

EE243 Advanced Electromagnetic Theory

Lec #3: Electrostatics (Apps., Form),

- **Electrostatic Boundary Conditions**
- **Energy, Force and Capacitance**
- **Electrostatic Boundary Conditions on Φ**
- **Image Solutions Example Green's Functions**
- **Integral Formulation**

Reading: Jackson

1.11, 2.1-2.5, 1.7-1.10

Electrostatic Boundary Conditions

- $\text{Div } \mathbf{D} = \rho$

$$(\mathbf{E}_2 - \mathbf{E}_1) \cdot \hat{n} = \left(\frac{\delta\Phi_2}{\delta n} - \frac{\delta\Phi_1}{\delta n} \right) = \sigma / \epsilon_0$$

\mathbf{D} terminates on surface charge on a conductor

$$d\Phi/dn = \sigma/\epsilon_0$$

- How about for Φ ?
 - Jackson 1.6 evaluates dipole layer $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x})$

$$(\Phi_2 - \Phi_1) \cdot \hat{n} = D / \epsilon_0$$

- Thus Φ is continuous unless there is a surface dipole layer

Energy

Jackson 1.11

- Electrostatic potential is potential energy of a charge
- Add a charge to $m-1$ charges = $m-1$ terms
- Repeat to add more charges (leaving out self-interactions) to get N charges
- Put in symmetric form (un-nest do loops to get $\frac{1}{2}$ of regular double sum)

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho(\bar{x}) \Phi(\bar{x}) d^3x$$

Energy (Cont.)

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho(\bar{x}) \Phi(\bar{x}) d^3 x$$

Use Poisson's Equation

Integrate by parts

Rewrite as E field

$$W = \frac{-\epsilon_0}{2} \int [\nabla^2 \Phi(\bar{x})] \Phi(\bar{x}) d^3 x = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int |\nabla \Phi(\bar{x})|^2 d^3 x = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int |\bar{E}(\bar{x})|^2 d^3 x$$

Physical interpretation: The electrostatic energy is stored in space as $(1/2)\mathbf{D}\mathbf{E}$ and there is stored energy any time that the electric field is non-zero.

Force

- Calculated from change in energy for a small virtual displacement $\Delta W = F \Delta x$.
- Force per unit area Δa due to surface charge

$$w = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} |\bar{E}|^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\epsilon_0}$$

- Volume $\Delta a \Delta x$

$$\Delta W = -\frac{\sigma^2}{2\epsilon_0} \Delta a \Delta x$$

- Outward force per unit area

$$F = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\epsilon_0}$$

Capacitance

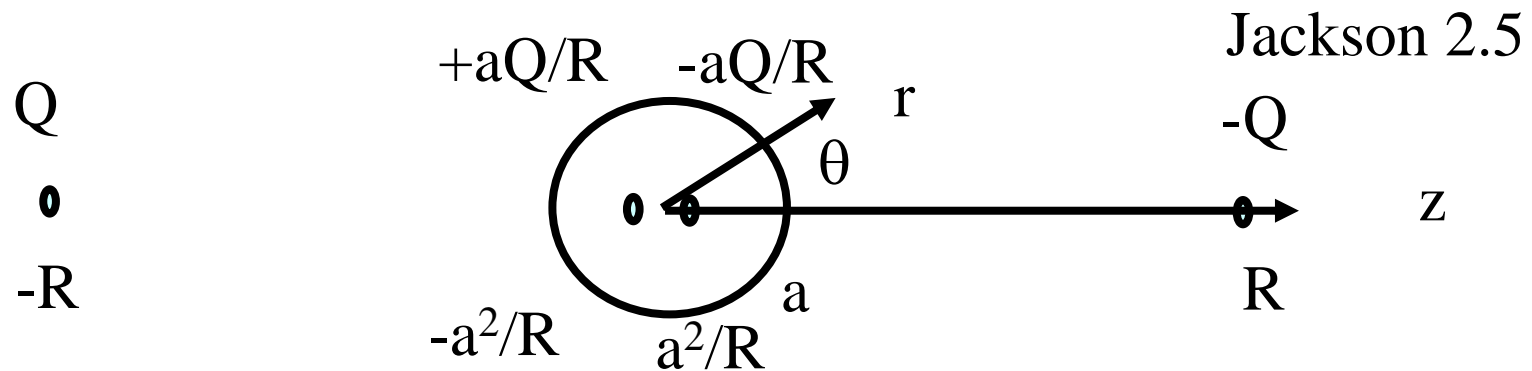
- Capacitance is defined as the charge per unit voltage when all other conductors are grounded
- Mutual capacitance is charge per unit voltage difference when a pair have equal and opposite charge and all other conductors are grounded
- Potential is sum over charges
- Potential Energy found by adding new potential to $m-1 \Rightarrow$ half double sum $(1/2)C_{ij}V_iV_j$

Method of Images

Jackson 2.1-2.4

- Under favorable (and rare) conditions inferred from a geometry a small number of external charges can simulate the required boundary conditions.
- Examples for Dirichlet ($G = 0$ on boundary)
 - Charge above a conducting plane
 - Charge $-q$ at position $-y$
 - Charge in a $360/n$ wedge
 - Charge outside a conducting sphere
 - Charge $-aQ/y$ at $y' = a^2/y$
 - Charge inside a spherical hole in a conductor
- Examples of Neumann = Are there any?

