

These past problems bring us to two fundamental limits of our approach so far:

- ① free space — what if  $\epsilon \neq \epsilon_0$
- ② boundaries — what happens between differing media.

conductors — electrically neutral materials which possess a large number of free (mobile) charges and, in some sense, are similar to an electron gas.

In metals, free electrons are due to conduction electrons in the unfilled outer atomic orbits

electric current — movement of electronic charge

current-density vector ( $\underline{J}$ ) — amperes/m<sup>2</sup> or coulombs/m<sup>2</sup>s

Ohm's Law:

$$\underline{J} = \sigma \underline{E}$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{amperes} \\ \text{m}^2 \end{array} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{volts} \\ \text{m} \end{array} \right\}$

$$\sigma = \frac{\text{amperes}}{\text{m}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{volts}} = \frac{\text{SIEMENS}}{\text{m}} = \frac{1}{\text{ohm} \cdot \text{m}}$$

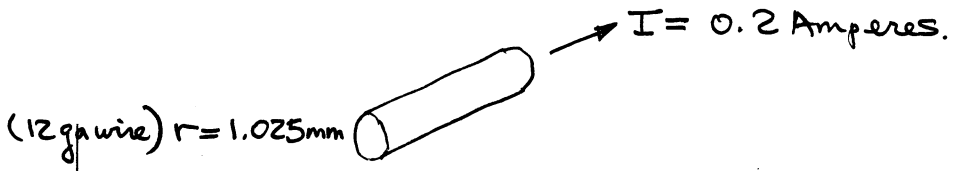
The common form of Ohm's law is

$$I = \frac{E}{R} \quad (\text{a scalar representation of } \underline{J} = \sigma \underline{E})$$

$$I = \int_S \underline{J} \cdot d\underline{s}$$

in general  $\sigma$  is a function of the material and frequency

Example: copper wire



$$I = \int_S \underline{J} \cdot d\underline{s}$$

we have no reason to assume  $\underline{J}$  is not uniform so this integral becomes

$$= J (\pi r_w^2)$$

$$\therefore J = \frac{I}{\pi r_w^2} = \frac{0.2}{\pi (1.025 \times 10^{-3})^2} = 6.06 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{Amperes}}{\text{m}^2}$$

↑ watch units

what's the electric field? Ohm's Law  $\underline{J} = \sigma \underline{E}$

$$E = \frac{J}{\sigma} = \frac{6.06 \times 10^4 \text{ amperes/m}^2}{5.8 \times 10^7 \text{ Siemens/m}} = 1.05 \times 10^{-3} \frac{\text{volts}}{\text{m}}$$

what is the conventional resistance?

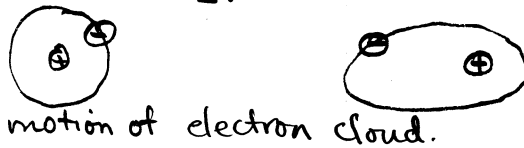
$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{1.05 \times 10^{-3} \text{ volts/m}}{0.2 \text{ Amperes}} = 5.25 \times 10^{-3} \frac{\Omega}{\text{meter}}$$

objective: dielectrics in terms of polarization

dielectrics - electrically insulating materials in which electrons are tightly bound to the nucleus. Even though the material is electrically neutral an externally applied field may cause separation of positive and negative charge at the microscopic level. These will act as electrical dipoles and the polarization is defined as the dipole moment per unit volume.

polarization (types) 
$$\underline{P} \triangleq \lim_{\Delta V \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sum_i \underline{P}_i}{\Delta V} = N \underline{p}$$
 number density

- electronic



- orientational



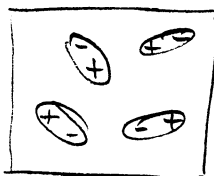
these are in general random, but can line up with an external field to give a net polarization

- ionic

motion of - ions relative to each other

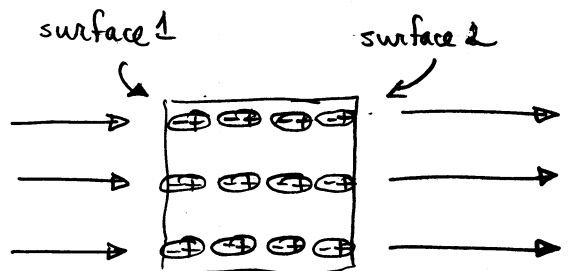
in general, polarization is a combination of the above effects.

Polarization charge



no applied  $\underline{E}$  field  
random orientation

$\underline{P} = 0$



applied  $\underline{E}$  field  
charges cancel within the volume  
but net surface charge.

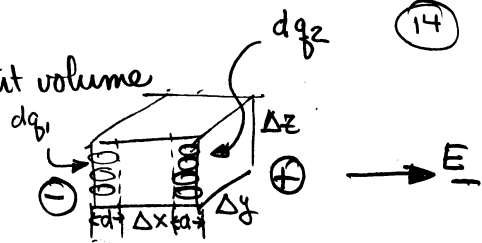
only those dipoles within a distance  $d$  (where  $p = qd$ ) will contribute a net charge.

for the applied field  $\underline{E}$ ,  $N$  dipoles/unit volume

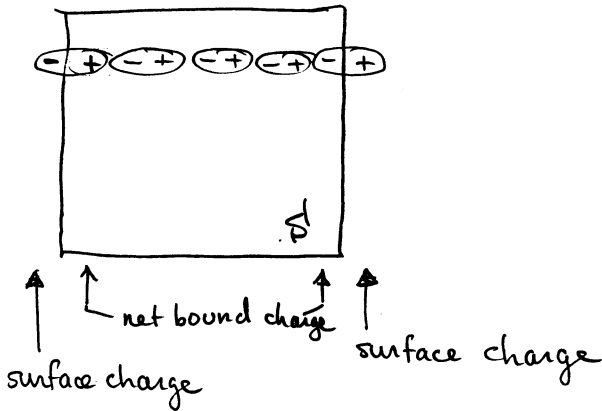
net charge on the surface  $\perp$  is:

$$dq_1 = -(Nq d_x)|_x \Delta y \Delta z$$

$$dq_2 = +(Nq d_x)|_{x+\Delta x} \Delta y \Delta z$$



The net bound charge is that inside the volume and is in the opposite direction



Note point out this is  $P_x$  because applied field is in  $E_x$  direction

$$\therefore \text{net bound charge is } dq_1' = +(Nq d_x)|_x \Delta y \Delta z = +P_x(x) \Delta y \Delta z$$

$$dq_2' = -(Nq d_x)|_{x+\Delta x} \Delta y \Delta z = -P_x(x+\Delta x) \Delta y \Delta z$$

