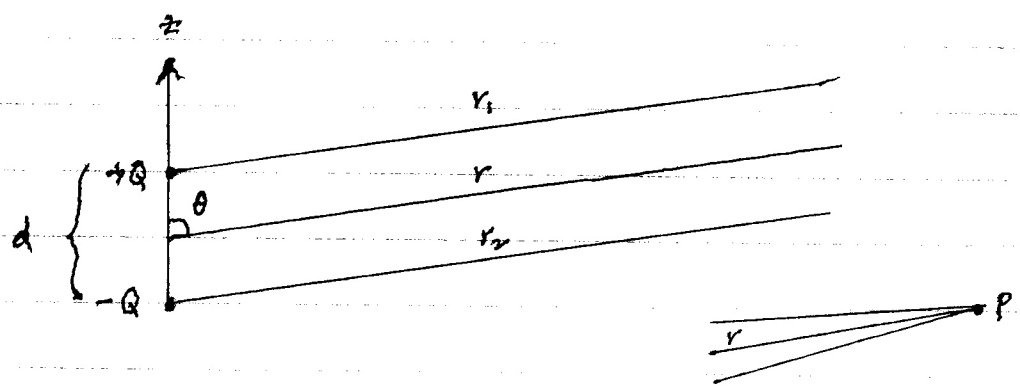


3 ways of finding \vec{E} ? answer in chat window.

- 1. Coulomb's law
- 2. Gauss's law
- 3. $\vec{E} = -\nabla V$

electric dipole

defn: dipole = 2 charges of equal magnitude but of opposite sign separated by a distance d .



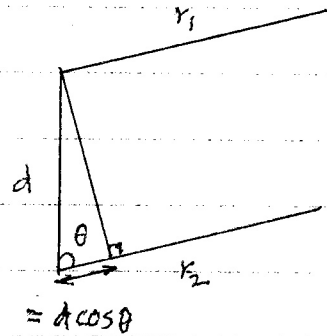
potentials due to pt charges:

$$V^+ = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{1}{r_1} \quad [V]$$

$$V^- = \frac{-Q}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{1}{r_2} \quad [V]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow V &= V^+ + V^- = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon} \left(\frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{r_2} \right) \\ &= \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon} \left(\frac{r_2 - r_1}{r_1 r_2} \right) \quad [V] \end{aligned}$$

for $r \gg d$:



$$\therefore r_2 - r_1 \cong d \cos \theta \quad \rightarrow d \cos \theta < d \ll r$$

$$r_1 r_2 \cong r^2$$

pot becomes:

$$V \cong \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{d \cos \theta}{r^2} \quad [V]$$

* find \vec{E} for dipole: $-\frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \hat{a}_r - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} \hat{a}_\theta$

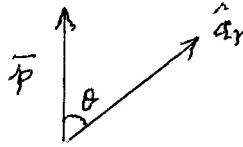
interestingly,

	V	E
pt charge (monopole)	$1/r$	$1/r^2$
dipole (2 mono's)	$1/r^2$	$1/r^3$
quadrupole (2 di's)	$1/r^3$	$1/r^4$
octupole (2 quads)	$1/r^4$	$1/r^5$

defn: dipole moment = $\vec{p} = Q\vec{d}$ [C.m]

magnitude of \vec{p} : $p = Qd$

→ $Qd \cos \theta = \vec{p} \cdot \hat{a}_r$ because θ is angle btwn \vec{p} & \hat{a}_r



using \vec{p} :

$$V = \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \hat{a}_r}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \quad [V]$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{p}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} (2\cos\theta \hat{a}_r + \sin\theta \hat{a}_\theta) \quad [V/m]$$

\vec{E} always points from higher to lower potential

\vec{E} & V lines always perpendicular to each other

for dipole \vec{E} looks like a toroid

dipole for prostate cancer - $E \propto \frac{1}{r^3}$

