

IA Materials Science: Course B

Materials for Devices

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Who am I?

Digital lab

quantum
mechanics

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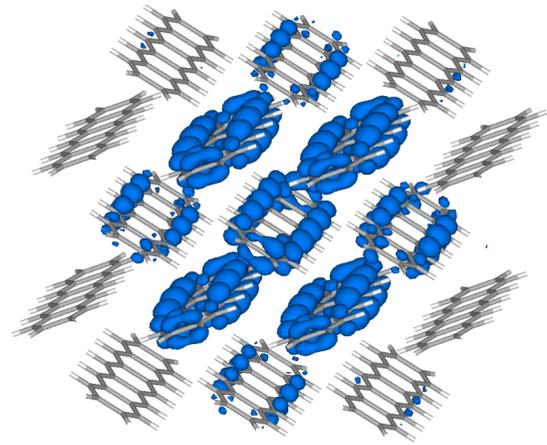
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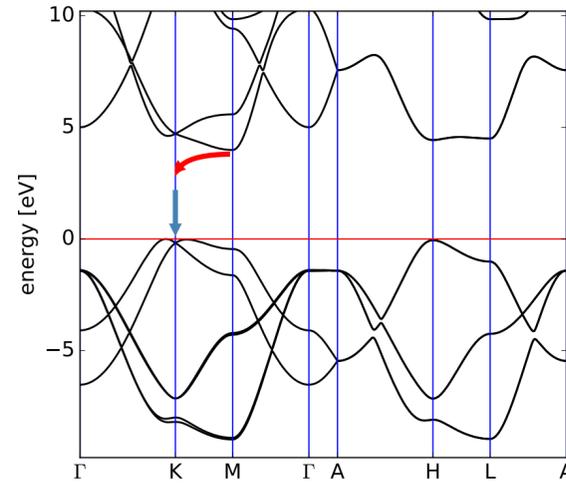
predict and understand material properties

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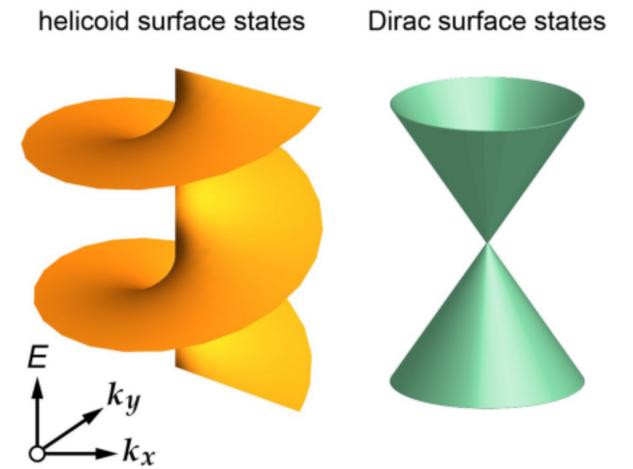
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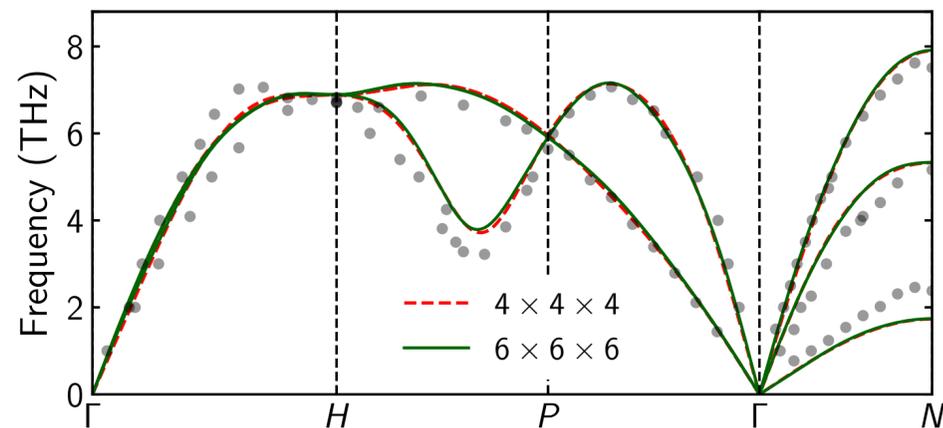
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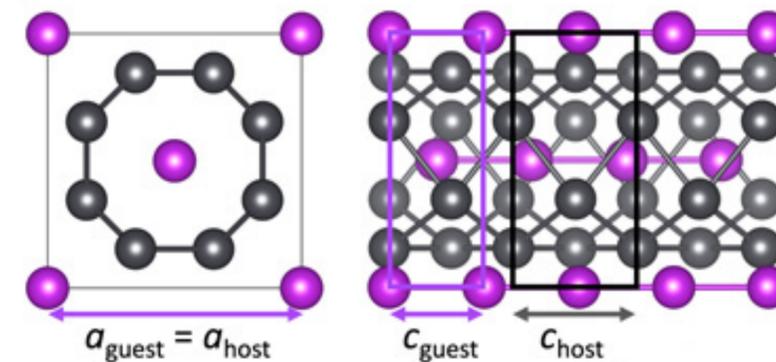
topological insulators
and semimetals



magnetic materials



superconductors



Who am I?



Eigenvalues and eigenstates in quantum mechanics

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The spherical harmonics

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Angular momentum in quantum mechanics

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The quantum harmonic oscillator

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What is materials science?



Paul Dirac

“The underlying physical laws for the mathematical theory of a large part of physics and the whole of chemistry are thus completely known, and the difficulty is only that the exact application of these laws leads to equations much too complicated to be soluble. It therefore becomes desirable that approximate practical methods of applying quantum mechanics should be developed, which can lead to an explanation of the main features of complex atomic systems without too much computation”

Quantum Mechanics of Many-Electron Systems
Proceedings of the Royal Society A 123, 714 (1929)



Nobel Prize in Physics 1933 (together with Schrödinger)

“for the discovery of new productive forms of atomic theory”

What is materials science?



Phil Anderson

“The constructionist hypothesis breaks down when confronted with the twin difficulties of scale and complexity. The behaviour of large and complex aggregates of elementary particles, it turns out, is not to be understood in terms of a simple extrapolation of the properties of a few particles. Instead, at each level of complexity entirely new properties appear.”

More is Different
Science 177, 393 (1972)



Nobel Prize in Physics 1977 (together with Mott and Van Vleck)

“for their fundamental theoretical investigations of the electronic structure of magnetic and disordered systems”

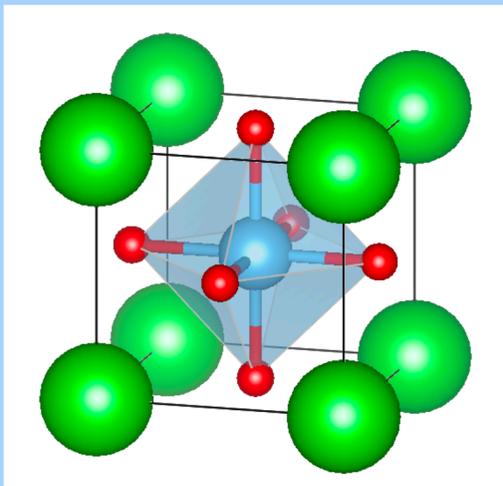
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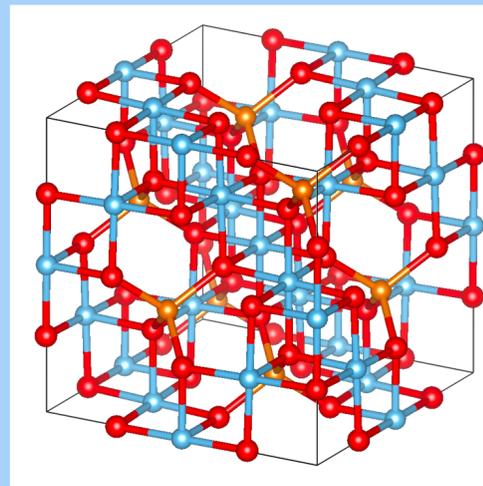
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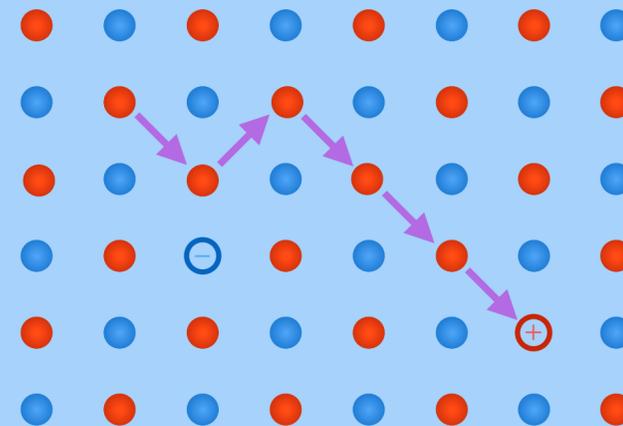
electric polarisation
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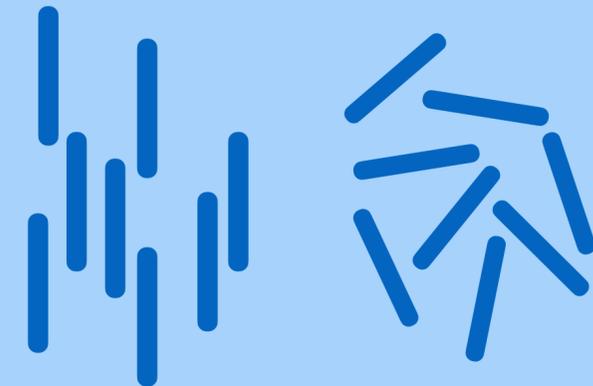
magnetism
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ionic conductors



liquid crystals



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Electric polarisation in materials

