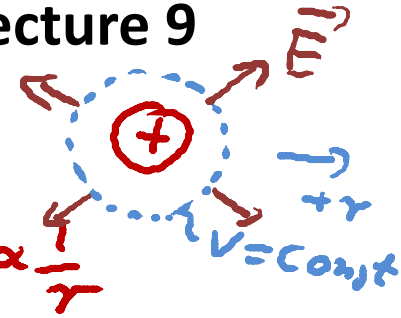


# Recap

## Lecture 9

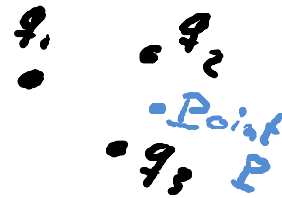
- Electric point charge:

$$E(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \propto \frac{1}{r^2} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad V(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r} \propto \frac{1}{r}$$



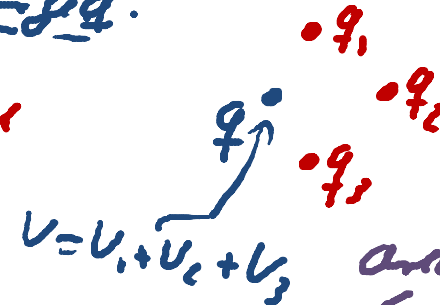
- Potential due to a group of point charges:

Principle of superposition:  $V(P) = \sum_{i=1}^N V_i(P)$



- Potential energy of a point charge  $q$ :

$$U = q V_{\text{at place of point charge by other charges}}$$



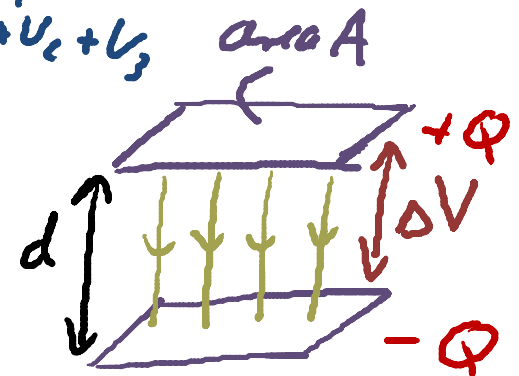
- Capacitors:

- capacitance =  $C = \frac{Q \text{ per plate}}{\Delta V \text{ between plates}}$

$$[C] = \frac{C}{V} = \text{farad} = 1F$$

- for parallel plate capacitor:

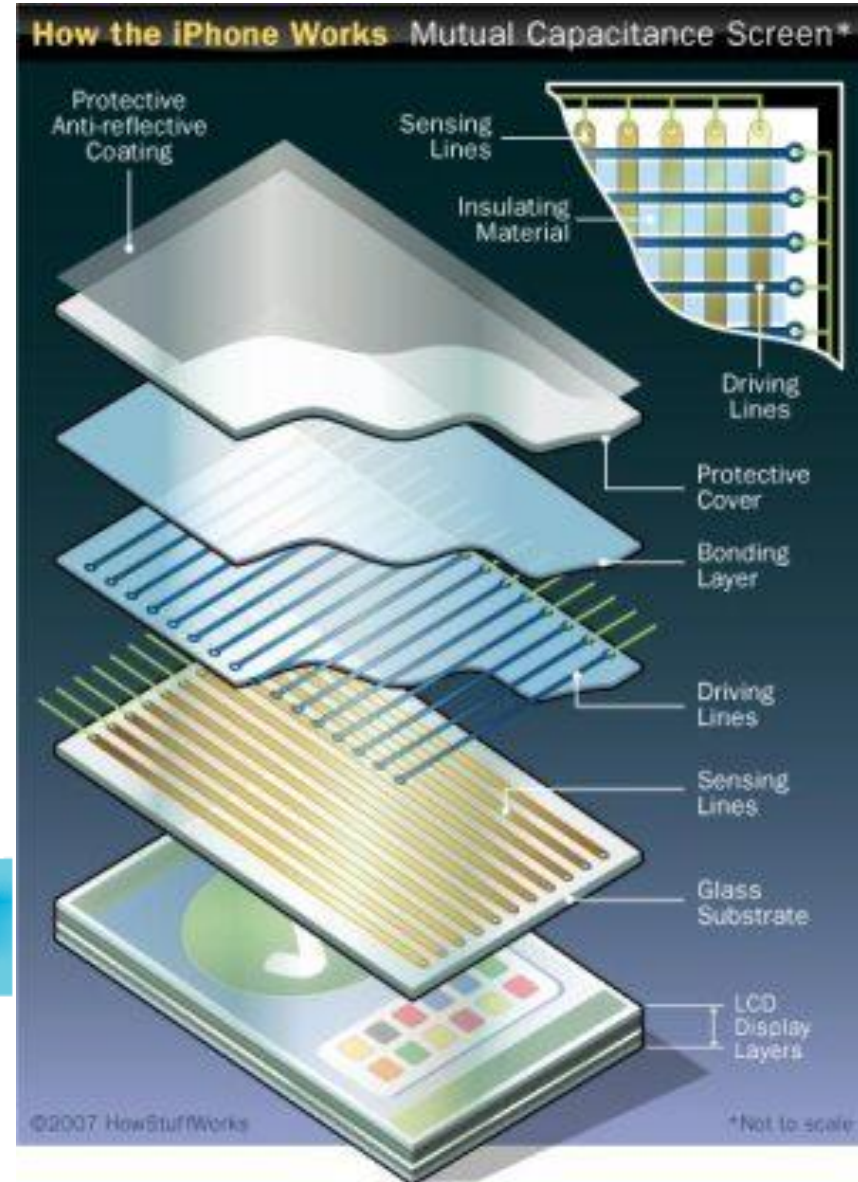
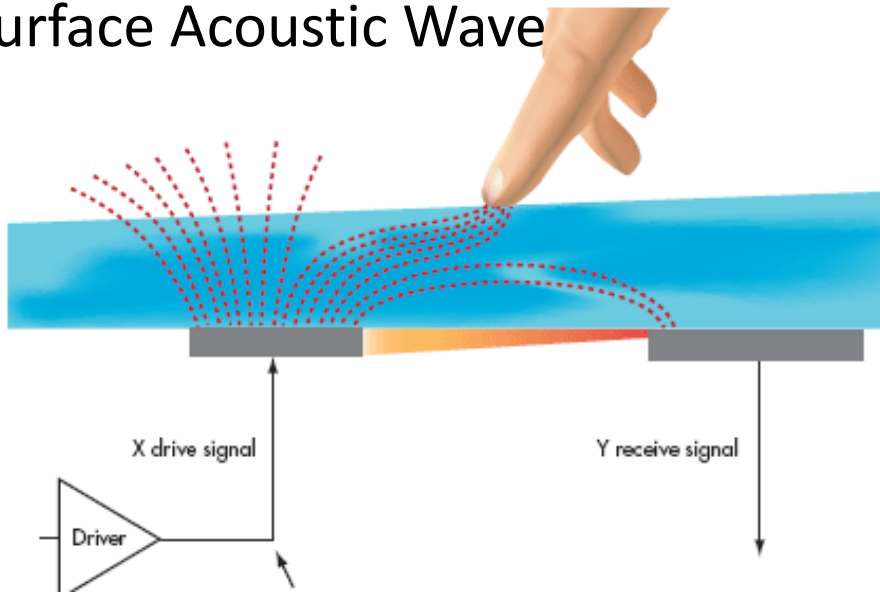
$$E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} \quad \Delta V = Ed \quad C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$$



