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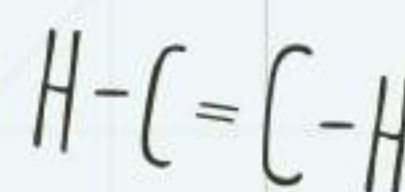
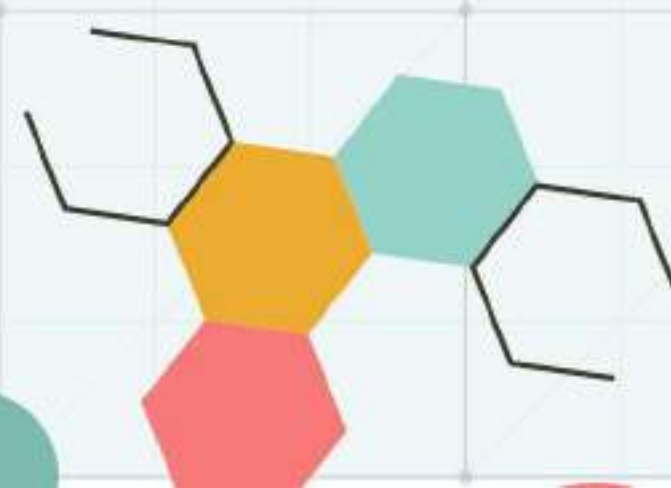
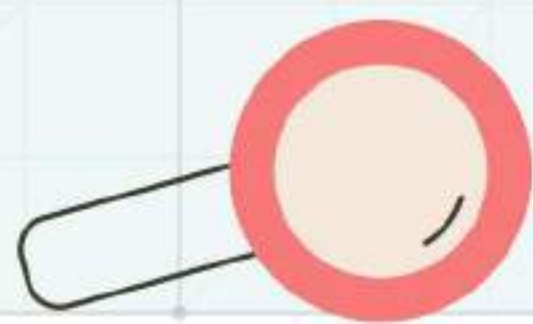
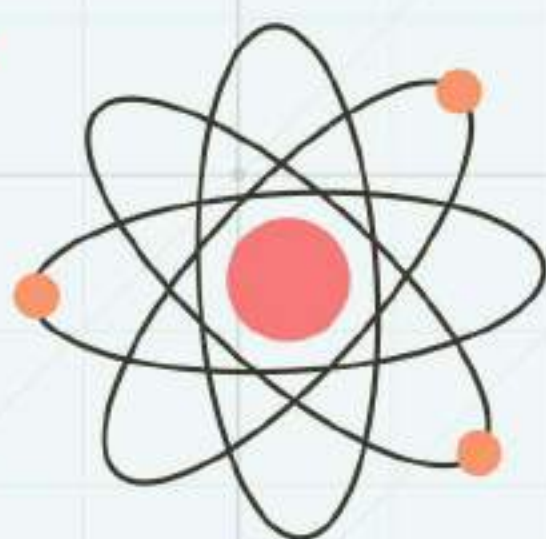
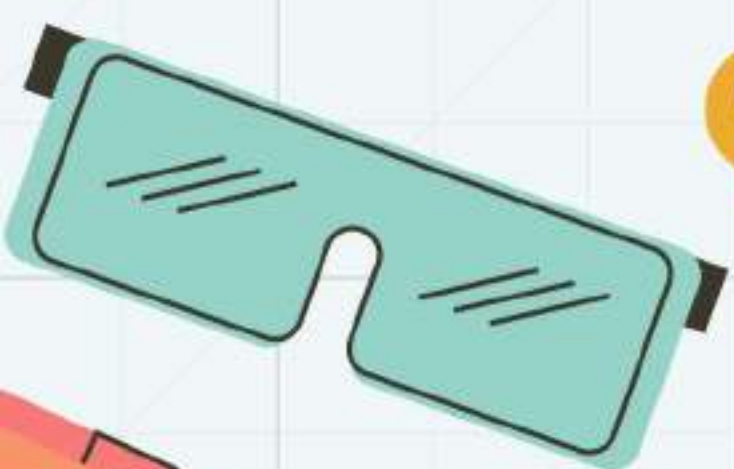
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Electric Forces & fields

Electric charge:

SI unit Coulomb (C)

fundamental attributes of particles of which matter is made of.

It is physical property of certain fundamental particles (electron, proton)

matter \rightarrow atom
proton, electron, neutron made of

To distinguish the nature of interaction charge

positive

negative

proton

electron

+

neutral no charge

orbits around nucleus

and neutrons made

We represent charge on proton & electron by $+e$ & $-e$

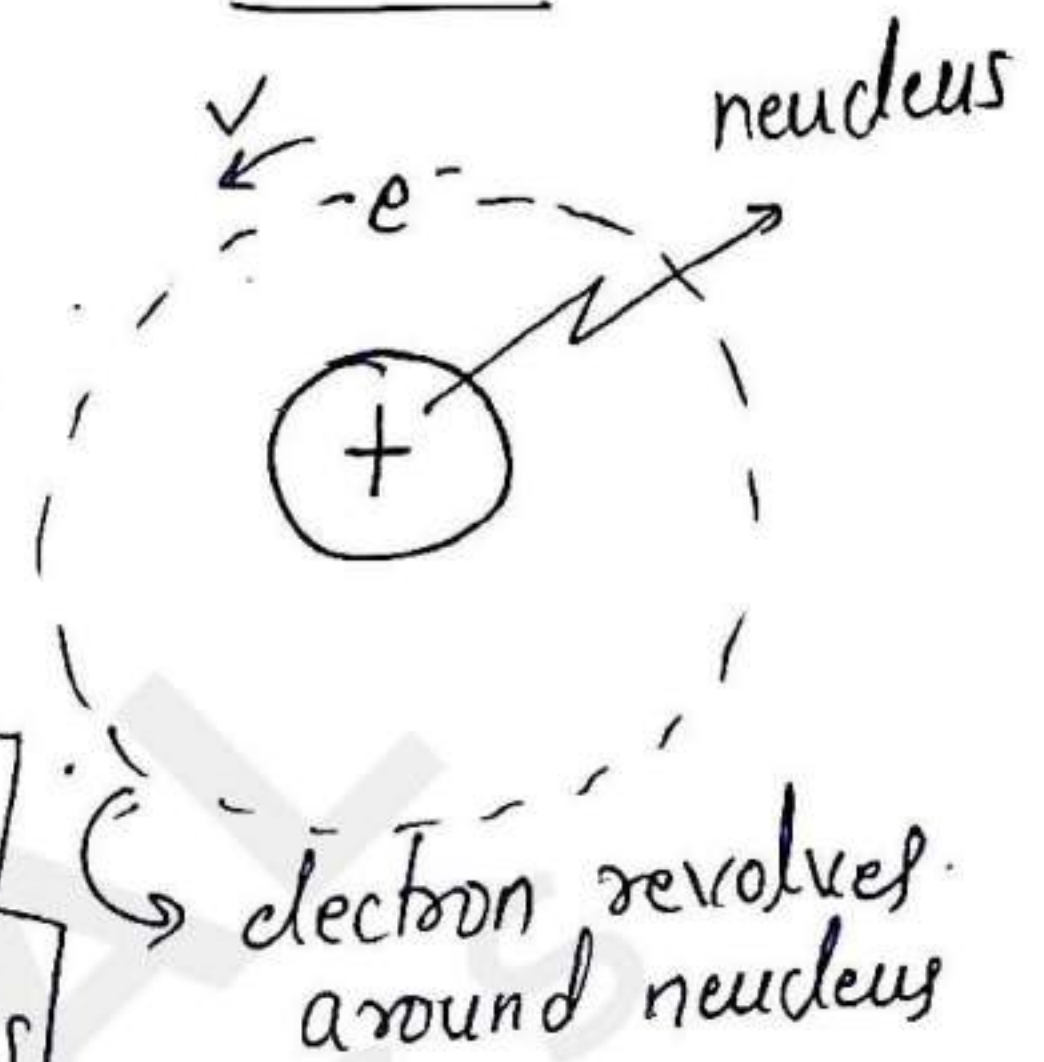
particle	mass	charge
electron	$9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$	$-1.69 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
proton	$1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	$1.69 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
neutron	$1.675 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	0 C

so $|e| = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

represents electronic charge

⇒ like charges repels and unlike charges attracts.

⇒ $\leftarrow (+) \quad (+) \rightarrow$ → repels
 $\leftarrow (-) \quad (-) \rightarrow$ → repels
 $(-) \rightarrow \leftarrow (+)$ → attracts



Ordinary matter contains equal number of protons and electrons

electron revolves around nucleus

body → charged by → transfer of electrons

Electrons are in outer shells and it is easier to remove.

protons can't be removed from nucleus

" To charge a body negatively
electrons given to it "

" To charge a body positively →

Some electrons are taken from it.

Work function → work to be done on a body in order to remove an electron from its surface

charging

friction

conduction

Induction

"When two bodies rubbed, one body transfer electron to other."

transfer of charge from other body

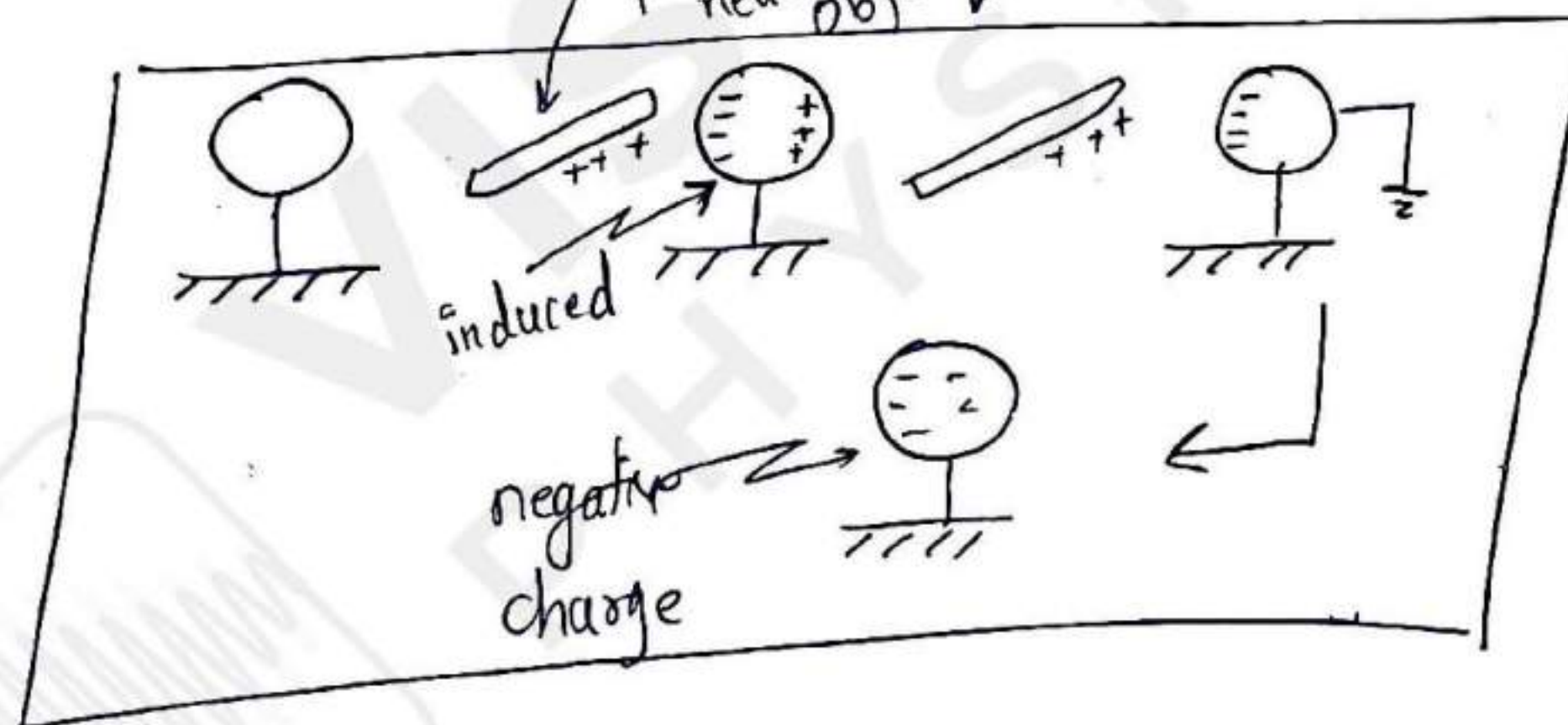
charge body attracts opposite charge and repel similar charge. \oplus Let bring positive charge

glass rod rubbed with silk

\oplus

\ominus

bringing positive to neutral object



When charge is stationary force between them is called "Electrostatic force"

