

電磁學 (一) Electromagnetics (I)

12. 電阻與電容電路

Resistor and Capacitor Circuit

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In this lecture, we will learn about the connection between resistance and capacitance, and how they affect the temporal response of a circuit.

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12.1 電荷平衡時間

Charge Relaxation Time

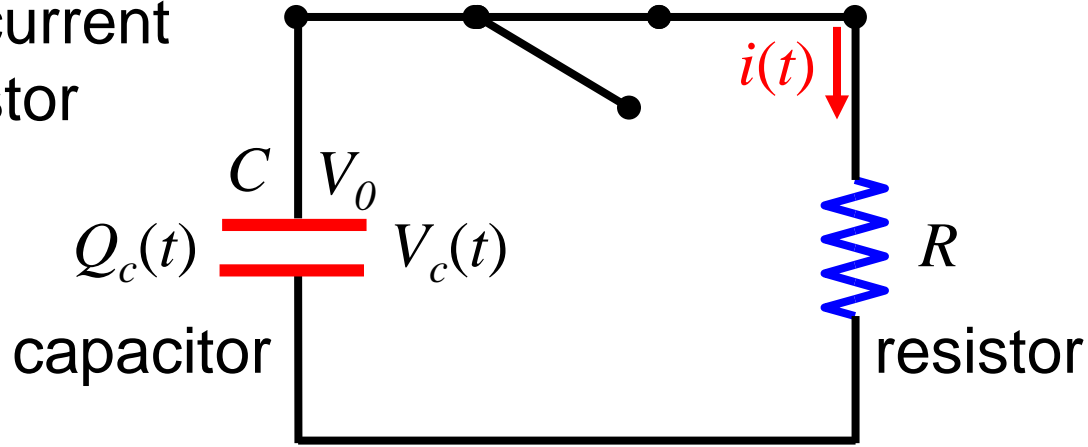
RC Discharging Circuit (Lecture 7)

capacitor discharging current
= current entering resistor

$$\frac{dQ_c}{dt} + \frac{V_c(t)}{R} = 0$$

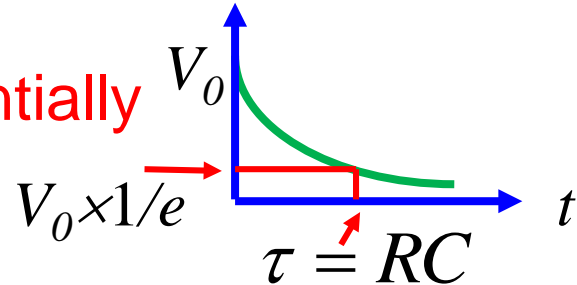
Recall $C = \frac{Q_c}{V_c}$

$$\Rightarrow C \frac{dV_c}{dt} + \frac{V_c(t)}{R} = 0$$



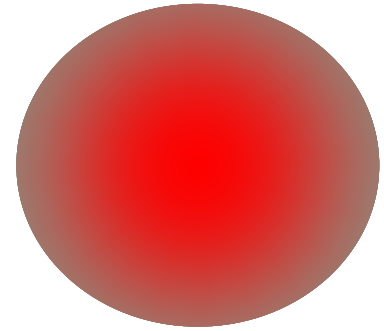
$$\Rightarrow V_c(t) = V_0 e^{-t/RC} = V_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

Capacitor voltage drops exponentially
with a time constant $\tau = RC$



Charge Relaxation

Charge relaxation time: Upon a perturbation, an excess charge density appears in a good conductor. How fast does the excess charge settle to zero?



