

3. If the electric potential is zero at infinity then at the surface of a uniformly charged sphere it is  $V = q/4\pi\epsilon_0 R$ , where  $q$  is the charge on the sphere and  $R$  is the sphere radius. Thus  $q = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R V$  and the number of electrons is

$$n = \frac{|q|}{e} = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 R |V|}{e} = \frac{(1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m})(400 \text{ V})}{(8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{C}^2)(1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})} = 2.8 \times 10^5 .$$

6. (a)  $V_B - V_A = \Delta U/q = -W/(-e) = -(3.94 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J})/(-1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}) = 2.46 \text{ V}.$

(b)  $V_C - V_A = V_B - V_A = 2.46 \text{ V}.$

(c)  $V_C - V_B = 0$  (since  $C$  and  $B$  are on the same equipotential line).

7. We connect  $A$  to the origin with a line along the  $y$  axis, along which there is no change of potential (Eq. 24-18:  $\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0$ ). Then, we connect the origin to  $B$  with a line along the  $x$  axis, along which the change in potential is

$$\Delta V = -\int_0^{x=4} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = -4.00 \int_0^4 x dx = -4.00 \left( \frac{4^2}{2} \right)$$

which yields  $V_B - V_A = -32.0 \text{ V}.$

9. (a) The work done by the electric field is

$$W = \int_i^f q_0 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \frac{q_0 \sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \int_0^d dz = \frac{q_0 \sigma d}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{(1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(5.80 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C/m}^2)(0.0356 \text{ m})}{2(8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2)}$$

$$= 1.87 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}.$$

(b) Since  $V - V_0 = -W/q_0 = -\sigma z/2\epsilon_0$ , with  $V_0$  set to be zero on the sheet, the electric potential at  $P$  is

$$V = -\frac{\sigma z}{2\epsilon_0} = -\frac{(5.80 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C/m}^2)(0.0356 \text{ m})}{2(8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2)} = -1.17 \times 10^{-2} \text{ V}.$$