### PHYSICS 1B – Fall 2007



Electricity

Magnetism

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What score do I think I received on the quiz:

- A. 0 out of 10
- B. 1-3 out of 10
- C. 4-6 out of 10
- D. 7-9 out of 10
- E. 10 out of 10

# Quiz Grades: Up on 1B website this week



## **Chapter 16 Electrical Potential**

Electrical potential energy Electrical potential

# Potential Energy of a system of charges and masses (the field is uniform, constant )



g d F=mg

work done by Electric field

work done by Gravitational field

Change in PE =-work done by the field

### Potential Energy of a system of charges





Work done by the Electric field decreases the PE of the system

$$\Delta PE=-W=-Fd=-qEd$$

# Potential, V $V = \frac{\Delta PE}{q}$ Units <u>Joules</u> =Volt (V) <u>Coulomb</u> Relation between E and V V = Ed $E = \frac{V}{d}$

E has units of V/m

### Difference between Potential Energy and Potential

Potential-Depends only position in the field. Units (V)

Potential Energy- Depends on the interaction of the field with a charge. Units (J)

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### $\Delta PE=q\Delta V$

Both PE and V are relative.

Only differences/changes in Potential Energy and Voltage ( $\Delta PE$  and  $\Delta V$ ) are important.



The potential field is a property of the space due to charges

The potential energy is due to the charge interacting with the potential field. A parallel plate capacitor has a constant electric field of 1000V/m. The distance between the plates is 5 cm. Find the potential difference between the two plates.



$$\Delta V = \frac{\Delta PE}{q} = \frac{qEd}{q} = Ed$$
$$\Delta V = 1000(0.05) = 50V$$

## Potential Energy = Voltage?

- (T) True
- (F) False



An molecular ion CO<sup>+</sup> is accelerated from rest across a potential difference of 1000 V. Find the final velocity of the ion. Mass= $4.7 \times 10^{-26}$  kg



#### Potential due to a point charge



E field is not  
constant  
$$E = \frac{k_e q}{r^2}$$
  
E gets smaller with distance

The potential

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

V=0 at  $r = \infty$ 

Dimensional arguments

V=Electric field x length e.g. for constant field V=Ed

For point charge

$$E = \frac{k_e q}{r^2}$$
$$V = \frac{k_e q}{r}$$

V has the appropriate units of E times length

# Potential and E field due to positive point charge



## E and V due to a negative point charge



## Potential energy of 2 point charges $PE = q_1V_{21} = q_2V_{12}$

 $V_{21}$  is the potential due to charge2 at the position of charge1.



Potential energy and Potential are Scalar (not Vector) quantities

In a crystal of Na<sup>+</sup> Cl<sup>-</sup> the distance between the ions is 0.24 nm. Find the potential due to Cl<sup>-</sup> at the position of the Na<sup>+</sup>. Find the electrostatic energy of the Na<sup>+</sup> due to the interaction with Cl<sup>-</sup>.



 $PE=qV = 1.6x10^{-19}x-6.0 = -9.6x10^{-19}J$ 

ELECTRON VOLT (convenient unit for atomic physics) 1eV=1.6x10<sup>-19</sup> J PE=-6.0 eV (energy in eV is V times the charge in electron units)

Hydrogen Bond O−C → N−H O−C N-H The hydrogen bond energy can be estimated by partial charges -0.3e +0.3e -0.4e +0.4e N-H O-C 0.1 0.2 0.25 nm bond energy =sum  $\frac{kq_iq_j}{r_{ii}}$  (scalar sum) DNA  $\Delta \mathsf{PE} = \frac{\mathsf{ke}^2}{10^{-9}} \left( \frac{(-.3)(-.4)}{.1+.2} + \frac{-.3(.4)}{.1+.2+.25} + \frac{+.3(-.4)}{.2} + \frac{.3(.4)}{.2+.25} \right) = -3.49 \times 10^{-20} \, \mathsf{J}$  $\Delta PE=-0.22 \text{ eV}$  Weaker than a ionic bond but still significant.