

P112A:Electromagnetic Theory

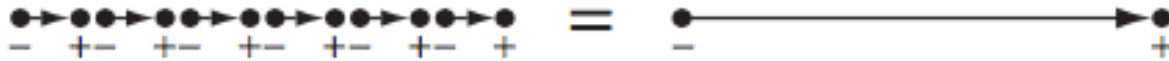
Electric Fields in Matter (Chapter 4)

Physical Interpretation of Bound Charges

$$\sigma_b \equiv \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n}$$

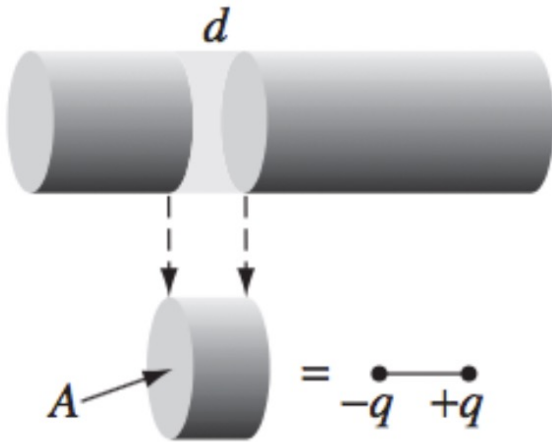
$$\rho_b \equiv -\nabla \cdot \vec{P}$$

- Bound charges are real:

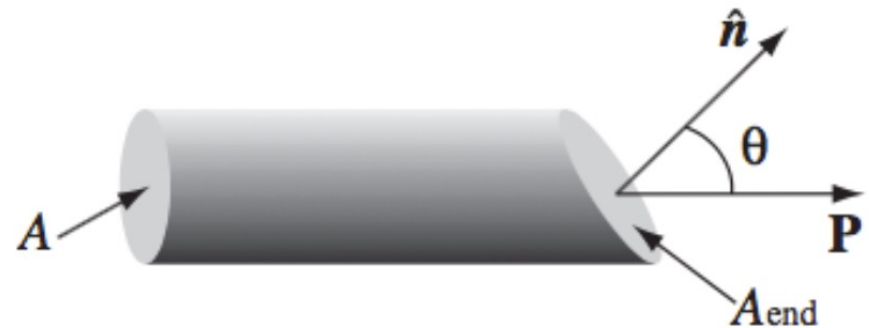


- The middle combinations cancel to zero charge, but the edges have net charges forming the dipole moment
- Call it “bound” because it cannot be removed from the dielectric

How much charge is bound?



Dipole moment of tiny chunk is $\mathbf{p} = P(\mathbf{A}d)$
 Also, dipole moment is $\mathbf{p} = q\mathbf{d}$, so charge at disk end is $qd = P(\mathbf{A}d)$ so $\mathbf{q} = P\mathbf{A}$ and therefore $\sigma_b = q/A = P$.
 (doesn't really matter the length of d , get the same q on the end)

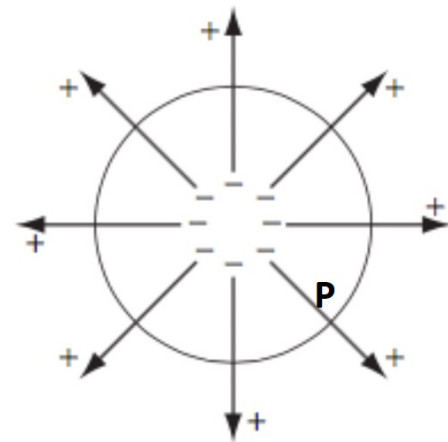


Repeat the argument as on the left, but now cut the tube obliquely. Same charge over the surface, but the area is larger, $A/\cos(\theta)$, so charge density is less.
 $\sigma_b = q\cos\theta/A = P\cos\theta = \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{n}$

Volume charge from Divergent P

- Positive charge is pushed out beyond the surface, leaving only negative charge inside.
→ volume charge
- Surface charge: $dq = \sigma_b dA = \mathbf{P} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} da = \mathbf{P} \cdot d\mathbf{a}$
- Total charge leaving the surface must be equal and opposite in sign to the charge remaining in the volume:

$$\int_{vol} \rho_b d\tau = - \oint_{surf} \vec{P} \cdot d\vec{a} = - \int_{vol} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{P}) d\tau$$



