

PHYSICS 1B – Fall 2007



Electricity & Magnetism



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16.1 PART 2 & 16.2 ELECTRIC POTENTIAL (CONTINUED)

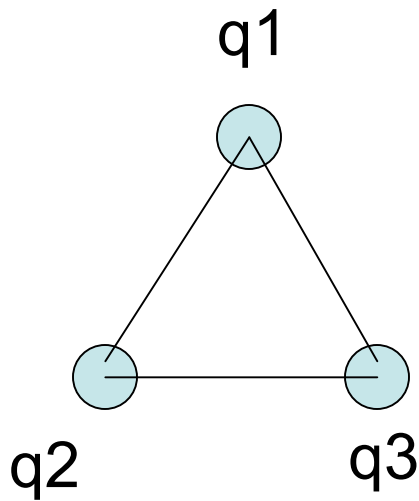
Quiz grades: on the web by 3 digit number

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If you DON'T know your 3 digit number.

Average was an 8 with a standard deviation of 2.

3 charges of 1×10^{-9} C are placed at the corners of an equilateral triangle. Each side of the triangle has a length of 1.0 cm. Find the work needed to bring the charges together from a long distance away.



PE due to Coulomb interaction

How many interactions? 3

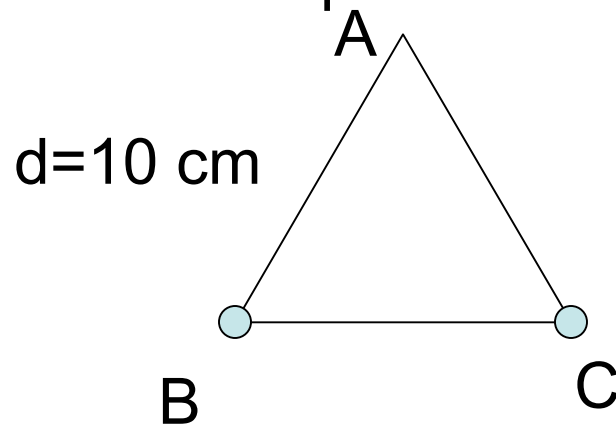
$$PE = PE_{12} + PE_{13} + PE_{23}$$

$$PE = 3 \frac{k_e q^2}{r}$$

$$PE = 3 \frac{9 \times 10^9 (1 \times 10^{-9})^2}{(0.01)^2} = 2.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$$

Two charges of $+q$ each are placed at corners of an equilateral triangle, with sides of 10 cm. The Electric field due to each charge is 100 V/m at A.

What is the potential at A?



- A. 10V
- B. 100V
- C. 1000V

$$V_{\text{total}} = V_{BA} + V_{CA} = 2V = 20\text{ V}$$

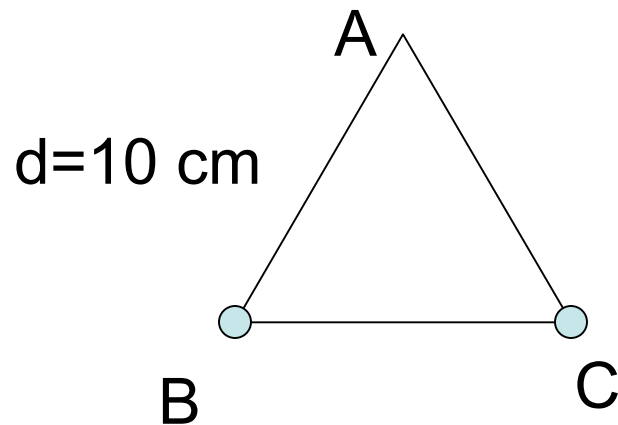
Potential is a scalar

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$$V = Er = 100(0.1) = 10\text{V}$$



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V at A due to each charge

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$$V = \frac{k_e q}{r}$$

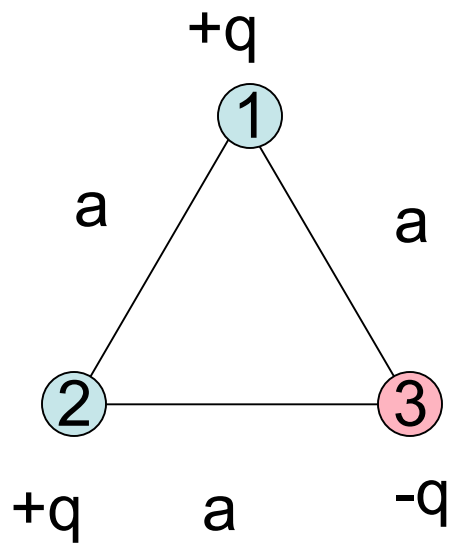
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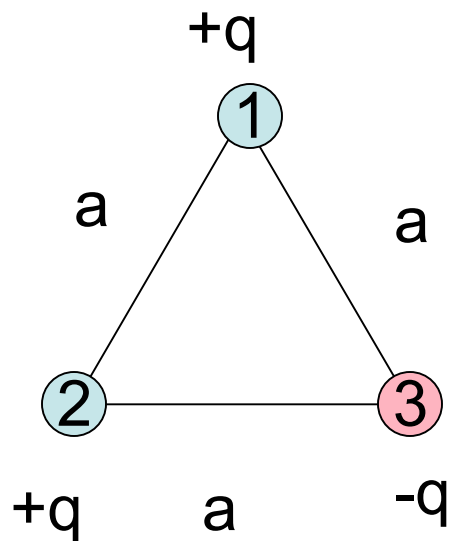
How many positive?

