Charged Conductor at Equilibrium (2)



- Now place a point charge q near the charged conductor.
- The electric field produced by q causes a further rearrangement of mobile surface charges until we have again $\vec{E}=0$ in the interior.
- Locally, the electric field \vec{E} is perpendicular to the surface of the conductor, and its magnitude is proportional to the charge per unit area: $E = \sigma/\epsilon_0$.