Electric Displacement, \vec{D}

E field created by both bound and free charge, introduce **Electric Displacement, \vec{D}** to re-write Gauss's law in terms of free charge and polarization in dielectric:

$$\rho = \epsilon_0 (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \quad \text{Gauss Law}$$

$$\rho = \rho_f + \rho_b \quad \text{In dielectric, only consider volume charge}$$

$$\rho = \rho_f + \rho_b = \rho_f - \nabla \cdot \vec{P} = \epsilon_0 (\nabla \cdot \vec{E})$$

$$\rho_f = \epsilon_0 (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) + \nabla \cdot \vec{P} = \nabla \cdot (\epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P})$$

$$\text{Let } \vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}$$

\vec{D} is called Displacement Field

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

This equation rewrites Gauss's Law. It requires free charge, not free and bound. The free charge is typically provided in the problem. Bound charge is not known

Gauss's Law with D

$$\rho = \epsilon_0 (\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) \quad \text{Gauss Law for } E \quad \boxed{\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}}$$

$$\boxed{\rho_f = \nabla \cdot \vec{D}}$$

Gauss's Law for D, differential form

$$\int_{vol} \rho_f d\tau = Q_{free}^{encl}$$

$$\int_{Vol} (\nabla \cdot \vec{D}) d\tau = \oint_{Surf} \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

Divergence theorem

$$\oint_{Surf} \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{free}^{encl}$$

Gauss Law for D

Integral form

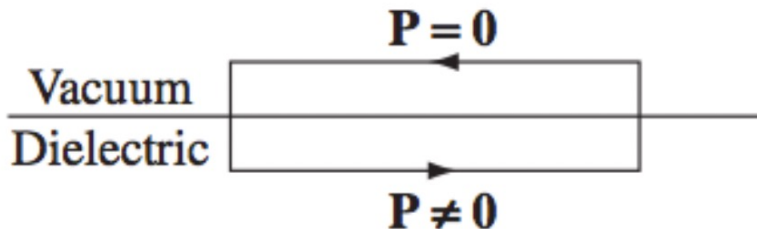
Compute with electric displacement $\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}$ and free charge Q_{free} .
Do not need to compute bound charge

Curl of \vec{D}

- $\nabla \times \vec{E} = 0$ was a consequence of the radial dependence of \vec{E} from a point charge, \vec{D} can have non-zero curl

$$\nabla \times \vec{D} = \nabla \times (\epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}) = \epsilon_0 \cancel{\nabla \times \vec{E}}^0 + \nabla \times \vec{P}$$

Consider boundary of dielectric, $\vec{P} = \alpha \vec{E}$ in Dielectric, $\vec{P} = 0$ outside:



$$\oint \vec{P} \cdot d\vec{\ell} \neq 0 \xrightarrow{\text{Stoke's Theorem}} \nabla \times \vec{D} = \nabla \times \vec{P} \neq 0$$

In homogeneous dielectric material

- Inside homogeneous dielectric material, divergence and curl of $\vec{P}=0$:

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{D} = \nabla \times (\epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}) = \epsilon_0 \nabla \times \vec{E} + \nabla \times \vec{P}$$

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

If curl of \vec{P} is zero, then curl of \vec{D} is zero

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

Always true

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E}_{vac}$$

vacuum permittivity

\vec{D} is found from free charge, ignoring dielectric material. \vec{D} is simply related to vacuum \vec{E} because $\vec{P}=0$ in vacuum

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$$

permittivity

True if \vec{P} linearly proportional to \vec{E} (see next transparency)

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\epsilon_0 \vec{E}_{vac}}{\epsilon} = \frac{\vec{E}_{vac}}{\epsilon_r}$$

This equation says that \vec{E} in dielectric is the same as \vec{E} in vacuum, divided by the dielectric constant.