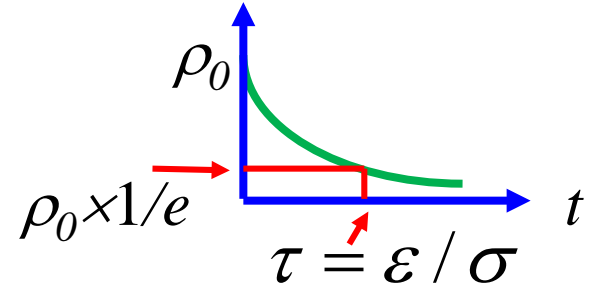
Use the equation of continuity

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0$$

But $\vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E} \Rightarrow \sigma \nabla \cdot \vec{E} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0$

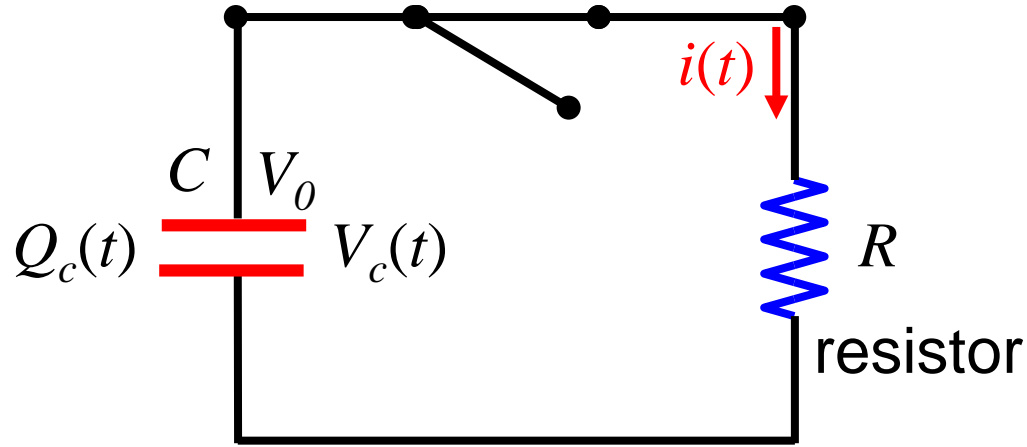
But $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} \rho = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \rho_0 e^{-\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} t}$$



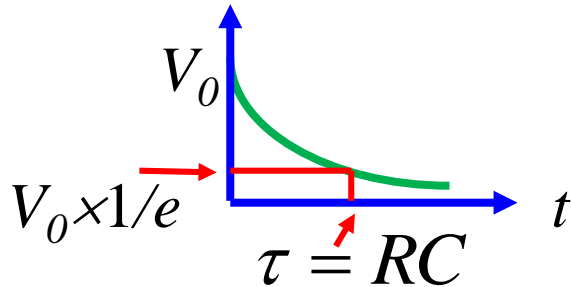
For Cu with $\sigma = 5.8 \times 10^7$ S/m, $\tau = 10^{-19}$ sec!

Analogy

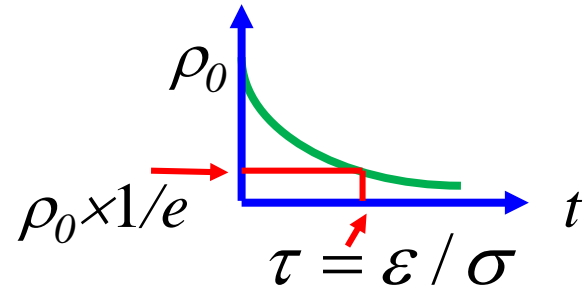


$$V_c(t) = V_0 e^{-t/RC} = V_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$\rho = \rho_0 e^{-\frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon} t} = \rho_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$



$$\frac{\varepsilon}{\sigma} = RC ?$$



12.1 電荷平衡時間

Charge Relaxation Time

- Macroscopically, the characteristic time constant for a capacitor to discharge through a resistor is $\tau_d = RC$.
- Microscopically, the characteristic time constant for an excess charge to disappear in a conductor is $\tau_r = \varepsilon / \sigma$
- There must be some connection between τ_d and τ_r .

