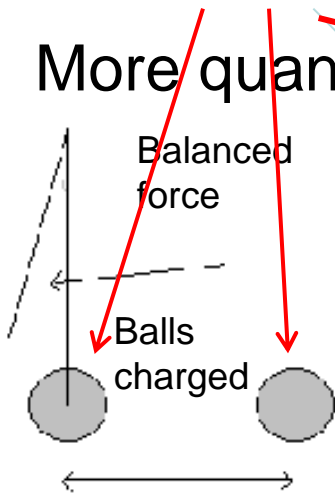


## 6. Electrostatics

From experiments: rubbing of bars etc.:  
Forces: attracting/repulsing  
In addition, we observe : sparks, glow, etc.

### 6.1. Charges and Coulomb-Force

More quantitatively: Experiment



Result: Force

$$\sim Q_1 \sim Q_2 \sim \frac{1}{r^2} : [Q] = \text{Coulomb} = 1C, [r] = m$$

$$\Rightarrow K \sim \frac{Q_1 \cdot Q_2}{r^2}$$

or

$$K = \frac{1}{4\pi \cdot \epsilon_0} \frac{Q_1 \cdot Q_2}{r^2}$$

Dielectric constant of the Vacuum

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{C^2}{N \cdot m^2}$$

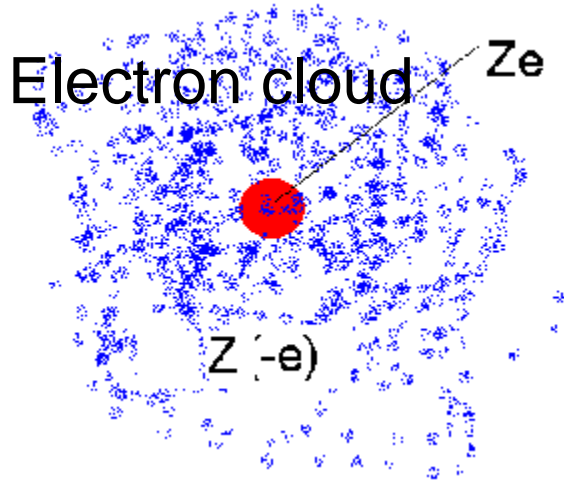
Elementary charge, e.g.: charge of electron:  $e = 1.602 \cdot 10^{-19} C$

For a classification: more about electric charges:

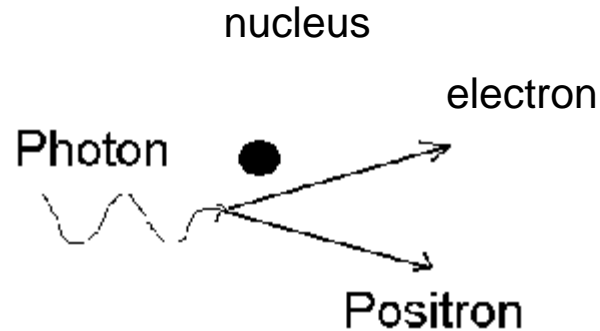
1. Sign: + and -

2. In a closed system: **Conservation of charge**

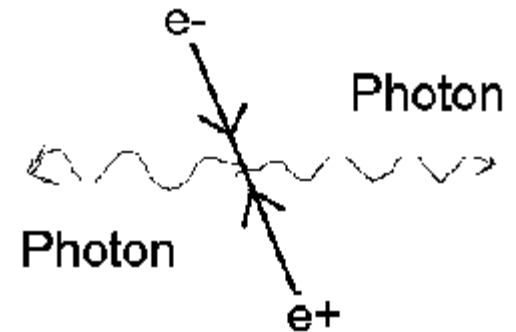
**Atom**



**Pair production**



**Pair annihilation**



3. Multiple of elementary charge  $\rightarrow$   
'quantized'

4. Charge goes always along with **mass**

5. Electric force between two point charges works along the **direction their connecting line**

6. Charges of same sign  
: **repulsive**  
Opposite charge:  
**attractive**

## 7. Comparison: Electric force compared to force of gravity

Example: 2 Electrons :  $q_1 = q_2 = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-19} C$

$$m_1 = m_2 = m_0 = 9.1 \cdot 10^{-31} kg$$

specific charge

$$\frac{F_C}{F_G} = \frac{\frac{1}{4\pi \cdot \epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2}{r^2}}{G \frac{m_1 \cdot m_2}{r^2}} = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0 \cdot G} \left( \frac{e}{m_0} \right)^2 : \left( \frac{e}{m_0} \right)$$

$$\frac{F_C}{F_G} = \frac{1.6^2 \cdot 10^{-38}}{4\pi 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \cdot 6.67 \cdot 10^{-11} \cdot 9.1^2 \cdot 10^{-62}} = 4.1675 \times 10^{42}$$