$$\sigma = \frac{Q}{A} = \text{surface density of charge}$$

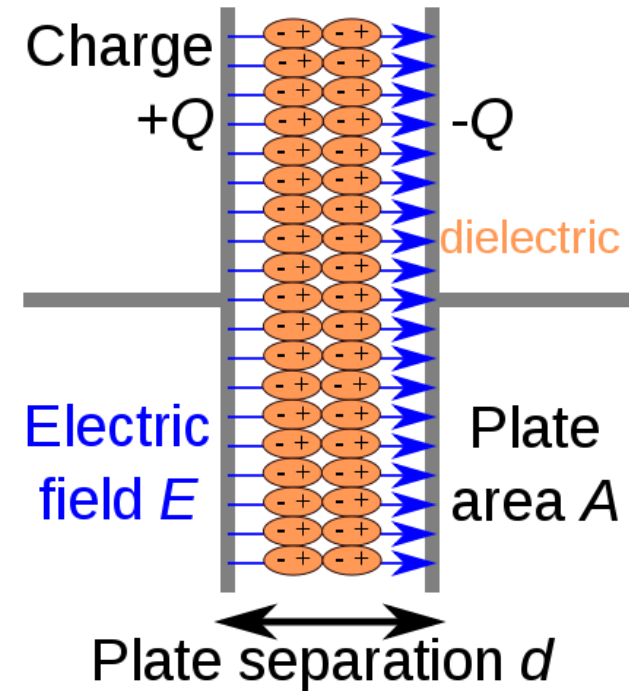
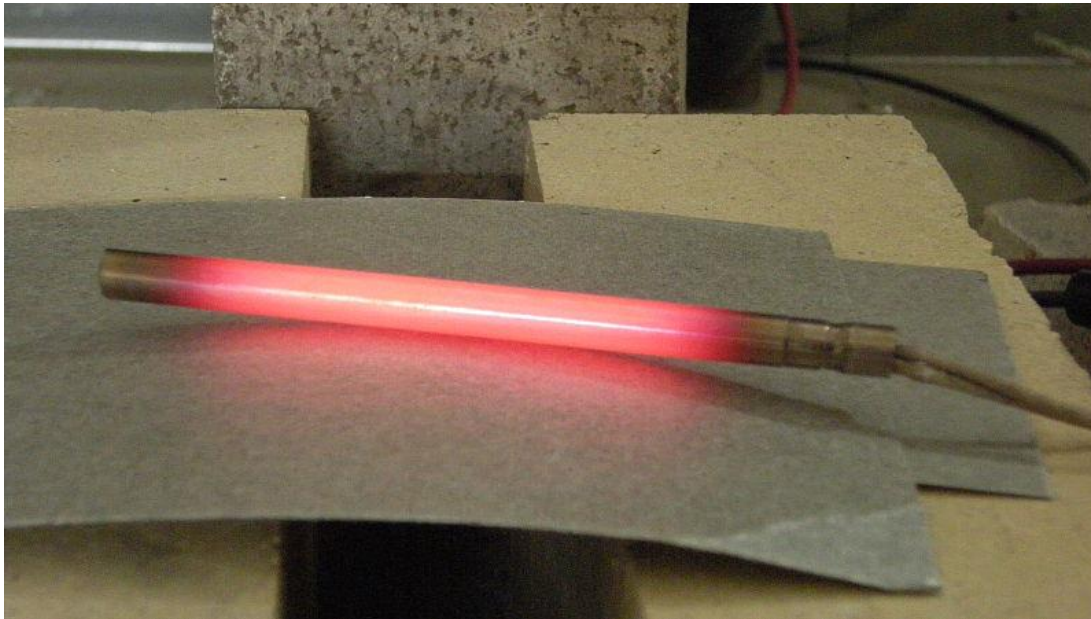
# Touch Screens

- **Technologies:**
  - Infrared or optical Touch
  - Capacitive Touch
    - touching the screen surface results in a distortion of the screen's electrostatic field, measurable as a change in capacitance
  - Resistive Touch Technology
  - Surface Acoustic Wave

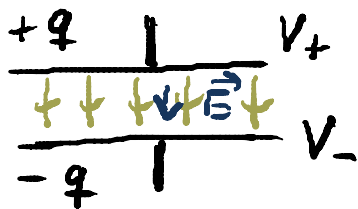


# Today:

- Energy density of the electric field
- Dielectrics
- Electric current
- Electrical resistance



