

# Electric charge, force, and energy

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# Links to today's materials

Workshop folder

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1TW7Ypsq06PmRkMAkHxHUXk66x5s0yILH>

OALG Chapter 17

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/17AlQxw3jq4Z-8NhaC-VNUA6W\\_Z87G\\_87/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/17AlQxw3jq4Z-8NhaC-VNUA6W_Z87G_87/edit)

What interactions have we studied so far? What was common about them?

Have you observed magnets? What did you notice?

[https://mediaplayer.pearsoncmg.com/assets/\\_frames.true/sci-OALG-20-1-1](https://mediaplayer.pearsoncmg.com/assets/_frames.true/sci-OALG-20-1-1)

# Possible needs to know

Why do our clothes get stuck together when we take them out of a dryer?

Why does our hair look different in dry weather compared to rainy days?

How does a photocopier work?

<https://youtu.be/Tnz06t74K0w>

<https://youtu.be/IFzAKnugOow> but we have better videos now

Team 1 Record the observations, if some experiments are not here, add

Object 1	Object 2	Outcome
Styrofoam stick rubbed with plastic	Styrofoam stick rubbed with plastic	Repel
Styrofoam stick rubbed with plastic	Plastic that rubbed it	attract
Styrofoam stick rubbed with fur	Styrofoam stick rubbed with fur	repel
Styrofoam stick rubbed with fur	Fur that rubbed it	Attracted

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# Put here all the patterns that you found

Objects either repel or attract

When objects are rubbed with the same material, they repel

2 objects that rubbed against each other attract each other

# Names

Electric interactions - why ELECTRIC?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QNapBwPIGug>

What is the Ancient Greek word for amber?

Names for Electric charge - history

Resinous electricity: Negative charge - on resin rubbed with fur

Virtuous electricity: Positive charge - on glass rubbed with silk

How can we explain why the clothes taken out of the dryer stick together?

But we still do not know the mechanism!

# All together OALG 17.1.3

*Equipment:* 2 plastic (PVC) tubes or balloons, hanging set-up, rubbing materials (dry paper towel and felt or fleece), plastic comb, Scotch tape, small pieces of paper and small pieces of aluminum foil used in a kitchen.

Design and conduct experiments to examine how neutral (un-rubbed) objects (PVC tubes, balloons), small pieces of paper and small pieces of aluminum foil) interact with rubbed objects such as PVC tubes, balloons, plastic combs, etc.

- a.** Record your results for all experiments in words and with a picture. Do your results depend on the type of rubbed object? Do your results depend on whether the neutral object is plastic or metal? Remember to describe what you see in as much detail as possible without fancy words, and without trying to explain anything.
- b.** What is similar in the behaviors of pieces of paper and pieces of aluminum foil when a charged object approaches them? What is different?
- c.** What can you say about interactions of charged objects with uncharged objects? (Describe the pattern(s) you noticed.)

# All together

## OALG 17.2.1 Explain

In Activities 17.1.1 and 17.1.2 you found a consistent pattern: Identical objects rubbed with a second material repel each other. The second material in turn attracts the objects it rubbed. What mechanism might explain why rubbing objects makes them attract or repel each other?

# Team 1 OALG 17.2.2

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Describe experiments here and their outcomes IF Hrvoje's idea is correct.

Team? ?Using a permanent magnet rubbed on small amounts of different materials

Team 1: The rubbed object should interact with the two poles of a magnet (attracted by one end and repelled by the other repelled)

Would have to specify bar or horseshoe magnet.

Rub implies action in both directions / action needs to be specified to get result

## Team 2 OALG 17.2.2

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Put a magnet next to a rod (styrofoam, metal, whatever) rubbed with e.g. wool/plastic. If the interaction is the same, then one end of the magnet will attract the rod and the other end will repel the rod. If the interaction is NOT the same, then something else will happen (either nothing or both ends attract the rod). (we can compare outcomes to 2 magnets interacting with each other)



## Team 3 OALG 17.2.2

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Use compass to see how it is affected by charged styrofoam, if it is affected (points to other direction than Earth magnetic pole) HOW? then it is magnetic, if it is not affected than it is not magnetic interaction. There is no prediction, right?