How many negative?

Write your answer as "123" for example



The following charges are brought together from a large distance away. What is the change in PE? Is the charge distribution stable? (i.e. does it have a negative PE)



How many interactions? 3

How many positive? 1

How many negative? 2

What is the total change in PE?

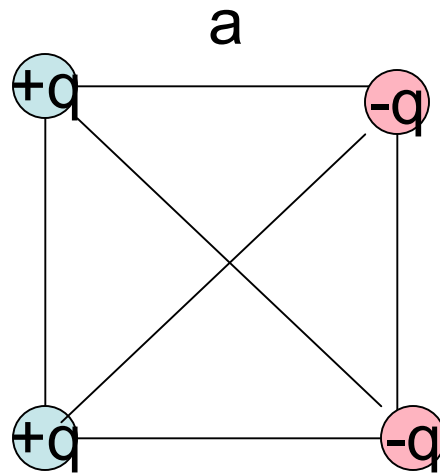
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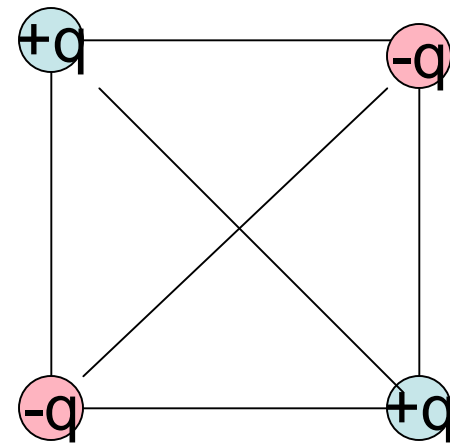
STABLE

Which of the charge distributions is the most stable?
(has the lowest PE)

$$PE_0 = \frac{k_e q^2}{a}$$



A. This one



B. This one

STABLE

PE_0	+2	-2
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$PE_0/\sqrt{2}$		-2
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$$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} PE_0 = -1.4 PE_0$$

		-4
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		+2
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$$\left(-4 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}\right) PE_0 = -2.6 PE_0$$



Total PE

Potential energy due to 2 point charges

$$PE = q_1 V_2 = q_2 V_1$$

q_1

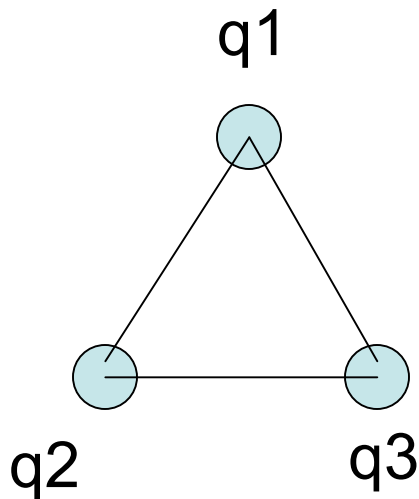
q_2

$$PE = \frac{k_e q_1 q_2}{r}$$

$$PE = 0 \quad \text{at } r = \infty$$

Potential energy and Potential are Scalar
(not Vector) quantities

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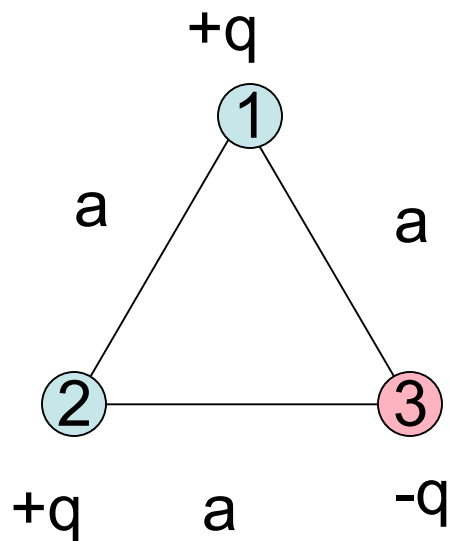
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Unstable compared to infinite distance

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What is the total change in PE?

