

Tuesday January 21

Important Dates

Unit 1

Assignment 1.1 - **Thursday**

Assignment 1.2 - Thursday January 30

Assignment 1.3 - Tuesday February 4

Unit 1 Exam - Thursday February 6

Quiz Thursday

Coulomb's Law

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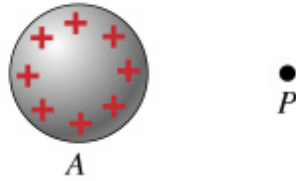
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The Electric Field



(a) How does charged body A exert a force on charged body B?

The Electric Field



(b) Remove body B and label its former position as P

Recall Coulomb's Law

$$\vec{F} = k \frac{q_0 q}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

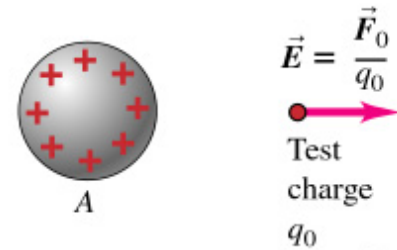
Rewrite as...

$$\vec{F} = q_0 \left(k \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r} \right)$$



This is the Electric Field
vector (due to charge q) at
the location of charge q_0

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(c) Body A sets up an electric field \vec{E} at point P :

\vec{E} is the force per unit charge exerted by A on a test charge at P

E units: N/C

E-Field Vector

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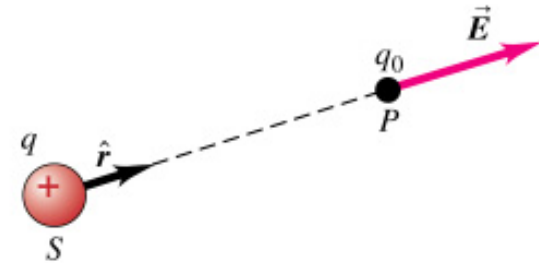
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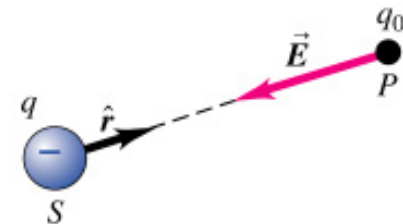
This is the Electric Field Due to a Point Charge



(a) Unit vector \hat{r} points from source point S to field point P



(b) At each point P , the electric field set up by an isolated *positive* point charge q points directly *away* from the charge in the *same* direction as \hat{r}



(c) At each point P , the electric field set up by an isolated *negative* point charge q points directly *toward* from the charge in the *opposite* direction from \hat{r}

