# **Dielectrics and Dipoles**

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## <u>Outline</u>

- Polarization and Dipole Density
- Dielectric Constant
- Microphones
- More Dielectric Actuators

# True or False?

1. The magnetic moment is defined as

$$m = i \boldsymbol{a}$$

and has units of Amp-m<sup>2</sup>



2. In a linear magnetic material, the magnetization is given by  $\vec{M} = \chi_m \vec{H}$  where  $\chi_m$  is the magnetic susceptibility with units of m<sup>3</sup>

3. The energy stored in the magnetic field is  $(\frac{1}{2} \mu_0 H^2) \cdot (Volume)$  and has units of Joules.

Electric Fields

# Magnetic Fields

$$\oint_{S} \epsilon_{o} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int_{V} \rho dV$$
$$= Q_{enclosed}$$

$$\oint_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} = 0$$

$$\oint_C \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{d}{dt} \left( \int_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} \right) \qquad \oint_C \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l}$$
$$= \int_S \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{A} + \frac{d}{dt} \int_S \epsilon \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

#### Air Capacitors



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$$\epsilon_o \frac{A}{d} v = \sigma A$$
$$E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_o}$$

Cv = q

- Capacitance increases

- Since  $\sigma$  remained the same then v decreases



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#### $\sigma \geq \sigma_{dielectric}$

- Capacitance increases
- Since  $\sigma$  remained the same then v decreases

# Why is there $\sigma_{dielectric}$ ?

What is the magnitude of  $\sigma_{dielectric}$ ?

#### When molecules are in an electric field they get stretched



Electric field polarizes molecules ... ... turns them into DIPOLES



Dipole Moment = 
$$\vec{p} = \delta \vec{x}$$

electric dipole moment, p (or electric dipole for short), is a measure of the polarity of a system of electric charges. Here x is the displacement vector pointing from the negative charge to the positive charge. This implies that the electric dipole moment vector points from the negative charge to the positive charge. Note that the electric field lines run away from the positive charge and toward the negative charge. There is no inconsistency here, because the electric dipole moment has to do with the positions of the charges, not the field lines.

## Analogy Between Magnetic and Electric Dipoles





Electric Dipole Moment

$$m = q d$$

## **Superposition**



The *magnetization* or *net magnetic dipole moment density* is given by



The *polarization* or *net electric dipole moment density* is given by

 $\vec{P} = N\vec{p},$  $\vec{M} = N\vec{m}$ [C/m<sup>2</sup>] average [A/m] Number of Number of average electric dipole magnetic dipole dipoles per unit dipoles per unit moment [C m] volume [m<sup>-3</sup>] moment [A m<sup>2</sup>] volume [m<sup>-3</sup>]



# Induced Magnetization

For some materials, the *net magnetic dipole moment per unit volume* is proportional to the *H* field



The effect of an applied magnetic field on a *magnetic* material is to create a net magnetic dipole moment per unit volume *M* 

#### **Induced Polarization**



Density of dipoles....

$$ec{P} = Nec{p}$$
  
 $ec{P} = N\deltaec{x} = Nlphaec{E}$ 

Electric field polarizes molecules...

... equivalent to ...

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

electric susceptibility of a dielectric material is a measure of how easily it polarizes in response to an electric field

**polarization density, P** (a.k.a **electric polarization**, or simply **polarization**) - density of permanent or induced electric dipole moments in a dielectric material. The SI unit of measure is coulombs per square meter.

# Origin of the Dielectric Response

$$\vec{P} = N\vec{p} = N\alpha\vec{E}$$

Polarizability,  $\alpha$ , tells us how easy is to disturb charge distribution, like the electron cloud of an atom or molecule, from its normal shape by an external electric field.





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#### **Bound Charges and Polarization**

 $\rho_{bound} = -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P}$ 

high dipole density

low dipole density :



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$$\begin{aligned} \int_{S} \epsilon_{o} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} &= \int_{V} \rho_{total} dV \\ &= \int_{V} \left( \rho_{bound} + \rho_{free} \right) dV \\ &= \int_{V} \left( -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{P} + \rho_{free} \right) dV \end{aligned}$$



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Electric displacement D

 $\vec{D} = \epsilon_o \vec{E} + \vec{P}$ 

 $= \epsilon_o \vec{E} + \epsilon_o \chi_e \vec{E}$  $= \epsilon_o \left(1 + \chi_e\right) \vec{E}$ 

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_o \epsilon_r \vec{E} = \epsilon \vec{E}$$

#### **Displacement Fields**

$$\int_{S} \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int_{S} \left( \epsilon_{o} \vec{E} + \vec{P} \right) \cdot d\vec{A} = \int_{V} \rho_{free} dV$$

where we define electric displacement field, D, as  $\ \vec{D}=\epsilon_{o}\vec{E}+\vec{P}$ 

Displacement field **D** accounts for the effects of unbound ("free") charges within materials.

$$\int_{S} \epsilon_{o} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int_{V} \rho_{total} dV$$

Electric field E accounts for the effects of total charges (both "bound" and "free") within materials.

# **Ferroelectrics**

A ferroelectric material develops a spontaneous polarization (builds up a charge) in response to an external electric field

 $P_o$ 

**>** E

- The polarization does not go away when the external field is removed
- The direction of the polarization is reversible
- Examples BaTiO<sub>3</sub> PbTiO<sub>3</sub>

Applications of Ferroelectric Materials

• Non-volatile FRAM (Ferroelectric Random Access Memory)

# Why Worry About Dielectrics ?



As transistors scale, insulation within the capacitor has become leaky...

#### Energy Density of the Electric Field

What is the energy density stored in the capacitor ?

For a capacitor with large, flat plates...

$$\frac{W_S}{V} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\frac{q^2}{C}}{A \cdot d} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\frac{\epsilon_o\epsilon_r A}{d}v^2}{A \cdot d}$$
$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}\frac{\epsilon_o\epsilon_r A}{d}E^2 d^2}{d^2} = \frac{1}{2}\vec{D} \cdot \vec{E}$$

The **electric field** is not just the origin of electrostatic forces but also tells us about the stored energy !

#### Linear Dielectric Slab Actuator







#### Electromagnetic Energy Storage

Remember ...

Magnetic $\frac{W_S}{V} = \frac{1}{2}\mu \vec{H} \cdot \vec{H}$  $= \frac{1}{2}\vec{B} \cdot \vec{H}$ 

Magnetic machine



Electric

$$\frac{W_S}{V} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}\vec{D} \cdot \vec{E}$$

Electric machine



## <u>Key Takeaways</u>

Electric displacement

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_o \vec{E} + \vec{P}$$
$$= \epsilon_o \vec{E} + \epsilon_o \chi_e \vec{E}$$
$$= \epsilon_o (1 + \chi_e) \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{D} = \epsilon_o \epsilon_r \vec{E} = \epsilon \vec{E}$$

$$\int_{S} \epsilon_{o} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int_{V} \rho_{total} dV$$
$$\int_{S} \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int_{V} \rho_{free} dV$$

Magnetic
$$rac{W_S}{V} = rac{1}{2} \mu ec{H} \cdot ec{H} = rac{1}{2} ec{B} \cdot ec{H}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\textit{Electric}}{W_S} \\ & \frac{W_S}{V} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} \\ & = \frac{1}{2} \vec{D} \cdot \vec{E} \end{aligned}$$

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