

In general, inside a dielectric, you may have free charges ^{!!} (put there, e.g. on a wire in the plastic, or injected, or rubbed on ^{or outside}), and the \vec{E} field from those charges then polarizes the dielectric:
Adding bound charges to the mix, which superpose & alter the field.

So $\rho = \rho_b + \rho_f$. { This ρ is real, it creates the total,
 real \vec{E} field.
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 the "response" the "placed" ones
 of the dielectric

So $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho / \epsilon_0$ ← Gauss' law, no exceptions, law of nature

$$= \frac{\rho_b + \rho_f}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{-\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} + \rho_f}{\epsilon_0}$$

so $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{P}}{\epsilon_0} \right) = \rho_f / \epsilon_0$

we define a field $\boxed{\vec{D} \equiv \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}}$

the "D-field"
 or
 "Displacement field",
 an old word from
 Maxwell, (no meaning
 now?)

and $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_f$

This looks like Gauss' law. $\Rightarrow \oiint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{A} = Q_{\text{free, enclosed}}$

(Note units, it's C/m^2 , not units of \vec{E} !)

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Why \vec{D} ? ρ_F is "externally determined". These are the charges we placed. (The ρ_B is "self determined", it's the response. You don't choose it, + so often don't know it.)

If ρ_F is symmetric, we can use our usual Gauss' law tricks + "read off" $\vec{D}(r)$. If you know \vec{P} , then you can infer \vec{E} at this point.

\vec{D} is a mathematical invention, a tool to help us determine \vec{E} . (Often easier to find \vec{D} first) Engineers use it when dealing with fields in media. (We'll see more tricks soon)

Ex: A small charge q is embedded in a rubber ~~is~~ sphere. (radius R) Find \vec{D} everywhere.

The q creates an \vec{E} field which polarizes the rubber, which in turn modifies the ρ in the sphere, altering \vec{E} in some (as yet) unknown way. So \vec{E} is not easy to find.

But \vec{D} is! $\oiint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{A} = Q_{\text{free, enclosed}}$.
This is q , nothing else!!

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In the rubber, or out, makes no difference (!!)

$$\iint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{\lambda} = q \Rightarrow D \cdot 4\pi r^2 = q \quad \leftarrow \left[\text{Note, no } \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \text{ in the def of } \vec{D} ! \right]$$

$$\text{so } \vec{D}(\vec{r}) = \frac{q}{4\pi r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Outside, there is no } P, \text{ so } \vec{E} = \frac{\vec{D}}{\epsilon_0} - \vec{P}^{\text{out}} = \frac{q}{4\pi r^2} \frac{\hat{r}}{\epsilon_0}$$

Just coulomb, the rubber is polarized but neutral, + thus has no effect once you're outside.

$$\rightarrow \text{In the rubber, } \vec{E} = \frac{\vec{D}}{\epsilon_0} - \vec{P}. \text{ If we don't know } \vec{P}, \text{ we're}$$

still stuck.... which will lead us to the next section,

Approximating/Modelling many "Normal" (linear) Dielectrics,

to allow us to figure out \vec{P} , given \vec{E} (or \vec{D} .)

But first, a warning: \vec{D} is not "just like \vec{E} only simpler".

Given ρ_{free} , you can find \vec{D} if there's nice symmetry.

But if you have complicated boundaries, all bets are off.

ρ_{free} does not "determine" \vec{D} like ρ determines \vec{E} ,

because $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{D}$ is not always zero!

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It's a subtle point, but $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{P}$

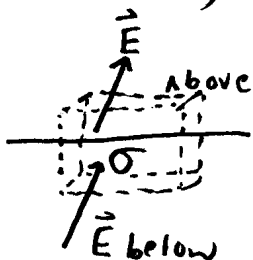
and $\vec{P} = 0$ in vacuum, so you can easily find situations where $\oint \vec{P} \cdot d\vec{l} \neq 0$. Thus, there is no "potential" for \vec{D} .

And, no Coulomb's Law either.

So bottom line: \vec{D} is easy to compute (+thus useful) if you have nice symmetry of ρ_f . (Infinite line, spherical, or sheets)
 But otherwise... \vec{D} may not help us. For this reason, I don't have great physical intuitions about \vec{D} , it's more of a convenient tool to find \vec{E} in certain problems!