Relative permittivity

Linear Dielectrics

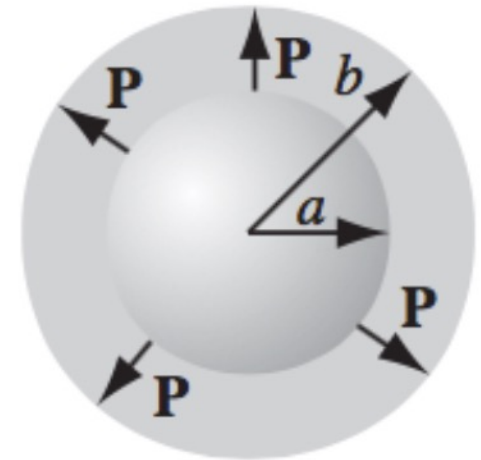
- Basic assumption: $P \sim E$, $P = \epsilon_0 \chi_e E$
- $D = \epsilon_0 E + P = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) E = \epsilon_0 (\epsilon_r) E = \epsilon E$
 - ϵ_0 : electric permittivity of free space (electric constant, vacuum permittivity)
 - χ_e : electric susceptibility
 - ϵ : Permittivity
 - $\epsilon_r = 1 + \chi_e$ Relative permittivity, Dielectric constant
 - $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) = \epsilon_0 (\epsilon_r)$
 - *Dielectric constant*: κ in 7D, ϵ_r in 112A, $\kappa = \epsilon_r = \epsilon / \epsilon_0$
- Can not directly compute P from $P = \epsilon_0 \chi_e E$, because P also contributes to E
- Strategy: Compute D first, then calculate P

Problem 4.15

- A thick spherical shell is made of dielectric material with frozen in polarization

$$\vec{P}(\vec{r}) = \frac{k}{r} \hat{r}$$

- There is no free charge
- Find \mathbf{E} in all regions
- Use 2 methods:
 - Bound charge and Gauss's Law
 - Find \mathbf{D} with Gauss's Law, then get \mathbf{E}



Bound charge and Gauss's Law

$$\vec{P}(\vec{r}) = \frac{k}{r} \hat{r}$$

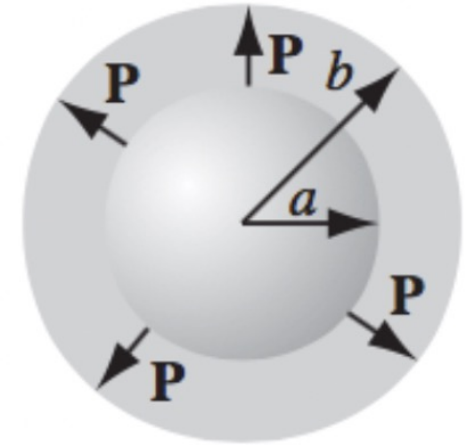
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 v_r) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta v_\theta) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial \phi}$$

$$\rho_b = -\nabla \cdot \vec{P}(\vec{r}) = \frac{-1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} r^2 \hat{r} \cdot \frac{k}{r} \hat{r} = \frac{-k}{r^2}$$

$$\sigma_b = \vec{P}(\vec{r}) \cdot \hat{n} = \frac{k}{r} \hat{r} \cdot \hat{r} \Big|_{r=b} = +\frac{k}{b} \quad r=b$$

$$\sigma_b = \vec{P}(\vec{r}) \cdot \hat{n} = \frac{k}{r} \hat{r} \cdot (-\hat{r}) \Big|_{r=a} = \frac{-k}{a} \quad r=a$$

$$Q_{enc} = 0 \quad r < a$$



$$Q_{enc} = \frac{-k}{a} (4\pi a^2) + \int \rho_b d\tau = -4\pi a k + \int_a^r \frac{-k}{r^2} (4\pi r^2 dr)$$

$$Q_{enc} = -4\pi a k - [4\pi k(r - a)] = -4\pi k r \quad a < r < b$$

$$Q_{enc} = \frac{-k}{a} (4\pi a^2) + \frac{k}{b} (4\pi b^2) + \int_a^b \frac{-k}{r^2} (4\pi r^2 dr) = 0 \quad r > b$$

$$E = 0 \quad r < a$$

$$E = 0 \quad r > b$$

$$E = \frac{Q_{enc}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{-4\pi k r}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{-k}{\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r} \quad a < r < b$$

