

# Lect. 2: Electric Fields

(Chap. 3 in Cheng) =

- Force between charges



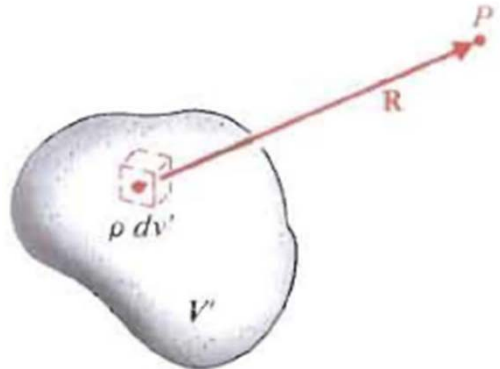
- Coulomb force  $\vec{F} = \vec{a} \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$

- Charge produces electric field



- Electric field  $\vec{E} = \vec{a} \frac{q_1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$

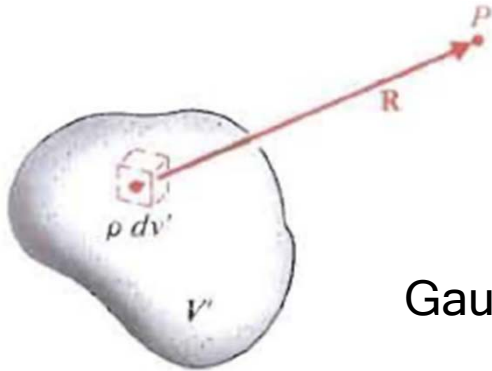
- Continuous charge distribution



$$d\vec{E} = \vec{a} \frac{\rho dv'}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{V'} \vec{a} \frac{\rho(v') dv'}{R^2}$$

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$$\bar{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_{v'} \bar{a} \frac{\rho(v') dv'}{R^2}$$

Gauss's Law

$$\oint_S \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{s} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\oint_S \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{s} = \int_v \nabla \cdot \bar{E} dv = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int_v \rho(v) dv$$

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

→ Charges produce E-field  
- Magnitude, Direction

- Unit for E-field?  $\bar{E} = -\nabla V$

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Gauss's Law is equivalent to Coulomb's Law

Deriving Gauss's law from Coulomb's law

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\mathbf{e}_r}{r^2}$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(\mathbf{s})(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s})}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s}|^3} d^3\mathbf{s}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} \right) = 4\pi\delta(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int \rho(\mathbf{s}) \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{s}) d^3\mathbf{s}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r})}{\epsilon_0},$$

Deriving Coulomb's law from Gauss's law

$$\oint_S \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$4\pi r^2 \hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$$

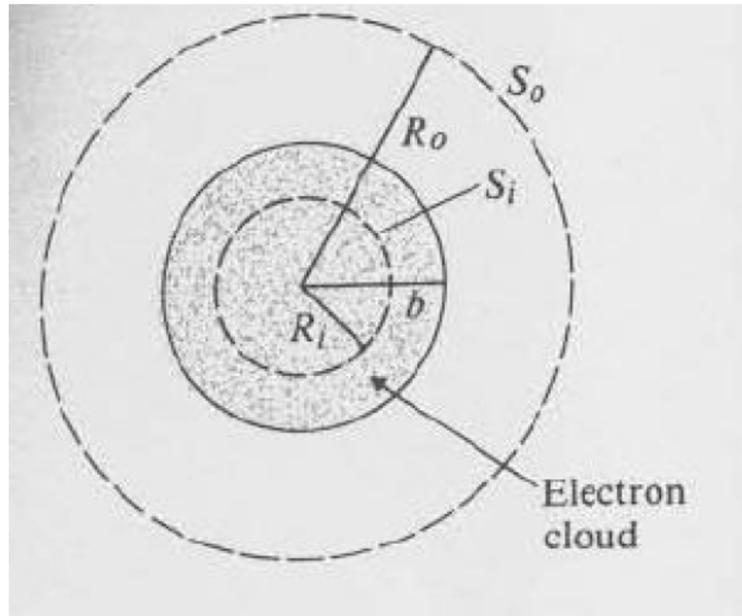
$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\hat{\mathbf{r}}}{r^2}$$

