

$$\Rightarrow \phi(\vec{x}) = -E_0 x$$

in V

\Rightarrow constant \vec{E} -field everywhere, $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}\Phi = \hat{x} E_0$
uniform

Electrostatic Energy

$$U = \frac{E^2 + B^2}{8\pi} \Rightarrow U = \frac{E^2}{8\pi} \text{ in electrostatics}$$

$\cancel{B=0}$

(Gaussian units).

Net energy is $E = \int d^3x U$

In S I $U = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E^2 \Rightarrow E = \int d^3x \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \vec{E}^2$

$$\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}\Phi \Rightarrow E = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int d^3x (\vec{\nabla}\Phi)^2 = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int d^3x$$

$$\underbrace{[\vec{\nabla}(\Phi \vec{\nabla} \Phi) - \Phi \vec{\nabla}^2 \Phi]}_{\text{divergence term}} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x \Phi(x) \rho(x)$$

$-\rho/\epsilon_0$ (Poisson eq'n)

\Rightarrow surface integral \Rightarrow drop

$$\Rightarrow E = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x \Phi(x) \rho(x)$$

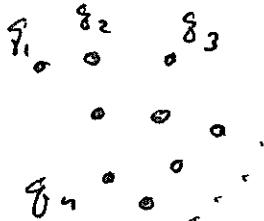
Since $\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3x' \frac{\rho(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$ (unlimited space)

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$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3x d^3x' \frac{\rho(\vec{x}) \rho(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$$

For a discrete set of charges this becomes

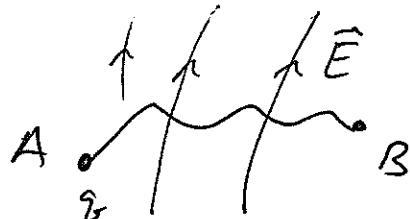
$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{\substack{i,j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n \frac{q_i q_j}{|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j|}$$



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Work to move a charge in \vec{E} -field:

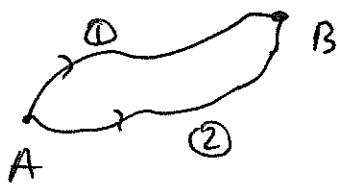
$$w = - \int_A^B d\vec{l} \cdot \vec{F} = -q \int_A^B d\vec{l} \cdot \vec{E} =$$

$$= q \int_A^B d\vec{l} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \Phi = q \int_A^B d\Phi = q(\Phi_B - \Phi_A)$$



\Rightarrow work is independent of path!

Consider two distinct paths:



$$\begin{aligned} w_1 - w_2 &= -q \int d\vec{l} \cdot \vec{E} + q \int d\vec{l} \cdot \vec{E} = \\ &= q \oint_{C=2-1} d\vec{l} \cdot \vec{E} = q \oint_C d\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Stokes's theorem

$$\Rightarrow w_1 = w_2$$

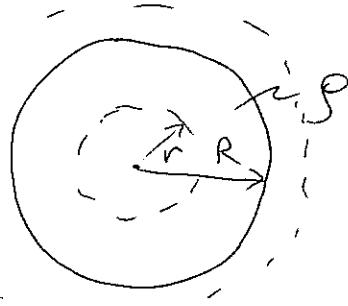
Stokes's theorem:

\vec{V} = vector field

$$\oint_C d\vec{l} \cdot \vec{V} = \iint_S d\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V})$$

S ~ contour, S ~ enclosed area (not necessarily planar)

Exercise: Let's find the energy of a uniformly charged sphere. (97)



I Inside the sphere

$$4\pi r^2 E_{in} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \rho$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{in} = \frac{1}{3\epsilon_0} r \rho$$

