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Gaussian chain + Yukawa charges

large  $l_D$ : blob pole  $R_E \sim Nb (f^2 u)^{1/3}$

until  $l_D \sim N^{1/2} b$

from then on: semiflexible chain

$R_E \sim N^{1/2} l_D (f^2 u)^{1/3}$   $l_p \sim \frac{l_D^2}{\xi_d}$

excluded volume between "rods":  $l_p^2 l_D$

$$\# \text{ of rods} \sim \frac{R_E (b \text{ blob prob})}{l_p} \sim \frac{N b^2}{l_D^2}$$

total excluded volume: # rods  $\times$  excluded volume of rod

$$\frac{N b^2}{l_D^2} l_p^2 l_D \sim \frac{N b^2}{l_D} \frac{l_D^4}{f_{ex}^2} \sim N l_D^3 \frac{b^2}{b^2 (f^2 u)^{-2/3}} \sim$$

$$N l_D^3 (f^2 u)^{2/3}; \quad \text{total volume of chain:}$$

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$$R_E^3 \sim N^{3/2} l_D^3 (f^2 u)$$

fraction of excluded volume:  $\equiv$  probability for contact

$$\frac{N (f^2 u)^{2/3} l_D^3}{N^{3/2} (f^2 u) l_D^3} \sim N^{-1/2} (f^2 u)^{-1/3}$$

# rod-rod contacts: probability  $\times$  # of rods

$$\sim N^{-1/2} (f^2 u)^{-1/3} \frac{N b^2}{l_D^2} \sim N^{1/2} \frac{b^2}{l_D^2} (f^2 u)^{-1/3}$$

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excluded volume becomes important when this is  
of order one:

$$N^{1/2} \frac{b^2}{l_D^2} (f^2 n)^{-1/3} \sim 1$$

$$l_D \sim N^{1/4} b (f^2 n)^{-1/6}$$

$$R_E \sim A N^{\nu} \quad \nu = 0.588$$

for  $l_D$  smaller  
than this, one  
has SAW

behavior,  $R_E = ?$

$$\text{matching: } AN^\nu \stackrel{!}{=} N^{1/2} l_D (f^2 u)^{1/3}$$

$$\text{for } l_D = b N^{1/4} (f^2 u)^{-1/6} \quad \text{or}$$

$$N = \left( \frac{l_D}{b} \right)^4 (f^2 u)^{2/3}$$

$$A \left\{ \left( \frac{l_D}{b} \right)^4 (f^2 u)^{2/3} \right\}^\nu = \left( \frac{l_D}{b} \right)^2 (f^2 u)^{1/3} l_D (f^2 u)^{1/3}$$

$$A = l_D \left( \frac{l_D}{b} \right)^{2-4\nu} (f^2 u)^{(2-2\nu)/3}$$

$$\left[ R_E \sim l_D \left( \frac{b}{l_D} \right)^{4\nu-2} (f^2 u)^{(2-2\nu)/3} N^\nu \right]$$

decrease  $l_D$  further  $\Rightarrow$  finally,  $l_p$  is of order

$\xi_{el} \leadsto$  no notion of stiffness left!

$\leadsto$  "conventional" excluded volume from  
electrostatic repulsion between the blobs

$$l_p \sim \xi_{el} \Rightarrow \frac{l_D^2}{\xi_{el}} \sim \xi_{el} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{l_D \sim \xi_{el}}}$$

$$l_D \sim b (f^2 \eta)^{-1/3}$$

↙ look at 2nd virial coefficient  $v$  (dim: volume)

$$v = 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} dr r^2 \left\{ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{U(r)}{k_B T}\right) \right\}$$

in our case:  $U$  is weak  $U/k_B T \ll 1$

$$v \approx 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} dr r^2 \frac{U(r)}{k_B T} = 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} dr r^2 \frac{l_B f^2}{r} e^{-\kappa r} =$$

$$= 2\pi f^2 l_B \int_0^{\infty} dr r e^{-\kappa r} = \langle x \rangle \kappa v$$