Find \vec{D} with Gauss's Law, then get \vec{E}

*Free charge is 0 everywhere
P is only non-zero for $a < r < b$*

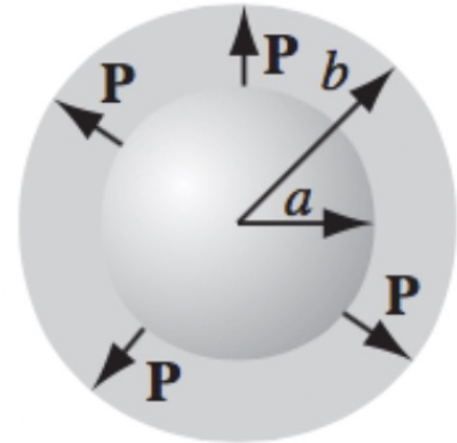
$$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{\text{free}} = 0$$

$$\vec{D} = 0$$

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} = 0$$

$$\vec{E} = -\vec{P} / \epsilon_0$$

$$\vec{E} = -\frac{k\hat{r}}{r} \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{-k}{\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r} \quad a < r < b$$



Example 4.5

- A metal sphere of radius a carries a charge Q . It is surrounded to radius b by a dielectric material of permittivity ϵ . Find potential at center.

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} = \epsilon_0(1 + \chi_e) \mathbf{E} = \epsilon_0(\epsilon_r) \mathbf{E} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$$

$$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{free}$$

Find E everywhere and do the integration over path to get V

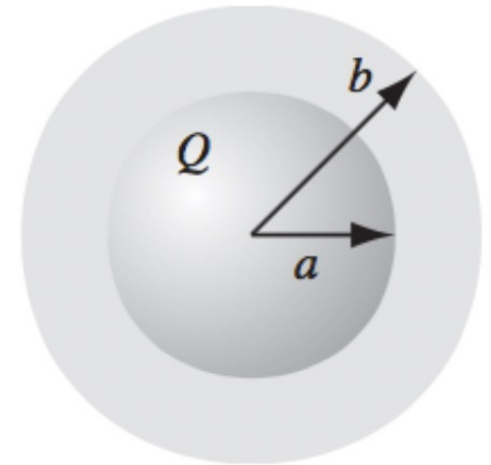
Note: Inside metal sphere, $r < a$: $\mathbf{E} = 0$, $\mathbf{P} = 0$, so $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} = 0$

$$\vec{D}(\vec{r}) = \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2} \hat{r} \quad r > a$$

so

$$\vec{E}(r) = \vec{D} / \epsilon \quad a < r < b$$

$$\vec{E}(r) = \vec{D} / \epsilon_0 \quad r > b$$



$$V_0 - V_\infty = V_0 = - \int_\infty^0 \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = - \int_\infty^0 E(r) \hat{r} \cdot dr \hat{r} = - \int_\infty^0 E(r) dr$$

$$V_0 = - \int_\infty^b \left(\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \right) dr - \int_b^a \left(\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2} \right) dr - \int_a^0 (0) dr = \frac{Q}{4\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_0 b} + \frac{1}{\epsilon a} - \frac{1}{\epsilon b} \right)$$

Example 4.5

$$\vec{D}(\vec{r}) = \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2} \hat{r} \quad r > a$$

so

$$\vec{E}(r) = \vec{D} / \varepsilon \quad a < r < b$$

$$\vec{E}(r) = \vec{D} / \varepsilon_0 \quad r > b$$

Once have E in the dielectric, can compute P , and then σ_b and ρ_b .

in dielectric, $a < r < b$

$$\vec{P} = \varepsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E} = \varepsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{D} / \varepsilon = \frac{\varepsilon_0 \chi_e Q}{4\pi \varepsilon r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\rho_b = -\nabla \cdot \vec{P} = 0$$

$$\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} \Big|_{r=b} = \frac{\varepsilon_0 \chi_e Q}{4\pi \varepsilon r^2} \hat{r} \cdot (\hat{r}) \Big|_{r=b} = \frac{\varepsilon_0 \chi_e Q}{4\pi \varepsilon b^2}$$

$$\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} \Big|_{r=a} = \frac{\varepsilon_0 \chi_e Q}{4\pi \varepsilon r^2} \hat{r} \cdot (-\hat{r}) \Big|_{r=a} = -\frac{\varepsilon_0 \chi_e Q}{4\pi \varepsilon a^2}$$

Direction of boundary surface points away from interior of dielectric

Outer surface

inner surface

Boundary Conditions

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} = \epsilon_0(1 + \chi_e) \mathbf{E} = \epsilon_0(\epsilon_r) \mathbf{E} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$$

$$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{free}$$

Boundary conditions for $E \rightarrow D$.