II Outside the sphere: $4\pi r^2 E_{out} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \rho$

$$\Rightarrow E_{out} = \frac{1}{3\epsilon_0} \frac{R^3}{r^2} \rho$$

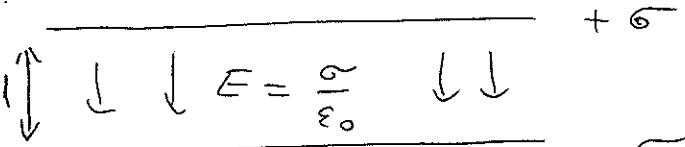
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E} &= \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int d^3x \vec{E}^2 = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int dr \cdot r^2 \underbrace{\sin \theta d\theta d\phi}_{4\pi} \vec{E}^2 = \\ &= 2\pi \epsilon_0 \left\{ \int_0^R dr \cdot r^2 E_{in}^2 + \int_R^\infty dr \cdot r^2 E_{out}^2 \right\} = \\ &= 2\pi \epsilon_0 \left\{ \int_0^R dr \cdot r^4 \frac{\rho^2}{9\epsilon_0^2} + \int_R^\infty dr \cdot \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{R^6 \rho^2}{9\epsilon_0^2} \right\} = \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{9} \frac{\rho^2}{\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{R^5}{5} + R^5 \right\} = \frac{4\pi}{15} \frac{\rho^2}{\epsilon_0} R^5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Defining } Q = \rho \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \Rightarrow \mathcal{E} = \frac{4\pi}{15} \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 R} \frac{9Q^2}{(4\pi)^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{E} = \frac{3}{20\pi} \frac{Q^2}{\epsilon_0 R}$$

Capacitance.

$$E = 0$$


 $\Rightarrow w = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\epsilon_0}$

$$E = 0$$

General definition of capacitance:

suppose we have n conductors:



at potentials V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n

The energy stored in the system



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E &= \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x \rho(\vec{x}) \phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n V_i \int \rho(\vec{x}) d^3x = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n V_i Q_i \end{aligned}$$

Volume
of i th
conductor

potentials V_i depend on Q_i linearly ($\nabla^2 \phi = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$)

\Rightarrow let's write

$$Q_i = \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} V_j$$

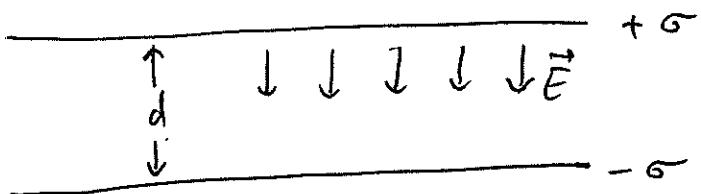
C_{ij} , $i \neq j$ coefficients of induction

C_{ii} \sim capacitances

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n C_{ij} V_i V_j$$

Flat-plates capacitor:

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$$V = E \cdot d = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} d = \frac{Q}{C} = \sigma \cdot \$$$

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

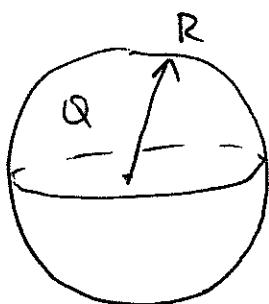
\Rightarrow

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

capacitance per unit area.

$$[C] = \frac{1 \text{ Coulomb}}{1 \text{ Volt}} = 1 \text{ Farad}$$

Conducting sphere with charge Q and radius R :