Note that  $\underline{P}$  is defined within the volume, not on the surface.

total The charge enclosed within the volume is

$$dq_T = dq_1' + dq_2' = P_x(x) \Delta y \Delta z - P_x(x+\Delta x) \Delta y \Delta z$$

$$= - \frac{P_x(x+\Delta x) - P_x(x)}{\Delta x} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$$

$\therefore$  the polarization volume charge density within  $\mathcal{V}$  is:

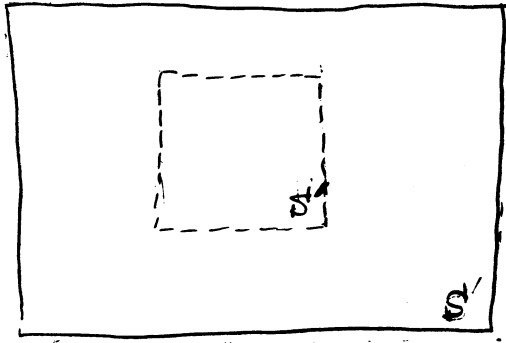
$$\rho_b = \lim_{\Delta V \rightarrow 0} - \frac{P_x(x+\Delta x) - P_x(x)}{\Delta x} \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta V} = - \frac{dP_x}{dx}$$

This result can be generalized to three dimensions by applying a field sequentially in the  $\underline{a}_x$ ,  $\underline{a}_y$  and  $\underline{a}_z$  directions so that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_b &= - \frac{\partial P_x}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P_y}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial P_z}{\partial z} \\ &= - \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{P} \quad (\text{this is within the dielectric}) \end{aligned}$$

What happens at the surface of  $S$ ? Clearly  $\underline{P}$  is discontinuous there.

To conveniently express the result re-examine Gauss' Law.



Imagine volume  $S'$  which is inside  $S$ .

Gauss' Law 
$$\oint_S \underline{E} \cdot d\underline{s} = \frac{Q_{\text{total}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

but what is  $Q_{\text{total}}$ ?

Suppose we consider  $S'$  to be a region of open space. There will be a charge density due to free charges and a charge density due to bound charges. i.e.

$$\rho_T = \rho_f + \rho_b$$

$$\text{and } Q_{\text{total}} = \int_V (\rho_f + \rho_b) dV$$

$$\therefore \oint_S \underline{E} \cdot d\underline{s} = \frac{\int_V (\rho_f + \rho_b) dV}{\epsilon_0}$$

Divergence Theorem: (volume integral of source = net flux)

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but 
$$\oint_S \underline{E} \cdot d\underline{S} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \underline{E} \, dV$$

$$\therefore \nabla \cdot \underline{E} = \frac{\rho_f + \rho_b}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$= \frac{\rho_f - \nabla \cdot \underline{P}}{\epsilon_0}$$

combining terms 
$$\nabla \cdot (\epsilon_0 \underline{E} + \underline{P}) = \rho_f$$

$\rho_f$  is the free charge in space

$\epsilon_0 \underline{E} + \underline{P}$  is the electric flux density due to those free charges

define 
$$\underline{D} = \epsilon_0 \underline{E} + \underline{P}$$

$\underline{D} \triangleq$  electric flux density vector.

Note that in real free space  $\underline{P} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\underline{D} = \epsilon_0 \underline{E}$

In fact,

$$\oint_S \underline{D} \cdot d\underline{S} = Q_{\text{total}} \quad \text{is the most general form of Gauss' Law.}$$

As  $\underline{P}$  is some function of  $\underline{E}$ , more accurately,  $\underline{P}$  is some function of  $\epsilon_0 \underline{E}$ , the flux density vector since  $\underline{P}$  is due to bound charge.

For most materials, this is a simple relationship

$$\underline{P} = \chi_e \epsilon_0 \underline{E}$$

$\uparrow$  susceptibility

then, 
$$\underline{D} = \epsilon_0 \underline{E} + \underline{P} = \epsilon_0 \underline{E} + \chi_e \epsilon_0 \underline{E} = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e) \underline{E}$$

We can define  $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 (1 + \chi_e)$  this is the permittivity

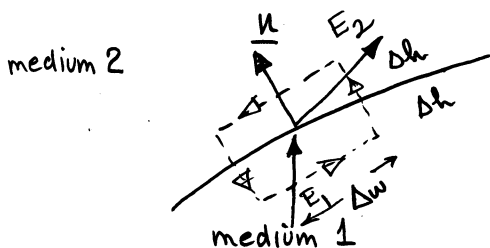
or 
$$\kappa \propto \epsilon_r = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} = 1 + \chi_e$$
 This is the dielectric constant.

