

recall that on wednesday we found that the elec field inside a dielectric is smaller than the elec field outside it (the applied elec field). this is because the dielectric is polarized by the elec field that has been applied to it. the effect is quantified by  $\vec{P}$ , the polarization density.

we end our last lecture by noting that in a dielectric the elec flux density is given by:

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P} \quad \{\text{C/m}^2\}$$

^  $\vec{D}$  in free space

linear, isotropic, & homogeneous dielectrics

if

$$|\vec{P}| \propto |\vec{E}| \quad \propto = \text{proportional to}$$

→ linear dielectric (opposite is nonlinear)

if

$$\vec{P} \parallel \vec{E} \quad \parallel = \text{parallel to}$$

→ isotropic (looks the same in all dirs) dielect (opposite is anisotropic)

then we write:

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

$\chi_e$  = electric susceptibility (measure of polarizability)

thus,

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

$$\boxed{\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}} \quad \{\text{C/m}^2\}$$

$\epsilon_r = 1 + \chi_e$  = relative permittivity or diel const [.]

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \quad \{\text{F/m}\}$$

if  $\epsilon$  isn't a func of position,

→ homogeneous dielectric (opposite is inhomogeneous)

so we lump all the polarization into  $\epsilon$ ?

continuity of current

follows from conservation of charge - can't create or destroy charge.

start with:

$$I = \oint_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s} = \text{outward flow of positive charges}$$

but inside volume amt of charge is decreasing:



$$-\frac{dQ}{dt} = \text{rate of decrease of positive charge}$$

by conservation of charge:

$$\text{outward flow} = \text{rate of decrease}$$

or

$$\oint_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s} = -\frac{dQ}{dt} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int_V \rho_v dv = -\int_V \frac{\partial \rho_v}{\partial t} dv$$

why?

$$\oint_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{J} dv = -\int_V \frac{\partial \rho_v}{\partial t} dv$$

how?

integrands must be equal so:

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho_v}{\partial t}} \quad \text{eq of continuity of current}$$

together w/ maxwell's eqs: one of the fundamental laws of EM

≡ KCL in ckt theory

charge dissipation & relaxation time

introduce charge into a material & over time it will dissipate.

start w/ cont. of curr:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = -\frac{\partial \rho_v}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \sigma \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \rho_v}{\partial t}$$

?

ohm's law:  $\vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E}$

next,

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{\partial \rho_v}{\partial t}$$

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

gauss's law / m's first:  $\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_v$

rearranging:

$$\frac{\partial \rho_v}{\partial t} + \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} \rho_v = 0 \quad ?$$

first-order ode: soln:

$$\rho_v(t) = \rho_v e^{-(\sigma/\epsilon)t} = \rho_v e^{-t/\tau_r} \quad \text{charge decays exponentially!}$$

where

$\rho_v$  = initial vol charge density at  $t=0$

$\tau_r = \epsilon/\sigma$  [s] = relaxation time or rearrangement time

$\tau_r = t \rightarrow \rho_v = e^{-1} \rho_v$  36.8% of init value

good cond:  $\sigma > \epsilon \rightarrow \tau_r$  small e.g., Cu

good diel:  $\sigma < \epsilon \rightarrow \tau_r$  large e.g., fused quartz

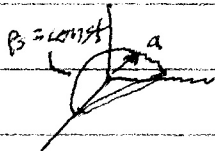
Cu:  $T_{1/2} = 1.53 \times 10^{-19} \text{ s}$

fused quartz:  $T_{1/2} \approx 51 \text{ days} > 4 \text{ million seconds}$

example #21

potential example

$\rho_s = \text{const}$  on surf of hemisphere of radius =  $a$ . find the potential at the origin due to this charge.



$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho_s ds'}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} = \frac{\rho_s}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{a^2 \sin\theta' d\theta'}{a}$$

$$ds' = r'^2 \sin\theta' d\theta' d\phi'$$

$$\approx a^2 \sin\theta' d\theta' d\phi'$$

$$= \frac{\rho_s a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \phi' \left[ \cos\theta' \right]_0^{\pi/2}$$

$$\mathbf{r} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{r}' = r' \hat{\mathbf{r}} = a \hat{\mathbf{r}} \text{ m}$$

$$= \frac{\rho_s a}{4\pi\epsilon_0} (2\pi)(1) = \boxed{\frac{\rho_s a}{2\epsilon_0} V.}$$

$$|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'| = a \text{ m}$$

$$\text{limits } \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta'$$