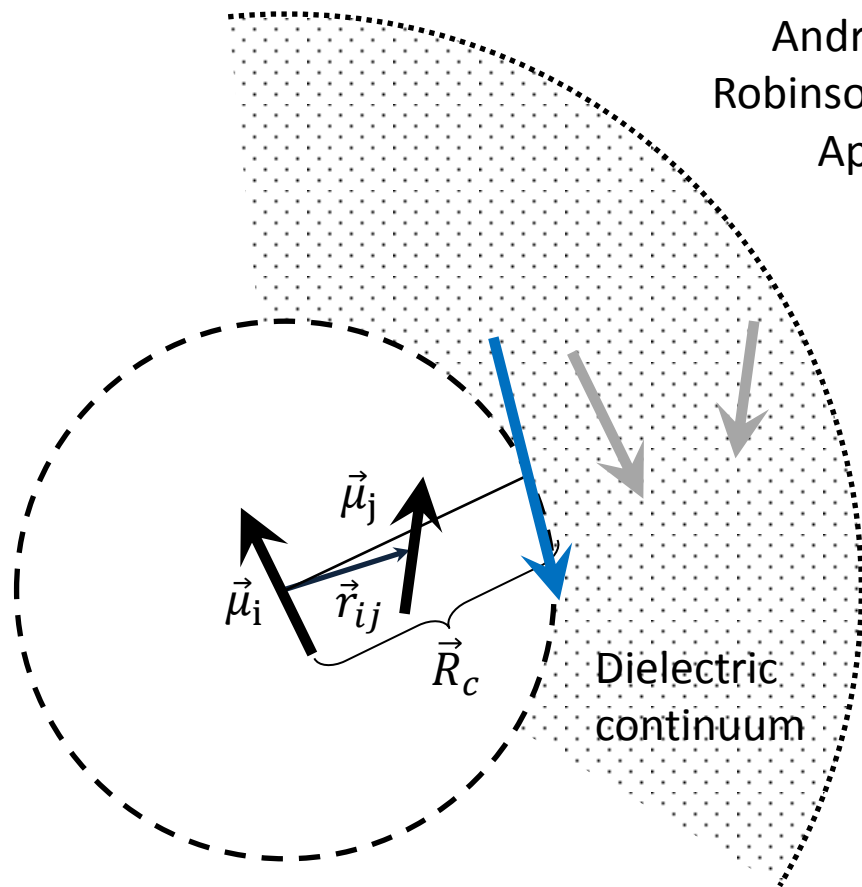


Electrostatics interaction energies under the presence of dipoles and charges with a reaction field

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Dipole-dipole interaction with reaction field

$$k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{2(\epsilon_{RF} - n^2)}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2}$$

*For a dipolar field leaving the reaction sphere
Onsager provides the reaction field ...*

Total image dipole

$$-\vec{M}_i = -(\vec{\mu}_i + \sum_j \vec{\mu}_j)$$

at RF sphere surface

Interaction with total image dipole:

$$V_{image} = -k\kappa \frac{\vec{\mu}_i \cdot (\vec{M}_i - 3(\vec{M}_i \cdot \hat{R}_c) \cdot \hat{R}_c)}{R_c^3} = -k\kappa \frac{\vec{\mu}_i \cdot \vec{M}_i}{R_c^3}$$

Reaction field potential energy:

$$\Rightarrow V_{RF} = V_{image} = -k \frac{2(\epsilon_{RF} - n^2)}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} \frac{\vec{\mu}_i \cdot \vec{M}_i}{R_c^3}$$