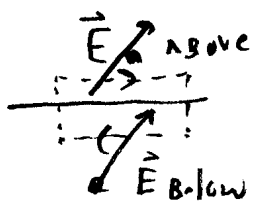
One more side comment before we get to the real useful \vec{D} story (the Linear Dielectric story)

We know, from $\oiint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$, that $E_{\bullet}^{\text{above}} \cdot \hat{n} A + E_{\bullet}^{\text{below}} \cdot \hat{n} A = \sigma \cdot A / \epsilon_0$



$$\underline{E_{\perp}^{\text{above}} - E_{\perp}^{\text{below}} = \sigma / \epsilon_0}$$

and



$$E_{\parallel}^{\text{above}} - E_{\parallel}^{\text{below}} = 0 \quad \text{from } \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = 0$$

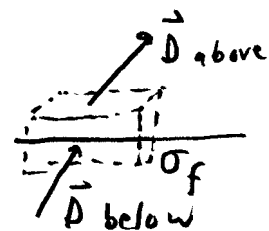
on a "skinny loop", as shown

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Those were our usual boundary conditions (always true).

But, when we have dielectrics, we may not know σ (some of it is $\sigma_f \Rightarrow$ known, but some of it is σ_{bound} , not known until we figure out \vec{P} !) So they are true, but we might not be able to use them to figure out \vec{E} .

On the other hand, $\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{x} = \int \rho_{\text{free}}$



Says $D_{\perp}^{\text{above}} - D_{\perp}^{\text{below}} = \sigma_f \leftarrow$ known, most likely

So this might help us deduce D : just like before, in "free space", we sometimes used σ to help us find \vec{E} , like near ∞ sheet, or next to a conductor, ~~or~~ ~~etc.~~...

$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \oint \vec{P} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$ says $P_{\parallel}^{\text{above}} - P_{\parallel}^{\text{below}} = D_{\parallel}^{\text{above}} - D_{\parallel}^{\text{below}}$

This might help too... but again, only if know \vec{P} ...

So, it's time to finally talk about how to find \vec{P} !

Then, we'll be able to relate $(\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P})$

\vec{D} , \vec{E} , and \vec{P} in general.

(we'll come back + use these Boundary conditions when solving for voltage in problems with dielectric materials!)

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A model, an approximate result true for some ordinary substances in ordinary-sized \vec{E} fields:

$$\vec{P} \propto \vec{E}. \quad \text{Seems reasonable! } \vec{E} \text{ will "stretch" dipoles,}$$

(look back e.g. at Griffiths 4.1, where we saw that atoms polarize, and $\vec{p} = \alpha \vec{E}$, so $\vec{P} = N \frac{\text{atoms}}{m^3} * \vec{p} \frac{\text{polarization}}{\text{atom}}$)

Didn't have to be linear, though $= N \alpha \vec{E}$.
Careful! \vec{E} here = total field! \rightarrow (AND isn't always.)

$\vec{E}_{\text{external}}$ will polarize material, which superposes onto \vec{E}_{ext} , so \vec{P} is not necessarily given directly from \vec{E}_{ext} , it's proportional to the total resultant \vec{E} field in the material!

But anyway, $\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}$ * For "Linear Dielectrics" (Homogeneous, Isotropic) the total \vec{E} field
Polarization of Dielectric \Rightarrow "susceptibility"
 \Rightarrow (stuck in, to make χ_e unitless, a number.)

$\chi_e = 0 \Rightarrow$ material doesn't polarize (e.g. vacuum!)

$\chi_e \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$ very polarizable (like, conductor-like!)

(This is sort of like "Ohm's Law" in 1120. Practical, approximate, not a deep law of nature but a handy rule, accurate in many situations.)

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For such linear materials,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{P} &= \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}, \text{ so } \vec{D} \equiv \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} \\ &= \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E} \\ &= \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \vec{E} \end{aligned}$$

which means

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E} \quad \text{with} \quad \epsilon \equiv \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e)$$



"permittivity of the dielectric"

$$\equiv \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r$$

↑
"Dielectric constant"

Some people, like in 1120, call this κ !

[Sorry for all the (equivalent!) notations, χ_e , ϵ , and ϵ_r !]

Unless! Typically [1-2 in solids, 1.000... in gases.]

