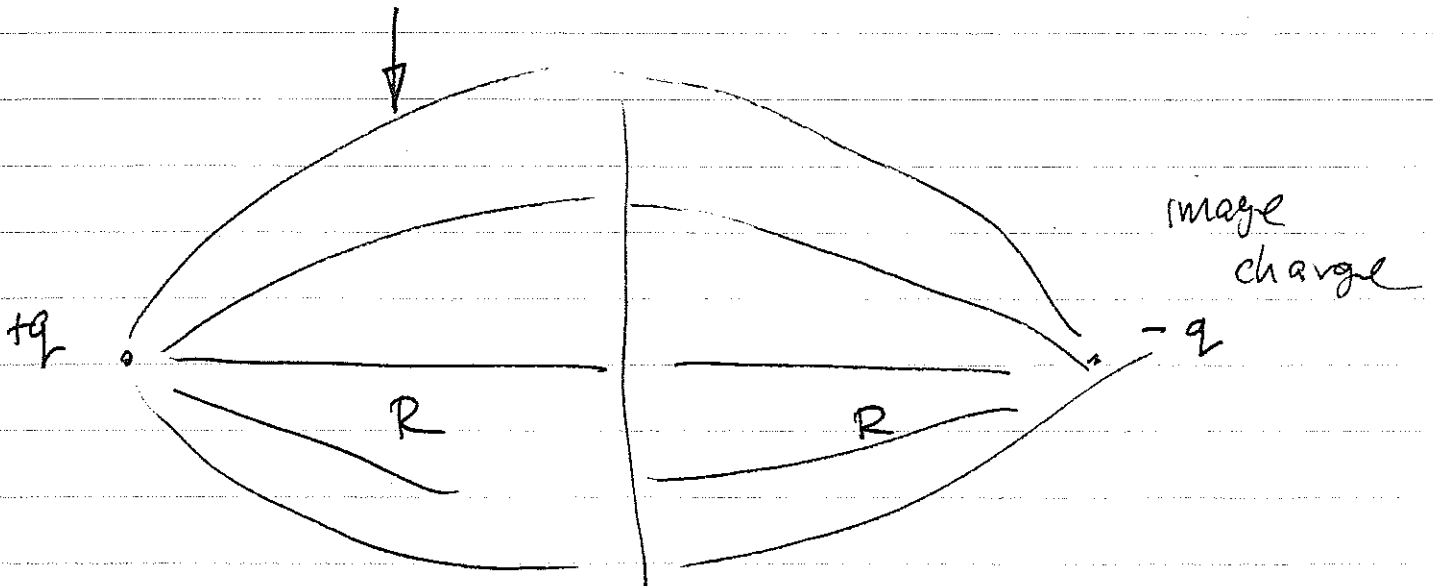
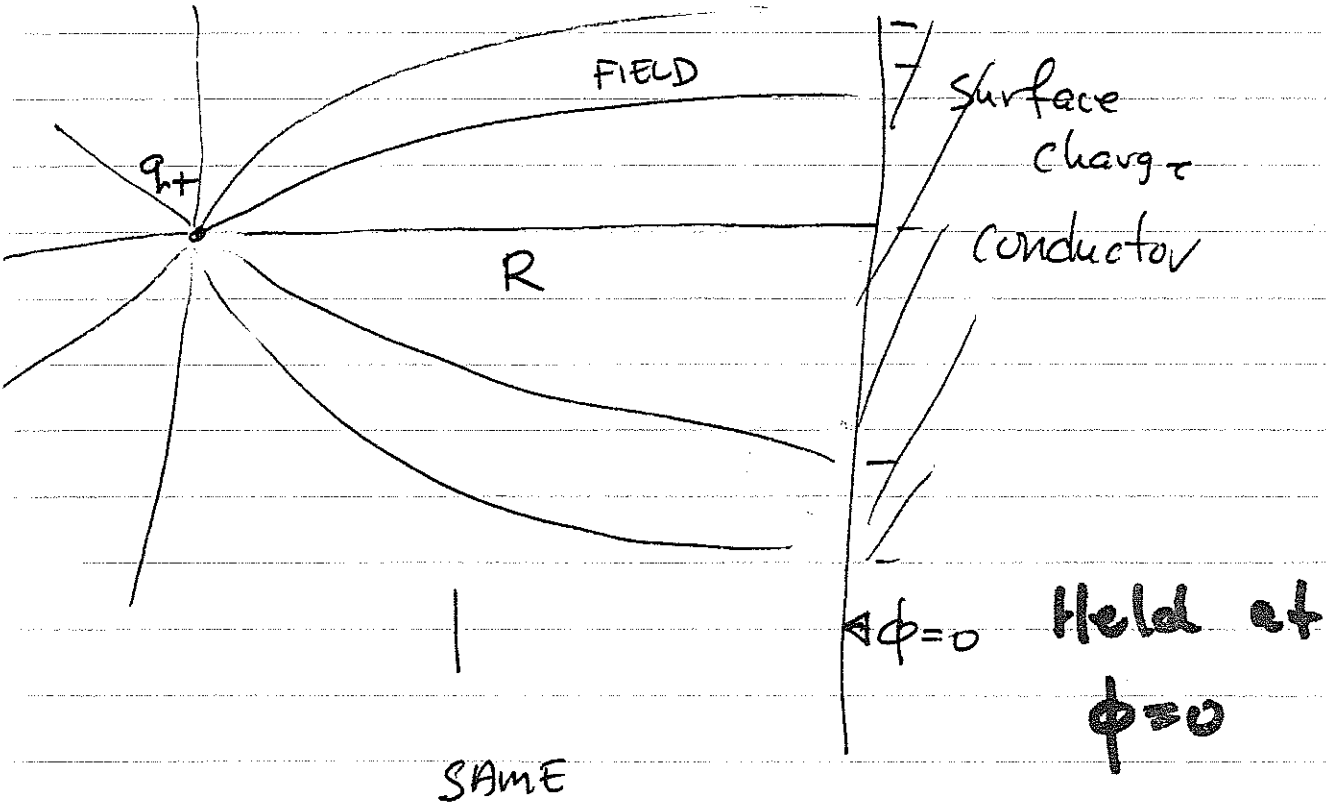