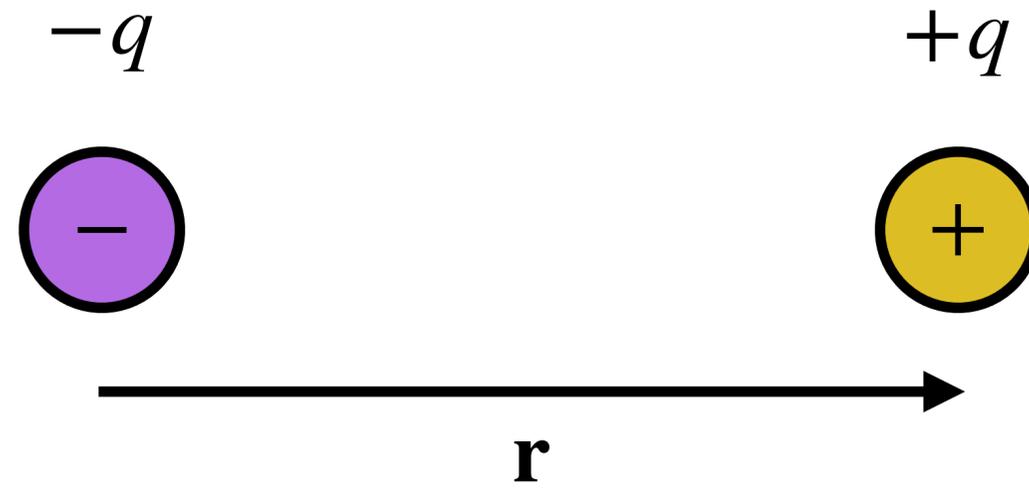
Lecture 1

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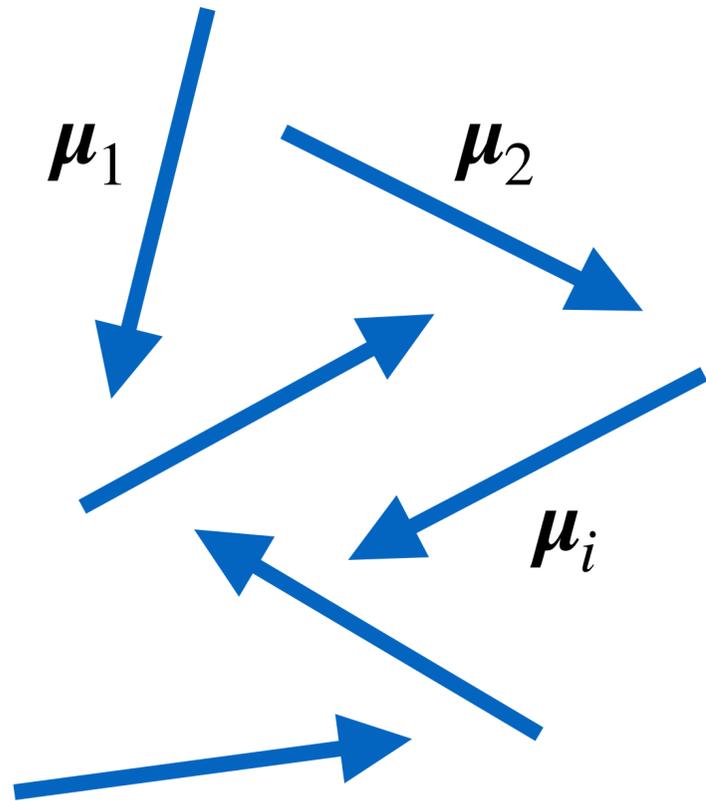
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Electric dipole moment

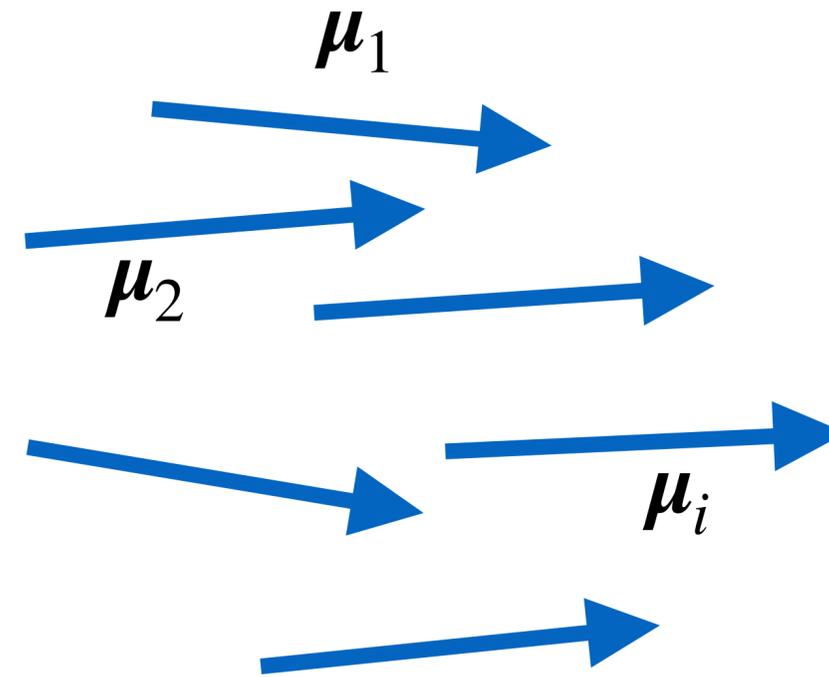


$$\mu = q\mathbf{r} \quad [\text{C m}]$$

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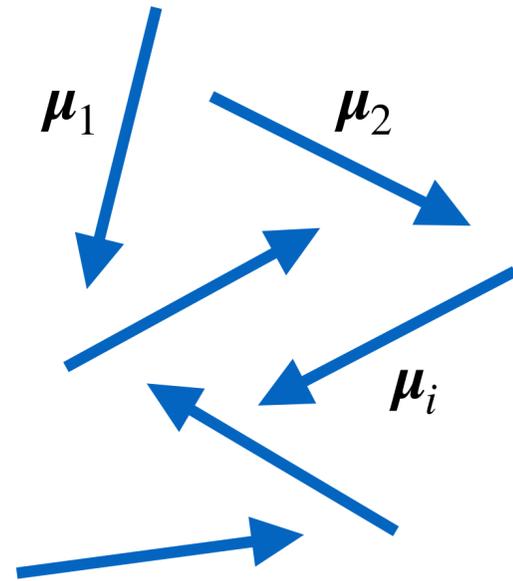


$$\mu = \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i \simeq 0$$

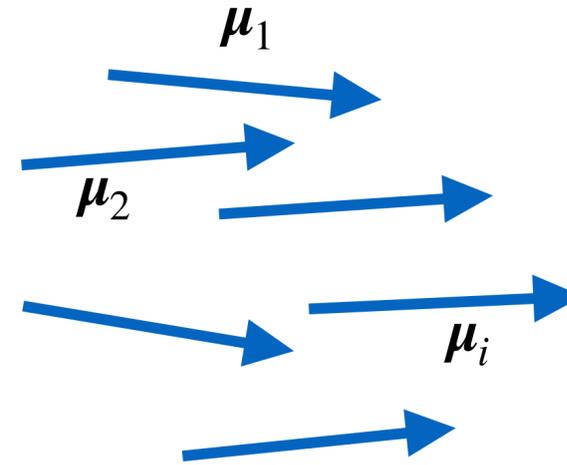


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Polarisation



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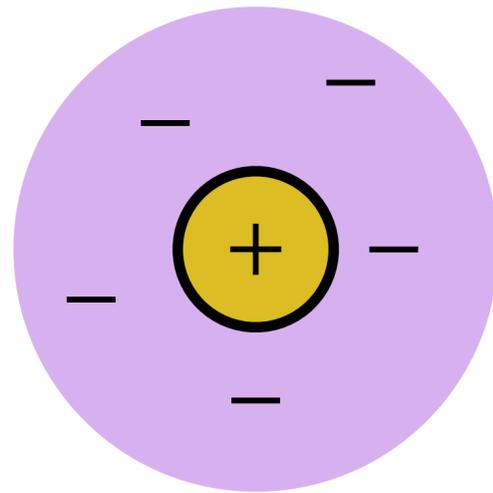
$$\mathbf{P} = n\boldsymbol{\mu}$$

$$[\text{C m}^{-2}]$$

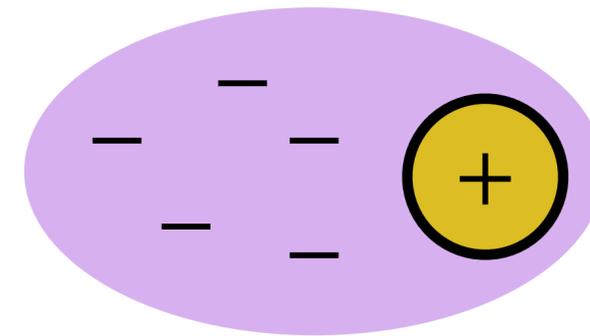
n : number of dipoles per unit volume $[\text{m}^{-3}]$