Properties of Electric charge

Quantization of charge

$$Q = \pm ne$$

where $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Conservation of charge

total charge on isolate system is constant

Additivity

"net charge is algebraic charge"
e.g. $2C, -5C, 4C$
 $net\ q = 2 - 5 + 4 = 1C$

charge is Invariant

does not depend on speed

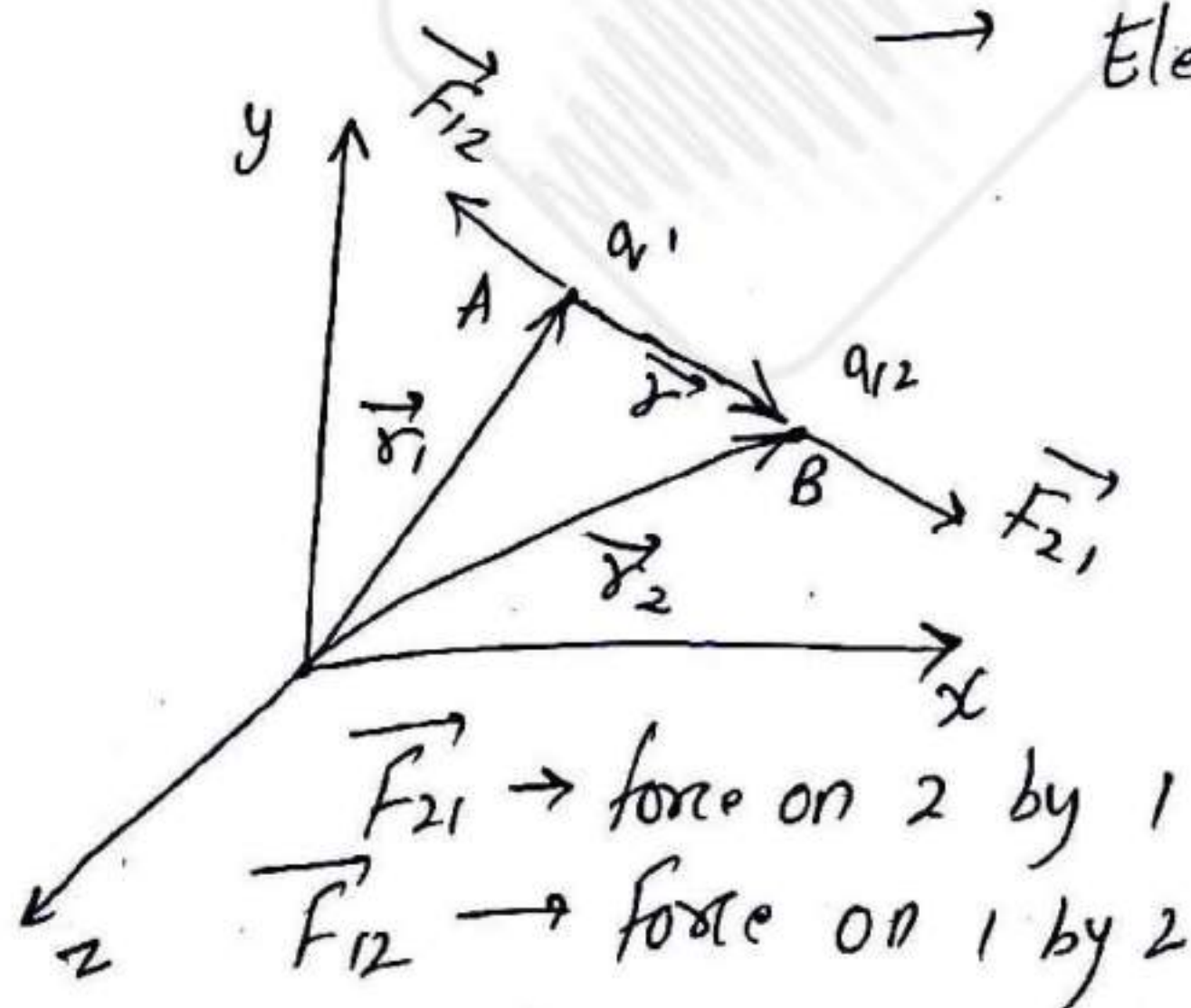
Coulomb's law:



$$|\vec{F}| = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

magnitude \rightarrow charge magnitude on charges
 $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r$ \rightarrow dielectric constant \rightarrow separation between them.
 $\epsilon_r \rightarrow 1$ for air or vacuum \rightarrow relative permittivity of space
 absolute permittivity of free space $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 \text{ N}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$
 $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ C}^{-2}$

Coulomb's law : \rightarrow applicable only for point charges
 \rightarrow It is ~~inversed~~ inverse square law
 \rightarrow obey's Newton's third law
 \rightarrow force acts along the line joining two particles
 \rightarrow Electrostatic force is conservative force.



$$\hat{r} = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|} = \frac{\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1|}$$

$$\vec{F}_{21} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \frac{\vec{r}}{r}$$

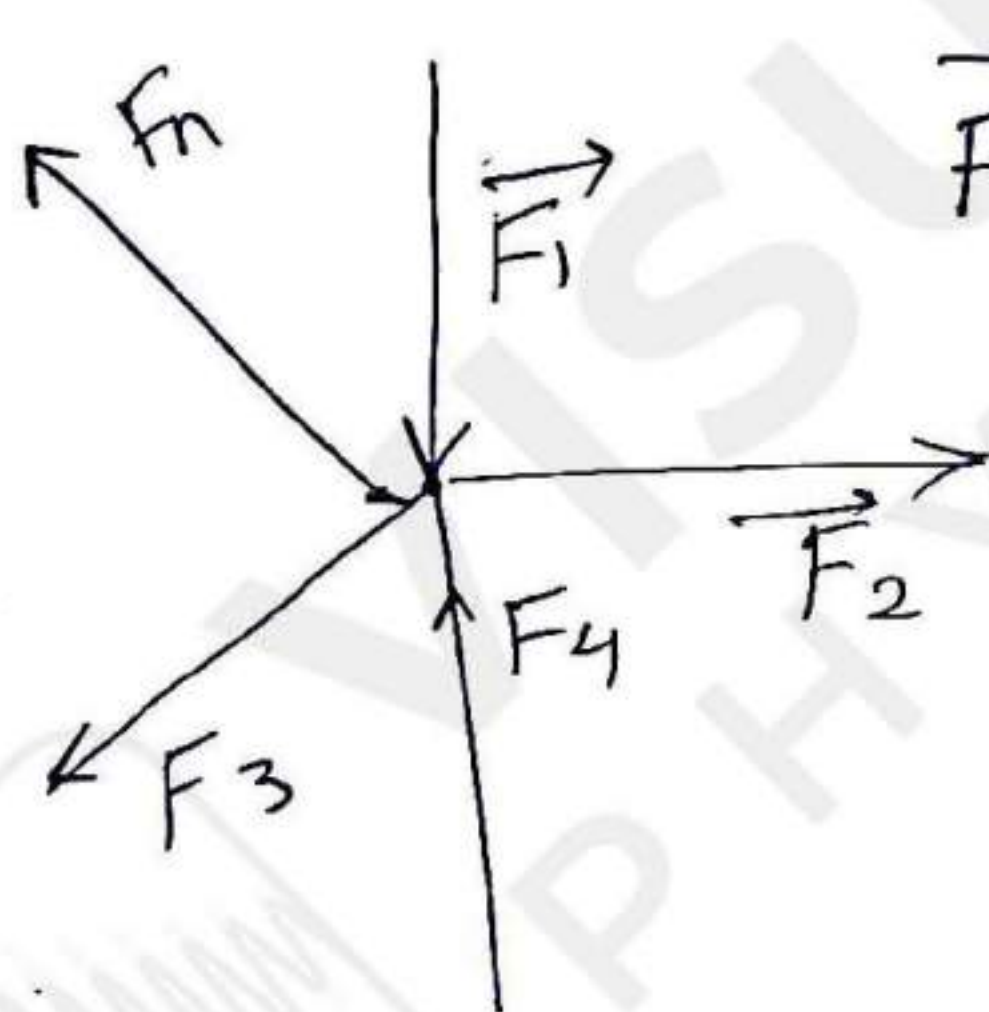
$$\boxed{\vec{F}_{21} = \frac{q_1 q_2 (\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)}{4\pi\epsilon |\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1|^3}}$$

and as $|\vec{F}_{12}| = |\vec{F}_{21}| \rightarrow$ Newton's third law

$$\Rightarrow \vec{F}_{12} = -\vec{F}_{21}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{F}_{12} = -\frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1|^3}} = -\vec{F}_{21} \epsilon$$

superposition principle:



$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \dots + \vec{F}_n$$

To find the net force either we can use vector addition formula or can first resolve the vectors in given 2 or 3 directions (Depending on whether it is a 2D or 3D question) And then using algebraic sum in each direction and $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2 + F_z^2}$ to get final answer.

Electric field

A space around a charge in which its influence can be felt by any other charged particle.

$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{Q}{r^2}$$

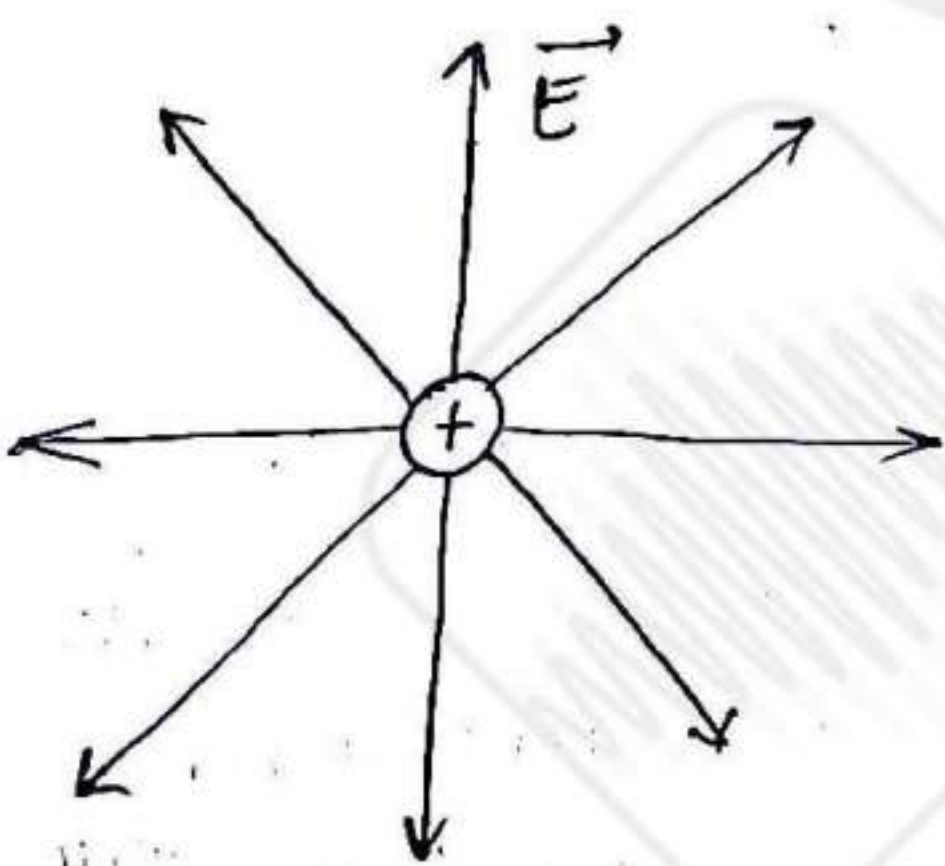
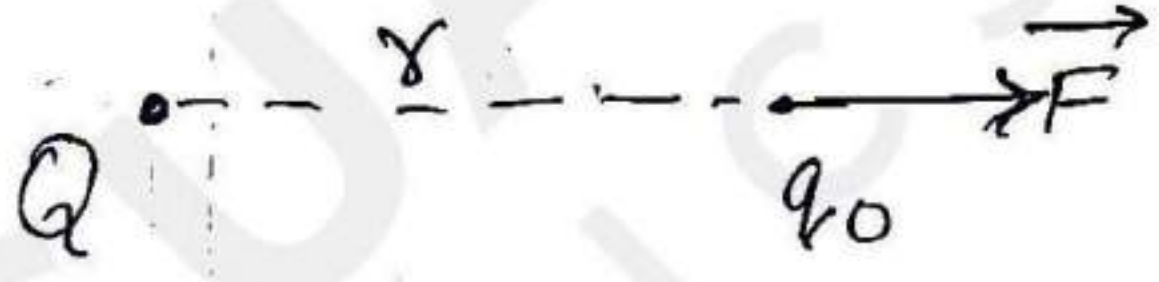
charge of the particle