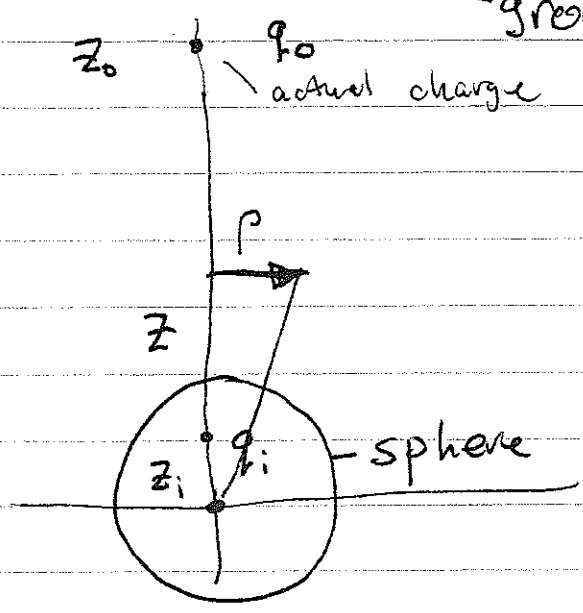
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Method of images works with sufficient symmetry



suppose we wish to find image charge for a conducting sphere grounded ($\phi=0$)



can I find a q_i & z_i such that $\phi = 0$ on surface of sphere of radius a

Use polar coordinates

$$\phi(\rho, z) = \frac{q_0}{\sqrt{\rho^2 + (z-z_0)^2}} + \frac{q_i}{\sqrt{\rho^2 + (z-z_i)^2}}$$

potential due to act
due to cur

$= 0$ on sphere of radius a $q_0 q_i < 0$ opposite charges

FIND LOCUS OF POINTS FOR $\phi = 0$

$$q_0^2 (p^2 + z^2 + z_i^2 - 2zz_i) - q_i^2 (p^2 + z^2 + z_0^2 - 2zz_0) = 0$$

We want this to describe a sphere of radius a

is $p^2 + z^2 - a^2 = 0$

THIS REQUIRES

$$q_0^2 z_i - q_i^2 z_0 = 0$$

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$$q_0^2 z_i^2 - q_i^2 z_0^2 = -(q_0^2 - q_i^2) a^2$$

~~$$z_i = \frac{q_i^2 z_0}{q_0^2}$$~~

~~$$q_0^2 \left(\frac{q_i^2}{q_0^2}\right)^2 z_0^2 - \frac{q_i^2}{q_0^2} z_0^2 = \left(1 - \frac{q_i^2}{q_0^2}\right) a^2$$~~

