

# Notes Sheet Suggestions

- Yes, you can use both sides of the page. Yes, you can put whatever you want on there.
- That said, suggestions for using it most efficiently:
  - Start with something in the style your Physics I prof might have included for those exams: the formulas and the values of the constants you've used so far
  - Other things you'd like not to have to remember
    - Which component goes with which sin or cos? What are the areas and volumes of simple shapes? Units?

# Can I include examples?

- Sure, if you want to
- Beware: it's very easy to crowd so much stuff into this one page that it becomes useless to you as a reference.
- Beware part#2: Don't fall into the trap of "oh, I've got everything written down, this will be easy"

# Could I put an Integral Table there?

- If you really want to. But, all I'd ask for actual integrating are polynomials ( $x^n$ , where  $n$  might be negative), sines and cosines, or exponentials. So, it would be the world's simplest integral table

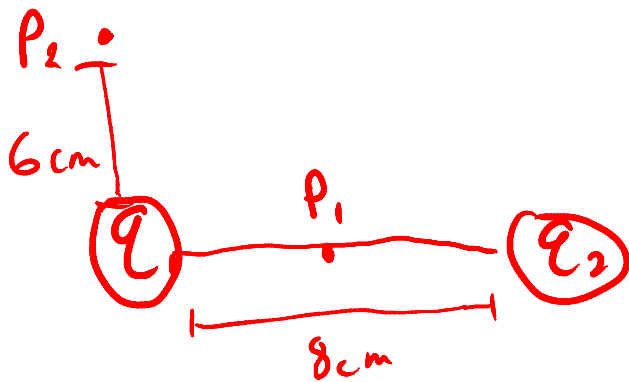
You have two point charges,  $q_1$  and  $q_2$ .

Each is  $+5\text{nC}$ , and they are  $8\text{cm}$  apart on the  $x$ -axis.

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- b) What's the electric field at this same point?
- c) What's the electric potential  $6\text{cm}$  above the leftmost charge?

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$$a) V(P_1)? = V_1 + V_2 = \frac{kq_1}{r_1} + \frac{kq_2}{r_2}$$

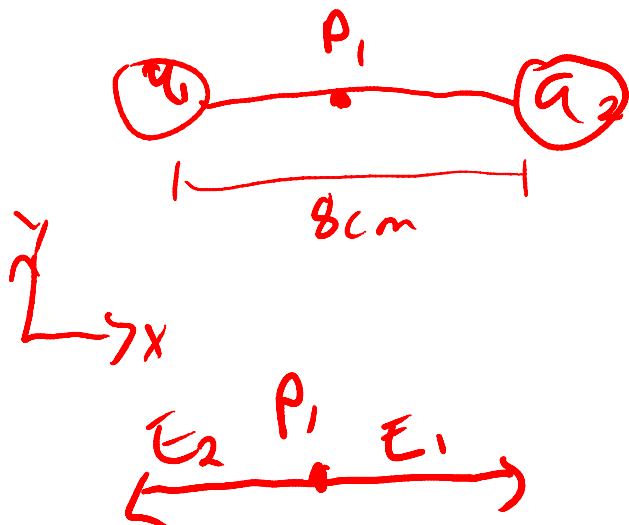
$$\text{here, } q_1 = q_2 = 5\text{nC}, r_1 = r_2 = 4\text{cm}$$

$$\text{so. } V(P_1) = 2 \frac{kq}{r} = 2 \frac{(8.99 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2})(5 \times 10^{-9}\text{C})}{0.04\text{m}}$$

$$V = 2250\text{V}$$

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b) What's  $\vec{E}(P_1)$ ?

each charge makes  $\vec{E} = \frac{kq}{r^2}$  (away)

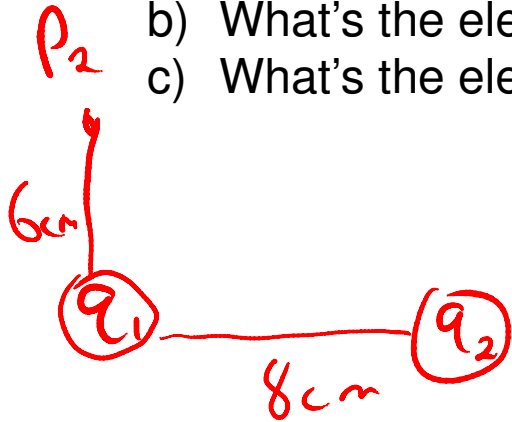
same  $q$ , same  $r$ , opposite directions:

$$\text{so } \vec{E}_{\text{TOT}} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 = 0$$

(even though  $V(P_1) = 2250\text{V}$ !)

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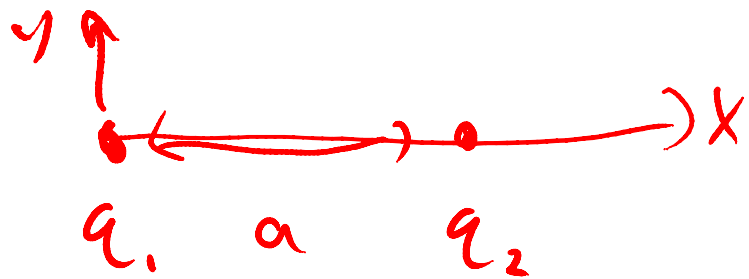
c)  $V(P_2)$ ?

again,  $V(P_2) = V_1 + V_2 = \frac{kq_1}{r_1} + \frac{kq_2}{r_2}$   
 $q_1, q_2$  same.  $r_1 = 6\text{cm}$ ,  $r_2 = \sqrt{6\text{cm}^2 + 8\text{cm}^2}$

$$\text{so } V = kq \left( \frac{1}{0.06} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{0.06^2 + 0.08^2}} \right)$$

$$V(P_2) = 1200\text{V}$$

Woot!  $V$ 's are not vectors, much easier to figure out than  $\vec{E}(P_2)$ .



What's  $V(x)$ ?

$$V(x) = V_1 + V_2$$

What's  $r_1$ ?  $r_1 = |x|$

What's  $r_2$ ?  $r_2 = |x - a|$

$$V = \frac{kq_1}{|x|} + \frac{kq_2}{|x-a|}$$

right of  $q_2$ :  $|x| = x$   $|x-a| = x-a$  so  $V(x) = \frac{kq_1}{x} + \frac{kq_2}{x-a}$

middle:  $|x| = x$   $|x-a| = a-x$  so  $V(x) = \frac{kq_1}{x} + \frac{kq_2}{a-x}$

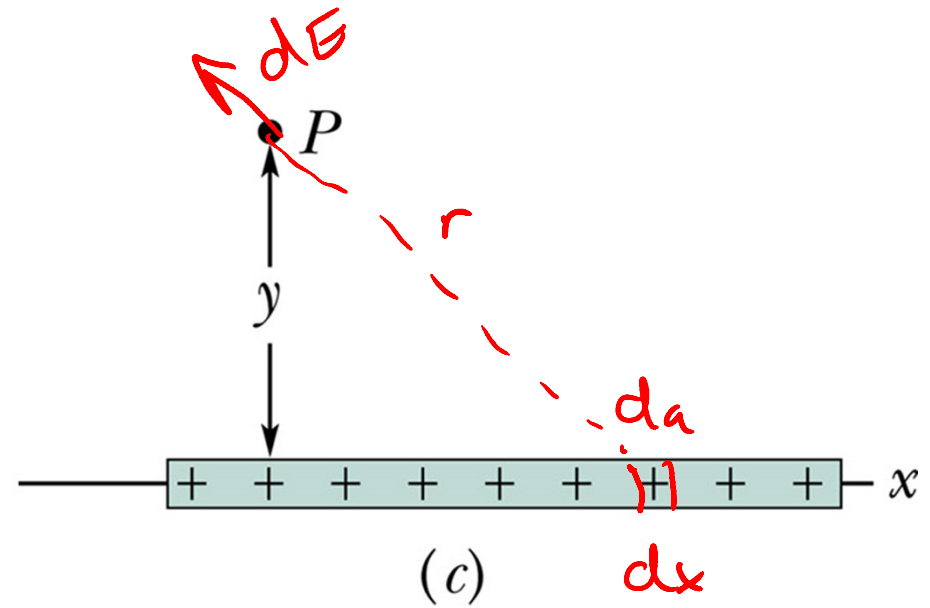
left:  $|x| = -x$   $|x-a| = a-x$  so  $V(x) = \frac{-kq_1}{x} + \frac{kq_2}{a-x}$