$$= 2\pi f^2 l_B l_D^2 \int_0^{\infty} dx x e^{-x}$$

$$v \sim l_D^2 b f^2 u$$

"competition" between  $b$  and  $v^{1/3}$

## Flory theory

$$\frac{F}{k_B T} \sim \frac{R_E^2}{N b^2} + v \left( \frac{N}{R_E^3} \right)^2 \quad R_E^3 = \frac{R_E^2}{N b^2} + v \frac{N^2}{R_E^3}$$

entropic  
elasticity

concentration

$$R_E \sim N^{1/2} b \propto \swarrow \text{swelling factor}$$



$$\uparrow \quad \alpha^2 + \nu N^{1/2} \frac{1}{b^3 \alpha^3} \stackrel{!}{=} \text{Min. wrt } \alpha$$

$$z := \frac{\nu}{b^3} N^{1/2} \quad \text{solvent strength}$$

$$\alpha^2 + \frac{z}{\alpha^3} \stackrel{!}{=} \text{Min.}$$

$$2\alpha - 3z\alpha^{-4} = 0$$

$$\alpha \sim z^{1/5}$$

$$R_E \sim b N^{1/2} z^{1/5} \\ \sim b N^{1/2} \left( \frac{\nu}{b^3} N^{1/2} \right)^{1/5}$$

Correct exponent of  $z$  is  $2\nu - 1$

$$R_E \sim b N^{1/2} z^{2\nu - 1}$$

in our case  $z \sim N^{1/2} \frac{1}{b^3} \ell_D^2 b (f^2 u)$

$$\sim N^{1/2} \left( \frac{\ell_D}{b} \right)^2 (f^2 u)$$

$$R_E \sim b N^\nu \left\{ \left( \frac{\ell_D}{b} \right)^2 (f^2 u) \right\}^{2\nu - 1}$$

$l_D \downarrow$ : finally, interaction becomes so weak that it does not even swell the chain,

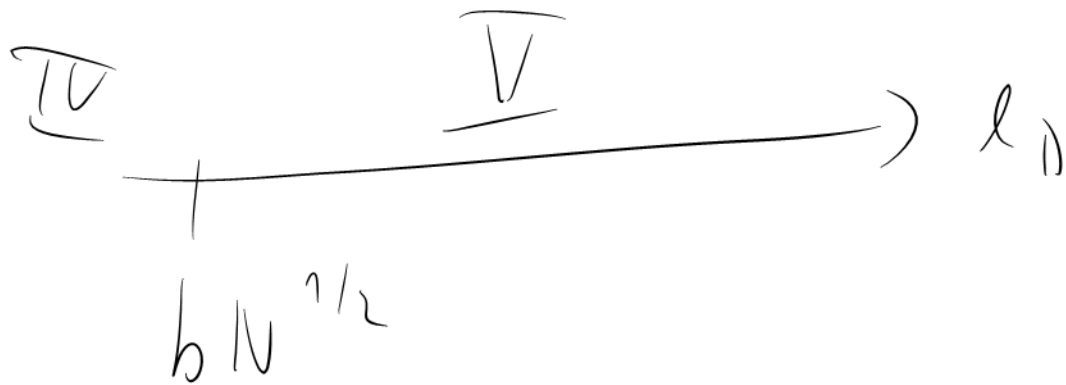
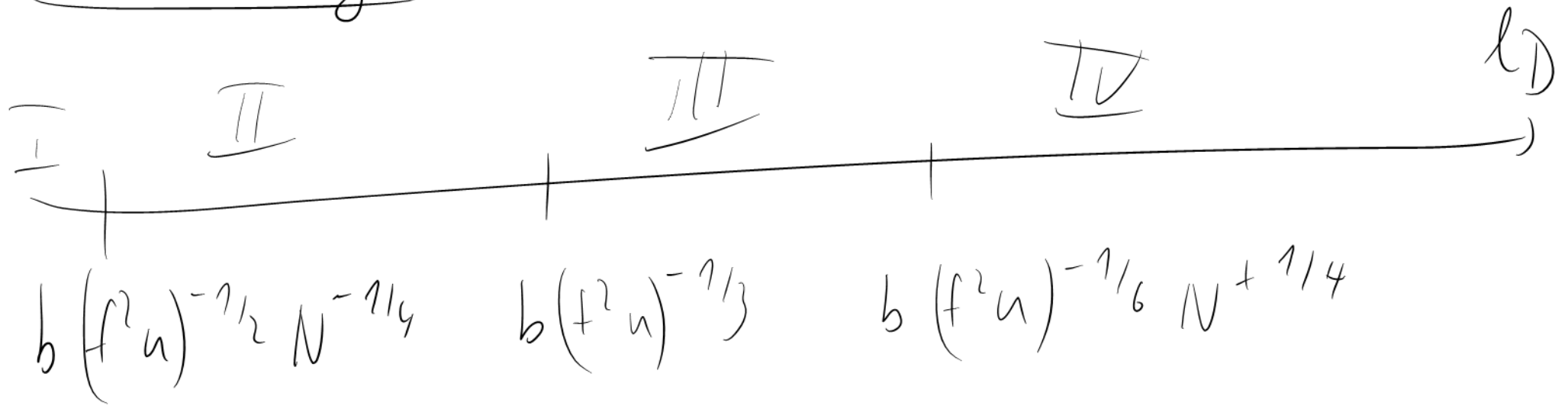
This happens at  $z \sim 1$  or