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12.2 電流邊界條件

Current Boundary Conditions

Boundary Conditions for J (in a neutral material)


Differential Forms

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0 \quad (\text{in steady state})$$


$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \times (\vec{J}/\sigma) = 0$$

Recall

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = 0$$


$$D_{1n} = D_{2n}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$$


$$E_{1t} = E_{2t}$$

Integral Forms

$$\oint_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0$$

$$\oint_c \frac{1}{\sigma} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{l} = 0$$

I. **Normal components** of current density are continuous across boundaries

$$\oint_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0 \Rightarrow J_{1n} = J_{2n}$$

II. **Tangential components** of J

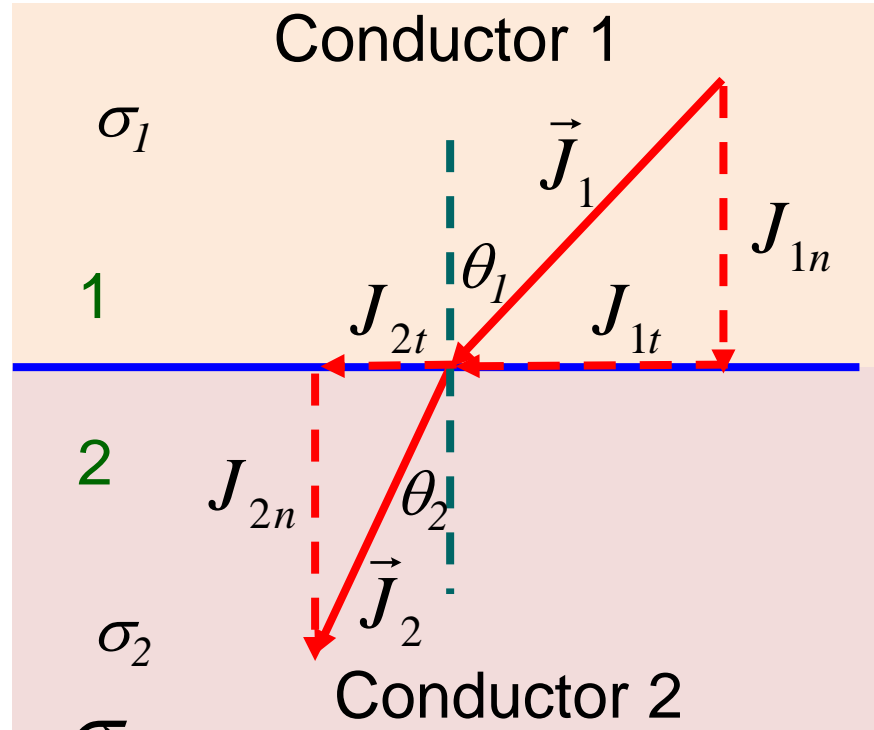
$$\oint_c \frac{1}{\sigma} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{l} = 0 \Rightarrow J_{1t} / \sigma_1 = J_{2t} / \sigma_2$$

Current Flowing through a Conducting Interface

$$J_{2n} = J_{1n}$$

$$J_{2t} = J_{1t} \times \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1}$$

$$\tan \theta_2 = \frac{J_{2t}}{J_{2n}} = \frac{J_{1t} \times \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1}}{J_{1n}} = \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} \tan \theta_1$$



Surface Charges between Two Lossy Dielectrics

From the boundary condition for the **normal components of J**

$$J_{1n} = J_{2n} \Rightarrow \sigma_1 E_{1n} - \sigma_2 E_{2n} = 0$$

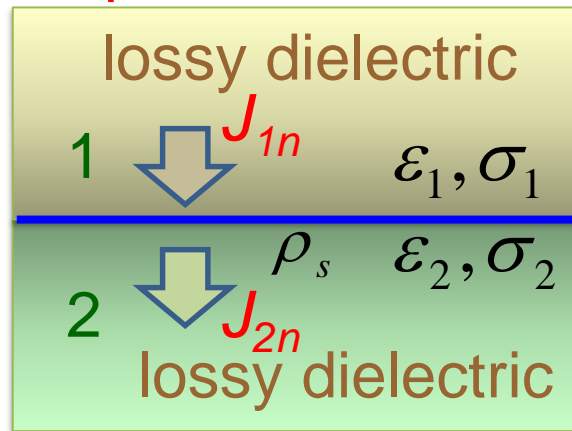
From the boundary condition for the **normal components of D**

$$D_{1n} - D_{2n} = \rho_s \Rightarrow \epsilon_1 E_{1n} - \epsilon_2 E_{2n} = \rho_s$$