Take two magnets and rubbed them with plastic and fur: we expect the behave the same way if the phenomena is the same. do they behave as styrofoam?

## Team 4 OALG 17.2.2

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Describe possible experiments here and write clear predictions of their outcomes IF Hrvoje's idea is correct.

***Testing Exp.:*** 1) Use a rubbed styrofoam to interact with a fridge, 2) and both ends of a magnet

***Predictions:*** 1) It will should stick to the fridge. 2) It should attract and repel different ends of a magnet.

# All together - Testing Hrvoje's idea

- a. We decided to test Hrvoje's idea by using a magnet on a pivot with a set of materials that can be charged positively and negatively. Watch the following videos of the experiments that we conducted <https://mediaplayer.pearsoncmg.com/assets/frames.true/sci-OALG-17-2-2> and decide which ones can be used to reject Hrvoje's idea and which ones cannot. Explain how you made your decision.
- b. Make a judgment about Hrvoje's idea.

# Team 1

## OALG 17.3.1 Observe and explain

- a.** Watch the experiments at <https://youtu.be/wpAUPjiErmM> and at <https://mediaplayer.pearsoncmg.com/assets/frames.true/sci-OALG-17-3-1>.
- b.** Describe your observations for each of the experiments.
- c.** Think of what model of the internal structure of the conducting and dielectric materials could explain your observations?
- d.** Watch the experiment at <http://islephysics.net/pt3/experiment.php?topicid=10&exptid=190>. Do you need to adjust the model that you devised to explain the outcome of this experiment?
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## Team 2 whiteboard

b) All styrofoam pieces got stuck on the metal/ceramic plate.

When there was a conductive rod between the charged object and the conductive sphere, the sphere always got attracted to the conductive rod, regardless of the charge of the charged object.

When there was a non-conductive rod between the charged object and the conductive sphere, nothing happens.

c) in the conductive rod there's free charges that can move around. If we bring a positive charged object next to a conductive rod, the negative charges will move towards the positive rod which leaves the other end positively charged.

d) apparently non conductive materials also have some charge.

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# Team 3

Video 1: Charged styrofoam stick to styrofoam, charged styrofoam stick to metal plate. Both behaved same.

We can explain it by redistribution of charges.

Video 2: In second video we did not have contact. With the conducting rod, the sphere was attracted to the rod. With the dielectric rod, the sphere was not attracted to the rod.

Video 3: even without contact the neutral plastic bottle seems to feel the electric charge of the rubbed rod

# Team 4

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Team -4 :

metal rod conducts the  
attraction

and the dielectric rod doesn't

Possible model for the 2 materials:

Metal: the charge can move  
across the metal body

Dielectric material: The charge  
cannot

Observation: Both metal and dielectric plate attract both + and - charged  
styrofoam

# Team 1

## OALG 17.3.4 Observe and explain

An electroscope consists of a metal ball attached to a metal rod that passes from the outside through an insulating support into a glass-fronted metal enclosure. A very lightweight metal needle is connected on a pivot on the metal rod (see the photo on the right).

**a.** Watch the following two experiments <https://mediaplayer.pearsoncmg.com/assets/frames.true/sci-OALG-17-3-4a> and record the outcomes.

Explain the behavior of the electroscope needle (1) when the charged rod touches the electroscope and (2) then when it is brought closer to the charged electroscope without touching.

**b.** Watch the following experiment <https://mediaplayer.pearsoncmg.com/assets/frames.true/sci-OALG-17-3-4b> and explain the outcome. What can you tell about the electric properties of a human body based on the outcome of the experiment?