$$N^{1/2} \left( \frac{l_D}{b} \right)^2 (f^2 u) \sim 1 \quad \text{or}$$

$$l_D \sim b (f^2 u)^{-1/2} N^{-1/4}$$

if  $l_D$  is smaller than that  $\rightarrow$  unperturbed RW  
 $R_E \sim b N^{1/2}$

# Summary



I, unperturbed RW  $R_E \sim b N^{1/2}$

II, electrostatic swelling

$$R_E \sim b N^\nu \left[ (f^2 u) \left( \frac{l_D}{b} \right)^2 \right]^{2\nu-1}$$

III, electrostatic swelling + el. st. stiffening

$$R_E \sim l_D N^\nu \left[ (f^2 u)^{2/3} \right]^{1-\nu} \left( \frac{b}{l_D} \right)^{4\nu-2}$$

IV. semiplanarlike chain

$$R_E \sim b D N^{1/2} (f^2 u)^{1/3}$$

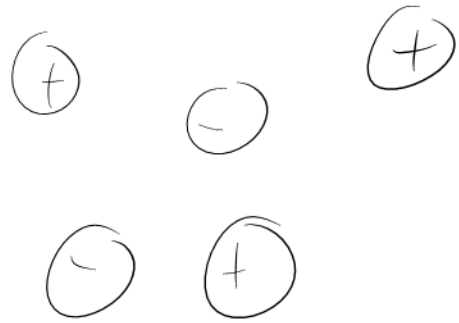
V. bob pole

$$R_E \sim b N (f^2 u)^{1/3}$$

# 14. Electrokinetics

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fluid



various ionic  
species

floating around

thermal energy  $k_B T$

solvent dielectric constant  $\epsilon$

" viscosity  $\eta$

ionic species  $a$

concentrations  $c_a$

ionic diffusion constant  $D_a$

Einstein  $\mu_a = \frac{D_a}{k_B T}$

valency  $z_a$

Poisson equation for electrostatic potential  $\phi$

$$-\nabla^2 \phi = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_a z_a e C_a \quad (\text{Eq 1})$$

$\vec{v}$ : velocity flow field of the fluid

current density of species  $a$ :  $\vec{j}_a$



$$\vec{j}_a = -D_a \vec{\nabla} c_a - \frac{D_a}{k_B T} z_a e c_a \vec{\nabla} \phi + c_a \vec{v}$$

diffusive current
drift velocity due to electric force
convective current from the flow field