Solution $z_i z_0 = a^2$ geometric mean

$q_i = -q_0 a / z_0$

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note as $z_0 \rightarrow a$

$$z_i \rightarrow a$$

$$q_i \rightarrow -q_0$$

let $z_0 = a + \epsilon$

$$\epsilon \ll a$$

then $z_i \approx a - \epsilon$

$$q_i \approx -q_0$$

images close to
plane

calculate surface charge density

$$\phi = \frac{q_0}{|\vec{r} - e_z z_0|} + \frac{q_i}{|\vec{r} - e_z z_i|}$$

normal electric field

$$E_r = - \left. \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right|_{r=a} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$= + e_r \cdot \left[\frac{q_0 (r - e_z z_0)}{|\vec{r} - e_z z_0|^3} + \frac{q_i (r - e_z z_i)}{|\vec{r} - e_z z_i|^3} \right]$$

note, on sphere

$$r = a e_r$$

$$\frac{q_0}{|\vec{r} - e_z z_0|} + \frac{q_i}{|\vec{r} - e_z z_i|} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - e_z z_i|^3} = - \frac{q_0}{q_i |\vec{r} - e_z z_0|^3}$$

$$|\vec{r} - e_z z_i| = - |\vec{r} - e_z z_0| \frac{q_0}{q_i}$$

$q_0 - q_i$

$$E_r = + \frac{e_r}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |r - e_z z_0|^3} \left[q_0 (r - e_z z_0) - q_i (r - e_z z_i) \frac{q_0^3}{q_i^3} \right]$$

$|r| = a$

$$= + \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |r - e_z z_0|^3} \left[a(1 - \frac{q_0^2}{q_i^2}) - e_r \cdot e_z (q_0 z_0 - \frac{q_0^3}{q_i^2} z_i) \right]$$

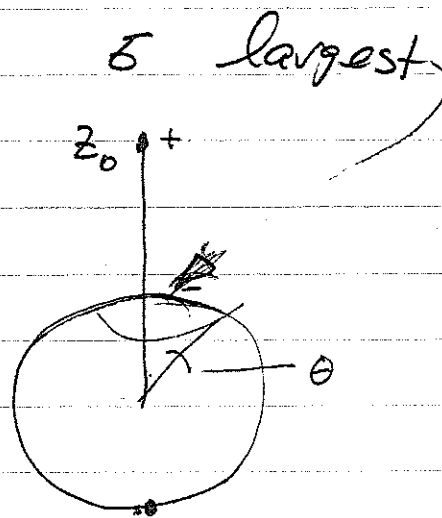
substitute $q_i^2 = q_0^2 a^2 / z_0^2$

$$= + \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |r - e_z z_0|^3} \left\{ a(1 - \frac{q_0^2}{q_i^2}) - e_r \cdot e_z (q_0 z_0 - \frac{q_0^3}{q_i^2} z_i) \right\}$$

$r = a e_r$

$$|r - e_z z_0| = \sqrt{a^2 + z_0^2 - 2z_0 a \cos\theta}$$

$\delta = \frac{E_r}{4\pi}$



$z_i = \frac{a^2}{z_0}$

δ largest when

smallest

~~$\delta = -\frac{q_0 a}{4\pi}$~~

$\bar{E}_r = -\frac{q_0}{|r|}$

$$E_r = \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |r - e_z z_0|^3} \left\{ a \left(1 - \frac{q_0^2}{q_i^2} \right) - \underline{e}_r \cdot \underline{e}_z \left(q_0 z_0 - \frac{q_0^3}{q_i^3} z_i \right) \right\}$$


SUBSTITUTE $q_i = -q_0 \left(\frac{a}{z_0} \right)$

$$z_i = \frac{a^2}{z_0}$$

$$1 - \frac{q_0^2}{q_i^2} = 1 - \frac{z_0^2}{a^2}$$

$$q_0 z_0 - \frac{q_0^3}{q_i^3} z_i = q_0 z_0 - \frac{q_0^3 a^3}{z_0 q_0^3 a^3} z_0^2 = 0$$

$$E_r = \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |r - e_z z_0|^3} \underbrace{a \left(1 - \frac{z_0^2}{a^2} \right)}_{\text{negative}}$$



$$|r - e_z z_0| = \sqrt{r^2 + z_0^2 - 2r z_0 \cos \theta}$$

Calculate force of attraction between charge ~~due~~ and sphere.