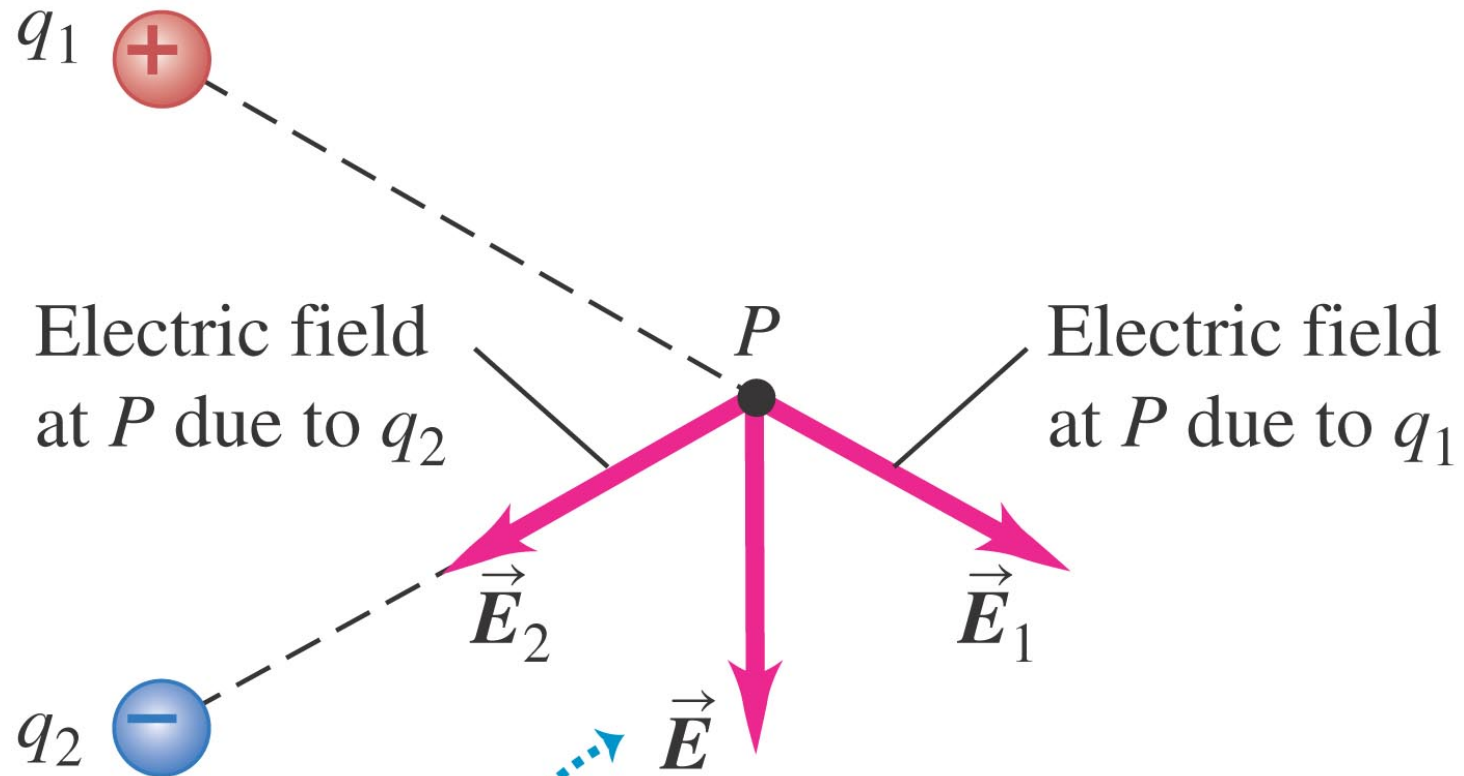
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The total electric field \vec{E} at point P is the vector sum of \vec{E}_1 and \vec{E}_2 .

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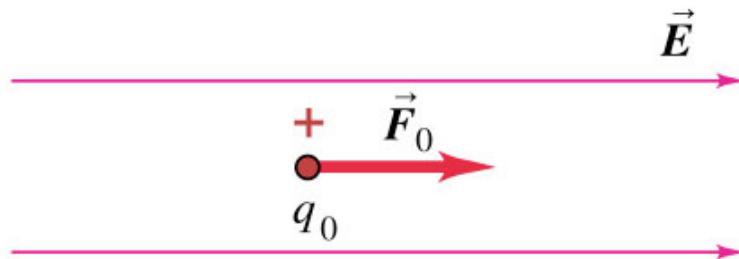
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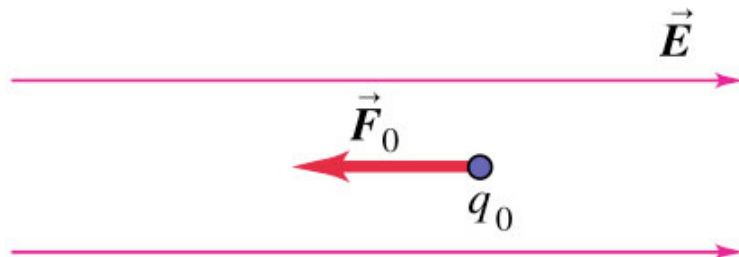


Electric Field and Force Vector



(a) Positive charge q_0 placed in an electric field: force on q_0 is in same direction as \vec{E}

$$\vec{F} = q_0 \vec{E}$$



(b) Negative charge q_0 placed in an electric field: force on q_0 is in opposite direction from \vec{E}

Continuous Charge Distributions

Charge Distributions

- Linear Charge Density (λ)

$$\lambda = \frac{Q}{L} \quad \text{charge/length}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{dQ}{dL}$$

- Surface Charge Density (σ)

$$\sigma = \frac{Q}{A} \quad \text{charge/area}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{dQ}{dA}$$

