

## 1: Conservation Laws

Conservation: stays the same (e.g. energy, charge, momentum)

System: ~~Two~~ Two or more objects separated by their environment.

Open system: No boundary between objects and environment

In order for conservation laws to work, it has to be a closed system / isolated system.

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## 2: Electric Charge

Net charge = sum of all charges in the system

charges can be transferred from one place to another (definition of current)  
[movement through a conductor]

~~Electricity~~

Two types of charges: positive & negative

You can do work with a current.

Overall charge is conserved over time.

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## 3. Positive & Negative Charge

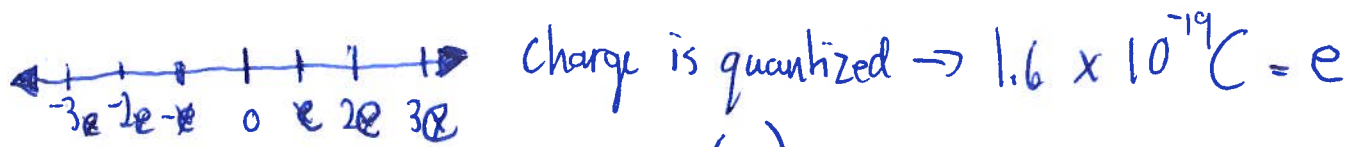
Neutral object: equal amount of positive & negative charges.

Charged object: different amounts of charges.

Two-like objects: repel, oppositely-charged objects: attract.

Polarized: The object is neutral, but the positive charges are on one side, and the negative charges are on the other side.

#### 4: Elementary Charge:



Electrons: negative elementary charge ( $-e$ )

Protons: positive elementary charge ( $+e$ )

Quantized: ~~Charge~~ charge comes in specific values. At some point, the value cannot be split into smaller pieces.

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#### 5: Electrostatic Induction

Objects can be charged by friction or contact.

Conductors: electrons are mobile in the objects (e.g. metals)

Insulators: all charges are fixed, cannot move freely.

If you take a charged object and put it in a system, there will be a charge distribution.

Induction: moving it close to the object but not physically touching it.

Neutral object: no net charge

Only electrons move and transfer, not protons

Charged Insulator: electrons cannot move around and spread from each other.

Charged Conductor: electrons can move around and spread from each other.

Protons never transfer

## 6: Calculating the Electric Force

$$\text{Electric force} = k \frac{|q_1 q_2|}{r^2} \quad k = 9.0 \times 10^9 \text{ N} \cdot (\text{m}/\text{C})^2$$

Example: Calculate the electric force between two  $(2.0 \mu\text{C})$  charges that are  $4.0 \text{ cm}$  apart.

$$F = k \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2}{r^2} = (9.0 \cdot 10^9) \frac{(2.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C})(2.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C})}{(4.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m})^2} = \frac{3.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ N}}{1.6 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$k = 9.0 \times 10^9$$

$$q = (2.0 \times 10^{-6})$$

$$r = 4.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}$$

$$= 22.5 \text{ N, repulsive}$$

## 7: Resistivity

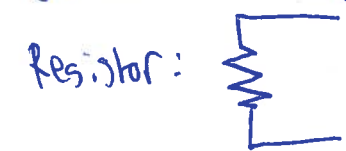
Resistivity: The property of a material that describes its ability to resist the flow of charge.

Each material has different resistivity. Type of material & temperature determine resistivity.

Resistor: conductors, cross-sectional area, length, resistivity contribute to its resistivity.

Resistivity  $\neq$  Resistance

## 8: Resistors & Capacitors



Voltage = potential difference between 2 points

$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

$I$  = current

$V$  = voltage (resistor),  $R$  = resistance

$$R = \frac{\rho L}{A}$$

$$Q = (V \text{ capacitor})$$

$\rho$  = resistivity

$L$  = length

$A$  = area

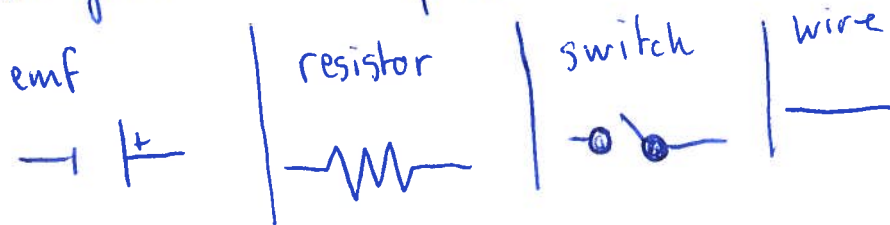
## 9: Electric Circuits

Voltage: potential difference between parts of a circuit

Current: the flow of electrons through the circuit.

Elements: Electric Motive Forces (emf), resistors, capacitors, switches

Arrangement: series, parallel



Energy is conserved in a circuit

emf returns the energy the electrons lost through the circuit.

$$V = IR \quad \Sigma R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 \dots$$

parallel circuit = same voltage everywhere

$$\frac{1}{R_p} = \sum_i \frac{1}{R_i}$$

## 10: Kirchoff's Loop Rule

~~Sum~~ Sum of all voltages equal 0.  $\therefore V_4 - V_1 - V_2 - V_3 = 0$

Battery = charge lift (potential energy)  $V = IR$

Kirchoff's Loop Rule = Conservation of Energy (simple circuit)

$$\text{Voltage} = \frac{\text{work done}}{\text{charge}} \quad \sum V = 0$$

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## 11: Kirchoff's Junction Rule

Kirchoff's Junction Rule = Conservation of Charge (simple circuit)

$$\text{current in} = \text{current out}, \quad \sum I_{in} = \sum I_{out}$$