Combining the two results $\rho_s = (\epsilon_1 \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} - \epsilon_2) E_{2n} = (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2 \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}) E_{1n}$

Surface charges must exist unless $\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2}$

Physical meaning: charges relax at an equal rate $\tau_r = \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma}$



12.2 電流邊界條件

Current Boundary Conditions

- The normal components of the current density at an interface are continuous or $J_{1n} = J_{2n}$
- The tangential components of the current density at an interface satisfy the ratio $J_{1t} / \sigma_1 = J_{2t} / \sigma_2$
- There won't be charge accumulation across two lossy dielectrics 1 & 2, if $\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2}$.

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12.3 電阻與電容的關連

Connection between Resistance and Capacitance

Relationship between R and C

capacitance

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{\oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{s}}{-\int_L \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}} = \frac{\epsilon \oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}}{-\int_L \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}}$$

resistance

$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{-\int_L \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}}{\int_{S_R} \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s}} = \frac{-\int_L \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}}{\int_{S_R} \sigma \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}}$$

Multiply the two equations to obtain

$$RC = \frac{Q}{I} = \frac{\epsilon \oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}}{\sigma \int_{S_R} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}}$$

If R and C are associated with the **same volume enclosed by the same $S = S_R + S'_R$** and S'_R contributes no value to the surface integration of the electric field $\oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_{S_R} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} + \int_{S'_R} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$, 0

one obtains the relationship

$$RC = \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma}$$

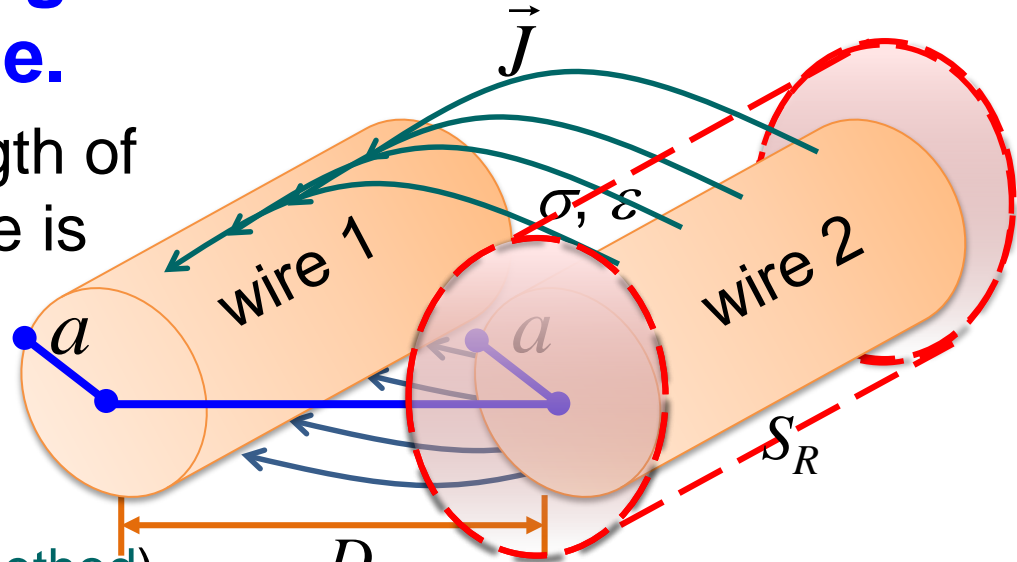
R can be obtained by knowing C or vice versa.

E.g. Find R for a given C of a two-wire transmission line.