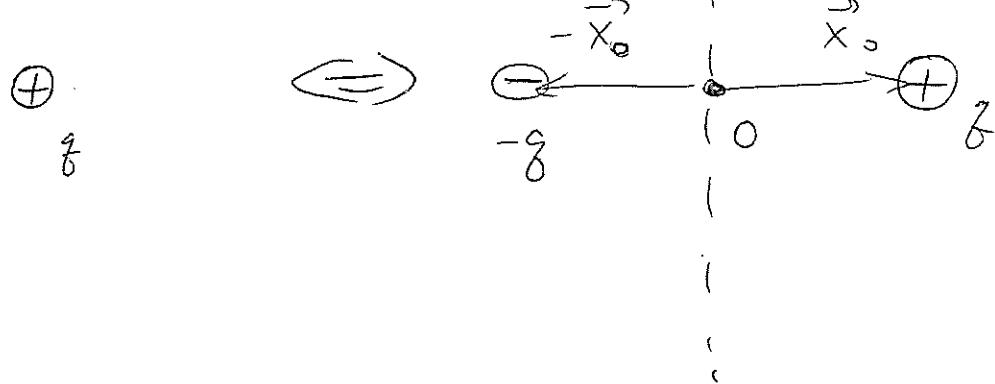
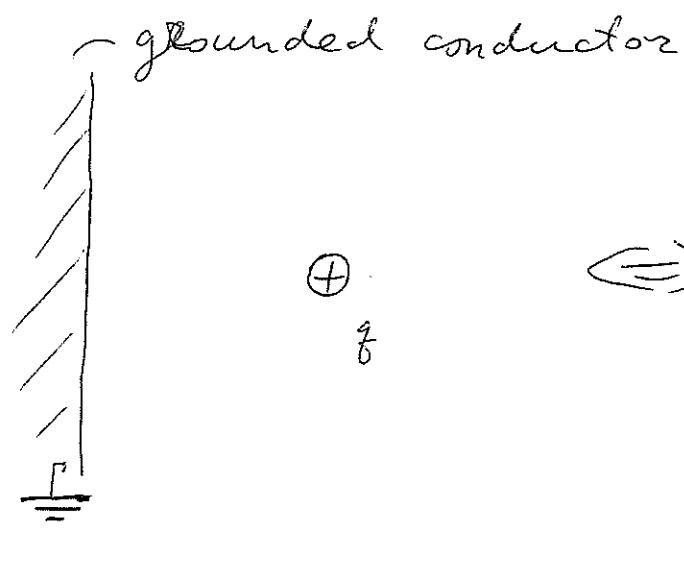
$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \Rightarrow \Phi = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{Q}{V(r=R)} = \frac{Q}{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R}} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R$$

$$\Rightarrow C = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R$$

Capacitance of a conducting sphere.

Method of Images.



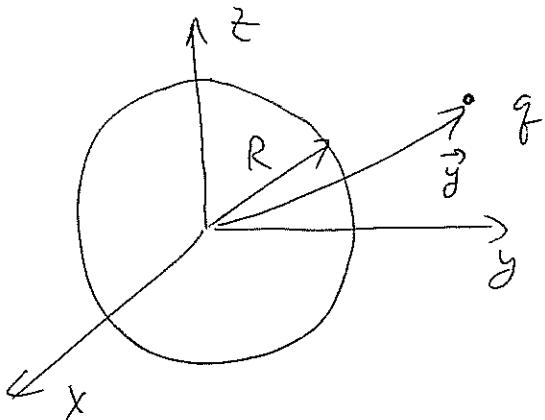
replace conductor by image charge(s):

$$\phi = 0 \text{ in conductor}$$

$$\phi_{\text{charge+image}} = \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0|} - \frac{1}{|\vec{x} + \vec{x}_0|} \right) \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$

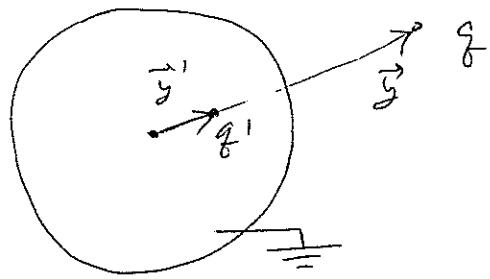
$= 0$ if \vec{x} is on (what used to be) boundary.

Dirichlet Green function for a Sphere.