distance, at which we are finding intensity,

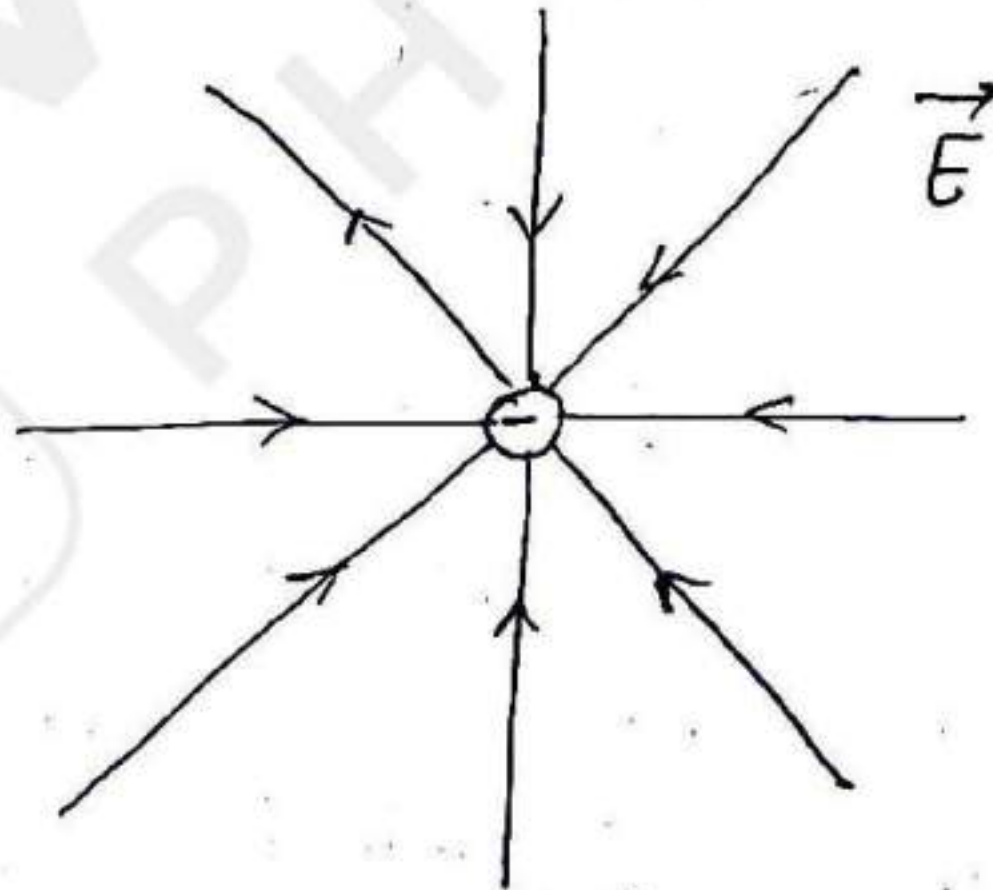
electric field intensity

$$\vec{E} = \lim_{q_0 \rightarrow 0} \frac{\vec{F}}{q_0}$$

force on test charge q_0 due to Q
unit positive charge

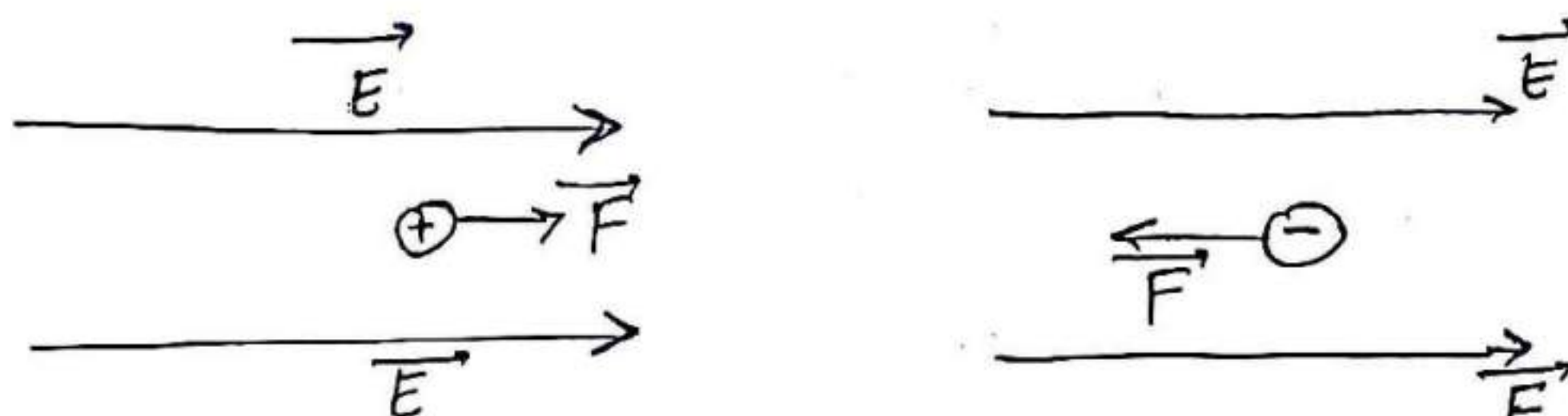


\vec{E} point outwards for positive charge



\vec{E} point inward for negative charge

$\vec{E} \rightarrow$ spherically symmetric

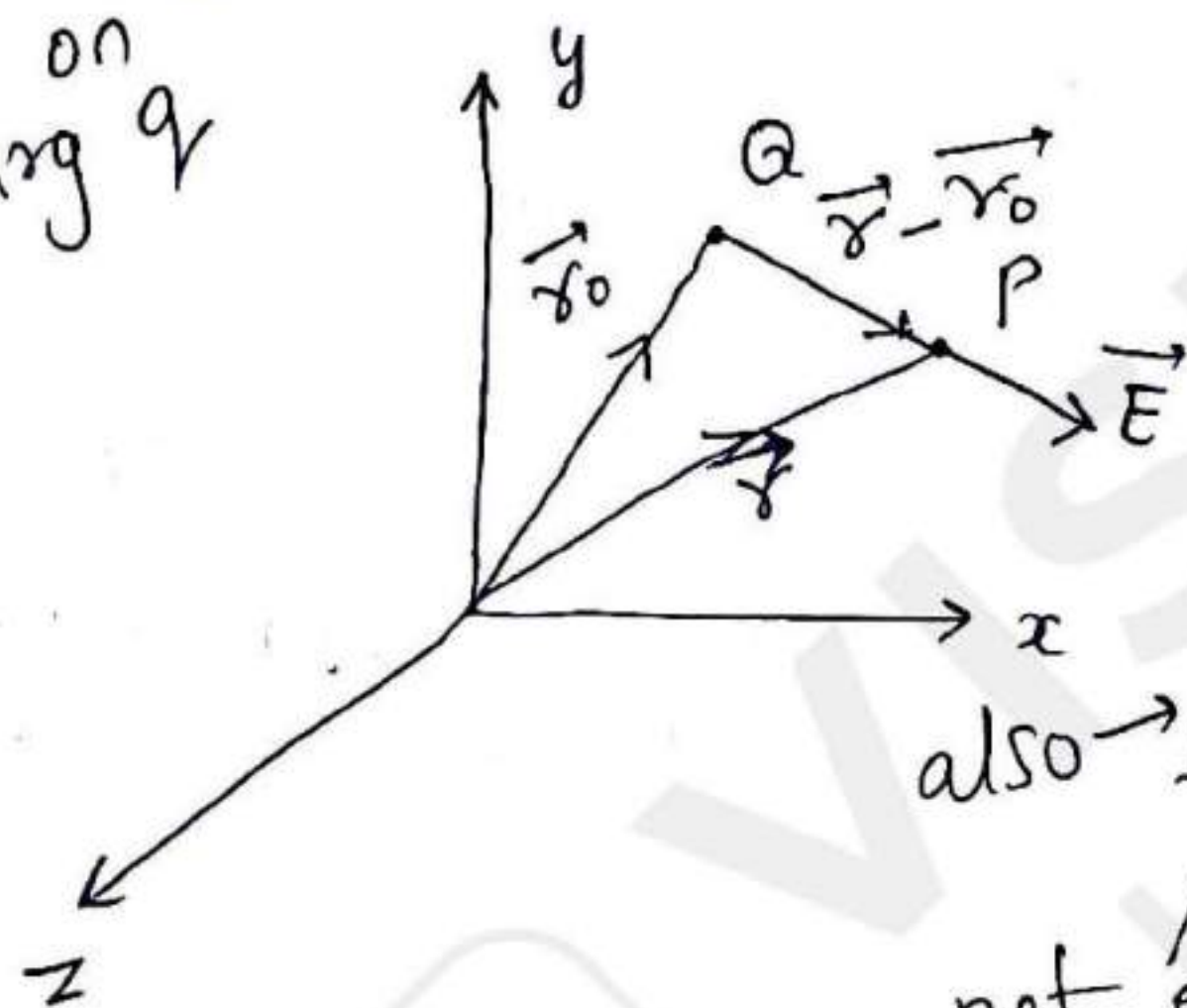


Force direction on charge when placed in External Electric field.

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

External electric field

force on charge q



$$\vec{E} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0)}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|^3}$$

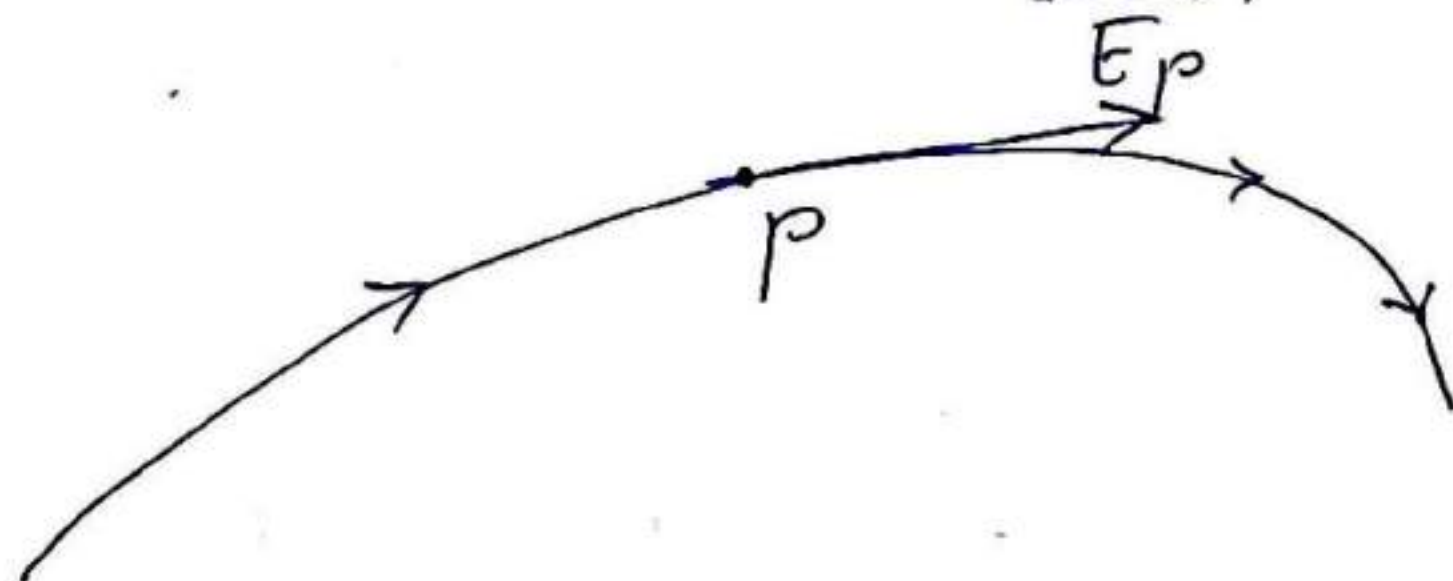
$$\vec{E}_{\text{net}} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 + \dots + \vec{E}_n$$

net electric field at any point

Electric fields at given point

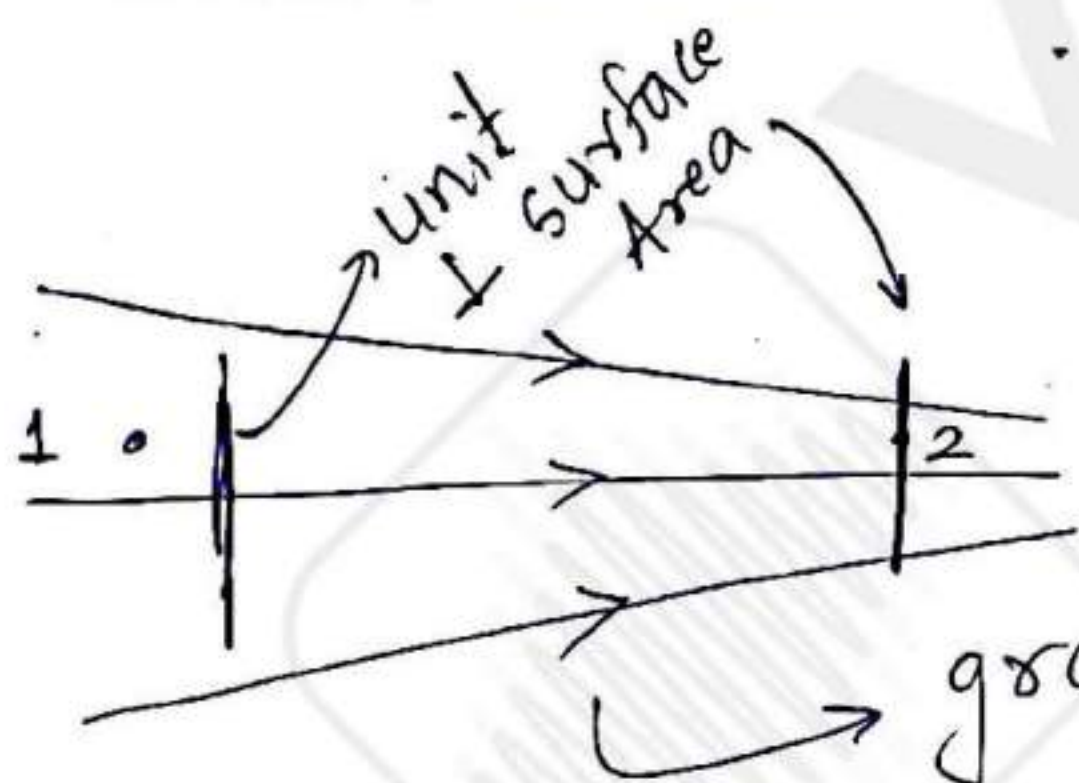
Lines of force:

drawn in space in such a way that tangent to the line at any point gives the direction of electric field at that point.