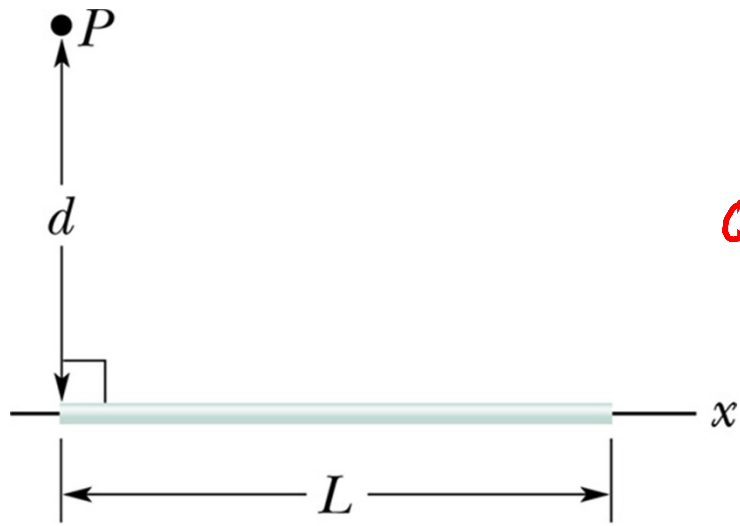




$$dV = \frac{k dq}{r}$$

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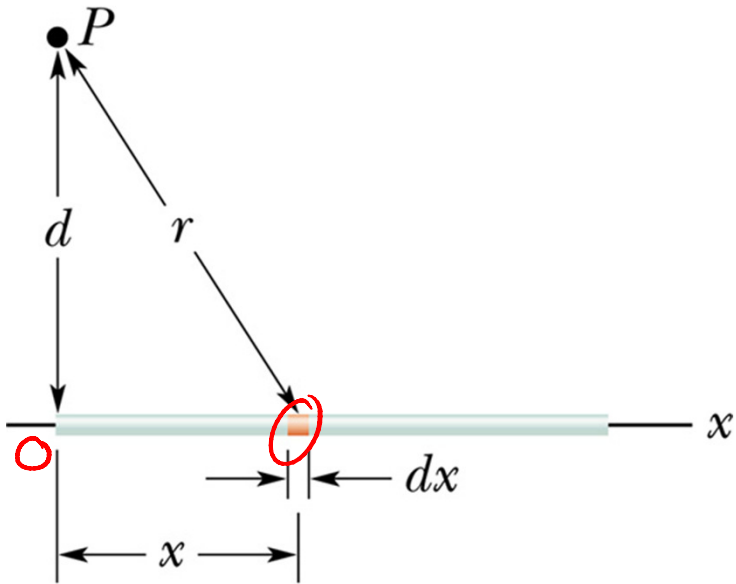
(a)

from uniform  $\lambda = a/L$

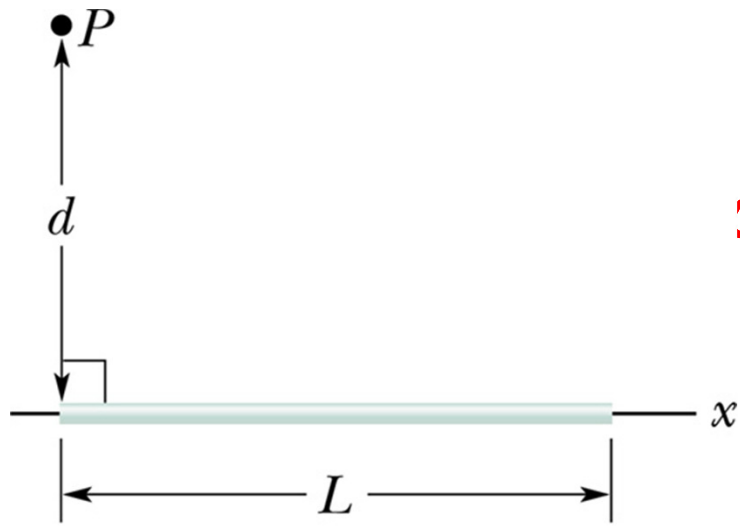
$$dV = \frac{k da}{r}$$

$$da = \lambda dx$$

$$r = \sqrt{d^2 + x^2}$$



(b)



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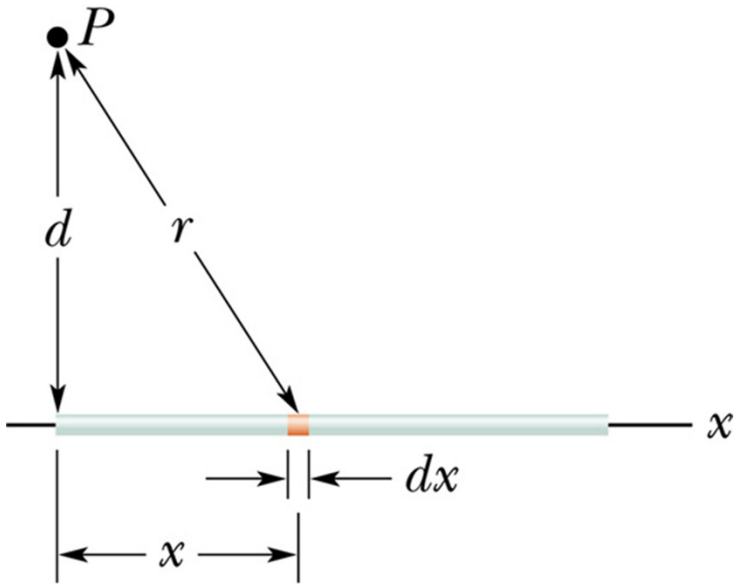
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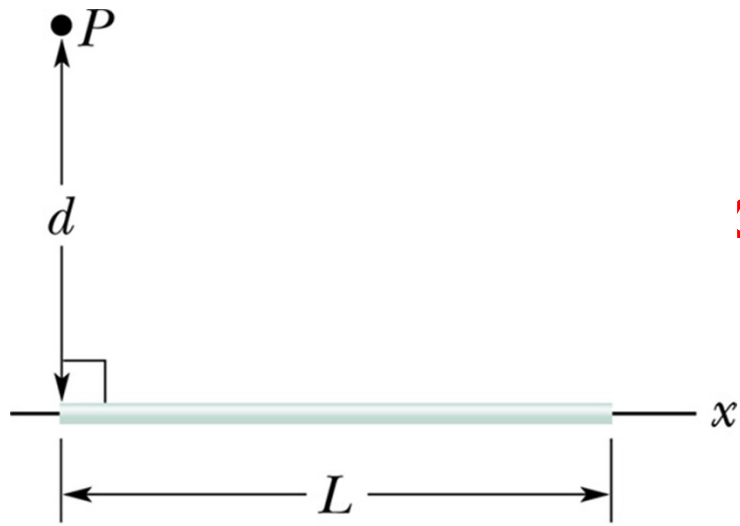
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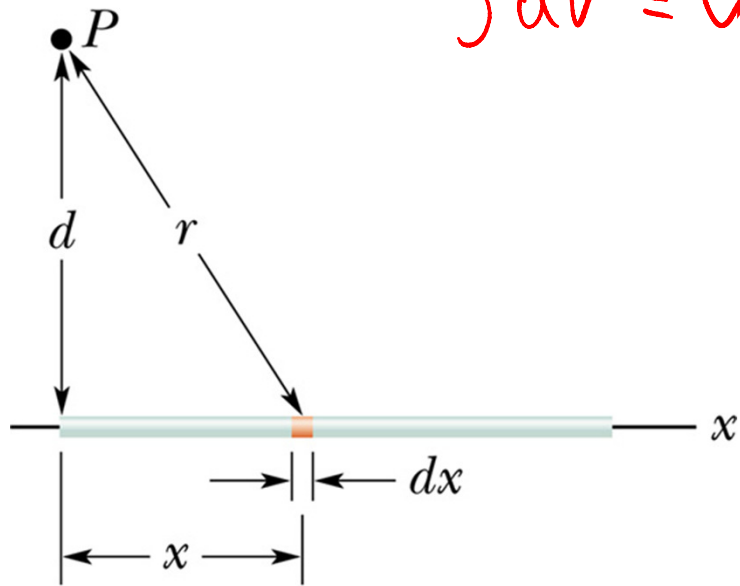
$$dV = \frac{k \lambda dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}}$$



(b)



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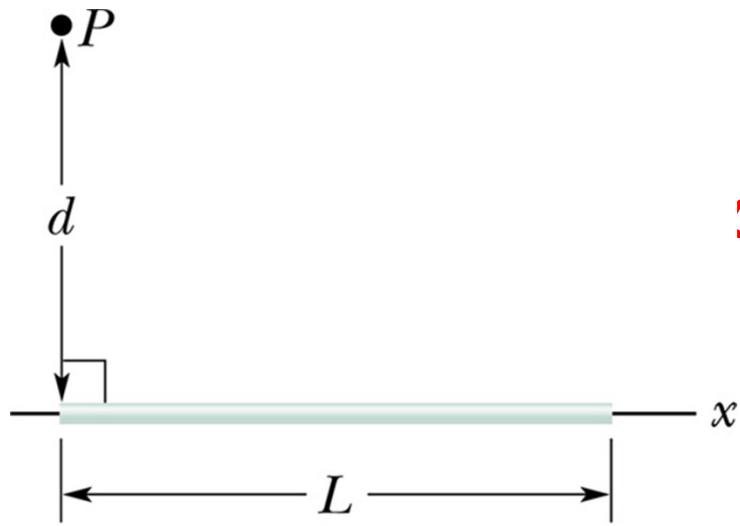
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$$dV = \frac{k da}{r} \quad da = \lambda dx$$

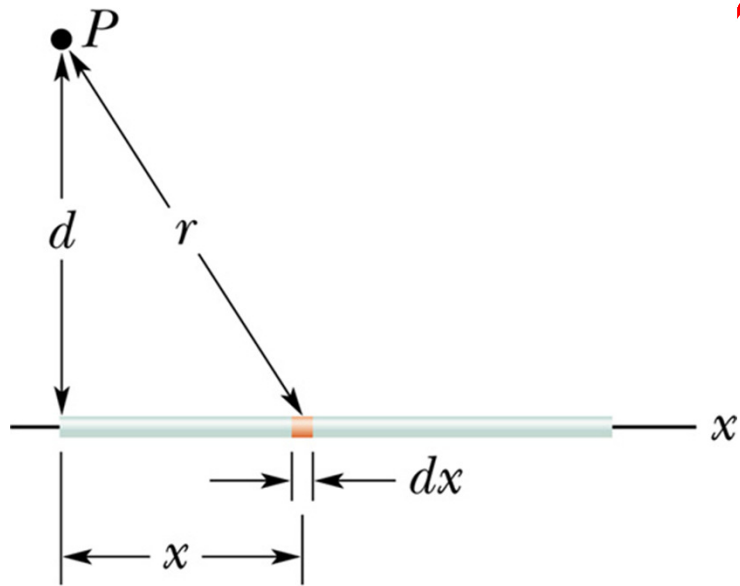
$$r = \sqrt{d^2 + x^2}$$

$$dV = \frac{k \lambda dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\int dV = V = \int_0^L \frac{k \lambda dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}} = k \lambda \int_0^L \frac{dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}}$$



