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Boundary Value Problems with Linear Dielectrics (Laplace's Eq).  $\perp$

$$\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}; \quad \vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \vec{E} = \epsilon \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \vec{E}$$

$$\rho_b = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} = -\epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = -\frac{\epsilon_0 \chi_e}{\epsilon} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = -\frac{\chi_e}{1 + \chi_e} \rho_f$$

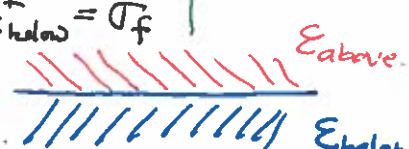
$\rho_b \propto \rho_f$  in a Linear Homogeneous Isotropic Dielectric Mat.

Therefore, unless free charge is embedded in the <sup>dielectric</sup> material,

$$\rho = \rho_b + \rho_f = \rho_f \left(1 + \frac{\chi_e}{1 + \chi_e}\right) = 0.$$

And any net charge must reside on the surface (boundary).

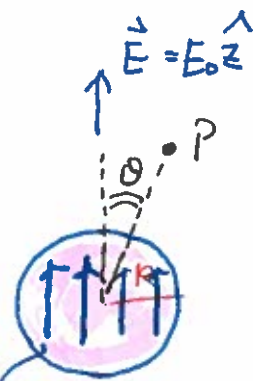
$$\Rightarrow \text{Laplace's Eq } \nabla^2 V = 0.$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} D_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - D_{\text{below}}^{\perp} = \sigma_f; \quad \epsilon_{\text{above}} E_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - \epsilon_{\text{below}} E_{\text{below}}^{\perp} = \sigma_f \\ \therefore \epsilon_{\text{above}} \frac{\partial V_{\text{above}}}{\partial n} - \epsilon_{\text{below}} \frac{\partial V_{\text{below}}}{\partial n} = -\sigma_f \end{array} \right]$$


But always  $V_{\text{above}} = V_{\text{below}}$  at the boundary.

EX Solving  $\nabla^2 V = 0$  w/ proper B.C.'s

- (i)  $V_{\text{in}} = V_{\text{out}}$  at  $r = R$
- (ii) Since  $\sigma_f = 0$ ,  $\epsilon \frac{\partial V_{\text{in}}}{\partial r} \Big|_R = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V_{\text{out}}}{\partial r} \Big|_R$ .
- (iii)  $V_{\text{out}} \rightarrow -E_0 r \cos \theta$  for  $r \gg R$   
 $\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} V = E_0 \hat{z} \cdot (\hat{z} = r \cos \theta)$



For  $r < R$

$$V_{\text{in}}(r, \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l r^l P_l(\cos \theta).$$

$B_l = 0$  to have a finite  $V_{\text{in}}(0, \theta)$ .

For  $r > R$

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

Linear Isotropic Homogeneous D.M. ( $\epsilon$ ).  $\epsilon_r = \epsilon / \epsilon_0$ .

B.C. (i).

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l R^l P_l(\cos\theta) = -E_0 R \underbrace{\cos\theta}_{P_1(\cos\theta)} + \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_l}{R^{l+1}} P_l(\cos\theta)$$

Separate out  $l=1$  term, "exclude  $l=1$ "

$$\underbrace{A_1 R^1}_{\text{u}} P_1(\cos\theta) + \sum_{l=0, l \neq 1}^{\infty} \underbrace{A_l R^l}_{\text{u}} P_l(\cos\theta) = \left( \frac{B_1}{R^2} - E_0 R \right) P_1(\cos\theta) + \sum_{l=0, l \neq 1}^{\infty} \frac{B_l}{R^{l+1}} P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$\begin{cases} A_1 R = \frac{B_1}{R^2} - E_0 R & \text{--- (1)} \\ A_l R^l = \frac{B_l}{R^{l+1}} & \text{for } l \neq 1 \text{ --- (2)} \end{cases}$$

B.C. (ii).