Realize the usefulness now:

[Easy to measure, known for most materials]

$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{\lambda} = Q_{\text{free, enc}}$ ← so, often, you can easily find \vec{D} ,

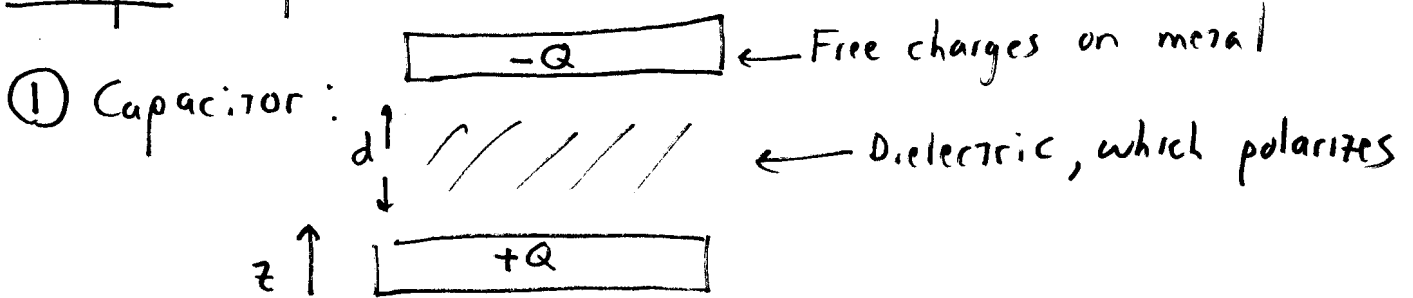
but then $\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{D}}{\epsilon}$
 ϵ ← a simple constant,

so if you know any one (\vec{D} , \vec{E} , or \vec{P}) the other two are trivial to find if you know the dielectric of the medium

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \vec{D} &= \epsilon \vec{E} \quad (= \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \vec{E}) (= \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \vec{E}) \\ \vec{P} &= \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E} = \frac{\chi_e}{\epsilon_r} \vec{D} = \left(\frac{\chi_e}{1 + \chi_e} \vec{D} \right) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

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Examples of uses:



In the dielectric, what's \vec{E}_{tot} ? It's due to the capacitor (free) charge (which gives $\vec{E}_{ext} = \frac{\sigma \hat{z}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} \hat{z}$ here) but also it polarizes (!) adding in some bound charges which in turn add to this (superpose on this) field!

Note that $\vec{P} \neq \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}_{ext}$, it's $\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}_{tot}$, and we don't know \vec{E}_{tot} yet!

But check this out:

No \vec{D} in the conductor!
 $(\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}, \text{ no } \vec{E} \text{ in there, no } \vec{P} \text{ " "})$

$\iint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{A} = Q_{free \text{ enclosed}} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{D \cdot A = \sigma \cdot A}} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{D = \sigma}}$ in there!

So $\vec{D} = \frac{Q}{A} \hat{z}$ throughout the dielectric.

Like I said, if you know Q_{free} , + have symmetry,

\vec{D} is quick-n-easy with Gauss' law.

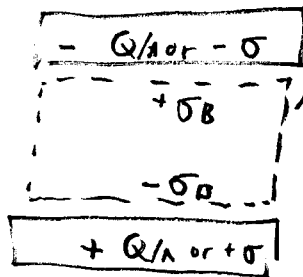
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But now $\vec{E}_{TOT} = \vec{D} / \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r$ (always true in Dielectrics)

So $\vec{E}_{TOT} = \frac{Q}{A \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \hat{z}$. (It's $\frac{\vec{E}_{ext}}{\epsilon_r}$ in this case!)

The dielectric weakened the \vec{E} field, by $\frac{1}{\epsilon_r}$. This is common!

Why? It's polarized!



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{P} &= \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}_{TOT} \\ &= \epsilon_0 \chi_e \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \hat{z} \\ &= \frac{\chi_e}{1 + \chi_e} \sigma \hat{z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_B = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = + \frac{\chi_e}{1 + \chi_e} \sigma \text{ on top + bottom.}$$

this partly cancels the $\mp \sigma$ on capac!

Effectively, $\sigma_{TOT} = \sigma - \sigma_B = \sigma \left(1 - \frac{\chi_e}{1 + \chi_e}\right) = \frac{\sigma}{1 + \chi_e} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_r}$!