## Boundary conditions

We just examined bound charges due to an external applied field. How about the surface charges and the relationship between the internal and external field?

internal  $\underline{D} = \epsilon_0 \underline{E} + \underline{P}$

external  $\underline{D} = \epsilon_0 \underline{E}$



We showed earlier that

$$\oint \underline{E} \cdot d\underline{l} = 0$$

since  $V(P_1) = V(P_1)$   
i.e.  $\underline{E}$  field is conservative

choosing the contour as indicated above and decomposing

$$\underline{E}_1 = \underline{E}_{1t} + \underline{E}_{1n}$$

$$\underline{E}_2 = \underline{E}_{2t} + \underline{E}_{2n}$$

and picking  $\underline{n}$  to point from 1 to 2,

$$(\cancel{\Delta h}) \cancel{E}_{1n} + (\cancel{\Delta h}) \cancel{E}_{2n} + E_{2t}(\Delta w) - (\cancel{\Delta h}) \cancel{E}_{2n} - (\cancel{\Delta h}) \cancel{E}_{1n} + (E_{1t})(\Delta w) = 0$$

cancelling terms  $E_{1t} - E_{2t} = 0$

$$\text{or } E_{1t} = E_{2t}$$

The tangential component is continuous...  $\blacksquare$

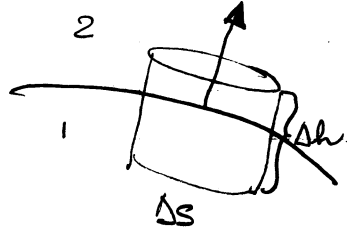
This can be written in vector form as  $\underline{n} \times (\underline{E}_2 - \underline{E}_1) = 0$ .

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How about the normal component?

Use Gauss' Law

$$\oint \underline{D} \cdot \underline{ds} = \rho_f$$



as  $\Delta h \rightarrow 0$  there will be no contribution from the sides

so the surface integral reduces to

$$\int \underline{D}_{n1} \cdot \underline{n} + \underline{D}_2 \cdot \underline{nds} = -D_{n1} \Delta s + D_{n2} \Delta s$$

what is  $\rho_f$ ? As  $\Delta h \rightarrow 0$   $\rho_f \rightarrow \rho_s$ , the surface charge density.  
and the total surface charge is  $\rho_s \Delta s$

$\therefore$

$$D_{n2} \Delta s - D_{n1} \Delta s = \rho_s \Delta s$$

$$D_{n2} - D_{n1} = \rho_s$$

$$\underline{n} \cdot (\underline{D}_2 - \underline{D}_1) = \rho_s$$

note signs are important

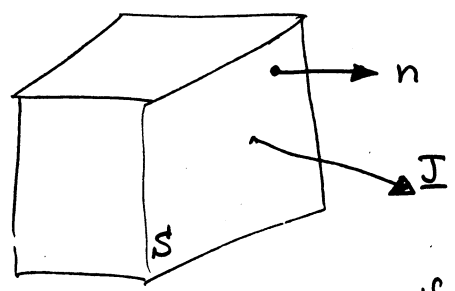


to complete our study of materials, we must examine a conductor.

In a conductor currents are due to the movement of free charge.

By charge conservation, the net current through a closed surface gives the rate of change of free charges, i.e.

$$\oint_S \underline{J} \cdot \underline{ds} = - \frac{d}{dt} Q \quad \rightarrow \quad - \int \frac{dp}{dt} dv. \quad (1)$$



sign due to fact charge is moving out of S

If  $\underline{n} \cdot \underline{J} > 0$  then there is a net flow of charge out of S causing Q to decrease

Using the divergence Theorem

$$\oint_S \underline{J} \cdot \underline{ds} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \underline{J} dv. \quad (2)$$

Equating (1) and (2)  $\nabla \cdot \underline{J} = - \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$

this is the law of conservation of charge.

For a conductor  $\underline{J} = \sigma \underline{E}$

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \sigma \underline{E} = -\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$$

But, from Gauss' Law

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \epsilon \underline{E} = \rho$$

If  $\sigma$  and  $\epsilon$  are linear and isotropic

$$-\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon}$$

$$\approx \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon}\right) \rho = 0$$

The solution is  $\rho = \rho_0 e^{-\left(\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon}\right)t}$

To interpret, this suppose I put charge density  $\rho_0$  into  $S'$  at  $t=0$ . For a perfect conductor  $\sigma = \infty$ , and, hence, instantly  $\rho \equiv 0$ . Therefore, by Gauss' Law there can be NO electric field inside a perfect conductor

For a material such as Copper

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \left( \frac{1}{36\pi} \times 10^{-9} \frac{\text{farads}}{\text{m}} \right) \approx 10^{-12}$$
$$\tau = \frac{5.8 \times 10^{-7}}{\text{ohm-m}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma} \approx 1.5 \times 10^{-19} \text{ seconds}$$

and no field exists after that time (approximately).

for two media:  $D_{n2} - D_{n1} = \rho_s$

$$E_{t2} = E_{t1}$$

I. Suppose, medium 1 is a perfect conductor,

In 1  $E_{t1} \rightarrow 0$

$\therefore D_{n1} \rightarrow 0$

and  $E_{t2} = 0$

$$D_{n2} = \rho_s$$

Interpreting this, <sup>①</sup> the tangential component of  $\underline{E}$  is always zero at a conducting surface

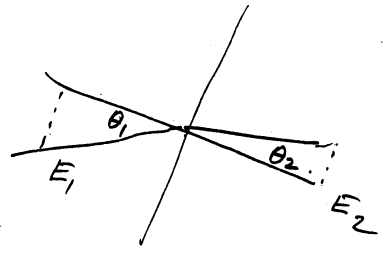
② The surface charge <sup>density</sup> is the normal component of  $\underline{D}$  at the conductor surface.

II. If media 1 and 2 are perfect dielectrics how can one have a  $\rho_s$ ?

In general,  $\rho_s = 0$  unless deliberately put there.

