

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{q}{r} + \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} Q_{ij} \frac{x_i x_j}{r^5} + \dots \right]$$

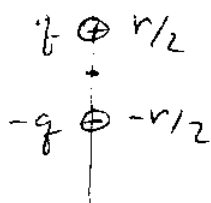
can also be derived.

Examples:

dipole: $q=0$

z

$$\vec{p} = q \frac{\vec{r}}{2} - (-q) \left(-\frac{\vec{r}}{2} \right) = q \vec{r} \text{ ok.}$$

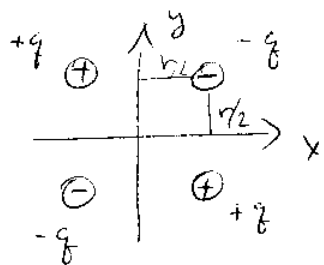


$$Q_{zz} = 3\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^2 q - 3\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^2 q - \left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^2 q + \left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^2 q = 0$$

$$\text{all } Q_{ij} = 0, \dots$$

quadrupole:

$q=0$



$$\Rightarrow \vec{p} = 0$$

$$Q_{xx} = -q \cdot \left(3\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{r^2}{2} \right) 2 + q \left(+3\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{r^2}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$Q_{xy} = -q \cdot 3\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^2 \cdot 2 + q \cdot 3\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{r}{2}\right) \cdot 2 = -3qr^2 \neq 0.$$

$$Q_{yy} = 0.$$

non-zero quadrupole moment.

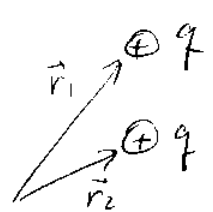
If we know Φ , we know $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} \Phi \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\frac{q}{r^3} \vec{r} + \frac{3\hat{n}(\vec{p} \cdot \hat{n}) - \vec{p}}{r^3} + \dots \right]$$

dipole's electric field

$$\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{r}}{r}.$$

all, but the lowest non-vanishing multipole moments (91)
depend on the choice of origin!

e.g.  $q_{00} = \frac{2q}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \neq 0$
 $q_{1m} \rightarrow \vec{p} = q\vec{r}_1 + q\vec{r}_2$ $\sim$ depends on origin
 etc.

However, we've been a bit sloppy: for a dipole

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}}{r^3} = \frac{-1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \vec{p} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \frac{1}{r}$$

Start by regularizing $\frac{1}{r} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + \epsilon^2}}$

$$E_i = + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} p_j \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + \epsilon^2}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} p_j \cdot$$

$$\cdot \left[\frac{3x_i x_j}{(r^2 + \epsilon^2)^{5/2}} - \frac{\delta_{ij}}{(r^2 + \epsilon^2)^{3/2}} \right] = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} p_j \frac{3x_i x_j - \delta_{ij}(r^2 + \epsilon^2)}{(r^2 + \epsilon^2)^{5/2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{3x_i \vec{p} \cdot \vec{r} - p_i r^2}{r^5} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} p_i \frac{\epsilon^2}{(r^2 + \epsilon^2)^{5/2}}}_{\delta_\epsilon(r)}$$

(i) $r \neq 0, \epsilon \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \delta_\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

$r = 0, \epsilon \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \delta_\epsilon(0) = \infty$

(ii) $\int d^3r \frac{\epsilon^2}{(r^2 + \epsilon^2)^{5/2}} = 4\pi \int_0^\infty dr \cdot r^2 \frac{\epsilon^2}{(r^2 + \epsilon^2)^{5/2}} = \int \tilde{r} = \frac{r}{\epsilon}$

$$= 4\pi \int_0^\infty d\tilde{r} \frac{\tilde{r}^2}{(1+\tilde{r}^2)^{5/2}} = \frac{4\pi}{3} \Rightarrow \delta_\epsilon(r) \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{4\pi}{3} \delta^3(\vec{r}) \quad (92)$$

$\Rightarrow$ field of a dipole is, in fact:

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[\underbrace{\frac{3\vec{r}(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}) - \vec{p}r^2}{r^5}}_{\text{part known from undergraduate EOM}} - \underbrace{\frac{4\pi}{3} \vec{p} \delta^3(\vec{r})}_{\text{new piece. makes } \int d^3x \vec{E} \text{ finite.}} \right]$$

Electrostatic energy $\sim$ multipole expansion

put our system of charges in external

field $\Phi(\vec{x})$: potential energy

will be

$$W = \int d^3x \rho(\vec{x}) \Phi(\vec{x})$$



Suppose $\Phi(\vec{x})$ is slowly varying $\Rightarrow$ expand

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) \approx \Phi(0) + \vec{x} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \Phi(0) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} x_i x_j \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(0) + \dots$$

$\Rightarrow$ as $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} \Phi$ and as $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = -\nabla^2 \Phi = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho_{\text{ext}} = 0$

in absence of external charges $\Rightarrow$

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \Phi(0) - \vec{x} \cdot \vec{E} - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{i,j} (3x_i x_j - r^2 \delta_{ij}) \frac{\partial E_j}{\partial x_i}(0) + \dots$$

Therefore,

$$W = q \Phi(0) - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{E} - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{i,j} Q_{ij} \frac{\partial E_j}{\partial x_i}(0) + \dots$$

Dielectrics.