$$D_{above}^{perp} - D_{below}^{perp} = \sigma_f$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{above}^{\parallel} = \mathbf{E}_{below}^{\parallel} \rightarrow D_{above}^{paral} - D_{below}^{paral} = P_{above}^{paral} - P_{below}^{paral}$$

$$\epsilon_{above} E_{above}^{\perp} - \epsilon_{below} E_{below}^{\perp} = \sigma_f$$

$$\epsilon_{above} \frac{\partial V_{above}}{\partial n} - \epsilon_{below} \frac{\partial V_{below}}{\partial n} = -\sigma_f$$

Laplace's Equation with Linear Dielectrics

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P} = \epsilon_0(1 + \chi_e) \mathbf{E} = \epsilon_0(\epsilon_r) \mathbf{E} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$$

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

- In a homogeneous isotropic linear dielectric, the bound charge density ρ_b is proportional to free charge density ρ_f .

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_b &= -\nabla \cdot \vec{P}(\vec{r}) = -\nabla \cdot (\epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}) = -\nabla \cdot (\epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{D} / \epsilon) = \frac{-\epsilon_0 \chi_e}{\epsilon} (\nabla \cdot \vec{D}) \\ &= \frac{-\epsilon_0 \chi_e}{\epsilon} \rho_f = \frac{-\epsilon_0 \chi_e}{\epsilon_0(1 + \chi_e)} \rho_f = \frac{-\chi_e}{(1 + \chi_e)} \rho_f \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon_{above} E_{above}^{perp} - \epsilon_{below} E_{below}^{perp} = \sigma_f$$

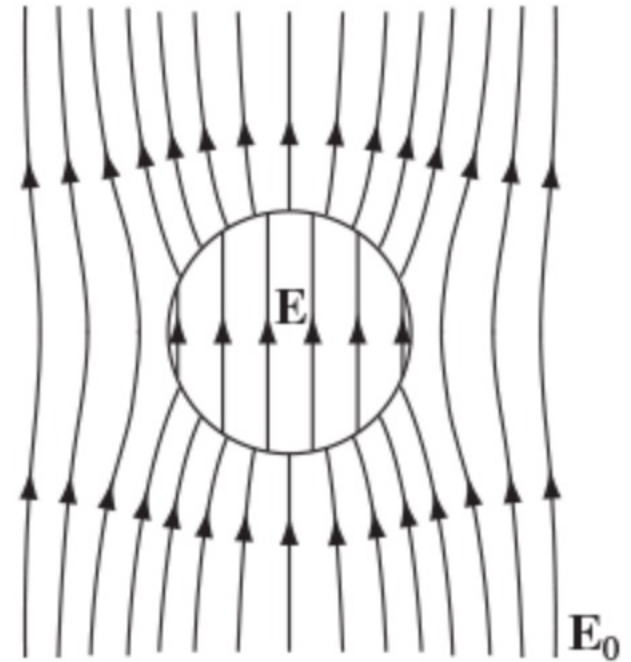
$$\epsilon_{above} \frac{\partial V_{above}}{\partial r} - \epsilon_{below} \frac{\partial V_{below}}{\partial r} = -\sigma_f$$

$$V_{above} = V_{below}$$

Boundary condition for potential in dielectric materials

Example 4.7: Laplace+dielectric

A sphere of homogeneous linear dielectric material is placed in an otherwise uniform electric field. Find the electric field inside the sphere.



(0) $r < R, V_{\text{in}} = \text{finite}$

(i) $V_{\text{in}} = V_{\text{out}}, \quad \text{at } r = R,$

(ii) $\epsilon \frac{\partial V_{\text{in}}}{\partial r} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V_{\text{out}}}{\partial r}, \quad \text{at } r = R,$

(iii) $V_{\text{out}} \rightarrow -E_0 r \cos \theta, \quad \text{for } r \gg R.$

$$\epsilon_{\text{above}} \frac{\partial V_{\text{above}}}{\partial r} - \epsilon_{\text{below}} \frac{\partial V_{\text{below}}}{\partial r} = -\sigma_f$$