(a)



(b)

from uniform  $\lambda = a/L$

$$dV = \frac{k da}{r} \quad da = \lambda dx$$

$$r = \sqrt{d^2 + x^2}$$

$$dV = \frac{k \lambda dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}}$$

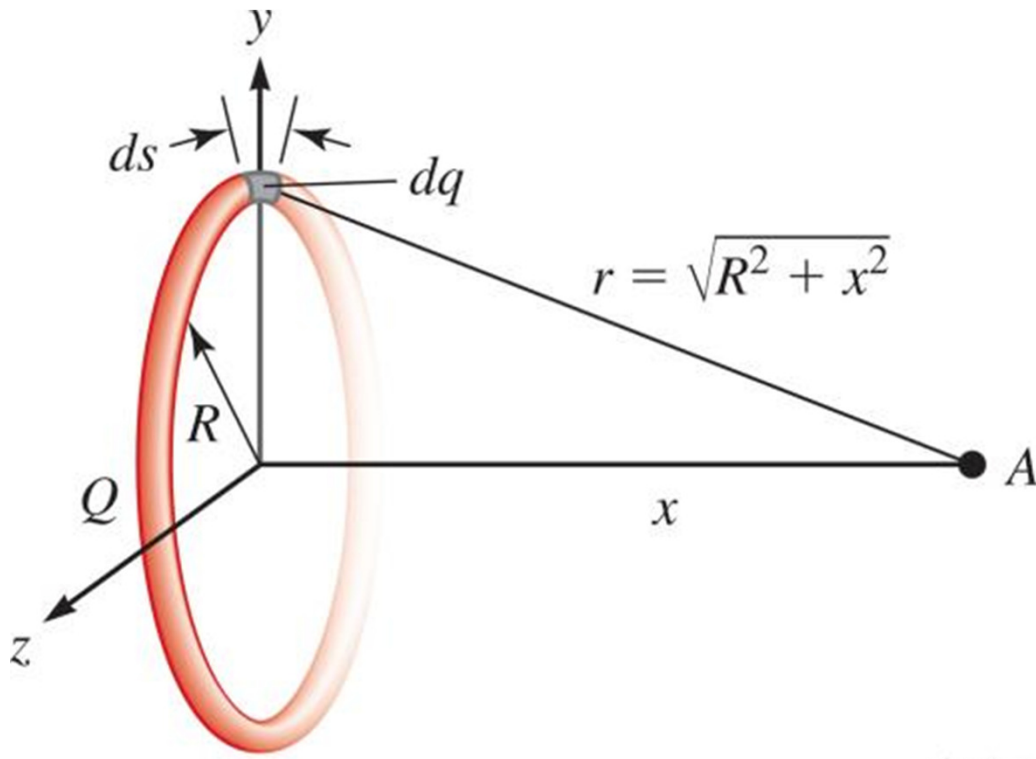
$$V = \int_0^L \frac{k \lambda dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}} = k \lambda \int_0^L \frac{dx}{(d^2 + x^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$= k \lambda \int_0^L \ln(d + (x^2 + d^2)^{1/2})$$

$$= k \lambda (\ln(L + (L^2 + d^2)^{1/2}) - \ln d)$$

$$V = k \lambda \ln \left( \frac{L + (L^2 + d^2)^{1/2}}{d} \right)$$

How about other shapes?



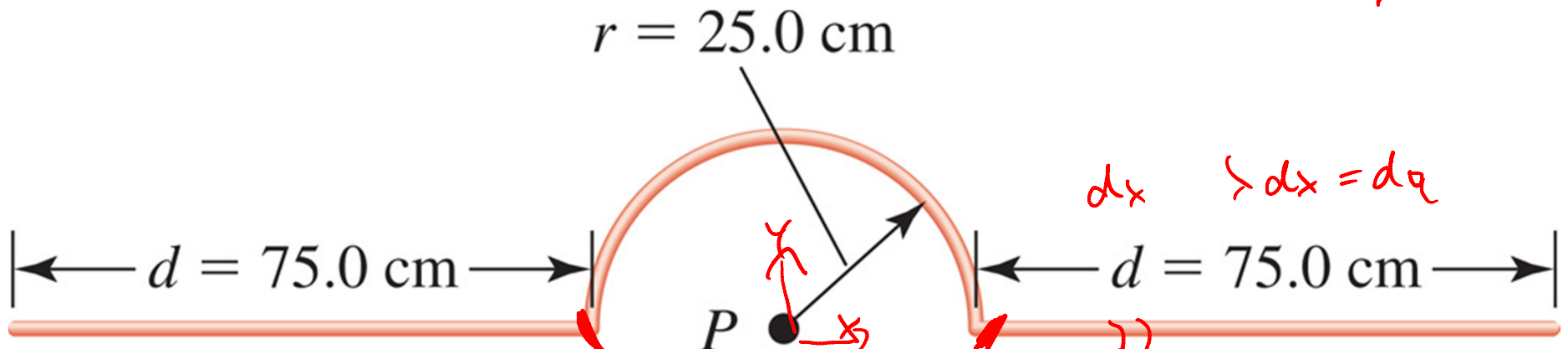
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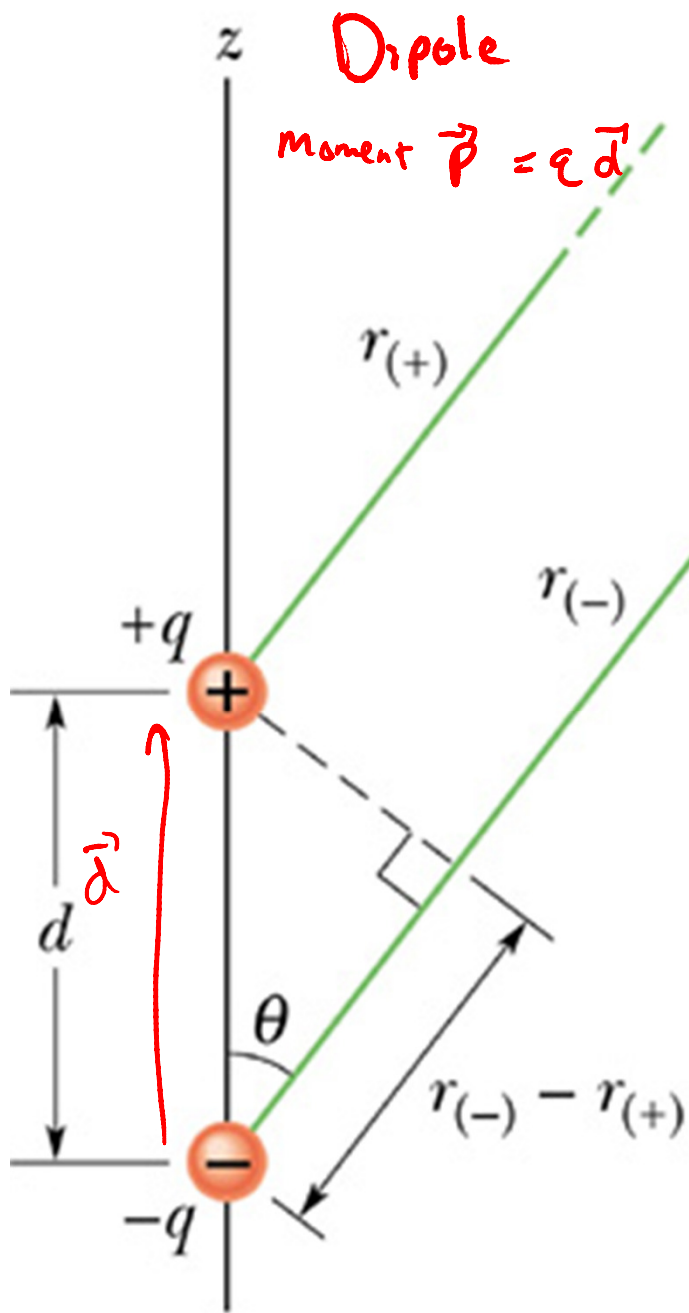
all  $dq$ 's same  $r$ !

$$\text{so, } V = \frac{kQ}{\sqrt{R^2 + x^2}}$$

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$$dV = \frac{k\lambda dx}{x}$$





Dipole

$$\text{moment } \vec{p} = q \vec{d}$$



$$V_{\text{TOT}} = V_+ + V_-$$

$$= \frac{k(-q)}{r_-} + \frac{kq}{r_+}$$

$$= kq \left( \frac{r_+ - r_-}{r_+ r_-} \right)$$

for  $r \gg d$  ( $r_- - r_+ \approx d \cos \theta$   
and  $r_- r_+ \approx r^2$ )

$$V(P) \approx \frac{kq (d \cos \theta)}{r^2} = \frac{k |\vec{p}| \cos \theta}{r^2}$$

$$V = \frac{k \vec{p} \cdot \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

(b)



The drawing shows four points surrounding an electric dipole.

Which one of the following expressions best ranks the electric potential at these four locations?

