 2y)$$

$$E_z = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} (0 + 0) = 0$$

# Capacitance

A special case:  
The Parallel-Plate Capacitor

What is a capacitor?

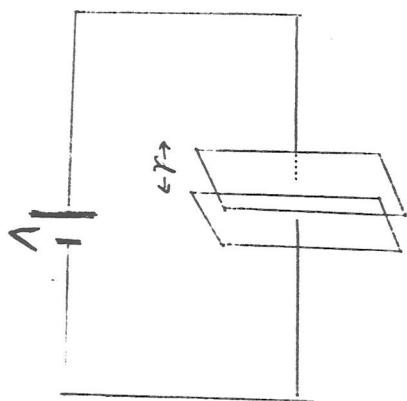
A device that stores energy and discharges it as we need it.

How do we make one?

Two isolated conductors of any size and shape will work



The conductors are called "plates" even if they are not plate-like.



Now connect the capacitor to a battery.

This is constructed from two conducting sheets, each of area  $A$ . The plates are parallel to each other and separated by distance  $d$ .

Voltage difference between plates =  $V$   
Net charge on capacitor =  $C$   
Charge on each plate =  $Q, -Q$

The charge on each plate is proportional to the applied voltage!

$$q = CV$$

The constant of proportionality is called the capacitance.

The capacitance,  $C$ , depends only on the geometry of the plates.

- their area }
- their separation } For parallel-plate,  
just A and d!
- their shape (if not parallel-plate)

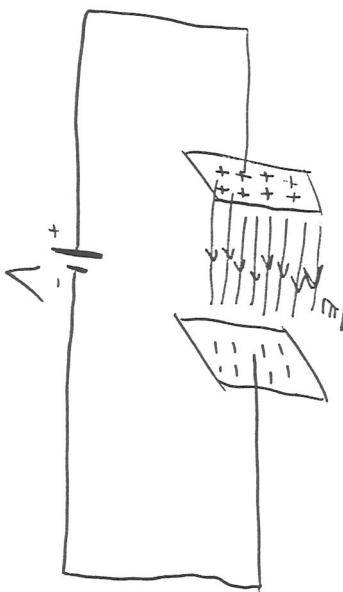


Area A

Area A

Area A

Eventually, the electric field that is created between the charged plates prevents any more charge from accumulating on the plates. When this occurs, the potential difference between the plates is equal to  $V$ , the battery voltage.



What happens while a capacitor is charging?

Electrons are being removed from one plate and are being deposited on the other plate.

## Units

The MKS unit of capacitance is the Farad ( $F$ ).

$$1 \text{ Farad} = 1 \frac{\text{Coulomb}}{\text{Volts}}, \quad 1 F = 1 \frac{C}{V}$$

1 Farad is a huge capacitance!

$$mF = 10^{-3} F$$

$$\mu F = 10^{-6} F$$

$$nF = 10^{-9} F$$

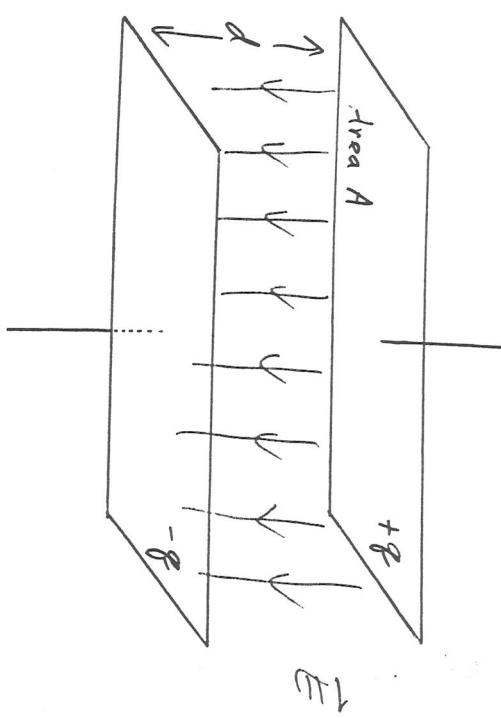
$pF = 10^{-12} F$   
Most devices use  $pF$  capacitors.