$$\epsilon \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} l A_l R^{l-1} P_l(\cos\theta) = -\epsilon_0 \underbrace{\cos\theta}_{P_1(\cos\theta)} - \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \epsilon_0 \frac{(l+1) B_l}{R^{l+2}} P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$\epsilon A_1 P_1(\cos\theta) + \sum_{l=0, l \neq 1}^{\infty} \epsilon l A_l R^{l-1} P_l(\cos\theta) = -\epsilon \left( E_0 + \frac{B_1}{R^3} \right) P_1(\cos\theta) + \sum_{l=0, l \neq 1}^{\infty} \epsilon_0 \frac{(l+1) B_l}{R^{l+2}} P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$\epsilon A_1 = -\epsilon_0 \left( E_0 + \frac{B_1}{R^3} \right) \Rightarrow \epsilon_r A_1 = -E_0 - \frac{B_1}{R^3} \text{ --- (3)}$$

$$\epsilon_r l A_l R^{l-1} = -\frac{(l+1) B_l}{R^{l+2}} \text{ for } l \neq 1 \text{ --- (4)}$$

\* 4 unknowns with 4 eq's.

$$A_l = B_l = 0 \text{ for } l \neq 1$$

$$A_1 = -\frac{3}{\epsilon_r + 2} E_0 \text{ and } B_1 = \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 2} R^3 E_0$$

$$\therefore V_{in}(r, \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l r^l P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$= -\frac{3}{\epsilon_r + 2} E_0 r \cos\theta = -\frac{3}{\epsilon_r + 2} E_0 z$$

$$\vec{E}_{in} = -\vec{\nabla} V_{in} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} V_{in} \hat{z} = \frac{3}{\epsilon_r + 2} E_0 \hat{z} \text{ (uniform field)}$$

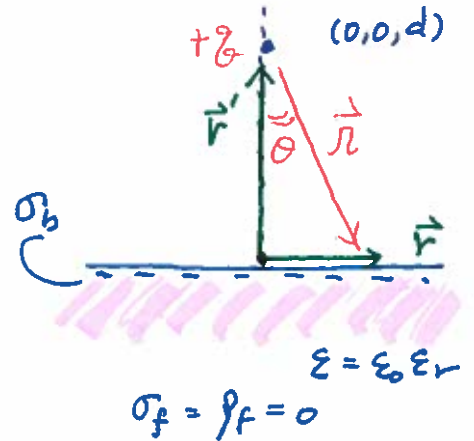
$$V_{out}(r, \theta) = -E_0 r \cos \theta + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 1} R^3 \frac{E_0 \cos \theta}{r^2}$$

$$\vec{E}_{out} = -\vec{\nabla} V_{out}$$

EX Force on  $+q$  at  $(0, 0, d)$

\* It is not easy to know the image charge  $q'$  and its location in this case.

But we know  $\sigma_b < 0$  will be induced, and the force is attractive.



$$\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}_{in} \cdot \hat{n} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e (E_{in})_z \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

→ This will fully represent the property of the dielectric!

What is  $\vec{E}_{in}$ ?  $\vec{E}_{in}$  is generated by  $+q$  and  $\sigma_b$ !

$$\vec{E}_{in}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r} - \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_b}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{z}}_{\text{directing to } +\hat{z} \text{ since } \sigma_b < 0}$$

At the boundary (see figure), the normal component ( $\hat{z}$ ).

$$(E_{in})_z = \frac{-1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q}{\sqrt{r^2 + d^2}} \cos \theta - \frac{\sigma_b}{2\epsilon_0} \quad \left( \cos \theta = \frac{d}{r} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{qd}{(r^2 + d^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{\sigma_b}{2\epsilon_0} \Rightarrow \text{to } E_z \text{ (5)}$$

$$\sigma_b = \epsilon_0 \chi_e (E_{in})_z = -\epsilon_0 \chi_e \left[ \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qd}{(r^2 + d^2)^{3/2}} + \frac{\sigma_b}{2\epsilon_0} \right]$$

Solving for  $\sigma_b$ ,

$$\sigma_b = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{\chi_e}{\chi_e + 2} \right) \frac{qd}{(r^2 + d^2)^{3/2}}$$

then the total induced charge  $q_b$ .