Polarisation mechanisms: electronic polarisation

$\mathbf{E} = 0$



\mathbf{E}

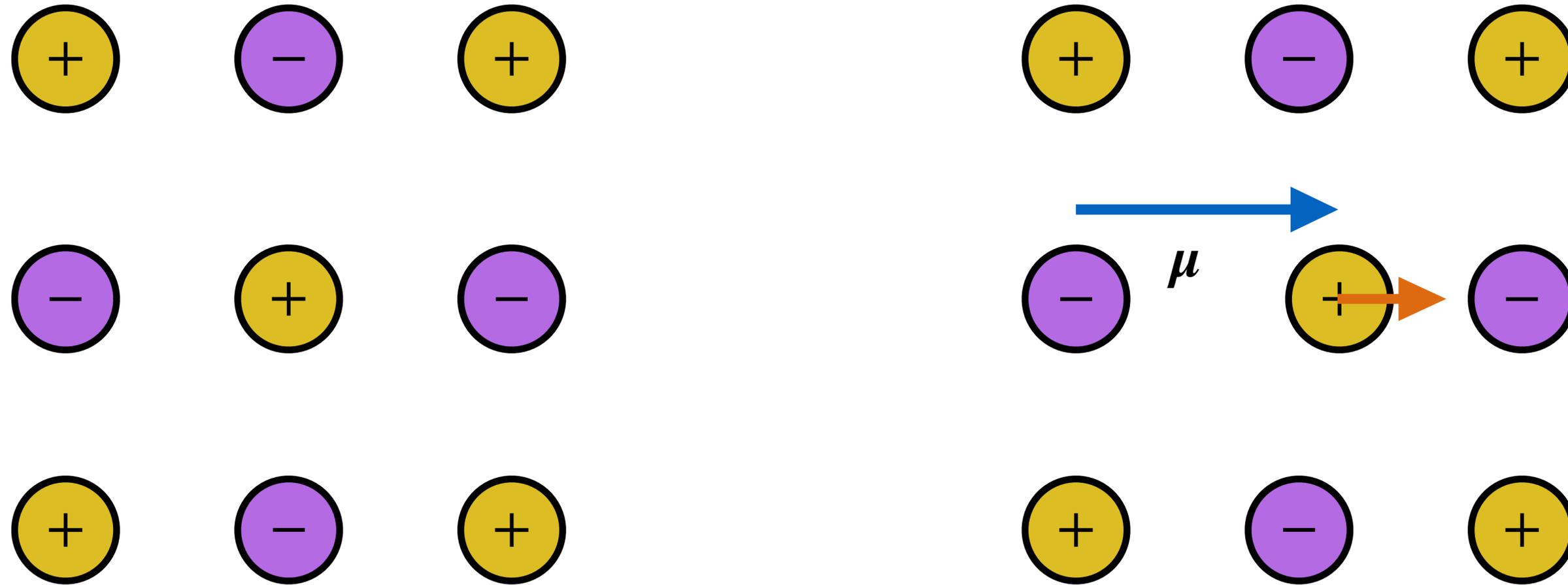


μ

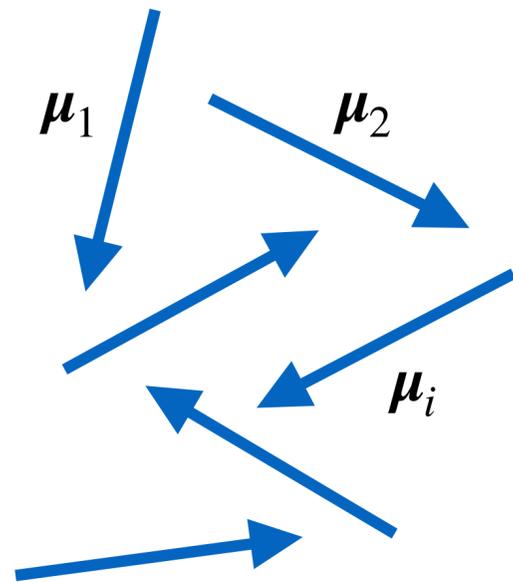
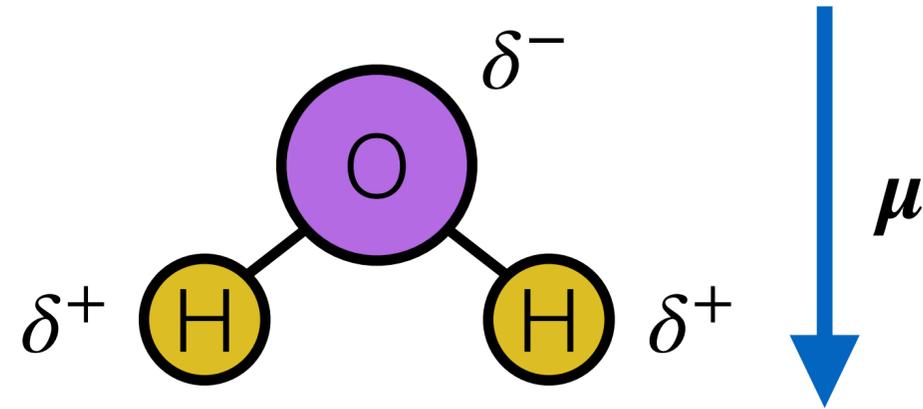


Polarisation mechanisms: ionic polarisation

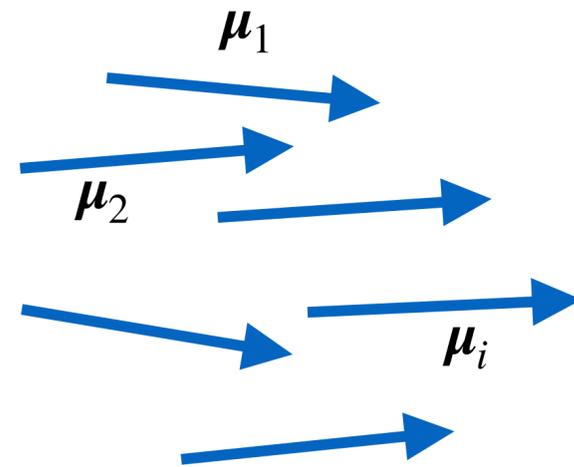
$$\mu = 0$$



Polarisation mechanisms: orientation (molecular) polarisation



$$\mu = \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i \simeq 0$$



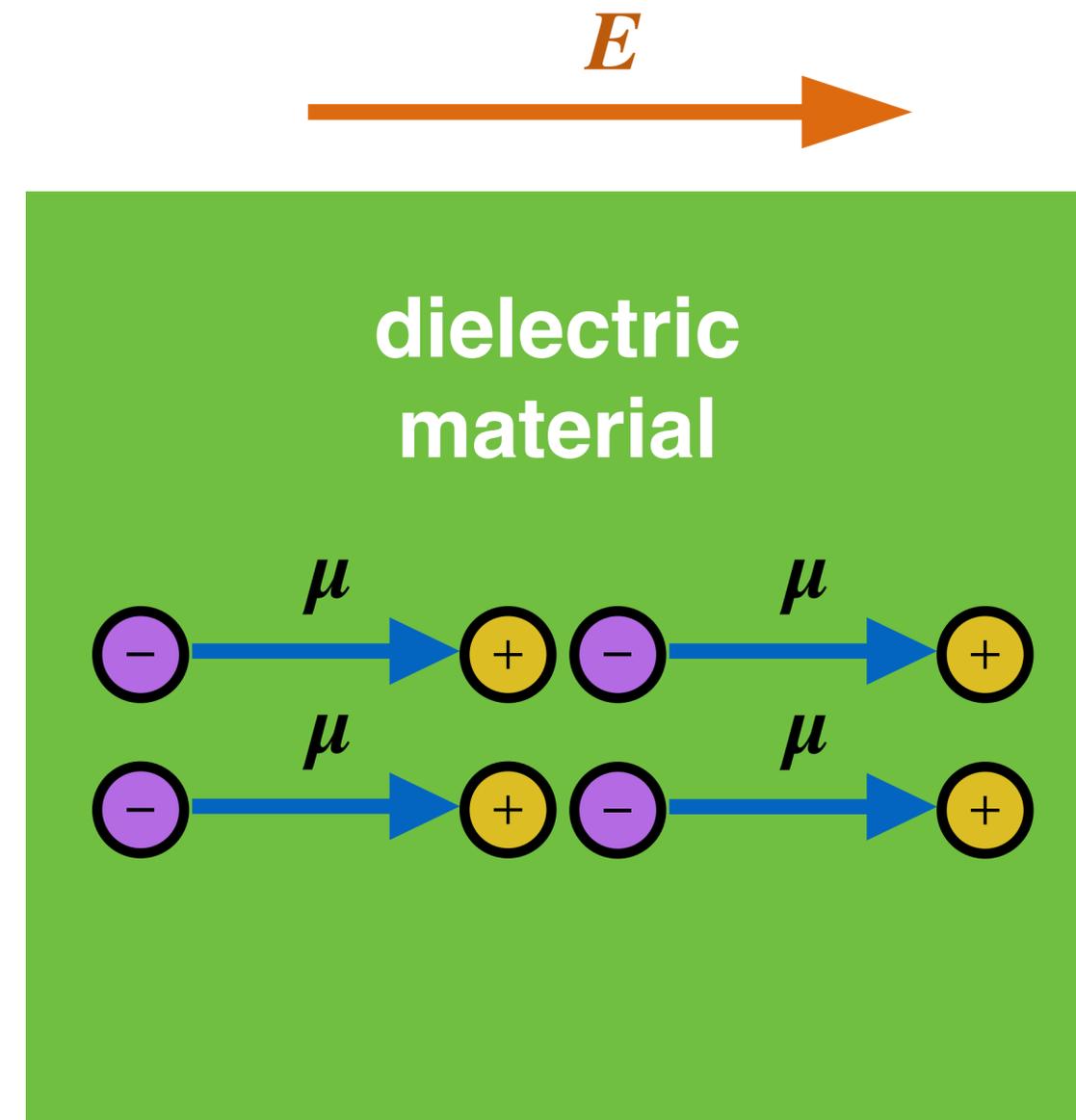
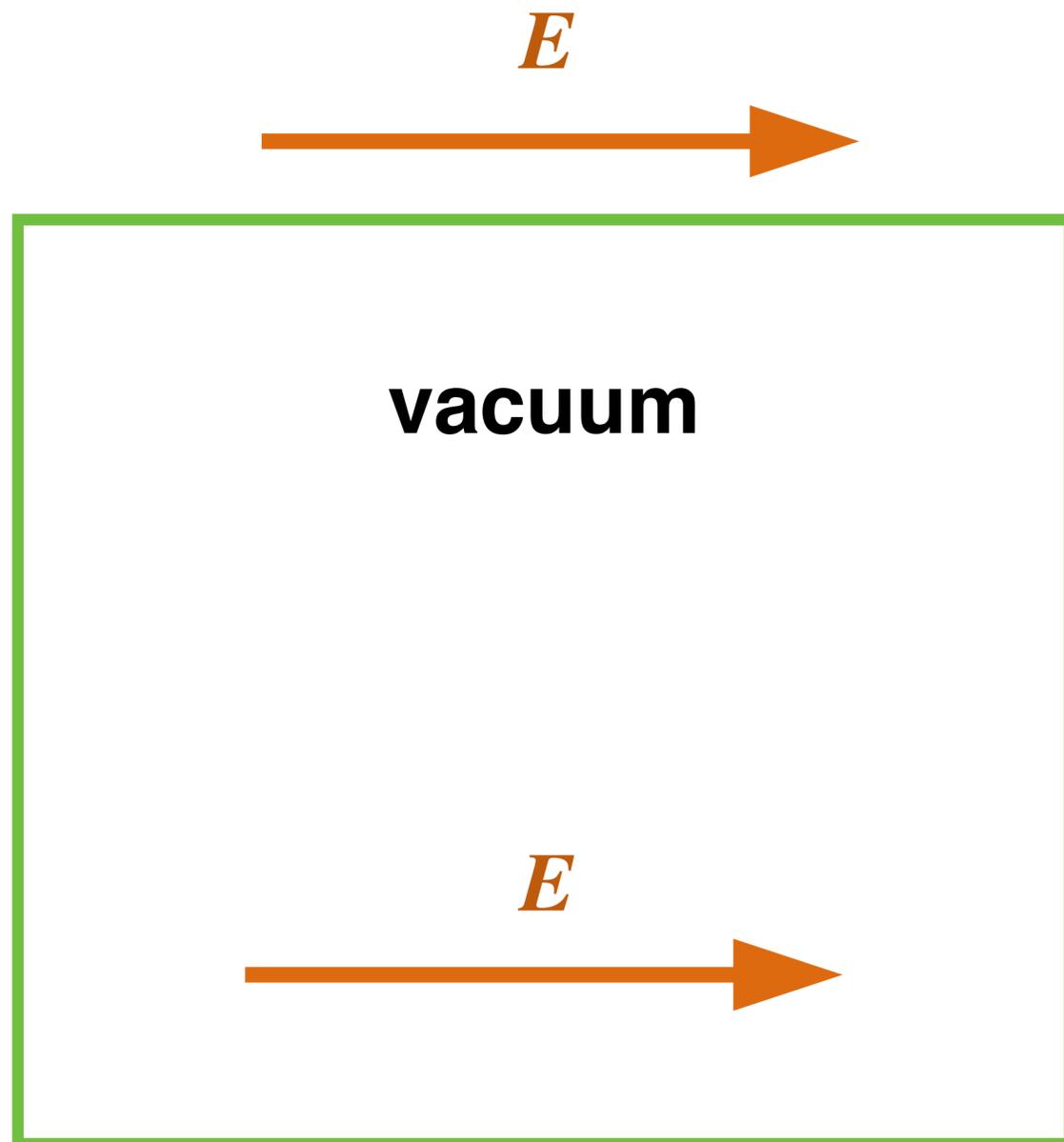
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Dielectric materials