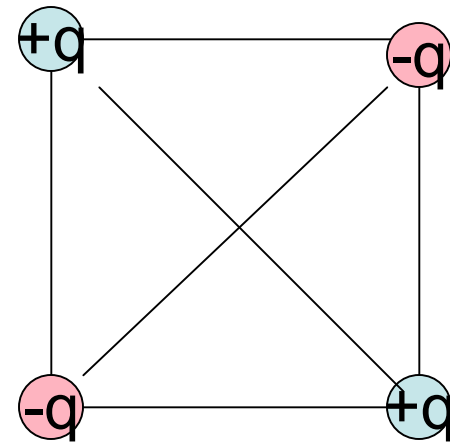
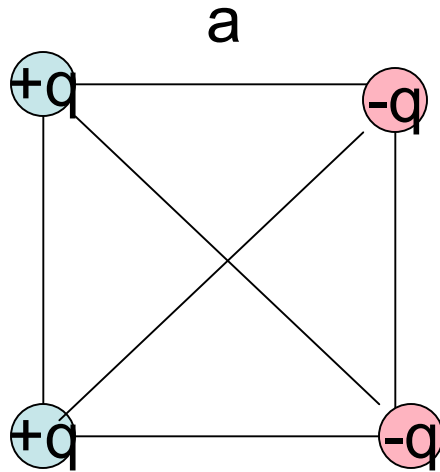
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STABLE compared to infinite distance

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$$PE_0 = \frac{k_e q^2}{a}$$



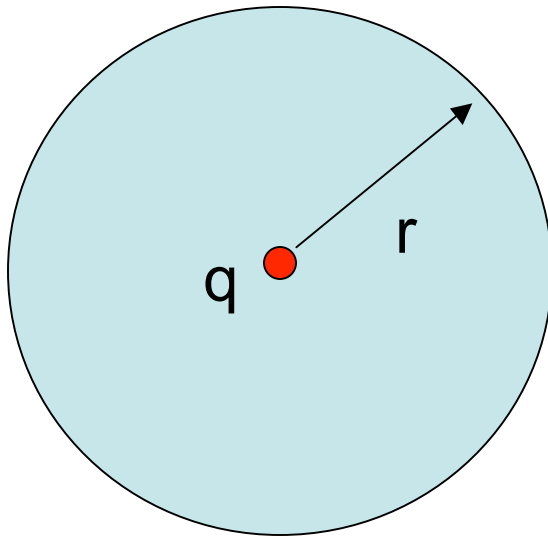
	#+V?	#-V?		#+V?	#-V?
PE_0	+2	-2		+2	-4
$PE_0/\sqrt{2}$		-2		+2	
Total PE	$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}PE_0 = -1.4PE_0$			$(-4 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}})PE_0 = -2.6PE_0$ more stable	

16.2 Equipotentials

Equipotential surfaces

Equipotential Surface - positions in space at which the electrical potentials are equal

Example 1- A sphere centered around a point charge



Every point on the surface of the sphere of radius r has the same potential

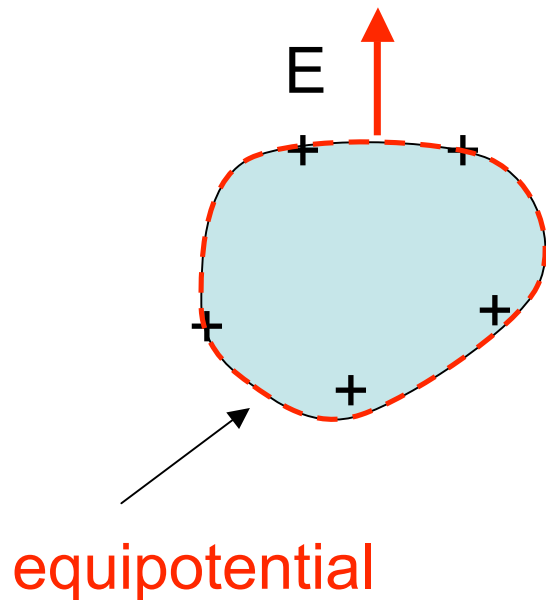
$$V = \frac{k_e q}{r}$$

The surface of the sphere is an **equipotential surface**

Equipotential surface-

Example 2: a charged conductor

The surface of a conductor is an **equipotential surface**.



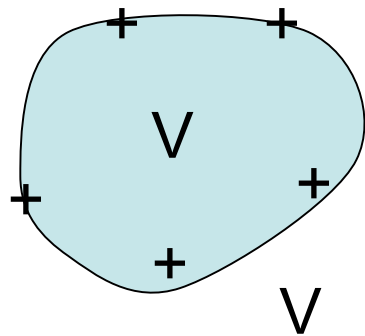
E field is perpendicular to the surface.

