

# ***EE243 Advanced Electromagnetic Theory***

## ***Lec # 22 Scattering and Diffraction***

- **Scattering From Small Objects**
- **Scattering by Small Dielectric and Metallic Spheres**
- **Collection of Scatters**
- **Spherical Wave Expansions**
  - **Scalar**
  - **Vector**

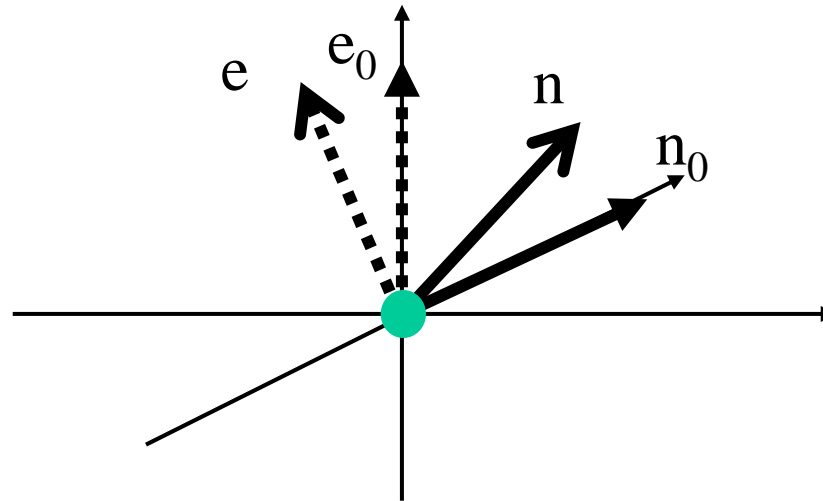
**Reading: Jackson Chapter 10.1, 10.3,  
lite on both 10.2 and 10.4**

# Overview

Scattering is similar to radiation but often requires simultaneously modeling the creation of polarization and currents from stimulation by an external source.

- Small scatterers are treated by dipole moments.
- Intermediate scatterers require expansion in many spherical harmonics.
- Large scatterers can be treated by approximation in various scalar and vectod diffraction integrals

# Scattering by Dipoles Induced in Small Scatterers



- Incident field is in direction  $\mathbf{n}_0$  and has polarization  $\mathbf{e}_0$
- They induce electric and magnetic dipole moments
- Scattered field is in direction  $\mathbf{n}$  and has polarization  $\mathbf{e}$
- Note that for the far field there are two choices for each of  $\mathbf{e}_0$  and  $\mathbf{e}$  but one choice relative to the plane formed by  $\mathbf{n}_0$  and  $\mathbf{n}$

# Scattering by Dipoles Induced in Small Scatterers

Jackson 10.1.A

$$\bar{E}_{inc} = e_0 E_0 e^{ik\hat{n}_0 \cdot \bar{x}}$$

$$\bar{H}_{inc} = \hat{n}_0 \times \bar{E}_{inc} / Z_0$$

$\bar{p}$  = induced \_electric\_ dipole

$\bar{m}$  = induced \_magnetic\_ dipole

$$\bar{E}_{sc} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} k^2 \frac{e^{ikr}}{r} [(\hat{n} \times \bar{p}) \times \hat{n} - \hat{n} \times \bar{m} / c]$$

$$\bar{H}_{sc} = \hat{n} \times \bar{E}_{sc} / Z_0$$

- Incident fields induce electric and magnetic dipole moments
- Far fields from are then found from these moments

# Differential Scattering Cross Section

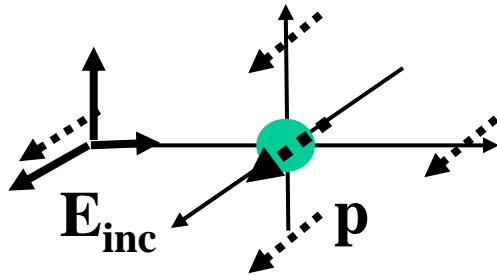
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\hat{n}, \hat{e}; \hat{n}_0, \hat{e}_0) = \frac{r^2 \frac{1}{2Z_0} |\hat{e}^* \cdot \bar{E}_{sc}|^2}{\frac{1}{2Z_0} |\hat{e}_0^* \cdot \bar{E}_{inc}|^2}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\hat{n}, \hat{e}; \hat{n}_0, \hat{e}_0) = \frac{k^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0 E_0)^2} \left| \hat{e}^* \cdot \bar{p} + (\hat{n} \times \hat{e}^*) \cdot \bar{m} / c \right|^2$$