# Energy stored in a Capacitor / Electric Field



• potential difference between plates:

$$\Delta V = V_+ - V_- = \frac{q}{C}$$

• move small positive charge  $dq$  from the - to the + plate  $\Rightarrow$  increase in potential energy stored in capacitor



$$dU = dq \cdot \Delta V = dq \frac{q}{C} = W_{\text{we need to do to move charge}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  total potential energy when charging capacitor from  $q_i = 0$  to  $q_f = Q$ :

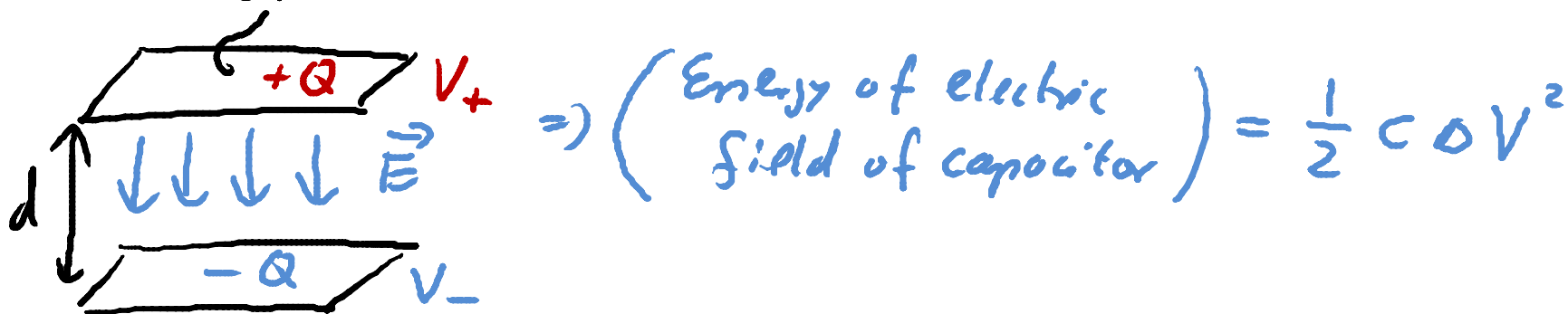
$$\left( \text{Energy stored in capacitor} \right) = \underline{\underline{U}} = \int_0^Q dU = \int_0^Q \Delta V dq = \int_0^Q \frac{q}{C} dq = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2C} Q^2}}$$

= area under  $\Delta V(q)$  graph

$$U_{\text{capacitor}} = \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{energy stored in} \\ \text{capacitor} \end{array} \right) = \frac{Q^2}{2C} = \frac{1}{2} Q \Delta V = \frac{1}{2} C \Delta V^2$$

$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V}$

- can think of this energy as being stored in the electric field  $\vec{E}$  between the two plates:

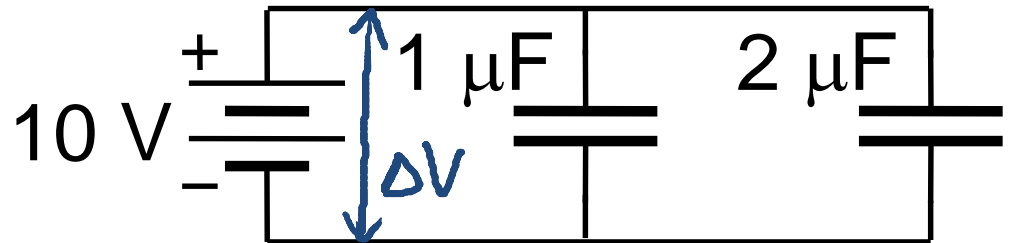


$\Rightarrow$  energy density  $u_{el}$  associated with an electric field:

$$\underline{u_{el}} = \frac{\text{Energy in field}}{\text{Volume}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d} \Delta V^2}{A d} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \left( \frac{\Delta V}{d} \right)^2 = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2}}$$

True for any electric field!

Which capacitor stores more charge?