- Dielectric material: electrical insulator that can be polarised by applied electric field

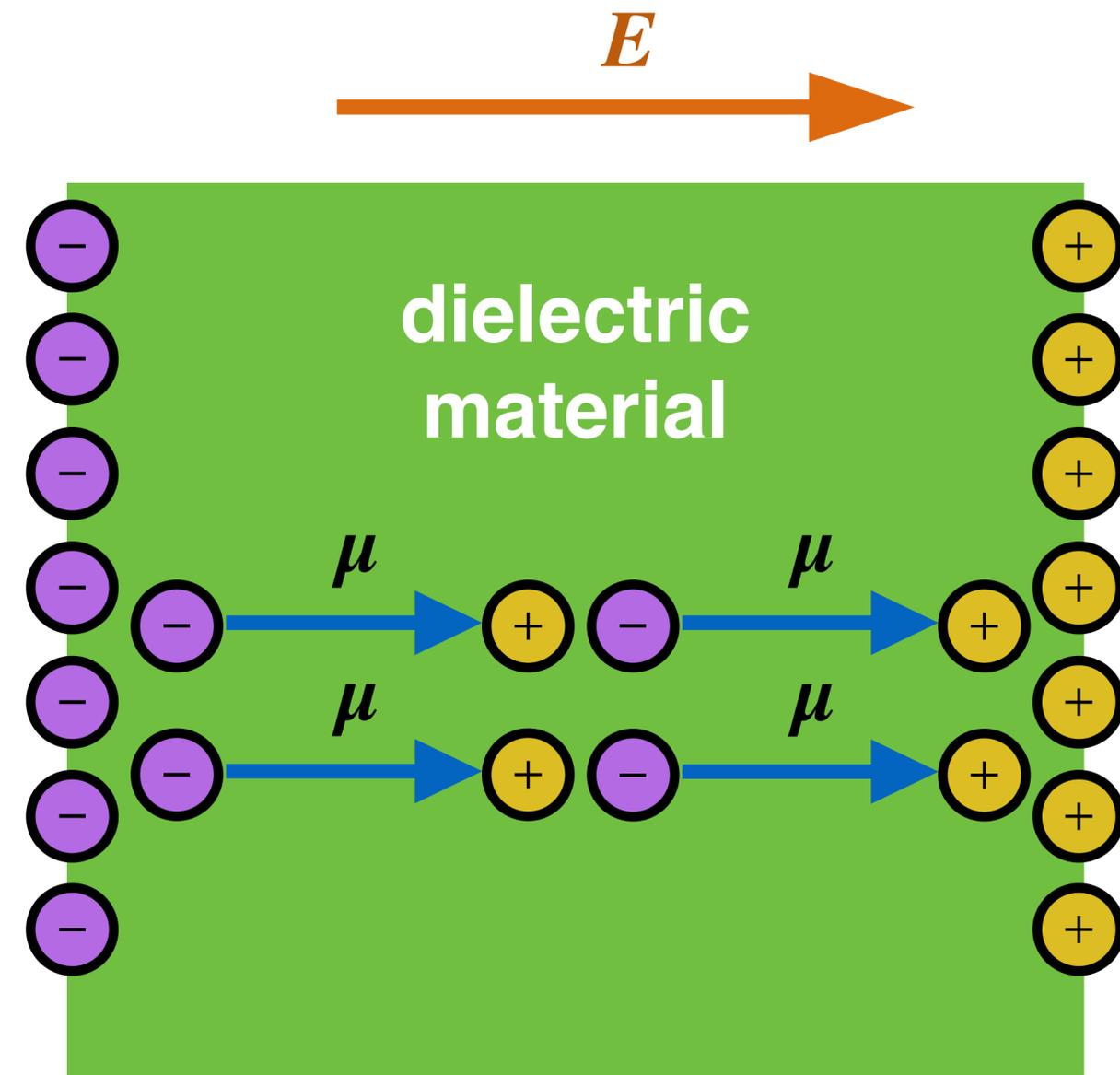
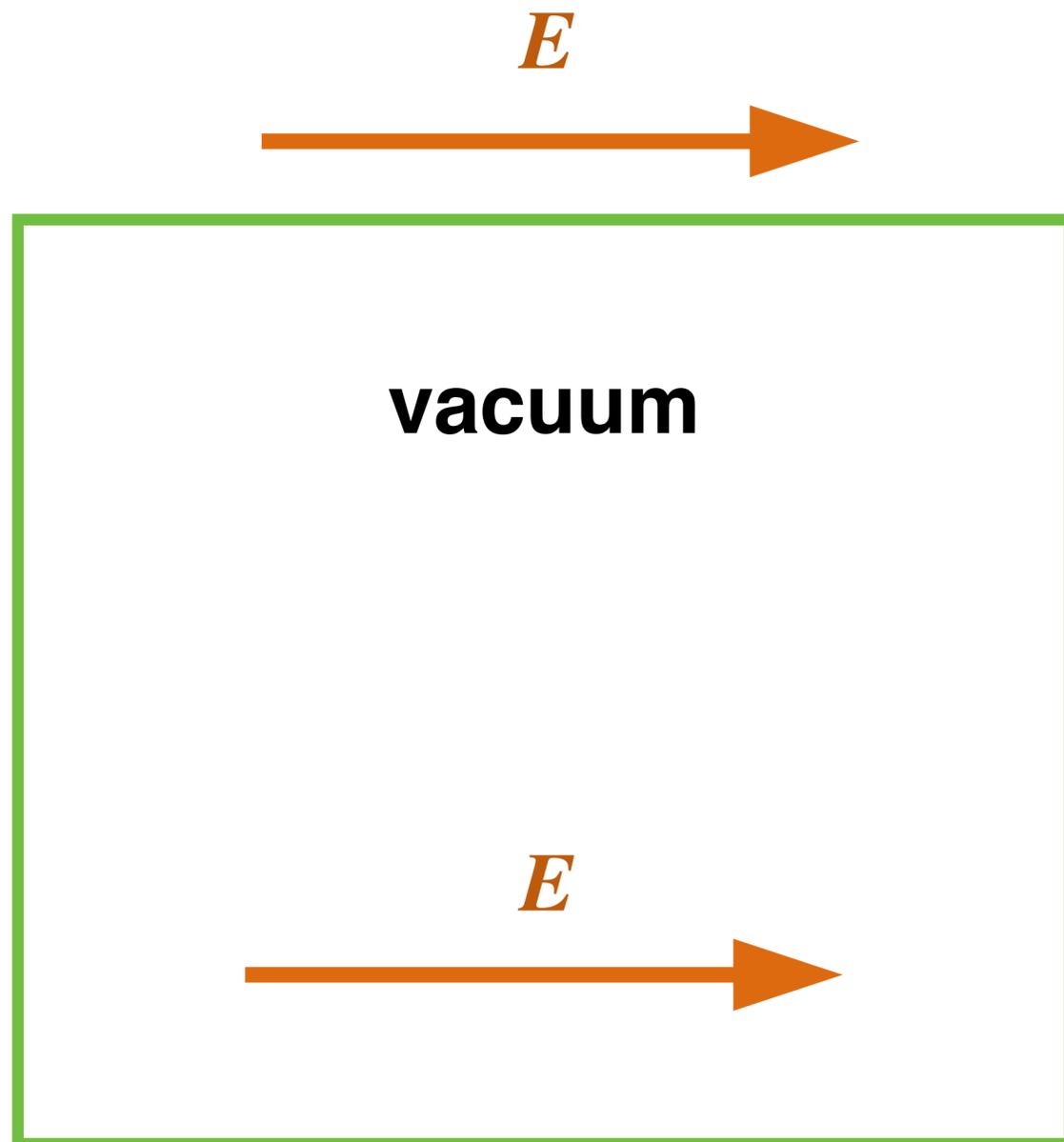