- Volume Charge Density (ρ)

$$\rho = \frac{Q}{V} \quad \text{charge/volume}$$

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Electric Field Due to a Continuous Charge Distribution

Charged Ring

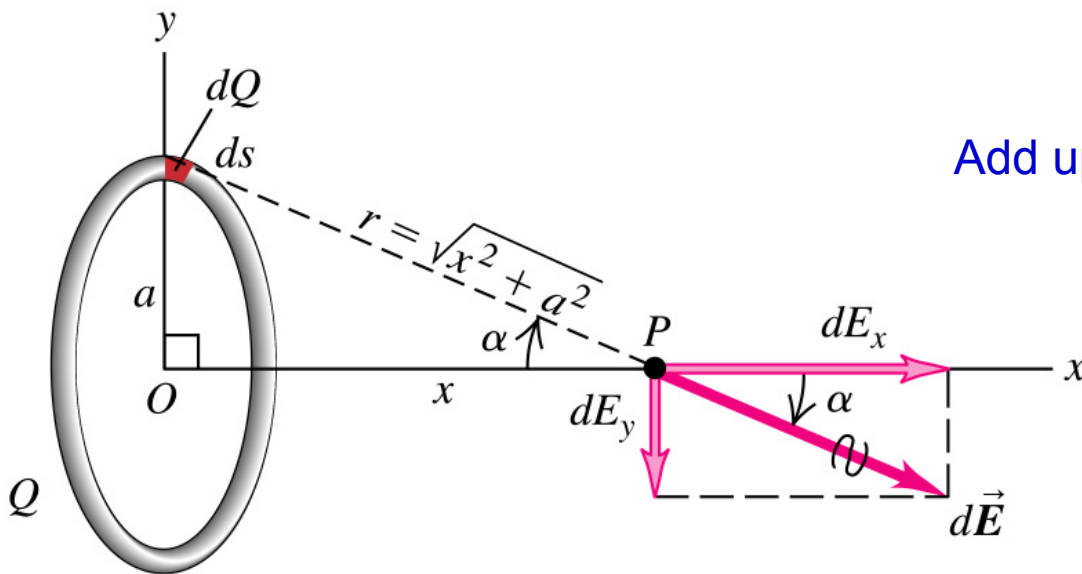
Consider a 'tiny' part of the ring, dQ .

Calculate the field at P due to dQ .