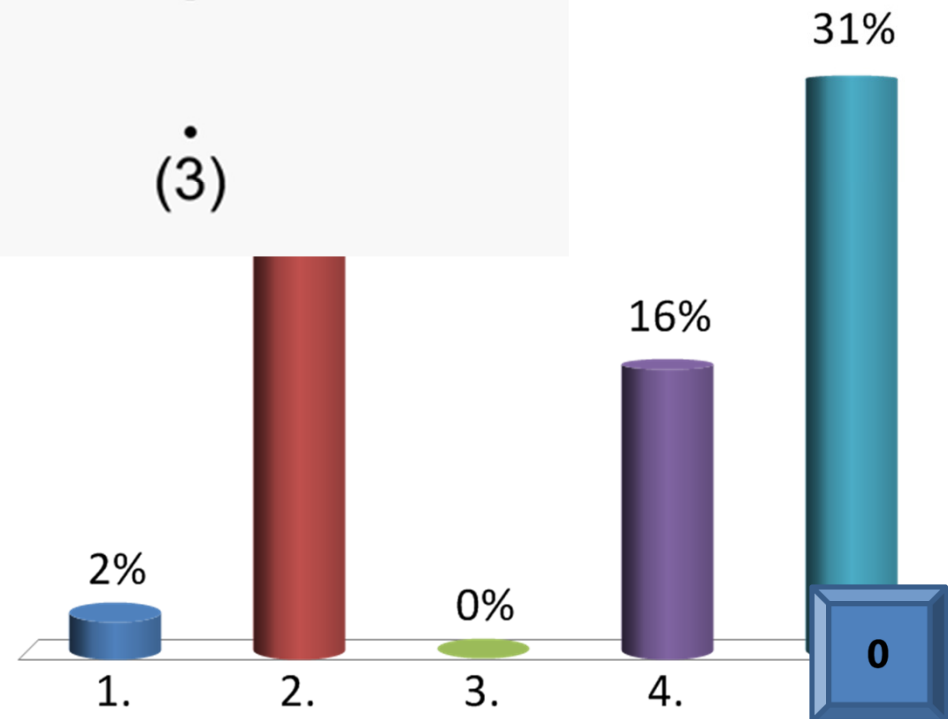
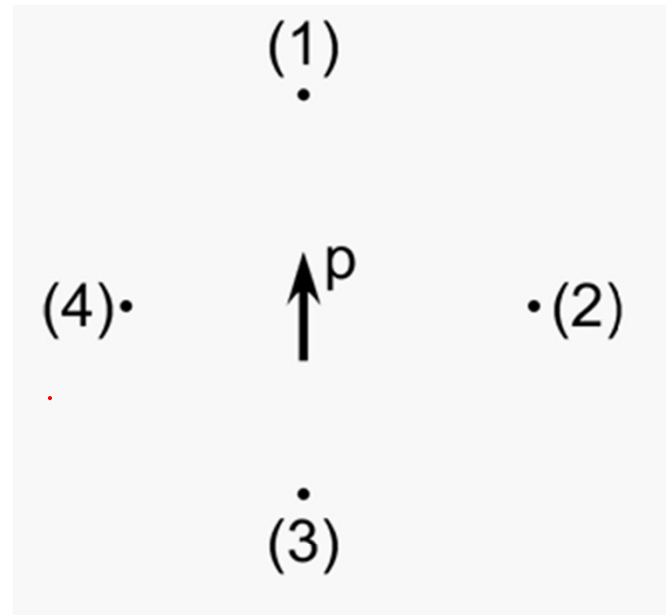
1.  $1 > 2 > 3 > 4$