## Graphical Symbol

What does the electric field look like?

$$|\vec{E}| = \text{constant between the plates},$$

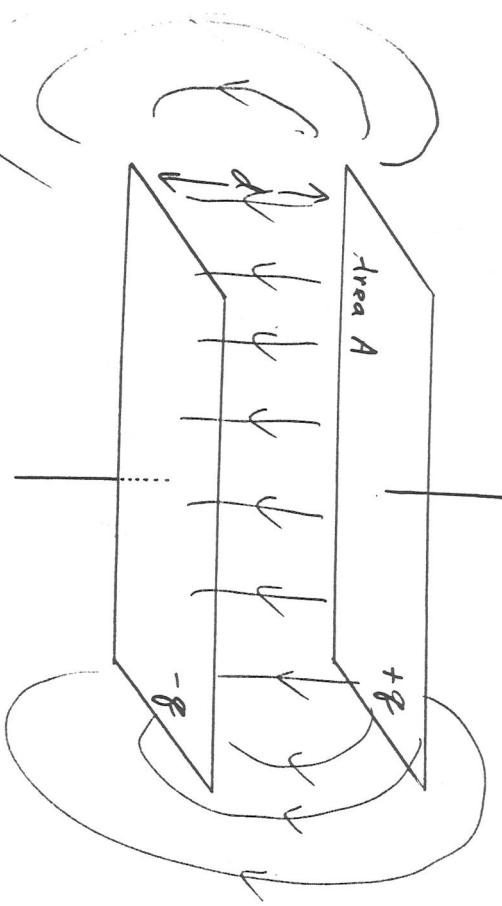
$$\vec{E} = 0 \text{ outside the plates.}$$



What is the electric field between the parallel plates of a capacitor?



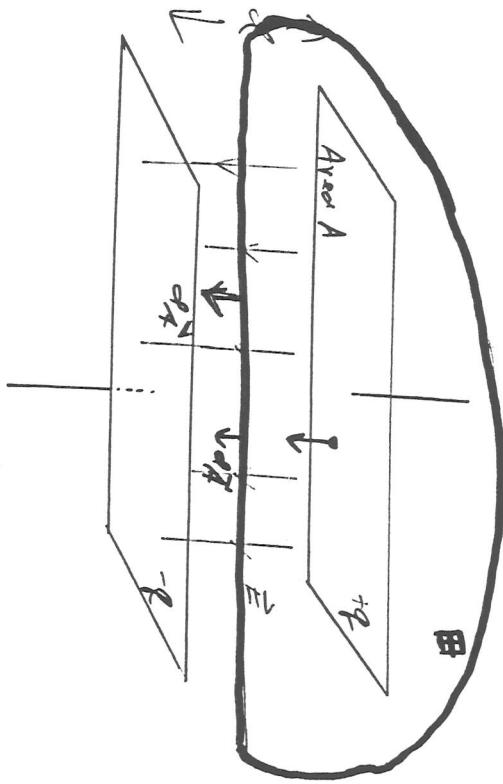
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Fringing Field  
"edge effects"

What does the electric field look like?

How do we calculate the  $\vec{E}$  field?



Choose a Gaussian surface around one of the plates. The surface shown here is a plane between the plates, and some arbitrary shape outside.

$$\text{Gauss' law: } \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = Q_{\text{inside}} = +Q$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \vec{E} &\parallel d\vec{A} \\ \left( \frac{Q}{A} \right) &= \text{const} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \epsilon_0 E A = +Q$$

$$E = \frac{\epsilon_0 Q}{A}$$

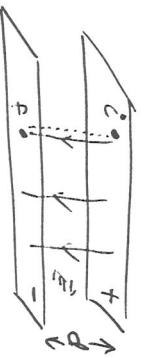
What is the voltage in terms of the electric field?

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

$i$  = some point on the + plate  
 $f$  = some point on the - plate

We will choose the path of the line integral to follow an  $\vec{E}$  field line.