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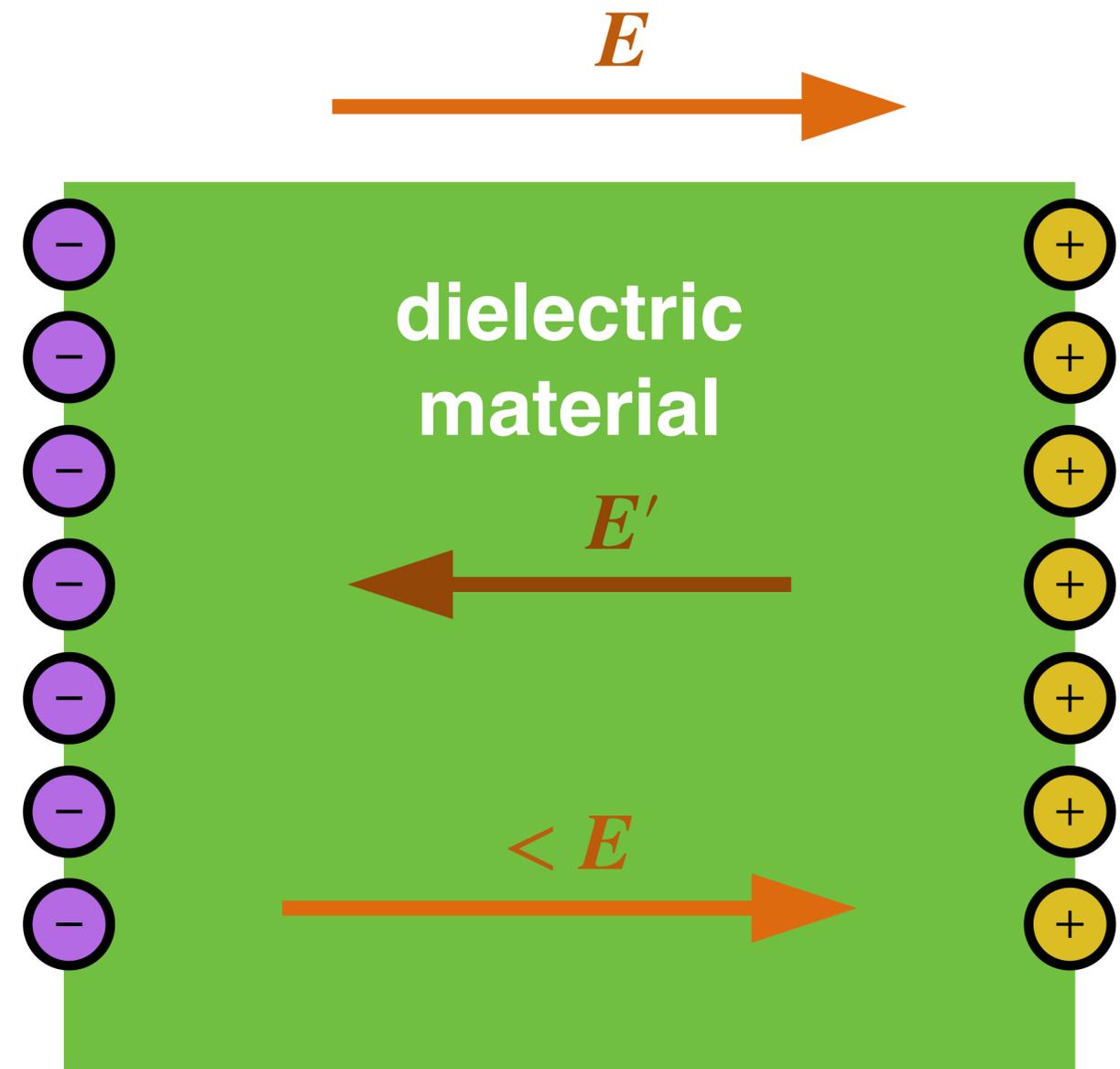
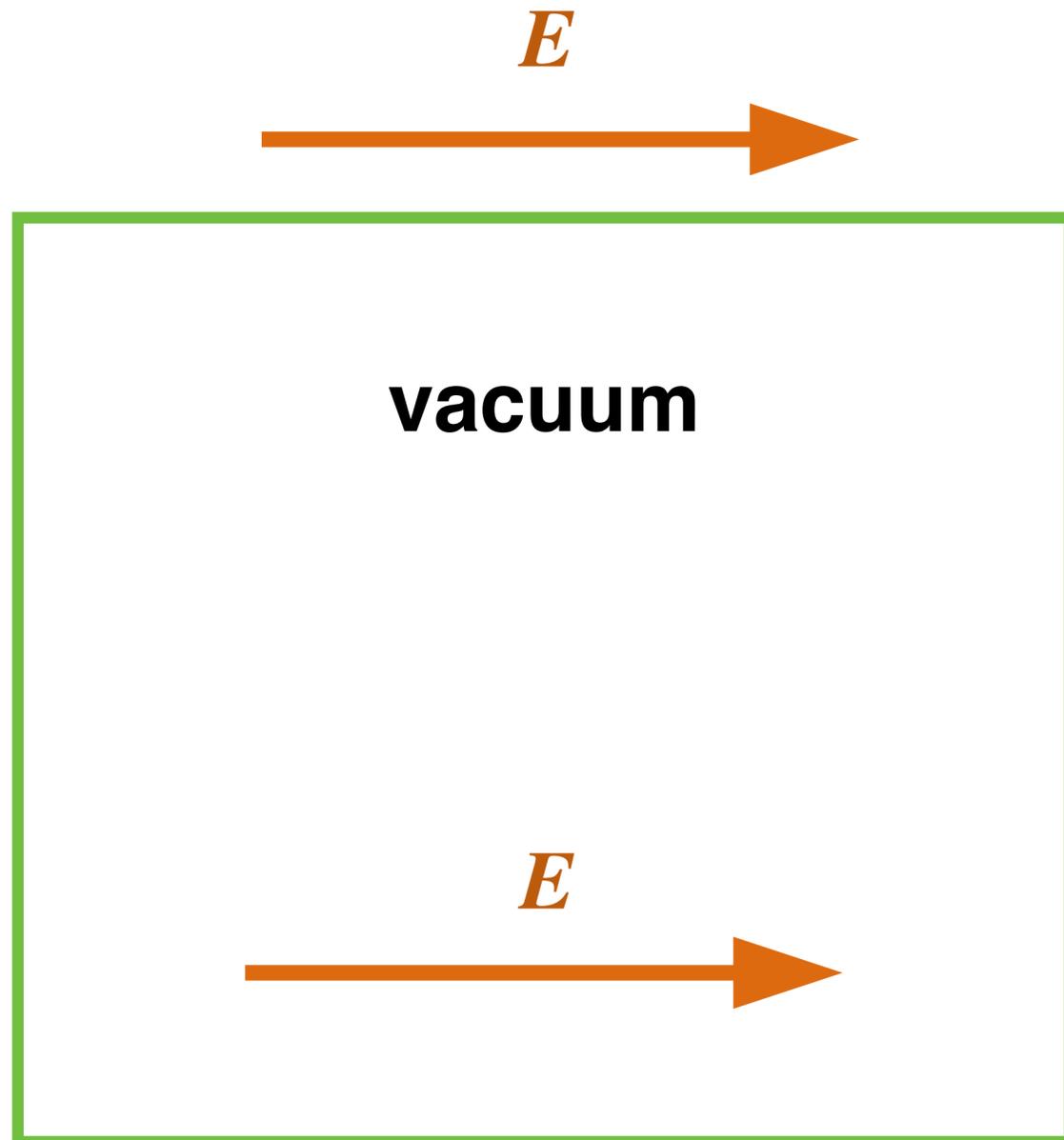
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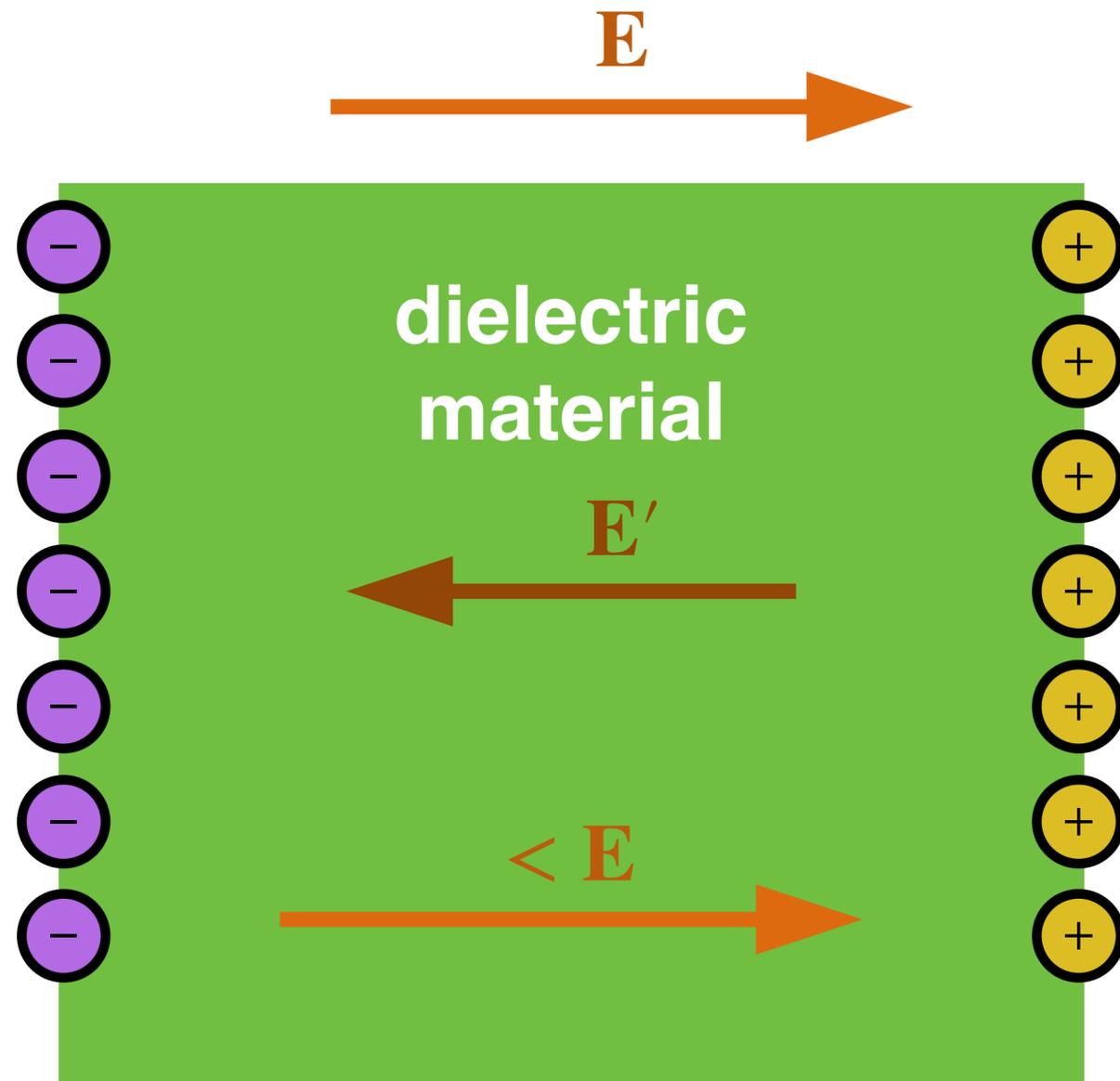