The capacitance per unit length of this two-wire transmission line is

$$C_l = \frac{\pi\epsilon}{\cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{D}{2a}\right)}$$

(refer to [Lecture 9 - image charge method](#))

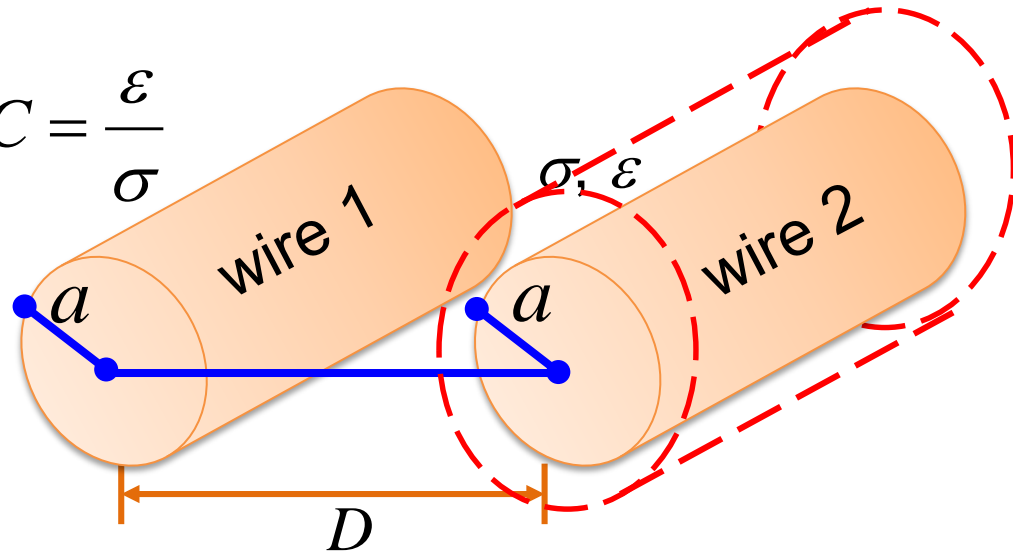


$$RC = \frac{Q}{I} = \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma} \frac{\oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}}{\int_{S_R} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}}, \text{ where } \underline{S} = \underline{S_R} + \underline{S'_R} = S_R$$

➡ $RC = \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma}$ is valid.

Use the RC relationship $RC = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sigma}$
to obtain the total
resistance of length L

$$R = \frac{1}{\pi\sigma L} \cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{D}{2a}\right)$$



Note that for a transmission line of length L in this case, the
parallel resistance is inversely proportional to L .

It is easier to think in terms of **conductance** $G = \pi\sigma L / \cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{D}{2a}\right)$
The conductance per unit length is $G_l = \pi\sigma / \cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{D}{2a}\right)$.

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Connection between Resistance and Capacitance

- When a capacitor and a resistor share the same volume of a device, the resistance and capacitance “often” have the relationship

$$RC = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sigma}$$

- By knowing the capacitance of the device, one can calculate its resistance or vice versa.

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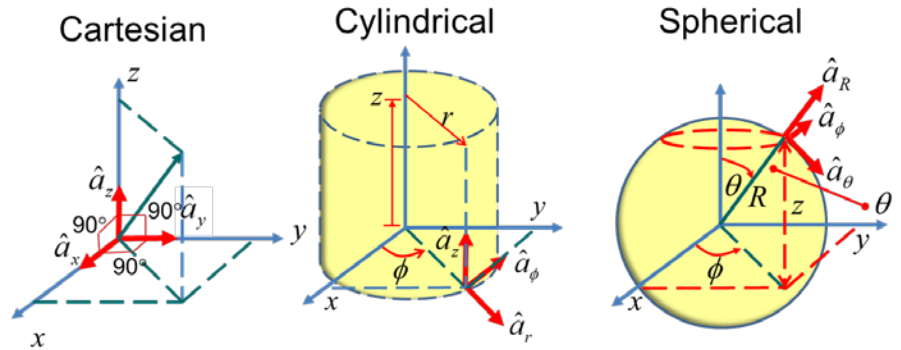
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12.4 計算電阻值