First let's solve the problem of a point charge q in a conducting sphere at \vec{y}

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The potential of charge q and image charge q' is

$$\phi(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{q}{|\vec{r} - \vec{g}|} + \frac{q'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{g}'|} \right) \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$

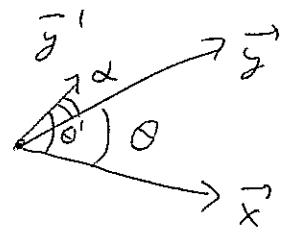
Let's demand $\phi(|\vec{r}|=R) = 0$ (grounded conductor)

$$\left. \frac{q}{|\vec{r} - \vec{g}|} \right|_{|\vec{r}|=R} = - \left. \frac{q'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{g}'|} \right|_{|\vec{r}|=R}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{sign } q' = -\text{sign } q$$

Square:
$$\left. \frac{q^2}{|\vec{r} - \vec{g}|^2} \right|_{|\vec{r}|=R} = \left. \frac{q'^2}{|\vec{r} - \vec{g}'|^2} \right|_{|\vec{r}|=R}$$

 (assume that \vec{g}, \vec{g}' & \vec{r} lie in same plane)



$$q^2(R^2 + y^{12} - 2Ry' \cos\theta') = q'^2(R^2 + y^2 - 2Ry \cos\theta)$$

$$\theta' = \theta + \alpha \quad \& \text{ identity should work for any } \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{as } \cos\theta' = \cos(\theta + \alpha) = \cos\theta \cos\alpha - \sin\theta \sin\alpha \quad (\text{why})$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{no sign } \alpha \text{ on r.h.s. } \Rightarrow \sin\alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 0, \pi; \cos\alpha = \pm 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow q^2(R^2 + y^{12}) = q'^2(R^2 + y^2) \text{ and } \pm q^2y' = q'y. \quad \begin{matrix} \text{from } \cos\alpha. \\ \text{from } \sin\alpha. \end{matrix}$$

as $y, y' > 0$ (magnitudes of vectors) $\Rightarrow \cos\alpha = 1$

$$\Rightarrow q^2 y' = q'^2 y \Rightarrow y' = \frac{q'^2 y}{q^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow q^2 R^2 + q^2 \frac{q'^4 y^2}{q^4} = q'^2 R^2 + q'^2 y^2$$

$$q'^4 \frac{y^2}{q^2} = q'^2 (R^2 + y^2) + q^2 R^2 = 0$$

$$q'^2 = \frac{1}{2 \frac{y^2}{q^2}} \left[+ \sqrt{R^2 + y^2 \pm \sqrt{(R^2 + y^2)^2 - 4y^2 R^2}} \right] =$$

$$= \frac{q^2}{2y^2} \left[R^2 + y^2 \pm \sqrt{|R^2 - y^2|} \right]$$

$$y^2 - R^2 \text{ as } y > R$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} q'^2 = q^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \textcircled{2} q'^2 = q^2 \frac{R^2}{y^2}.$$

① $\Rightarrow y' = y \Rightarrow$ put $-q$ on top of $q \Rightarrow$ get \emptyset :

however, $y' < R < y \Rightarrow$ can't have this case

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \boxed{q' = -q \frac{R}{y}}$$

$$\boxed{y' = \frac{R^2}{y}}$$

Mathematical transformation
of inversion.

The potential is then

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \left(\frac{q}{|\vec{x} - \vec{y}|} - q \frac{\frac{R}{y}}{|\vec{x} - \frac{R^2}{y^2} \vec{y}|} \right) \times \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$

\Rightarrow Dirichlet Green function is

$$G_D(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} - \frac{\frac{R}{x'}}{|\vec{x} - \frac{R^2}{x'^2} \vec{x}'|}$$

Exercise: find the force between charge q & conducting sphere:

$$F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q \cdot q'}{|\vec{y} - \vec{y}'|^2} = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\frac{q^2 R/y}{[y - \frac{R^2}{y}]^2}}{}$$

The problem of finding $\Phi(\vec{x})$ for a charge q and any sphere is a Dirichlet problem:

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V d^3x' G_D(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \rho(\vec{x}') - \frac{1}{4\pi} \oint_S da' \Phi(\vec{x}') \frac{\partial G_D(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')}{\partial n'}$$

Here $\Phi = 0$ on S for grounded sphere.