Component of $E = 0$ parallel to the surface

$$\Delta V = Ed = 0$$

Thus, No change in potential along the surface

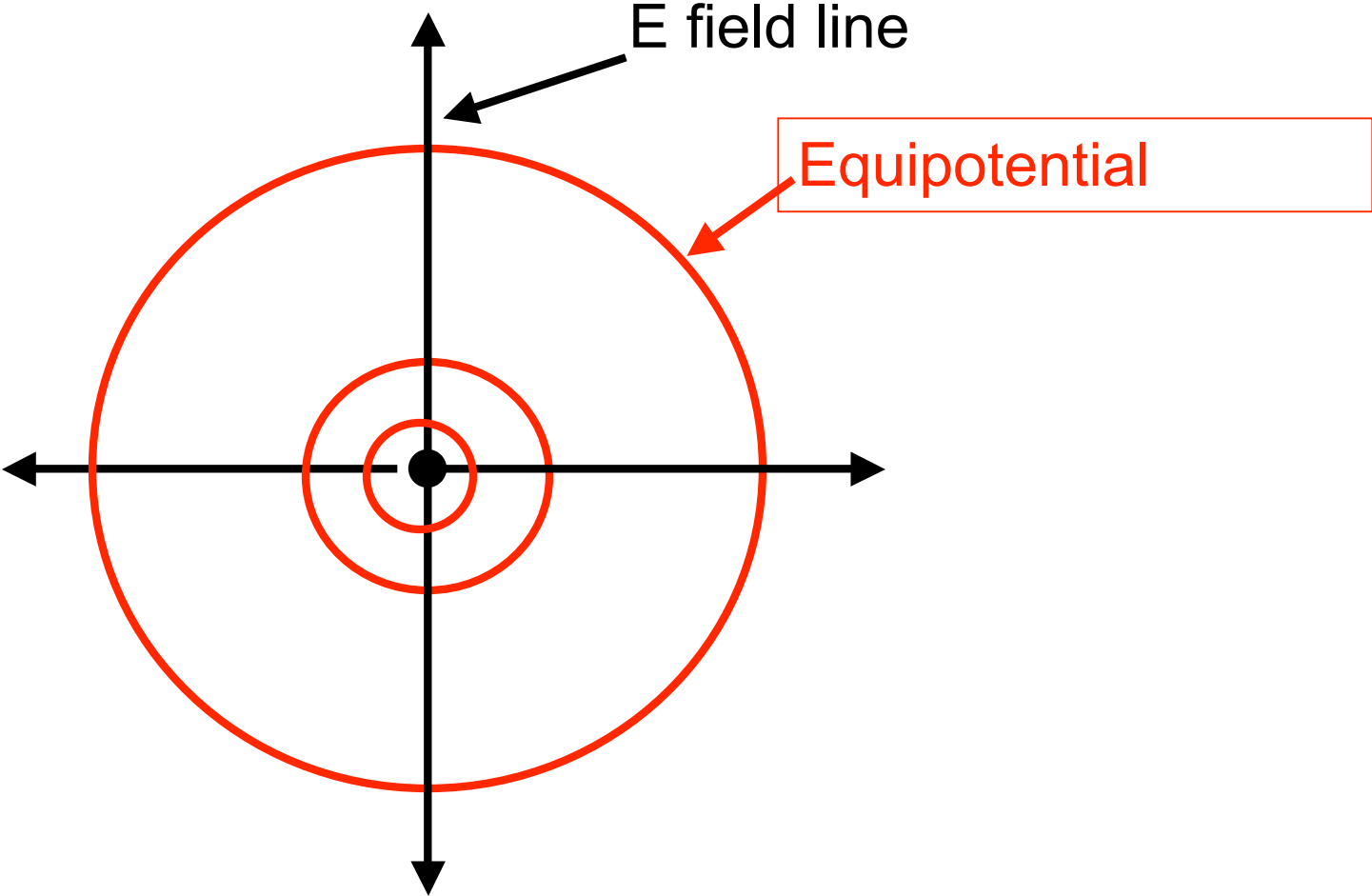
The interior of the conductor is an **equipotential** and at the same potential as the surface.