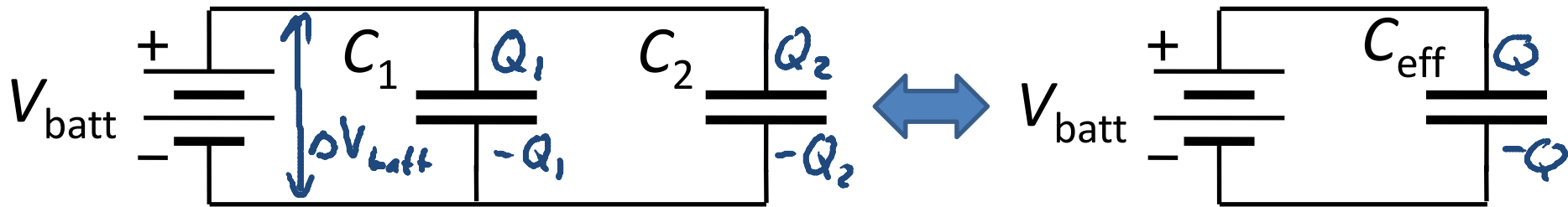
A.  $1 \mu\text{F}$

B.  $2 \mu\text{F}$

C. Both store the same charge

$$Q = C \cdot \underbrace{\Delta V}_{\text{same for both}} \propto C$$

## Capacitors in Parallel



What should be the value of  $C_{\text{eff}}$  in terms of  $C_1$  &  $C_2$  so that the battery delivers the same charge in both circuits?

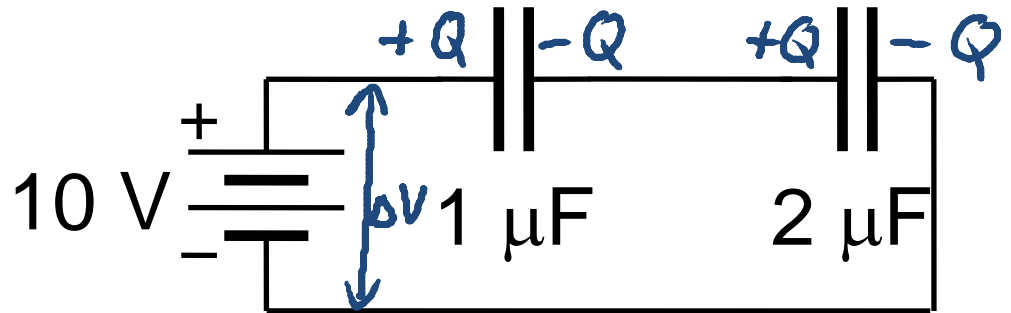
same:  $\Delta V_{\text{batt}} = \Delta V_1 = \Delta V_2$

add: charge  $Q = Q_1 + Q_2$

$$\Rightarrow Q = Q_1 + Q_2 = C_1 \Delta V_1 + C_2 \Delta V_2 = (C_1 + C_2) \Delta V_{\text{batt}} = C_{\text{eff}} \Delta V_{\text{batt}}$$

with  $C_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{i=1}^N C_i$  for capacitors in parallel

Which capacitor stores more charge?



