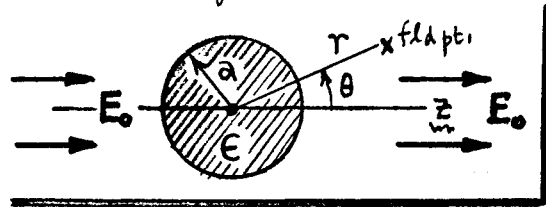


8) A more elaborate example of how $\epsilon > 1$ affects things is given in Jackson Sec. 4.4, Eqs. (4.48)-(4.58). It is the problem of a dielectric sphere placed in a uniform field E_0 . Unlike the conducting sphere case (treated in Jkⁿ Sec. 2.5), the field penetrates to the interior of the sphere, and we need to find the potential $\phi(r \leq a)$ as well as $\phi(r \geq a)$.



With rotational symmetry about the z -axis, we want to solve $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$ in the spherical cds r & θ . The solutions are of the well-known forms...

$$\rightarrow \phi_{in}(r \leq a) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} A_l r^l P_l(\cos \theta); \quad \phi_{out}(r \geq a) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} [B_l r^l + C_l r^{-(l+1)}] P_l(\cos \theta). \quad (36)$$

B.C. $B_l = \begin{cases} -E_0, & \text{for } l=1; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$ so as $r \rightarrow \infty$, $\phi_{out} \rightarrow -E_0 r \cos \theta$, and $E_z = -\frac{\partial \phi_{out}}{\partial z} \rightarrow E_0$.

* On the plane, $z=0$, have $R_2 = R_1 = \sqrt{r^2 + d^2} = R$, and $\phi(z=0) = \frac{q}{R} \left(\frac{z}{\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2} \right)$.

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What is new and exciting is that the B.C. on the sphere surface are different

at $r = a$ (sphere surface)

tangential comp. of \mathbf{E} conserved : $-\frac{1}{a} \left(\frac{\partial \phi_{\text{out}}}{\partial \theta} \right) = -\frac{1}{a} \left(\frac{\partial \phi_{\text{in}}}{\partial \theta} \right) ;$

normal comp. of \mathbf{D} is conserved : $-\frac{\partial \phi_{\text{out}}}{\partial r} = -\epsilon \frac{\partial \phi_{\text{in}}}{\partial r} .$

(37)

assumptions : no real surface charge at $r = a$; $\epsilon(\text{inside}) = \epsilon$, $\epsilon(\text{outside}) = 1$.

When these B.C. are imposed on the generic solutions in (36), Jk^b finds

$$\phi_{\text{in}} = -\left(\frac{3}{\epsilon+2}\right) E_0 \underbrace{r \cos \theta}_{z=r \cos \theta}, \quad \phi_{\text{out}} = -\left[1 - \left(\frac{\epsilon-1}{\epsilon+2}\right) \frac{a^3}{r^3}\right] E_0 \underbrace{r \cos \theta}_{z=r \cos \theta} \quad \text{Jk}^n \quad (38) \quad (4.54)$$

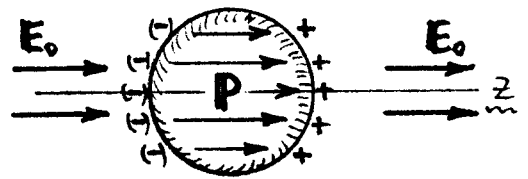
REMARKS

1. Compare above results with those for a conducting sphere in an external E_0 :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Jackson Eq. (2.14), p. 61} \\ \text{Conducting sphere in } E_0 \end{array} \right\} \phi_{\text{in}} \equiv 0, \quad \phi_{\text{out}} = -\left[1 - (a/r)^3\right] E_0 r \cos \theta. \quad (39)$$

Eqs. (38) & (39) are the same when $\epsilon \rightarrow \infty$, which is appropriate to a metal.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{2. } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} E_{\text{in}} = -\partial \phi_{\text{in}} / \partial z = \left(\frac{3}{\epsilon+2}\right) E_0 \quad \text{|| applied } E_0 \text{ and reduced;} \\ E_{\text{out}} = E_0 + \left(\text{field of a dipole of strength } p = \left(\frac{\epsilon-1}{\epsilon+2}\right) a^3 E_0 \right) \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Changes due to polarization } \mathbf{P} \end{aligned}$$



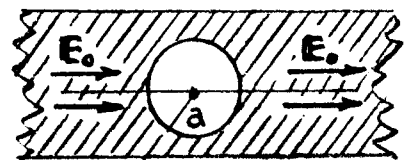
Polarization field inside the sphere : $E_{\text{induced}} = E_{\text{in}} - E_0 = -\left(\frac{\epsilon-1}{\epsilon+2}\right) E_0 .$