# Team 2

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## Team 1 OALG 17.4.1

### Changing charge 1

Charges ( $q_1, q_2$ )	Distance	Force
1, 1 (unit)	1 (unit)	1 (unit)
1/2, 1	1	1/2
1/4, 1	1	1/4

### Changing charge 2

Charges ( $q_1, q_2$ )	Distance	Force
1, 1 (unit)	1 (unit)	1 (unit)
1, 1/2	1	1/2
1, 1/4	1	1/4

### Changing distance

Charges ( $q_1, q_2$ )	Distance	Force
1, 1 (unit)	1 (unit)	1 (unit)
1, 1	2	1/4
1, 1	3	1/9
1, 1	4	1/16

Force is directly proportional to each charge

Force is inversely proportional to the square of the distance





## Team 2 OALG 17.4.1

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/17.VNUA6W\\_Z87G\\_87/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/17.VNUA6W_Z87G_87/edit)

the force is directly proportional to the 1st charge (2nd and 3rd row), to the 2nd charge (4th and 5th row) and from 6th and 7th row we see that it's directly proportional to the product of the charges  $q_1$  and  $q_2$ .

from the last 3 rows we see that it's inversely proportional to the square of the distance between the charges.  
 $F \propto q_1 * q_2 / r^2$

b) compared to the eq.  
 $F = q_1 q_2 / r^2 * k_c,$

## Team 3 OALG 17.4.1

The force is equal to the product of the charges divided by the square of the distance. The charges and distance are independent variables, and force dependent.

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# Team 4 OALG 17.4.1

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1) one charge ( $q_1$ ) change, the other charge ( $q_2$ ) doesn't, and the distance,  $r$ , doesn't, then the force change with the same ratio.

2) If both charge change, and the distance doesn't, the force will change with the product of the ratio.

3) if the charge doesn't change, and distance increases, and the force decrease the square of the distance.

Mathematically:  $F \propto q_1 \times q_2$ , and  $1/r^2$

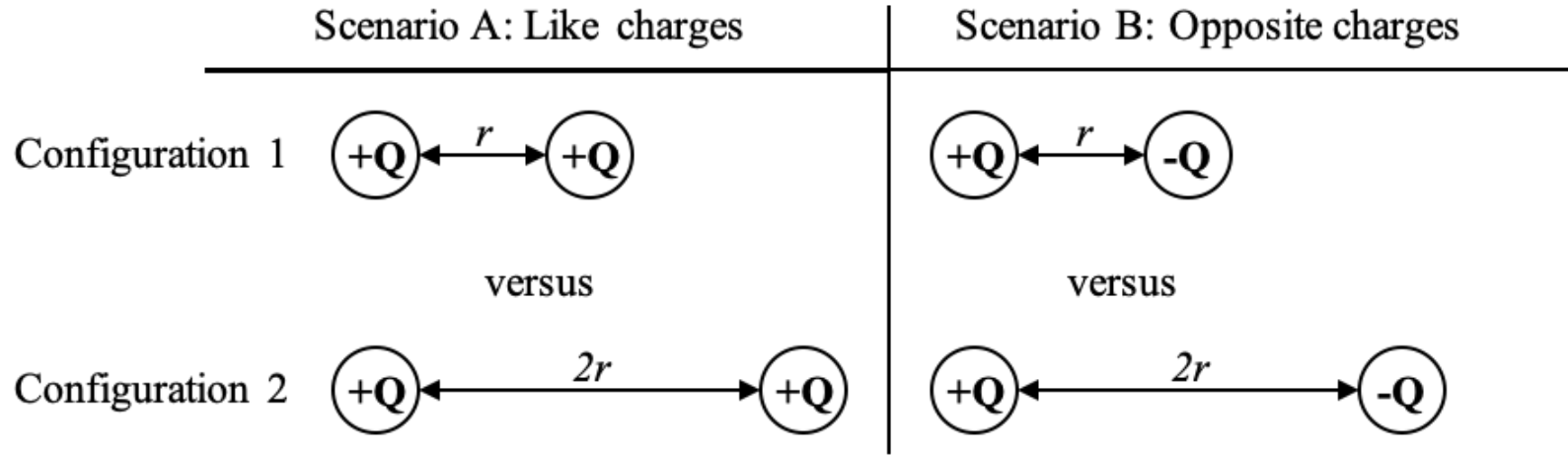
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# All together

## OALG 17.5.1 Represent and reason

In the diagram below, two different configurations of charged objects for two different scenarios are shown. In configuration 2, the two objects are further apart than in configuration 1. Scenario A involves 2 objects carrying the same charge, and scenario B involves 2 objects with opposite charge. If we consider the two charged objects together as a system, which configuration (1 or 2) has more electrical potential energy? Study scenarios A and B separately from each other, i.e., compare configuration 1 to configuration 2 in scenario A, then *separately* compare configuration 1 to configuration 2 in scenario B. Draw diagrams and energy bar charts as needed and justify your reasoning by using physics you already understand.