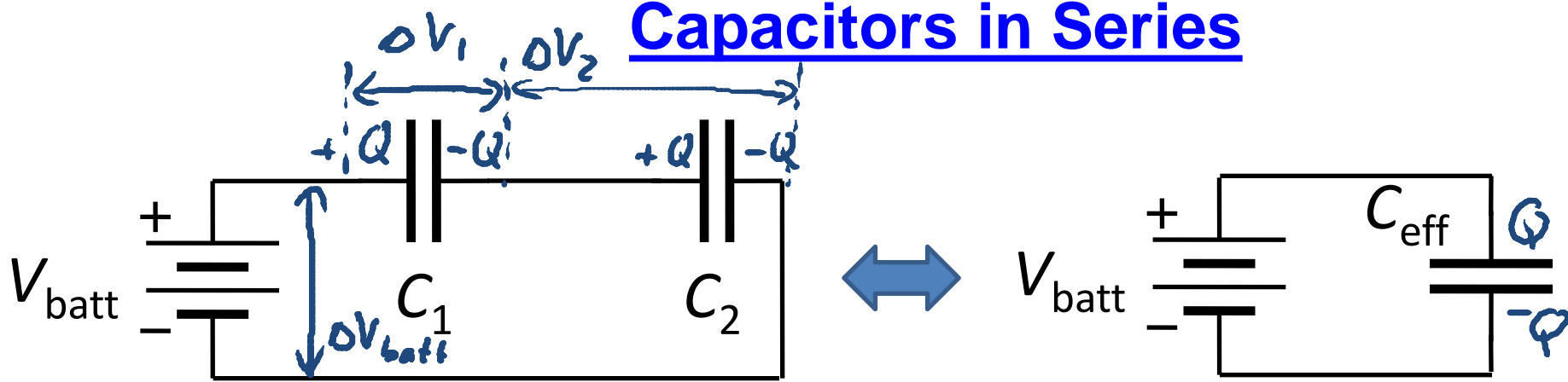
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C. Both store the same charge



## Capacitors in Series



What should be the value of  $C_{\text{eff}}$  in terms of  $C_1$  &  $C_2$  so that the battery delivers the same charge in both circuits?

Same: charge  $Q$ :  $Q = Q_1 = Q_2$

add:  $\Delta V_{\text{batt}} = \Delta V_1 + \Delta V_2$

$$\Delta V_{\text{batt}} = \Delta V_1 + \Delta V_2 = \frac{Q_1}{C_1} + \frac{Q_2}{C_2} = \left( \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} \right) Q = \frac{1}{C_{\text{eff}}} Q$$

with  $\frac{1}{C_{\text{eff}}} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{C_i}$  for capacitors in series

# Dielectrics and Electric Fields

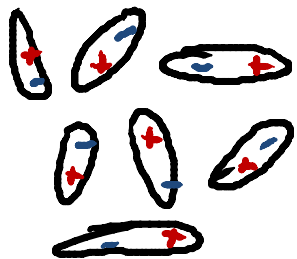
Dielectric: Insulator that can be polarized by an applied electric field

Two Types:

## Polar Dielectric

molecules have permanent electric dipole moments

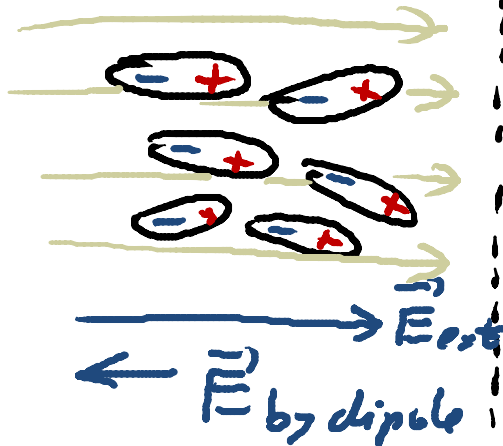
no external field



$$\vec{E} = 0$$

on avg.

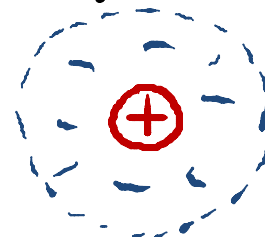
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## Nonpolar Dielectric

no permanent dipole moment, but external electric field induces dipole moments

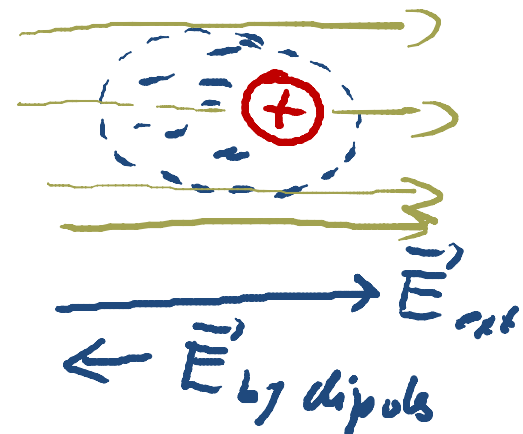
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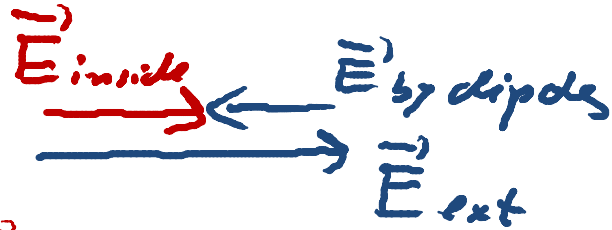
$$\vec{E} = 0$$

