

F_c is a conservative force, so $-\int_A^B \vec{F}_c \cdot d\vec{l}$ is a state variable.

Determine V from E

$$\Delta V = -\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} \quad \text{max } \cos \theta = 1$$

Determine \vec{E} from V

$$dV = -\vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

- Assume 1D: $dV = -E dx$

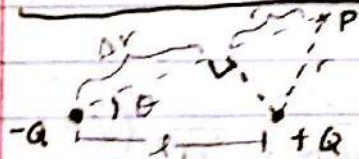
$$\boxed{E = -\frac{dV}{dx}}$$

1) \vec{E} is slope of V at each point
2) \vec{E} is a measure of the RATE of change V

Work \rightarrow Joule / work \rightarrow electronvolt eV
 $q \rightarrow e$ \leftarrow use this unit!

1 eV is energy acquired by $q=e$ when q is moving through a potential difference of 1 V.

Electric Potential of a Dipole



$$V_P = ?$$

if P is very far away, ($r \gg l$), these assumptions apply.

$$V_{TOT} = \sum_i V_i, \quad V_P = \underbrace{\frac{-Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0(r+\Delta r)}}_{V_{-q}} + \underbrace{\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}}_{V_{+q}}$$

$$= \frac{-Qr + Q(r+\Delta r)}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r(r+\Delta r)} = \frac{Q\Delta r}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r(r+\Delta r)} \quad \rightarrow \Delta r \cos \theta$$

$$= \frac{p \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \quad \leftarrow \text{neglect this } (r \gg l)$$

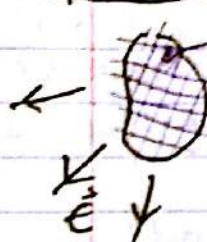
$$= \boxed{\frac{p \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}}$$

V DIPOLE vs. V POINT CHARGE

$$= \frac{p \cos \theta}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \quad = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

→ $\frac{1}{r^2}$ goes to 0 faster than $\frac{1}{r}$. This is because far away, a dipole looks like a 0 charge.

V of Continuous Dist. of Charge



Two approaches:

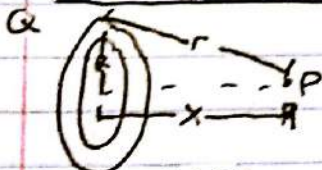
1) $\sum_i V_i \rightarrow V_T = \int dV = \int \frac{dq}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$

- use when charge distribution is known.

2) when \vec{E} is known:

$$\Delta V = - \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$$

Calculate V for a ring of charge Q (approach #1)



$$dq = R d\theta \lambda, \quad \lambda = \frac{Q}{2\pi R}$$

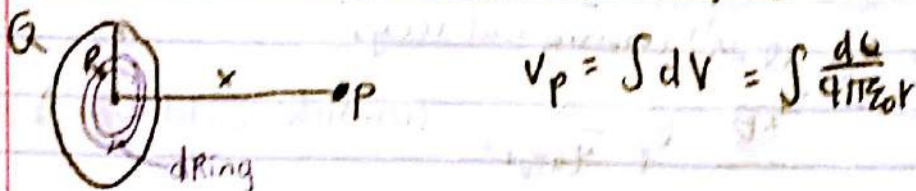
$$V_P = \int \frac{dq}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \quad r = \sqrt{x^2 + R^2}$$

$$= \frac{R \lambda}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}} = \frac{\lambda R}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \sqrt{x^2 + R^2}} (2\pi)$$

$$= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \sqrt{x^2 + R^2}}$$

if $x \gg R$, $V_P = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 x}$
(point chg.)

Calculate V for disk of charge Q



$$dq = Q \text{ in } d\text{ring}$$

$$\frac{\text{charge ring}}{\text{charge disk}} = \frac{\text{area ring}}{\text{area disk}} = \frac{dq}{Q}$$

$$dq = \frac{Q \cdot \text{area ring}}{\text{area disk}} = \frac{Q \cdot 2\pi r dr}{\pi R_0^2} = Q \frac{2r dr}{R_0^2}$$

$$V_P = \int_0^{R_0} \frac{Q \cdot 2r dr}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_0^2 (R^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{Q \cdot 2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_0^2} \int_0^{R_0} \frac{r dr}{(R^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\left. \frac{1}{2} R_0^2 \right|_0^{R_0}$$

$$= \frac{Q}{2\pi\epsilon_0 R_0^2} \left[(x^2 + R_0^2)^{1/2} - x \right]$$

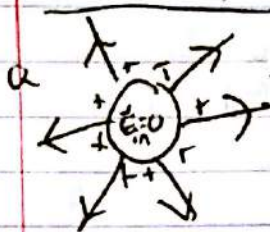
$x \gg R_0$: $V_P \rightarrow$ pt. charge

$$= \frac{Qx}{2\pi\epsilon_0 R_0^2} \left[\left(1 + \frac{R_0^2}{x^2}\right)^{1/2} - 1 \right] \text{ apply Taylor series}$$

$$= \frac{Qx}{2\pi\epsilon_0 R_0^2} \left[1 + \frac{R_0^2}{2x^2} - 1 \right]$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 x}}$$

Electric Potential Charged Conductor (Approach #2)



$dl = dr$ (moving radially)

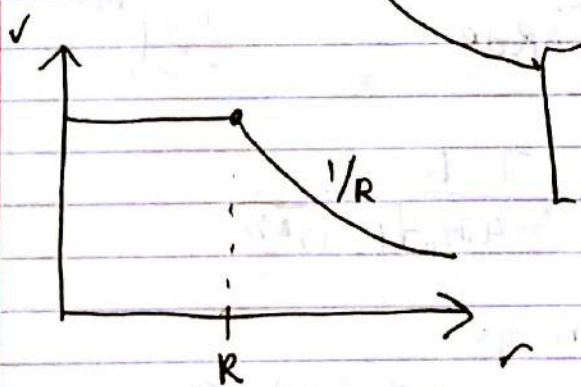
$$\vec{E} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \quad (\text{outside conductor})$$

$$\Delta V_{A \rightarrow B} = ? \quad \Delta V_{AB} = -\int_A^B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\int_A^B E dr$$

2 cases:

$r \geq R$ $\vec{E} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$ $\Delta V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_A^B \frac{1}{r^2} dr$

$r < R$ $\vec{E} = 0$ $= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{r_B} - \frac{1}{r_A} \right)$



$\vec{E} = 0$, $\frac{dV}{dx} = 0$ but $V \neq 0$!
It's just constant! (equipotential) surface

So $\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$ is V_p of conductor's inside.

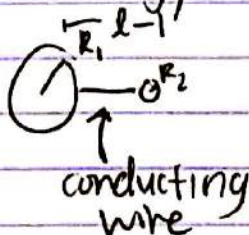
What about a strange shaped conductor?



surface $\Delta V = 0$

higher charge density (intenser \vec{E})

Analogy: assume $l \gg R_2, R_1$



$V_1 = V_2$
 $\frac{Q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_1} = \frac{Q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_2}$ $\frac{Q_1}{R_1} = \frac{Q_2}{R_2}$

← recall $\frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = \frac{R_1}{R_2}$

(cont.) $\frac{E_1}{E_2} = \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} \cdot \frac{R_2^2}{R_1^2} = \frac{R_2}{R_1}$ ← most intense @ top of tip