

### Special Problem 5-3.5

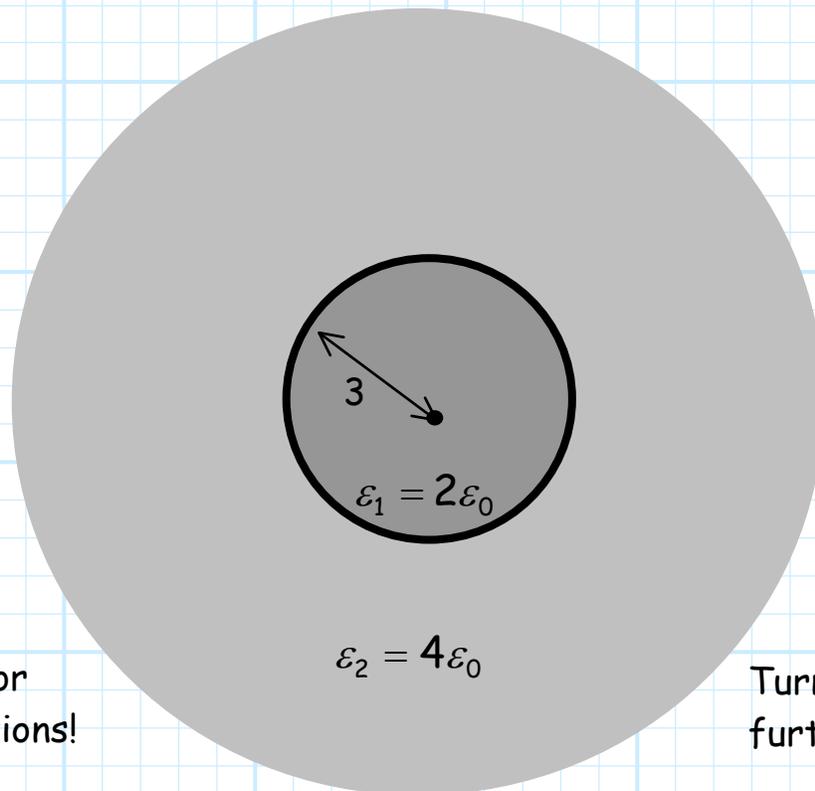
Shown below is the **cross-section** of a spherical structure that is centered at the origin. The center region (region 1) is a **sphere** made of material with  $\epsilon_r = 2$  and has a **radius of 3 meters**. The electric field in region 1 is known to be (note it's a function of coordinate  $r$ ):

$$\mathbf{E}_1(\bar{r}) = \frac{r}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{a}_r \quad [V/m]$$

Surrounding the sphere of region 1 is material with  $\epsilon_r = 4$ . The electric field within this second region is known to have the form (note it's also a function of coordinate  $r$ ):

$$\mathbf{E}_2(\bar{r}) = \frac{\alpha}{12\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{a}_r \quad [V/m]$$

where the value  $\alpha$  is an unknown numerical **constant** (e.g., 12.4 or -37.6).



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In **region 1**, determine:

- 1) the **volume polarization charge density** within the inner sphere (i.e.,  $r < 3$ ).

For **region 2**, apply the **electric boundary conditions** at the material interface to determine:

- 2) the **electric field**  $\mathbf{E}_2(\vec{r})$  (i.e., determine constant  $\alpha$ ).
- 3) the **electric flux density**  $\mathbf{D}_2(\vec{r})$ .