PHYS 1441 – Section 001 Lecture #6

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- Chapter 22
 - Electric Flux
 - Gauss' Law with Multiple Charges
- Chapter 23
 - Electric Potential Energy
 - Electric Potential due to Point Charges



Announcements

- Online Quiz #2 on Quest
 - Beginning of class this Thursday, June 18
 - Covers: CH22.1 through what we finish tomorrow, Wed., 6/17
 - BYOF: You may bring a one 8.5x11.5 sheet (front and back) of handwritten formulae and values of constants for the exam
 - No derivations, word definitions or setups or solutions of any problems!
 - No additional formulae or values of constants will be provided!
 - Must send me the photos of front and back of the formula sheet, including the blank, no later than 10am Monday morning
 - Once submitted, you cannot change, unless I ask you to delete some part of the sheet!
- Term 1 results
 - Class average: 60/96
 - Equivalent to 62.5/100
 - Stop score: 90/96

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Reminder: SP#2 – Angels & Demons

- Compute the total possible energy released from an annihilation of xgrams of anti-matter and the same quantity of matter, where x is the last two digits of your SS# or DL#. (20 points)
 - Use the famous Einstein's formula for mass-energy equivalence
- Compute the power output of this annihilation when the energy is released in x ns, where x is again the first two digits of your SS# or DL#. (10 points)
- Compute how many cups of gasoline (8MJ) this energy corresponds to.
 (5 points)
- Compute how many months of world electricity usage (3.6GJ/mo) this energy corresponds to. (5 points)
- Due by the beginning of the class Wednesday, June. 17
 - All pages must be in one PDF file with the name SP2-first-last-summer20.pdf in an email with the subject "Special Project 2, PHYS1444"



Electric Flux Recap

- The electric flux is defined as $\Phi_E = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}$. (What kind? poll 1)
 - Electric flux can be interpreted as the total amount of field that passes through the area perpendicular to the field and is proportional to the field strength for the given surface area.
- Then the electric flux through the surface are defined as

 $\Phi_E = \int \vec{E}_i \cdot d\vec{A} \quad \text{open surface}$

 $\Phi_E = \oint \vec{E}_i \cdot d\vec{A} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{enclosed} \\ \text{surface} \end{array}$

- For the line coming into the volume, $|\theta| > \pi/2$ and $\cos\theta < 0$. The flux Φ_E is negative.
- For the line leaving the volume, $|\theta| < \pi/2$ and $\cos\theta > 0$. The flux Φ_E is positive.

dA

 $\theta(>\frac{\pi}{2})$

 $d\mathbf{A} \theta(<\frac{\pi}{2})$

E

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- If Φ_E >0, there is net flux out of the volume.
- If $\Phi_{\rm E}$ <0, there is flux into the volume.
- What can change the flux? (Poll 6)

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Gauss' Law

• Let's consider the case in the figure below.



• What are the results of the closed integral of the Gaussian surfaces A₁ and A₂? (poll 4)

- For A₁
$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{+q}{\varepsilon_0}$$

- For A₂ $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{-q'}{\varepsilon_0}$



Coulomb's Law from Gauss' Law

- Let's consider a charge Q enclosed inside our imaginary Gaussian surface of sphere of radius r.
 - Since we can choose any surface enclosing the charge, we choose the simplest possible one! ^(C)
- The surface is symmetric about the charge.
 - What does this tell us about the field E?
 - Have the same magnitude (uniform) at any point on the surface
 - Points radially outward parallel to the area vector dA.
- The Gaussian integral can be written as

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \oint E \, dA = E \oint dA = E \left(4\pi r^2\right) = \frac{Q_{encl}}{\varepsilon_0} = \frac{Q}{\varepsilon_0}$$

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$$E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r^2}$$

Electric Field of
Coulomb's Law

Solve

Gauss' Law from Coulomb's Law

- Let's consider a single static point charge Q surrounded by an imaginary spherical surface.
- Coulomb's law tells us that the electric field at a spherical surface of radius r is $E = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2}$
 - Performing a closed integral over the surface, we obtain