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} c_a + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}_a = 0$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} c_a + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (c_a \vec{v}) = D_a \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left\{ \vec{\nabla} c_a + \frac{z_a e}{k_B T} c_a \vec{\nabla} \phi \right\} \right) \quad (\text{EK2})$$

convection-diffusion eq. / Nernst-Planck eq.

fluid flow is incompressible:  $\boxed{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v} = 0}$  (Eq 3)

dynamics of fluid: Navier-Stokes

$$\frac{\partial (\rho \vec{v})}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} (\rho \vec{v} \otimes \vec{v})}_{\text{convective stress}} = - \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \rho}_{\text{pressure}} + \eta \underbrace{\vec{\nabla}^2 \vec{v}}_{\text{viscous dissipation}}$$

mass density

convective stress

pressure

viscous dissipation

(Eq 4)

$$- e \vec{\nabla} \phi \sum_a z_a c_a$$

electric force

$(\bar{E}k\eta) - (\bar{F}k\eta)$  : "electrokinetic equations"

Equilibrium :  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\dots) = 0$      $\vec{v} = 0$

Navier-Stokes : just an equation for the pressure  $p$   
"hydrostatics"  $\rightarrow$  uninteresting

Poisson + Nernst-Planck :

$$\underbrace{-\vec{\nabla}^2 \phi = \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) \sum_c z_c e c_c} \quad \vec{E}^c = -\vec{\nabla} \phi$$

Current is zero

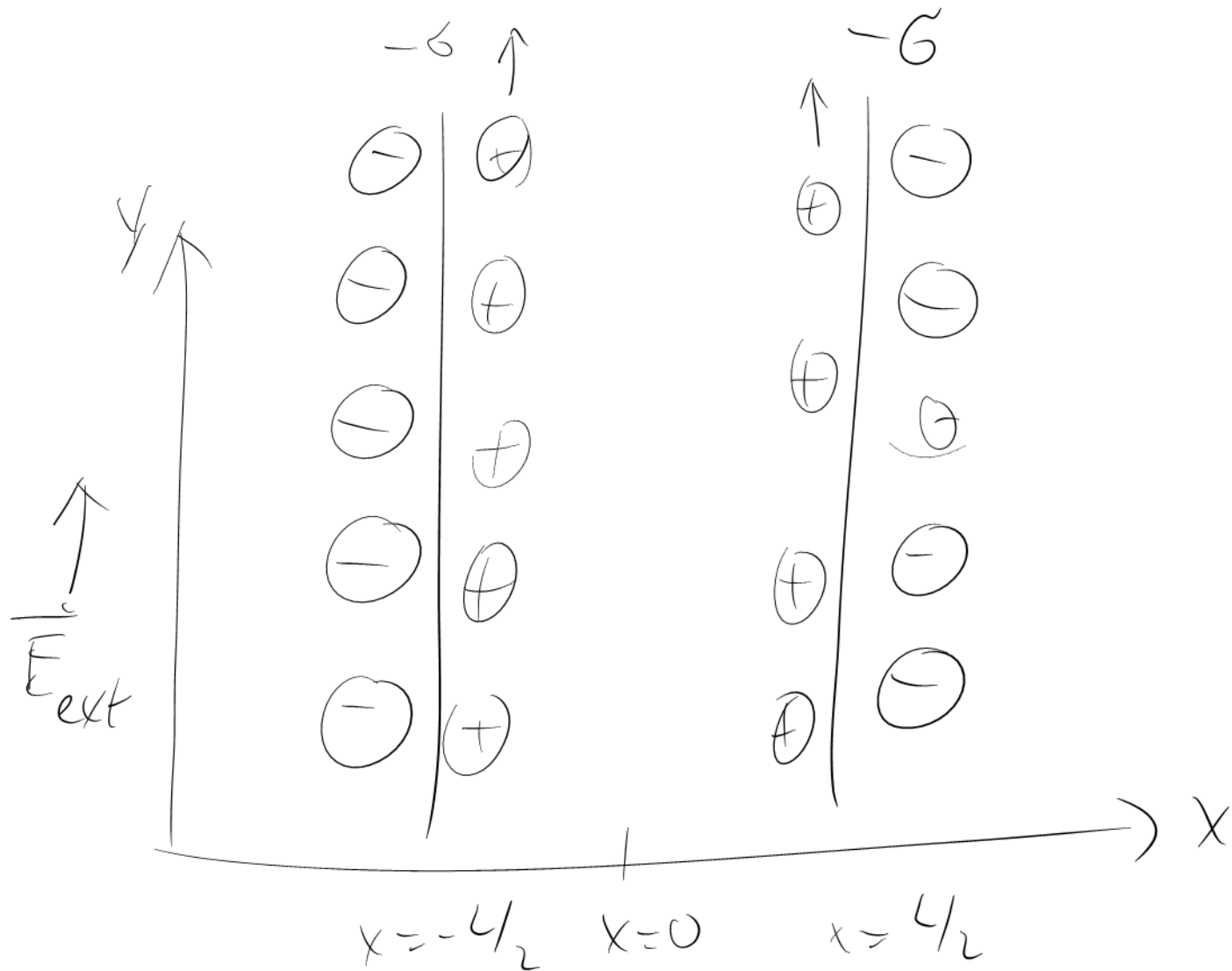
$$\vec{\nabla} c_a + \frac{z_a e}{k_B T} c_a \vec{\nabla} \phi = 0 \quad | : c_a$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \ln c_a = - \frac{z_a e}{k_B T} \vec{E}$$

