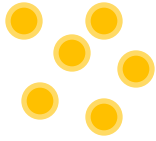


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# Work to construct charge distribution

Source charges



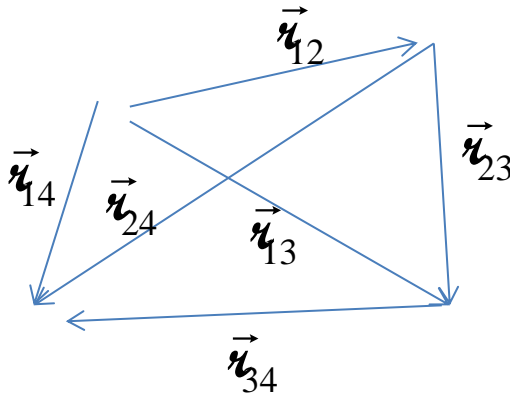
sensing charge, Q



a

b

$$W(a \rightarrow b) = \int_a^b \vec{F}_{you} \cdot d\vec{l} = Q \left( - \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} \right) = Q\Delta V$$



$$W = \sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_i q_j}{|r_{ij}|} = \sum_i \sum_{j < i} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_i q_j}{|r_{ij}|}$$

# Work to construct a *discrete* charge distribution

$$W_{assemble} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j<i} \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{q_j}{r_{ij}} \right)$$

If we sum twice over *all* charges (but self interaction)

Avoiding self energy

$$V(P_i) \equiv \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{q_j}{r_{ij}}$$

Potential at location of  $q_i$  due to all other charges *but*  $q_i$

# Work to construct a *continuous* charge distribution

$$W_{assemble} = \lim_{dq \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n dq_i V(P_i) = \lim_{d\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho d\tau V(P_i) = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho V d\tau'$$

where

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho}{r} d\tau'$$

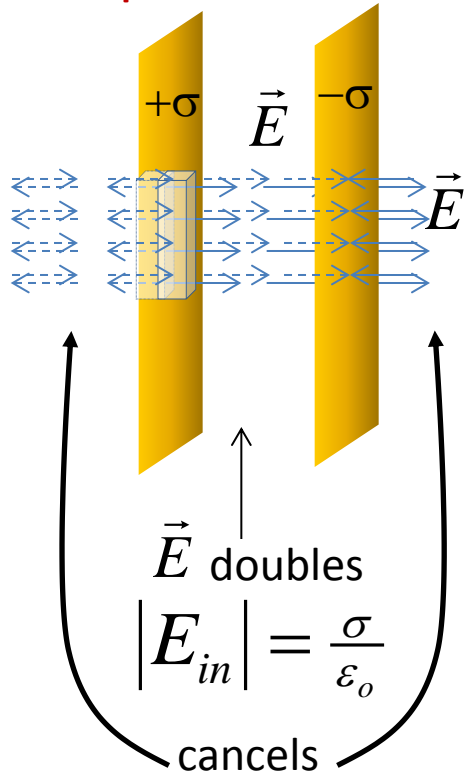
Self energy issues vanish for *continuous* distribution since

$$dq(r') = \lim_{d\tau \rightarrow 0} \rho(r') d\tau' \rightarrow 0$$

# Concrete example, universal results – Charging a Capacitor

First, E-field expression

One plate    Another plate



$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{Q_{encl}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\int |E_r| da_r + \int |E_l| da_l = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int \sigma da$$

$$|E_r| + |E_l| = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$$

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

# Concrete example, universal results – Charging a Capacitor

Work to move one morsel of charge,  $dQ$

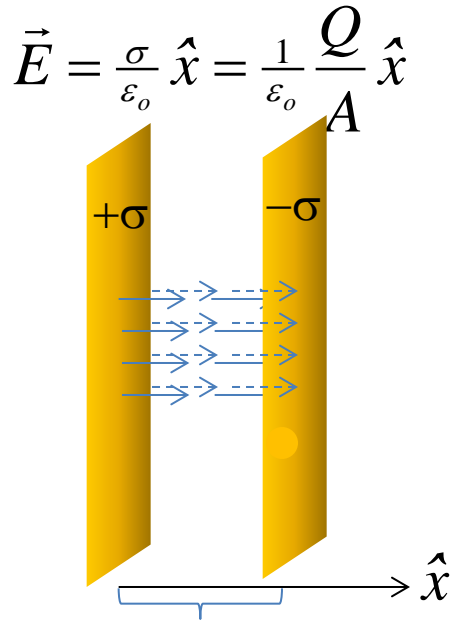
$$dW = dQ(\Delta V) = \left( \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} s \right) dQ$$

$$W = \sum dW = \sum \frac{Qs}{\epsilon_0 A} dQ \Rightarrow \int \frac{Qs}{\epsilon_0 A} dQ = \frac{1}{2} \frac{s}{\epsilon_0 A} Q^2$$

Or using what we'd just derived:

$$W_{assemble} = \frac{1}{2} \int \sigma V da' = \frac{1}{2} \int \sigma \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \sigma s \right) da'$$

$$W_{assemble} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \sigma^2 sA = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{Q}{A} \right)^2 sA$$



$$\Delta V_{r \rightarrow l} = - \int_r^l \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{A} s$$

Rephrased in terms of field

$$W_{create} = \frac{1}{2} Q(\Delta V) = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E^2 As = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} E^2 Vol$$

# Same result, more mathematically

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho V d\tau$$

$\rho = \epsilon_0 \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}$  Gauss's Law

$$W = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) V d\tau$$

$$(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}) V = \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{E} V) - \vec{E} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} V) \quad \text{Product Rule}$$

$$W = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \left[ \int \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{E} V) d\tau + \int E^2 d\tau \right]$$

$\vec{\nabla} V = -\vec{E}$

$$\int_V (\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{E} V)) d\tau = \oint_S (\vec{E} V) \cdot d\vec{a} \quad \text{Divergence Theorem}$$

$\oint_S (\vec{E} V) \cdot d\vec{a} \Rightarrow 0$

Sending Volume & Area out to infinity  
 To contain all of charge distribution's field

$$W = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int_{\text{all.space}} E^2 d\tau$$

# Not for point charges

Recall in derivation of

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho V d\tau$$

that we explicitly required

$$dq(r') = \lim_{d\tau \rightarrow 0} \rho(r') d\tau' \rightarrow 0$$

to avoid accidentally including

$$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_i^2}{r_{ii}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_i^2}{0} = \infty$$

in our sum.

So,

$$W = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int_{all.space} E^2 d\tau$$

*doesn't* apply for a point charge.

# Example: Work of assembling a charged, solid sphere