

1.)  $\vec{P} = \alpha \vec{E}$  for an atom (dipole mom / atom)

$\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E}$  for a collection of atoms (dipole mom / m<sup>3</sup>)

$\rho \vec{P} = \rho \alpha \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E} \Rightarrow \chi_e = \frac{\rho \alpha}{\epsilon_0}$

If we know  $\chi_e$  from a measurement of capacitance &  $\rho \neq \epsilon_0$  so we can solve for polarizability  $\alpha$ .

$\alpha$  can be calculated using Quantum Mechanics

from  $\langle \vec{P} \rangle = \int \psi^\dagger \hat{g}_S \psi d\vec{r}$

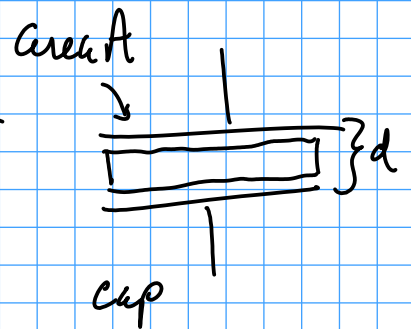


How do we find  $\chi_e$ ? Measure Capacitance

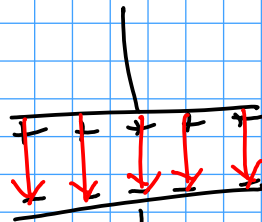
$C = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} C_{vac} = (1 + \chi_e) C_{vac}$

$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} (1 + \chi_e)$  see lecture notes

↑ measure    ↑ d    } solve for  $\chi_e$



2.) Can this exist?

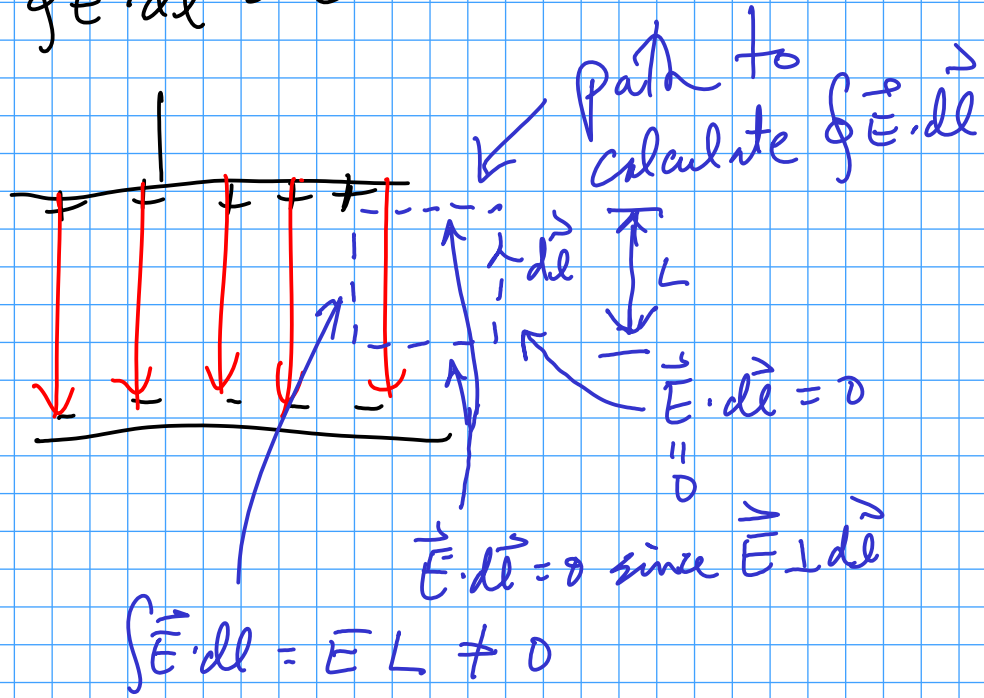


OR can  $E$  abruptly go to zero?

Use Stokes theorem on  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = 0$

$$\int \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = 0$$

$\stackrel{||}{=} 0$



Conclusion: If there is no fringing field then  $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{\ell} \neq 0$  but it must be  $\emptyset$  so