Conducting Sphere in a Uniform E field



- Consider two charges (to create uniform field in limit $R \Rightarrow \text{infinity}$ and Q/R^2 constant)
 - $-Q$ at $y = R$ and $+Q$ at $y = -R$
- Add images to make $G = 0$
 - $+aQ/R$ at $+a^2/R$ and $-aQ/R$ at $-a^2/R$
- Potential is 4 terms
- Assume $R \gg a$; use $1/(1+x)^{1/2}$ approx. $1-x$
- Take limit $R \Rightarrow \text{infinity}$ and Q/R^2 constant

Conducting Sphere - Uniform E field (Cont.)

Potential

$$\Phi = -E_0 \left(r - \frac{a^3}{r^2} \right) \cos \theta$$

Physically interpret as dipole (charge times separation)

$$D = \frac{Qa}{R} \frac{2a^2}{R} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 E_0 a^3 = 3\epsilon_0 E_0 \cdot Volume$$

D is 3D times volume and is oriented directly opposite to the applied field

Surface charge density (from D normal) is 3D

$$\sigma_{surface} = -\epsilon_0 \frac{\delta\Phi}{\delta r} \Big|_{r=a} = 3\epsilon_0 E_0 \cos \theta$$

Green's Theorem and Integral

Green's 2nd Identity (Theorem)

$$\int_V (\phi \nabla^2 \psi - \psi \nabla^2 \phi) d^3x = \oint_{\partial V} \left[\phi \frac{\delta \psi}{\delta n} - \psi \frac{\delta \phi}{\delta n} \right] da$$

Use $\phi = \Phi$ and Poisson's Equation for F

Use $\psi = G$ any solution to Poisson's Equation for one point charge in the internal region and any boundary conditions on dV

$$\nabla'^2 \Phi(\bar{x}, \bar{x}') = -\frac{\rho(\bar{x})}{\epsilon_0} \quad \nabla'^2 \Psi(\bar{x}, \bar{x}') = -4\pi \delta(\bar{x} - \bar{x}')$$

$$\Phi(\bar{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V \rho(\bar{x}') G(\bar{x}, \bar{x}') d^3x' + \frac{1}{4\pi} \oint_S \left[G(\bar{x}, \bar{x}') \frac{\delta \Phi}{\delta n'} - \Phi(\bar{x}') \frac{\delta G(\bar{x}, \bar{x}')}{\delta n'} \right] da'$$

Common Case: Integral Representation with the Free Space Green's Function

For a unit charge in free space the potential is proportional to

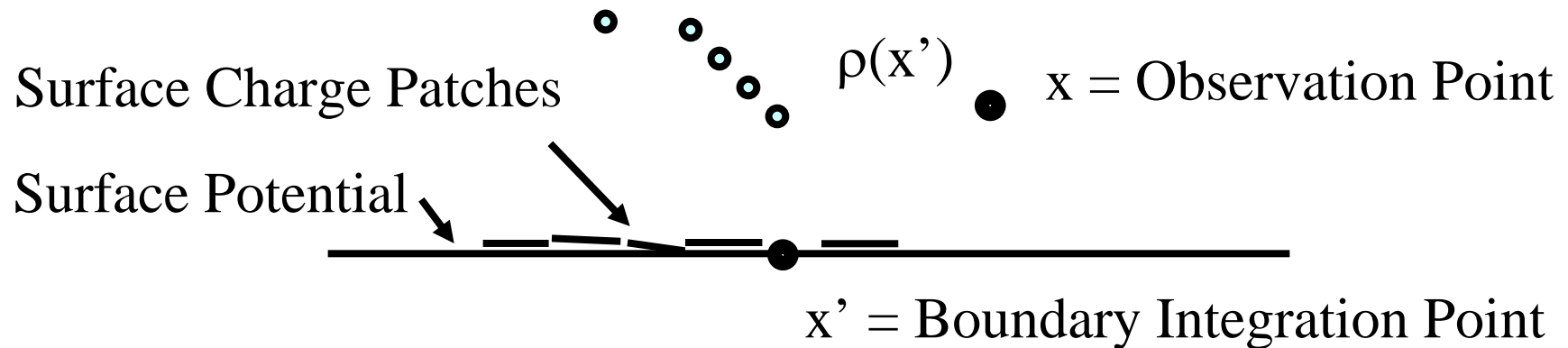
$$G(\bar{x}, \bar{x}') = \frac{1}{|\bar{x} - \bar{x}'|}$$

$$\Phi(\bar{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V \rho(\bar{x}') \frac{1}{|\bar{x} - \bar{x}'|} d^3x' + \frac{1}{4\pi} \oint_S \left[\frac{1}{|\bar{x} - \bar{x}'|} \frac{\delta\Phi}{\delta n'} - \Phi(\bar{x}') \frac{\delta}{\delta n'} \left(\frac{1}{|\bar{x} - \bar{x}'|} \right) \right] da'$$

Need to know:

- 1) Charge distribution in interior
- 2) The potential on the boundary
- 3) The derivative of the potential normal to the boundary on the boundary (surface charge)

Example Green's Function Application



$$\Phi(\bar{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_V \rho(\bar{x}') \frac{1}{|\bar{x} - \bar{x}'|} d^3x' + \frac{1}{4\pi} \oint_S \left[\frac{1}{|\bar{x} - \bar{x}'|} \frac{\delta\Phi}{\delta n'} - \Phi(\bar{x}') \frac{\delta}{\delta n'} \left(\frac{1}{|\bar{x} - \bar{x}'|} \right) \right] da'$$

- Observation point is in solution region
- Surface integration points are on boundary
- Volume integration is over solution region