Dielectric materials

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Dielectric materials



- Displacement field:

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}$$

\mathbf{D} : displacement field [Cm^{-2}]

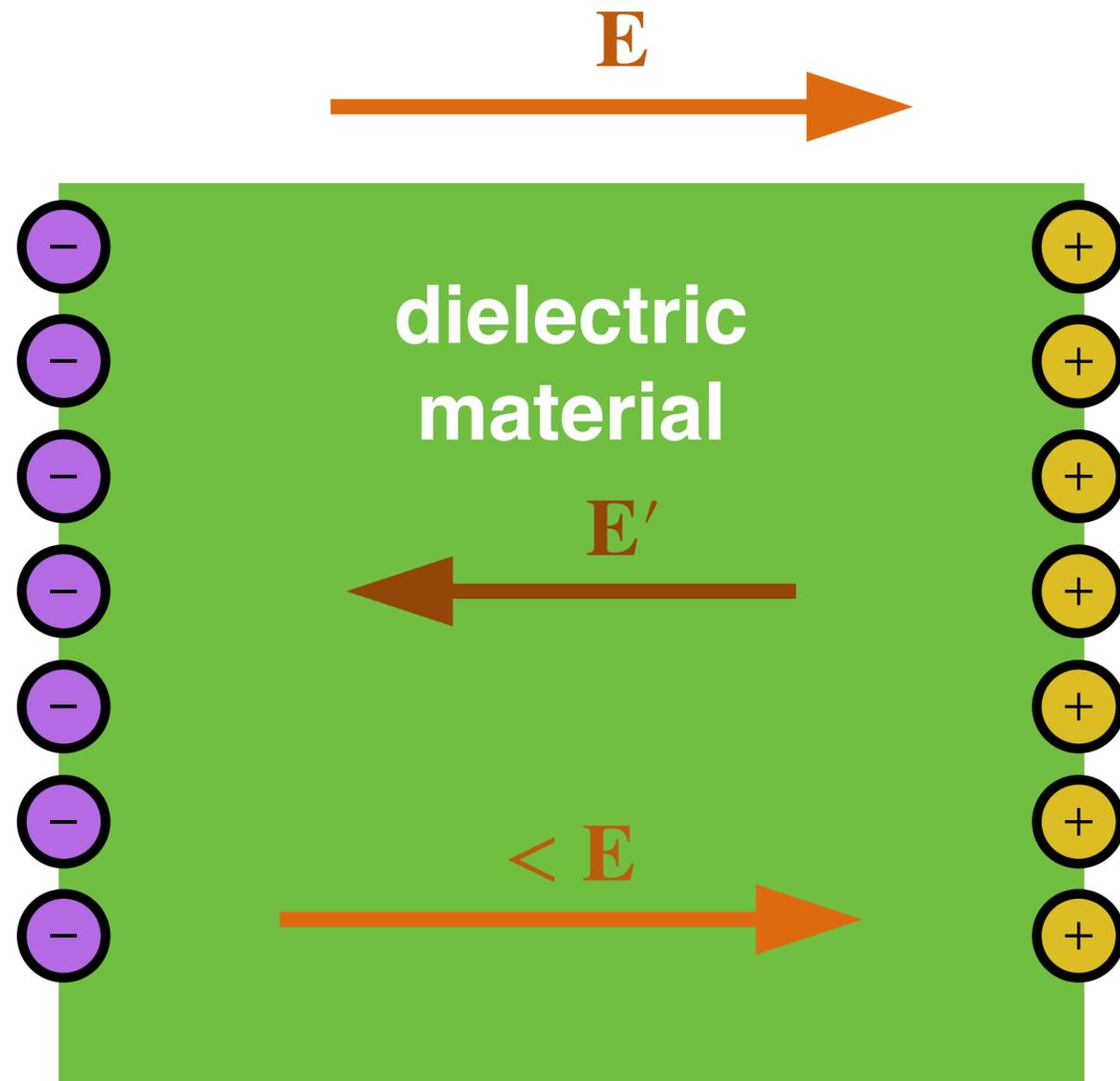
ϵ_0 : permittivity of free space
[$8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{Fm}^{-1}$]

\mathbf{E} : electric field [Vm^{-1}]

\mathbf{P} : polarisation [C m^{-2}]

$$[\text{F} = \text{C V}^{-1}]$$

Dielectric materials



- Displacement field in linear, homogeneous, and isotropic dielectric with instantaneous response:

$$D = \epsilon E$$

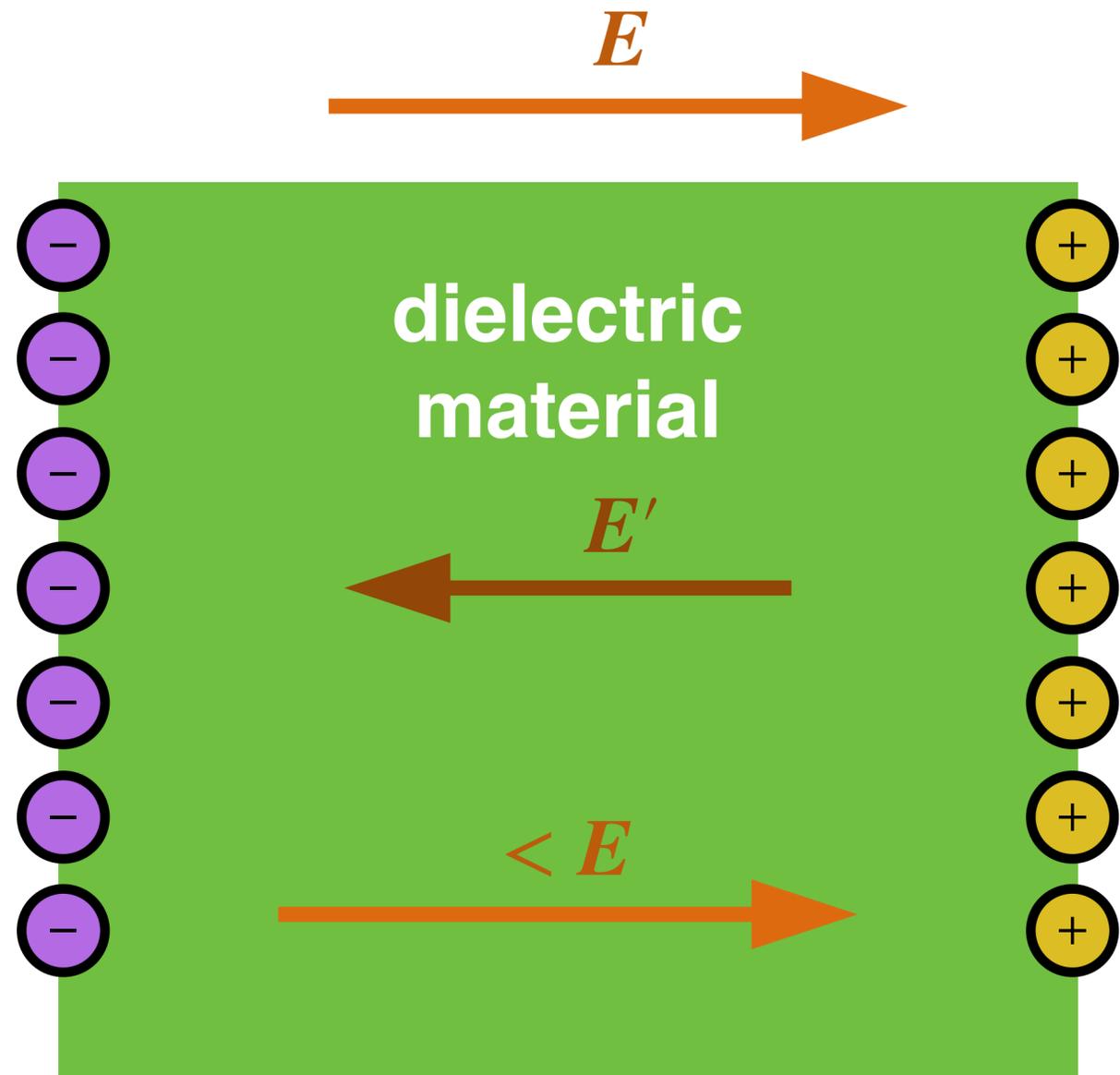
E : electric field [Vm⁻¹]

D : displacement field [Cm⁻²]

ϵ : permittivity [Fm⁻¹]

$$[F = C V^{-1}]$$

Dielectric materials



- Displacement field:

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E} = \kappa \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}$$

\mathbf{E} : electric field [Vm^{-1}]

\mathbf{D} : displacement field [Cm^{-2}]

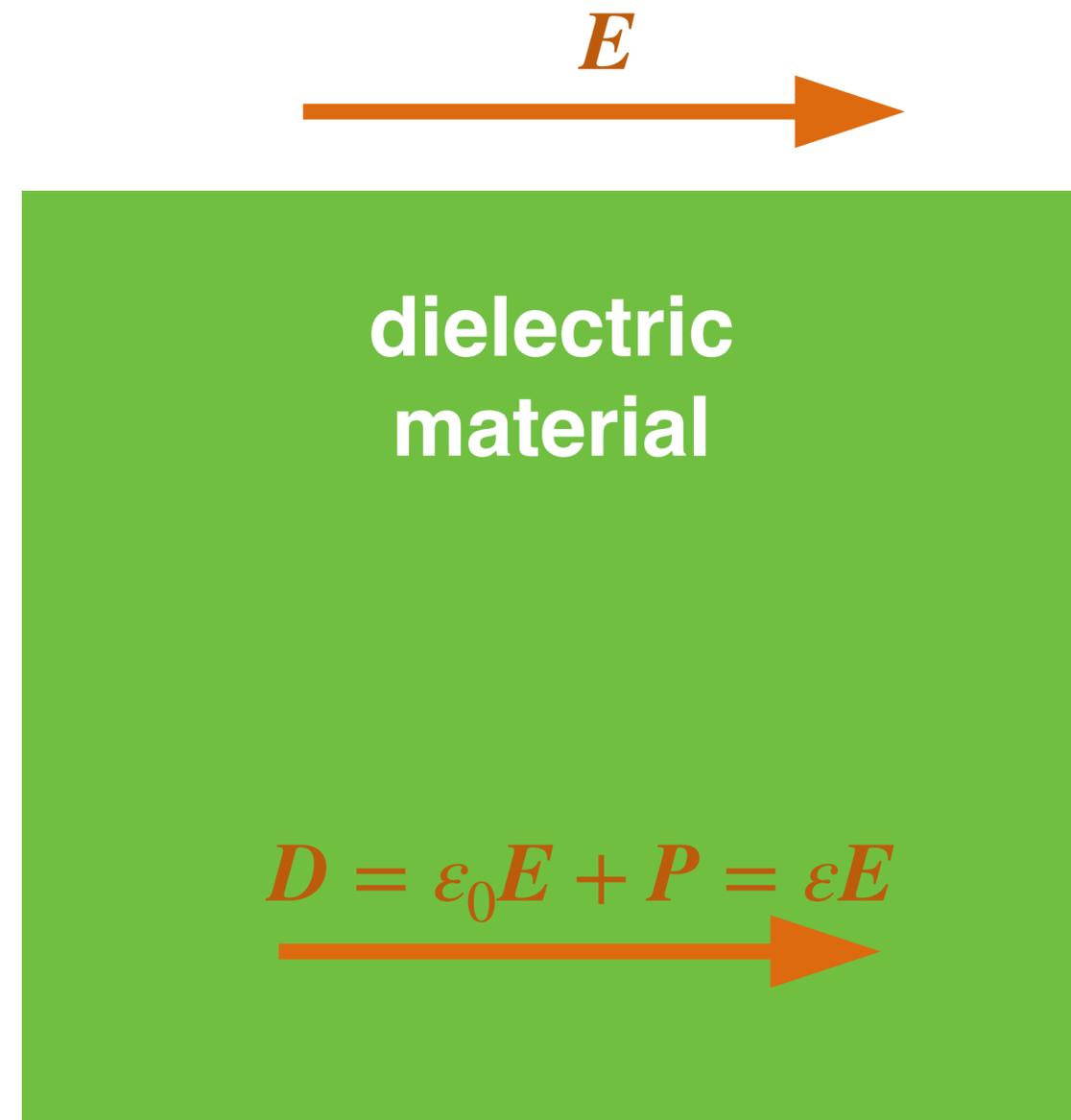
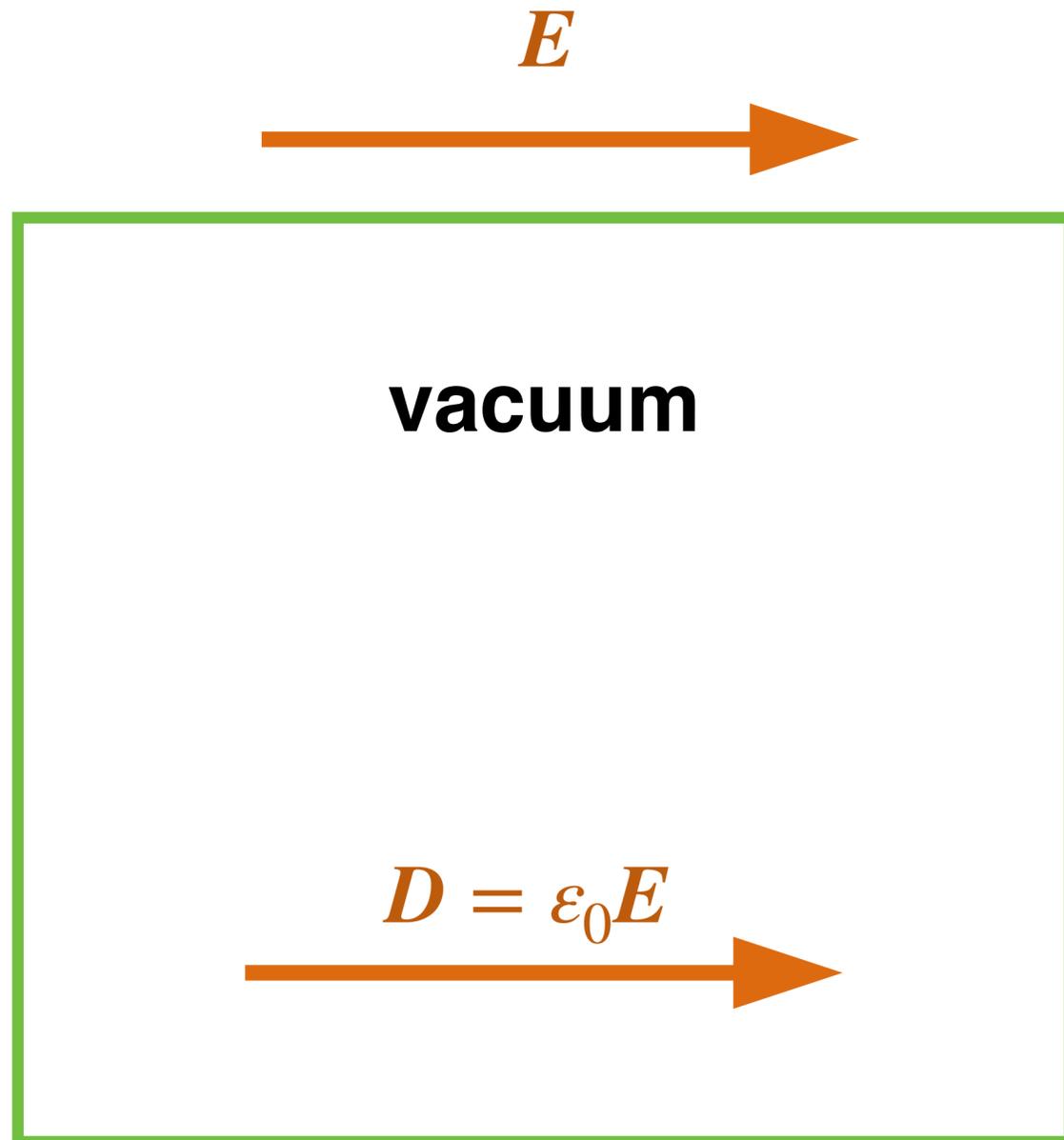
ϵ : permittivity [Fm^{-1}]