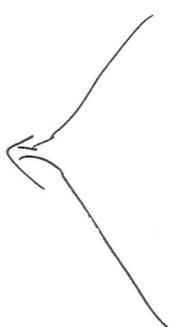
Then  $d\vec{s} \parallel \vec{E}$



The "V" in  $\varphi = CV$  is the absolute value of the potential difference  $\Delta V$ .

$$V = |\Delta V| = \int_+^- \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_+^- E ds = Ed$$

$$E = \frac{\varphi}{\epsilon_0 A} \quad V = Ed$$



$$V = \frac{\varphi d}{\epsilon_0 A} \quad \text{or} \quad \varphi = \left(\frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}\right) V$$

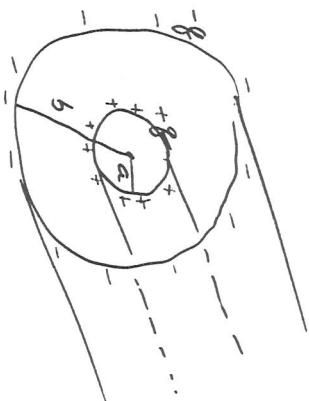
$$\text{But } \varphi = C V \quad \text{therefore} \quad C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}$$

parallel plate  
geometry  
 $A$ ,  $d$

Ex. What is the area of a 1 Farad capacitor made from two parallel plates separated by 1 mm?

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}$$

$$A = \frac{Cd}{\epsilon_0}$$



Two coaxial  
cylinders of radii  
 $a$  and  $b$ .

$$A = \frac{(4\pi\rho_1)(L)(mm)}{8.85 \times 10^{-12} F/m} = 1.13 \times 10^8 m^2$$

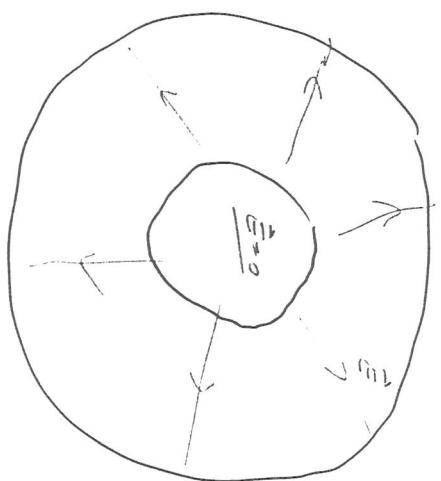
We assume the length  $L$  is large compared to  $a$  or  $b$ .

What is the electric field everywhere?

1. Find  $E$

2. Find  $V$

3. Find  $C$

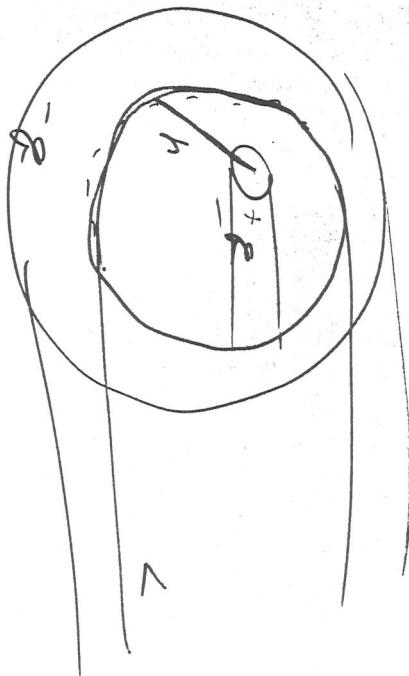


$$\frac{E}{r} = C$$

### Cylindrical Capacitor

$$\rho = CV \quad C = \frac{\rho}{V}$$

$$C = \frac{\rho}{\frac{2\pi L \epsilon_0}{R + L \epsilon_0}} = \frac{2\pi L \epsilon_0}{R + L \epsilon_0}$$



Gauss' Law

$\int dA$



$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = Q_{\text{inside}} = \frac{\rho \pi r^2 L}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = E(r) 2\pi r L = \frac{\rho \pi r^2 L}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\int dA = 2\pi r L$$

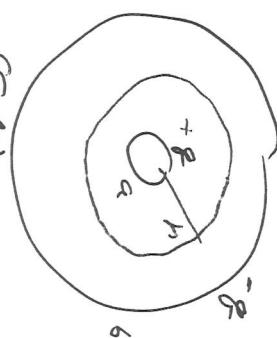
choose path to be  
vertical from  $a$  to  $b$ .

$$V = \int_a^b \frac{\rho}{2\pi r L \epsilon_0} dr = \frac{\rho}{2\pi L \epsilon_0} \int_a^b \frac{1}{r} dr$$

$$\boxed{V = \frac{\rho}{2\pi L \epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)}$$

Spherical Capacitor.

