

**PHY 712 Electrodynamics
12-12:50 AM MWF Olin 103**

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Course schedule for Spring 2020					
(Preliminary schedule -- subject to frequent adjustment.)					
Lecture date	JDJ Reading	Topic	HW	Due date	
1 Mon: 01/13/2020	Chap. 1 & Appen.	Introduction, units and Poisson equation	#1	01/17/2020	
2 Wed: 01/15/2020	Chap. 1	Electrostatic energy calculations	#2	01/22/2020	
3 Fri: 01/17/2020	Chap. 1	Electrostatic potentials and fields	#3	01/24/2020	
Mon: 01/20/2020	No class	Martin Luther King Holiday			
4 Wed: 01/22/2020	Chap. 1 - 3	Poisson's equation in 2 and 3 dimensions	#4	01/27/2020	
5 Fri: 01/24/2020	Chap. 1 - 3	Brief introduction to numerical methods	#5	01/31/2020	
6 Mon: 01/27/2020	Chap. 2 & 3	Image charge constructions	#6	02/03/2020	
7 Wed: 01/29/2020	Chap. 2 & 3	Cylindrical and spherical geometries	#7	02/05/2020	
8 Fri: 01/31/2020	Chap. 3 & 4	Spherical geometry and multipole moments	#8	02/07/2020	
9 Mon: 02/03/2020	Chap. 4	Dipoles and Dielectrics	#9	02/09/2020	
10 Wed: 02/05/2020	Chap. 4	Polarization and Dielectrics			
11 Fri: 02/07/2020	Chap. 5	Magnetostatics			
12 Mon: 02/10/2020	Chap. 5	Magnetic dipoles and hyperfine interaction			
13 Wed: 02/12/2020	Chap. 5	Magnetic dipoles and dipolar fields			
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Review: General results for a multipole analysis of the electrostatic potential due to an isolated charge distribution:

General form of electrostatic potential with boundary value $\Phi(r \rightarrow \infty) = 0$ for confined charge density $\rho(\mathbf{r})$:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3 r' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3 r' \rho(\mathbf{r}') \left(\sum_{lm} \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} \sum_{r_>}^{r'_<} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) Y_{lm}^*(\theta', \phi') \right)$$

Suppose that $\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{lm} \rho_{lm}(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \sum_{lm} \frac{1}{2l+1} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) \left(\frac{1}{r'} \int_0^r r'^{2+l} dr' \rho_{lm}(r') + r^l \int_r^\infty r^{l-1} dr' \rho_{lm}(r') \right)$$

For $r \rightarrow \infty$: $\Phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \sum_{lm} \frac{1}{2l+1} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) \underbrace{\frac{1}{r'^{l+1}} \int_0^\infty r'^{2+l} dr' \rho_{lm}(r')}_{\mathbf{q}_m}$

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"Justification" of surprising δ -function term in dipole electric field -- Assuming dipole is located at $r=0$, we need to evaluate the electrostatic field near $r=0$:

We will use the approximation:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r} \approx \mathbf{0}) \approx \left(\int_{\text{sphere}} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) d^3 r \right) \delta^3(\mathbf{r}).$$

First we note that:

$$\int_{r \leq R} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) d^3 r = -R^2 \int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} d\Omega.$$

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Some details:

$$\int_{r \leq R} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) d^3 r = -R^2 \int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} d\Omega.$$

This result follows from the divergence theorem:

$$\int_{\text{vol}} \nabla \cdot \mathcal{V} d^3 r = \int_{\text{surface}} \mathcal{V} d\mathbf{A}.$$

In our case, this theorem can be used for each cartesian coordinate if we choose $\mathcal{V} \equiv \hat{\mathbf{x}}\Phi(\mathbf{r})$ for the x component, etc.

