

$$E_r(r=R) \rightarrow \frac{-q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R} \left[\frac{a^2 - R^2}{(a^2 + R^2 - 2aR\cos\theta)^{3/2}} \right] = \frac{\sigma(u)}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\sigma(u) = \frac{-q}{4\pi R} \left[\frac{a^2 - R^2}{(a^2 + R^2 - 2aR\cos\theta)^{3/2}} \right] \right]$$

c) Integrate over the spherical surface

$$Q = \int \sigma R^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \frac{-q}{4\pi R} (a^2 - R^2) \int R^2 \sin\theta d\theta \frac{1}{(a^2 + R^2 - 2aR\cos\theta)^{3/2}}$$

$$\text{let: } u = a^2 + R^2 - 2aR\cos\theta \Rightarrow du = 2aR\sin\theta d\theta$$

$$= \frac{-q(a^2 - R^2)}{4aR} \int \frac{du}{u^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{-(a^2 - R^2)}{4a} q \left[-2 \left\{ \frac{1}{a+R} - \frac{1}{a-R} \right\} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(a^2 - R^2)q}{-2a} \left[\frac{+R}{a^2 - R^2} \right]$$

$$Q = -\left(\frac{R}{a}\right)q$$

✓

(d) Calculate energy of the configuration

recall $\begin{cases} q' = -\left(\frac{R}{a}\right)q \\ b = \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^2, \text{ where } a \text{ is the distance to} \\ \text{the charge } q \end{cases}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{F} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q \left(-\frac{Rq}{r}\right) \hat{r}}{\left[r - \frac{R^2}{r}\right]^2}$$

$$W = -\frac{q^2 R}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{\infty}^a \frac{r \hat{r}}{\left(r^2 - R^2\right)^2} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$\leftarrow r \hat{r} \cdot d\vec{r} = d\left(\frac{1}{2}r^2\right)$$

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

$$= -\frac{q^2 R}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{-1}{\left(r^2 - R^2\right)} \right]_{\infty}^a$$

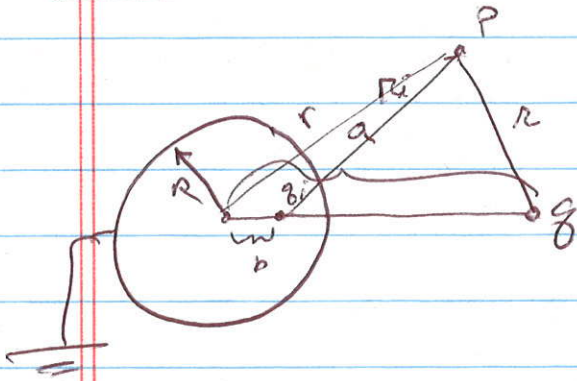
$$W = \frac{q^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{R}{\left(a^2 - R^2\right)} \right]$$

re-express this using q' & b (for amusement)

$$W = \frac{q}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{-\cancel{a} q'}{\cancel{R} q} \right] \frac{\cancel{R}}{\left(a^2 - \cancel{a} b\right)}$$

$$= -\frac{q q'}{8\pi\epsilon_0 (a-b)}$$

Problem 3.8

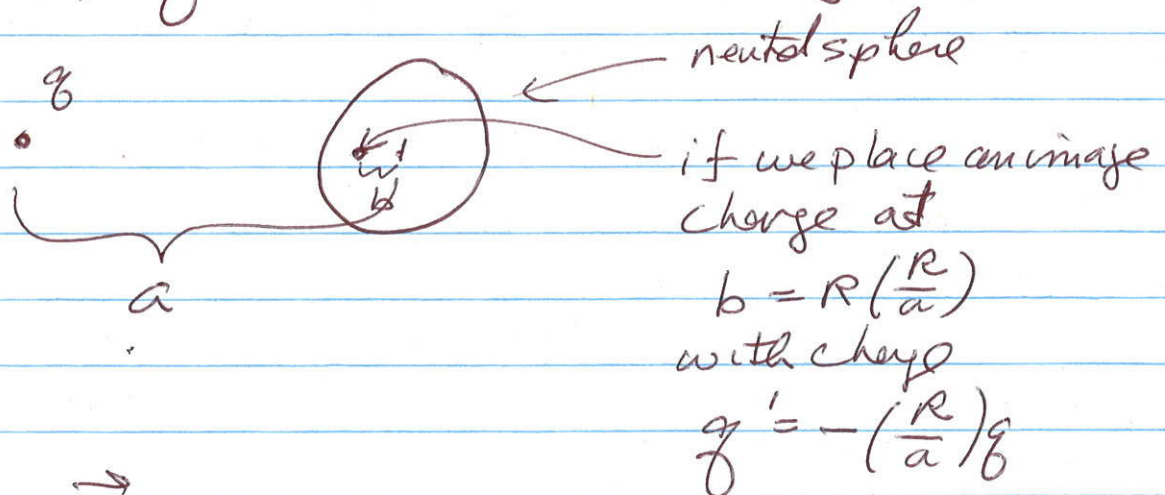


a) $\frac{q_i}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_i}$ & $\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$
are chosen to make
 $V_{\text{total}} = 0$ when $r = R$

b) if we add q_i' to the center of the sphere, $V = V_0$ at $r = R$ and we do not disturb the solution

c) we want $V_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_i'}{R}$
 $\Rightarrow q_i' = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R V_0$ at $r = 0$

d) Find the force of attraction between a point charge q and a neutral conducting sphere