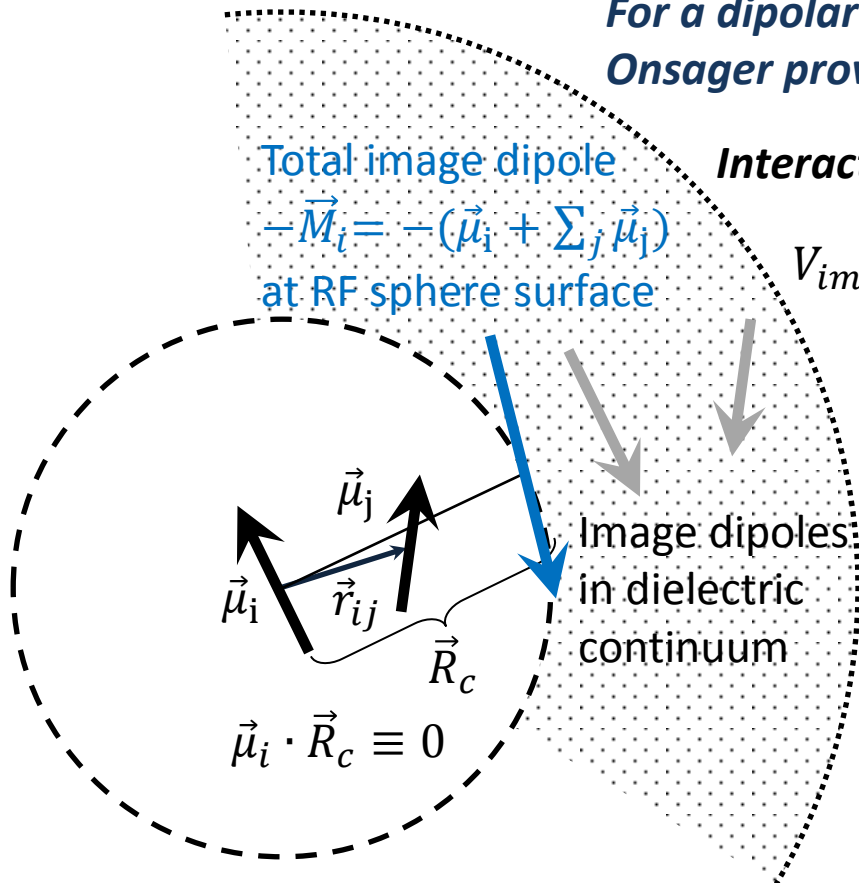
Pair-wise interaction potential energy:

$$V_{ij}^{\mu\mu} = k \frac{\vec{\mu}_i \cdot (\vec{\mu}_j - 3(\vec{\mu}_j \cdot \hat{r}_{ij}) \cdot \hat{r}_{ij})}{r_{ij}^3}$$

Note: The self-term μ_i^2 can be omitted in MC type calculations b/c it will always stay constant for each point dipole (if it would change don't omit it)

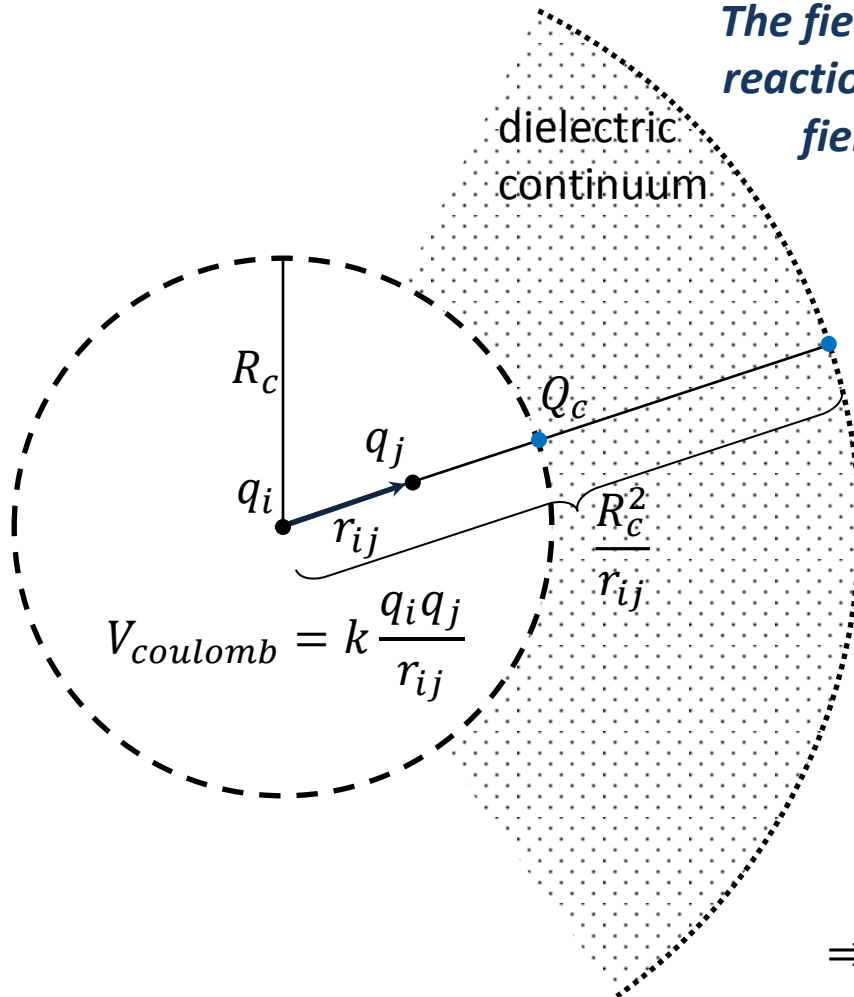
Overall potential energy with RF contribution:

$$V_i = \sum_j V_{ij}^{\mu\mu} - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{2(\epsilon_{RF} - n^2)}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} \frac{\mu_i^2 + \vec{\mu}_i \cdot \sum_j \vec{\mu}_j}{R_c^3}$$

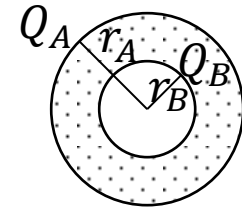


Charge-charge interaction with reaction field

The field leaving a neutral reaction sphere in the far-field will be dipolar ...



Gauss's law:



$$\frac{Q_A}{Q_B} = \frac{r_A^3}{r_B^3} \Rightarrow Q_B = Q_A \frac{r_B^3}{r_A^3}$$

Image charge:

$$-\frac{R_c}{r_{ij}} q_j$$

Gauss's law applied to image charge:

$$Q_c = -\frac{R_c}{r_{ij}} q_j \frac{R_c^3}{\left(\frac{R_c^2}{r_{ij}}\right)^3} = -q_j \frac{r_{ij}^2}{R_c^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{image} = k\kappa \frac{q_i Q_c}{R_c} = -k\kappa q_i q_j \frac{r_{ij}^2}{R_c^3}$$

Reaction field potential energy:

$$\Rightarrow V_{RF} = -\frac{1}{2} V_{image} = k \frac{\epsilon_{RF} - n^2}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} q_i q_j \frac{r_{ij}^2}{R_c^3}$$

Pair-wise potential energy with RF contribution:

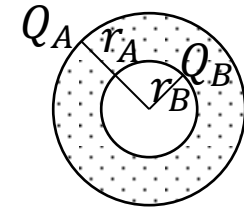
$$\Rightarrow V_{ij} = \frac{q_i q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \left(\frac{1}{r_{ij}} + \frac{\epsilon_{RF} - n^2}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} \frac{r_{ij}^2}{R_c^3} \right)$$

$$k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{2(\epsilon_{RF} - n^2)}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2}$$