$$q_b = \int_0^{\infty} dr \sigma_b (2\pi r) dr.$$

$$= - \left( \frac{\chi_e}{\chi_e + 2} \right) q_d \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{r}{(r^2 + d^2)^{3/2}} dr}_{\frac{1}{d}} = - \left( \frac{\chi_e}{\chi_e + 2} \right) q$$

If you want to put an image charge,  $q' = q_b = - \left( \frac{\chi_e}{\chi_e + 2} \right) q$ .  
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Where to put? At  $z = -d$ . (not so obvious but it works!)

$$\vec{F}_g = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\sigma_b(\vec{r}') da' \hat{n}}{r^2} = - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{\chi_e}{\chi_e + 2} \right) \frac{q^2}{4d^2} \hat{z}$$

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$$V(r, \theta) = \begin{cases} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} P_l(\cos\theta) & (r > b) \\ \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left( A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos\theta) & (a < r < b) \\ \text{const} = 0 & (r < a) \end{cases}$$

B.C.

(i) Continuity at  $r = b$

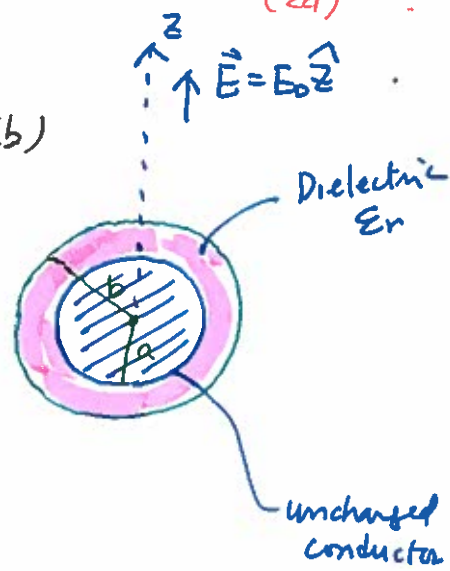
$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_l}{b^{l+1}} P_l(\cos\theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left( A_l b^l + \frac{B_l}{b^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos\theta)$$

(ii) Continuity at  $r = a$

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left( A_l a^l + \frac{B_l}{a^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos\theta) = 0$$

(iii)  $\sigma_f = 0$  at  $r = b$

$$+ \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V(r=b)}{\partial r} - \epsilon \frac{\partial V(r=b)}{\partial r} = 0$$



► Energy in Dielectric System.

When the whole space where  $\vec{E}$  is present is filled w/ a linear dielectric medium with  $\epsilon$ , then the resulting electric field can be obtained by replacing  $\epsilon_0 \rightarrow \epsilon$ .

Capacitor filled w/ a dielectric material.

$$C = \epsilon_r C_{vac} = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} C_{vac}.$$

The energy stored in the capacitor

$$E = W = \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} \right) C_{vac} V^2.$$

Similarly, the energy stored in field has to be modified accordingly.

$$W = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int E^2 d\tau \quad \text{in vacuum.}$$

In a dielectric medium,

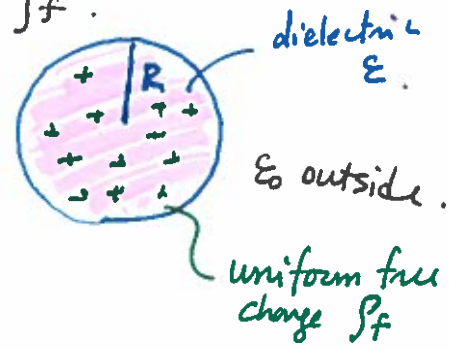
$$W = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \int E^2 d\tau = \frac{1}{2} \int \epsilon \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} d\tau = \frac{1}{2} \int \vec{D} \cdot \vec{E} d\tau.$$

EX Energy of a dielectric sphere of radius  $R$  with embedded uniform free charge  $\rho_f$ .