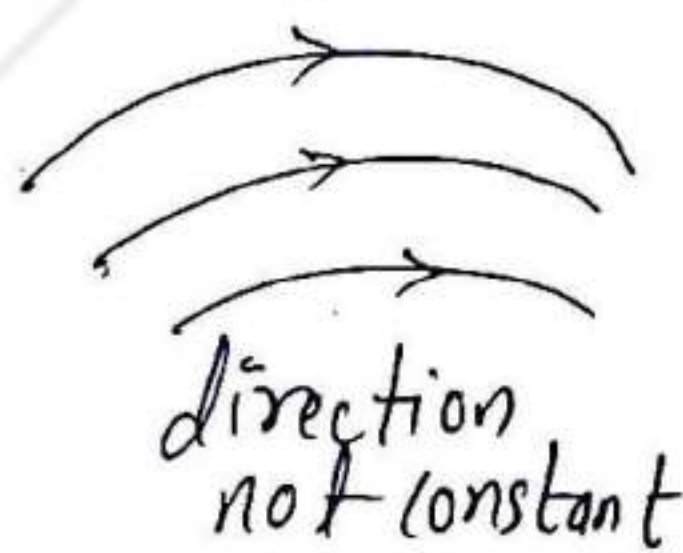
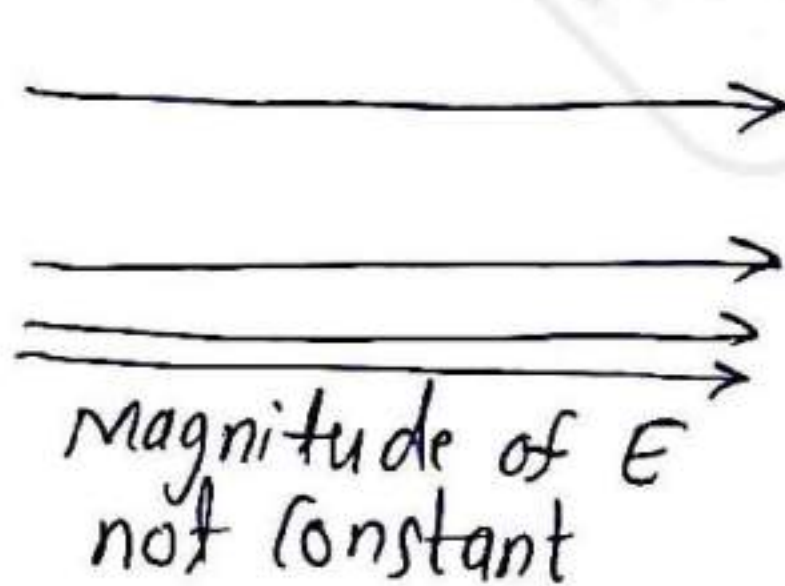


- Electric line of force start from positive charge and ends at negative charge.
- The tangent drawn gives direction of force acting on positive charge.
- Unit $\rightarrow \text{N/C}$
- Can never be closed loop.
- Electric field lines can never cross each other
- \vec{E} field inside a conductor is always zero, in static condition
- \vec{E} field lines can never end and starts at same point.

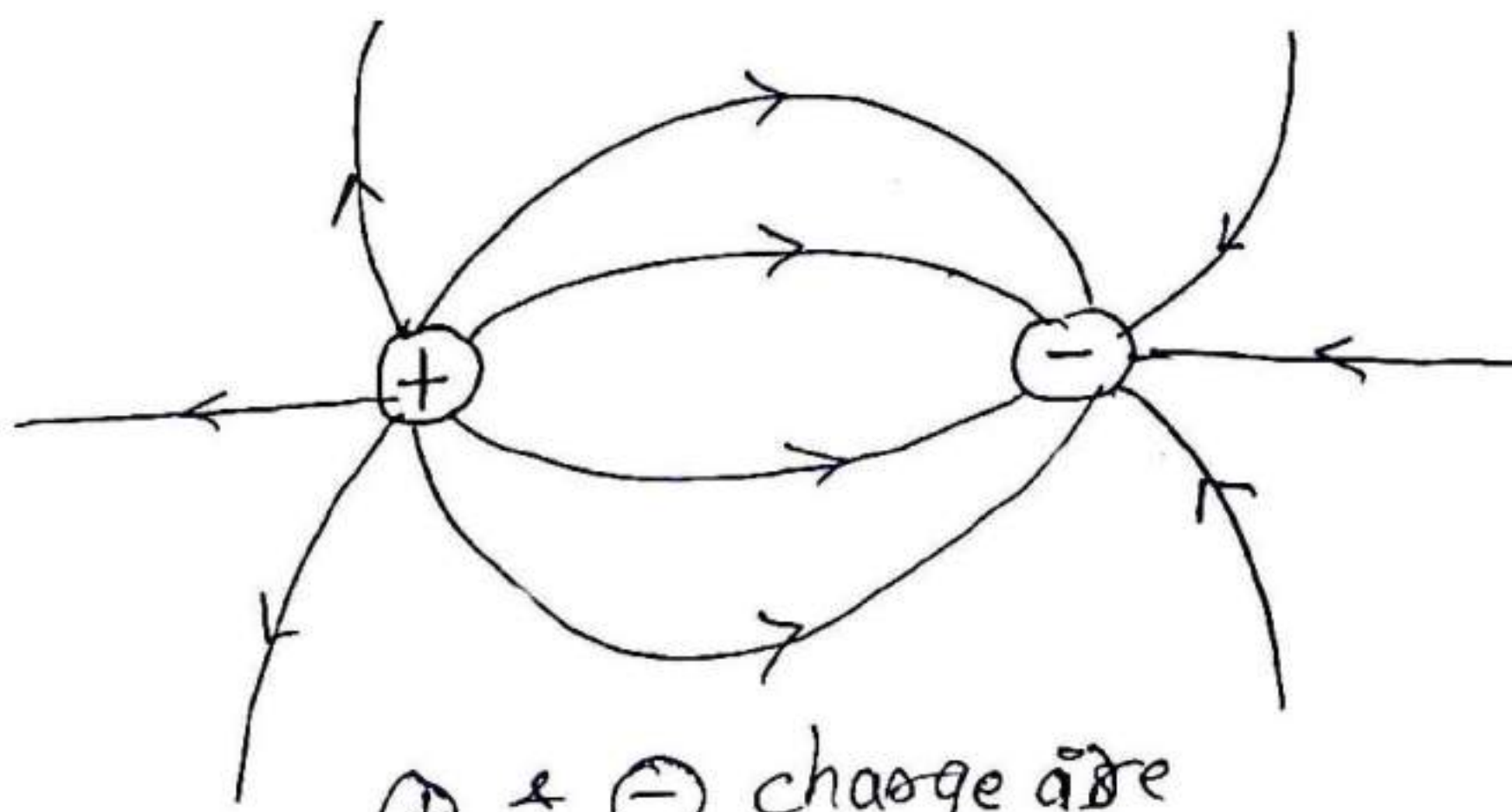
★ Electric field intensity = number of \vec{E} field lines passing through a unit perpendicular surface Area.



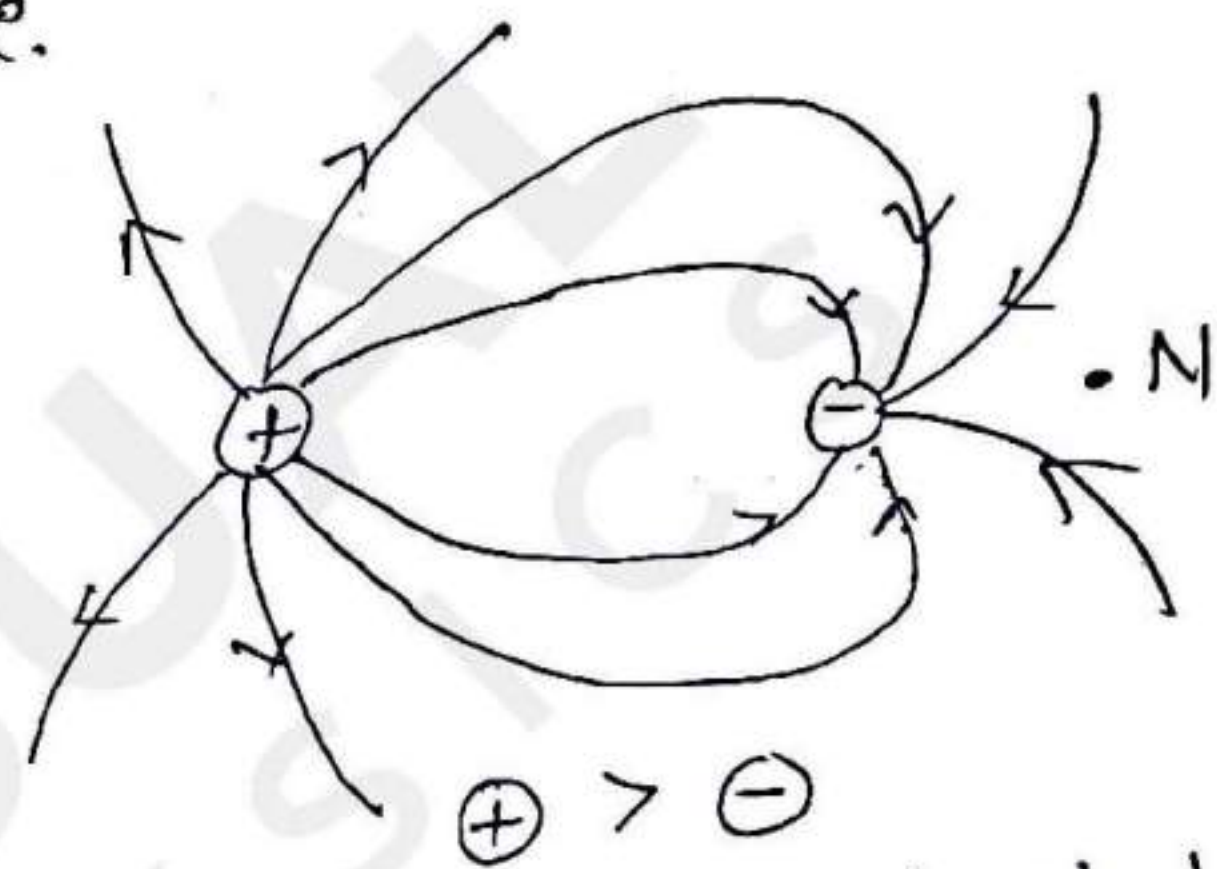
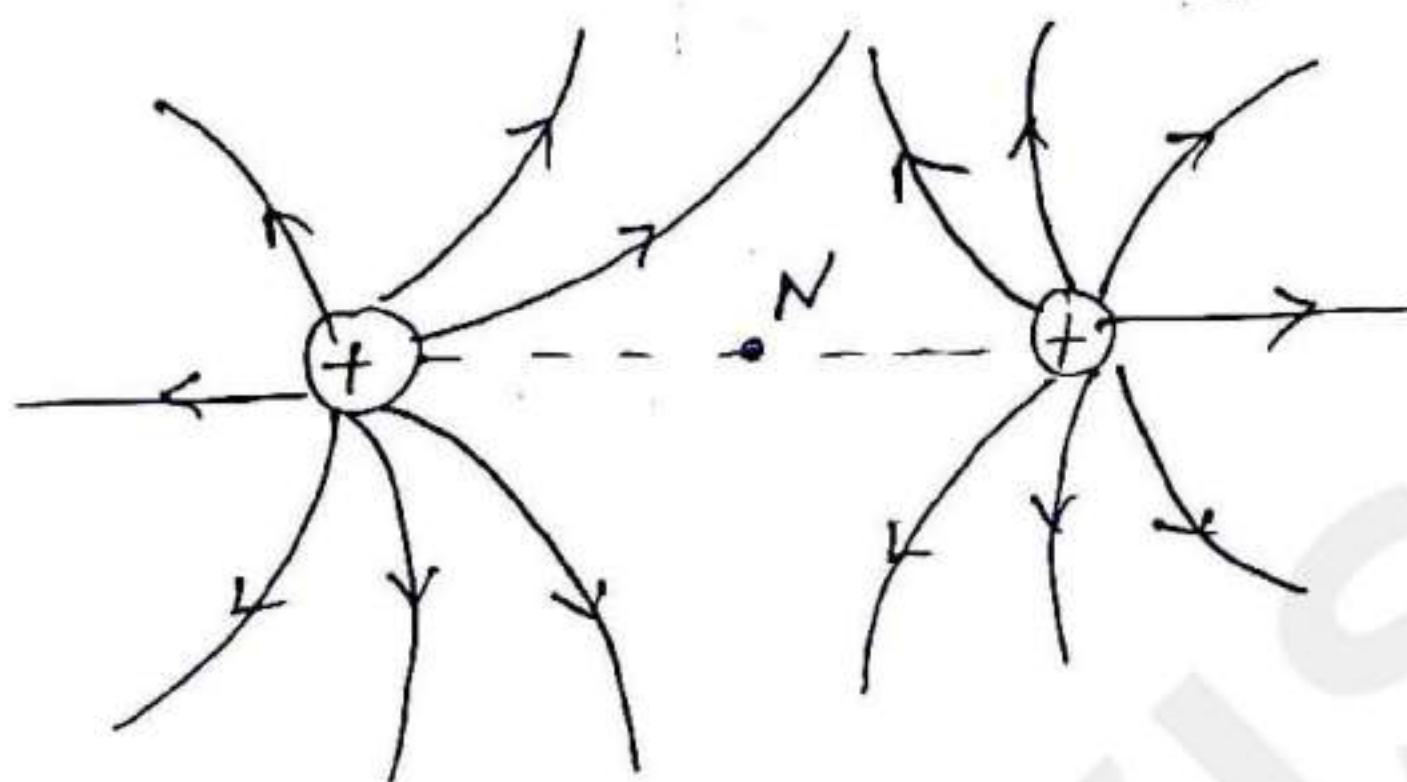
graphically we can say $\vec{E}_1 > \vec{E}_2$