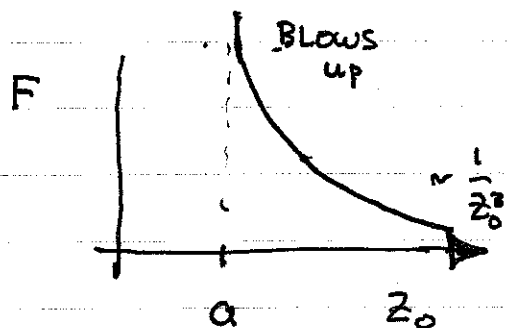
Force on q_0 same as produced by image charge

force on q_0

$$\vec{F} = \frac{q_0 q_i \hat{e}_z (z_0 - z_i)}{|z_0 - z_i|^3}$$

where $z_i = \frac{a^2}{z_0}$

$$q_i = -q_0 \frac{a}{z_0}$$



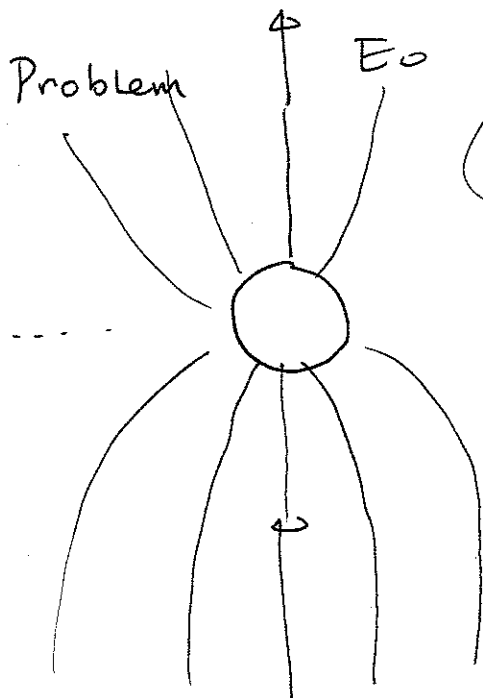
$$\vec{F} = -e_z \left(\frac{q_0^2}{z_0^2} \right) \frac{a}{z_0 (1 - a^2/z_0^2)^2}$$

can also show that it is

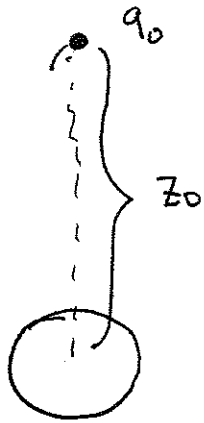
the same as

$$F_{\text{sphere}} = \frac{1}{2} \int da' \sigma \frac{q_0 (\vec{r} - z_0 \hat{e}_z)}{|\vec{r} - z_0 \hat{e}_z|^3} = -$$

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uniform electric field E_0
metal sphere of radius a



without sphere

$$\vec{E}(0) = -\frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 z_0^2} \hat{z}$$

let $q_0 = -4\pi\epsilon_0 E_0 z_0^2$
 and $z_0 \rightarrow \infty$

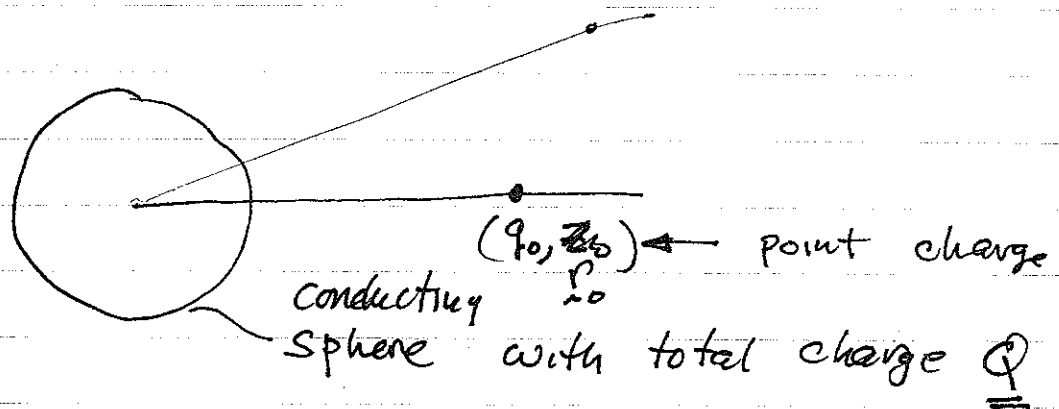
dipole moment of sphere

$$P_z = \sum q_i z_i = \sum \left(-\frac{q_0 a}{z_0} \right) \frac{a^2}{z_0}$$

induced dipole moment

$$P_z = -a^3 \sum \frac{q_0}{z_0^2} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 E_0 a^3 \hat{z}$$

Method of images used to find field surrounding an arbitrarily charged ~~sphere~~ sphere



Let $\phi_0(\underline{r})$ be the solution we have obtained previously corresponding to a grounded sphere
note generalization

$$\phi_0(\underline{r}) = \frac{q_0}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |\underline{r} - \underline{r}_0|} + \frac{q_i}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |\underline{r} - \underline{r}_i|}$$

$$q_i = -q_0 \frac{a}{|\underline{r}_0|}$$

$$\underline{r}_i = \underline{r}_0 \frac{a^2}{|\underline{r}_0|^2}$$

This satisfies

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$$\phi_0(|r|=a) = 0$$

the total charge on the sphere
is q_i .