✓ 2.  $1 > 2 = 4 > 3$

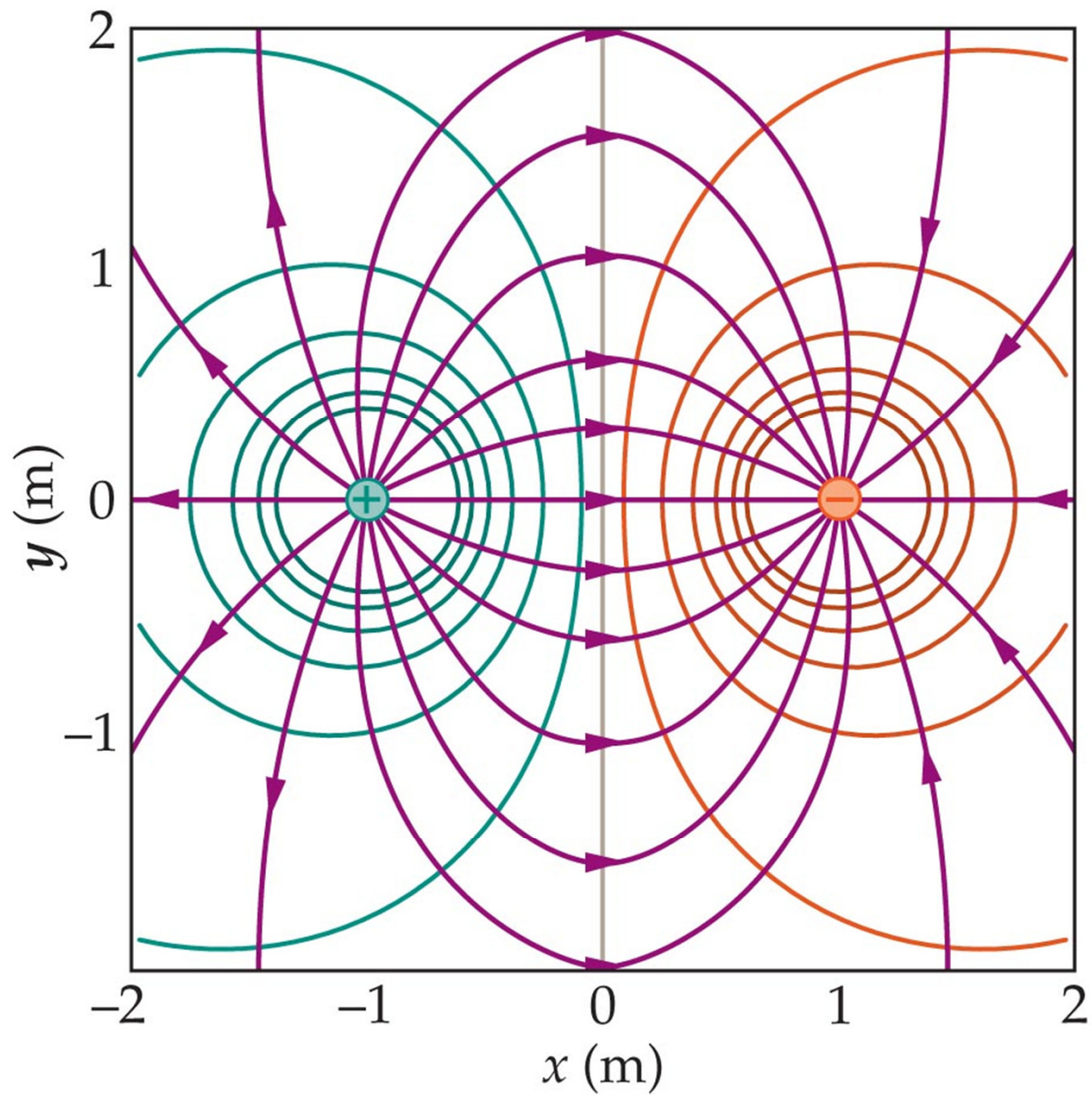
3.  $3 > 2 > 4 > 1$

4.  $3 > 2 = 4 > 1$

5.  $2 = 4 > 1 = 3$



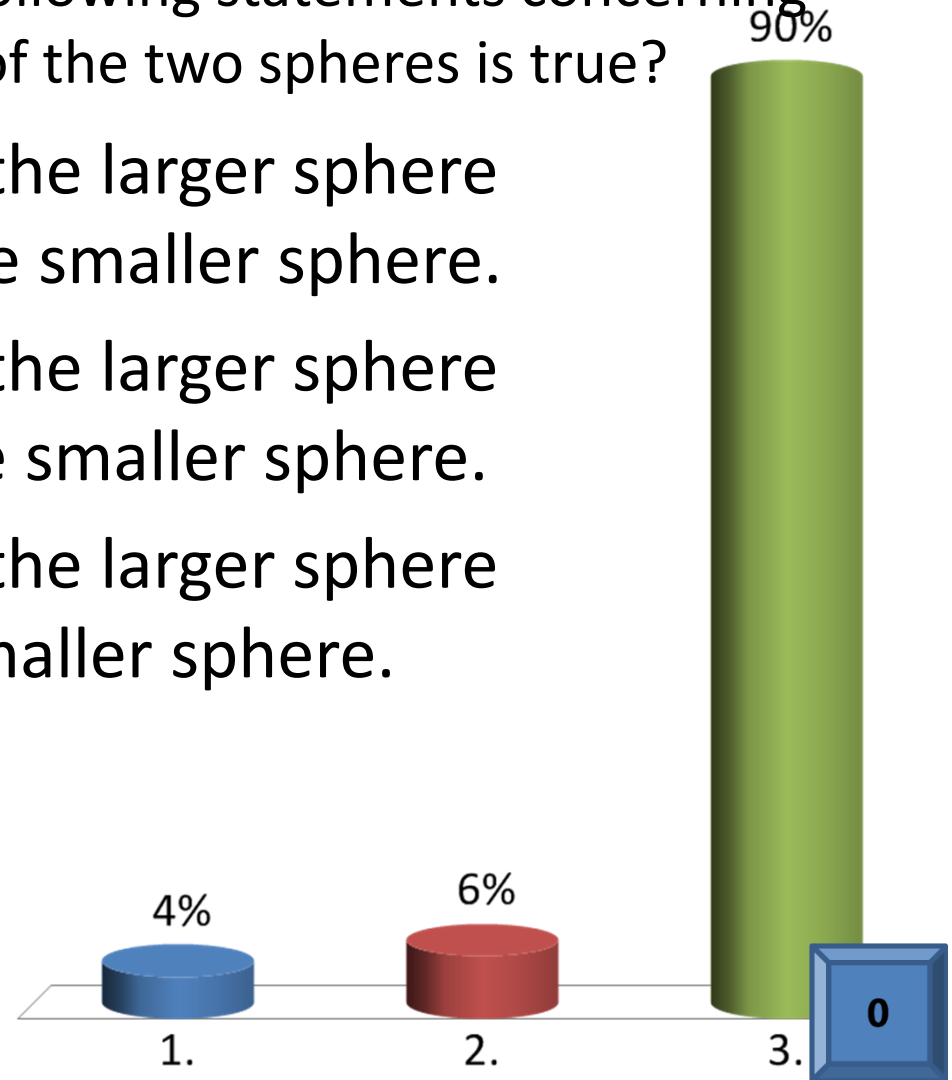
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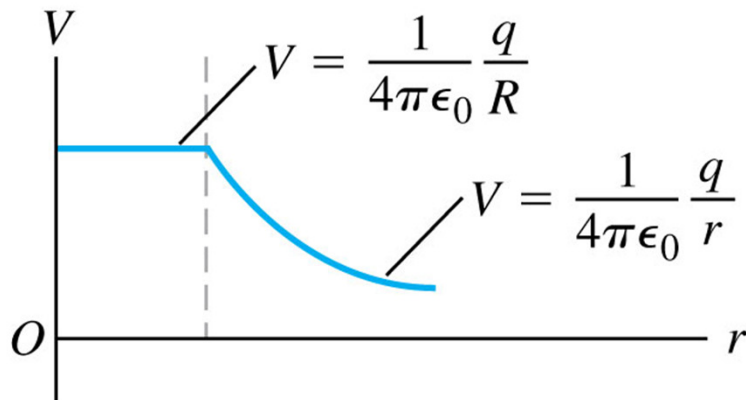
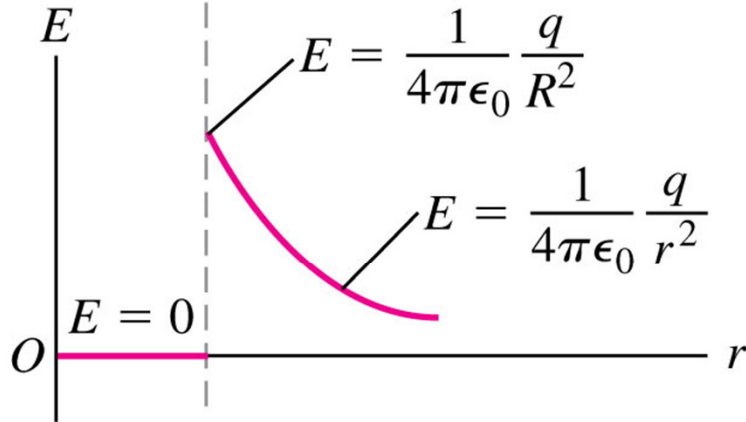
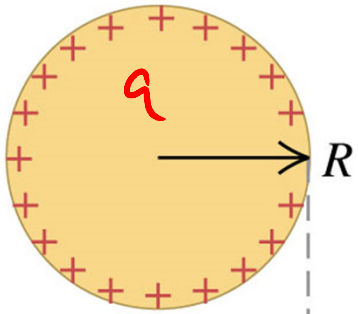
**(b)** Equipotentials for a dipole

Consider two conducting spheres with one having a larger radius than the other. Both spheres carry the same amount of excess charge. Which one of the following statements concerning the electric potential of the two spheres is true?

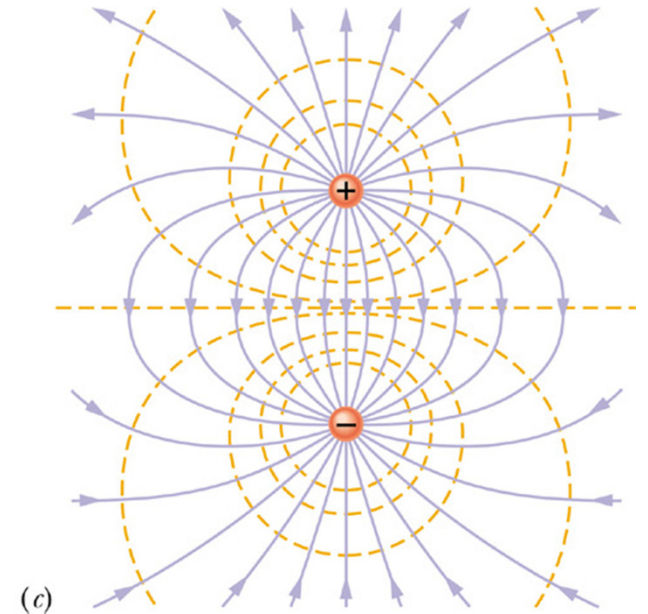
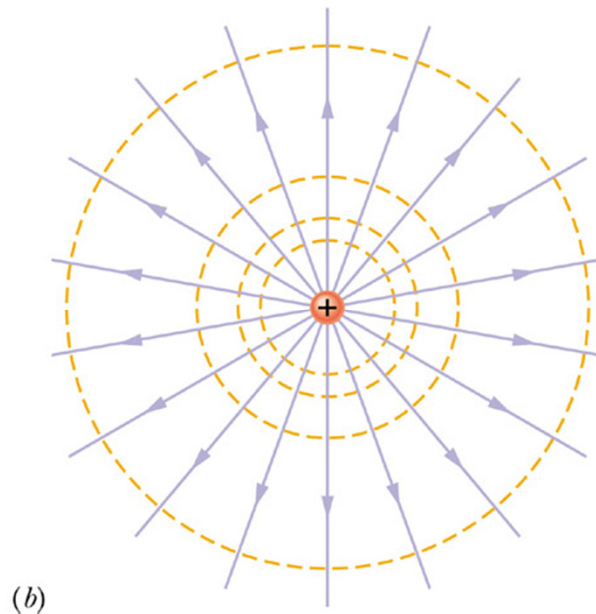
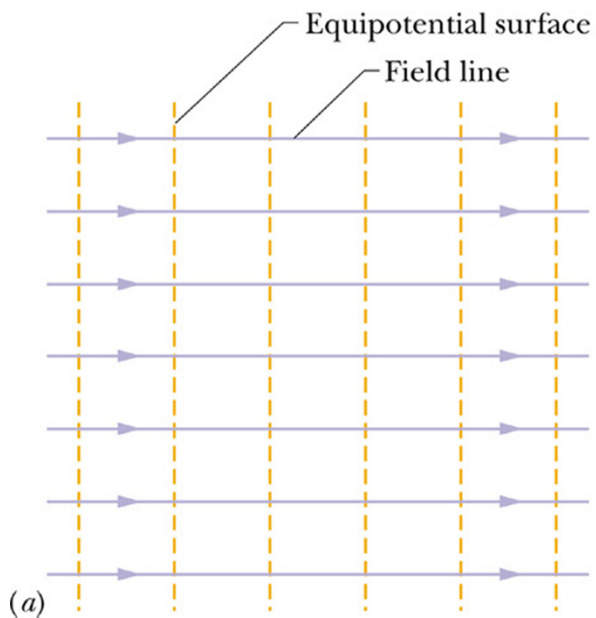
1. The electric potential of the larger sphere is greater than that of the smaller sphere.
2. The electric potential of the larger sphere is the same as that of the smaller sphere.
- ✓ 3. The electric potential of the larger sphere is less than that of the smaller sphere.



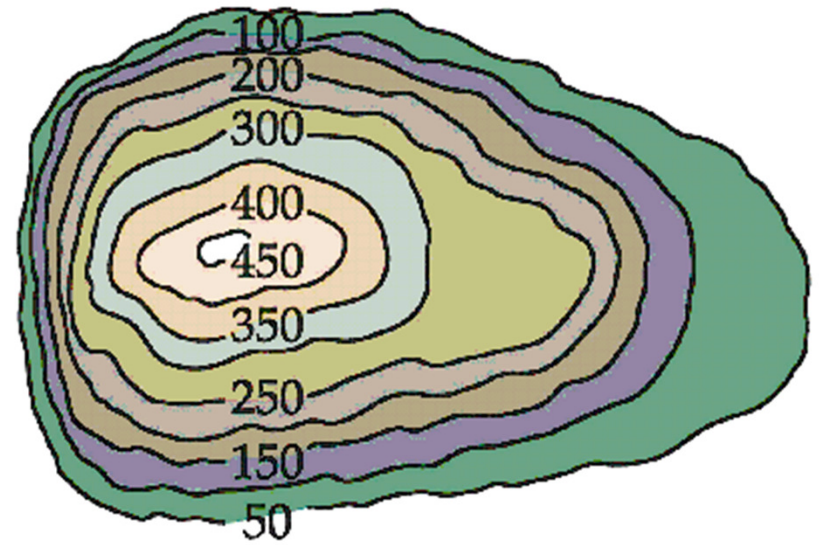
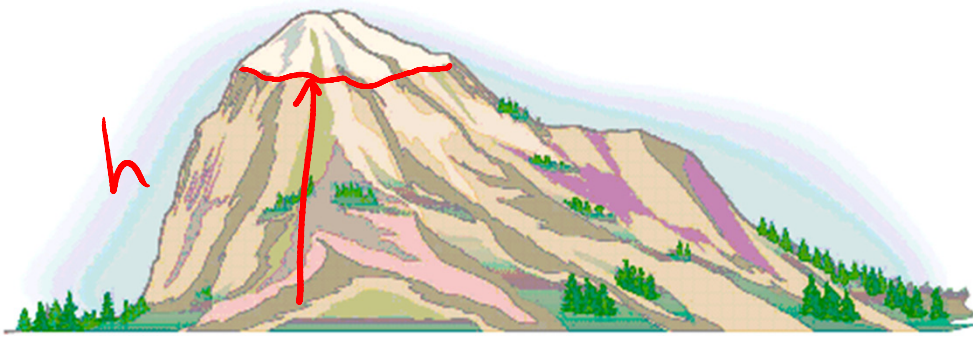
What if we charge a conducting sphere?