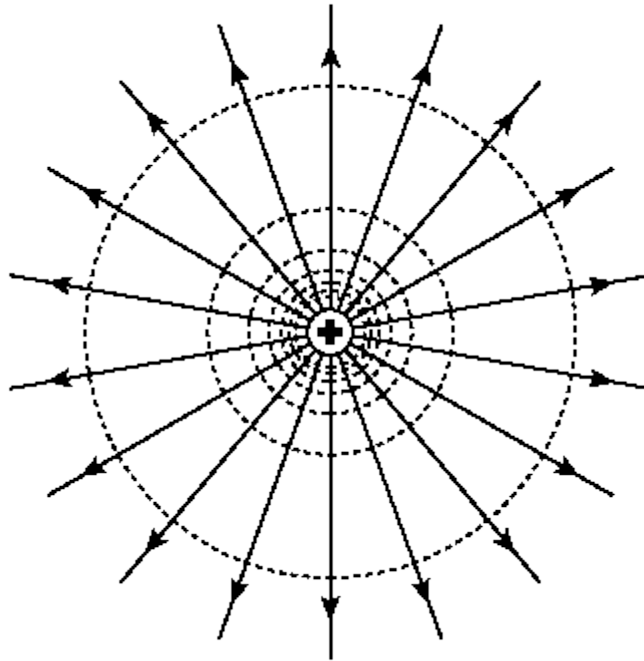
$E=0$ in the conductor

Thus, the potential doesn't change from the surface potential

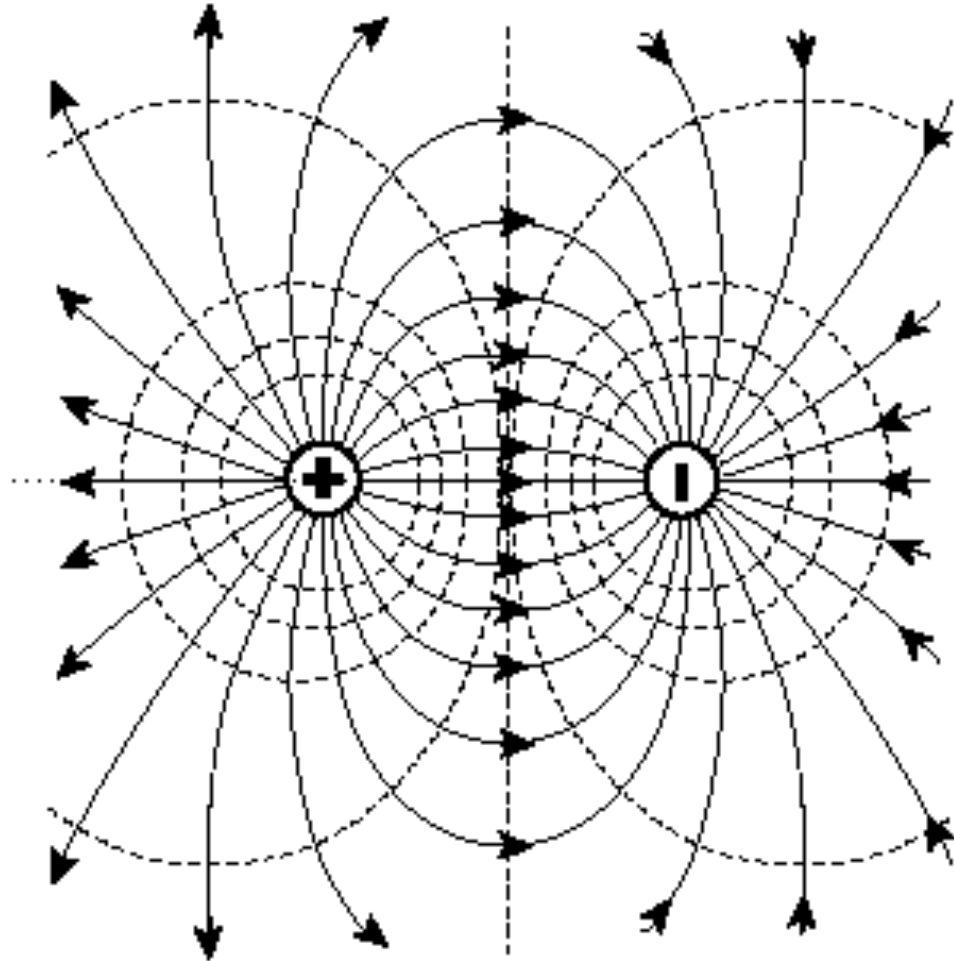
The equipotential surfaces are perpendicular to E field lines.