So,  $\epsilon_2 E_{n2} - \epsilon_1 E_{n1} = 0$

$$E_{t2} = E_{t1}$$



In terms of angles, relative to the surface.

$$E_1 \cos \theta_1 = E_2 \cos \theta_2$$

$$\frac{E_2}{E_1} = \frac{\cos \theta_1}{\cos \theta_2}$$

$$\epsilon_2 E_2 \sin \theta_2 = \epsilon_1 E_1 \sin \theta_1$$

$$\frac{\epsilon_2 E_2}{\epsilon_1 E_1} = \frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2}$$

combining these results.

$$\frac{E_2}{E_1} = \frac{\cos \theta_1}{\cos \theta_2} = \frac{\epsilon_1 \sin \theta_1}{\epsilon_2 \sin \theta_2}$$

$$\tan \theta_2 = \frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2} \tan \theta_1$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\tan \theta_2}{\tan \theta_1} = \frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2}$$

III. If the regions have finite conductivity?

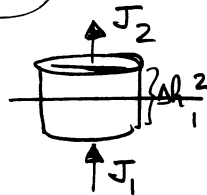
use Ohm's law  $\underline{J} = \sigma \underline{E}$  where  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$

Recall that: 
$$\oint \underline{J} \cdot d\underline{s} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int \rho \, dv$$

$$\int \nabla \cdot \underline{J} \, dv$$

If the currents are static then  $\frac{d}{dt} \rightarrow 0$

what is a static current...



let  $\Delta h \rightarrow 0$  and then  $J_{1n} = J_{2n}$ .

Furthermore,  $E_{2t} = E_{1t}$  or as  $J = \sigma E$

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

We don't know what  $\rho_s$  is, since charge flow is permitted.

$$\text{In general, } D_{n2} - D_{n1} = \rho_s$$

$$\epsilon_2 E_{n2} - \epsilon_1 E_{n1} = \rho_s$$

$$\text{but } \sigma_2 E_{2n} = \sigma_1 E_{1n}$$

$$\text{or } \epsilon_2 \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} E_{1n} - \epsilon_1 E_{1n} = \rho_s$$

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and if I know  $E$  in 1 or 2 I can compute the surface charge.

mathematically,

$$2W_T = Q_1 (V_{12} + V_{13}) + Q_2 (V_{21} + V_{23}) + Q_3 (V_{31} + V_{32}).$$

$$V_i \triangleq \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^3 V_{ij}$$

$$\text{and } W_T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^3 Q_i V_i$$

Now, extend this result to a continuous distribution of charge.

$$W_e = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \rho_v V \, dv$$

This is the energy due to putting the electric field in place.

Use Gauss' Law to re-write it as  $\nabla \cdot \underline{D} = \rho_v$

$$W_e = \frac{1}{2} \int_V (\nabla \cdot \underline{D}) V \, dv$$

We use pure math from this point.

$$(\nabla \cdot \underline{D}) V = \nabla \cdot (V \underline{D}) - \underline{D} \cdot (\nabla V) \quad \leftarrow -\underline{E}$$

$$W_e = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \nabla \cdot (V \underline{D}) \, dv - \frac{1}{2} \int_V \underline{D} \cdot (\nabla V) \, dv$$

this is a surface integral, convert to a flux

$$= \frac{1}{2} \oint_S V \underline{D} \cdot d\underline{s} - \frac{1}{2} \int_V \underline{D} \cdot (-\underline{E}) \, dv.$$

for point charges  $V \propto \frac{1}{r}$        $|\underline{V}| = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$   
 $|\underline{D}| \propto \frac{1}{r^2}$        $|\underline{D}| = \epsilon_0 \underline{E} = \epsilon_0 \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$   
 $ds \propto r^2$        $|ds| = r^2 \sin\theta \, d\theta \, d\phi.$

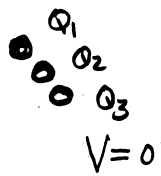
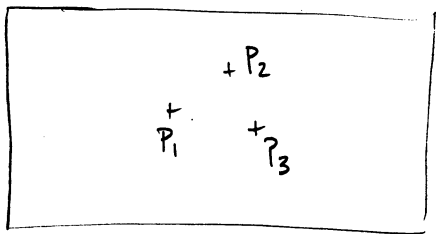
so as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ , i.e. all space, the first integral  $\rightarrow 0$

$$W_e \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \int_V \underline{D} \cdot \underline{E} \, dv = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \epsilon \underline{E} \cdot \underline{E} \, dv = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \epsilon |\underline{E}|^2 \, dv.$$

energy density and the electric field

From earlier lecture incremental work per charge is

$$dV = \frac{dW}{\Delta Q} = - \underline{E} \cdot \underline{dl}$$



putting in one charge is no work.

putting in  $Q_2$  given  $Q_1$ 's field will be given by

$$dW = dV \Delta Q$$

$$W_{21} = V_{21} Q_2$$

where  $W_{21}$  = work required to move  $Q_2$  against  $Q_1$ 's field

$V_{21}$  is the potential at the final position of  $Q_2$ .

putting in  $Q_3$  given  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ 's fields will be given by.

$$W_{31} + W_{32} = V_{31} Q_3 + V_{32} Q_3$$

$$\therefore \text{total energy is } W_T = W_{21} + W_{31} + W_{32} = V_{21} Q_2 + V_{31} Q_3 + V_{32} Q_3$$

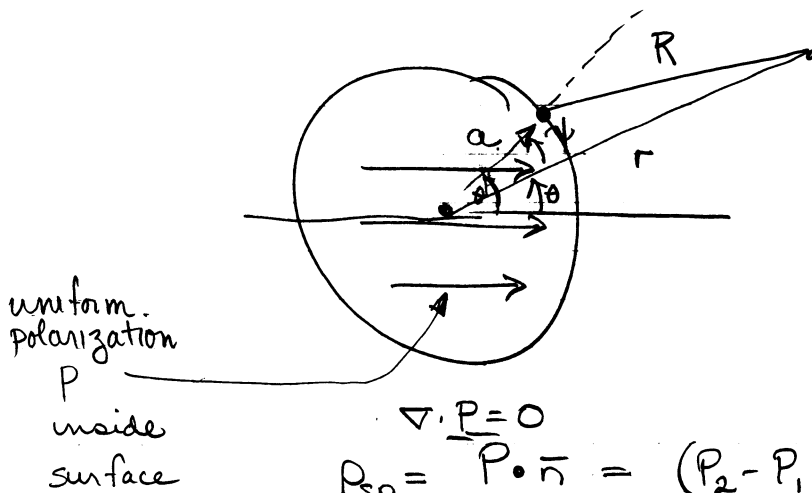
this is also the same as

i.e. 
$$W_T = W_{12} + W_{13} + W_{23} = V_{12} Q_1 + V_{13} Q_1 + V_{23} Q_2$$

i.e. bring in  $Q_3$  first, then  $Q_2$ , then  $Q_1$ ,  
so, the order of bringing them together doesn't matter.

