

# Warm-Up for April 4th, 2022

Dr. Jordan Hanson - Whittier College Dept. of Physics and Astronomy

April 4, 2022

## 1 Memory Bank

1. Electric field and displacement in linear dielectric:  $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$ .
2. Gauss' Law in dielectrics:  $\oint \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = Q_{f,enc}$
3. Work, energy in dielectrics:  $W = \frac{1}{2} \int \mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{E} d\tau$
4. Relative permittivity:  $\epsilon_r = \epsilon/\epsilon_0$

## 2 Work, Capacitance, and Energy in Matter

1. Suppose the capacitor in Fig. 1 is filled with a linear dielectric with dielectric permittivity  $\epsilon$ . Using the formulas in the memory bank, prove that the capacitance *increases* to  $C = \epsilon_r C$ , relative to the air-filled capacitor.

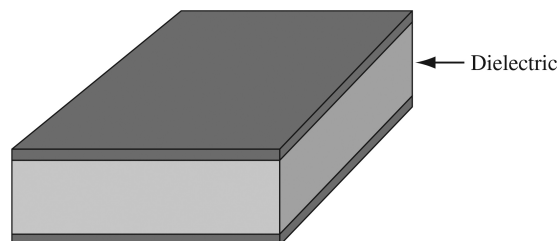


Figure 1: A capacitor area  $A$  and separation distance  $d$  filled with dielectric.