Dipole-charge image charge energy derivation

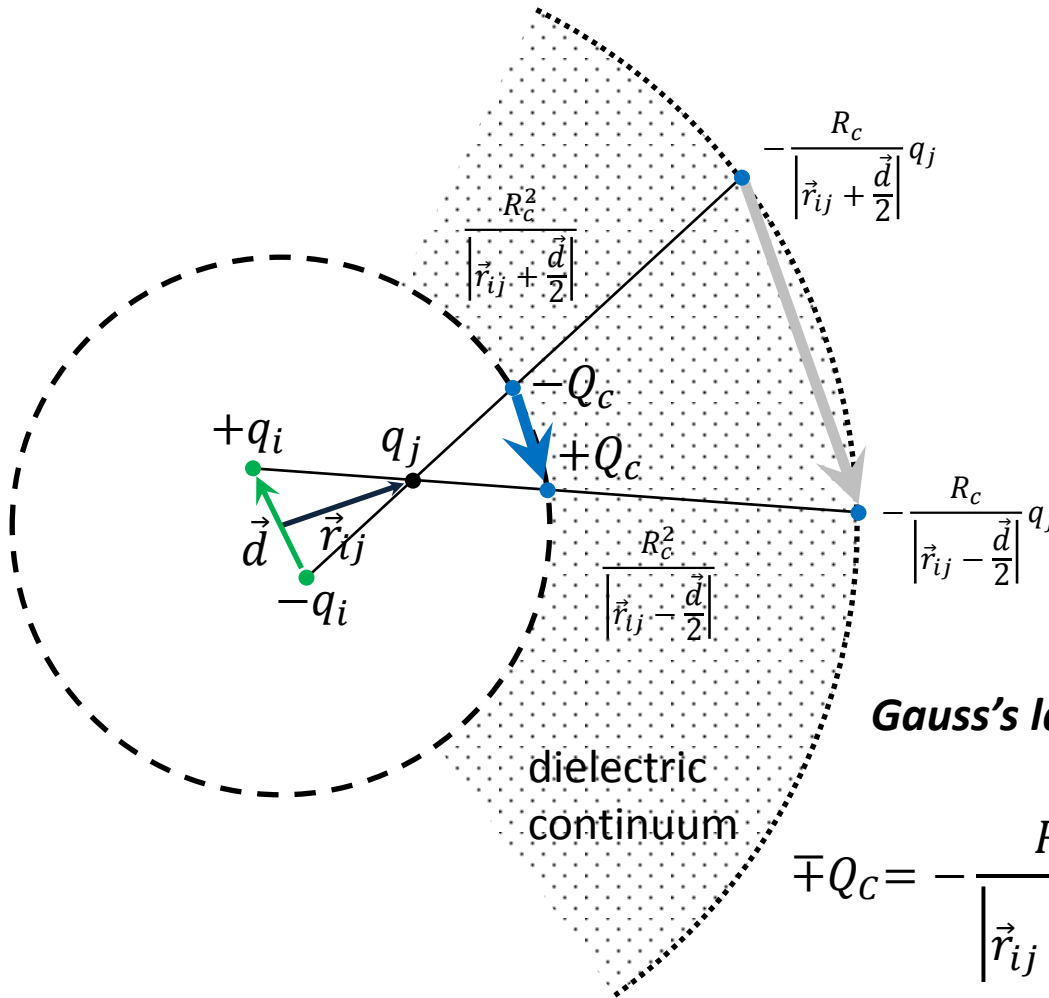
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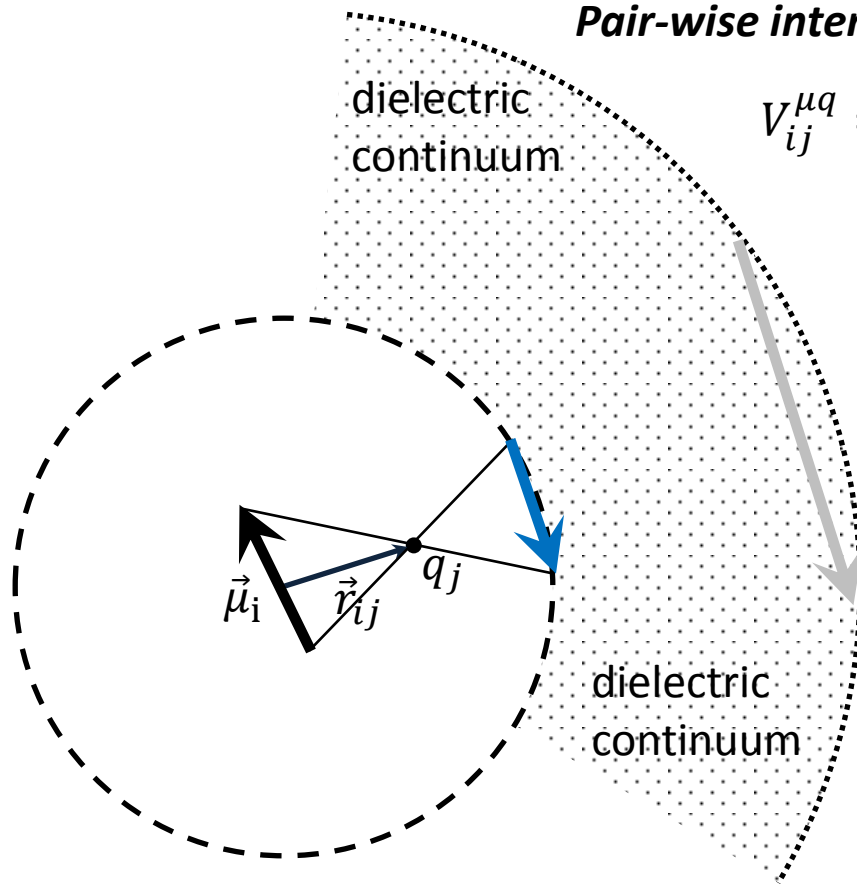
Gauss's law applied to image charges:

$$\mp Q_c = - \frac{R_c}{\left| \vec{r}_{ij} \pm \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|} q_j \frac{R_c^3}{\left(\frac{R_c^2}{\left| \vec{r}_{ij} \pm \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|} \right)^3} = -q_j \frac{\left| \vec{r}_{ij} \pm \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|^2}{R_c^2}$$

Image charge energy:

$$\Rightarrow V_{Image} = k\kappa \frac{q_i q_j}{R_c^3} \left(\left| \vec{r}_{ij} + \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|^2 - \left| \vec{r}_{ij} - \frac{\vec{d}}{2} \right|^2 \right) = k\kappa \frac{2q_i q_j \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{d}}{R_c^3} = k\kappa \frac{2q_j \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_i}{R_c^3}$$

Dipole-charge interaction with reaction field



Pair-wise interaction energy:

$$V_{ij}^{\mu q} = k \frac{q_j \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_i}{r_{ij}^3}$$

Image charge interaction energy:

$$V_{image} = k\kappa \frac{2q_j \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_i}{R_c^3}$$

Reaction field potential energy:

$$\Rightarrow V_{RF} = -\frac{1}{2} V_{image} = -k\kappa \frac{q_j \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_i}{R_c^3}$$

Note:

For simplicity the self-term $\vec{\mu}_i \cdot \vec{\mu}_i$ is omitted, but one needs to include it somewhere (here, it is included in V_i of the dipole-dipole interaction)

