Mon.	Exam 1 (Ch 2)		
Fri.	Review		
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Mon.	2.5 Conductors		

Work to construct charge distribution



'building' a Conductor



Properties of a Conductor

(i) *E* = 0 inside a conductor (eventually)

(ii) ρ =0 inside a conductor

(iii) Any net charge resides on the surface(s) of a conductor

(iv) V is constant throughout a conductor

(v) \vec{E} is perpendicular to the surface, just outside a conductor

Induced Charge Distribution for point charge *outside* neutral conductor

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Induced Charge Distribution for point charge *inside* neutral conductor

New charge draws opposite charges toward it

Until no more field penetrates conductor to draw more

Charges left behind push each other into place on outer surface until no more field remains inside

Field outside conductor is same as if we'd just placed +q on outer surface and allowed it to distribute itself.

Induced Charge Distribution for point charge *inside* neutral conductor



Strength of external field dictated by added charge **Geometry** of external field dictated by geometry of conductor surface *not location of added charge*

Exercise:

(problem 2.39) Two spherical cavities, of radii *a* and *b*, are hollowed out from the interior of a (neutral) conducting sphere of radius *R*. At the center of each cavity a point charge is placed – call these charges q_a and q_b .

(a) Find the surface charge densities σ_a , σ_b , and σ_R .

(b) What is the field outside the conductor?

(c) What is the field within each cavity?

(d) What is the force on q_a , that on q_b ?

Force on patch of Surface Charge

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Q

A "very long" ,hollow, metal cylinder of radius *s* and length *L* carries a total charge Q. What is the outward electrostatic pressure due to all the charges repelling each other.

Capacitance

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

Example: Parallel Plates



$$C \equiv \frac{Q}{\Delta V_{r \to l}} = \frac{A}{\varepsilon_o d}$$

Exercise: concentric cylinders