So \vec{E}_{TOT} resulting from σ_{TOT} is suppressed by $\frac{1}{\epsilon_r}$.

Note $|\Delta V| = \left| \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} \right| = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \cdot d$

This is $\frac{1}{\epsilon_r}$ x what we get w/o Dielectric

So $C = Q / \Delta V$ is ϵ_r x bigger.

← Faraday first studied this!

⇒ Capacitors always have dielectrics in them...

→ Bigger capacitance

→ weaker \vec{E} for given V ⇒ less likely to break down

→ Can get $\epsilon_r = 10,000$ for some materials! (Barium Titanate)

→ Stored energy = $\frac{1}{2} C \Delta V^2$ is thus also bigger by ϵ_r ⇒ (nice!)

Going back to my example on p. 13, q in rubber ball.

we found $\vec{D} = \frac{q}{4\pi r^2} \hat{r}$ in rubber. If rubber is "linear",

$$\text{then } \vec{E}_{\text{in rubber}} = \frac{\vec{D}}{\epsilon} = \frac{q}{4\pi \epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_r} \right)$$

["screening"
but not
"shielding"]
↓
↑
like
conductors

again, just like normal, but down by factor $1/\epsilon_r$.

Here again, we had nice symmetry ⇒ could find \vec{D} .

(Remember our warning: without symmetry, don't know \vec{D} ,

and can't assume $\vec{E} = \text{"normal } \vec{E} \text{"} / \epsilon_r \dots$)

What about finding V (+ thus \vec{E}) the old ch. 3 way?

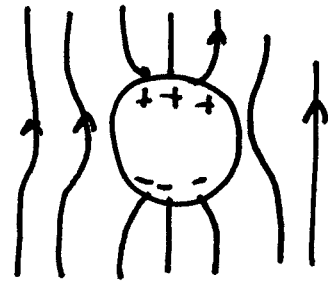
In linear dielectric, $\rho_B = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{I} \propto -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_{\text{free}}$

so, if don't have ρ_f (no "embedded q 's"), then

$\rho_B = \rho_f = 0$, $\nabla^2 V = 0$, + we can use old tricks!

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Example: Remember the "classic" conductor in \vec{E} field.



We solved this in ch. 3 by following logic:

(1) \rightarrow $V(\text{outside})$ solves $\nabla^2 V = 0 \Rightarrow V = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}}) P_l(\cos\theta)$

(2) \rightarrow $V(\text{far away}) = -E_0 z = -E_0 r \cos\theta$

(3) \rightarrow $V(\text{on surface}) = 0$

(3) told us $A_l R^l = -B_l / R^{l+1}$

(2) told us all $l \neq 1$ terms vanish, and $A_1 = -E_0$

The E_{ext} was $\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$, and the sphere polarized,

cancelling out \vec{E} entirely inside.

In end, we found $\frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \Big|_{\text{out}} - \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \Big|_{\text{in}} = -\frac{\sigma(\theta)}{\epsilon_0}$

gave us $\sigma = 3\epsilon_0 E_0 \cos\theta \leftarrow$ "perfect polarization"

this is just the σ you need to create (by itself)

($\vec{E} = -E_0 \hat{z}$ inside, i.e. cancelling E_{ext})

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Let's do the same thing with dielectric sphere!

Put it into $\epsilon_{ext} = \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$.

It will polarize... but not perfectly, it's dielectric, not conductor!

Here again:
$$V_{out} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos\theta)$$

But $V_{out}(r \rightarrow \infty) = -E_0 r \cos\theta$ tells us

all $A_{l \neq 1}$ must vanish, and $A_1 = -E_0$

so
$$V_{out} = -E_0 r \cos\theta + \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} P_l(\cos\theta)$$

Inside, cannot assume $\vec{E} = 0$!

$$V_{in}(r, \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_l r^l P_l(\cos\theta)$$

- \hookrightarrow No \tilde{B}_l terms to keep $V(r)$ finite
- \tilde{A}_l 's are different than A_l 's!

we need Boundary Conditions.