- $\mathbf{n}$  is in observation direction with polarization  $\mathbf{e}$ , while incident flux is in direction  $\mathbf{n}_0$  with polarization  $\mathbf{e}_0$ .
- Defined as the outgoing power radiated per unit solid angle divided by the incident power per unit area. It is related to the bistatic cross section.
- Then specialize to the case of the electric and magnetic dipole moments of small scatterers.
- Integrating over both polarizations and all angles gives the effective area of the scatterer

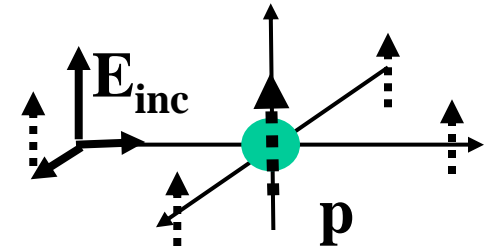
# Scattering from a Small Dielectric Sphere

$$\bar{\mathbf{p}} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 \left( \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 2} \right) a^3 \bar{\mathbf{E}}_{inc} \quad \text{Jackson 10.1.B}$$



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \hat{\mathbf{e}}; \hat{\mathbf{n}}_0, \hat{\mathbf{e}}_0) = k^4 a^6 \left| \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 2} \right|^2 |\hat{\mathbf{e}}^* \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_0|^2$$

$$\sigma = \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} d\Omega = \frac{8\pi}{3} k^4 a^6 \left| \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 2} \right|^2$$



- Dipole  $\mathbf{p}$  is in the direction of the incident field and equal to the static polarization (same weight factor and proportional to volume).
- Radiation is proportional the observation polarization direction dotted with the incident polarization. This gives  $\cos\theta$  in one angle and constant in  $\phi$ .
- Strength is 6-th power of size (volume squared) and 4-th power relative to size in wavelengths. (This explains the creation of the blue sky success of horizontally polarized sun glasses).
- Strongest and equal in forward and backward directions.

## Scattering from a Small p.e.c. Sphere

$$\bar{p} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3 \bar{E}_{inc}$$

Jackson 10.1.C

$$\bar{m} = -2\pi a^3 \bar{H}_{inc}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\hat{n}, \hat{e}; \hat{n}_0, \hat{e}_0) = k^4 a^6 \left| \hat{e}^* \cdot \hat{e}_0 - \frac{1}{2} (\hat{n} \times \hat{e}^*) \cdot (\hat{n}_0 \times \hat{e}_0) \right|^2$$

### **p** and **m**

- Both exist
- Are at right angles
- Interfere coherently
  - produce a + b cos $\theta$  type patterns
  - low forward (1/3) and high backward (2x) scattering

## Collection of Scatterers

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\hat{n}, \hat{e}; \hat{n}_0, \hat{e}_0) = \frac{k^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0 E_0)^2} \left| \sum_j [\hat{e}^* \cdot \bar{p}_j + (\hat{n} \times \hat{e}^*) \cdot \bar{m}_j / c] e^{i\bar{q} \cdot \bar{x}_j} \right|^2$$

$$\bar{q} = k\hat{n}_0 - k\hat{n}$$

$$F(\bar{q}) = \left| \sum_j e^{i\bar{q} \cdot \bar{x}_j} \right|^2$$

Jackson 10.1.D

$$F(\bar{q}) = \sum_j \sum_i e^{i\bar{q} \cdot (\bar{x}_j - \bar{x}_i)}$$

- Assume p and m corrected for being inside media
- Sum over all scatterers including relative phase measured with respect to incident direction  $\mathbf{n}_0$  and scattered direction  $\mathbf{n}$
- $F(\mathbf{q})$  is  $N$  (number of scatterers) in forward direction and drops quickly to zero except for crystal structures with Bragg effect.
- Can be used to measure range of intermolecular forces that produce density fluctuations (critical opalescence).