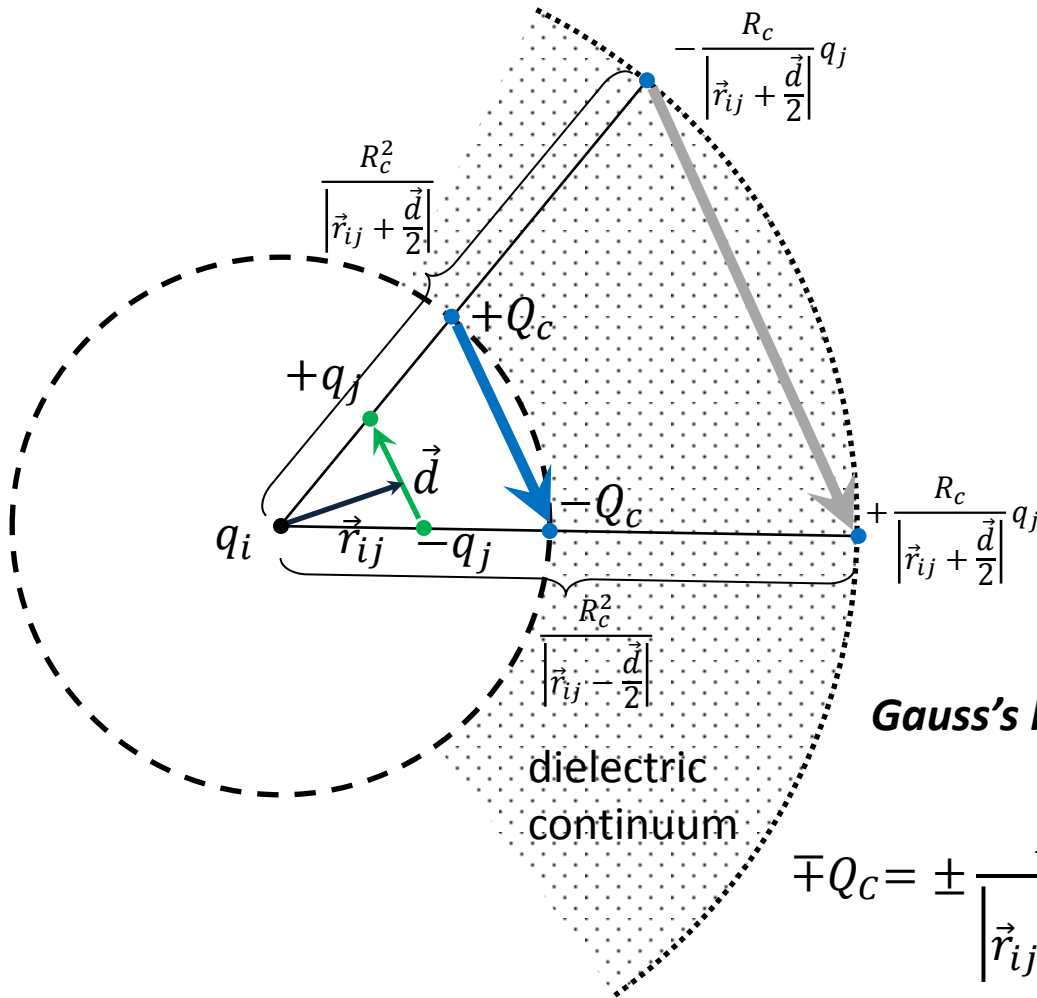
Pair-wise potential energy with RF contribution:

$$\Rightarrow V_{ij} = \frac{q_j \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_i}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \left(\frac{1}{r_{ij}^3} - \frac{2(\epsilon_{RF} - n^2)}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} \frac{1}{R_c^3} \right)$$

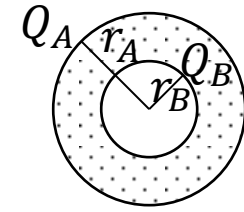
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Charge-dipole image charge energy derivation



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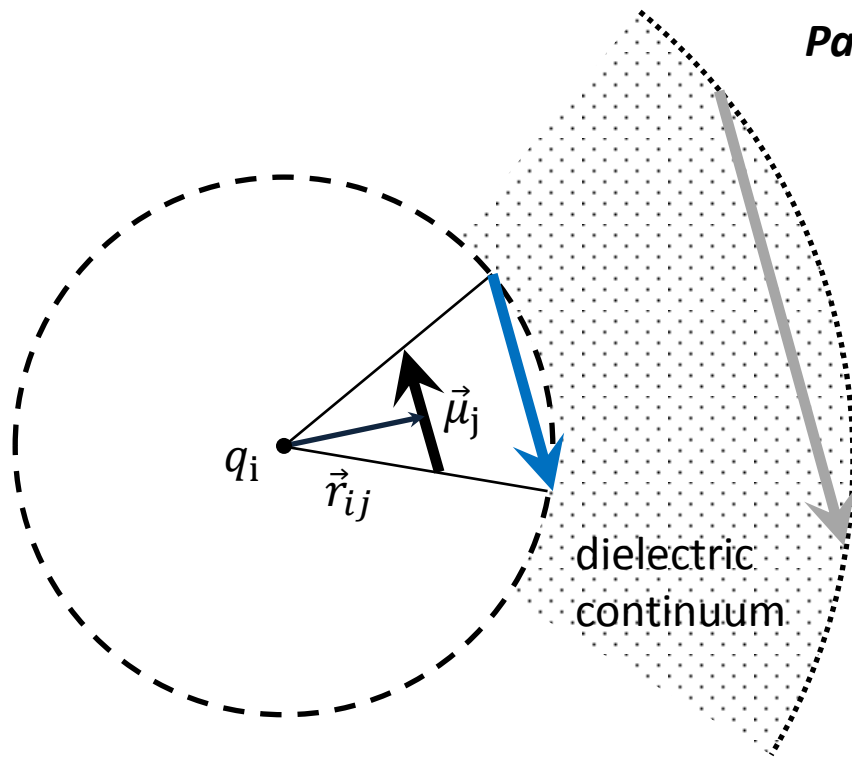
Gauss's law applied to image charges:

$$\mp Q_c = \pm \frac{R_c}{|\vec{r}_{ij} \pm \frac{\vec{d}}{2}|} q_j \frac{R_c^3}{\left(\frac{R_c^2}{|\vec{r}_{ij} \pm \frac{\vec{d}}{2}|}\right)^3} = \pm q_j \frac{|\vec{r}_{ij} \pm \frac{\vec{d}}{2}|^2}{R_c^2}$$

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Charge-dipole interaction with reaction field



Pair-wise interaction energy:

$$V_{ij}^{q\mu} = -k \frac{q_i \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_j}{r_{ij}^3}$$

Interaction with image dipole:

$$V_{image} = -k\kappa \frac{2q_i \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_j}{R_c^3}$$

Reaction field potential energy:

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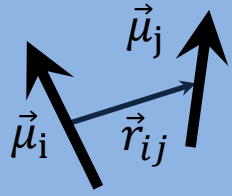
Pair-wise potential energy with RF contribution:

$$\Rightarrow V_{ij} = -\frac{q_i \vec{r}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \left(\frac{1}{r_{ij}^3} - \frac{2(\epsilon_{RF} - n^2)}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} \frac{1}{R_c^3} \right)$$

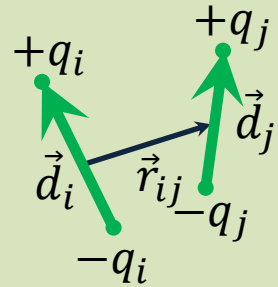
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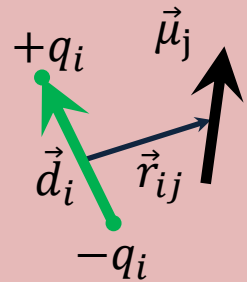
Overall reaction field energies in the dipole limit



$$V_{RF} \propto -2\vec{\mu}_i(\vec{\mu}_i + \vec{\mu}_j) - 2\vec{\mu}_j(\vec{\mu}_i + \vec{\mu}_j) = -2\{\mu_i^2 + \mu_j^2 + 2\vec{\mu}_i\vec{\mu}_j\}$$