As always $V_{in}|_R = V_{out}|_R$

(But the other B.C. is new, it comes from p. 15 ideas)

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The "New" B.C. when Dielectrics are present:

$$D_{\perp}^{\text{above}} - D_{\perp}^{\text{below}} = \sigma_F \quad \leftarrow \text{from } \oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{A} = Q_{\text{free, enc.}}$$

For linear Dielectrics, this means

$$\epsilon E_{\perp}^{\text{above}} - \epsilon_{\text{below}} E_{\perp}^{\text{below}} = \sigma_F$$

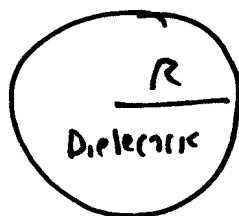
or

$$\epsilon_{\text{above}} \left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial n} \right|_{\text{above}} - \epsilon_{\text{below}} \left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial n} \right|_{\text{below}} = -\sigma_F$$

(Because $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} V$ still, as always!)

Very much like Ch. 3, just bear in mind ϵ might change at a boundary, if dielectric material ends!

In our problem



vacuum outside $\Rightarrow \epsilon = \epsilon_0$

$$\epsilon_0 \left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \right|_{\text{at } R}^{\text{out}} - \epsilon \left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \right|_R^{\text{in}} = -\sigma_F,$$

but we have no free charges in this problem!

So use this... $\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V^{\text{out}}}{\partial r} = \epsilon \frac{\partial V^{\text{in}}}{\partial r}$ in this problem

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$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_0 (-E_0 \cos\theta) + \epsilon_0 \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_l}{R^{l+2}} (-)(l+1) P_l(\cos\theta) \\ = \epsilon \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} l \tilde{A}_l R^{l-1} P_l(\cos\theta) \end{aligned}$$

and $V_{in}|_R = V_{out}|_R$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_l R^l P_l = -E_0 R \cos\theta + \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_l}{R^{l+1}} P_l$$

this tells me $\sum \left(\tilde{A}_l R^l - \frac{B_l}{R^{l+1}} \right) P_l = -E_0 R \cos\theta = -E_0 R P_1$
 \rightarrow must vanish for all $l \neq 1!$

$$\text{so } \tilde{A}_l = \frac{B_l}{R^{2l+1}} \text{ for all } l \neq 1 \quad (i)$$

$$\text{and } \tilde{A}_1 R - \frac{B_1}{R^2} = -E_0 R \quad (ii)$$

The upper eq'n tells me

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(l \epsilon \tilde{A}_l R^{l-1} + \frac{(l+1) \epsilon_0 B_l}{R^{l+2}} \right) P_l = -\epsilon_0 E_0 \overbrace{\cos\theta}^{P_1}$$

so here,

$$l \epsilon \tilde{A}_l R^{l-1} + \frac{(l+1) \epsilon_0 B_l}{R^{l+2}} = 0 \text{ for all } l \neq 1 \quad (iii)$$

$$\text{and } \epsilon \tilde{A}_1 + \frac{2 \epsilon_0 B_1}{R^3} = -\epsilon_0 E_0 \quad (iv)$$

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(i) and (iii) tell me $\tilde{A}_2 = B_2 = 0$ for all $l \neq 1$!

ii + iv tell me

$$\frac{2\epsilon_0}{R} \left(\tilde{A}_1 R - \frac{B_1}{R^2} \right) = \frac{2\epsilon_0}{R} (E_0 R)$$

$$\epsilon \tilde{A}_1 + \frac{2\epsilon_0}{R^3} B_1 = -\epsilon_0 E_0$$

$$\tilde{A}_1 (2\epsilon_0 + \epsilon) = -\epsilon_0 E_0 (2 + 1)$$

$$\text{or } \tilde{A}_1 = -3\epsilon_0 E_0 / (\epsilon + 2\epsilon_0) = \frac{-3E_0}{(2 + \epsilon_r)}$$

$$\text{and } B_1 = (\tilde{A}_1 + E_0) R^3 = R^3 \left(E_0 \left(1 - \frac{3}{2 + \epsilon_r} \right) \right) = E_0 R^3 \left(\frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2 + \epsilon_r} \right)$$

$$\text{so } V_{in} = \tilde{A}_1 r P_0 = \frac{-3E_0}{2 + \epsilon_r} r \cos \theta = \frac{-3E_0}{2 + \epsilon_r} z$$

$$\text{so } \vec{E}_{in} = -\frac{\partial V_{in}}{\partial z} \hat{z} = +\frac{3E_0}{2 + \epsilon_r} \hat{z}$$

This is uniform, and $\frac{3}{2 + \epsilon_r}$ x's ϵ_{ext} .