To obtain a solution for an arbitrary amount of charge add to this the solution corresponding to a uniform charge distribution, (same as a point charge on surface)

$$\phi(r) = \phi_0(r) + \frac{(Q - q_i)}{4\pi\epsilon_0 |r|}$$

The sum corresponds to a total charge Q

satisfies Poisson equation outside sphere

$$\nabla^2 \phi = -4\pi \delta(r - r_0) q_0$$

$\phi = \text{const}$ on surface of sphere.

••• unique solution

$$\nabla^2 G_D = -4\pi \delta(\underline{x} - \underline{x}')$$

$\phi = 0$
on sphere

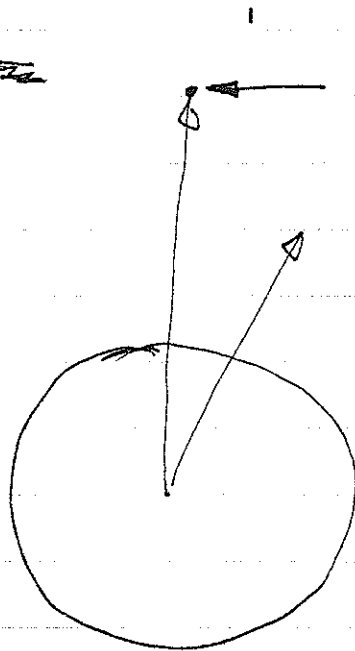
DIRICHLET Green's FUNCTION \Rightarrow POTENTIAL
due to ~~point~~ unit charge

$$q_0 = 1$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = -\frac{q_0}{\epsilon_0} \delta(\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0)$$

$$\phi(r=a) = 0$$

$$G_D(\underline{x}, \underline{x}')$$



source at \underline{x}'

observation point at \underline{x}

$$q_0 = 4\pi$$

$$q_0/\epsilon_0 = -\frac{a}{|\underline{x}'|} 4\pi$$

$$\underline{r}_0 = \underline{x}'$$

$$\underline{r}_i = \underline{x}' \frac{a^2}{|\underline{x}'|^2}$$

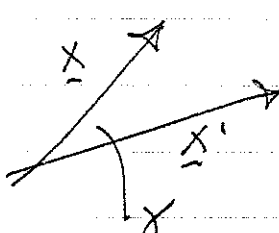
$$\underline{r} = \underline{x}$$

$$G_D(\underline{x}, \underline{x}') = \frac{1}{|\underline{x} - \underline{x}'|} - \frac{a}{|\underline{x}'|} \frac{1}{|\underline{x} - \underline{x}' \frac{a^2}{|\underline{x}'|^2}|}$$

G_D

Symmetric? ^{yes}

$$|\underline{x} - \underline{x}' \frac{a^2}{|\underline{x}'|^2}| = \sqrt{x^2 + x'^2 \left(\frac{a^2}{x'^2}\right)^2 - 2xx' \frac{a^2}{x'^2} \cos\gamma}$$



$$= \frac{a}{x'} \sqrt{\frac{x^2 x'^2}{a^2} + a^2 - 2xx' \cos\gamma}$$

$$G_D = \frac{1}{|\underline{x} - \underline{x}'|} - \frac{1}{\left[\frac{x^2 x'^2}{a^2} + a^2 - 2xx' \cos\gamma \right]^{1/2}}$$

Remember the role of $G_D(\underline{x}, \underline{x}')$

$$\phi(\underline{x}) = \frac{\int d^3x' G_D(\underline{x}, \underline{x}') \rho(\underline{x}')}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$

specified charge density outside sphere

$$-\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_S da' \underline{n}' \cdot \nabla' G_D(\underline{x}, \underline{x}') \phi(\underline{x}')$$

\underline{n}' is normal pointing out of V (into sphere)
potential on sphere

We are now in a position to solve a host of problems

Example: $\rho(x) = 0$ ϕ specified

on boundary of sphere

$$\phi(\underline{x}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_S da' \phi(\underline{x}') \underline{n}' \cdot \nabla' G_D(\underline{x}, \underline{x}')$$

See book

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