

### Problem 4.10

(a)  $\sigma_b = \mathbf{P} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} = \boxed{kR}; \rho_b = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{P} = -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 k r) = -\frac{1}{r^2} 3kr^2 = \boxed{-3k}.$

(b) For  $r < R$ ,  $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{3\epsilon_0} \rho r \hat{\mathbf{r}}$  (Prob. 2.12), so  $\mathbf{E} = \boxed{-(k/\epsilon_0) \mathbf{r}}.$

For  $r > R$ , same as if all charge at center; but  $Q_{\text{tot}} = (kR)(4\pi R^2) + (-3k)(\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3) = 0$ , so  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}.$

### Problem 4.19

With no dielectric,  $C_0 = A\epsilon_0/d$  (Eq. 2.54).

In configuration (a), with  $+\sigma$  on upper plate,  $-\sigma$  on lower,  $D = \sigma$  between the plates.  $E = \sigma/\epsilon_0$  (in air) and  $E = \sigma/\epsilon$  (in dielectric). So  $V = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \frac{d}{2} + \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} \frac{d}{2} = \frac{Qd}{2\epsilon_0 A} (1 + \frac{\epsilon_0}{\epsilon})$ .

$$C_a = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} \left( \frac{2}{1 + \epsilon_0/\epsilon} \right) \implies \boxed{\frac{C_a}{C_0} = \frac{2\epsilon_r}{1 + \epsilon_r}}.$$

In configuration (b), with potential difference  $V$ :  $E = V/d$ , so  $\sigma = \epsilon_0 E = \epsilon_0 V/d$  (in air).  $P = \epsilon_0 \chi_e E = \epsilon_0 \chi_e V/d$  (in dielectric), so  $\sigma_b = -\epsilon_0 \chi_e V/d$  (at top surface of dielectric).  $\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \epsilon_0 V/d = \sigma_f + \sigma_b = \sigma_f - \epsilon_0 \chi_e V/d$ , so  $\sigma_f = \epsilon_0 V(1 + \chi_e)/d = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r V/d$  (on top plate above dielectric).

$$\implies C_b = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{1}{V} \left( \sigma \frac{A}{2} + \sigma_f \frac{A}{2} \right) = \frac{A}{2V} \left( \epsilon_0 \frac{V}{d} + \epsilon_0 \frac{V}{d} \epsilon_r \right) = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \left( \frac{1 + \epsilon_r}{2} \right). \quad \boxed{\frac{C_b}{C_0} = \frac{1 + \epsilon_r}{2}}.$$

[Which is greater?  $\frac{C_b}{C_0} - \frac{C_a}{C_0} = \frac{1 + \epsilon_r}{2} - \frac{2\epsilon_r}{1 + \epsilon_r} = \frac{(1 + \epsilon_r)^2 - 4\epsilon_r}{2(1 + \epsilon_r)} = \frac{1 + 2\epsilon_r + 4\epsilon_r^2 - 4\epsilon_r}{2(1 + \epsilon_r)} = \frac{(1 - \epsilon_r)^2}{2(1 + \epsilon_r)} > 0$ . So  $C_b > C_a$ .]  
If the  $x$  axis points *down*:

	$\mathbf{E}$	$\mathbf{D}$	$\mathbf{P}$
(a) air	$\frac{2\epsilon_r}{(\epsilon_r + 1)} \frac{V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$	$\frac{2\epsilon_r}{(\epsilon_r + 1)} \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$	$\mathbf{0}$
(a) dielectric	$\frac{2}{(\epsilon_r + 1)} \frac{V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$	$\frac{2\epsilon_r}{(\epsilon_r + 1)} \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$	$\frac{2(\epsilon_r - 1)}{(\epsilon_r + 1)} \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$
(b) air	$\frac{V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$	$\frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$	$\mathbf{0}$
(b) dielectric	$\frac{V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$	$\epsilon_r \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$	$(\epsilon_r - 1) \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$

	$\sigma_b$ (top surface)	$\sigma_f$ (top plate)
(a)	$-\frac{2(\epsilon_r - 1)}{(\epsilon_r + 1)} \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d}$	$\frac{2\epsilon_r}{(\epsilon_r + 1)} \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d}$
(b)	$-(\epsilon_r - 1) \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d}$	$\epsilon_r \frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d}$ (left); $\frac{\epsilon_0 V}{d}$ (right)

### Problem 4.20

$\int \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = Q_{f\text{enc}} \implies D4\pi r^2 = \rho \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \implies D = \frac{1}{3}\rho r \implies \mathbf{E} = (\rho r/3\epsilon) \hat{\mathbf{r}}$ , for  $r < R$ ;  $D4\pi r^2 = \rho \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3 \implies D = \rho R^3/3r^2 \implies \mathbf{E} = (\rho R^3/3\epsilon_0 r^2) \hat{\mathbf{r}}$ , for  $r > R$ .

$$V = -\int_{\infty}^0 \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \frac{\rho R^3}{3\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{r} \Big|_{\infty}^R - \frac{\rho}{3\epsilon} \int_R^0 r dr = \frac{\rho R^2}{3\epsilon_0} + \frac{\rho}{3\epsilon} \frac{R^2}{2} = \boxed{\frac{\rho R^2}{3\epsilon_0} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2\epsilon_r} \right)}.$$