$\epsilon_r = 1 \Rightarrow$ Nothing there at all, vacuum everywhere, $E_{in} = \epsilon_{ext}$

$\epsilon_r \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow E_{in} = 0$, perfect conductor (∞ dielectric)

E_{in} is damped but not zero.

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Look, seems clear (with $\cos\theta$ term) we're going to

only get $V_{in} = -C_1 r \cos\theta$

$$V_{out} = -E_0 r \cos\theta + \frac{C_2 R^3}{r^2} \cos\theta \quad !$$

CONTINUITY $\Rightarrow C_1 = E_0 - C_2$

$$-\epsilon \left. \frac{\partial V_{in}}{\partial r} \right|_R = -\epsilon_0 \left. \frac{\partial V_{out}}{\partial r} \right|_R \Rightarrow \epsilon C_1 = \epsilon_0 E_0 + 2\epsilon_0 C_2$$

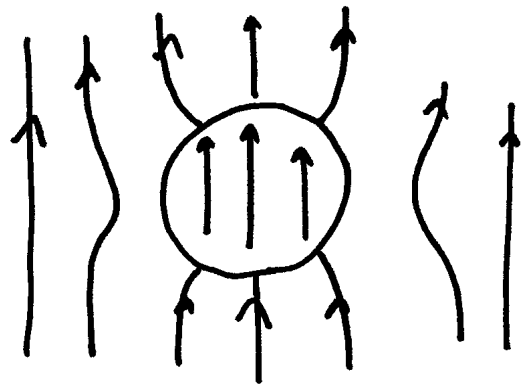
or $\epsilon_r C_1 = E_0 + 2C_2$

so $C_1(1 - \epsilon_r) = C_2(-3)$

and thus $C_1 = E_0 + C_1 \frac{(1 - \epsilon_r)}{3} \Rightarrow C_1 \left(\frac{3 - 1 + \epsilon_r}{3} \right) = E_0$

$$C_1 = \frac{3}{2 + \epsilon_r} E_0$$

$$C_2 = \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2 + \epsilon_r} E_0$$



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$$\vec{P}_{in} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}_{in} = \epsilon_0 \frac{(\epsilon_r - 1) \cdot 3}{(\epsilon_r + 2)} E_0 \hat{z}$$

↑
(always = $\epsilon_r - 1$)

$$\text{so } \vec{\sigma}_{BOUND} = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{r} = 3 \epsilon_0 \left(\frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2 + \epsilon_r} \right) E_0 \cos \theta.$$

so this is again $\propto \cos \theta$, it's "dipole",

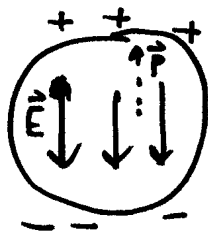
vacuum $\Rightarrow \epsilon_r \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \sigma_B = 0 \checkmark$

conductor $\Rightarrow \epsilon_r \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \sigma_B = 3 \epsilon_0 E_0 \checkmark$ (see p. 21 a!)

OUTSIDE, it's also just a dipole field (+ orig),

but dipole is "weaker" than the ideal conductor would give.

A pure polarized sphere
makes internal \vec{E} that
partly, but not totally,

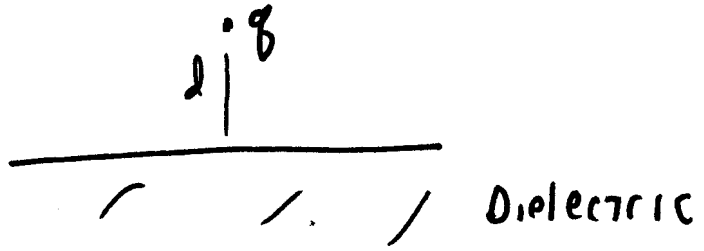


"fights" the \vec{E}_{ext} that polarized you in the first place

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One last example :

Like "image charge",
but w. Dielectric. \rightarrow



Can we use method of images?