Dimensions! o.k.:

$$\frac{N \cdot m^2 \cdot kg^2 \cdot C^2}{C^2 \cdot N \cdot m^2 \cdot kg^2}$$

8. Forces having their origin from charges are additiv

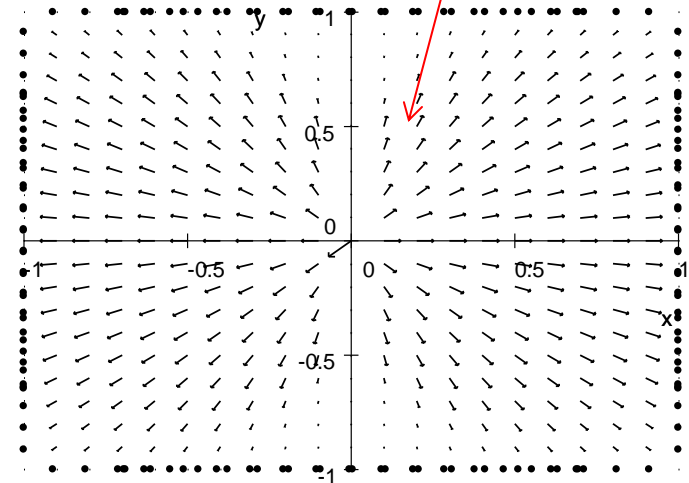
Principle of superposition

## 6.2. Electric field

Coulomb force:  
 between  $q$  and  $Q$   $\vec{F}_C = \frac{1}{4\pi \cdot \epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \cdot \vec{e}_r \cdot q : \frac{1}{4\pi \cdot \epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \cdot \vec{e}_r = \vec{E}(r) = \frac{\vec{F}_C}{q}$

$\vec{E}(r)$  : **Electric field strength**  $[E] = \frac{N}{C}$

Field of vectors:



In plot we see

"**Fieldlines**" starting out of  $Q$   
 Integration covering a surface  
 holding  $Q$  inside:

Surface integral yields:

$$\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} = \Phi,$$

Flux

Relation due to **Gauß**

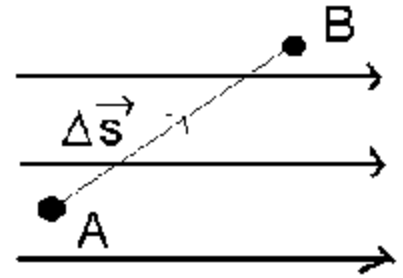
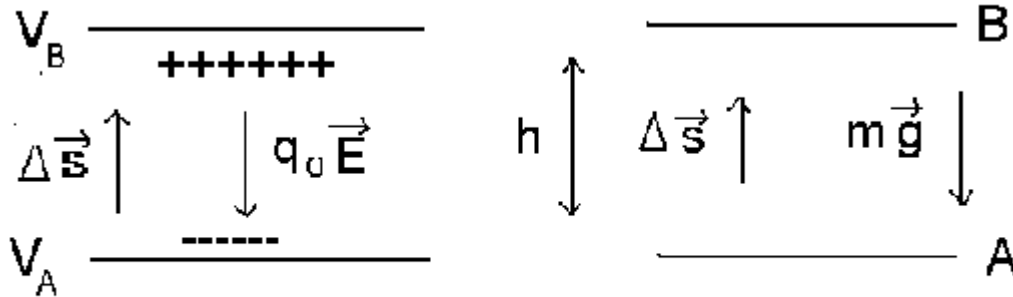
## 6.3 Electric Potential

$\vec{F} = q_0 \cdot \vec{E}$  (Force on a free charge) produces displacement

$q_0 : A \rightarrow B$

Work will be done:

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{s} = q_0 \cdot \vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{s}$$



Definition: **Electric potential difference**

$$V_B - V_A = \frac{W}{q_0}$$

(can be pos., neg. or 0)

we compare with Gravitation:

$V_A - V_B = \frac{q_0 \cdot \vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{s}}{q_0}$	$V_A - V_B = \frac{m \cdot \vec{g} \cdot \Delta \vec{s}}{m}$
$= - \vec{E}  \cdot h$	$= - \vec{g}  \cdot h$
$V_B - V_A =  \vec{E}  \cdot h$	$V_B - V_A =  \vec{g}  \cdot h$

in both cases: **Potential** in B higher!