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \oint \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r} \cdot d\vec{A} = \oint \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} dA$$
$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \oint dA = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} (4\pi r^2) = \frac{Q}{\varepsilon_0}$$
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Gauss' Law from Coulomb's Law Irregular Surface

- Let's consider the same single static point charge Q surrounded by a symmetric spherical surface A₁ and a randomly shaped surface A₂.
- What is the difference in the total number of field lines due to the charge Q, passing through the two surfaces?
 - None. What does this mean?
 - The total number of field lines passing through the surface is the same no matter what the shape of the enclosed surface is.

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- So we can write: $\oint_{A_1} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \oint_{A_2} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q}{\varepsilon_0}$
- What does this mean?
 - The flux due to the given enclosed charge is the same independent of the shape of the surface enclosing it is. \rightarrow Gauss' law, $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q}{\varepsilon_0}$, is valid for any surface surrounding a single point charge Q.

Gauss' Law w/ more than one charge

- Let's consider several charges inside a closed surface.
- For each charge, Q_i inside the chosen closed surface,

$$\oint \vec{E}_i \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_i}{\varepsilon_0}$$
What is E_i ?
The electric field produced by Q_i alone!

• Since electric fields can be added vectorially, following the superposition principle, the total field **E** is equal to the sum of the fields due to each charge $\vec{E} = \sum \vec{E_i}$ and any external fields. So

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \oint \left(\vec{E}_{ext} + \sum \vec{E}_i\right) \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{\sum Q_i}{\mathcal{E}_0} = \frac{Q_{encl}}{\mathcal{E}_0}$$
The total enclosed charge!

The value of the flux depends only on the charge enclosed in the surface!! → Gauss' law.



So what is Gauss' Law good for?

- Derivation of Gauss' law from Coulomb's law is only valid for <u>static electric charge</u>.
- Electric field can also be produced by changing magnetic fields.
 - Coulomb's law cannot describe this field while Gauss' law is still valid
- Gauss' law is more general than Coulomb's law.
 - Can be used to obtain electric field, forces or obtain charges

Gauss' Law: Any <u>differences</u> between the input and output flux of the electric field over any enclosed surface is due to the charge inside that surface!!!



Solving problems with Gauss' Law

- 1. Identify the symmetry of the charge distributions
- 2. Draw an appropriate Gaussian surface, making sure it passes through the point you want to know the electric field
- 3. Use the symmetry of charge distribution to determine the direction of E at the point of the Gaussian surface
- 4. Evaluate the flux
- 5. Calculate the enclosed charge by the Gaussian surface
 - Ignore all the charges outside the Gaussian surface
- 6. Equate the flux to the enclosed charge and solve for E



Example 22 – 2

Flux from Gauss' Law: Consider two Gaussian surfaces, A_1 and A_2 , shown in the figure. The onlycharge present is the charge +Q at the center of _____ surface A_1 . What is the net flux through each _____ surface A_1 and A_2 ? (Poll 5)

- The surface A₁ encloses the charge +Q, so from Gauss' law we obtain the total net flux
- The surface A₂ the charge, +Q, is outside the surface, so the total net flux is 0.





 $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{+Q}{\varepsilon_0}$ $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{0}{\varepsilon_0} = 0$

Example 22 – 6

Long uniform line of charge: A very long straight wire possesses a uniform positive charge per unit length, λ . Calculate the electric field a point near but outside the wire, far from the ends.



- Which direction do you think the field due to the charge on the wire is?
 - Radially outward from the wire, the direction of the radial vector **r**.
- Due to the cylindrical symmetry, the field is the same on the Gaussian surface of a cylinder surrounding the wire.
 - The end surfaces do not contribute to the flux at all. Why?
 - Because the field vector **E** is perpendicular to the surface vector d**A**.