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$\kappa = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0}$: dielectric constant [dimensionless]

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Dielectric materials

- *See derivation of polarisation in terms of dielectric constant and susceptibility*

$$\mathbf{P} = \varepsilon_0 \mathbf{E}(\kappa - 1) = \varepsilon_0 \chi \mathbf{E}$$

Examples of dielectric materials

vacuum
(1)
air
(1.0006)
paper
(1.4)

glass
(3.7 – 10)



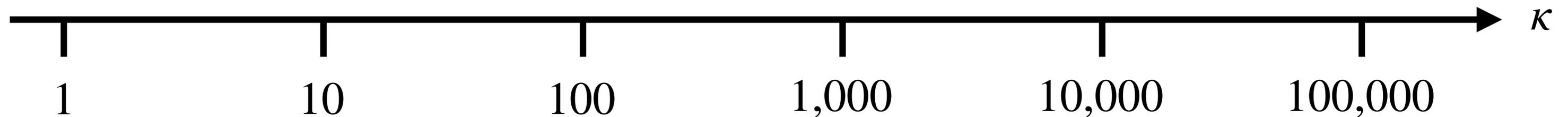
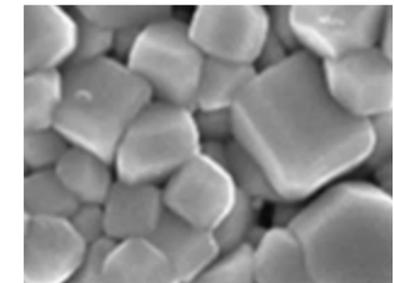
water
(50 – 90)



BaTiO₃
(1,200 – 10,000)

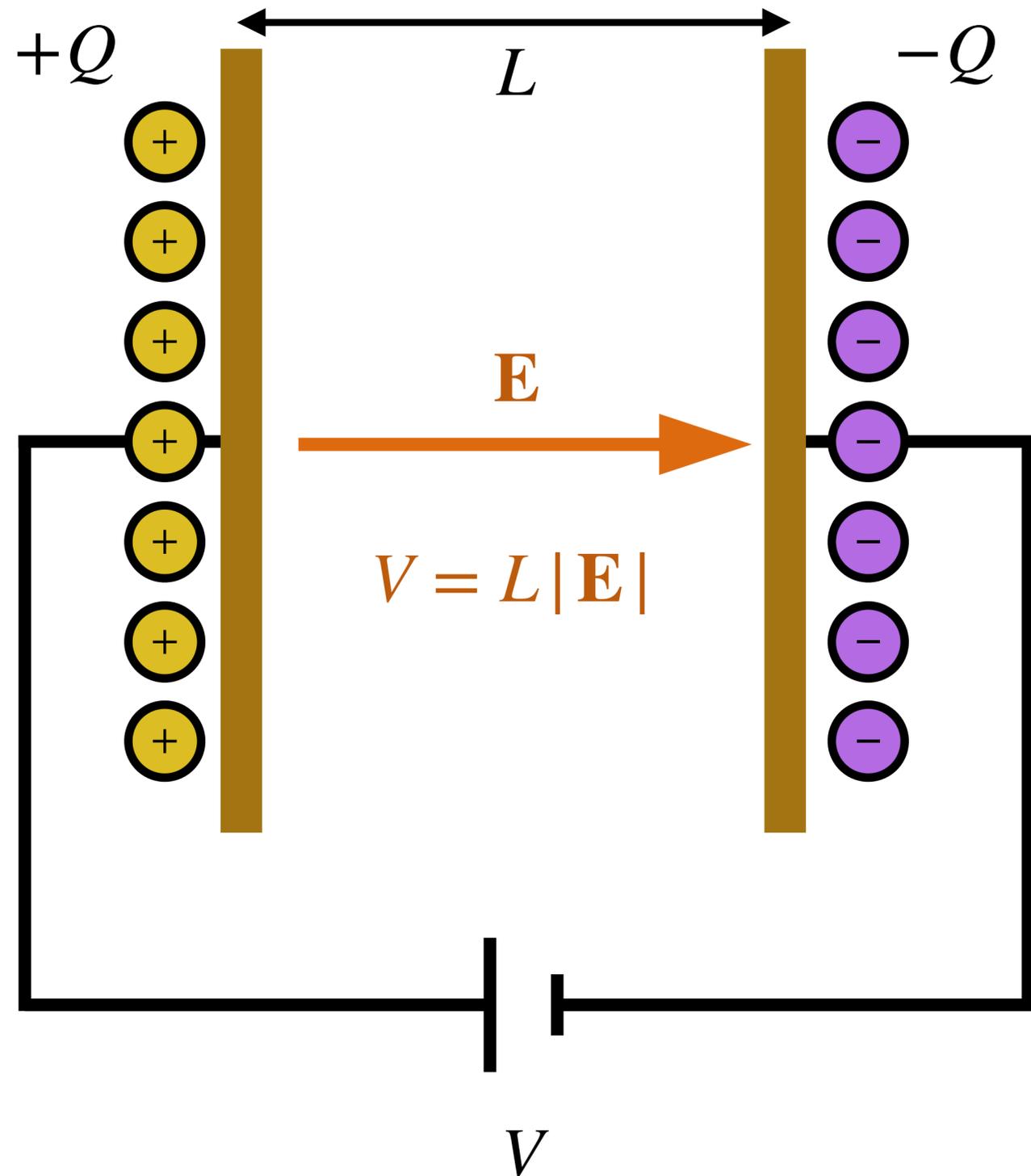


CaCu₃Ti₄O₁₂
(10,000 – 300,000)



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Parallel plate capacitor



▸ Capacitance

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} \quad [\text{F} = \text{C V}^{-1}]$$