$$\frac{W_{AB}}{q_0} = \vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{s} = \underbrace{V_A - V_B}$$

**Difference of potential** between A and B  
contains properties of the field only

Arbitrary Field:  $dW = \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = q_0 \cdot \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$

$$W_{AB} = q_0 \cdot \int_A^B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

$$V_B - V_A = - \int_A^B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} \quad \text{With the choice } V_A = 0 \Rightarrow V_B \text{ Is called Potential.}$$

For fields dropping down with  $\sim 1/r^2$ , one selects  $V(\infty) = 0$

$$\vec{E} \xrightarrow{\text{Integration}} \nabla \quad \nabla \text{ Differentiation } \vec{E}; \quad \boxed{\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}(V(r))}$$

**Potential of a point charge:**

Starting point:

$$V(r_B) - V(r_A) = - \int_{r_A}^{r_B} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r^2} \cdot \vec{e}_r$$

$$- \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{r_A}^{r_B} \frac{dr}{r^2} = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{r_B} - \frac{1}{r_A} \right)$$

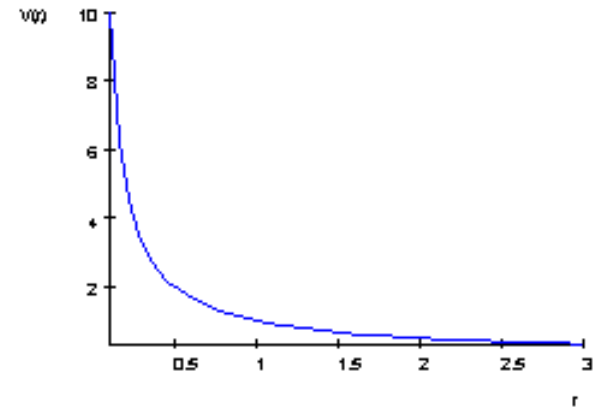
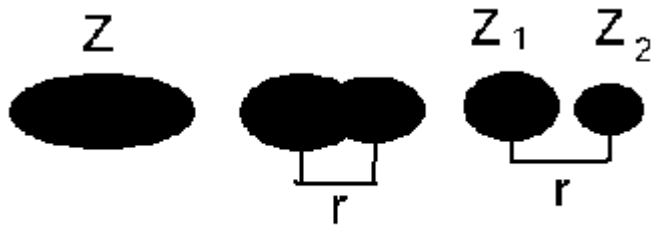
with  $V(r_A \rightarrow \infty) = 0$

und  $r_B = r \Rightarrow$

$$V(r) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{r} \quad \text{Coulomb-Potential}$$

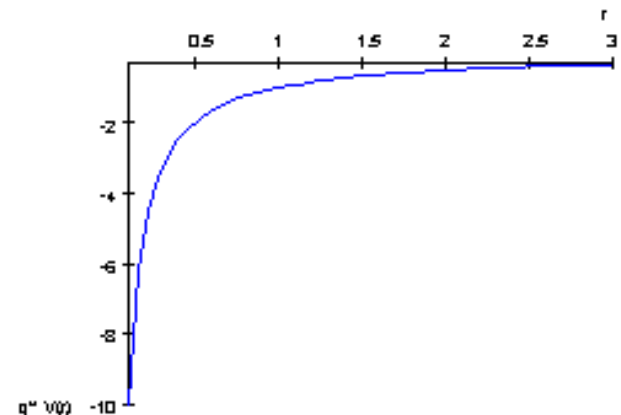
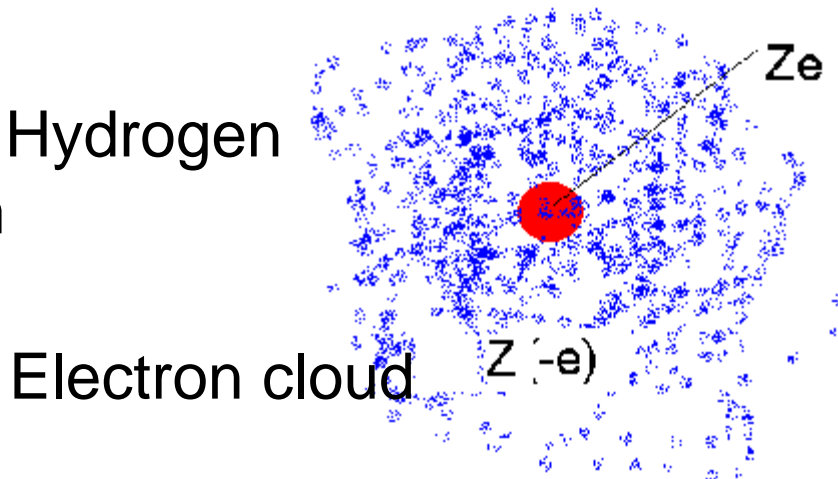
$V(r) \cdot e = \text{Potential Energy}$

e.g: fission of nuclei



Negative charge (electron) in the field of a pos. charge:

e.g.: Hydrogen atom



Bohr's radius  $a_0$  of electron distribution in a H-atom :