- then $\vec{E} = 0$ in the conductor and $V = 0$ at surface of conductor.
- We can "neutralize" the sphere by adding an

image charge at the origin of size

$$q'' = -q' = \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)q$$

The force on q is then

$$\vec{F} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} q \left[\frac{-\left(\frac{R}{a}\right)q}{\left[a - \frac{R^2}{a}\right]^2} + \frac{\left(\frac{R}{a}\right)q}{a^2} \right] \hat{z}$$

image charge 1 ✓
image charge at origin ↓

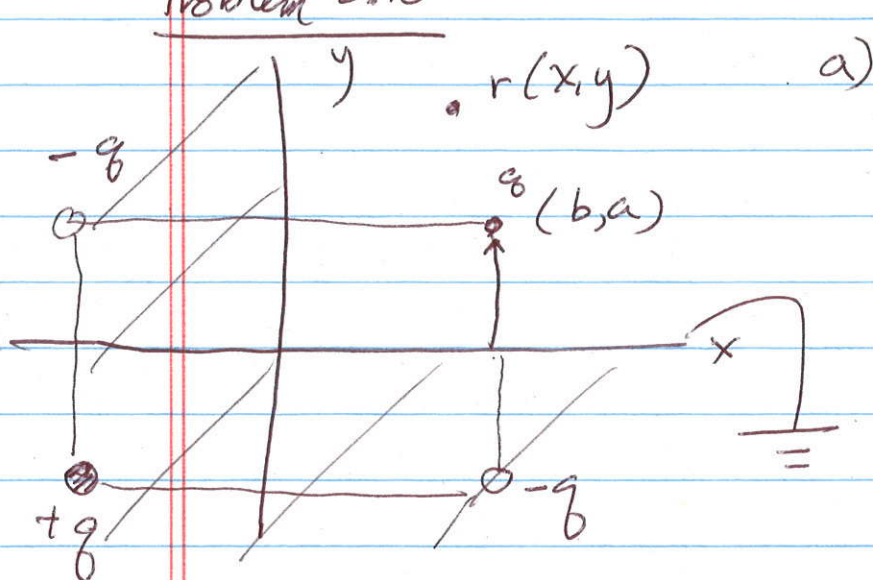
The force of attraction is smaller than on the grounded conductivity sphere.

$$\vec{F} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{Rq^2}{a} \right] \times \left[\frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{a^2}{(a^2 - R^2)^2} \right] \hat{z}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{Rq^2}{a} \right] \left[\frac{\cancel{a^4} - 2a^2R + R^4 - \cancel{a^4}}{a^2(a^2 - R^2)^2} \right] \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{F} = \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{R^3}{a^3} \right] \left[\frac{R^2 - 2a^2}{(a^2 - R^2)^2} \right] \hat{z}$$

Problem 3.10



| charge | (x, y) |
|--------|------------|
| $-q$ | $(b, -a)$ |
| $-q$ | $(-b, a)$ |
| $+q$ | $(-b, -a)$ |

b) find force on q_0 . Use the potential at $r(x, y)$.

$$V(x, y) = \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{-1}{\sqrt{(x-b)^2 + (y+a)^2}} + \frac{-1}{\sqrt{(x+b)^2 + (y-a)^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x+b)^2 + (y+a)^2}} \right] + \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \sqrt{(x-b)^2 + (y-a)^2}}$$

image charges (under the first three terms)
point charge (under the last term)

c) field due to the image charges is

$$\vec{E}_{\text{image}} = \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{-(x-b)\hat{x} - (y+a)\hat{y}}{[(x-b)^2 + (y+a)^2]^{3/2}} + \frac{-(x+b)\hat{x} - (y-a)\hat{y}}{[(x+b)^2 + (y-a)^2]^{3/2}} + \frac{+(x+b)\hat{x} + (y+a)\hat{y}}{[(x+b)^2 + (y+a)^2]^{3/2}} \right\}$$