$\hat{\mathbf{r}}$

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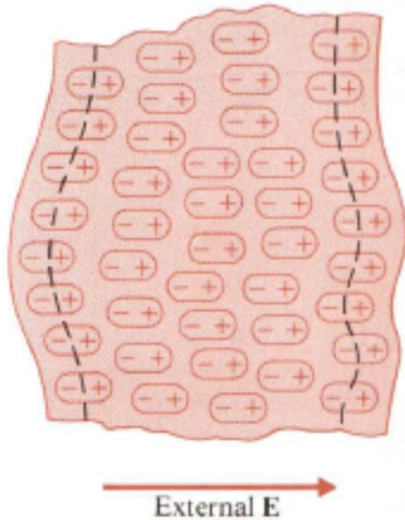
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- Example 3-7 in Cheng. With charge density  $-\rho_0$ ,  $E=?$

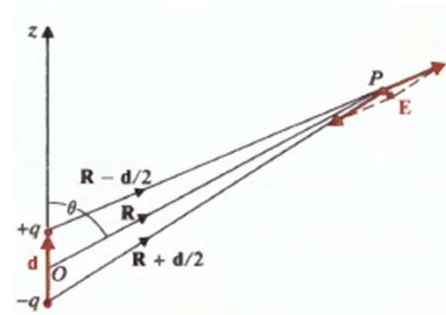


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- How do *dielectric* materials response to electric field?



- Polarized
- Dipoles are produced



$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} (\mathbf{a}_R 2 \cos \theta + \mathbf{a}_\theta \sin \theta) \quad (\text{V/m}). \quad (p = qd)$$

- Define Polarization Vector

$$\mathbf{P} = \lim_{\Delta v \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n\Delta v} \mathbf{p}_k}{\Delta v} \quad (\text{C/m}^2),$$

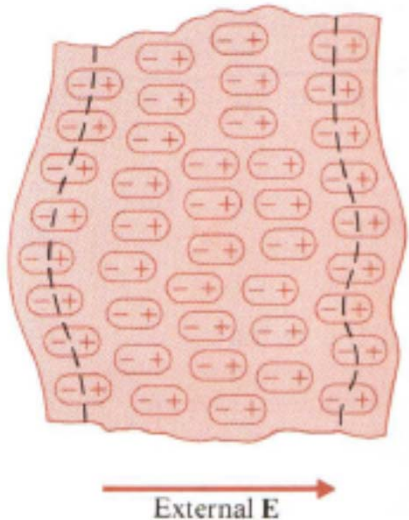
Often  $\bar{\mathbf{P}} = \chi_e \epsilon_0 \bar{\mathbf{E}}$   $\chi_e$  : (electric susceptibility)

$-\nabla \cdot \bar{\mathbf{P}}$  : charge density

Modified Gauss's Law:  $\nabla \cdot \bar{\mathbf{E}} = \frac{\rho - \nabla \cdot \bar{\mathbf{P}}}{\epsilon_0}$

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- How do *dielectric* materials response to electric field?



$$\bar{P} = \chi_e \epsilon_0 \bar{E} \quad \nabla \cdot \bar{E} = \frac{\rho - \nabla \cdot \bar{P}}{\epsilon_0}$$

- Define Displacement Vector  $\bar{D} = \epsilon_0 \bar{E} + \bar{P}$

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

$\epsilon$ : permittivity    $\epsilon_r$ : relative permittivity or dielectric constant

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{D} = \rho$$

Unit for  $D$ : C/m<sup>2</sup>

Unit for  $\epsilon$ : F/m

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Example 3-12 in Cheng, Determine D, E, P