No free charge on surface, and no dielectric material outside of sphere, so $\epsilon_{\text{above}} = \epsilon_0$

$$(i) \quad V_{in} = V_{out}, \quad \text{at } r = R,$$

$$(ii) \quad \epsilon \frac{\partial V_{in}}{\partial r} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial V_{out}}{\partial r}, \quad \text{at } r = R,$$

$$(iii) \quad V_{out} \rightarrow -E_0 r \cos \theta, \quad \text{for } r \gg R$$

$$V(r, \theta) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (A_{\ell} r^{\ell} + B_{\ell} r^{-(\ell+1)}) P_{\ell}(\cos \theta) \quad \text{General Solution for spherical coordinates}$$

$$\begin{cases} V_{in}(r, \theta) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} A_{\ell} r^{\ell} P_{\ell}(\cos \theta) & r \leq R \quad \text{BC (0) } r=0, V = \text{finite} \\ V_{out}(r, \theta) = -E_0 r \cos \theta + \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} B_{\ell} r^{-(\ell+1)} P_{\ell}(\cos \theta) & r \geq R \end{cases}$$

B.C. (iii) \swarrow A1 out = -E₀, other A1 out = 0

$$\text{B.C.(i): } A_{\ell} R^{\ell} P_{\ell} = -E_0 R \cos \theta + B_{\ell} R^{-(\ell+1)} P_{\ell}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A_1 R = -E_0 R + B_1 R^{-2} & \ell = 1 \\ A_{\ell} R^{\ell} = B_{\ell} R^{-(\ell+1)} & \ell \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

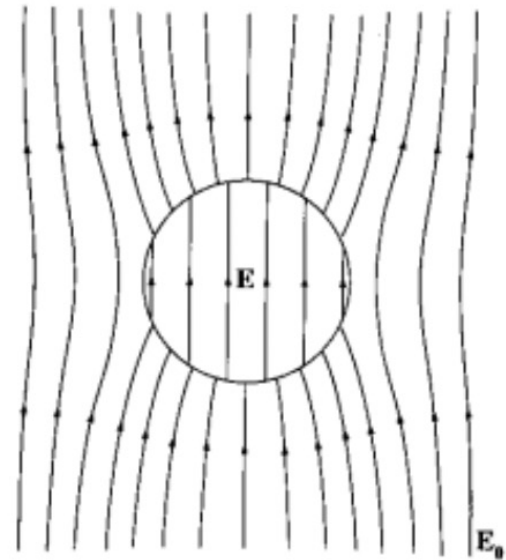
$$\text{B.C.(ii): } \epsilon_r \ell A_{\ell} R^{\ell-1} P_{\ell} = -E_0 \cos \theta - (\ell+1) B_{\ell} R^{-(\ell+2)} P_{\ell}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \epsilon_r A_1 = -E_0 - 2B_1 R^{-3} & \ell = 1 \\ \epsilon_r \ell A_{\ell} R^{\ell-1} = -(\ell+1) B_{\ell} R^{-(\ell+2)} & \ell \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} A_1 R = -E_0 R + B_1 R^{-2} & \ell = 1 \\ A_\ell R^\ell = B_\ell R^{-(\ell+1)} & \ell \neq 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \epsilon_r A_1 = -E_0 - 2B_1 R^{-3} & \ell = 1 \\ \epsilon_r \ell A_\ell R^{\ell-1} = -(\ell+1)B_\ell R^{-(\ell+2)} & \ell \neq 1 \end{cases}$$

2 equations, 2 unknowns for each ℓ

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} A_1 = -\frac{3E_0}{\epsilon_r + 2}; B_1 = \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 2} R^3 & \ell = 1 \\ A_\ell = B_\ell = 0 & \ell \neq 1 \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{cases} V_{in}(r, \theta) = -\frac{3E_0}{\epsilon_r + 2} r \cos \theta \\ V_{out}(r, \theta) = -E_0 r \cos \theta + \left(\frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 2}\right) R^3 E_0 r^{-2} \cos \theta \end{cases}$$

With V everywhere, you can compute E everywhere. For example, E inside sphere is constant in direction and mag.

$$V_{in} = -\frac{3E_0}{\epsilon_r + 2} r \cos \theta = -\frac{3E_0}{\epsilon_r + 2} z$$

$$\vec{E}_{in} = -\nabla V_{in} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(-\frac{3E_0}{\epsilon_r + 2} z \right) \hat{z} = \frac{3E_0}{\epsilon_r + 2} \hat{z}$$