# Scalar Spherical Wave Representation

$$\Psi(\bar{x}, \omega) = \sum_{l,m} f_{lm}(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

Jackson 10.1.D

$$\Psi(\bar{x}, \omega) = \sum_{l,m} \left[ A_{lm}^{(1)} h_l^{(1)}(kr) + A_{lm}^{(2)} h_l^{(2)}(kr) \right] Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$h_l^{(1)}(kr) \rightarrow \left( -i^{l+1} \frac{e^{ikr}}{kr} \right)$$

$$h_l^{(2)}(kr) = \left[ h_l^{(1)}(kr) \right]^*$$

- Solution to scalar wave equation
- Spherical Harmonics  $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$
- Radial variation depends only on index  $l$ 
  - Match boundary conditions on surface(s) at fixed  $r$

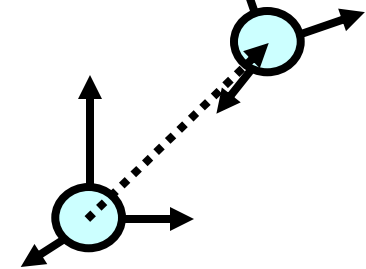
# Scalar Spherical Wave Representation: Examples

Jackson 9.6, 10.3

$$\frac{e^{ik|\bar{x}-\bar{x}'|}}{4\pi|\bar{x}-\bar{x}'|} = ik \sum_l J_l(kr_<) h_l^{(1)}(kr_>) \sum_{m=-l}^l Y_{lm}^*(\theta', \phi') Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$e^{i\bar{k}\cdot\bar{x}} = ik \sum_l i^l J_l(kr) \sum_{m=-l}^l Y_{lm}^*(\theta', \phi') Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$e^{i\bar{k}\cdot\bar{x}} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} i^{-l} \sqrt{4\pi(2l+1)} J_l(kr) Y_{l0}(\gamma) h_l^{(1)}(kr)$$



Numerical  
Spherical Harmonic  
Expansion Outside

- Scalar Green's Function
- Plane wave in two forms
- Replace Numerical Grid outside object (Mei Method)
- Translation/rotation in coordinate systems
  - Addition Theorem for Spherical Harmonics
  - Sphere-Sphere interactions

# Vector Spherical Wave Representation

$$\bar{L} = \frac{1}{i}(\bar{r} \times \nabla)$$

Jackson 10.3

$$\bar{X}_{lm}(\theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{l(l+1)}} \bar{L} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$\bar{H} = \sum_{l,m} \left[ a_E(l,m) f_l(kr) \bar{X}_{lm} - \frac{i}{k} a_M(l,m) \nabla \times g_l(kr) \bar{X}_{lm} \right]$$

$$\bar{E} = Z_0 \sum_{l,m} \left[ \frac{1}{k} a_E(l,m) \nabla \times f_l(kr) \bar{X}_{lm} + a_M(l,m) g_l(kr) \bar{X}_{lm} \right]$$

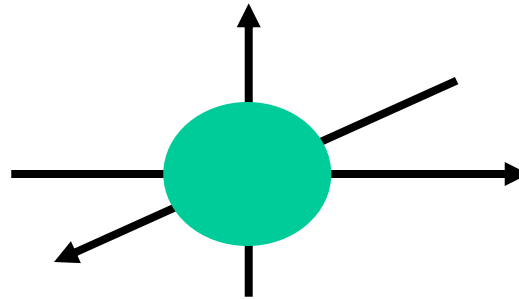
$$g_l(kr) = A_l^{(1)} h_l^{(1)}(kr) + A_l^{(2)} h_l^{(2)}(kr)$$

$$f_l(kr) = B_l^{(1)} h_l^{(1)}(kr) + B_l^{(2)} h_l^{(2)}(kr)$$

- Operator  $\mathbf{L}$  gives compact notation
- Expressed in terms of electric and magnetic multipoles
- Source and Boundary conditions on surface at fixed  $r$ 
  - Radial E and H component on a Sphere are adequate

# Vector Spherical Wave Representation: Example

Jackson 10.4



- Total field sum of incident and scattered
- Expand scattered field
  - Outgoing waves (only) outside
  - Both types but no incident field inside
  - Rotationally symmetric  $m = +1$  and  $-1$  (only)
- Boundary conditions
  - $E_{\text{tan}}$  and  $H_{\text{tan}}$  continuous on boundary of sphere
- Tractable for
  - Conducting Sphere (Mie)
  - Dielectric Sphere ?
- Useful for checking numerical simulators