# Team 1 Observe the following experiments and represent the process with work-energy bar charts

Watch the video

<https://youtu.be/2riPqY8-otI>

Choose the system to be two Styrofoam balls and the initial state when the balls are at rest apart from each other and the final state when the pulled ball is moving with some speed toward the stationary ball. Now think if the initial state is when the balls are infinitely far apart and the final when the moving ball is rushing towards the stationary ball.

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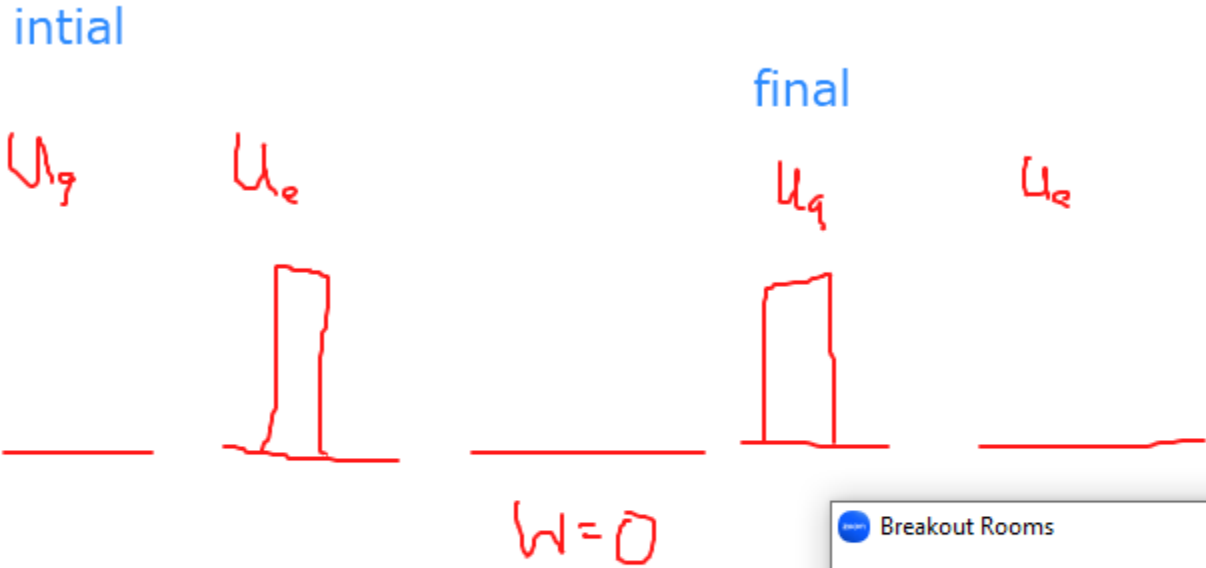
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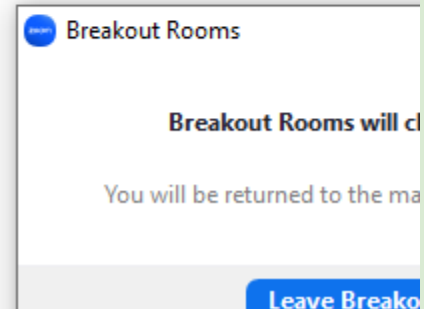
The diagram shows a work-energy bar chart. On the left side of the equals sign, there are four stacked orange 'X' marks above the term  $U_{ei}$ . On the right side, there are four stacked orange 'X' marks above  $U_{gf}$  and one orange 'X' mark above  $U_{ef}$ . The text  $K_i$ ,  $U_{gi}$ ,  $U_{ei}$ ,  $W$ ,  $K_f$ ,  $U_{gf}$ , and  $U_{ef}$  are in blue, while the '+' and '=' signs are in black.