3. Actual polarization of the sphere is...

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{dipole moment} \\ \text{per unit volume} \end{array} \right\} \mathbf{P} = \frac{1}{(4\pi/3)a^3} \hat{p} \hat{z} = \left[\frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\epsilon-1}{\epsilon+2} \right) \right] \mathbf{E}_0 \quad \text{the } [\] = \alpha, \text{ polarizability} \quad (40)$$

$$\text{The induced surface density is : } \sigma_{\text{pol}} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \cdot (4\pi \mathbf{P} \cdot \hat{n}) = \frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\epsilon-1}{\epsilon+2} \right) E_0 \cos \theta. \quad (41)$$

4. The important problem of the fields around and in a spherical cavity in a dielectric where there is a const field \mathbf{E}_0 is solved by sending $\epsilon \rightarrow 1/\epsilon$ in above eqns.



9) We skip Jackson's Secs. 4.5 & 4.6 on molecular polarizability.

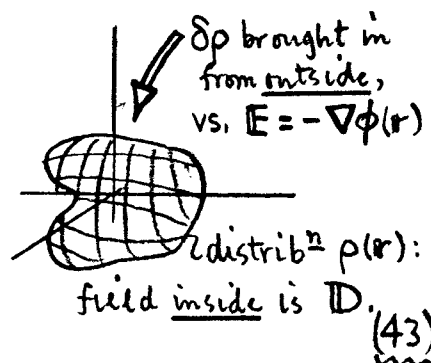
We close Chap. 4 with some discussion of the field energy in dielectric media (i.e., Jackson Sec. 4.7). In free space (no polarization \mathbf{P}), what we did was:

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{FREE SPACE} \\ (\rho = \rho_{\text{real}}, \phi = \phi_{\text{self}}) \end{array} \right\} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 4\pi\rho$
 $W = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\infty} d^3x \phi(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{\infty} d^3x (\phi \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E});$
 $\nabla \cdot (\phi \mathbf{E}) = (\nabla \phi) \cdot \mathbf{E} + \phi (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E})$
 $\phi (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}) = \nabla \cdot (\phi \mathbf{E}) - (\nabla \phi) \cdot \mathbf{E}$
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Convert } \nabla \cdot (\phi \mathbf{E}) \text{ term to integral} \\ \oint_{\infty} \phi (\mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S}) \rightarrow 0; \text{ use } \nabla \phi = -\mathbf{E} \end{array} \right\} \quad \boxed{W = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{\infty} d^3x (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E})}$

energy-of-assembly in free space. (42)

How is W modified by presence of polarizable medium: $\mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$, $\phi \rightarrow \frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi$, $\rho \rightarrow \rho_{\text{free}} - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{P}$? Not clear that form $\frac{1}{2} \int d^3x \phi \rho$ is useful (or even comprehensible). So we review the way W can be derived microscopically.

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{DIELECTRIC} \\ (\rho = \rho_{\text{real}}, \phi = \phi_{\text{self}}) \end{array} \right\} \quad \delta W = \int_{\infty} d^3x \phi(\mathbf{r}) \delta \rho(\mathbf{r});$
 $\text{use: } \delta \rho = (1/4\pi) \nabla \cdot (\delta \mathbf{D})$
 $\text{(accounts for } \Delta \text{ (polarization))}$
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{use: } \mathbf{E} = -\nabla \phi \text{ (outside } \rho) \end{array} \right\} \quad \boxed{\delta W = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\infty} d^3x \mathbf{E} \cdot \delta \mathbf{D}}$
 $\leftarrow \text{have discarded surface term.}$



The formal integral of this last expression is ...

$W = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\infty} d^3x \int_0^{\mathbf{D}} \mathbf{E} \cdot \delta \mathbf{D}, \text{ for distrib}^n \text{ buildup } |\mathbf{D}| = 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{D}.$ (44)

Suppose medium is nonisotropic but linear $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{D} = \underline{\epsilon} \mathbf{E}, \text{ i.e., } D_i = \epsilon_{ij} E_j \\ \text{and } \epsilon_{ij} \neq \text{fcn of the field} \end{array} \right.$

$W = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\infty} d^3x \int_0^{\mathbf{D}} E_i \epsilon_{ij} \delta E_j = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\infty} d^3x \cdot \frac{1}{2} (E_i \epsilon_{ij} E_j)_{\text{final}}$

i.e., $\boxed{W = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{\infty} d^3x (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D})}$, for linear media ($\epsilon_{ji} = \epsilon_{ij}$). (45)

For nonlinear media ($\epsilon = \text{fcn of } \mathbf{E}$), must calculate $W = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\infty} d^3x \int_0^{\mathbf{D}} \mathbf{E} \cdot \delta \mathbf{D}.$