Suppose we have two types of charges:

"free charges" and "bound charges".

The potential is then the sum of potentials of free and bound charges: $\Phi = \Phi_{\text{free}} + \Phi_{\text{bound}}$

$$\Phi_{\text{free}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3x' \frac{\rho_f(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$$

Bound charges give charge-neutral media (e^- & p in the atoms & molecules). The dominant multipole is dipole. (It's easy to polarize a molecule.) Potential of a point dipole $\vec{p}$ is (at $\vec{x}'$)

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\vec{p} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^3}$$

Def. Defining polarization $\vec{P}(\vec{x})$ as dipole moment per unit volume, we write

$$\Phi_{\text{bound}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V d^3x' \frac{\vec{P}(\vec{x}') \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^3}$$

where V is the region containing polarization $\vec{P}$.

$$\text{As } \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}'}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^3} = \vec{\nabla}' \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Phi_{\text{bound}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3x' \vec{P}(\vec{x}') \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} = (\text{parts})$$

$$= - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3x' \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \cdot \vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{P}(\vec{x}')$$

$$\text{Finally, } \Phi(\vec{x}) = \Phi_{\text{free}}(\vec{x}) + \Phi_{\text{bound}}(\vec{x}) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3x' \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} [\rho_f(\vec{x}') - \vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{P}(\vec{x}')] .$$

$\Rightarrow$ There seems to be two components to total

$$\text{charge density: } \rho_{\text{tot}} = \rho_f - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}$$

$$\text{Now, } \vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} \Phi \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = 0} \quad \text{true in dielectrics}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = -\nabla^2 \Phi = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} [\rho_f(\vec{x}) - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}(\vec{x})]$$

$$\text{as } \nabla^2 \frac{1}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} = -4\pi \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')$$

(Def.) Define electric displacement $\vec{D}$

as $\vec{D} \equiv \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}$

Since $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} [\rho_f - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}]$

$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot [\epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}] = \rho_f \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_f}$

$\vec{D}$ appears to have the meaning of electric field due to free charges.

Linear Isotropic Homogeneous medium (LIH):

$$\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi \vec{E}$$

linear ~ as $\vec{P} \propto \vec{E}$

homogeneous ~ χ is a constant, and not $\chi(\vec{x})$.

isotropic ~ χ is independent of direction

(i.e. could be $\vec{P}_i = \epsilon_0 \sum_j \chi_{ij} E_j \dots$)

(Def) χ ~ electric susceptibility

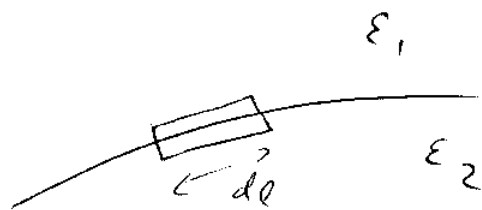
$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \epsilon_0 \chi \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi) \vec{E} \equiv \epsilon \vec{E}$$

(Def) $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi)$ ~ dielectric constant.

(in vacuum, $\chi = 0$ and $\epsilon = \epsilon_0$)

Boundary matching

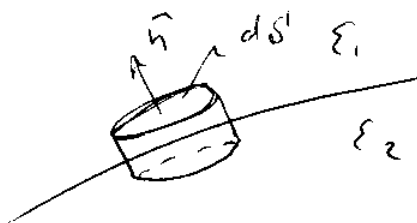
$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = 0 \Rightarrow$$



$$\oint_C \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = 0 \Rightarrow (\vec{E}_1 - \vec{E}_2) \cdot \hat{t} d\ell = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E_{1t} = E_{2t}}$$

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



$$\int_V \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} d^3x = \int \rho_f d^3x = \sigma_f dS$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{D_{1n} - D_{2n} = \sigma_f}$$

$\sigma_f \sim$ surface free charge density.