- No free charges on surface, so $D_z|_{\text{above}} = D_z|_{\text{below}}$
 $\oiint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{n} = Q_{\text{free, enc}}$

thus $\epsilon_0 E_z|_{\text{above}} = \epsilon E_z|_{\text{below}}$

or $\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V_{\text{above}}}{\partial z} \Big|_{z=0} = \epsilon \frac{\partial V_{\text{below}}}{\partial z} \Big|_{z=0}$

Could we use an image Q' at $z = -d$? well, let's try!

Above, $V(x, y, z) = \frac{kQ}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z-d)^2}} + \frac{kQ'}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z+d)^2}}$

below ... well, there really isn't a Q' below, it's all σ_B on surface. Seen from below, that surface charge looks like a Q' above!

$V^{\text{below}}(x, y, z) = \frac{kQ}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z-d)^2}} + \frac{kQ'}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + (z-d)^2}}$

N.B. if $Q' = -Q$
 $V_{\text{below}} = 0$
 as it was
 for conductor

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$$\text{so } \epsilon_0 \left. \frac{\partial V_{\text{above}}}{\partial z} \right|_{z=0} = \epsilon_0 k \left[\frac{-(z-d)Q}{(x^2+y^2+(z-d)^2)^{3/2}} + \frac{-(z+d)Q'}{(x^2+y^2+(z+d)^2)^{3/2}} \right]_{z=0}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon_0 k}{(x^2+y^2+d^2)^{3/2}} [dQ - dQ']$$

$$\epsilon \left. \frac{\partial V_{\text{below}}}{\partial z} \right|_{z=0} = \epsilon k \left[\frac{-(z-d)(Q+Q')}{(x^2+y^2+(z-d)^2)^{3/2}} \right]_{z=0}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon k d(Q+Q')}{(x^2+y^2+d^2)^{3/2}}$$

so B.C. requires $\epsilon_0(Q-Q') = \epsilon(Q+Q')$

[CONTINUITY of $V \Rightarrow Q+Q' = Q+Q'$ doesn't help, it's automatic.]

or $Q(\epsilon_0 - \epsilon) = Q'(\epsilon + \epsilon_0)$

or $Q' = Q \left(\frac{1 - \epsilon_r}{1 + \epsilon_r} \right)$

[Note: conductor $\Rightarrow \epsilon_r \rightarrow \infty$
 $Q' = -Q$ ✓]

[Note: $\epsilon_r \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ No image needed!]

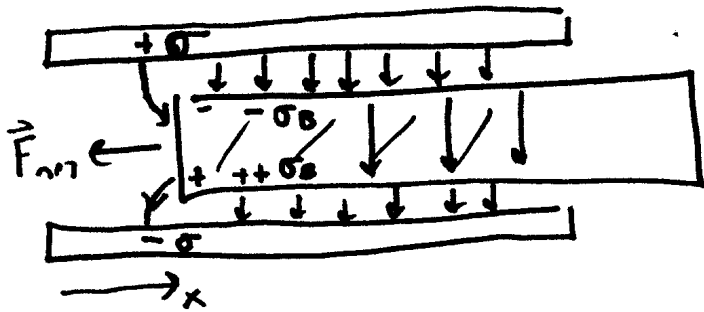
• Now we know V everywhere.

→ Vanishes at ∞

→ Continuous, + right B.C., at $z=0$

Could find σ_b from $\vec{P} \cdot \hat{z} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e E_z^{\text{below}} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \left(-\frac{\partial V^{\text{below}}}{\partial z} \right) \Big|_{z=0}$.

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Fringe fields : pull dielectric in!

Very complicated fields. Could we possibly hope to figure out \vec{E} 's, + then \vec{F} 's? Not directly!

Use energy argument:

$$\vec{F}_{\text{ext}} = \frac{dW}{dx} = -\vec{F}_{\text{field}}$$

and $W = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} Q^2/C$

← Better, then no battery to worry about!
Keep Q fixed!

Can find $C(x)$ ← exercise!

+ thus deduce \vec{F} .

~~As~~ As Dielectric enters, $E \downarrow$, $C \uparrow$, $W \downarrow$.

Shielding, $\epsilon_r > 1$, $\frac{Q^2}{C}$ or $\int E^2$

so, gets "sucked in" (by fringe field!)