Calculation for Resistance

Approach I

1. From the symmetry of the problem, choose a coordinate system.



2. Find V from $\nabla^2 V = 0$ subject to $V = V_0$ at a suitable boundary.

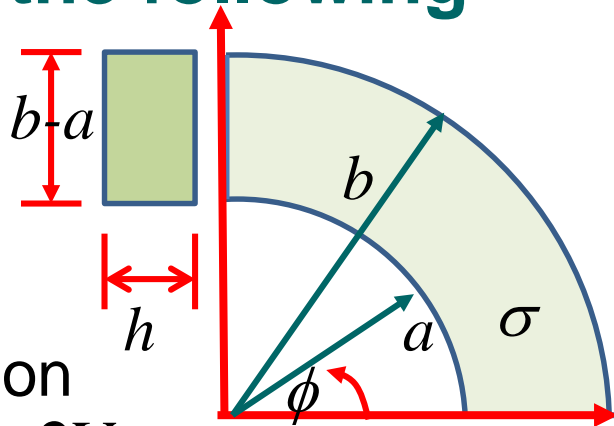
3. Find the electric field E from $\vec{E} = -\nabla V$ and then $\vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E}$

4. Find current I from $I = \int_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_S \sigma \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$

5. Calculate resistance R from $R = \frac{V_0}{I}$

E.g. Find the resistance of the following conductor.

Boundary conditions: $V = 0$ at $\phi = 0$
 $V = V_0$ at $\phi = \pi/2$



1. Choose **cylindrical** coordinate system
2. No variation in z and r . The Laplace equation

becomes $\frac{d^2V}{d\phi^2} = 0 \Rightarrow V = c_1\phi + c_2 \Rightarrow V = \frac{2V_0}{\pi}\phi$

Apply boundary conditions

3. The electric field $\vec{E} = -\nabla V = -\hat{a}_\phi \frac{\partial V}{r\partial\phi} = -\frac{2V_0}{\pi r} \hat{a}_\phi$

4. Current density is $\vec{J} = \sigma\vec{E} = -\sigma \frac{2V_0}{\pi r} \hat{a}_\phi$

Total current is the integration

$$I = \int_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_a^b \sigma \frac{2V_0}{\pi r} h dr = \frac{2\sigma h V_0}{\pi} \ln \frac{b}{a}$$

5. Calculate the ratio $R = \frac{V_0}{I} = \frac{\pi}{2\sigma h \ln \frac{b}{a}}$

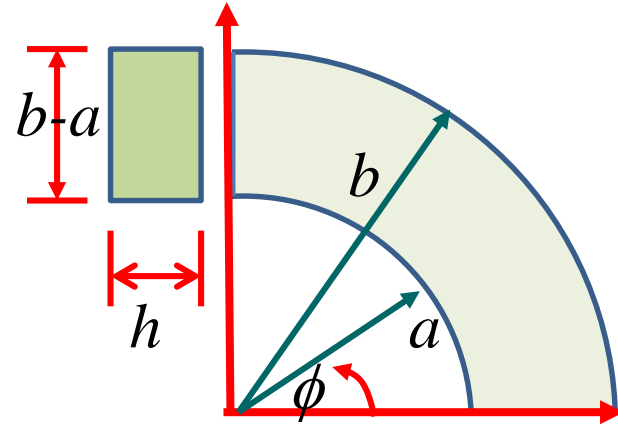
Approach II

Partition the device into

serial resistors $R_{total} = R_1 + R_2 \dots + R_N \Rightarrow R = \int dR$

or

parallel resistors $G_{total} = G_1 + G_2 \dots G_N \Rightarrow G = \int dG$



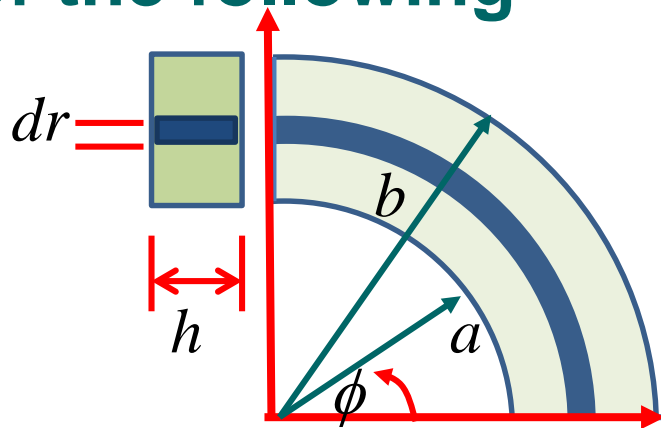
E.g. Find the resistance of the following conductor.