Estimate

From uncertain relation:

$$P \sim h / (2\pi \cdot a)$$

$$\hbar = 1.05457266 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s} \quad \frac{1}{2} \cdot mv^2 = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m \cdot a^2}$$

Total Energy of the electron in Coulombfield of the proton

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m \cdot a^2} - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \cdot a} \Rightarrow \text{Minimal Energy:}$$

$$\frac{dE}{da} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{m \cdot a^3} + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \cdot a^2} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$a_0 = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 \cdot \hbar^2}{m \cdot e^2} = \frac{4 \cdot 3.1415 \cdot 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \cdot (1.05457266 \times 10^{-34})^2}{9.1 \cdot 10^{-31} \cdot (1.60217733 \times 10^{-19})^2} = 5.2946 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$$

Insert into formula for E

$$E_0 = \frac{e^2}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot 2 \cdot a_0} - \frac{e^2}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot a_0} = -\frac{e^2}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot 2 \cdot a_0}$$
$$= -\frac{(1.60217733 \times 10^{-19})^2}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot 2 \cdot a_0} = -\frac{(1.60217733 \times 10^{-19})^2}{4 \cdot 3.1415 \cdot 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \cdot 2 \cdot 5.2946 \times 10^{-11}} = -2.1798 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$



$$1J = \frac{1}{1.60217733 \times 10^{-19}} = 6.2415 \times 10^{18} eV \quad \text{"Electronvolt"}$$

Energyscale working with atoms!

$$\Rightarrow E_0 = -2.1798 \times 10^{-18} \cdot 6.2415 \times 10^{18} = -13.605 eV$$

Here: **Electron bound**

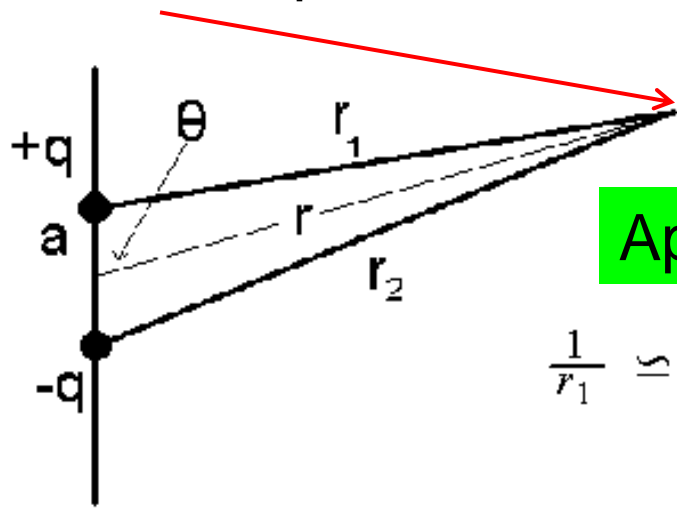
For 'separation' from Proton one needs work of 13.6 eV !

Different materials have different  
separation energies!

# Potential of a Dipole

# Superposition principle, Potential $\Phi$

for example:



$$\Phi = \sum_i \Phi_i = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_i \frac{q_i}{r_i}$$

$$\Phi_1 + \Phi_2 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{q}{r_1} - \frac{q}{r_2} \right) = \frac{-1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{q \cdot (r_1 - r_2)}{r_1 \cdot r_2} \right)$$

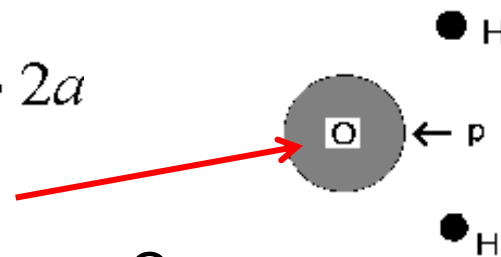
Approximation  $r \gg 2a$

$$\frac{1}{r_1} \simeq \frac{1}{r - a \cdot \cos\theta} = \frac{1}{r(1 - \frac{a}{r} \cos\theta)} \simeq \frac{1}{r} \left( 1 + \frac{a}{r} \cos\theta \right)$$

In analogy to:  $\frac{1}{r_2} \simeq \frac{1}{r} \left( 1 - \frac{a}{r} \cos\theta \right)$   $\Phi = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q \cdot 2a \cdot \cos\theta}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{p \cdot \cos\theta}{r^2}$ ,

"Dipole":  $p = q \cdot 2a$

Electron cloud most close to oxygen O



**Dipole:**

c.m. of negative and positive charges do agree!