Equipotential lines: point charge



Equipotential lines: dipole



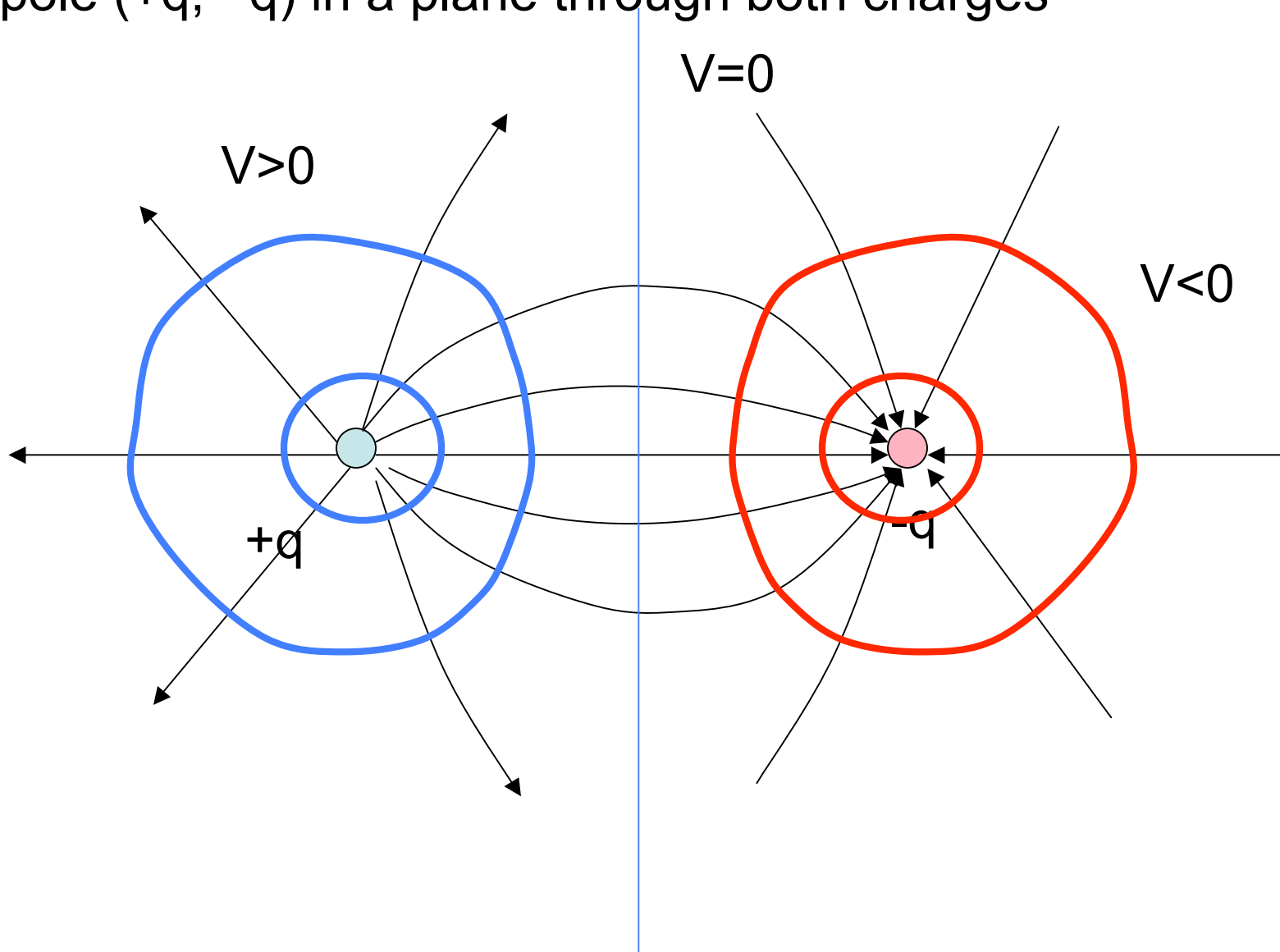
Which line type/style represents the electric field?