• From Gauss' law $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = E \oint dA = E \left(2\pi rl \right) = \frac{Q_{encl}}{\varepsilon_0} = \frac{\lambda l}{\varepsilon_0}$ Solving for E $E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\varepsilon_0 r}$



A Brain Teaser of Electric Flux

- What would change the electric flux through a circle lying in the xz plane where the electric field is (10N/C)j? (poll 6)
 - 1. Changing the magnitude of the electric field
 - 2. Changing the surface area of the circle
 - 3. Tipping the circle so that it lies on a plane off the xz plane
 - 4. All of the above
 - 5. None of the above



Gauss' Law Summary

- The precise relationship between flux and the enclosed charge is given by Gauss' Law $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{encl}}{\varepsilon_0}$
 - ϵ_0 is the permittivity of free space in the Coulomb's law
- A few important points on Gauss' Law
 - Freedom to choose!!
 - The surface integral is performed over the value of **E** on a closed surface of your choice in any given situation.
 - Test of existence of electrical charge!!
 - The charge Q_{encl} is the net charge enclosed by the arbitrary closed surface of your choice.
 - Universality of the law!
 - It does NOT matter where or how much charge is distributed inside the surface. Gauss' law still applies!
 - The charge outside the surface does not contribute to Q_{encl} . Why?
 - The charge outside the surface might impact the field lines but not the total number of lines entering or leaving the surface.

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Electric Dipoles

- An electric dipole is the combination of two equal charges of opposite signs, +Q and –Q, separated by a distance *l*, which behaves as one entity.
- The quantity Q l is called the electric dipole moment and is represented by the symbol p.
 - The dipole moment is a vector quantity, p
 - The magnitude of the dipole moment is **Q***L* Unit? **C-m**
 - Its direction is from the negative charge to the positive charge.
 - Many of diatomic molecules like CO have a dipole moment. → These are referred as polar molecules.
 - Even if the molecule is electrically neutral, their sharing of electrons causes separation of charges
 - Symmetric diatomic molecules, such as O₂, do not have dipole moment.
 - The water molecule also has a dipole moment which is the vector sum of two dipole moments between Oxygen and each of Hydrogen atoms.

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Dipoles in an External Field

- Let's consider a dipole placed in a uniform electric field **E**.
- What do you think will happen to the dipole in the figure?
 - Force will be exerted on the charges.
 - The positive charge will get pushed toward right while the negative charge will get pulled toward left.
 - What is the net force acting on the dipole?
 - Zero
 - So will the dipole not move?
 - Yes, it will.
 - Why?
 - There is a torque applied on the dipole.

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Electric Field by a Dipole

 \mathbf{E}_{+}

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- Let's consider the case in the picture. (poll 7)
- There are fields by both the charges. So the total electric field by the dipole is $\vec{E}_{Tot} = \vec{E}_{+Q} + \vec{E}_{-Q}$
- The magnitudes of the two fields are equal

$$E_{+Q} = E_{-Q} = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{Q}{\left(\sqrt{r^2 + (l/2)^2}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2 + (l/2)^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2 + l^2/4}$$

- Now we must work out the x and y components of the total field.
 - Sum of the two y components is
 - Zero since they are the same but in opposite direction
 - So the magnitude of the total field is the same as the sum of the two x-components:

$$E = 2E_{+}\cos\phi = \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon_{0}}\frac{Q}{r^{2} + l^{2}/4}\frac{l}{2\sqrt{r^{2} + l^{2}/4}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_{0}}\frac{p}{\left(r^{2} + l^{2}/4\right)^{3/2}}$$
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Dipole Electric Field from Afar

• What happens when r>>l?.

$$E_D = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{p}{\left(r^2 + l^2/4\right)^{3/2}} \approx \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{p}{r^3} \quad (\text{when } r \gg l)$$

- Why does this make sense?
 - Since from a long distance, the two charges are very close so that the overall charge gets close to 0!!
 - This dependence works for the point not on the bisecting line as well



Electric Potential Energy

- Concept of energy is very useful solving mechanical problems
- Conservation of energy makes solving complex problems easier.
- When can the potential energy be defined? (what quantity? Poll 1)
 - Only for a conservative force.
 - The work done by a conservative force is independent of the path. What does it only depend on??
 - The difference between the initial and final positions
 - Can you give me an example of a conservative force?
 - Gravitational force
- Is the electrostatic force between two charges a conservative force?
 - Yes. Why?
 - The dependence of the force to the distance is identical to that of the gravitational force.
 - The only thing matters is the direct linear distance between the objects not the path.