$\text{as } r \rightarrow \infty, V = 0$



See class website "links" page for some simulations to play with

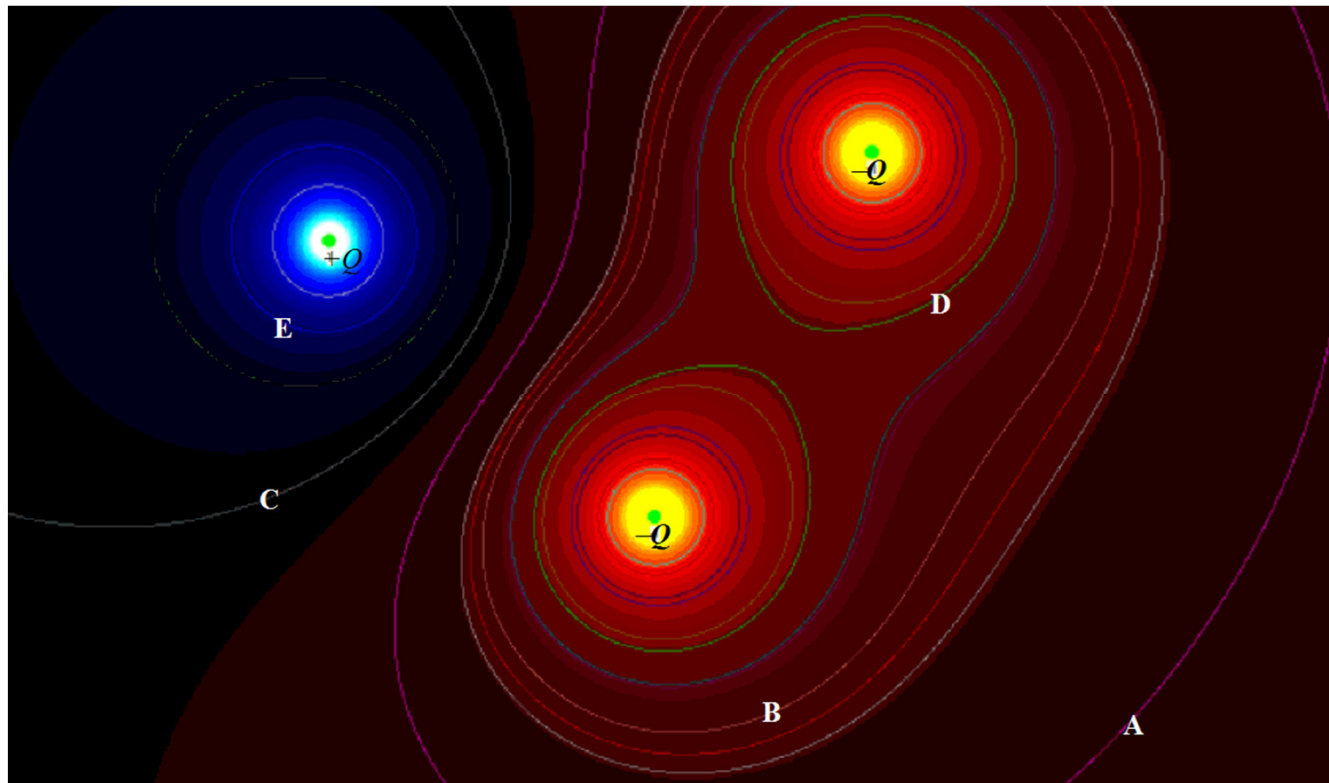


$$U_g = mgh$$

$$V_g = gh$$

Three point charges are of equal magnitude, but one is positive (blue) and two are negative (yellow). Some equipotential lines surrounding these charges are shown. At which of the points will an electron have the greatest electric potential energy? <sup>62%</sup>

1. A
2. B
3. C
- ✓ 4. D
5. E



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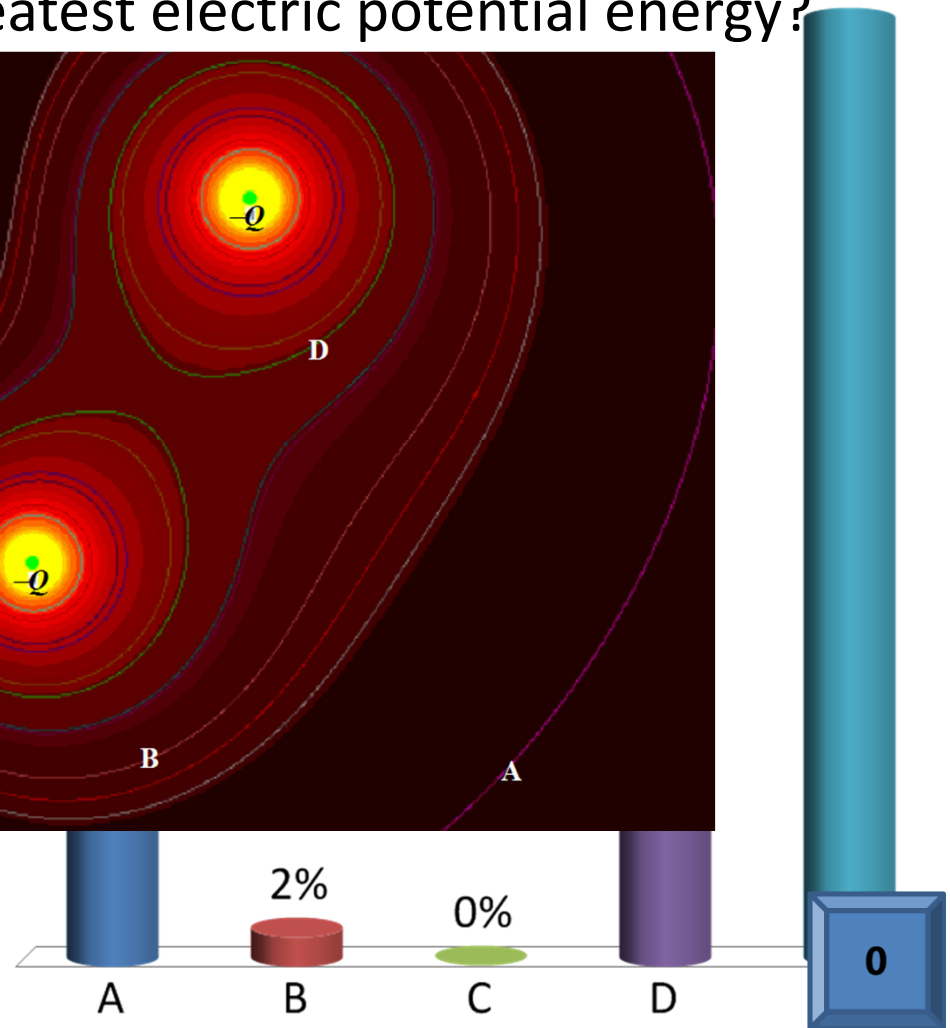
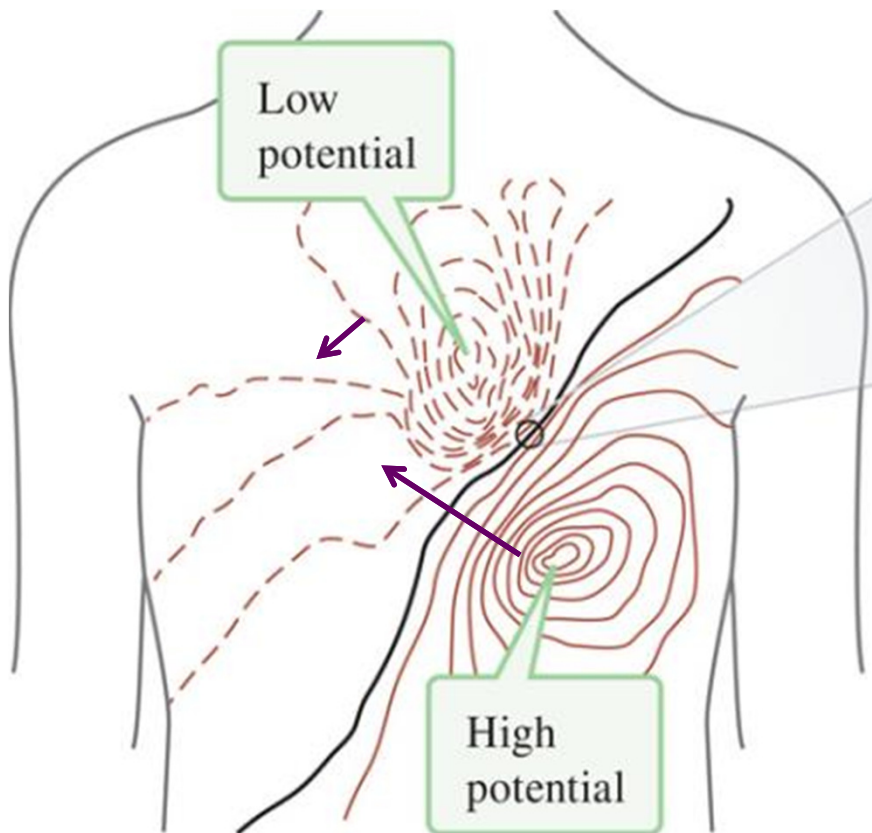