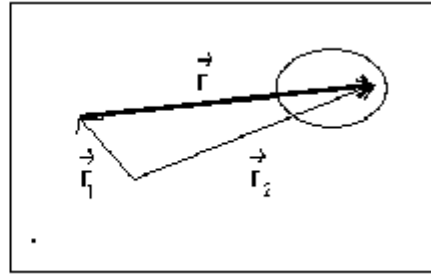
e.g.:  $\text{H}_2\text{O}: p = 6.2 \cdot 10^{-30} \text{ C} \cdot \text{m}$

Orientation!

Continuous charge distribution:

a) spatial

$$\Phi(\vec{r}_1) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(r)dt}{r}$$



$$\rho(r) = \frac{\text{Ladung}(dq)}{\text{Volume element}(dt)}$$

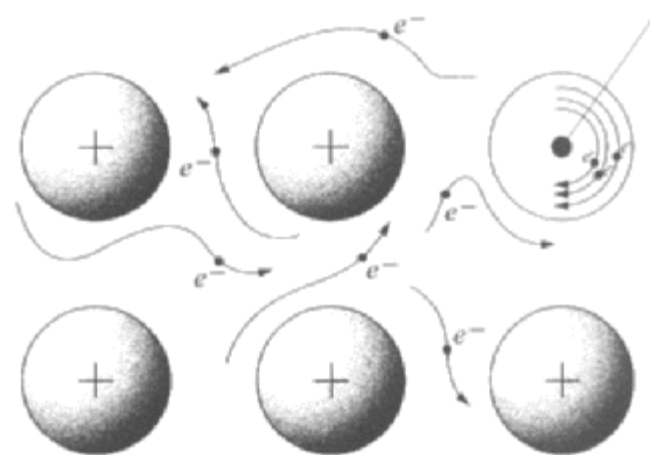
b) flat

$$\sigma(r) = \frac{\text{charge}(dq)}{\text{surface}(dA)}$$

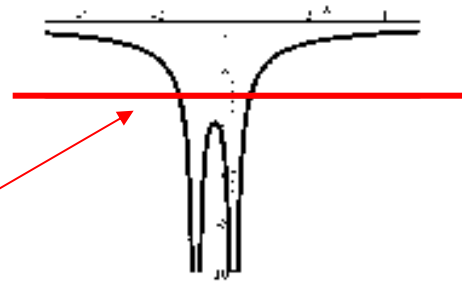
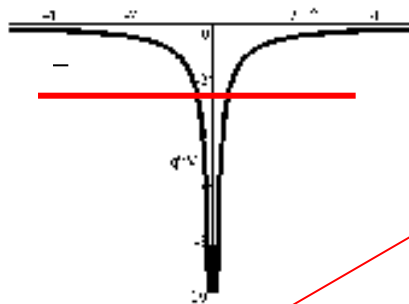
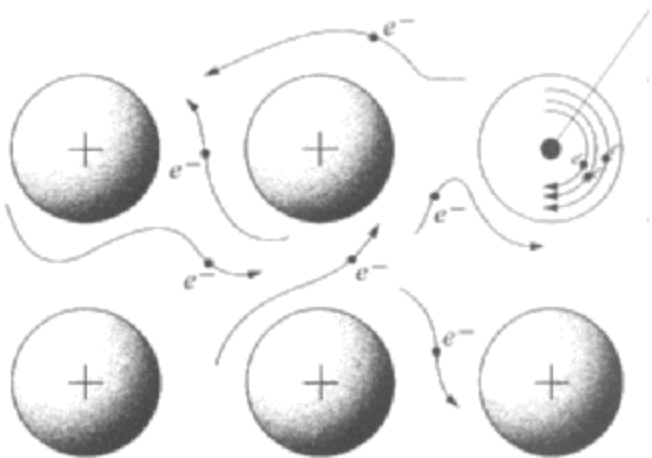
$$\Phi(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\sigma(r)dA}{r}$$