A. solid

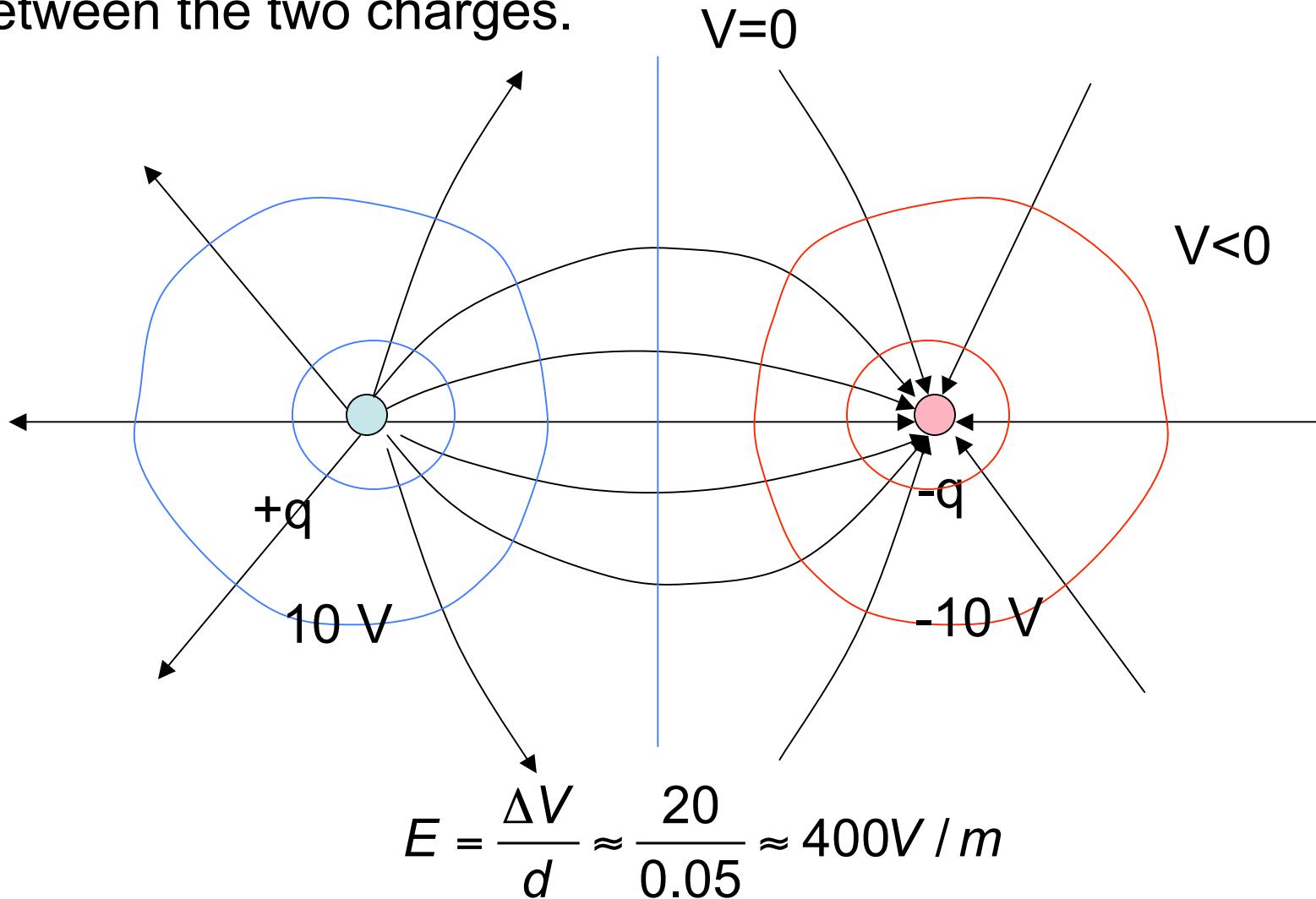
B. dashed



Draw a sketch of the equipotential surfaces for a electric dipole ($+q$, $-q$) in a plane through both charges



Suppose the two charges are 10 cm apart and the equipotential surfaces are as labeled estimate the E field between the two charges.



Rutherford Scattering experiment

Determination of the size of the nucleus

α particle He nucleus
 $q = +2e$
 $m = 6.64 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
 $v = 2.0 \times 10^7 \text{ m/s}$

gold foil

gold nuclei
 $Q = +79e$

closest approach

$$\Delta KE = -\Delta PE$$

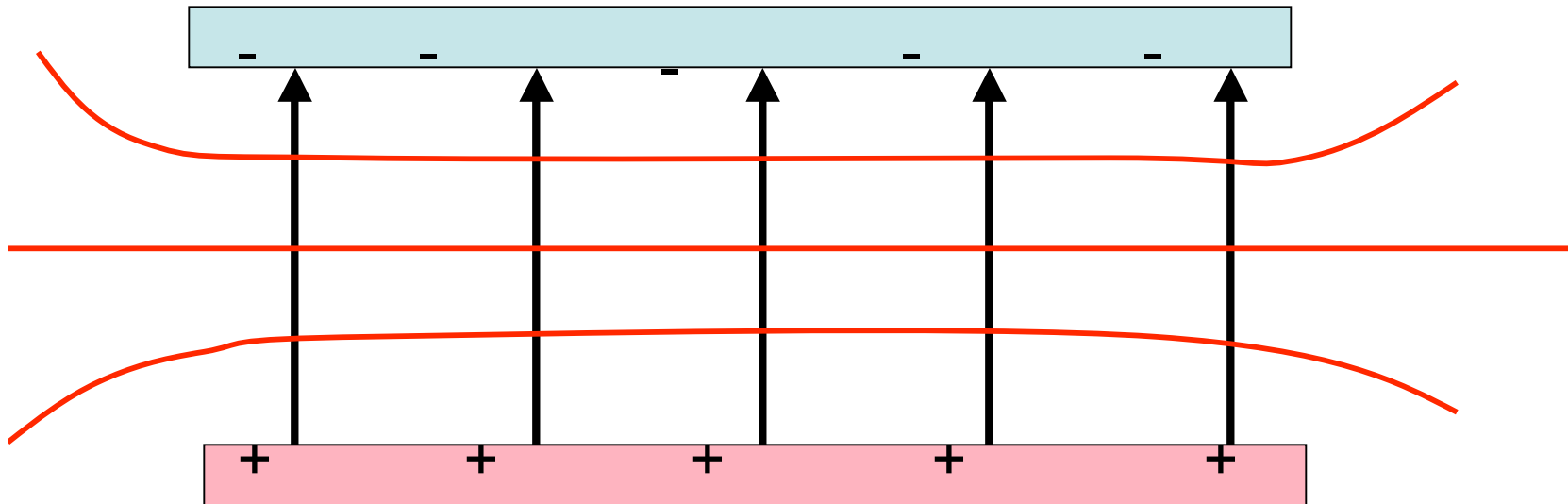
$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{kqQ}{d}$$

$$d = \frac{2k_e qQ}{mv^2} = \frac{2(9 \times 10^9)(2)(79)(1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2}{6.64 \times 10^{-27} (2 \times 10^7)^2}$$

$$d = 2.7 \times 10^{-14} \text{ m}$$

nuclear size $< d$, much smaller than size of an atom $\sim 0.3 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$