Now, add these results together

$$2W_T = V_{12} Q_1 + V_{13} Q_1 + V_{23} Q_2 + V_{21} Q_2 + V_{31} Q_3 + V_{32} Q_3$$



uniform polarization  $P$  inside surface

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{P} = 0$$

$$\rho_{sp} = \underline{P} \cdot \underline{n} = \underline{(P_2 - P_1)} \cos \theta.$$

normal component is charge density

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$$D = \epsilon_0 E + P$$

here  $E = 0$

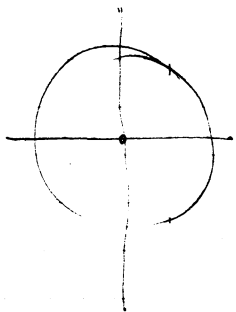
$$\text{so } n \cdot (P_2 - P_1) = \rho_s$$

this is a bound charge.

but exists as a surface charge density.

ferroelectric material

way to solve this is potential.



$$\Phi = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V \frac{\rho dV}{R}$$

given in class.

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \iint \frac{(P_2 - P_1) \cos \theta \, a \, d\theta}{|a - r|}$$

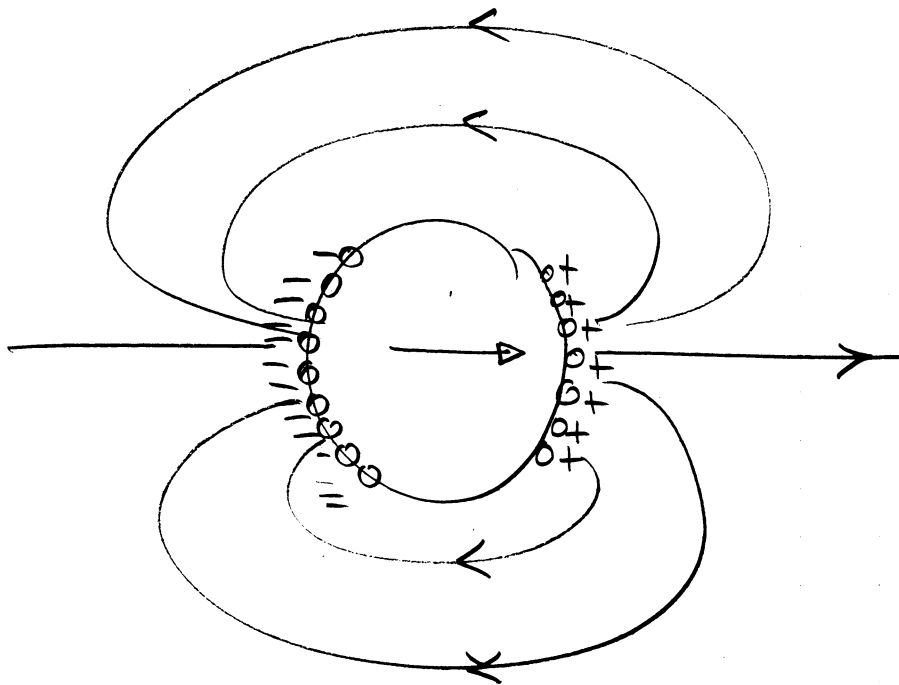
$$|a - r|^2 = |a|^2 + |r|^2 - 2|a||r| \cos(\theta - \theta')$$

$$= a^2 + r^2 - 2ar \cos(\theta - \theta')$$

$$\Phi = \frac{a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (P_2 - P_1) \int_0^\pi \frac{\cos \theta \, d\theta}{|a - r|}$$

$r \gg a$





if you got to here I was happy, this equation is hard to solve unless  $r \gg a$ . then

$$|a-r|^2 = r^2 \left[ \left(\frac{a}{r}\right)^2 + 1 - 2\left(\frac{a}{r}\right) \cos(\theta - \theta') \right]$$

$$\approx r^2 \left[ 1 - 2\frac{a}{r} \cos(\theta - \theta') \right]$$

$$|a-r| = r \left[ 1 - 2\frac{a}{r} \cos(\theta - \theta') \right]^{1/2}$$

$$|a-r| \approx r \left[ 1 - 2\frac{1}{2} \frac{a}{r} \cos(\theta - \theta') \right]$$

$$= r \left[ 1 - \frac{a}{r} \cos(\theta - \theta') \right]$$

$$\Phi = \frac{a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (P_2 - P_1) \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos\theta \, d\theta}{r \left[ 1 - \frac{a}{r} \cos(\theta - \theta') \right]}$$

$$\approx \frac{a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (P_2 - P_1) \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ \frac{\cos\theta \, d\theta}{r} \left( 1 + \frac{a}{r} \cos(\theta - \theta') \right) \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (P_2 - P_1) \left[ \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos\theta \, d\theta}{r} + \frac{a}{r^2} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\theta \cos(\theta - \theta') \, d\theta \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Phi &\approx \frac{a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (P_2 - P_1) \left[ \frac{1}{r} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\theta d\theta + \frac{a}{r^2} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\theta [\cos\theta \cos\theta' + \sin\theta \sin\theta'] d\theta \right] \\
&\approx \frac{a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (P_2 - P_1) \left[ \frac{a}{r^2} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2\theta \cos\theta' d\theta + \frac{a}{r^2} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\theta \sin\theta \sin\theta' d\theta \right] \\
&\approx \frac{a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (P_2 - P_1) \frac{a}{r^2} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \cos\theta' d\theta \\
&\approx \frac{a^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} (P_2 - P_1) \pi \cos\theta' \\
&\approx \frac{a^2}{4\epsilon_0 r^2} (P_2 - P_1) \cos\theta'
\end{aligned}$$

This is an interesting result.