~ this is the (nonlinear) Poisson-Boltzmann eq. !  
~ (EK 1) - (EK 4) is dynamic generalization of Poisson-Boltzmann theory !

# Electro-osmotic flow

$\sigma$ : charge density



$$\vec{E} = \vec{E}_{\text{ext}} + \vec{E}_{\text{ext}}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}_{\text{ext}} = 0 \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}_{\text{ext}} = 0$$

$$\vec{v} = v(x) \hat{e}_y \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} c_a \propto \hat{e}_x$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (c_a \vec{v}) = \underbrace{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla} c_a}_0 + c_a \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\left( \partial / \partial t \right) c_a = 0$$

Poisson:  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}_{\text{int}} = \left(1/\epsilon\right) \sum_a z_a e c_a$

Nernst - Planck:

$$0 = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left\{ \vec{\nabla} c_a - \frac{z_a e}{k_B T} c_a (\vec{E}_{\text{int}} + \vec{E}_{\text{ext}}) \right\}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (c_a \vec{E}_{\text{ext}}) = 0 \quad (\text{analogous to } \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\epsilon_a \vec{v}))$$

$\leadsto$  Poisson + Nernst - Planck identical to equilibrium

→ first, solve PBE →  $\vec{E}_{int}, \epsilon_a$

Suppose this is done → int, NS

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho \vec{v}) = 0, \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho \vec{v} \otimes \vec{v}) = 0$$

$\hat{e}_x$  ↓  $\parallel \hat{e}_y$

$$\vec{\nabla} p = \vec{\nabla} p_{int} + \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} p_{ext}}_{=0}$$

↓  
 $p_{int}(x)$

no external pressure  
applied



$$0 = \underbrace{-\overset{\sim}{\nabla} p_{int}}_{\parallel \hat{e}_x} - \underbrace{\overset{\sim}{\nabla} p_{ext}}_0 + \underbrace{\eta \overset{\sim}{\nabla}^2 \underline{v}}_{\parallel \hat{e}_y} + \underbrace{(\underline{F}_{int} + \underline{F}_{ext})}_{\parallel \hat{e}_x} \sum_a e z_a c_a$$