Parallel plate capacitor

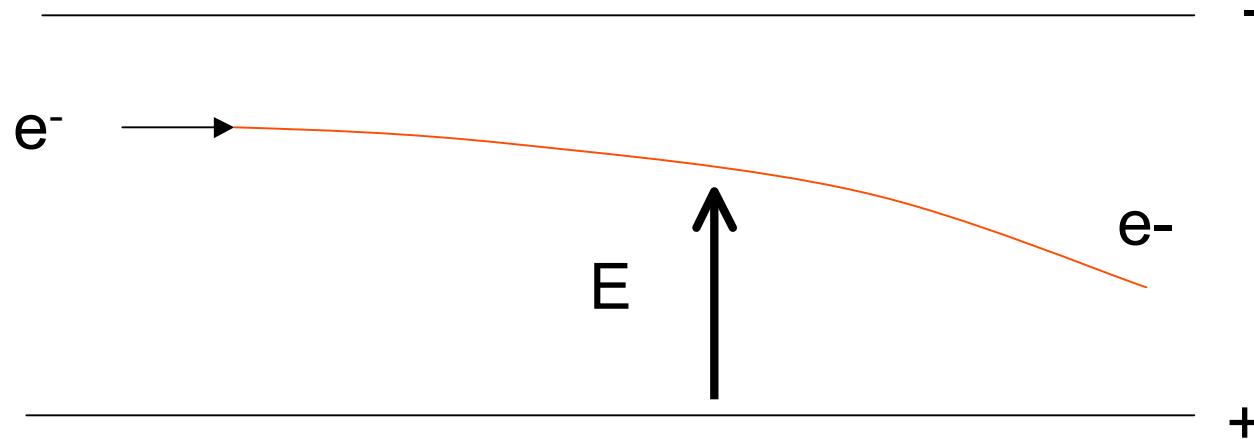


FIELD LINES IN BLACK (VECTORS)

POTENTIAL CONTOURS IN RED

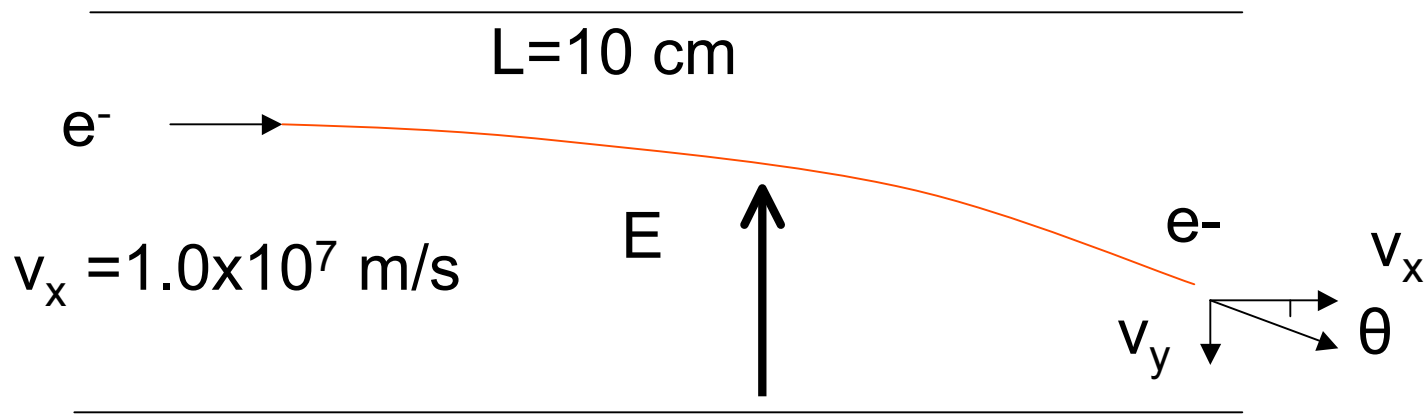
(NO ARROWS, BECAUSE NOT A VECTOR)

Deflection of an electron beam in an electric field



Calculation – velocity, acceleration – Next Slide:
calculate the angle the electron exits at...

An electron beam passes through two parallel plates of a length 10 cm having an electric field of E . The initial velocity of the electron is 1.0×10^7 m/s. Find the angle through which the beam is deflected.



$$F = qE = ma$$

$$v_y = at = \frac{F}{m}t = \frac{qE}{m}t$$

$$t = \frac{L}{v_x}$$

$$v_y = \frac{qE}{m} \left(\frac{L}{v_x} \right)$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{v_y}{v_x} = \frac{qEL}{v_x^2 m}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{qEL}{v_x^2 m} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1.6 \times 10^{-19} (1000) (0.1)}{(10^7)^2 (9 \times 10^{-31})} \right) = 10^\circ$$