When we did the electric dipole

we got 
$$\Phi = \frac{ql \cos\theta'}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

so that our result looks like a big electric dipole.

If I add the  $\underline{E}$  field it does not change the bound surface charges; however, it everywhere adds to the  $\underline{P}$  vector

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

# Laplace & Poisson's Equations

$$\underline{E} = -\underline{\nabla}\Phi$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{E} = -\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla}\Phi$$

↓

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} \underline{D} \right) = -\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla}\Phi$$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{D} = -\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla}\Phi$$

Gauss' law

$$\frac{\rho_v}{\epsilon} = -\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla}\Phi$$

known as  $\nabla^2\Phi$

general solution

$$\Phi = \int \frac{\rho \, dv}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$

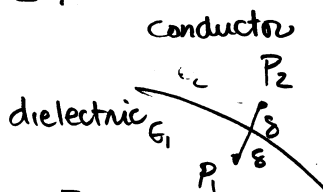
$$\nabla^2\Phi = -\frac{\rho_v}{\epsilon} \quad \text{Poisson's Equation.}$$

If the region contains no charge, this becomes

$$\nabla^2\Phi = 0 \quad \text{Laplace's Equation}$$

What are boundary conditions on  $\Phi$ ?

$$\int_{P_1}^{P_2} d\Phi = -\int_{P_1}^{P_2} \underline{E} \cdot d\underline{l}$$



$$\Phi(P_2) - \Phi(P_1) = -\left[ E_{2n}\delta - E_{1n}\delta \right] = -\delta [E_{2n} - E_{1n}]$$

but what is  $E_{2n} - E_{1n}$ ? From boundary conditions on  $\underline{D}$ ,

$$\underline{D}_{n2} - \underline{D}_{n1} = \rho_s \quad \text{or} \quad -\epsilon_1 E_{1n} = \rho_s$$

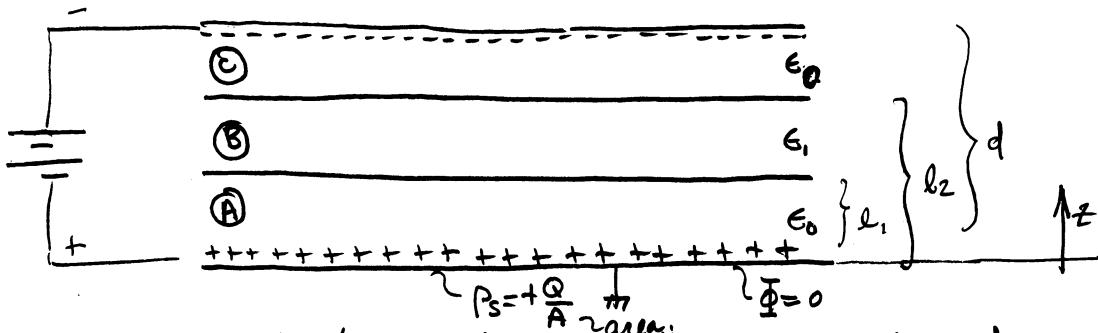
If  $\rho_s$  is finite - as it must be for any real problem.

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} -\delta [E_{2n} - E_{1n}] = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} -\delta \left[ \frac{\rho_s}{\epsilon} \right] = 0$$

$\therefore \Phi(P_2) - \Phi(P_1) = 0$  and potential is continuous across boundary.

Similar results can be shown for dielectric-dielectric interfaces

## Parallel plate capacitor



use Laplace's equation since there are no free charges.

- use  $\nabla^2 \Phi = 0$

- Assume plates infinitely large in  $x$  &  $y$  so  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rightarrow 0$   $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \rightarrow 0$

-  $\nabla^2 \Phi = \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial z^2} \rightarrow \frac{d^2 \Phi}{dz^2}$  under above assumptions

- if  $\frac{d\Phi}{dz} = 0$  then  $\Phi(z) = c_1 z + c_2$

- assume  $c_1$  &  $c_2$  different for each region

- find  $c_1$  &  $c_2$  using boundary conditions

Region A  $\Phi_A(z) = c_1 z + c_2$

at  $z=0$   $\Phi=0$  so  $c_2 = 0$ .

How to get  $c_1$ ?  $\because E = -\nabla \Phi$  and  $\underline{D} = \epsilon \underline{E}$  use B.C. on  $\underline{D}$

$$\underline{E} = -\nabla \Phi = -\nabla (c_1 z) = -\underline{a}_z c_1$$

$$\underline{D} = \epsilon_0 \underline{E} = -\epsilon_0 \underline{a}_z c_1$$

$D_{2n} - D_{1n} = \rho_s$   $\nearrow$  0 conductor, so  $\underline{E} \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore D_{2n} = -\epsilon_0 c_1 = \rho_s = \frac{Q}{A}$$

$$\text{so } c_1 = -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A}$$

$$\text{and } \Phi_A(z) = -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} z$$

how about (A)-(B) boundary?

as  $\Phi$  is continuous.

$$\Phi_A(l_1) = \Phi_B(l_1) = C_{1B}z + C_{2B}$$

$$\parallel \\ -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} l_1 = C_{1B} l_1 + C_{2B}.$$