both mag and direction constant.



\oplus & \ominus charge are equal in magnitude.

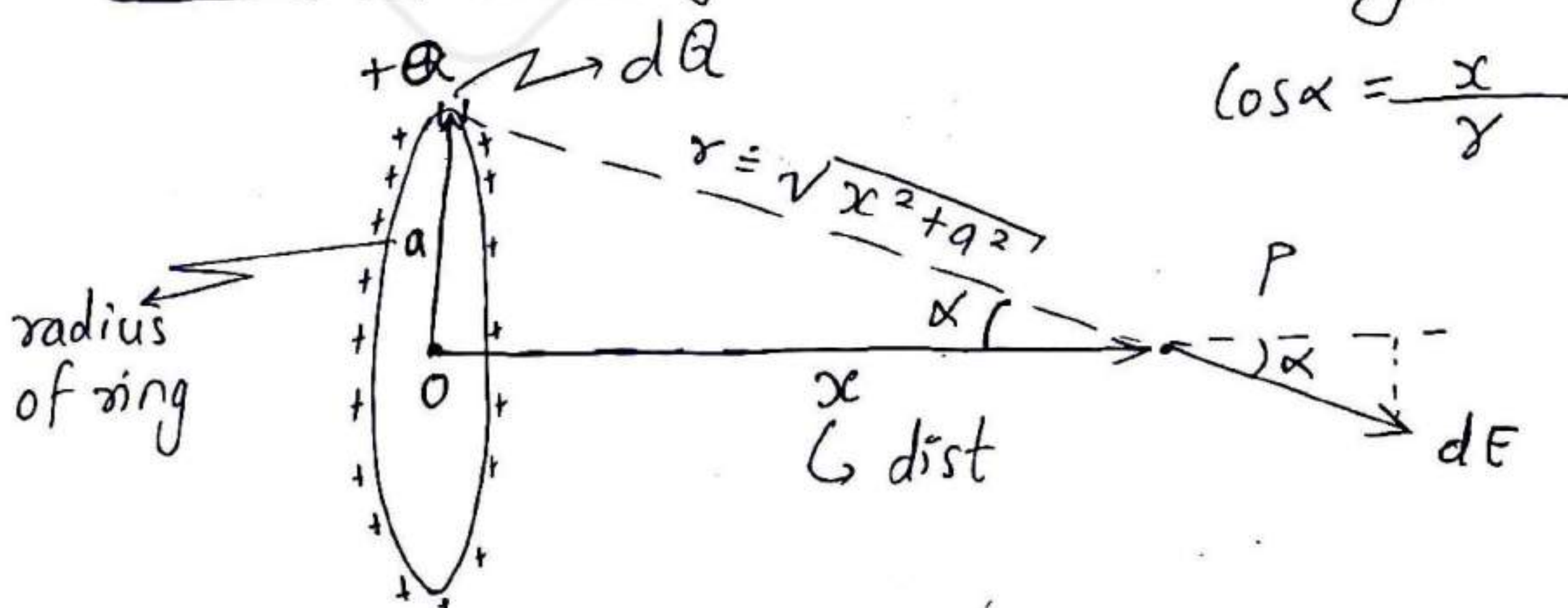


$\oplus > \ominus$

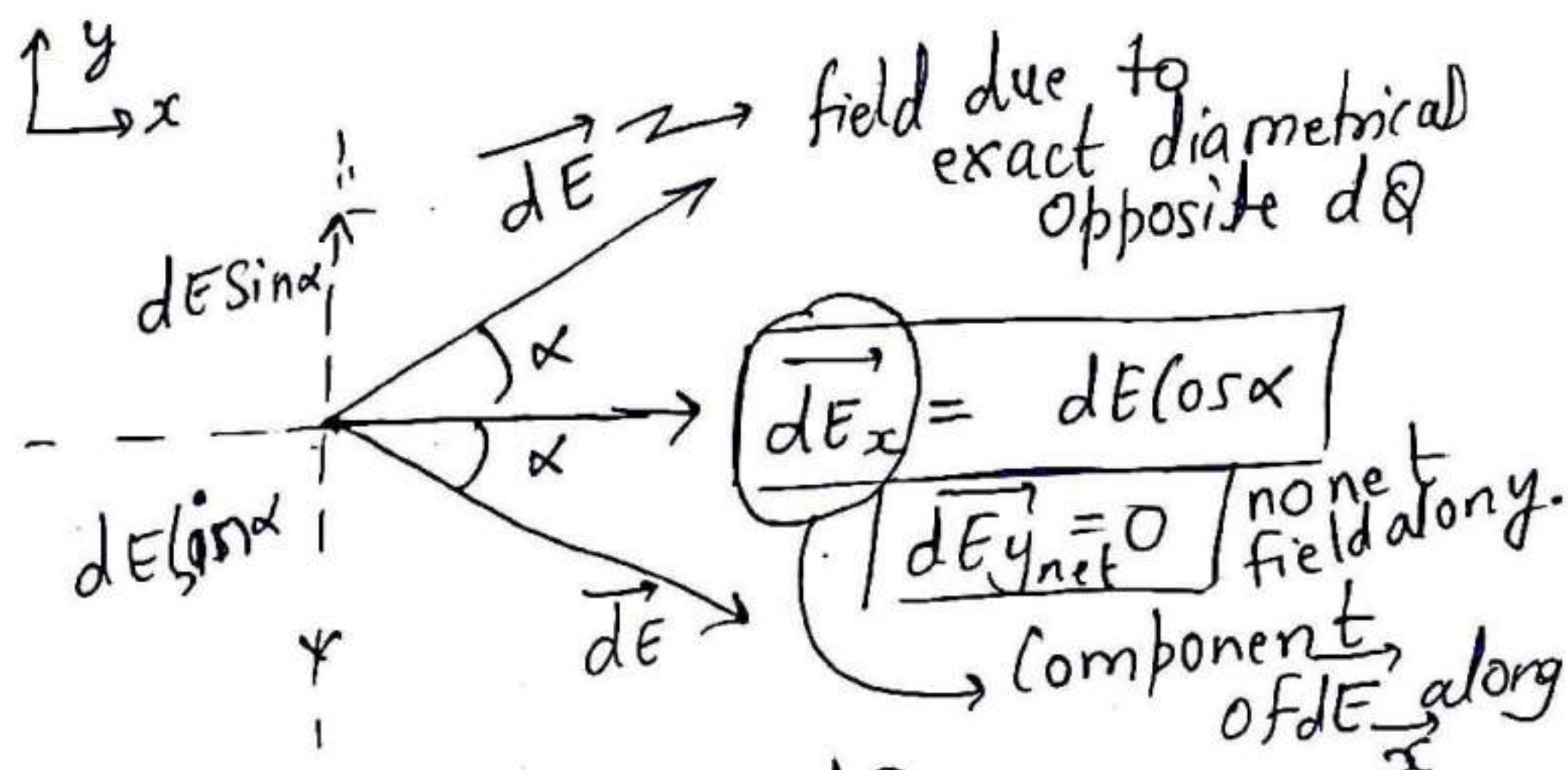
N \rightarrow Neutral point in space, where net electric field is zero

Video: \rightarrow Electric field, Q8, Q9, Q7
 [Q7, Q9 \rightarrow solved] \rightarrow Theory section

Field of ring charge: (on the axis of ring)



So since the \vec{E} is along the axis only



$$dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{dQ}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{dQ}{(x^2 + a^2)}$$

$$dE_x = dE \cos \alpha = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{x dQ}{(x^2 + a^2)^{3/2}}$$

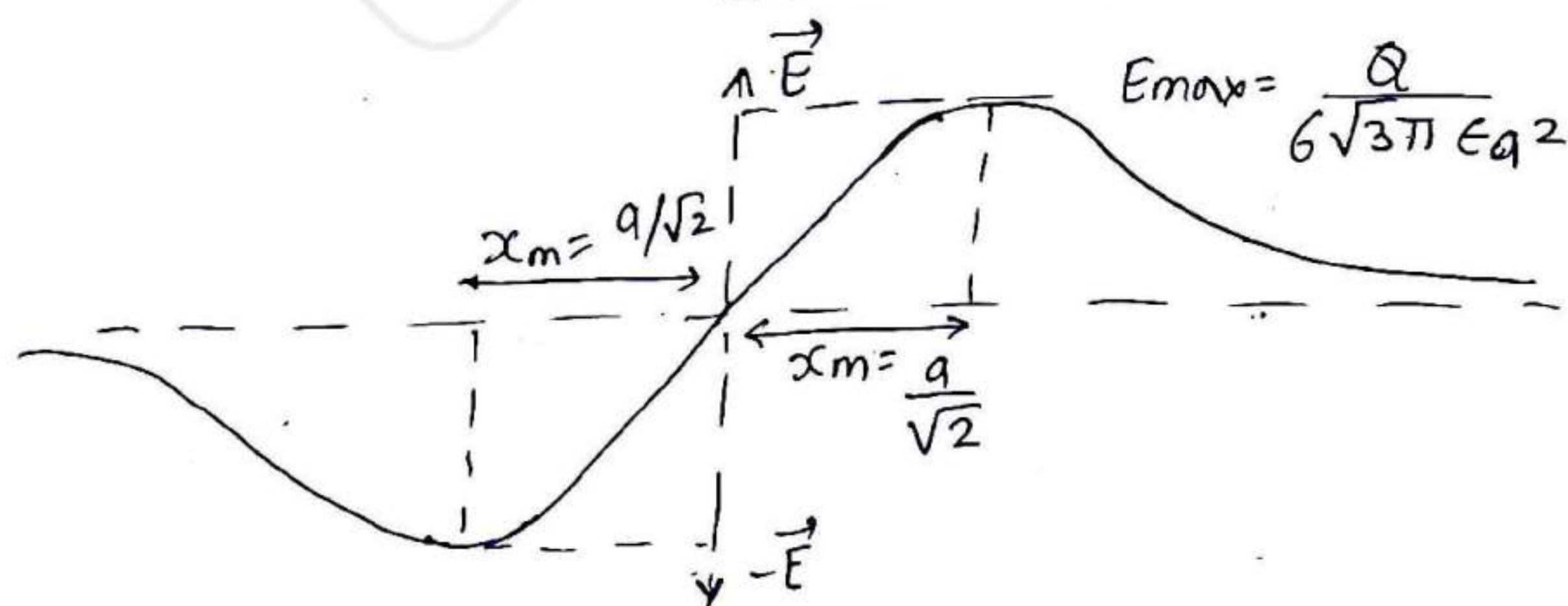
$$E_{net} = \int dE_x = \int \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{x dQ}{(x^2 + a^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$E_{net} = E_x \hat{i} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{x Q}{(x^2 + a^2)^{3/2}} \hat{i}$$