on avg.

with ext. field



In both cases:



$$\vec{E}_{\text{inside dielectric}} = \vec{E}_{\text{external}} + \vec{E}_{\text{by dipoles}} \Rightarrow |E_{\text{inside}}| < |E_{\text{ext}}|$$

$\Rightarrow$  The effect of the dielectric is to weaken the original external field:  $|E_{\text{inside}}| = \frac{|E_{\text{external}}|}{\kappa}$

with dielectric constant:  $\kappa \geq 1$  (dimensionless)

-  $\kappa$  is a property of the dielectric material

- examples:  $\kappa_{\text{vacuum}} = 1$ ;  $\kappa_{\text{paper}} \approx 3.5$ ;  $\kappa_{\text{water}} \approx 80$

$\Rightarrow$  Effect of dielectric:


All electrostatic equations containing the permittivity constant  $\epsilon_0$  are to be modified by replacing  $\epsilon_0$  with  $\kappa \epsilon_0$ .

Examples: since:  $E_{\text{with dielectric}} = \frac{E_{\text{without}}}{\kappa}$

- Point charge:

$$E_{\text{without}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \rightarrow E_{\text{with}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\kappa\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2}$$

- Capacitor:

$$E_{\text{without}} = \sigma/\epsilon_0 \rightarrow E_{\text{with}} = \frac{\sigma}{\kappa\epsilon_0}$$


$$\Rightarrow C_{\text{without}} = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q}{-\int_{\text{without}} \vec{E}' \cdot d\vec{s}} = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d} \rightarrow C_{\text{with}} = \frac{Q}{\Delta V_{\text{with}}} = \frac{Q}{-\int_{\text{with}} \vec{E}' \cdot d\vec{s}} = \kappa C_{\text{without}} = \kappa \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$$

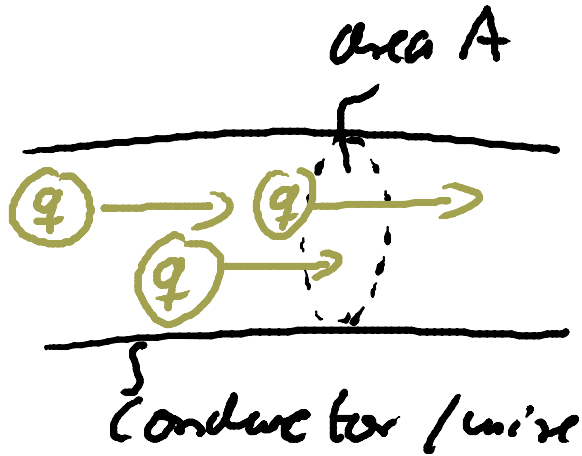
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- Gauss' Law:

$$Q_{\text{inside}} = \epsilon_0 \oint_{\Phi} \underbrace{\vec{E}'_{\text{without}}}_{\Phi} \cdot d\vec{A} \rightarrow Q_{\text{inside}} = \epsilon_0 \kappa \oint \vec{E}'_{\text{with}} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

# Moving Charges: Electric Current $i$

Electric Current: net flow of moving charges  
through an area per time



$$i = \frac{dq}{dt} = \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{charge passing} \\ \text{through area per time} \end{array} \right)$$

for constant / steady current:

$$i = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t}$$

Units:  $[i] = \frac{C}{s} \equiv \text{ampere} = 1A$