# Electric field of a Polarized Object

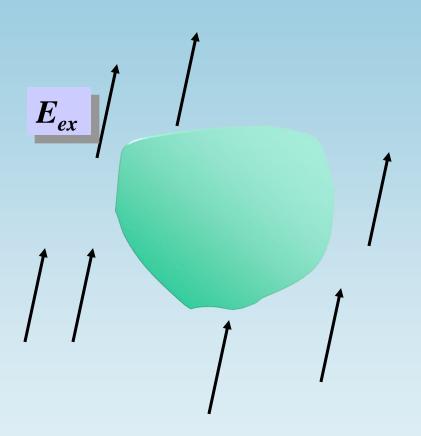
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### Presentations:

- Electromagnetism: History
- Electromagnetism: Electr. topics
- Electromagnetism: Magn. topics
- Electromagnetism: Waves topics
- Capacitor filling (complete)
- Capacitor filling (partial)
- Divergence Theorem
- E-field of a thin long charged wire
- E-field of a charged disk
- E-field of a dipole
- E-field of a line of dipoles
- E-field of a charged sphere
- E-field of a polarized object

- E-field: field energy
- Electromagnetism: integrations
- Electromagnetism: integration elements
- Gauss' Law for a cylindrical charge
- Gauss' Law for a charged plane
- Laplace's and Poisson's Law
- B-field of a thin long wire carrying a current
- B-field of a conducting charged sphere
- B-field of a homogeneously charged sphere

## Electric field of a Polarized Object



#### Available:

An external E-field:  $E_{ex}$ .

A dielectric object will become polarized.

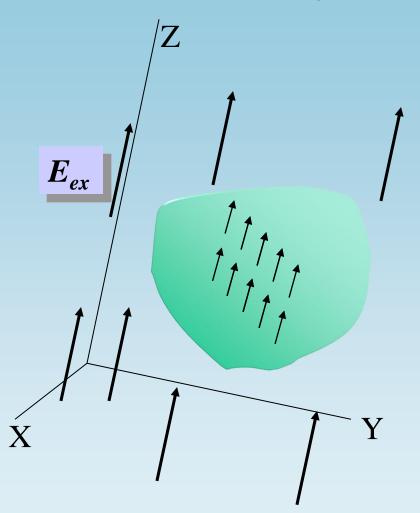
#### **Question:**

Calculate *E*-field produced BY (not: IN) the polarized object.

# Electric field of a Polarized Object

- Analysis and symmetry
- Approach to solution
- Calculations
- Conclusions

## Analysis and Symmetry



#### Coordinate axes:

assume Z-axis //  $\boldsymbol{E_{ex}}$ 

#### Result of polarization:

**Dipole distribution:** 

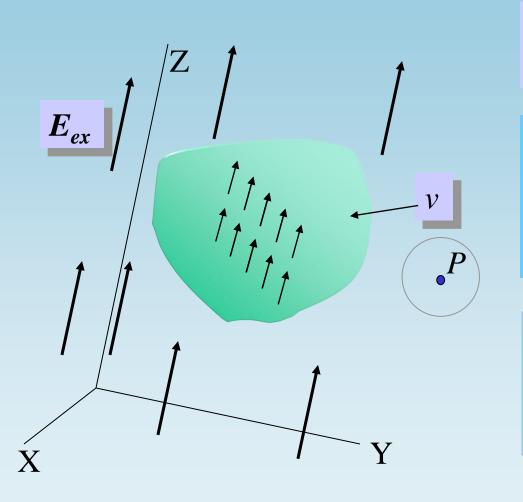
n dipoles/m<sup>3</sup>; each dipole moment p [Cm]

Dipoles will be directed along

$$E_{ex}$$
:  $p // E_{ex}$ 

n and p homogeneous

### Approach to solution



Question: calculate E-field in arbitrary point P outside v

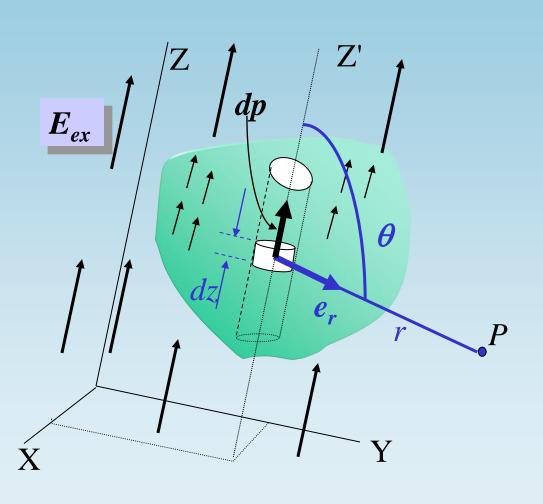
#### Approach:

- = calculate potential V;
- = E from V by differentiation

#### **Distributed dipoles:**

dV- integration over volume elements dv filled with dp.