$$\int_{r \leq R} \nabla \Phi(\mathbf{r}) d^3 r = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \int_{r \leq R} \nabla \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{x}}\Phi) d^3 r + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \int_{r \leq R} \nabla \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{y}}\Phi) d^3 r + \hat{\mathbf{z}} \int_{r \leq R} \nabla \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{z}}\Phi) d^3 r,$$

which is equal to:

$$\int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) R^2 d\Omega ((\hat{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}})\hat{\mathbf{x}} + (\hat{\mathbf{y}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}})\hat{\mathbf{y}} + (\hat{\mathbf{z}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}})\hat{\mathbf{z}}) = \int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) R^2 d\Omega \hat{\mathbf{r}}.$$

Therefore --

$$\int_{r \leq R} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) d^3 r = - \int_{r=R} \nabla \Phi(\mathbf{r}) d^3 r = -R^2 \int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} d\Omega.$$

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More details

$$\int_{r \leq R} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) d^3 r = -R^2 \int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} d\Omega.$$

Now, we notice that the electrostatic potential can be determined from the charge density $\rho(\mathbf{r})$ according to:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int d^3 r' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{lm} \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} \int d^3 r' \rho(\mathbf{r}') \frac{r'_l}{r'^{l+1}} Y_m^*(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}').$$

We also note that the unit vector can be written in terms of spherical harmonic functions:

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \cos(\theta) \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ Y_{-1}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) \frac{\hat{\mathbf{x}} + i\hat{\mathbf{y}}}{\sqrt{2}} + Y_{11}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) \frac{-\hat{\mathbf{x}} + i\hat{\mathbf{y}}}{\sqrt{2}} + Y_{10}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) \hat{\mathbf{z}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} d\Omega = \frac{1}{3\epsilon_0} \int d^3 r' \rho(\mathbf{r}') \frac{r'_l}{r'^2} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} \begin{pmatrix} Y_{-1}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \frac{\hat{\mathbf{x}} + i\hat{\mathbf{y}}}{\sqrt{2}} + Y_{11}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \frac{-\hat{\mathbf{x}} + i\hat{\mathbf{y}}}{\sqrt{2}} + Y_{10}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}') \hat{\mathbf{z}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3\epsilon_0} \int d^3 r' \rho(\mathbf{r}') \frac{r'_l}{r'^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}}'$$

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More details continued --

When we evaluate the integral over solid angle $d\Omega$, only the $l = 1$ terms contribute, and the result of the integration reduces to:

$$-R^2 \int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} d\Omega = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{4\pi R^2}{3} \int d^3 r' \rho(\mathbf{r}') \frac{r'_<}{r'^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}}'.$$

The choice of $r'_<$ and $r'_>$ is a choice between the integration variables \mathbf{r}' and the sphere radius R . If the sphere encloses the charge distribution, $\rho(\mathbf{r}')$, then $r'_< = r'$ and $r'_> = R$ so that the result is:

$$-R^2 \int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} d\Omega = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{4\pi R^2}{3} \frac{1}{R^2} \int d^3 r' \rho(\mathbf{r}') r' \hat{\mathbf{r}}' \equiv -\frac{\mathbf{p}}{3\epsilon_0}.$$

Otherwise, if the charge distribution $\rho(\mathbf{r}')$ lies outside of the sphere, then $r'_< = R$ and $r'_> = r'$ and the result is:

$$-R^2 \int_{r=R} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} d\Omega = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{4\pi R^2}{3} R \int d^3 r' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{r'^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}}' \equiv \frac{4\pi R^3}{3} \mathbf{E}(0).$$

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In summary --

Electrostatic dipolar field for dipole moment \mathbf{p} at $\mathbf{r}=0$:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{3\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}) - r^2 \mathbf{p}}{r^5} - \frac{4\pi}{3} \mathbf{p} \delta^3(\mathbf{r}) \right)$$

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Summary of key argument:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}_2) \approx \frac{3}{4\pi R^3} \int_{r \leq R} d^3 r' \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}_2 + \mathbf{r}') = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}_2)$$

(Mean value theorem for Laplace equation)

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}_1) \approx \frac{3}{4\pi R^3} \int_{r \leq R} d^3 r' \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}_1 + \mathbf{r}') \approx \frac{3}{4\pi R^3} \left(-\frac{\mathbf{p}}{3\epsilon_0} \right) \Rightarrow -\frac{\mathbf{p}}{3\epsilon_0} \delta^3(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_1)$$

