

1. In steady state, let the interior and exterior potential be Φ_{int} and Φ_{ext} respectively. Usual argument will give their form

$$\Phi_{\text{int}} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l r^l P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (1)$$

$$\Phi_{\text{ext}} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} B_l r^{-(l+1)} P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (2)$$

The potential continuity at boundary requires

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l a^l P_l(\cos \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} B_l a^{-(l+1)} P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (3)$$

which by orthogonality of Legendre polynomials implies

$$B_l = A_l a^{2l+1} \quad (4)$$

The radial components of the interior and exterior field near the boundary are

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{int}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = -\frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{int}}}{\partial r} = -\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} l A_l a^{l-1} P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = -\frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{ext}}}{\partial r} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (l+1) B_l a^{-(l+2)} P_l(\cos \theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (l+1) A_l a^{(l-1)} P_l(\cos \theta) \quad (6)$$

Furthermore, in steady state, we have the restriction of continuity of radial current at the boundary

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J}_{\text{int}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} &= \sigma (F \hat{\mathbf{z}} + \mathbf{E}_{\text{int}}) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = \sigma \left[F \cos \theta - \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} l A_l a^{l-1} P_l(\cos \theta) \right] = \\ \mathbf{J}_{\text{ext}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} &= \sigma' \mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = \sigma' \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (l+1) A_l a^{l-1} P_l(\cos \theta) \quad \Rightarrow \\ \sigma F \cos \theta &= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} [l\sigma + (l+1)\sigma'] A_l a^{l-1} P_l(\cos \theta) \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Again, we apply the orthogonality of Legendre polynomials to conclude that all A_l 's vanish except for $l = 1$, and

$$A_1 = \frac{\sigma F}{2\sigma' + \sigma} \quad (8)$$

Going back to (5) and (6), we have

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{int}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = -A_1 \cos \theta \quad \mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} = 2A_1 \cos \theta \quad (9)$$

So by Gauss's law, the surface charge density is

$$\eta = \epsilon_0 (\mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} - \mathbf{E}_{\text{int}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{3\epsilon_0 \sigma F}{2\sigma' + \sigma} \cos \theta \quad (10)$$

and the dipole moment is

$$\mathbf{p} = a^2 \int d\Omega \eta \hat{\mathbf{r}} = a^2 \hat{\mathbf{z}} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^\pi \eta a \cos \theta \sin \theta d\theta = 2\pi a^3 \cdot \frac{3\epsilon_0 \sigma F}{2\sigma' + \sigma} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \overbrace{\int_0^\pi \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta d\theta}^{2/3} = \frac{4\pi \epsilon_0 a^3 \sigma F}{2\sigma' + \sigma} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \quad (11)$$

While (9) gives the radial component of the interior and exterior electric field at the boundary, we can get the angular component of them via

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{int}} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{int}}}{\partial \theta} = A_1 \sin \theta \quad \mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{ext}}}{\partial \theta} = A_1 \sin \theta \quad (12)$$

which are equal as expected from $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0$.

2. By (9), the total current coming out of the northern hemisphere is

$$I = a^2 \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta d\theta 2\sigma' A_1 \cos \theta = 2a^2 \pi \frac{2\sigma\sigma'F}{2\sigma' + \sigma} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta = \frac{2\pi a^2 \sigma \sigma' F}{2\sigma' + \sigma} \quad (13)$$

By Ohm's law, the power dissipation in the exterior region is

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{ext}} &= \frac{1}{\sigma'} \int \mathbf{J}_{\text{ext}}^2 dV = \frac{1}{\sigma'} \int_a^\infty r^2 dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta \cdot (\sigma' \mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}})^2 \\ &= 2\pi\sigma' \int_a^\infty r^2 dr \int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta \left(2A_1 \frac{a^3}{r^3} \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{r}} + A_1 \frac{a^3}{r^3} \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right)^2 \\ &= 2\pi\sigma' a^6 A_1^2 \underbrace{\int_a^\infty \frac{dr}{r^4}}_{1/(3a^3)} \int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta \overbrace{(4 \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)}^4 \\ &= \frac{8\pi a^3 \sigma' \sigma^2 F^2}{3(2\sigma' + \sigma)^2} \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Thus

$$R_{\text{ext}} = \frac{P_{\text{ext}}}{I^2} = \frac{2}{3\pi\sigma'a} \quad V_{\text{ext}} = \frac{P_{\text{ext}}}{I} = \frac{4a\sigma F}{3(2\sigma' + \sigma)} \quad (15)$$

3. The total current is the same for interior and exterior, but the power dissipation for the interior region is

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{int}} &= \frac{1}{\sigma} \int \mathbf{J}_{\text{int}}^2 dV = \frac{1}{\sigma} \int_0^a r^2 dr 2\pi \int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta [\sigma (F \hat{\mathbf{z}} + \mathbf{E}_{\text{int}})]^2 \\ &= 2\pi\sigma \int_0^a r^2 dr \int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta [(F - A_1) \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{r}} - (F - A_1) \sin \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}]^2 \\ &= 2\pi\sigma \cdot \frac{a^3}{3} \cdot 2(F - A_1)^2 \\ &= \frac{16\pi a^3 \sigma \sigma'^2 F^2}{3(2\sigma' + \sigma)^2} \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

and therefore

$$R_{\text{int}} = \frac{P_{\text{int}}}{I} = \frac{4}{3\pi\sigma a} \quad V_{\text{int}} = \frac{8a\sigma'F}{3(2\sigma' + \sigma)} \quad (17)$$

It follows that the total voltage is

$$V_{\text{total}} = V_{\text{ext}} + V_{\text{int}} = \frac{4aF}{3} \quad (18)$$