$$K_i + U_{gi} + U_{ei} + W = K_f + U_{gf} + U_{ef}$$

Team 2 Observe the following experiments and represent the process with work-energy bar charts



zero grav.pot. = table



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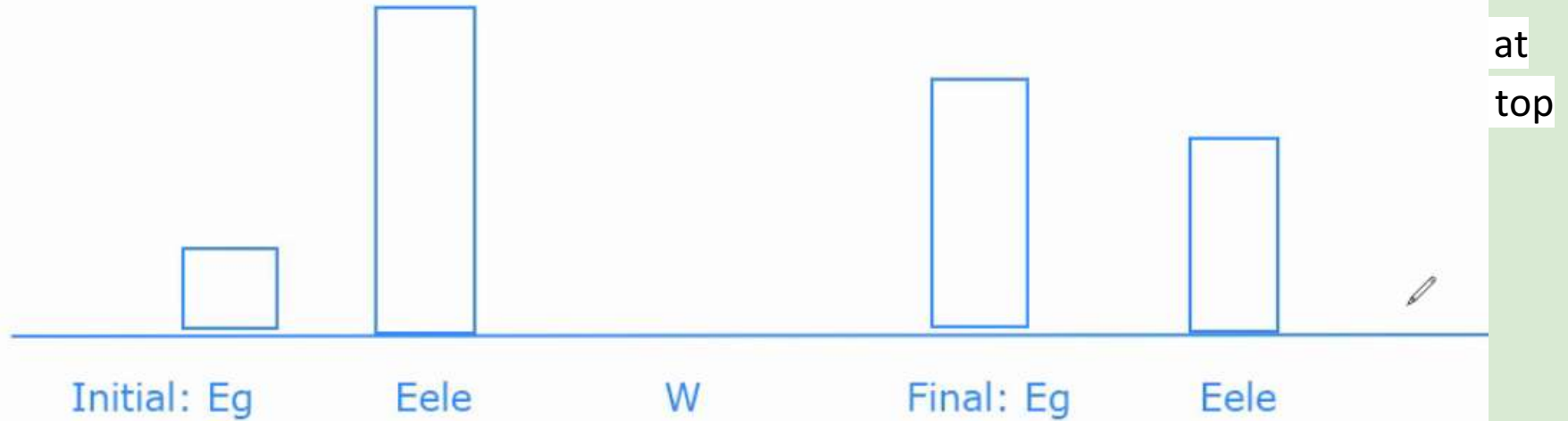
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Choose the system to be two Styrofoam balls and the initial state when the balls are at rest next to each other and the final state when the moving ball is at rest on the top of the incline.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{[rectangle]} \\ U_{qi} \quad U_{gi} \quad K_i \end{array} \quad \checkmark \quad = \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{[rectangle]} \\ U_{qf} \quad U_{gf} \quad K_f \end{array}$$

# Team 4 Observe the following experiments and represent the process with work-energy bar charts

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How can we draw  $F$ -vs- $r$  graph for two interacting charge objects and  $U$ -vs- $r$  graph for two interacting charged objects (consider both cases of like and unlike charges)?

What are the most important things that you will take away from today's workshop?

the bar charts for electrical energy too! Use of more efficient materials to achieve more consistent outcomes.

and I love that last video that even illustrates that mix of  $U_g$  and  $U_e$ !!

Working on analogic reason for confusing idea from magnetism to electrostatic phenomena

Explanation of how electric potential energy can be negative

The activities to see how it's about the change of energy not energy itself

Use styrofoam with plastic/fur to get opposite charges reliably.

Using more videos (instead) will save time for students to exercise reasoning and multiple representation skills

Better explain why we consider potential energy zero at infinity

Understanding negative energy of attraction.

The magnet experiment with prediction and results works really well with ISLE approach.

Charging styrofoam balls to roll uphill is an ingenious observational experiment!!