Summary:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{3\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r}) - r^2 \mathbf{p}}{r^5} - \frac{4\pi}{3} \mathbf{p} \delta^3(\mathbf{r}) \right)$$

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Coarse grain representation of macroscopic distribution
of dipoles -- continued:

Many materials are polarizable and produce a polarization field in the
presence of an electric field with a proportionality constant χ_e :

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \epsilon \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})$$

ϵ represents the dielectric function of the material

Boundary value problems in dielectric materials

For $\rho_{\text{mono}}(\mathbf{r}) = 0$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = 0$$

⇒ At a surface between two dielectrics, in terms of surface normal $\hat{\mathbf{r}}$:

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) = \text{continuous} = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})$$

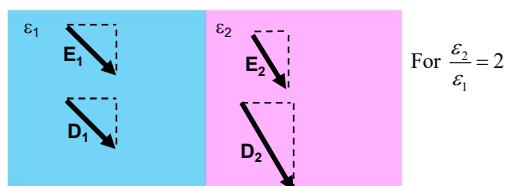
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Boundary value problems in the presence of dielectrics
– example:



For isotropic dielectrics:

$$D_{1n} = D_{2n} \quad \epsilon_1 E_{1n} = \epsilon_2 E_{2n}$$

$$E_{1t} = E_{2t} \quad \frac{D_{1t}}{\epsilon_1} = \frac{D_{2t}}{\epsilon_2}$$

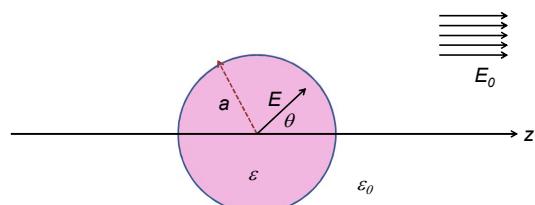
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Boundary value problems in the presence of dielectrics
– example:



$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = 0 \quad \text{At } r = a: \quad \epsilon \frac{\partial \Phi_c(\mathbf{r})}{\partial r} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \Phi_s(\mathbf{r})}{\partial r}$$

$$\text{For } r \leq a \quad \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) = -\epsilon \nabla \Phi(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\text{For } r > a \quad \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r}) = -\epsilon_0 \nabla \Phi(\mathbf{r})$$

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Boundary value problems in the presence of dielectrics
– example -- continued:

$$\Phi_{<}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l r^l P_l(\cos \theta) \quad \text{At } r=a: \quad \varepsilon \frac{\partial \Phi_{<}(\mathbf{r})}{\partial r} = \varepsilon_0 \frac{\partial \Phi_{>}(\mathbf{r})}{\partial r}$$

$$\Phi_{>}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(B_l r^l + \frac{C_l}{r^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta) \quad \text{For } r \rightarrow \infty \quad \Phi_{>}(\mathbf{r}) = -E_0 r \cos \theta$$

Solution -- only $l=1$ contributes

$$B_1 = -E_0$$

$$A_1 = -\left(\frac{3}{2+\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0} \right) E_0 \quad C_1 = \left(\frac{\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0 - 1}{2+\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0} \right) a^3 E_0$$

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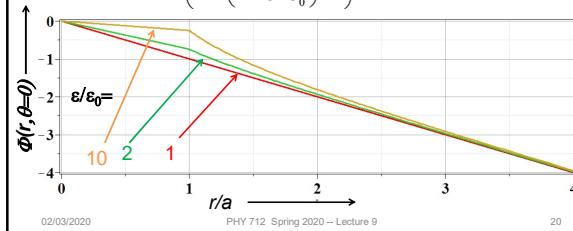
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Boundary value problems in the presence of dielectrics
– example -- continued:

$$\Phi_{<}(\mathbf{r}) = -\left(\frac{3}{2+\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0} \right) E_0 r \cos \theta$$

$$\Phi_{>}(\mathbf{r}) = -\left(r - \left(\frac{\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0 - 1}{2+\varepsilon/\varepsilon_0} \right) \frac{a^3}{r^2} \right) E_0 \cos \theta$$



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