- need to get a second equation... so as (A) and (B) are dielectrics

$$D_{2n} - D_{1n} = \rho_s \rightarrow 0 \quad (\text{no charge on boundary,}) \\ \text{insulators}$$

$$\therefore D_{2n} = \epsilon_1 \left( -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dz} \Big|_{l_1} \right) = -\epsilon_1 C_{1B} \quad \therefore$$

$$D_{1n} = \epsilon_0 \left( -\frac{d\Phi_A}{dz} \Big|_{l_1} \right) = -\epsilon_0 \left( -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} \right) = +\frac{Q}{A}$$

$$\therefore -\epsilon_1 C_{1B} - \frac{Q}{A} = 0$$

$$\epsilon_1 C_{1B} = -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_1 A}$$

and  $-\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} l_1 = -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_1 A} l_1 + C_{2B}$

$$\frac{Q}{A} l_1 \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_1} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \right) = C_{2B}$$

$\therefore$  in (B)

$$\Phi_B(z) = -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_1 A} z + \frac{Q}{A} l_1 \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_1} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \right)$$

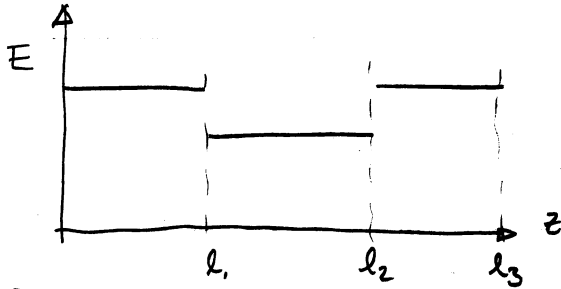
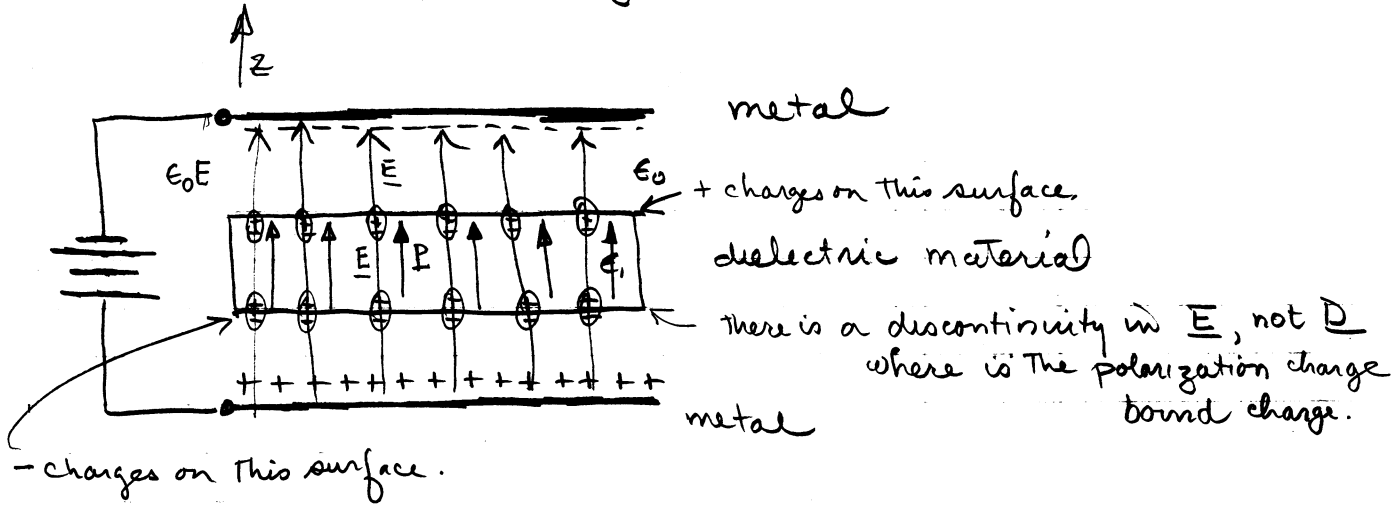
at (B)-(C) boundary.  $\Phi_C(l_2) = \Phi_B(l_2)$   $\Phi$  continuous as before.

$$C_{1C} l_2 + C_{2C} = -\frac{Q l_2}{\epsilon_1 A} + \frac{Q l_1}{A \epsilon_1} - \frac{Q l_1}{A \epsilon_0}$$

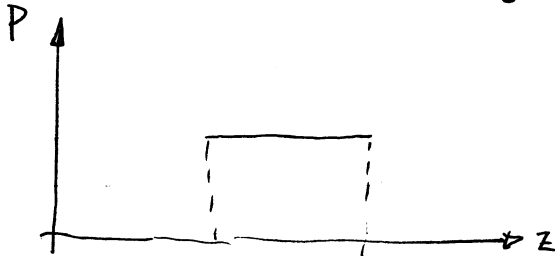
as before  $D_{2n} = D_{Bn}$

$$\epsilon_2 - \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} \Big|_{l_2} = \epsilon_1 - \frac{\partial \Phi_B}{\partial z} \Big|_{l_2}$$

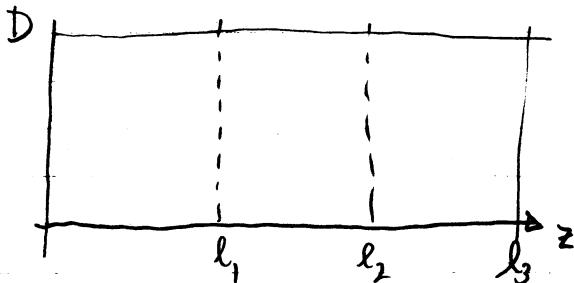
review the boundary



$E$  is due to charge of all types



$P$  is due to bound charges



$D$  is due to free charge

watch signs

$$\epsilon_0(-C_{1c}) = \cancel{\epsilon_1} \left( + \frac{Q}{\epsilon_1 A} \right)$$