As we showed before, $E_{1n} - E_{2n} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$

where $\sigma = \sigma_{\text{free}} + \sigma_{\text{bound}}$ total surface charge density.

$$\text{as } \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} (\vec{D} - \vec{P}) \Rightarrow$$

$$E_{1n} - E_{2n} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} (D_{1n} - D_{2n} - P_{1n} + P_{2n}) = \frac{\sigma_f}{\epsilon_0} - \frac{P_{1n} - P_{2n}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$$

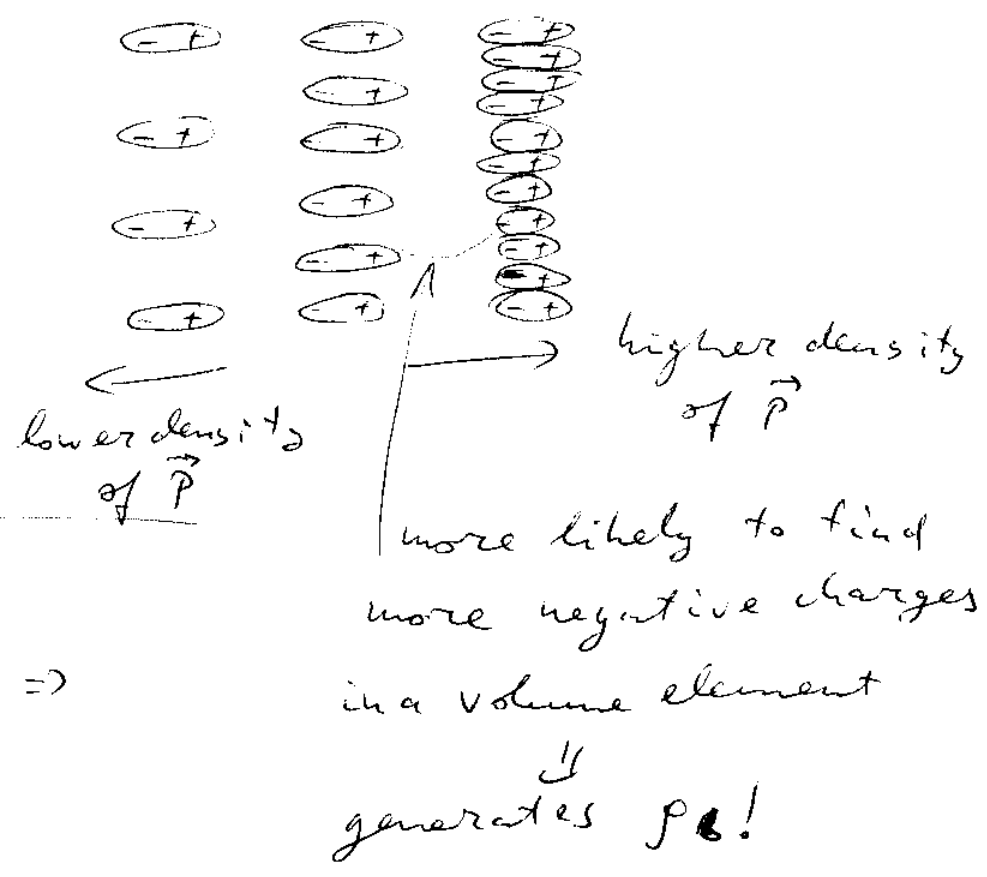
$$\Rightarrow \left\{ P_{1n} - P_{2n} = \sigma_f - \sigma = -\sigma_b \right\}$$

As the bound charge density is $\rho_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_{1n} - \rho_{2n} = -\sigma_b$$

Why is $\rho_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}$?

Pictorially:

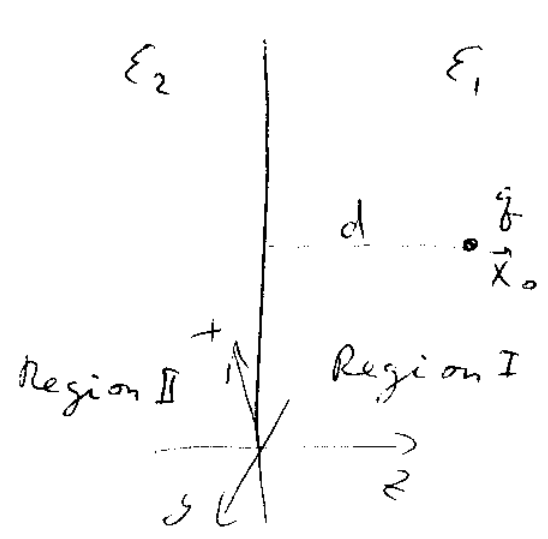


Finally, if $\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho_f \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho_f}{\epsilon}$$

Boundary-Value Problems with Dielectrics.



Region I: $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_f = \epsilon_1 \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho_f}{\epsilon_1} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_1} \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} \Phi$$

$$\vec{x}_0 = (0, 0, d)$$