Consider the device is formed by layers of **parallel resistors**

Given $R \equiv \frac{l}{\sigma S} \Rightarrow G \equiv \frac{\sigma S}{l}$, the differential conductance of each layer resistor is $dG = \frac{\sigma ds}{l}$, where the differential surface is $ds = h dr$ & the **length** of the layer resistor at r is $l = \frac{\pi}{2} r$

Sum over the conductance of all the layer resistors

$$dG = \frac{\sigma h dr}{\pi r / 2} \Rightarrow G = \int_a^b \frac{2\sigma h}{\pi r} dr = \frac{2\sigma h}{\pi} \ln \frac{b}{a} \Rightarrow R = \frac{1}{G} = \frac{\pi}{2\sigma h \ln(b/a)}$$



12.4 計算電阻值

Calculation of Resistance

- If a resistor has enough symmetry and boundary conditions in an orthogonal coordinate system, one can calculate its resistance by going down the steps, $\nabla^2 V = 0 \Rightarrow V \Rightarrow E \Rightarrow J \Rightarrow I \Rightarrow R = V/I$.
- Alternatively, one can model the problem as integration of serial resistance or parallel conductance.

$$R_{total} = R_1 + R_2 \dots + R_N \Rightarrow R = \int dR, \text{ given } R \equiv \frac{l}{\sigma S}.$$

$$G_{total} = G_1 + G_2 \dots + G_N \Rightarrow G = \int dG, \text{ given } G \equiv \frac{\sigma S}{l}.$$

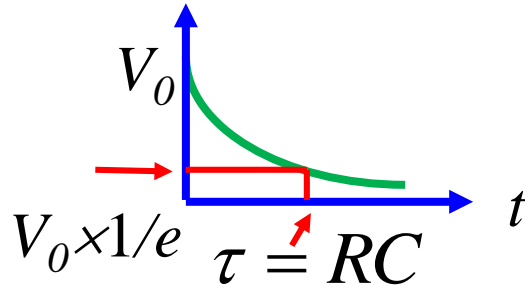
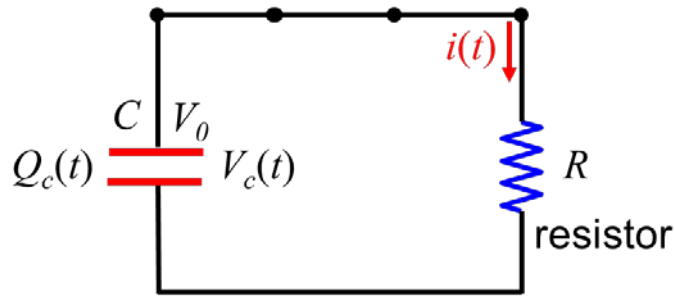
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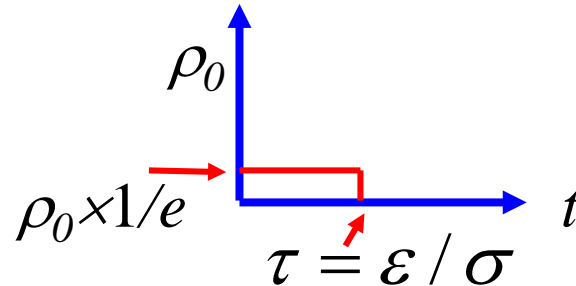
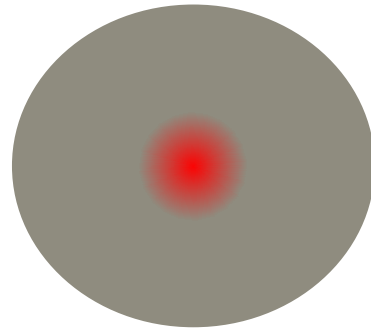
12.5 單元回顧 Review