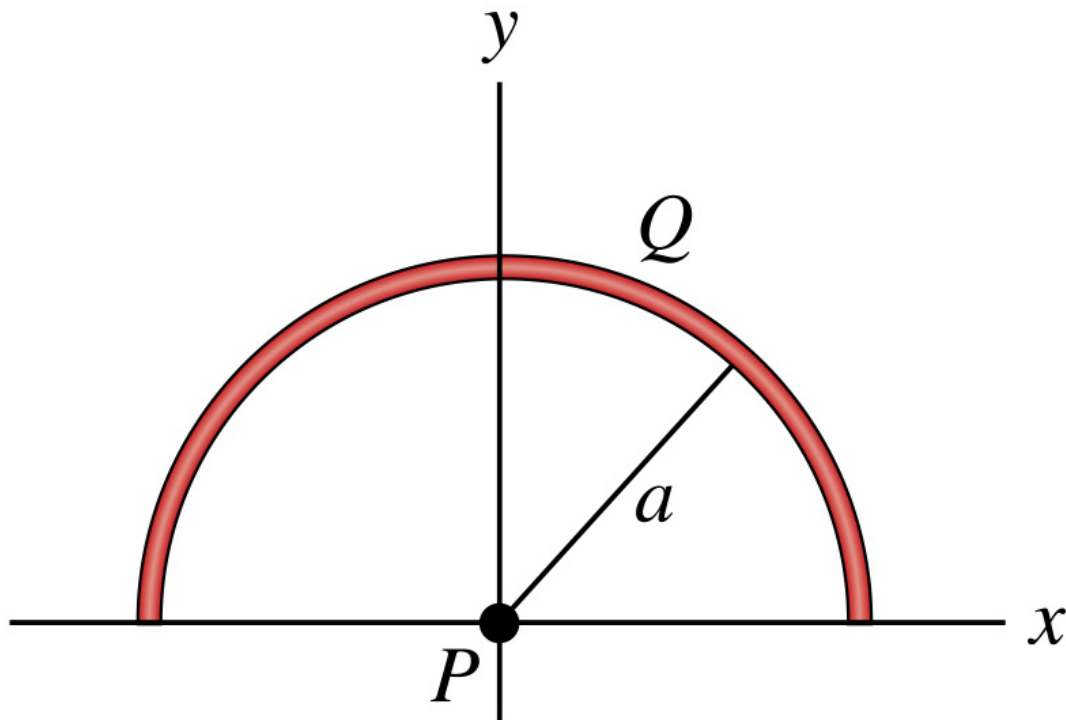
$$dE = |dE| = k \frac{|dQ|}{r^2}$$

Add up (integrate) these 'tiny' bits.

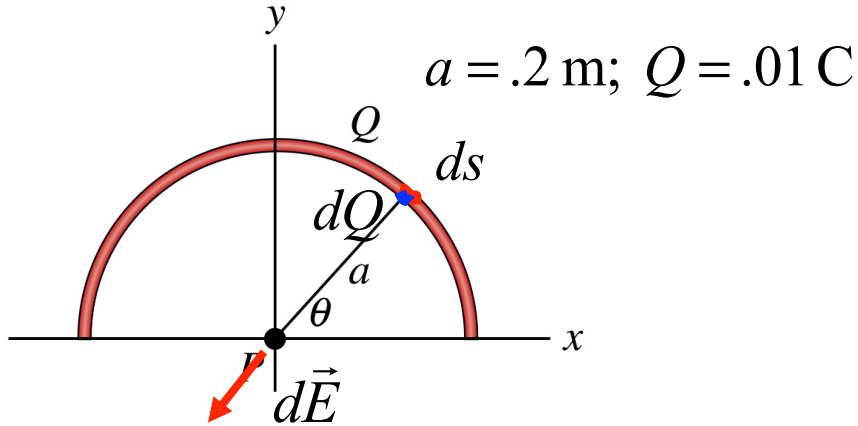
$$E = \int dE$$



Electric Field Due to a Continuous Charge Distribution



If Q is $+0.01$ C and a is 0.2 m, what is \vec{E} at P ?



$$\lambda = \frac{Q}{\pi a} = \frac{dQ}{ds} \Rightarrow dQ = \lambda ds$$

$$dE_y = -k \frac{\lambda ds}{a^2} \sin \theta$$

$$ds = a d\theta$$

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$$E_y = \int dE_y = -k \frac{\lambda}{a} \int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$E_y = -k \frac{\lambda}{a} (-\cos \pi - -\cos 0) = -k \frac{\lambda}{a} (1 + 1)$$

