

- [G 4.4] A point charge q is situated at a large distance r from a neutral atom of polarizability α . Find the force of attraction between them.
- Consider a localized (of small dimension) charge distribution ρ with zero net charge and dipole moment \mathbf{p} , placed in an external field \mathbf{E}_{ext} . Let 0 be some suitable origin.

(a) Show that the force on the charge distribution is given by

$$\mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{p} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}}(0) + \dots$$

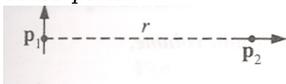
(b) Show that the torque on the charge distribution is given by

$$\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}}(0) + \dots$$

(c) Show that the energy of the charge distribution is given by

$$U = -\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}}$$

- [G 4.5, G 4.29] In Fig., \mathbf{p}_1 and \mathbf{p}_2 are (perfect) dipoles a distance r apart. What is the torque on p_1 due to p_2 ? What is the torque on p_2 due to p_1 ? For the same configuration, calculate the *force* on \mathbf{p}_2 due to \mathbf{p}_1 , and the force on \mathbf{p}_1 due to \mathbf{p}_2 . Are the answers consistent with Newton's third law? Also, find the total torque on \mathbf{p}_2 with respect to the center of \mathbf{p}_1 , and compare it with the torque on \mathbf{p}_1 about that same point.



- [G 4.13] A very long cylinder, of radius a , carries a uniform polarization \mathbf{P} perpendicular to its axis. Find the electric field inside the cylinder. Show that the field outside the cylinder can be expressed in the form

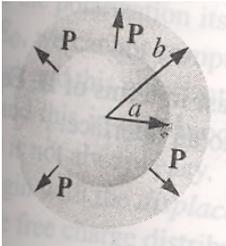
$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{a^2}{2\epsilon_0 s^2} [2(\mathbf{P} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}})\hat{\mathbf{s}} - \mathbf{P}].$$

- [G 4.15] A thick spherical shell (inner radius a , outer radius b) is made of dielectric material with a “frozen-in” polarization

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

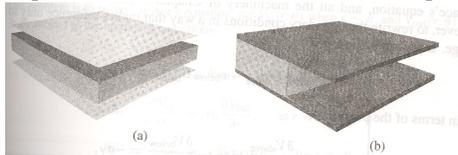
where k is a constant and r is the distance from the center (Fig.). (There is no *free* charge in the problem.) Find the electric field in all three regions by two different methods:

- Locate all the bound charge, and use Gauss's law to calculate the field it produces.
- Use $\oint \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = Q_{\text{fenc}}$, to find \mathbf{D} , and then get \mathbf{E} from $\mathbf{D} \equiv \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}$.



- [G 4.11] A short cylinder, of radius a and length L , carries a “frozen-in” uniform polarization \mathbf{P} , parallel to its axis. Find the bound charge, and sketch the electric field (i) for $L \gg a$, (ii) $L \ll a$ and (iii) $L \approx a$.
- [G 4.31] A dielectric cube of side a , centered at the origin, carries a “frozen-in” polarization $\mathbf{P} = k\mathbf{r}$, where k is a constant. Find all the bound charges, and check that they add up to zero.

8. [G 4.19] Suppose you have enough linear dielectric material, of dielectric constant ϵ_r , to *half*-fill a parallel-plate capacitor (Fig.). By what fraction is the capacitance increased when you distribute the material as in (a) of given Fig.? How about (b) of the same? For a given potential difference V between the plates, find \mathbf{E} , \mathbf{D} , and \mathbf{P} , in each region, and the free and bound charge on all surfaces, for both cases.



9. [G 4.32] A point charge q is imbedded at the center of a sphere of linear dielectric material (with susceptibility χ_e and radius \mathbf{R}). Find the electric field, the polarization, and the bound charge densities, ρ_b and σ_b . What is the total bound charge on the surface? Where is the compensating negative bound charge located?
10. [G 4.36] A conducting sphere at potential V_0 is half embedded in linear dielectric material of susceptibility χ_e , which occupies the region $z < 0$ shown in the first Fig. *Claim*: the potential everywhere is exactly the same as it would have been in the absence of the dielectric! Check the claim as follows:
- Write down the formula for the proposed potential $V(r)$, in terms of V_0 , \mathbf{R} , and r . Use it to determine the field, the polarization, the bound charge, and the free charge distribution on the sphere.
 - Show that the total charge configuration would indeed produce the potential $V(r)$.
 - Appeal to the uniqueness theorem to complete the argument.
 - Could you solve the configurations in the second Fig. with the same potential? If not, explain *why*.