) find  $E(r)$



$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = +\rho$$



$\int dA = 4\pi r^2$

$$E(r) = \frac{\rho}{4\pi r^2 \epsilon_0}$$

d) find  $\Delta V$

$$\Delta V = - \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = - \int_a^b \frac{\rho}{4\pi r^2 \epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r^2} dr$$

$$\text{If } \vec{E} \parallel d\vec{s}, \text{ then } \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = (E / \rho_s) dr$$

$$\Delta V = \frac{\rho}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \left[ \ln(b) - \ln(a) \right]$$

$$V = \int_d V = \int_a^b \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \frac{1}{r^2} dr$$

$$\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( -\frac{1}{r} \right) \Big|_a^b = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right]$$

$$F = CV$$

$$C = \frac{F}{V} = \frac{q}{\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right]} =$$

$$C_{\text{spherical}} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 \frac{1}{a - \frac{1}{b}}$$

$$= 4\pi \epsilon_0 \left( \frac{ab}{b-a} \right)$$

Capacitance for a single sphere  
 $b \rightarrow \infty$

$$C_{\text{single sphere radius } = a} = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 a}{a}$$

## Capacitance of a shell:

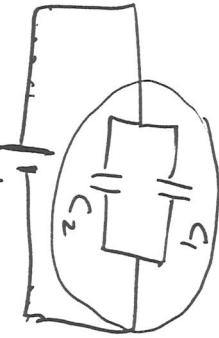
$$C_{\text{shell}} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R$$

$$= 4\pi\epsilon_0 \left( \frac{R_s R_o}{R_o - R_s} \right) (0.15m)$$

$$= 16.7 \times 10^{-12} F = 16.7 \mu F$$

## Equivalent Capacitance

Parallel



Potential across  $C_1 = V$

Potential across  $C_2 = V$

$$g_1 = C_1 V$$

$$g_2 = C_2 V$$

Total Potential drop across circuit

$$V = V_1 + V_2 = \frac{Q}{C_1} + \frac{Q}{C_2}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{Q}{C_1}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{Q}{C_2}$$

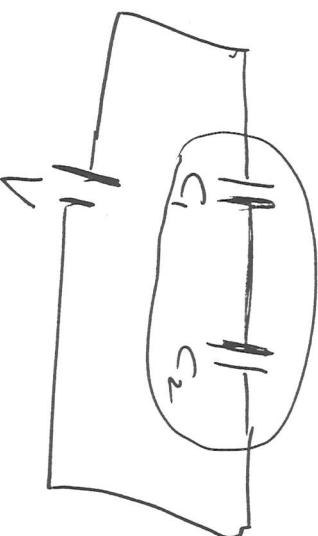
$$g_{\text{total}} = g_1 + g_2 = C_{\text{equiv}} V$$

$$C_1 V + C_2 V = C_{\text{equiv}} V$$

$$C_{\text{equiv}} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$C_{\text{equiv}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

## In Series



$$g_1 = g_2 = g$$

$$g_2 = C_2 V_2$$

$$g_1 = C_1 V_1$$

$$V_1 = \frac{Q}{C_1}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{Q}{C_2}$$

Total Potential drop across circuit

$$V = V_1 + V_2 = \frac{Q}{C_1} + \frac{Q}{C_2} = g \left( \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} \right) V$$

$$C_1 = 1 \text{ nF}$$

$$C_2 = 1 \text{ nF}$$



$$C_{\text{parallel}} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} = \frac{(10^{-9})(10^{-9})}{10^{-9} + 10^{-9}}$$

$$= 10^{-18} F^2$$

$$= 2 \times 10^{-9} F = \frac{1}{2} \times 10^{-9} F$$

$$= 0.5 \text{ nF}$$

$$V = \frac{q}{C}$$

More charge  
→ higher voltage

And suppose that the potential difference (the voltage) is  $V$ .

$$\boxed{q} \quad \boxed{V}$$

It takes energy to separate the charges on the plates of a capacitor.

