Generalized Multipole Expansion

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \int_V ||\vec{r'}|| P_n(\cos\alpha) \rho(\vec{r'}) d\tau'$$

Monopole Voltage

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r}$$

Dipole Voltage

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

Dipole Moment – Continuous Charge Distribution

$$\vec{p} \equiv \int_V \vec{r'} \rho(\vec{r'}) d\tau'$$

Dipole Moment – Point Charge Distribution

$$\vec{p} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} q_i \vec{r'}_i$$

Dipole Moment – Change of

$$\vec{p'} = \vec{p} - Q\vec{a}$$

Force on a Dipole

$$\vec{F} = (\vec{p} \cdot \nabla)\vec{E}$$

Torque of a Dipole

$$\vec{N} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E}$$

Energy of a Dipole in an Electric Field

$$U = -\vec{p} \cdot \vec{E}$$

Bound Surface Charge Density

$$\sigma_{\rm bound} = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n}$$

Bound Volume Charge Density

$$\rho_{\rm bound} \equiv -\nabla \cdot \vec{P}$$

Linear Dielectrics

$$\begin{split} \vec{P} &= \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E} \\ \vec{D} &= \epsilon \vec{E} \\ \epsilon &= \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \end{split}$$

Gauss's Law for Electric Displacement

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

$$\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{A} = Q_{f_{\rm encl}}$$

Displacement Boundary Condition

$$D_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - D_{\text{below}}^{\perp} = \sigma_{\text{free}}$$

Electric Displacement

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

Solution for For Spherical Laplacians

$$f(r,\theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(A_l r^l + \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} \right) P_l(\cos \theta)$$

 ${\bf Legendre\ Polynomials}$

$$P_0(\cos \theta) = 1$$

$$P_1(\cos \theta) = \cos \theta$$

$$P_2(\cos \theta) = \frac{3}{2}\cos^2 \theta - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P_3(\cos \theta) = \frac{5}{2}\cos^3 \theta - \frac{3}{2}\cos \theta$$

Common Boundary Conditions

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$$\vec{D}_{\text{above}}^{\perp} - \vec{D}_{\text{below}}^{\perp} = \sigma_f$$

$$\bullet \ \, \vec{D}_{\mathrm{above}}^{\parallel} - \vec{D}_{\mathrm{below}}^{\parallel} = \vec{P}_{\mathrm{above}}^{\parallel} - \vec{P}_{\mathrm{below}}^{\parallel}$$

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$$\vec{E}_{\mathrm{above}}^{\perp} - \vec{E}_{\mathrm{below}}^{\perp} = \frac{\sigma_{\mathrm{surf}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

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$$V_{\text{above}} = V_{\text{below}}$$

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

•
$$\epsilon_{\text{above}} \frac{\partial V_a}{\partial n}^{\perp} - \epsilon_{\text{below}} \frac{\partial V_b}{\partial n}^{\perp} = \sigma_f$$

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$$V(r=0) = \text{finite}$$

•
$$V(r \to \infty) = \text{finite or zero.}$$