$$E_y = -2k \frac{\lambda}{a} = -2k \frac{Q}{\pi a^2}$$

$$\vec{E} = (E_y) \hat{j} = -2k \frac{Q}{\pi a^2} \hat{j}$$

$$|d\vec{E}| = k \frac{|dQ|}{a^2}$$

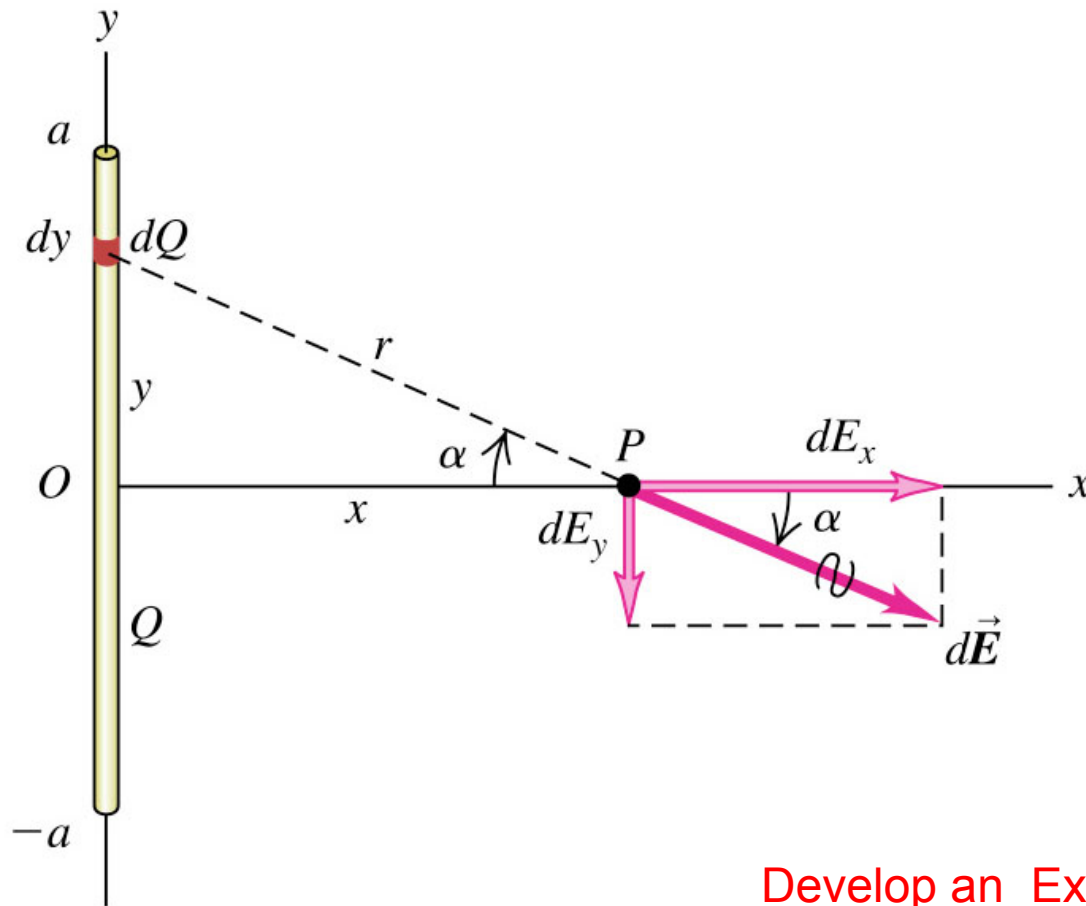
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$$dE_y = -dE \sin \theta = -k \frac{|dQ|}{a^2} \sin \theta$$

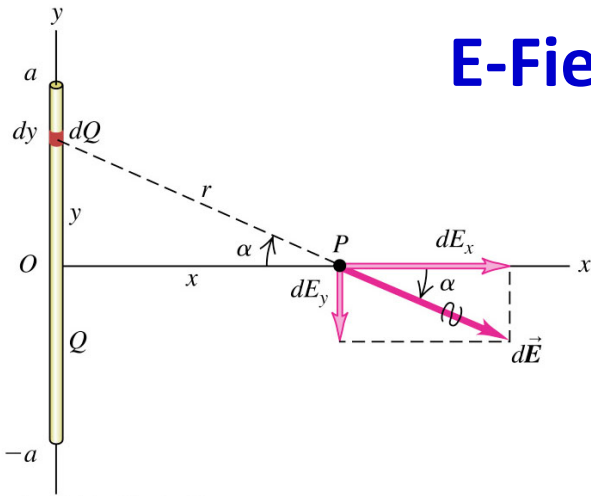
E-Field Due to a Charged Rod



Develop an Expression for E .

Try this one on your own...

E-Field Due to a Charged Rod



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$$dE_x = dE(\cos\alpha) = k \frac{|dQ|}{r^2} \cos\alpha$$

$$\lambda = \frac{dQ}{dy} = \frac{Q}{2a} \Rightarrow dQ = \frac{Qdy}{2a}$$

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$$r = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}; \quad \cos\alpha = \frac{x}{r}$$