and so the force is $\vec{F} = q_0 \vec{E}_{\text{image}}$

charge q is at $(x, y) = (b, a)$

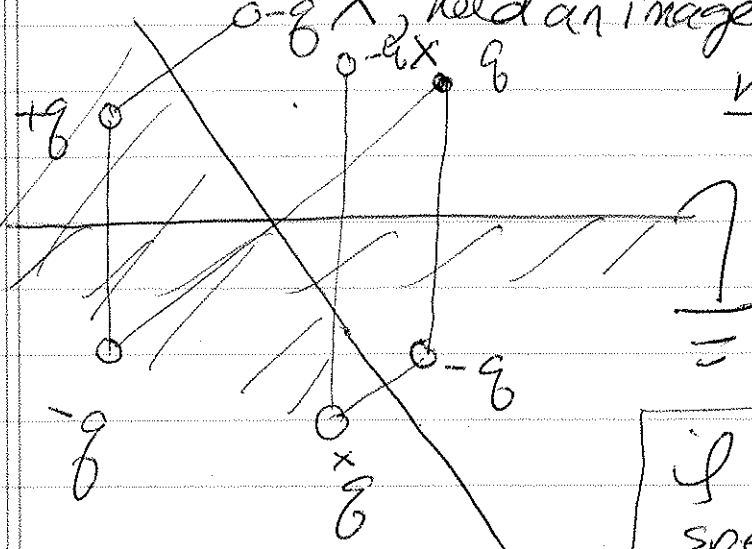
$$\vec{F}_{on\ q} = \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \frac{-2ay\hat{y}}{(4a^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{2b\hat{x}}{(4b^2)^{3/2}} + \frac{2b\hat{x} + 2ay\hat{y}}{(4b^2 + 4a^2)^{3/2}} \right\}$$

- Ⓣ Suppose the plates meet at some \angle other than 90° , would you still be able to solve the problem ~~of~~ by the method of images?

not in general

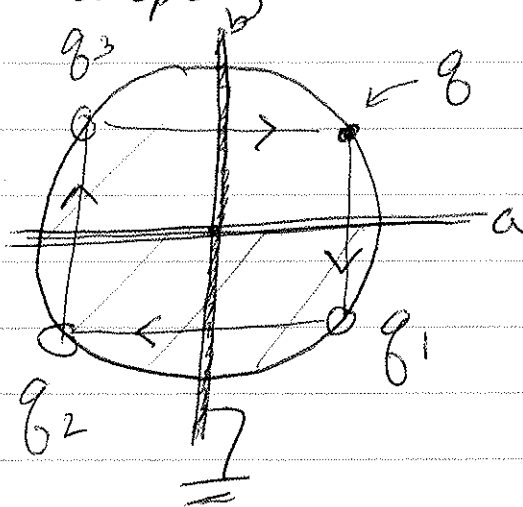
- Ⓤ If not, for what particular \angle s does the method work?

(a) First off, if the \angle of intersection is $> 90^\circ$, need an image charge in vacuum region, not allowed



if $\angle > 90^\circ$ (except for special case of 180°) can't use image charges

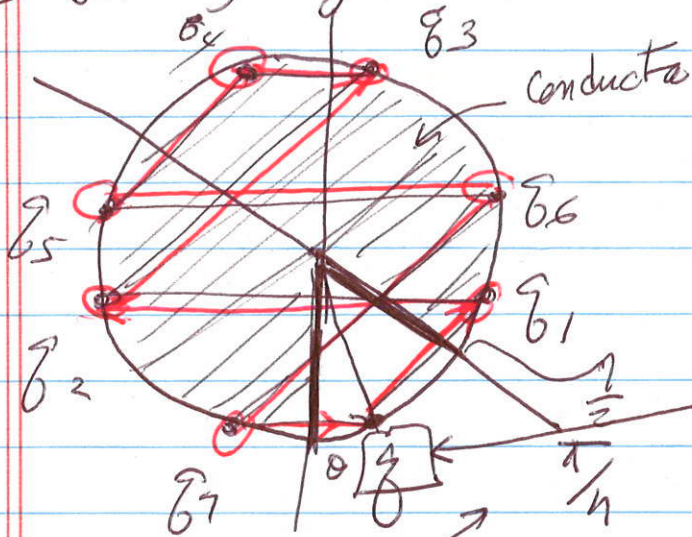
(b) For $\angle = 90^\circ$ show that if π/n is the opening \angle , then we can find an exact # of image charges. For example,



- (i) 2 plates intersect at an angle of 90° ($\pi/2$)
- (ii) q_1 makes $V=0$ on plane a
- (iii) q_2 cancels q_1 on plane b
- (iv) q_3 cancels q_2 on plane a
- (v) in a sense, q_3 cancels q_1 on plane b

↗ closes

③ For any integer n , we can have



if n is an integer, this construction closes on the charge q

angle increases counter-clockwise

$n=5$

charge locations are

| q | θ |
|----------|--------------------|
| q | $2\pi/n - \theta$ |
| q_1 | $-\theta$ |
| q_2 | $4\pi/n - \theta$ |
| q_3 | $-\theta$ |
| q_4 | $6\pi/n - \theta$ |
| q_5 | $-\theta$ |
| q_6 | $8\pi/n - \theta$ |
| q_7 | $-\theta$ |
| q_8 | $10\pi/n - \theta$ |
| q_9 | $-\theta$ |
| q_{10} | $-\theta$ |
| \vdots | \vdots |
| \vdots | \vdots |

we need to keep $(2n-1)$ image charges.

If n is not an integer, doesn't close. There is a solution but is not conveniently found using image charges