$\underline{F}_{int} \leftrightarrow \overset{\sim}{\nabla} p_{int}$  uninteresting hydrostatics

$$0 = \eta \overset{\sim}{\nabla}^2 \underline{v} + \underline{F}_{ext} \sum_a e z_a c_a$$

$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{dx^2} v = \frac{\underline{F}_{ext}}{\eta} \sum_a e z_a c_a \right]$$

cf. with Poisson:

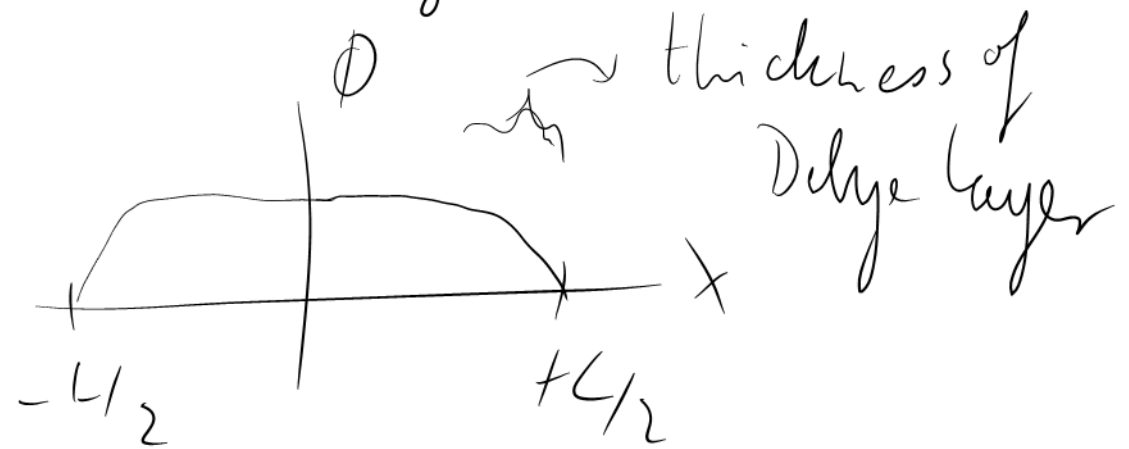
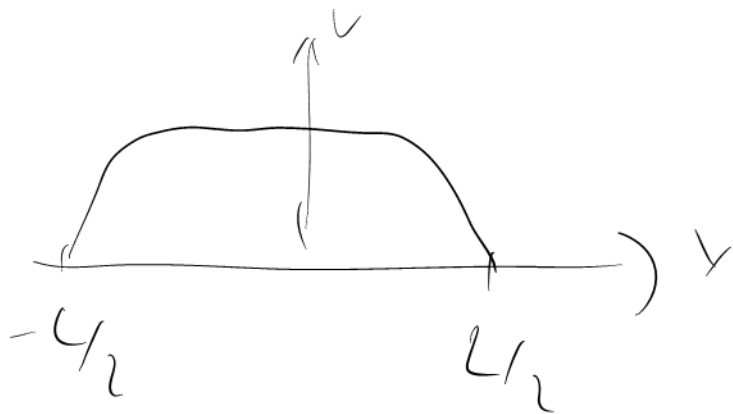
$$-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \phi = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_a e z_a c_a$$

same eq.  $\rightarrow$

same solution

Stick boundary cond.  $v(\text{boundary}) = 0$

normalize  $\phi$   $\phi(\text{boundary}) = 0$



$$V = \frac{F_{\text{ext}} \epsilon}{\eta} \phi$$

$\phi$  is just the  
PBE solution

strong screening  $\lambda_D \ll L$

$\rightarrow$  profile in the center is flat

Introduce Zeta Potential

$$\zeta \equiv \phi(\text{center}) - \phi(\text{boundary})$$

$$v(\text{center}) = \frac{F_{\text{ext}} \varepsilon}{\eta}$$

electro-osmotic mobility

$$\mu = \frac{v(\text{center})}{e F_{\text{ext}}} = \frac{\varepsilon f}{e \eta}$$