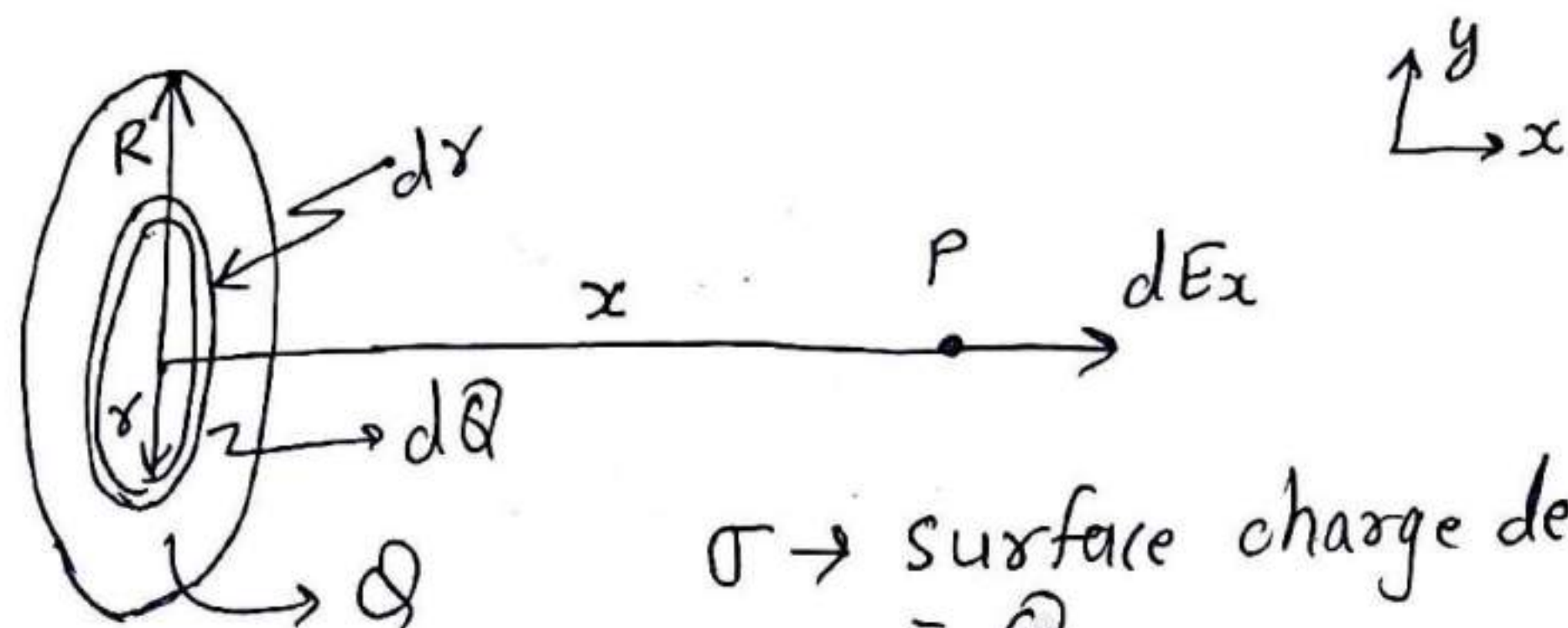
$$x \rightarrow 0, E_{net} \rightarrow 0$$

$$E_{max} = \frac{d}{dx} E_{net} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| x_m = \pm \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}} \right|$$



Field of uniformly charged disk: (along axis)



$\sigma \rightarrow$ surface charge density
 $= \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2}$

$$dQ = \sigma (2\pi r dr)$$

$$dE_x = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{(dQ)x}{(x^2 + r^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{(2\pi r \sigma)x dr}{(x^2 + r^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$E_x = \int dE_x = \int_0^R \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{(2\pi \sigma r dr)x}{(x^2 + r^2)^{3/2}}$$

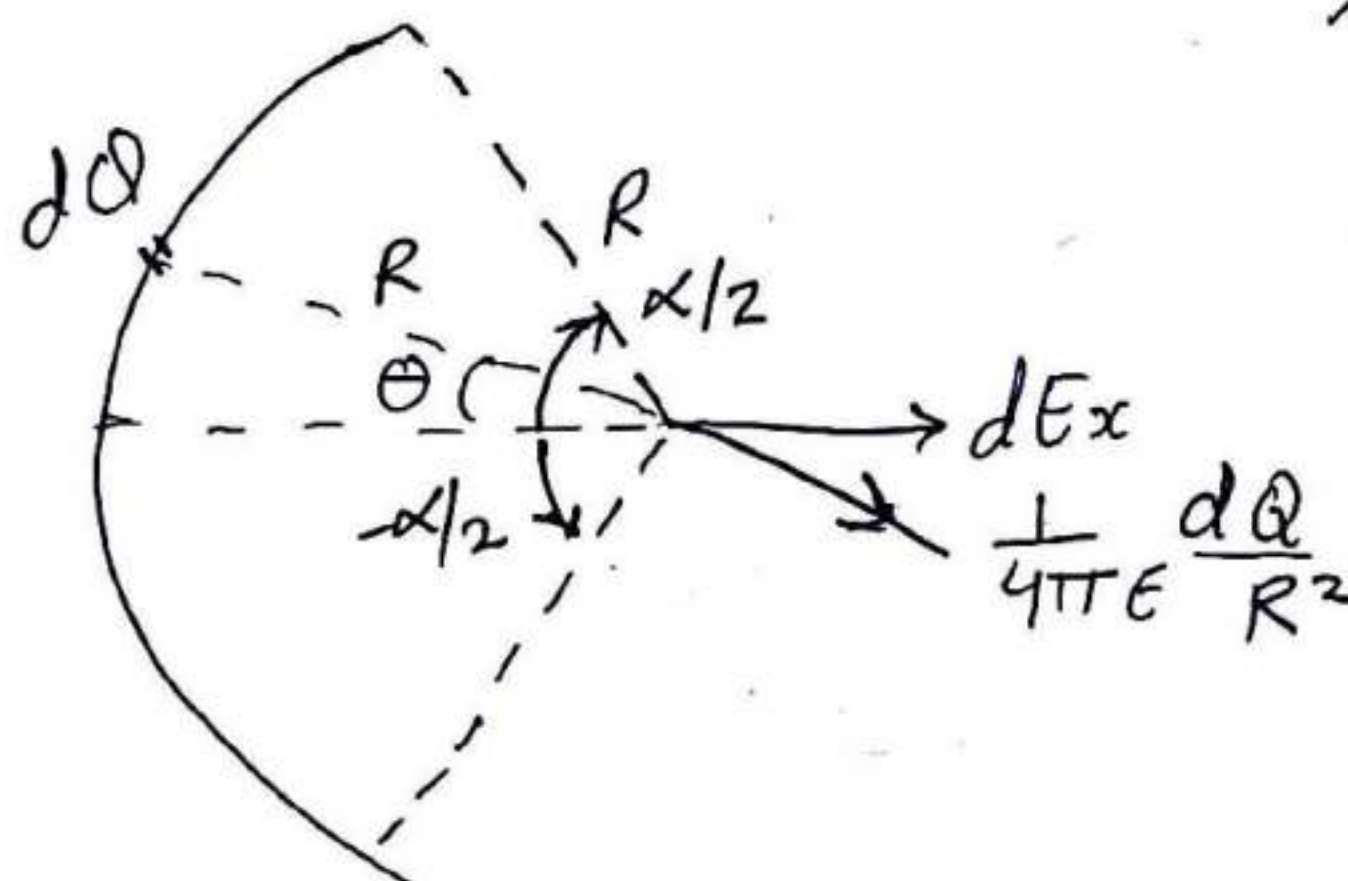
$$E_x = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon} \left[1 - \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}} \right]$$

Net field along x-axis

$x \ll R \gg x \rightarrow E_x \rightarrow \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon}$

$x \gg R \rightarrow E_x \rightarrow 0$

Electric field due to arc:



$\lambda \rightarrow$ linear charge density
 $\lambda = \frac{Q}{R\alpha}$

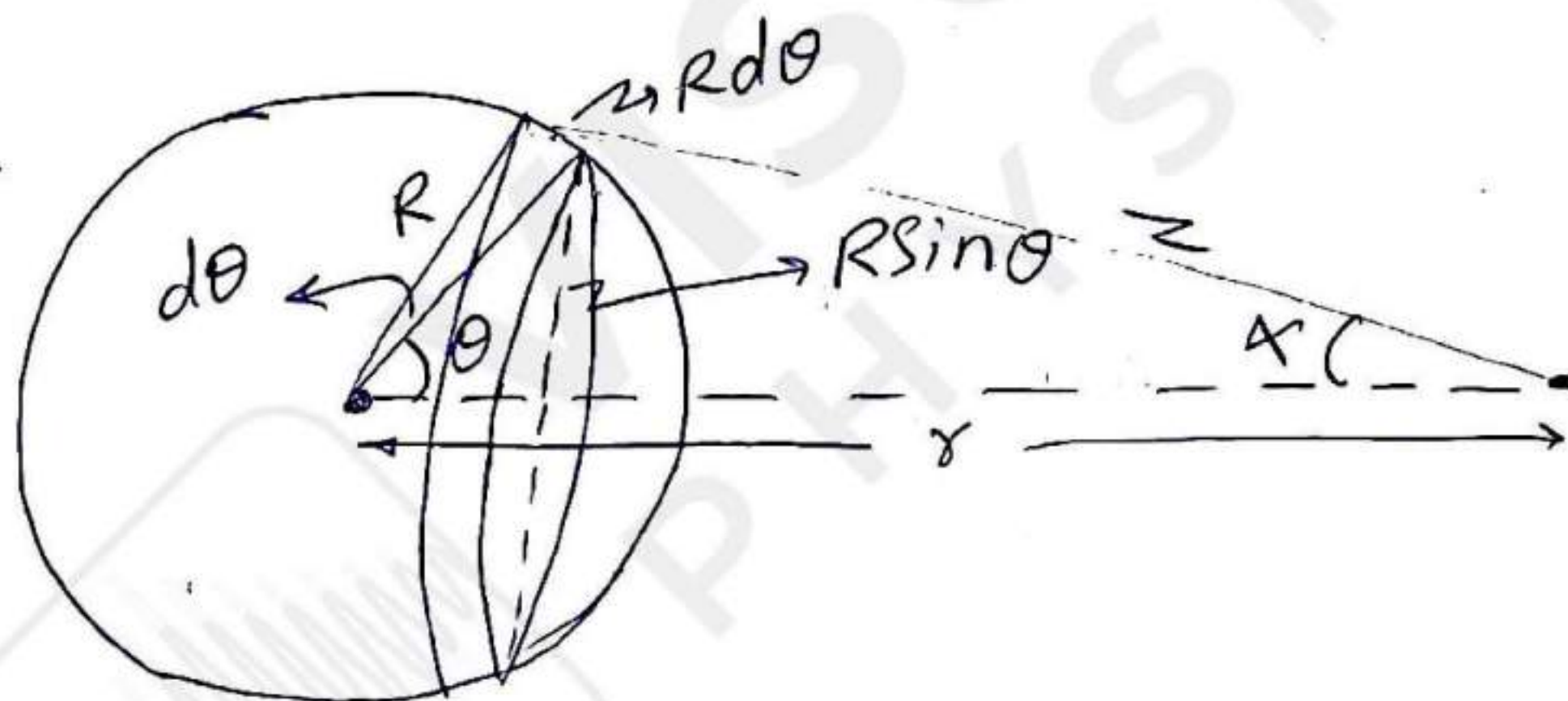
$$dE_x = \frac{\cos\theta \lambda R d\theta}{4\pi\epsilon R^2}$$

$$E_{net} = \int_{-\alpha/2}^{\alpha/2} \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{\lambda R d\theta}{R^2} \cos\theta$$

$$E_{net} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{\Lambda}{R} \int_{-\alpha/2}^{\alpha/2} \cos\theta d\theta$$

$$E_{net} = \frac{k\lambda}{R} 2\sin(\alpha/2)$$

$$\vec{E}_{net} = \frac{k\lambda}{R} 2\sin(\alpha/2) \hat{i}$$



$$dQ = (2\pi R \sin\theta)(R d\theta) \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2} = \frac{Q}{2} \sin\theta d\theta$$