Suppose that I have already transferred charge  $q$  from one plate to the other

How much work must be done on an infinitesimal piece of charge  $dq$  to move it from one plate to the other?

$$dW = V dq = \left( \frac{q}{C} dq \right)$$

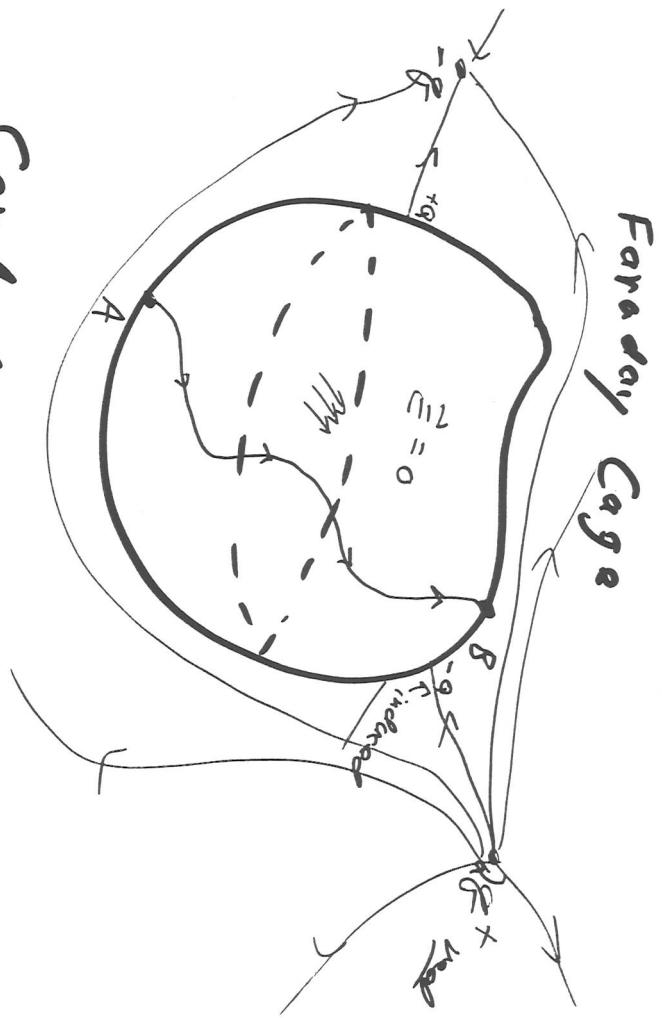
The total work required to charge the capacitor from  $q=0$  to  $q=Q$  is:

$$W = \int dW = \int_{q=0}^Q \left( \frac{q}{C} dq \right) = \boxed{\frac{q^2}{2C}}$$

$$q = CV$$

$$\boxed{W = \frac{(CV)^2}{2C} = \frac{1}{2} C V^2}$$

energy stored  
in a capacitor



**Egg shaped conductor**

Point charge  $V = \frac{kQ}{r}$

$E_1 = \frac{kR_1}{\rho_1^2}$  right outside

$E_2 = \frac{kR_2}{\rho_2^2}$

$V_1 = \frac{kR_1}{\rho_1}$

$V_2 = \frac{kR_2}{\rho_2}$

**Conductors & the electric potentials**

$V_B - V_A = - \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$

$O =$

If path is arbitrary, then  $\vec{E} = 0$  every where inside

$$\frac{R_1}{\rho_1} = \frac{R_2}{\rho_2} \Rightarrow \frac{R_1}{R_2} = \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2}$$

Since  $\rho_1 > \rho_2$  then  $R_1 > R_2$

$$\frac{E_1}{E_2} = \frac{\frac{kR_1}{\rho_1^2}}{\frac{kR_2}{\rho_2^2}} = \frac{R_1 \rho_2^2}{R_2 \rho_1^2} = \frac{\rho_2^2}{\rho_1^2}$$