### Calculations (1)



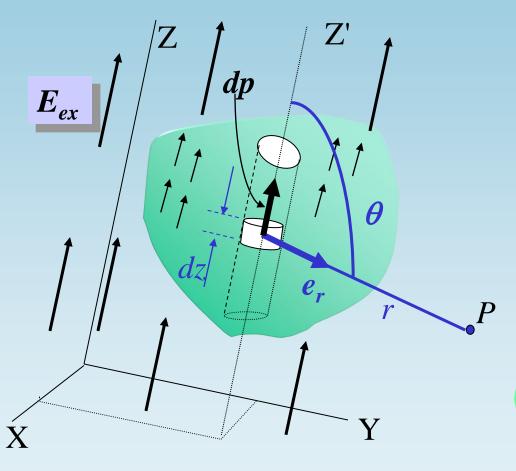
volume element dv with  $dp = np.dv = np.dS_{\perp}.dz$ ; with  $dS_{\perp} \perp Z$ -axis

Dipole potential:  $V = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot e_r}{4\pi \varepsilon_0 r^2}$ 

$$dV = \frac{dp\cos\theta}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r^2}$$

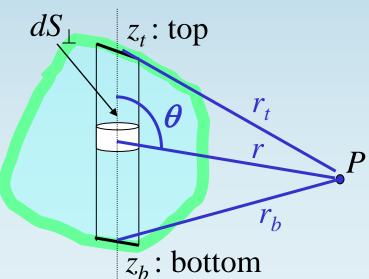
$$=\frac{np.dS_{\perp}dz.\cos\theta}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r^2}$$

### Calculations (2)

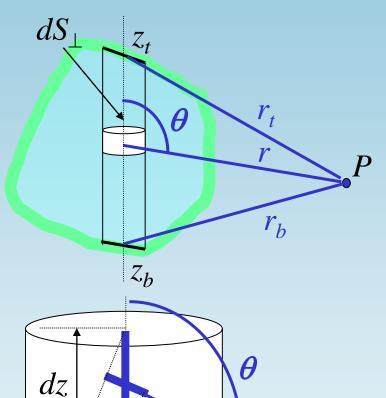


$$dV \frac{np.dS_{\perp}.dz}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r^2}\cos\theta$$

cross section through *P* and *Z*'-axis:



## Calculations (3)



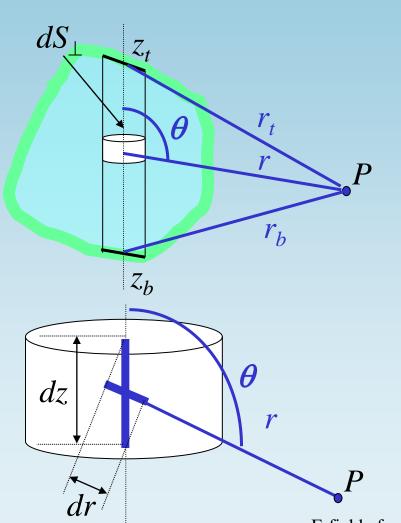
$$dV = \frac{np.dS_{\perp}.dz}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r^2}\cos\theta$$

dz-integration  $\Rightarrow$  dr-integration :

$$dr = dz.\cos\theta \Rightarrow dz = dr/\cos\theta$$

$$\frac{dV}{dV} = \frac{np.dS_{\perp}.dr}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r^2}$$

### Calculations (4)



$$dV = \frac{np.dS_{\perp}.dr}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r^2}$$

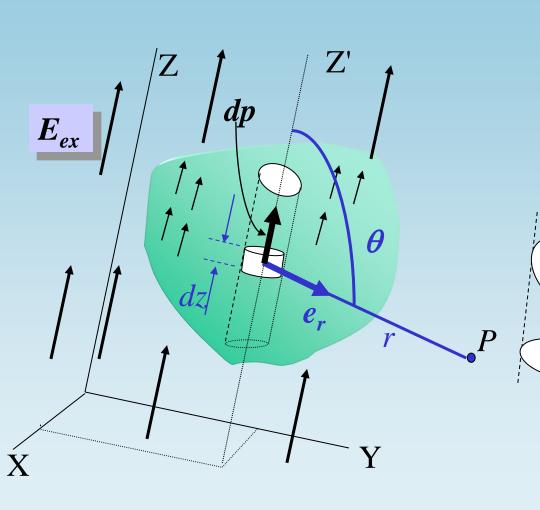
$$V = \iint_{S} dS_{\perp} \int_{r_{b}}^{r_{t}} \frac{np.dr}{4\pi\varepsilon_{0}r^{2}}$$

Def.: "Polarization" P = np

P in  $[m^{-3}.Cm] = [C/m^2]$ 

$$V = \iint_{S} dS_{\perp} \frac{P}{4\pi\varepsilon_{0}} \left[ \frac{1}{r_{t}} - \frac{1}{r_{b}} \right]$$

## Calculations (5)



$$V = \iint_{S} dS_{\perp} \frac{P}{4\pi\varepsilon_{0}} \left[ \frac{1}{r_{t}} - \frac{1}{r_{b}} \right]$$

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 $P.dS_{\parallel} = P.dS$ 

bound surface charges:

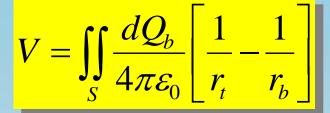
$$dQ_b = P.dS$$

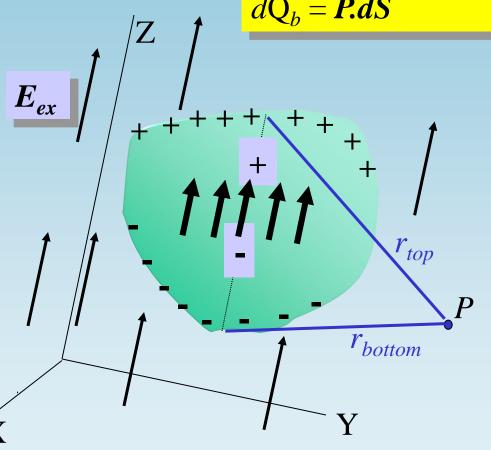
$$V = \iint_{S} \frac{dQ_b}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \left[ \frac{1}{r_t} - \frac{1}{r_b} \right]$$

### Conclusions

bound surface charges:

$$dQ_b = P.dS$$





#### **Conclusion:**

the field of a polarized volume is equivalent to

the field of **bound surface** charges (provided homogeneous polarization).

"Polarization" = bound surface charge density [C.m<sup>-2</sup>]