$$dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{dQ}{z^2} \cos\alpha$$

$$z^2 = R^2 + r^2 - 2Rr \cos\theta$$

$$z dz = Rr \sin\theta d\theta$$

$$\cos\alpha = \frac{z^2 + r^2 - R^2}{2zr}$$

$$dE = \frac{\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{Q}{2} \frac{zdz}{R\gamma}}{z^2} \frac{z^2 + \gamma^2 - R^2}{2z\gamma} \quad \boxed{k \rightarrow \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon}}$$

$$dE = \frac{kQ}{4R\gamma^2} \left[1 - \frac{(R^2 - \gamma^2)}{z^2} \right] dz$$

$$E = \int dE = \int_{\gamma-R}^{\gamma+R} \frac{kQ}{4R\gamma^2} \left[1 - \frac{(R^2 - \gamma^2)}{z^2} \right] dz$$

$$= \frac{kQ}{4R\gamma^2} \left[z - (R^2 - \gamma^2) \left(-\frac{1}{z} \right) \right]_{\gamma-R}^{\gamma+R}$$

$$E = \frac{kQ}{4R\gamma^2} \left[z + \frac{R^2 - \gamma^2}{z} \right]_{\gamma-R}^{\gamma+R}$$

$$E = \frac{kQ}{4R\gamma^2} \left[\gamma+R + \frac{(R+\gamma)(R-\gamma)}{\gamma+R} - \left(\gamma-R + \frac{(R+\gamma)(R-\gamma)}{\gamma-R} \right) \right]$$

$$E = \frac{kQ}{4R\gamma^2} [2R - (-2R)]$$

$$\boxed{E_{\text{shell}} = \frac{kQ}{\gamma^2}}$$

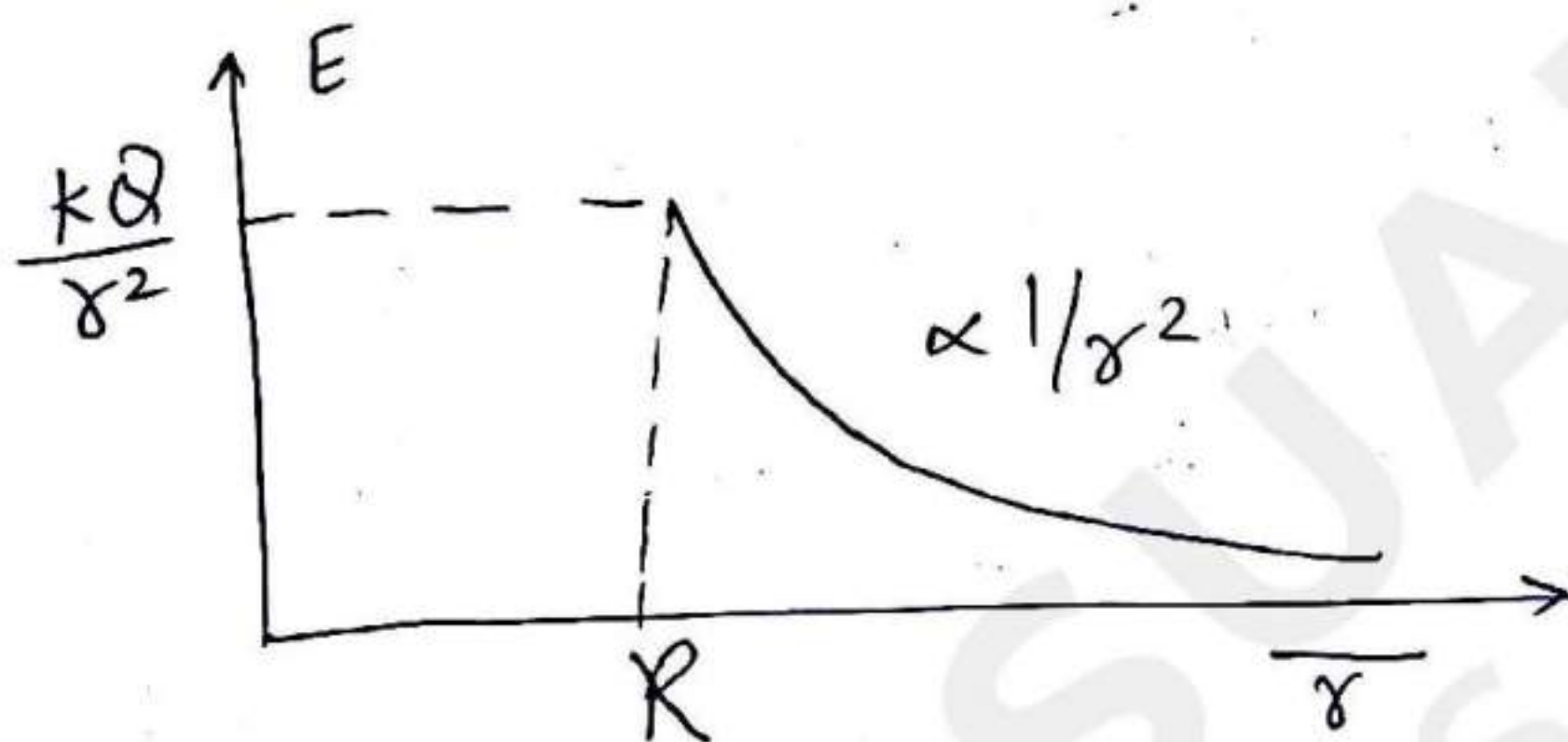
when $\gamma > R$

$$\boxed{E_{\text{shell}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{Q}{\gamma^2}}$$

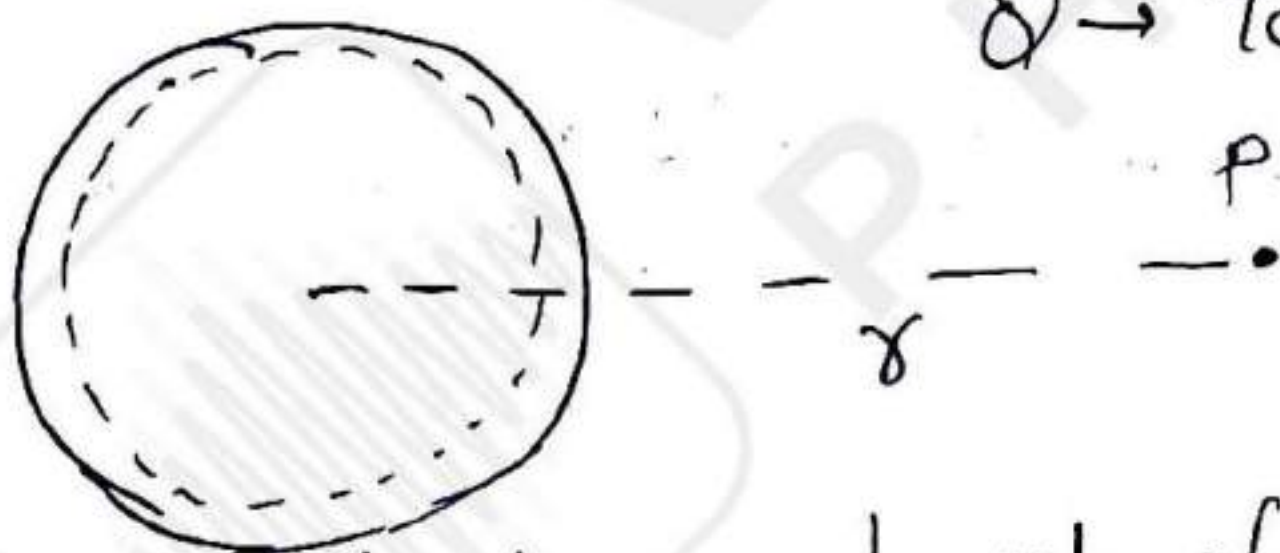
sh same as if a Q is placed at centre.

When point is inside
 $(R-r) \rightarrow (R+r)$

on solving $E \rightarrow 0$
 \Rightarrow field inside a shell = 0



Field due to sphere: \rightarrow solid
 $\rho \rightarrow$ volume charge density
 $Q \rightarrow$ Total charge.



Considered to be made up of infinite shells,
 and as shell of dQ charge

$$dE = \frac{k dQ}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{dQ}{r^2}$$

$$\text{So } E_{\text{net}} = \int dE = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \int \frac{dQ}{r^2}$$

$$\boxed{E_{\text{net}} = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon r^2}}$$

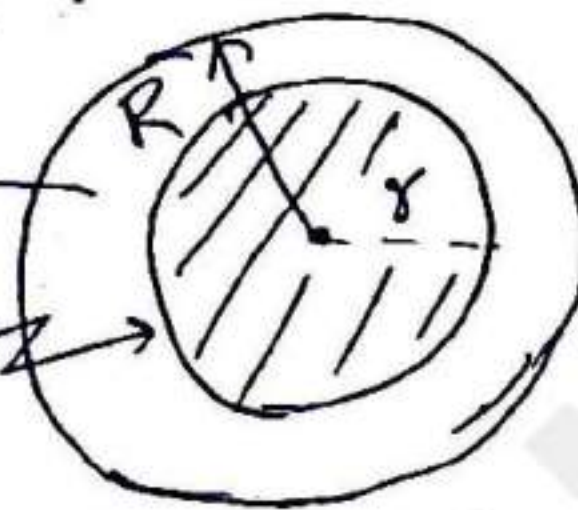
now

$$E = \frac{kQ}{r^2} \rightarrow r \geq R$$

$$E \neq \frac{kQ}{r^2} \rightarrow r < R$$

So when point is inside, $Q' = \rho V'$
neglected

consider
only charge
on sphere
of radius r .



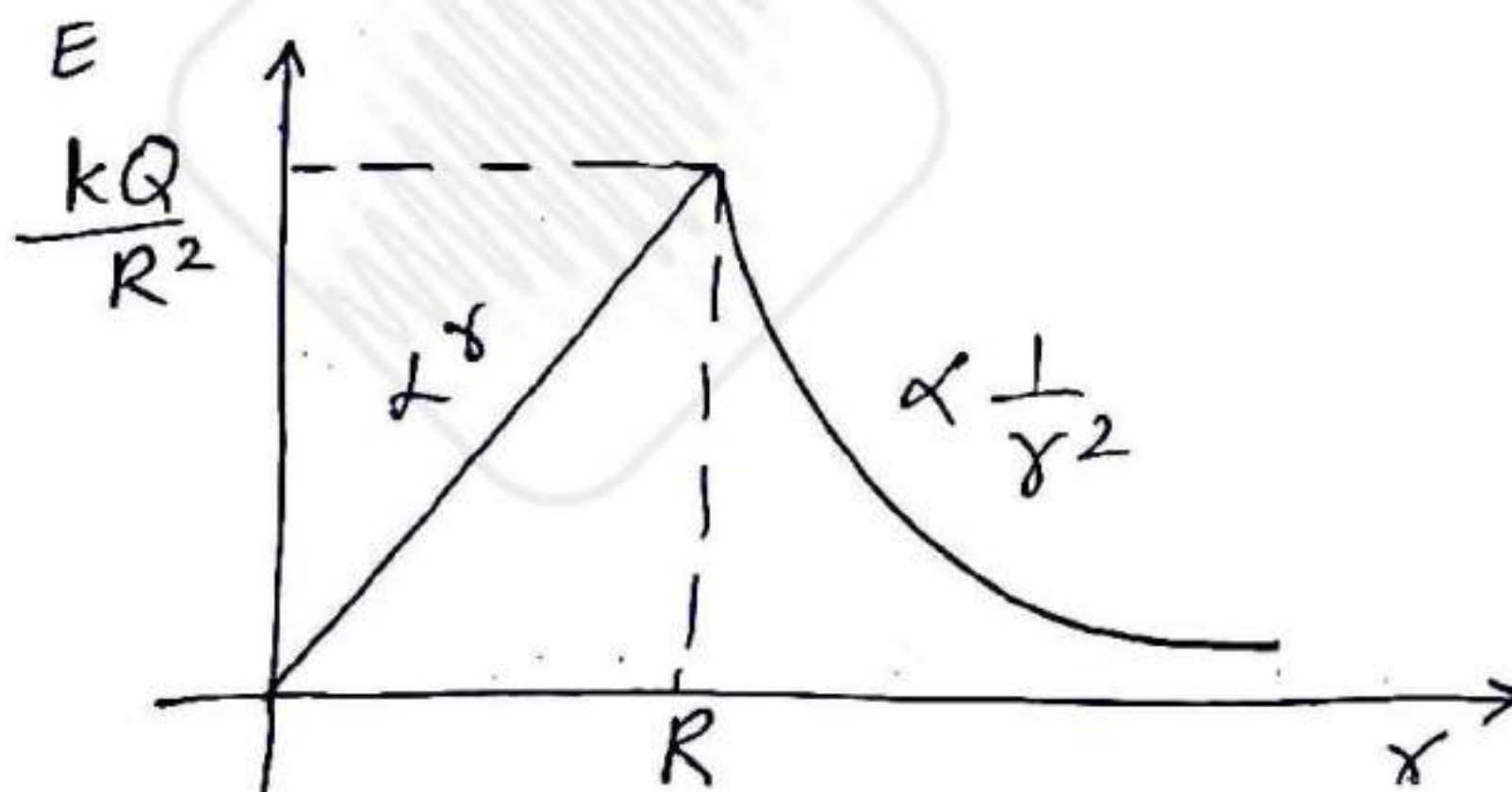
$$Q' = \frac{Q}{\frac{4\pi R^3}{3}} \times \frac{4\pi r^3}{3}$$