## 6.4. Electric charges on surfaces of conductors

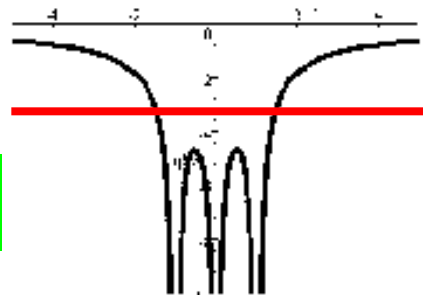
'Conductor': Charges are free movable  
To it inspection of energy of electrons:



# Atomic nuclei: Potential of electrons

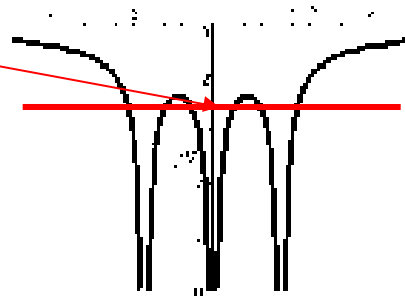
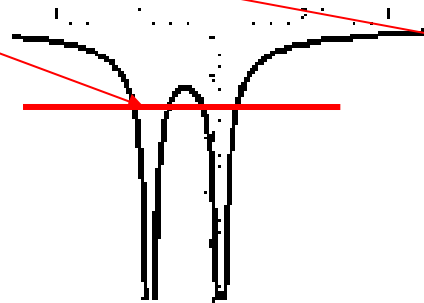
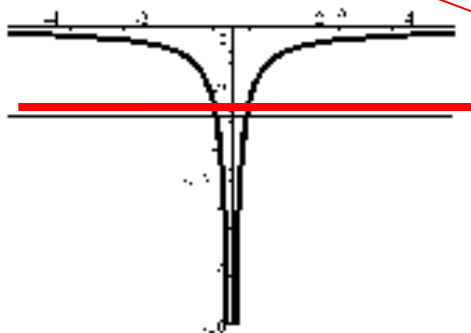


become 'free' movable



Or stay localized

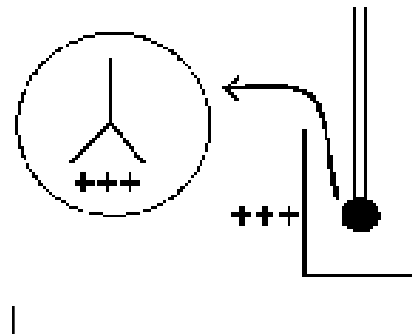
Conductor e.g.: Metal



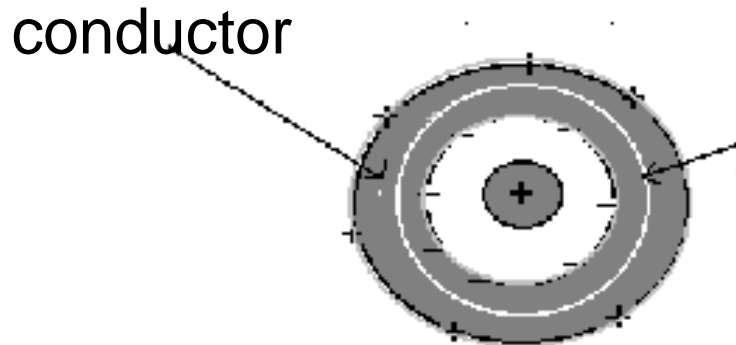
Isolator

# Observations with experiments:

From the inner of a cup  
no difference, wether touched  
or not!



Charge transfer from a cup!



Enclosed charge = 0! Conductor electrostatic equilibrium

$$\text{Conductor } |\vec{E}| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = 0! \rightarrow$$



$$\int_A \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} = 0$$

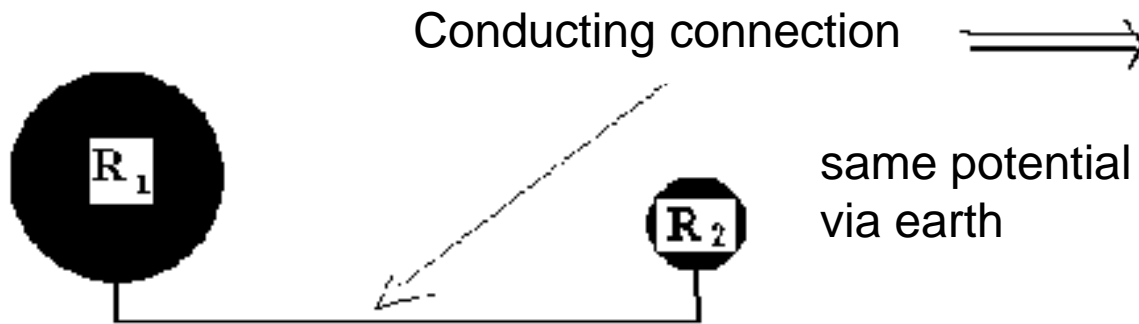
$$|\vec{E}| = 0 \quad \text{im Inneren}$$

otherwise moving charges  $\Rightarrow$  current

Each excess charge has to be on surface!