單元回顧

1. The characteristic discharging time of an RC circuit is $\tau_d = RC$



2. The charge relaxation time in a conductor is $\tau_r = \varepsilon / \sigma$



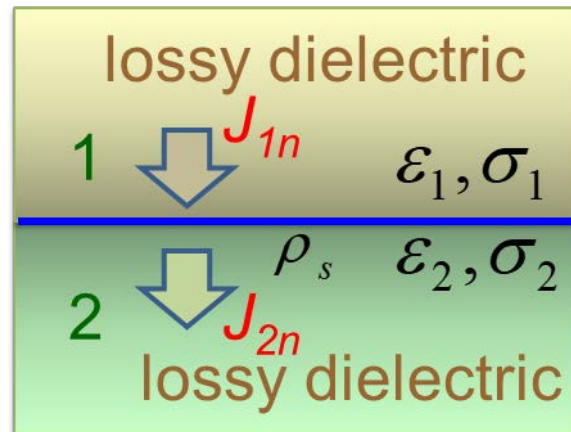
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3. For a resistor and capacitor sharing the same volume, the relationship “often” holds:

$$RC = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sigma}.$$

4. The condition for zero charge accumulation $\rho_s = 0$ at the interface of two lossy dielectrics is

$$\frac{\varepsilon_1}{\sigma_1} = \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\sigma_2} \quad \text{or} \quad \underbrace{\tau_1 = \tau_2}_{\text{equal charge relaxation time}}$$



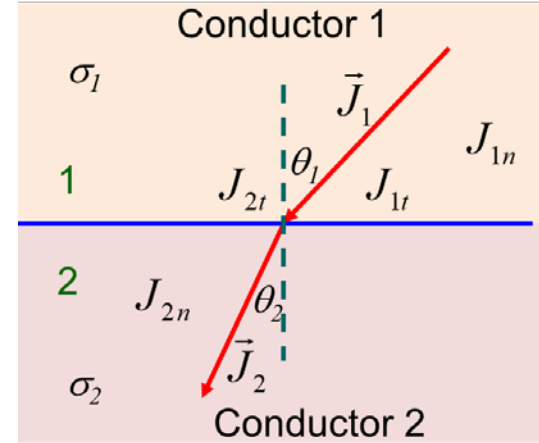
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5. The boundary conditions for currents:

Normal components are continuous at the interface
$$J_{1n} = J_{2n}$$

Tangential components satisfy the ratio

$$J_{1t} / \sigma_1 = J_{2t} / \sigma_2$$



6. If a resistor has enough symmetry and boundary conditions in the right-angle coordinate systems, one can calculate its resistance by going down the steps,

$$\nabla^2 V = 0 \Rightarrow V \Rightarrow E \Rightarrow J \Rightarrow I \Rightarrow R = V/I .$$

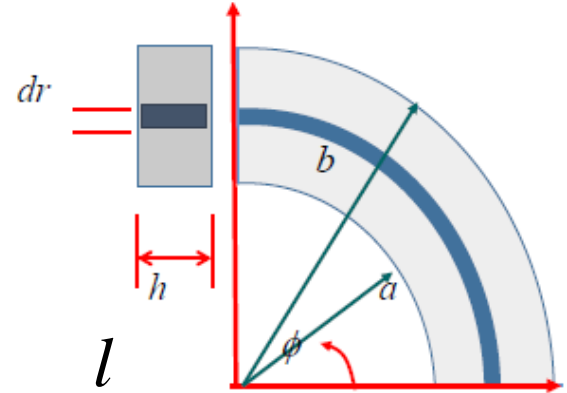
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7. Alternatively, one can model the problem as integration of serial resistance

$$R_{total} = R_1 + R_2 \dots + R_N \Rightarrow R = \int dR \text{ with } R \equiv \frac{l}{\sigma S}.$$

or integration of parallel conductance

$$G_{total} = G_1 + G_2 \dots G_N \Rightarrow G = \int dG \text{ with } G \equiv \frac{\sigma S}{l}.$$



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