$$\begin{aligned} V_{RF} &\propto 2q_iq_j(-\vec{l} + \vec{r}_{ij} + \vec{j})^2 - 2q_iq_j(-\vec{l} + \vec{r}_{ij} - \vec{j})^2 - 2q_iq_j(\vec{l} + \vec{r}_{ij} + \vec{j})^2 \\ &\quad + 2q_iq_j(\vec{l} + \vec{r}_{ij} - \vec{j})^2 - 2q_i^2d_i^2 - 2q_j^2d_j^2 \\ &= 2q_iq_j\{\cancel{r_{ij}^2} + \color{blue}{(-\vec{l} + \vec{j})^2} + \cancel{2\vec{r}_{ij}(-\vec{l} + \vec{j})} - \cancel{r_{ij}^2} - \color{green}{(-\vec{l} - \vec{j})^2} - \cancel{2\vec{r}_{ij}(-\vec{l} - \vec{j})} \\ &\quad - \cancel{r_{ij}^2} - \color{green}{(\vec{l} + \vec{j})^2} - \cancel{2\vec{r}_{ij}(\vec{l} + \vec{j})} + \cancel{r_{ij}^2} + \color{blue}{(\vec{l} - \vec{j})^2} + \cancel{2\vec{r}_{ij}(\vec{l} - \vec{j})}\} \\ &\quad - 2\mu_i^2 - 2\mu_j^2 \\ &= -2q_iq_j\{\color{green}{2(\vec{l} + \vec{j})^2} - \color{blue}{2(\vec{l} - \vec{j})^2}\} - 2\mu_i^2 - 2\mu_j^2 \\ &= -2\{\mu_i^2 + \mu_j^2 + q_iq_j(4\vec{l} \cdot \vec{j} - 2(-2\vec{l} \cdot \vec{j}))\} = -2\{\mu_i^2 + \mu_j^2 + 2q_iq_j\vec{d}_i\vec{d}_j\} \\ &= -2\{\mu_i^2 + \mu_j^2 + 2\vec{\mu}_i\vec{\mu}_j\} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} V_{RF} &\propto 2q_i(-\vec{l} + \cancel{\vec{r}_{ij}})\vec{\mu}_j - 2q_i(\vec{l} + \cancel{\vec{r}_{ij}})\vec{\mu}_j - 2\mu_j^2 - 2q_i^2d_i^2 - 2q_i(-\cancel{\vec{r}_{ij}} + \vec{l})\vec{\mu}_j \\ &\quad + 2q_i(\cancel{\vec{r}_{ij}} - \vec{l})\vec{\mu}_j \\ &= -2\mu_i^2 - 2\mu_j^2 + 2q_i\vec{\mu}_j(-4\vec{l}) = -2\{\mu_i^2 + \mu_j^2 + 2q_i\vec{\mu}_j\vec{d}_i\} \\ &= -2\{\mu_i^2 + \mu_j^2 + 2\vec{\mu}_i\vec{\mu}_j\} \end{aligned}$$

Proportionality constant in all cases is: $\frac{k\kappa}{2R_c^3}$

Self-consistency with Onsager in the dipole limit ...

$$\vec{l} = \frac{\vec{d}_i}{2}; \vec{j} = \frac{\vec{d}_j}{2}$$

Non-neutral reaction sphere with charge $\sigma = q_i + \sum_j q_j \neq 0$

- for neutral molecules (neutral charge group) easiest solution is to include whole molecule (which is implemented in this case)
- for ions (charge groups with residual charge) one could either find the counterion and include it **explicitly** (expensive to find and may not always be close by) or,
- because the whole simulation volume is neutral and hence counter charges to residual charge σ of reaction sphere **do exist** outside the sphere, one can include them **implicitly** by placing the counter charge $-\sigma$ at the reaction sphere boundary (from within b/c in the explicit solution these charges would also simply be included)

Correction term for reaction sphere with q_i at center:

$$V_{i\sigma} = -\frac{q_i\sigma}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \left(\frac{1}{R_c} + \frac{\epsilon_{RF} - n^2}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} \frac{R_c^2}{R_c^3} \right) = -\frac{q_i}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{1}{R_c} \left(1 + \frac{\epsilon_{RF} - n^2}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} \right) \left(q_i + \sum_j q_j \right)$$

Note: Since the counter charge is spread over the entire reaction sphere surface it will not have an effect on dipoles at the center and only needs to be applied to a charge at the center of the reaction field.

Correction term for whole reaction sphere with q_i at center:

$$\Rightarrow V_{i\sigma} = -\frac{q_i(q_i + \sum_j q_j)}{4\pi\epsilon_0 n^2} \frac{1}{R_c} \left(1 + \frac{\epsilon_{RF} - n^2}{2\epsilon_{RF} + n^2} \right)$$