Electric Potential Energy

- How would you define the change in electric potential energy $U_b U_a$?
 - The potential to work gained by the charge as it moves from point a to point b.
 - The negative work done on the charge by the electric force to move it from a to b.
- Let's consider an electric field between two parallel plates w/ equal but opposite charges
 - The field between the plates is uniform since the gap is small and the plates are infinitely long...
- What happens when we place a small charge, +q, on a point at the positive plate and let go?
 - The electric force will accelerate the charge toward the negative plate.
 - What kind of energy does this charged particle gain?
 - Kinetic energy





Electric Potential Energy

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- What does this mean in terms of energies?
 - The electric force is a conservative force.
 - Thus, the mechanical energy (K+U) is conserved under this force.
 - The positively charged object has only the electric potential energy (no KE) at the positive plate.
 - The electric potential energy decreases and
 - Turns into kinetic energy as the electric force works on the charged object, and the charged object gains speed.
- Point of the greatest potential energy for
 - Positively charged object
 - Negatively charged object

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Electric Potential

- How is the electric field defined?
 - Electric force per unit charge: F/q
- We can define electric potential (potential) as
 - The electric potential energy per unit charge
 - This is same as the voltage of a battery...
- Electric potential is written with the symbol V
 - If a positive test charge q has the potential energy U_a at the point *a*, the electric potential of the charge at that point is U

$$V_a = \frac{U_a}{q}$$



Electric Potential, cont'd

- Since only the difference in potential energy is meaningful, only the potential difference between two points is measurable
- What happens when the electric force does a "positive work"?
 - The charge gains kinetic energy
 - Electric potential energy of the charge decreases
- Thus the difference in potential energy is the same as the negative of the work, W_{ba} , done on the charge by the electric field to move the charge from point a to b.
- The potential difference V_{ba} is

$$V_{ba} = V_b - V_a = \frac{U_b - U_a}{q} = \frac{-W_{ba}}{q}$$

Electric potential is independent of the test charge!! Unit? (Poll 8)

A Few Things about the Electric Potential

- What does the electric potential depend on?
 - Other charges that creates the field
 - What about the test charge?
 - No, the electric potential is independent of the test charge
 - Test charge gains potential energy by existing in the potential created by other charges
- Which plate is at the higher potential?
 - Positive plate. Why?
 - Since positive charge has the greatest potential energy on it.
 - What happens to the positive charge if it is let go?
 - It moves from higher potential to lower potential
 - How about the negative charge?
 - Its potential energy is higher on the negative plate. Thus, it moves from negative plate to positive. <u>Potential difference is still the same</u>
- The unit of the electric potential is Volt (V).
- From the definition, 1V = 1J/C.

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Often the ground, a conductor connected to Earth, is zero.



Example 23 – 1

A negative charge: Suppose a negative charge, such as an electron, is placed at point *b* in the figure. If the electron is free to move, will its electric potential energy increase or decrease? How will the electric potential change?



- It will gain kinetic energy as it moves toward left, decreasing its potential energy.
- The electron, however, moves from the point *b* at a lower potential to point *a* at a higher <u>potential</u>. $\Delta V = V_a V_b > 0$.
- This is because the <u>potential is generated by the charges on</u> <u>the plates</u> not by the electron.



High -

potential

Low

potential

Electric Potential and Potential Energy

- What is the definition of the electric potential?
 - The potential energy difference per unit charge
- OK, then, how would you express the potential energy that a charge q would obtain when it is moved between point *a* and *b* with the potential difference V_{ba} ?