Thereby  $\vec{E}$  stands perpendicular on surface!

Distribution of charge on surface:  
Example balls:



$$\varphi(R) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R};$$

connection:  $\varphi(R_1) = \varphi(R_2) \implies \frac{Q_1}{R_1} = \frac{Q_2}{R_2}$

Surface density:

$$\sigma = \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2} \implies \frac{Q_1}{4\pi R_1^2}, \frac{Q_2}{4\pi R_2^2}$$

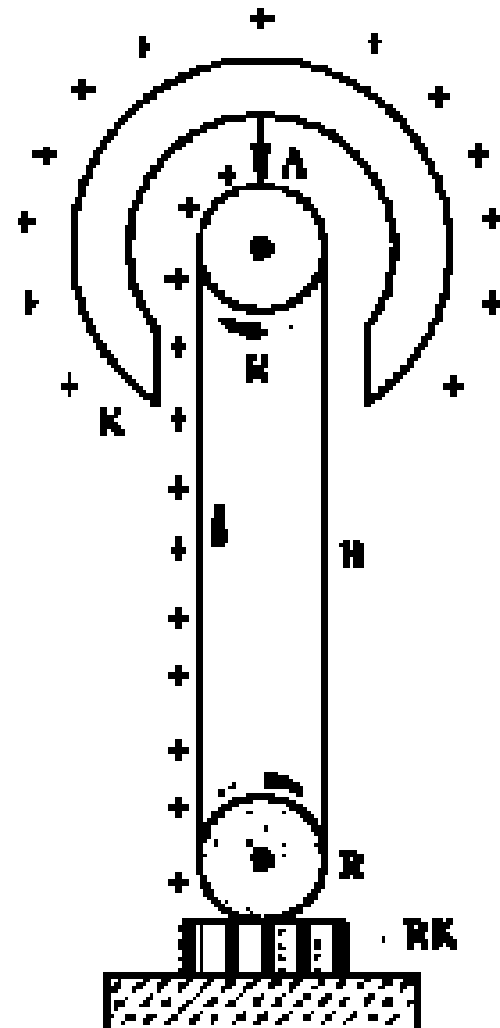
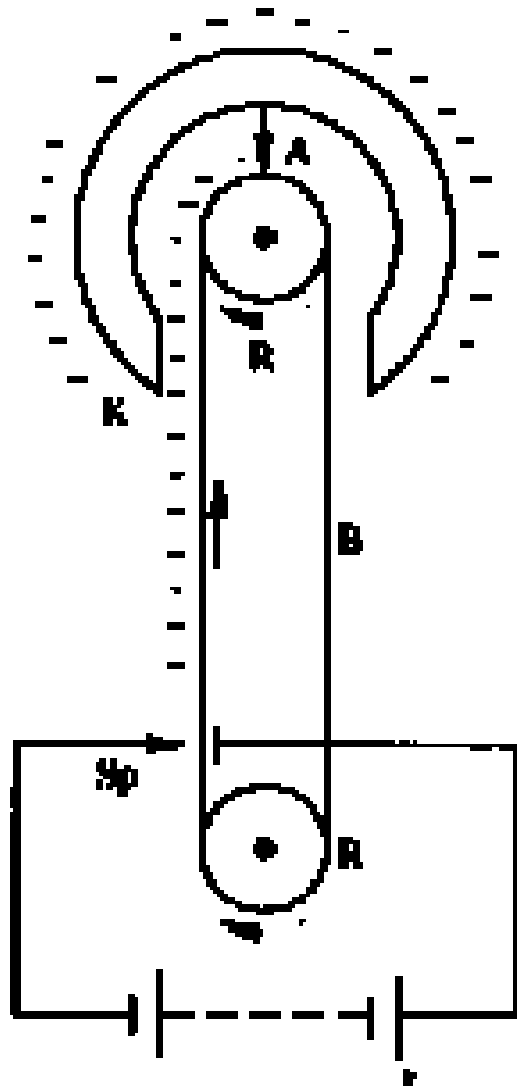
with  $\frac{Q_1}{R_1} = \frac{Q_2}{R_2} \implies \frac{R_1 \cdot Q_1}{R_1^2} = \frac{R_2 \cdot Q_2}{R_2^2}$

or  $\frac{R_1 \cdot Q_1}{4\pi R_1^2} = \frac{R_2 \cdot Q_2}{4\pi R_2^2} \implies \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{R_2}{R_1}$

Charge densities act like inverse to radius of curvature!