Fig.26.31



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

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

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

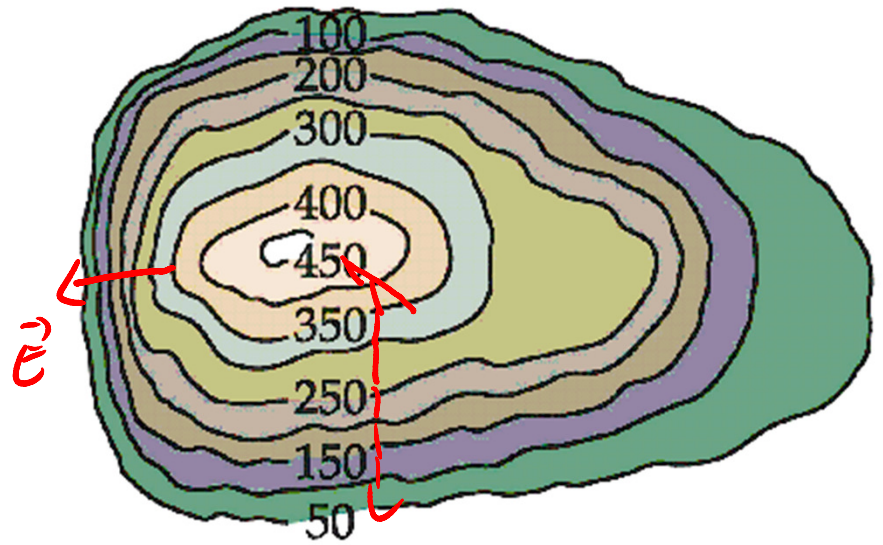
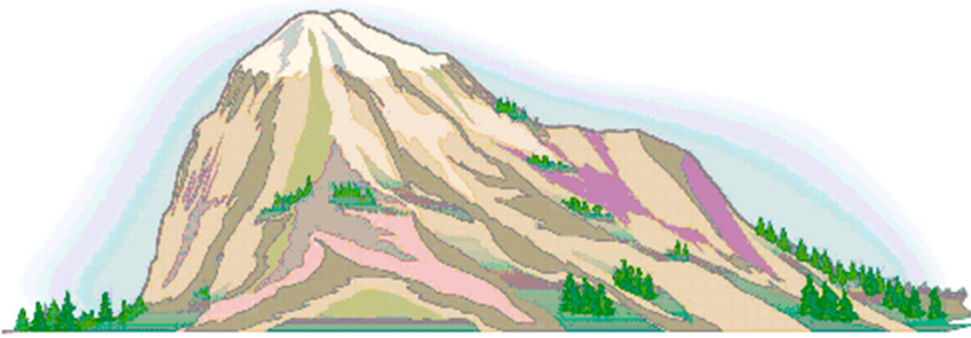
Take the derivative with respect to one variable, holding the others fixed.

Result: a vector perpendicular to equipotentials, pointing toward lower  $V$

For radial symmetry,  $E_r = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$

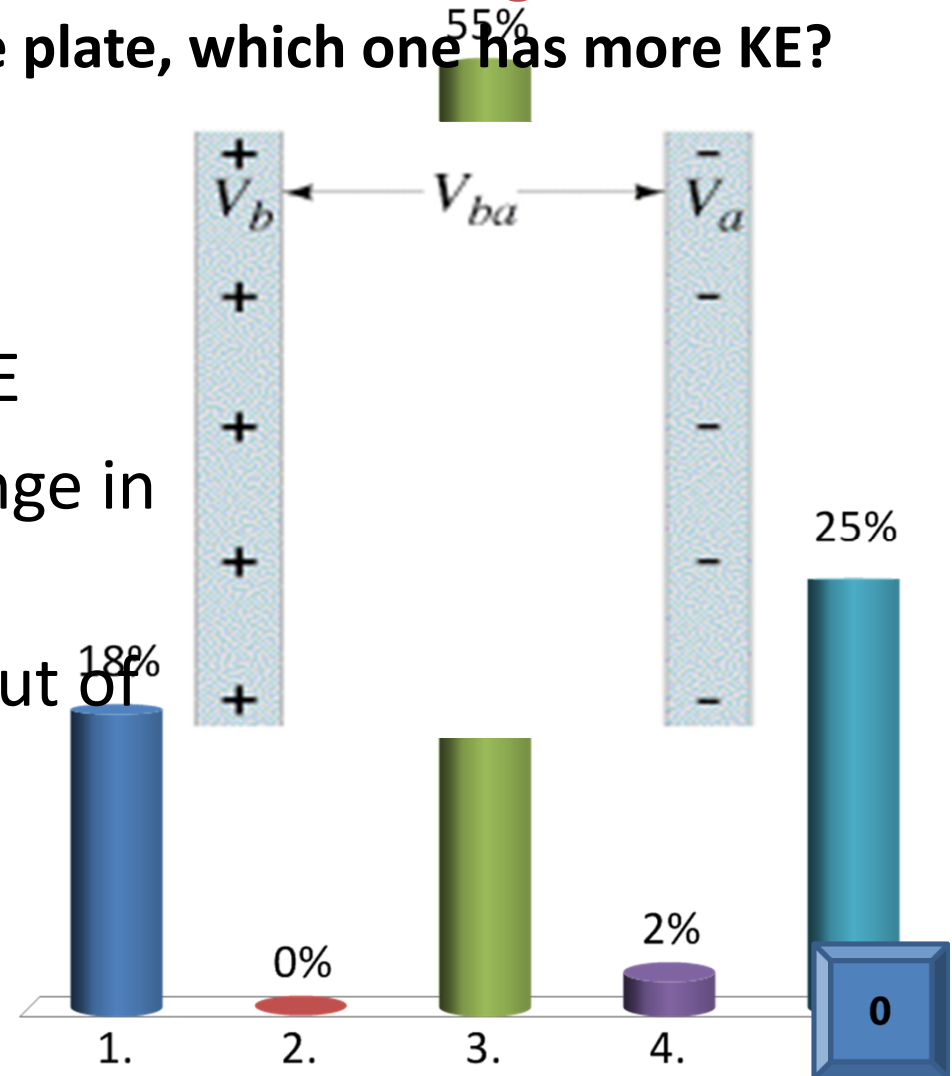


$$\vec{F} = \vec{E} \cdot q$$



A **proton** and an **electron** are in a constant electric field created by oppositely charged plates. You release the **proton** from the **positive** side and the **electron** from the **negative** side. When it strikes the opposite plate, which one has more KE?

1. Proton
2. Electron
- ✓ 3. Both acquire the same KE
4. Neither – there's no change in KE
5. Both have the same KE but of different signs



$$\Delta U = \Delta V \cdot q$$

conserve energy  $\Delta U \rightarrow \Delta K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$

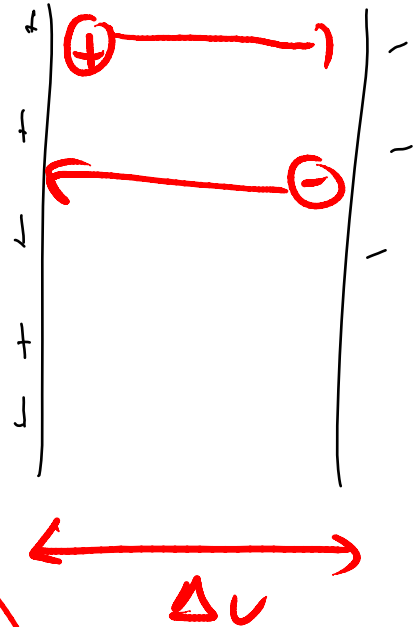
for proton  $\Delta V = V_f - V_i = -\Delta V$

$$\Delta U = -\Delta V(+e)$$

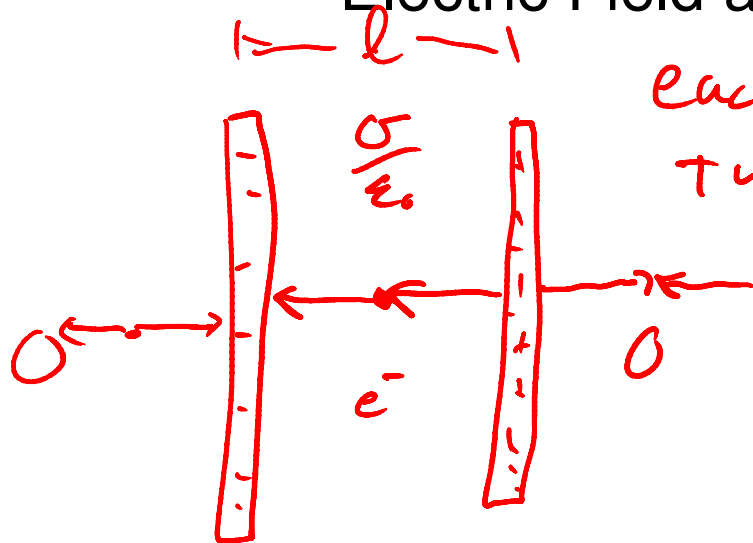
for electron  $\Delta V = V_f - V_i = +\Delta V$

$$\Delta U = \Delta V(-e) = -\Delta V e$$

$$\Delta U \rightarrow \Delta K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$



# Electric Field and Potential worksheet



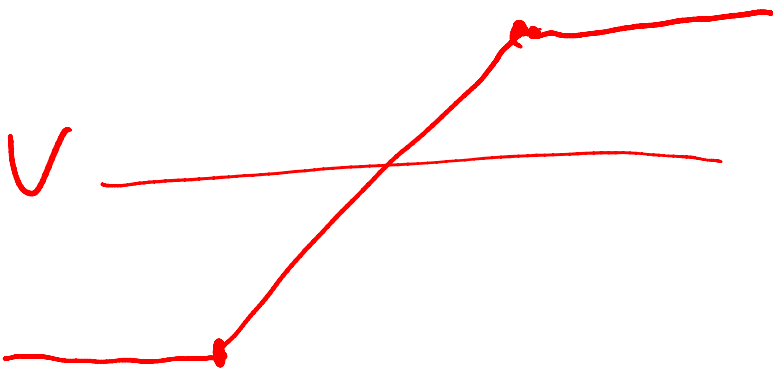
Each sheet makes  $\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} = E$

Two vectors add inside,  $E_{\text{tot}} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$