 $U_b - U_a = q \left(V_b - V_a \right) = q V_{ba}$

- In other words, if an object with charge q moves through a potential difference V_{ba} , its potential energy changes by qV_{ba} .
- So based on this, how differently would you describe the electric potential in words?
 - A measure of how much energy an electric charge can acquire in a given situation

- A measure of how much work a given charge can do.

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 $V_{ba} = \frac{U_b - U_a}{q}$

Comparisons of Potential Energies

• Let's compare gravitational and electric potential energies





(b)

- What are the potential energies of the rocks?
 mgh and 2mgh
- Which rock has a bigger potential energy?
 - The rock with a larger mass
- Why?
 - It's got a bigger mass.

What are the potential energies of the charges?

- ~ $\rm QV_{ba}$ and $\rm 2QV_{ba}$
- Which object has a bigger potential energy?
 - The object with a larger charge.
- Why?
 - It's got a bigger charge.

The potential is the same but the heavier rock or larger charge can do a greater work.

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Electric Potential and Potential Energy

- The electric potential difference gives potential energy or the possibility to perform work based on the charge of the object.
- So what is happening in a battery or a generator?
 - They maintain a potential difference.
 - The actual amount of energy used or transformed depends on how much charge flows.
 - What is the potential difference maintained by a car's battery?
 - 12Volts
 - If for a given period, 5C charge flows through the headlight lamp, what is the total energy transformed?
 - E_{tot}=5C*12V=60 Umm... What is the unit? **Joules**
 - If it is left on twice as long? E_{tot} =10C*12V=120J.



Some Typical Voltages

Sources	Approximate Voltage
Thundercloud to ground (~5km)	10 ⁸ V
High-Voltage Power Lines	10 ⁶ V
Power supply for TV tube	10 ⁴ V
Automobile ignition	10 ⁴ V
Household outlet	10 ² V
Automobile battery	12 V
Flashlight battery	1.5 V
Resting potential across nerve membrane	10 ⁻¹ V
Potential changes on skin (EKG and EEG)	10 ⁻⁴ V

In a typical lightening strike, 15C of electrons are released in $500\mu s$. What is the total kinetic energy of these electrons when they strike ground? What is the power released during this strike? What do you think will happen to a tree hit by this lightening?

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Example 23 – 2

Electrons in TV tube: Suppose an electron in the picture tube of a television set is accelerated from rest through a potential difference V_{ba} =+5000V. (a) What is the change in potential energy of the electron? (b) What is the speed of the electron (m=9.1x10⁻³¹kg) as a result of this acceleration? (c) Repeat for a proton (m=1.67x10⁻²⁷kg) that accelerates through a potential difference of V_{ba} =-5000V.



$$e = -1.6 \times 10^{-19} C$$

So what is the change of its potential energy?

 $\Delta U = qV_{ba} = eV_{ba} = \left(-1.6 \times 10^{-19} \, C\right) \left(+5000 V\right) = -8.0 \times 10^{-16} \, J$

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Example 23 – 2

- (b) Speed of the electron?
 - The entire potential energy of the electron turns to its kinetic energy. Thus the equation is

$$\Delta K = \frac{1}{2} m_e v_e^2 - 0 = W = -\Delta U = -eV_{ba} = -(-1.6 \times 10^{-19} C) 5000V = 8.0 \times 10^{-16} J$$
$$v_e = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times eV_{ba}}{m_e}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 8.0 \times 10^{-16}}{9.1 \times 10^{-31}}} = 4.2 \times 10^7 m/s$$

• (C) Speed of the proton?

$$\Delta K = \frac{1}{2} m_p v_p^2 - 0 = W = -\Delta U = -\left\{ \left(-e \right) \left(-V_{ba} \right) \right\} = -eV_{ba} = 8.0 \times 10^{-16} J$$

$$v_p = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times eV_{ba}}{m_p}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 8.0 \times 10^{-16}}{1.67 \times 10^{-27}}} = 9.8 \times 10^5 \, m/s$$
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