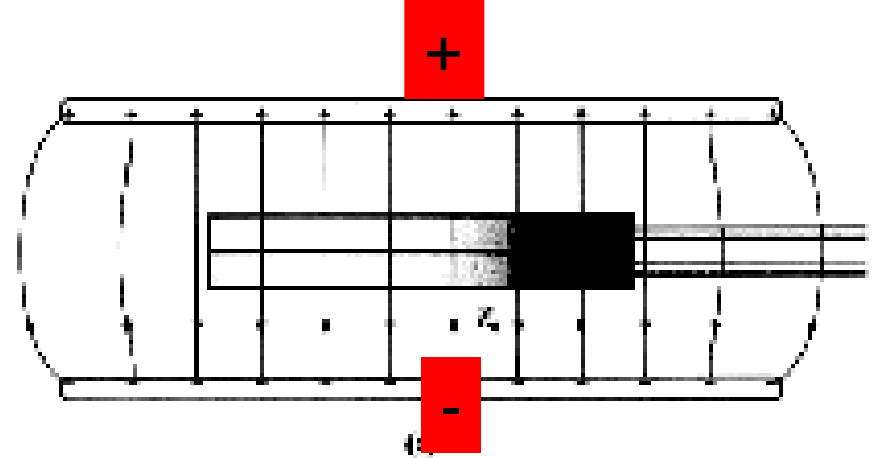
# Example: van de Graaf



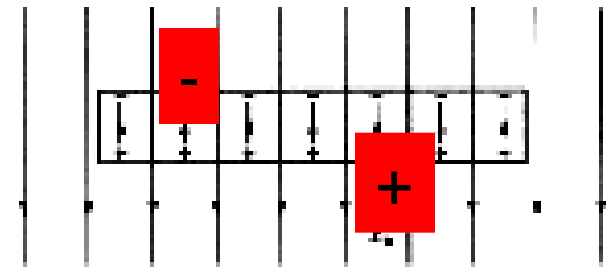
## 6.5 Induction

Out of following demonstration:

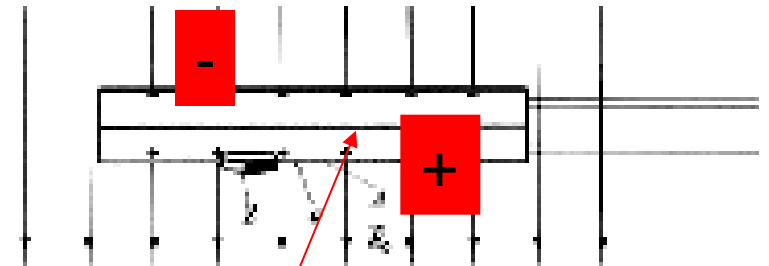
Induced charges can  
Be seperated!



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(b)



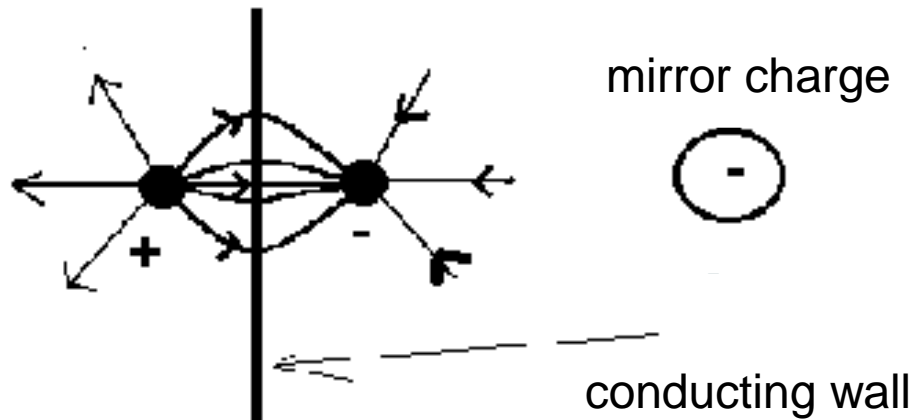
(c)

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Again induced charges can be separated!

## Point charge in front of a wall of metal



Field lines stand perpendicular !  
on conduction surface

Force on a positive charge:

$$F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2}{(2d)^2} \quad \text{D: distance of charge from wall}$$

Image force