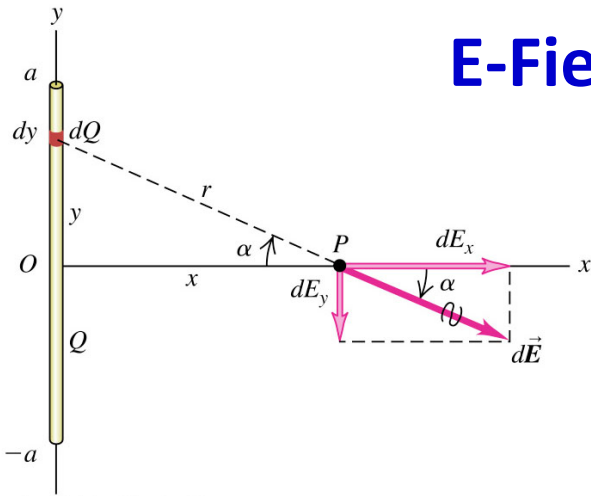
$$dE_x = k \frac{Qdy}{2a(x^2 + y^2)} \frac{x}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$dE_x = \frac{kQx}{2a} \frac{dy}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$E_x = \int dE_x = \frac{kQx}{2a} \int_{-a}^a \frac{dy}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}}$$

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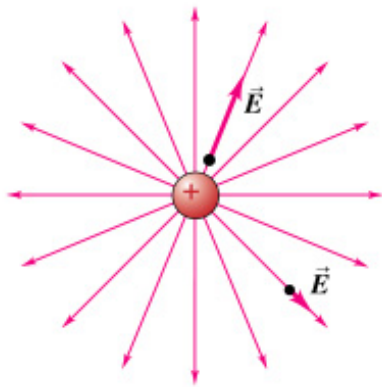
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$$\left[\frac{y}{x^2(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}} \right]_{-a}^a = \frac{a}{x^2(x^2 + a^2)^{1/2}} - \frac{-a}{x^2(x^2 + (-a)^2)^{1/2}}$$

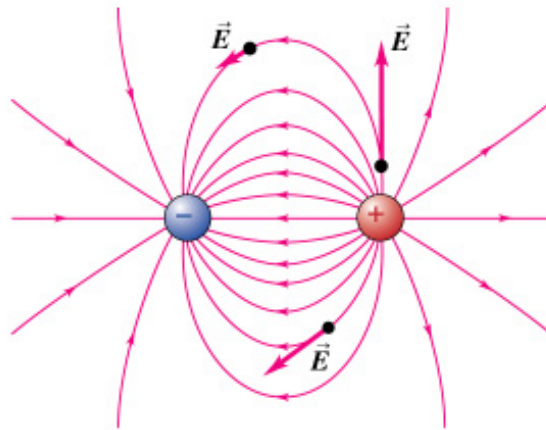
$$E_x = \frac{kQx}{2a} \frac{2a}{x^2(x^2 + a^2)^{1/2}} \quad E_x = \frac{kQ}{x(x^2 + a^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\vec{E} = (E_x)\hat{i} + (E_y)\hat{j} = \left(\frac{kQ}{x(x^2 + a^2)^{1/2}} \right) \hat{i}$$

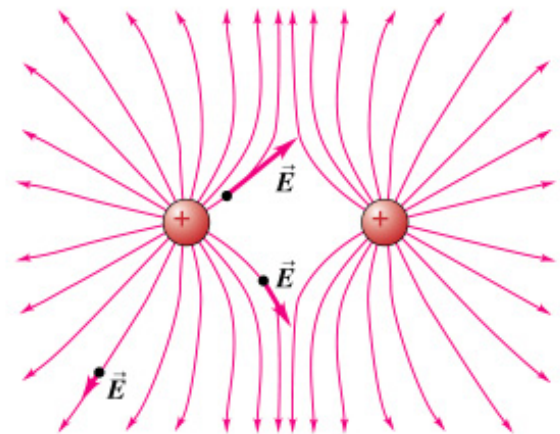
E-Field Lines



(a) A single positive charge
(compare Figure 21.16)



(b) A positive charge and a negative charge
of equal magnitude (an electric dipole)



(c) Two equal positive charges

Electric Field Lines

...The Rules

Electric Fields can be represented by lines/curves.

The local direction of the field line(s) is the direction of the electric field at that point.

The direction of the electric field line gives the direction of the force on a positively charged particle at that point.

The 'density' of the field lines is proportional to the strength of the electric field.

Electric Field lines begin on positive charges and end on negative charges.

Electric Field Lines never cross.

What would it mean if they did?

Lab #2

Electric Field Lines