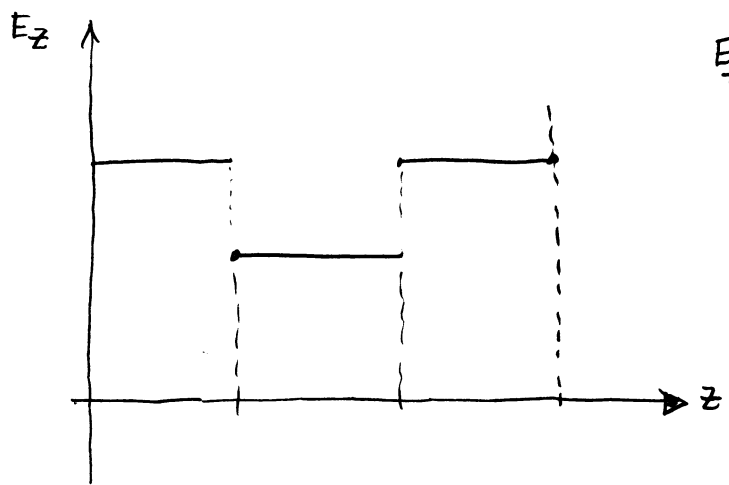
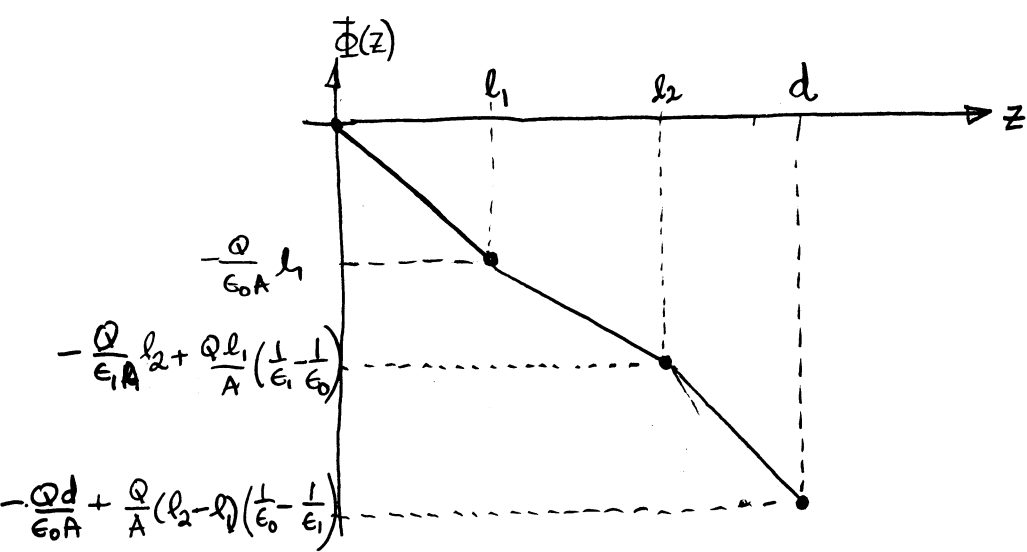
$$\therefore C_{1c} = -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A}$$

$$-\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} l_2 + C_{2c} = -\frac{Q l_2}{\epsilon_1 A} + \frac{Q l_1}{A \epsilon_1} - \frac{Q l_1}{A \epsilon_0}$$

$$C_{2c} = \frac{Q l_2}{\epsilon_0 A} - \frac{Q l_2}{\epsilon_1 A} + \frac{Q l_1}{\epsilon_1 A} - \frac{Q l_1}{\epsilon_0 A} = \frac{Q}{A} (l_2 - l_1) \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1} \right)$$

$$\therefore \Phi_c(z) = -\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} z + \frac{Q}{A} (l_2 - l_1) \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1} \right)$$

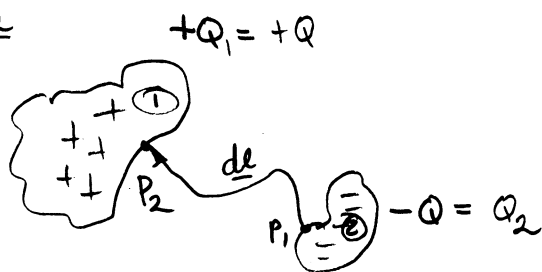
notice that as V was given we could solve for  $\rho_s = \frac{Q}{A}$ .



$$E_z = -\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z}$$



Capacitance



- Consider two arbitrarily shaped conductors with equal total charges  $+Q$  and  $-Q$ .

- surface charge densities are different...

$$Q_1 = \int_{S_1} \rho_{s1} ds_1 \quad Q_2 = \int_{S_2} \rho_{s2} ds_2$$

- as each surface is conducting  $E_{tan} = 0$ ,  $E$  is normal to each surface, and each surface is equipotential (no tangential field on surface) as  $\Phi_2 - \Phi_1 = - \int_{P_1}^{P_2} E \cdot dl$

- potential differences between surfaces is  $V = \Phi_2 - \Phi_1 = - \int_{P_1}^{P_2} E \cdot dl$

- for any point  $P_0$  not in ① or ②

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(r')}{|r' - r_0|} dv'$$

$$\Phi_1(P_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho_{s1}}{r_{10}} ds_1$$

$$\Phi_2(P_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho_{s2}}{r_{20}} ds_2$$

back when we looked at the electric dipole.

$$\Phi_i(r) = \frac{Q_i}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |r_i - r_0|}$$

this was for a charge at  $r_i$  and the field at  $r$ .

← This is the volume density analog.

- Now, double  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ .  $\Rightarrow \rho_{s1}$  and  $\rho_{s2}$  are doubled

$\Rightarrow \Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$  are doubled

$\Rightarrow V = \Phi_2 - \Phi_1$  is doubled.

Thus, one can conclude that  $V \propto Q$  or  $\frac{Q}{V} = \text{constant}$

$$C \equiv \frac{Q}{V} \text{ capacitance.}$$

For the example we just did, parallel plates...

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{Q}{\frac{Qd}{\epsilon_0 A} - \frac{Q}{A} (l_2 - l_1) \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{A}{\frac{d}{\epsilon_0} + (l_2 - l_1) \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}\right)}$$

this is because  
 $V = \Phi(+)$  -  $\Phi(-)$   
 " "  $\Phi(d)$   
 in this problem