Two vectors cancel outside,  $E = 0$

$$\Delta \cdot q = \Delta U = -W = \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \int \vec{E} \cdot q d\vec{\ell}$$

$$\Delta V = \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \int dl = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} l$$

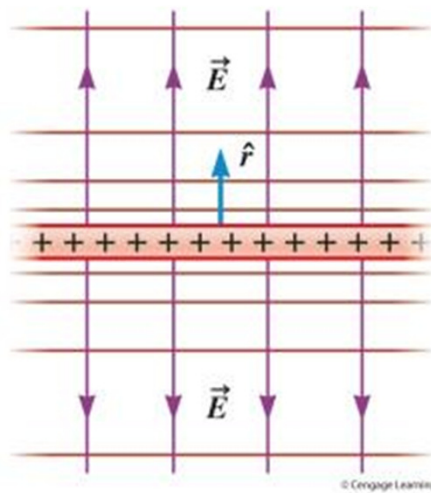
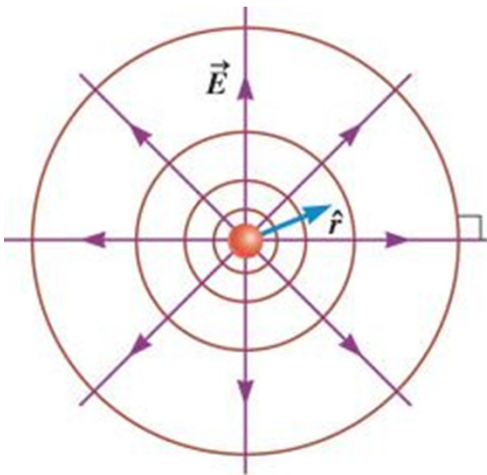


Example from Book:

Finding a  $V$  from an  $E$

# Electric potential near a long thin charged rod is related to its electric field

## EXAMPLE 26.12 Linear Symmetry



Find an expression for electric potential using the electric field,  $\vec{E}(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\lambda}{r} \hat{r}$

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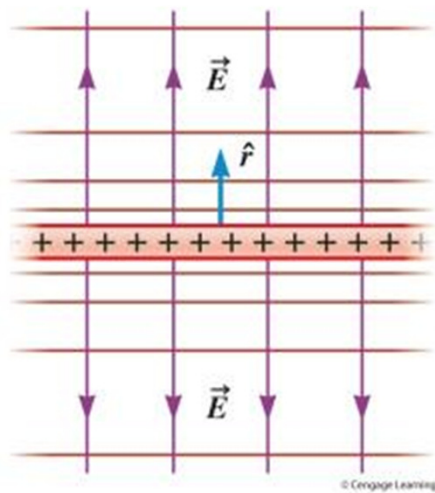
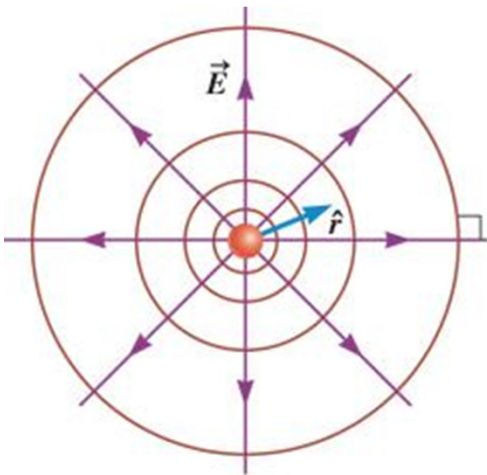
Field lines and equipotential surfaces are sketched—choose a path along  $E$ . Start at rod's radius  $R$ , call that  $V = 0$ . (All further potentials are negative.)

### SOLVE

$$\Delta V = - \int_{r_i=R}^{r_f} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} \quad \text{Choose } d\vec{r} = dr\hat{r}$$

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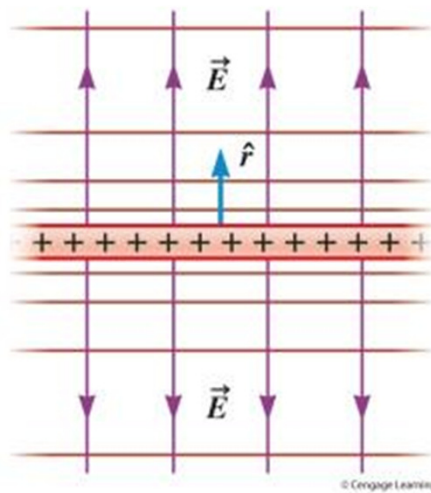
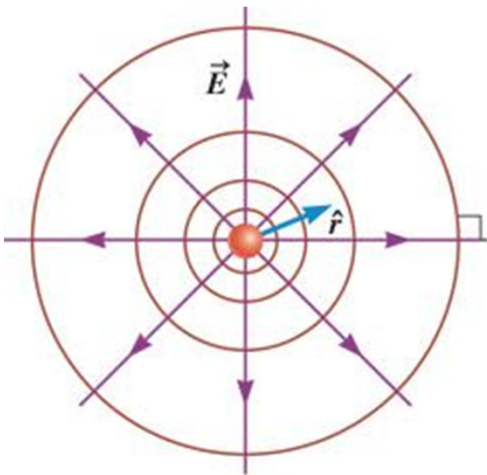
$$\Delta V = - \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{r_i=R}^{r_f} \frac{1}{r} dr (\hat{r} \cdot \hat{r})$$

$$V(r_f) - 0 = - \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} [\ln(r_f) - \ln(R)]$$

$$V(r) = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{R}{r}\right)$$

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CHECK and THINK

$$V(r) = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{R}{r}\right)$$

Find electric field... is it  $\vec{E}(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\lambda}{r} \hat{r}$ ?

$$E_r = -\frac{\partial V(r)}{\partial r} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{R}{r}\right) \right]$$

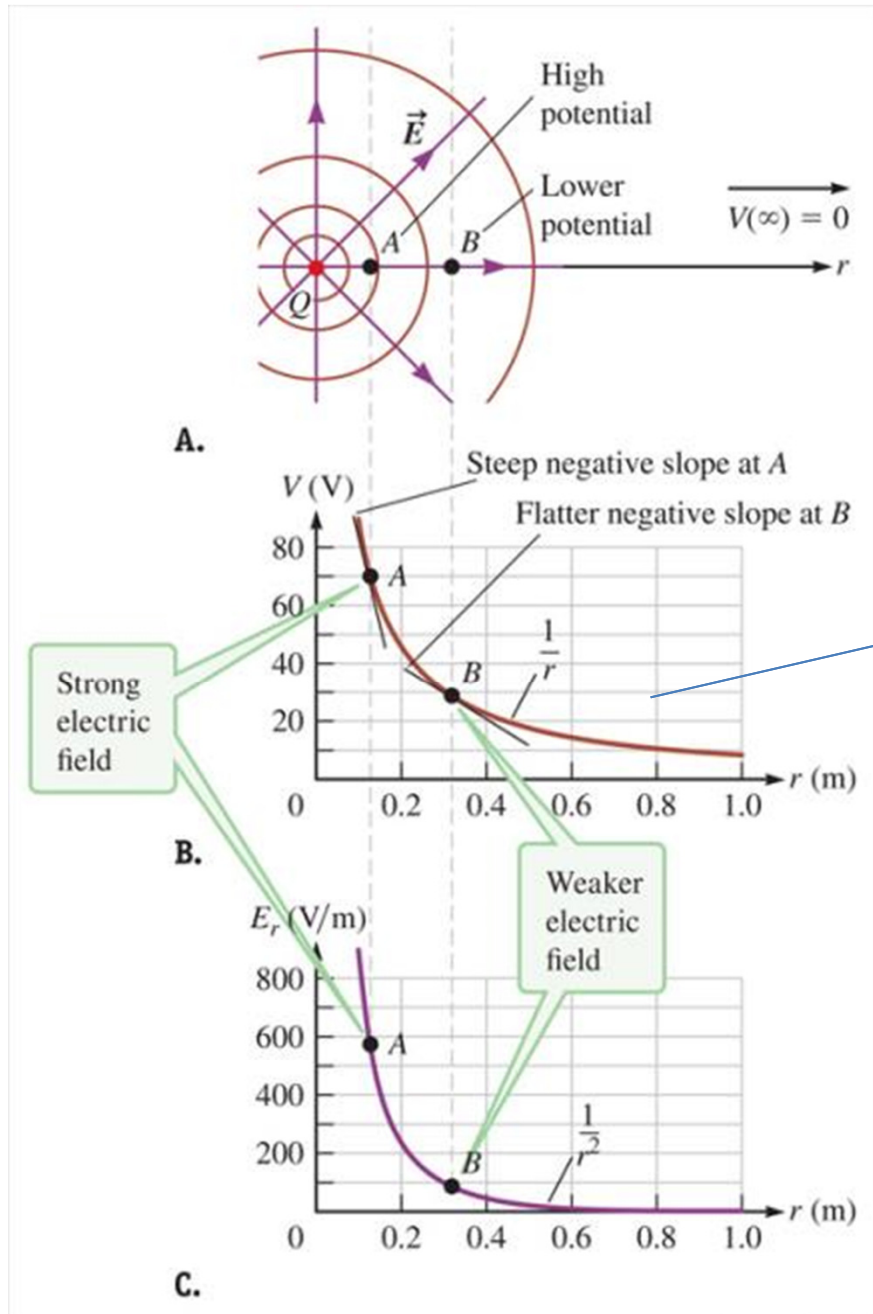
$$E_r = -\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} [\ln(R) - \ln(r)]$$

$$E_r = -\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ 0 - \frac{1}{r} \right]$$

$$E_r = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r}$$



# Field and potential are paired by calculus, as seen on graphs



Slope of the potential versus  $r$  graph is the negative of the electric field