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

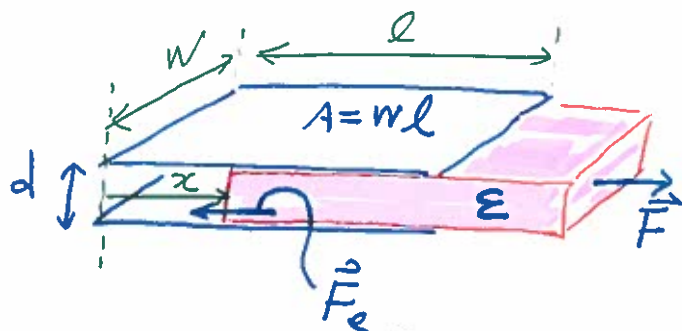
$$\therefore \vec{D}(\vec{r}) = \begin{cases} \frac{\rho_f}{3} \vec{r} & (r < R) \\ \frac{\rho_f R^3}{3 r^2} \hat{r} & (r > R). \end{cases}$$

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}) = \begin{cases} \frac{\rho_f}{3\epsilon} \vec{r} & (r < R) \\ \frac{\rho_f R^3}{3\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{1}{r^2} \hat{r} & (r > R). \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore W &= \frac{1}{2} \int \vec{D} \cdot \vec{E} d\tau \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^R \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\rho_f}{3}\right)^2 r^2 4\pi r^2 dr + \int_R^\infty \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{\rho_f R}{3}\right)^2 \frac{1}{r^4} (4\pi r^2) dr \right] \\
 &= \frac{4\pi}{2\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{\rho_f}{3}\right)^2 \left[ \underbrace{\int_0^R \frac{1}{\epsilon_r} r^4 dr}_{\frac{1}{5\epsilon_r} R^5} + \int_R^\infty R^6 \cdot \frac{1}{r^2} dr \right] \\
 &= \frac{2\pi}{9\epsilon_0} \rho_f^2 R^5 \left(\frac{1}{5\epsilon_r} + 1\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

EX Pulling the dielectric out of a parallel capacitor.



To pull the dielectric at a constant speed,  $|\vec{F}| = |\vec{F}_e|$   
 ↑ pull force      ↑ electrical force

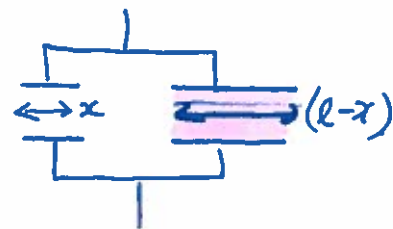
$dW = F dx$  : Work done on the system by the pulling force.

$$= -F_e dx$$

$$\therefore F_e = -\frac{dW}{dx} = -\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{2} CV^2 \right)$$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 W}{d} (\epsilon_r l - \chi_e x)$$

$$\therefore F_e = \dots = -\frac{1}{2} V^2 \frac{dC}{dx}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 C &= \frac{\epsilon_0 W}{d} x + \frac{\epsilon W(l-x)}{d} \\
 &= \frac{\epsilon_0 W}{d} \{ x + \epsilon_r(l-x) \} \\
 &= \frac{\epsilon_0 W}{d} \left( \epsilon_r l + (1-\epsilon_r)x \right) - \chi_e
 \end{aligned}$$

\* Can we safely assume  $V$  remains const?  
 To be able to fix  $V = \text{const}$ , there must be external battery which also does work on the system.

To isolate the system we have to establish charges  $+Q/-Q$  on the electrodes and isolate. 17

Then 
$$W = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C}$$

$$\therefore F_e = -\frac{dW}{dx} = -\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{Q^2}{2C} \right) = -\frac{Q^2}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{C} \right) = +\frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C^2} \frac{dC}{dx}$$

$$= \textcircled{+} \frac{1}{2} V^2 \frac{dC}{dx}$$

Complete opposite sign.

$$\therefore F_e = -\frac{\epsilon_0 \kappa_e W}{2d} V^2 \quad (\text{pulling in the dielectric})$$

HW 4.28.