

## Solution to Sample Problem in Recitation 4

In this recitation, we will look at:

- Review:
  - Types of Work: Electric and Magnetic
  - Brief Review of Tensors
  - Elastic Tensors
  - Elastic Strain Energy
  - Note: Happy Meal Deal.....
- Questions regarding homework
- Sample Problems

### Problem 1

This problem was given as a Problem Set last year.

The bulk modulus,  $K$ , of an isotropic linear elastic solid is defined by the dilation,  $\frac{\Delta V}{V_0}$ , response to hydrostatic pressure,  $P$ :

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V_0} = \frac{V - V_0}{V_0} = -\frac{P}{K} \quad (1)$$

- Typical values of  $K$  for an ionic crystal are about  $100 \text{ GPa}$ .
- The electric permittivity of vacuum,  $\kappa_0$ , is  $8.85 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{C}^2}{\text{Jm}}$ . Typical values of the dielectric susceptibility,  $\chi$ , ( $\vec{P} = \kappa_0 \chi \vec{E}$ ), of an ionic crystal are about 50 (unitless).
- The magnetic permittivity of vacuum,  $\mu_0$ , is  $4 \pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{\text{T}^2}{\text{Jm}^3}$ . The magnetic susceptibility,  $\psi$  ( $\vec{I} = \mu \psi \vec{H}$ ), of a typical paramagnetic ionic crystal is about 10 (unitless).

Calculate all the ratios of: stored elastic energy, stored polarization energy and stored magnetic energy in a typical ionic crystal at  $1 \text{ atm}$ ,  $220 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}}$  and in earth's magnetic field.

**Solution:**

$V_0$  everywhere is given in  $m^3$ .

**Elastic work done on the system:**

- We know that  $W_{el} = - \int_{V_i}^{V_f} P dV$ . Additionally,  $\frac{\Delta V}{V_0} = -\frac{P}{\kappa}$  or  $\frac{\partial V}{\partial P} = -\frac{V_0}{K}$ . Using  $dV = \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} dP$  we get:

$$W_{el} = - \int_{V_i}^{V_f} P dV = - \int_{P_i}^{P_f} P \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} dP = - \int_{P_i}^{P_f} -P \frac{P V_0}{K} dP = \frac{P^2 V_0}{2 K} \quad (2)$$

Note that this IS NOT a constant pressure process. The total elastic work is:

$$W_{el} = \frac{P^2 V_0}{2 K} = \frac{(10^5 Pa)^2 V_0}{2 \cdot 10^{11} Pa} = 0.05 V_0 J \quad (3)$$

**Electric work done on the system:**

As this is an isotropic solid all the vector and tensor quantities can be treated as scalars. The polarization work done on the system is  $W_{pol} = \int_{D_i}^{D_f} V_0 E \cdot dD$ . Where  $D = \kappa_0(1 + \chi)E$  and  $dD = \kappa_0(1 + \chi)dE$ .

$$W_{pol} = \int_0^E V_0 \kappa_0(1 + \chi) E dE = \frac{V_0 \kappa_0(1 + \chi) E^2}{2} \quad (4)$$

$$W_{pol} = \frac{V_0 \cdot 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \frac{C^2}{Jm} (1 + 50) (220 \frac{V}{m})^2}{2} = 1.09 \times 10^{-5} V_0 J \quad (5)$$

**Magnetic work done on the system:**

We know that the magnetic field on earth's surface is  $10^{-4}T$ . The magnetic work done on the system is  $W_{mag} = \int_{B_i}^{B_f} V_0 H \cdot dB$ . Where  $B = \mu_0(1 + \psi)H$  and  $dB = \mu_0(1 + \psi)dH$ .

$$W_{mag} = \int_0^H V_0 \mu_0 (1 + \psi)H dH = \frac{V_0 \mu_0(1 + \psi) H^2}{2} \quad (6)$$

$$W_{mag} = \frac{V_0 \cdot 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \frac{J}{T^2 m^3} (1 + 10) (10^{-4}T)^2}{2} = 6.91 \times 10^{-14} V_0 J \quad (7)$$

Therefore:

$$\frac{W_{el}}{W_{pol}} = 4587 \quad (8)$$

and

$$\frac{W_{el}}{W_{mag}} = 7.24 \times 10^{11} \quad (9)$$