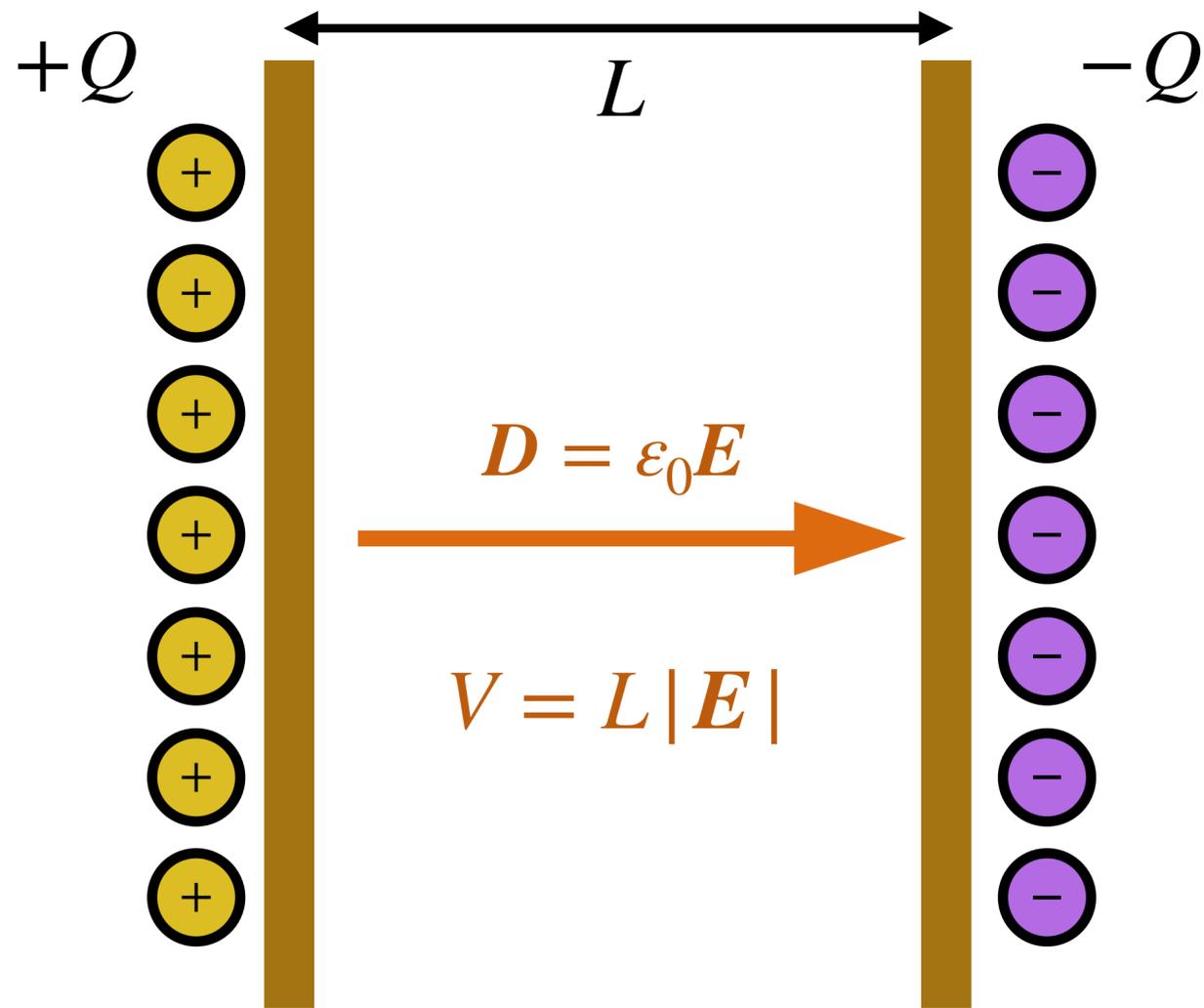
Charge density on parallel plate capacitor

- *See derivation in handout Appendix A (non-examinable)*

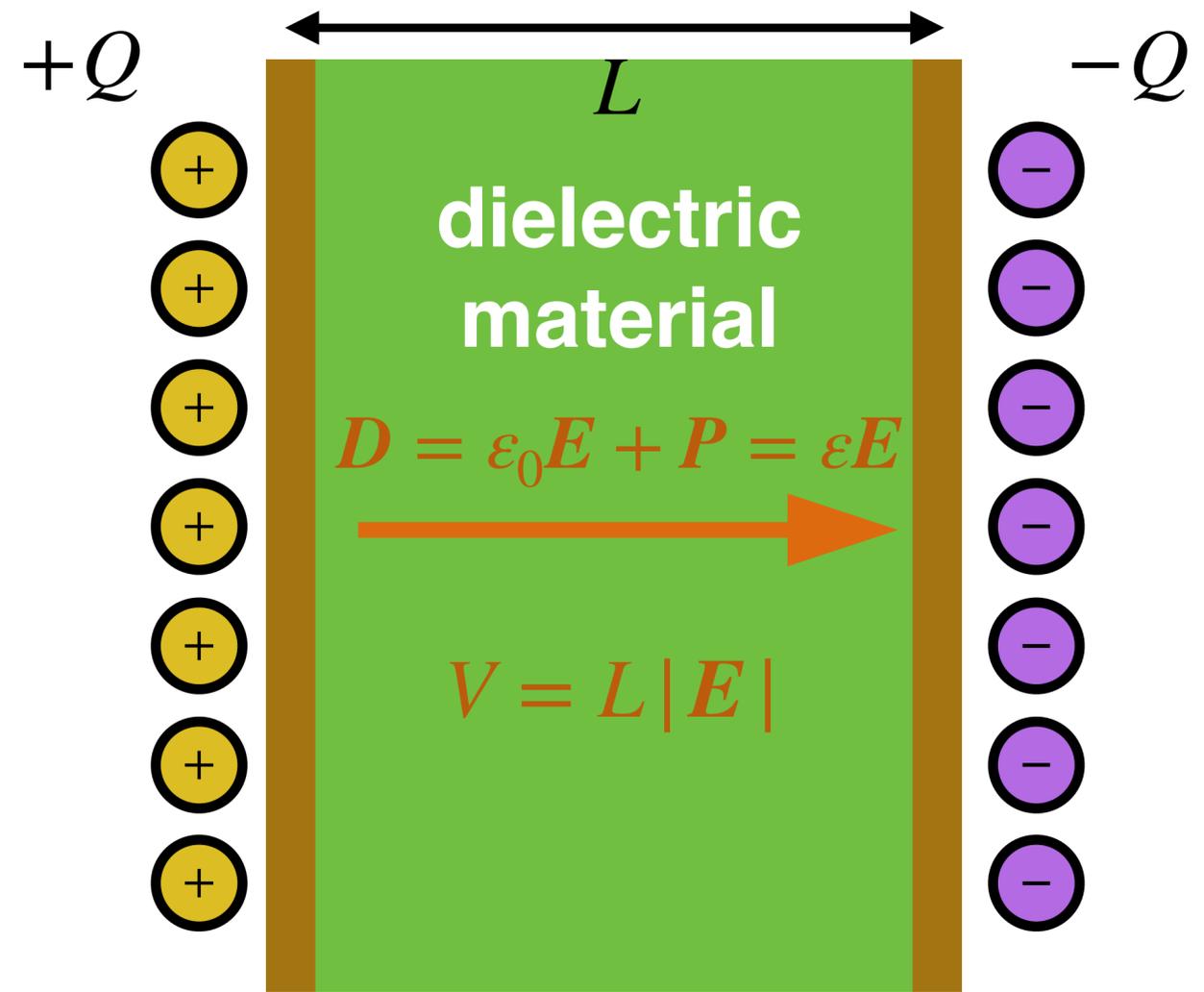
$$\sigma = \frac{Q_{\text{free}}}{A} = |\mathbf{D}|$$

$$[\text{C m}^{-2}]$$

Parallel plate capacitor

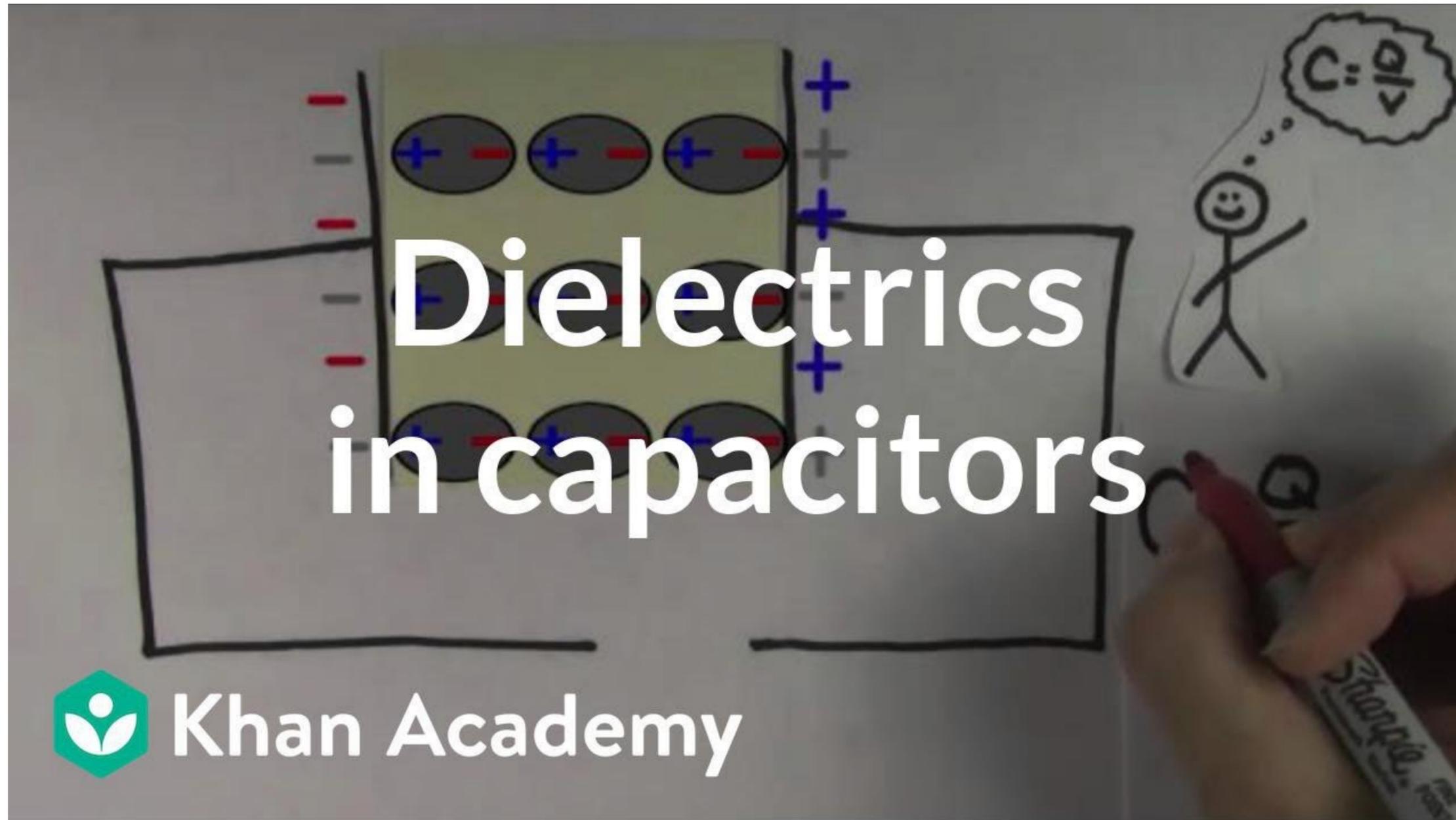


$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{L}$$



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Parallel plate capacitor: alternative explanation



Additional slides

Aside: Gauss's law

$$\Phi_D = Q_{\text{free}}$$

$$\Phi_D = \oint_S \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{A}$$

Φ_D : displacement field flux over closed surface S [C]

Q_{free} : total free charge enclosed by surface S [C]

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\mathbf{D} : displacement field [Cm^{-2}]

$d\mathbf{A}$: infinitesimal area element of surface S [m^2]