$$Q' = \frac{Q r^3}{R^3}$$

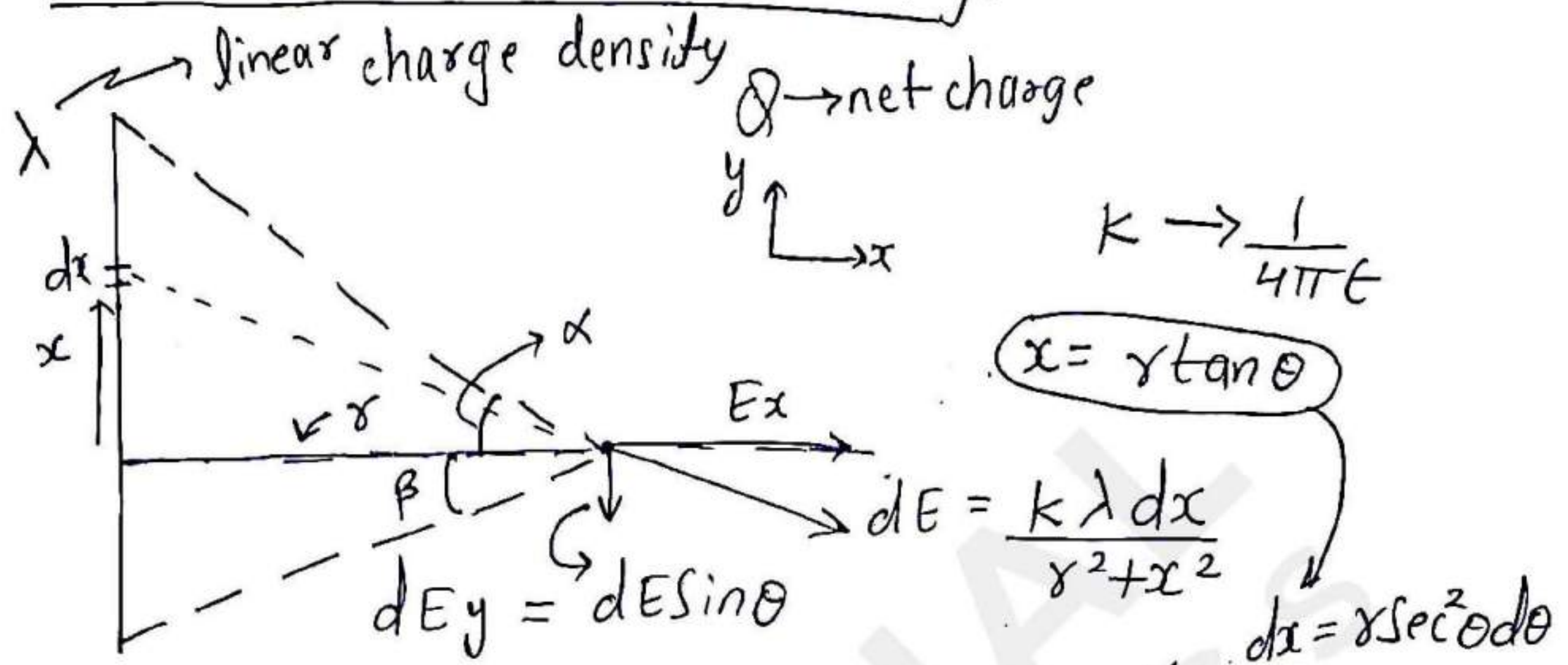
So,

$$E_r = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \left(\frac{Q r^3}{R^3} \right) \times \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$E_r = \frac{kQ}{R^3} r \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{Q r}{R^3}$$



Field due to a line of charge



$$E_y = \int \frac{\lambda k}{r^2 + x^2} \sin \theta dx = \frac{k\lambda}{r} \int_{-\beta}^{\alpha} \frac{\sec^2 \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$x = r \tan \theta$$

$$E_y = \frac{k\lambda}{r} [\cos \beta - \cos \alpha]$$

$$E_x = \int dE_x = \int dE \cos \theta = \frac{k\lambda}{r} \int_{-\beta}^{\alpha} \frac{\sec^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$E_x = \frac{k\lambda}{r} [\sin \alpha + \sin \beta]$$

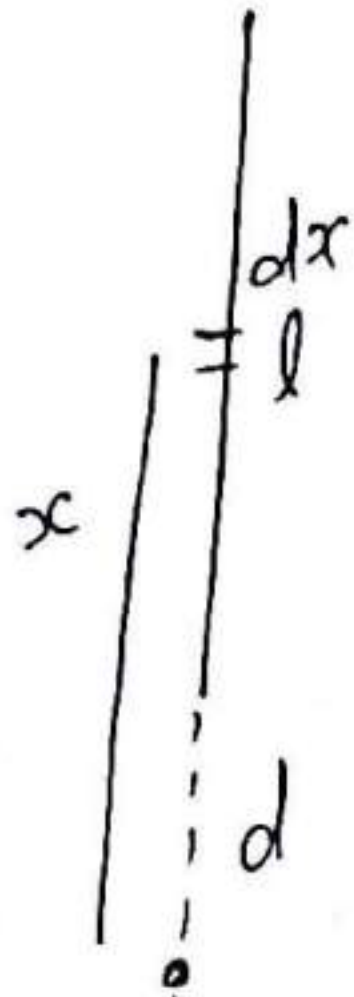
if line charge is infinitely long

$$\alpha \rightarrow 90^\circ, -\beta \rightarrow -90^\circ \Rightarrow \beta = 90^\circ$$

$$E_y \rightarrow 0, \quad E_x = \frac{2k\lambda}{r}$$

When, $\alpha \rightarrow 90, \beta \rightarrow 0$

$$E_y = \frac{k\lambda}{r}, \quad E_x = \frac{k\lambda}{r}$$



$$dE = k\lambda \frac{dx}{x^2}$$

$$E_y = \int_d^{d+l} \frac{k\lambda}{x^2} dx$$

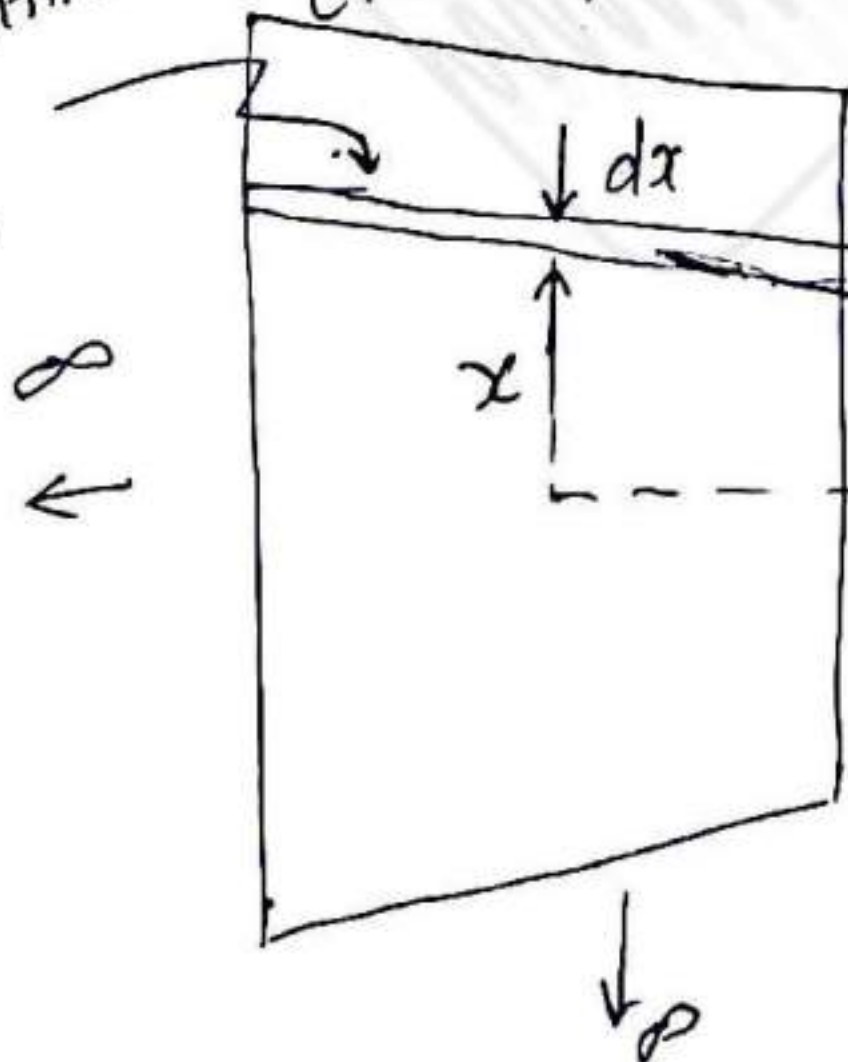
$$E_y = k\lambda \frac{l}{d(d+l)}$$

When $l \gg d$ $E_y = k\lambda \frac{l}{d(l)}$

$$E_y = \frac{k\lambda}{d}$$

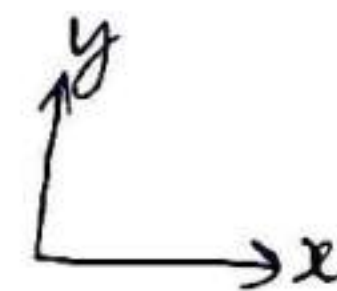
Field due to sheet:

Infinite line charge $\rightarrow \infty$



$\rightarrow \infty$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + z^2}$$



$E_{net} \rightarrow$ along x direction

$\sigma \rightarrow$ surface charge density
 $\lambda \rightarrow$ linear charge density

$$\lambda = \sigma dx$$

"E due to infinite sheet is constant
does not depends on distance
from sheet and position."

$$\text{So, } dE = \frac{2k\lambda}{r} = \frac{2k\sigma dx}{\sqrt{x^2 + z^2}}$$

$$dE_x = dE \cos \theta = \frac{2k\sigma dx}{\sqrt{x^2 + z^2}} \cdot \frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + z^2}}$$

$$E_{\text{net}} = \int dE_x = 2k\sigma z \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2 + z^2}$$

$$E_{\text{net}} = 2k\sigma z \left[\frac{1}{z} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$

$$E_{\text{net}} = 2k\sigma \left[\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\infty}{z}\right) - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-\infty}{z}\right) \right]$$

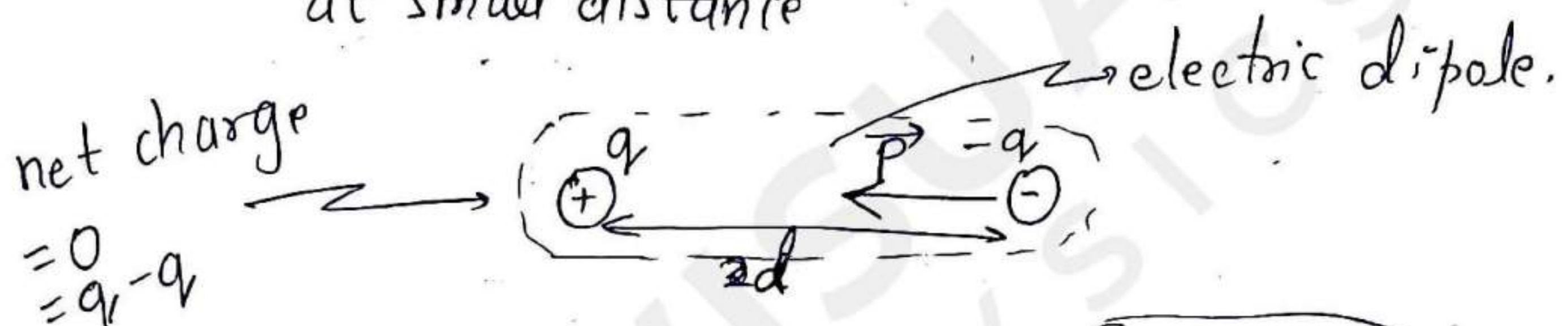
$$= 2k\sigma \left(\pi/2 + \pi/2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{4\pi\epsilon} \sigma \pi$$

$$\boxed{E_{\text{net}} = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon}}$$

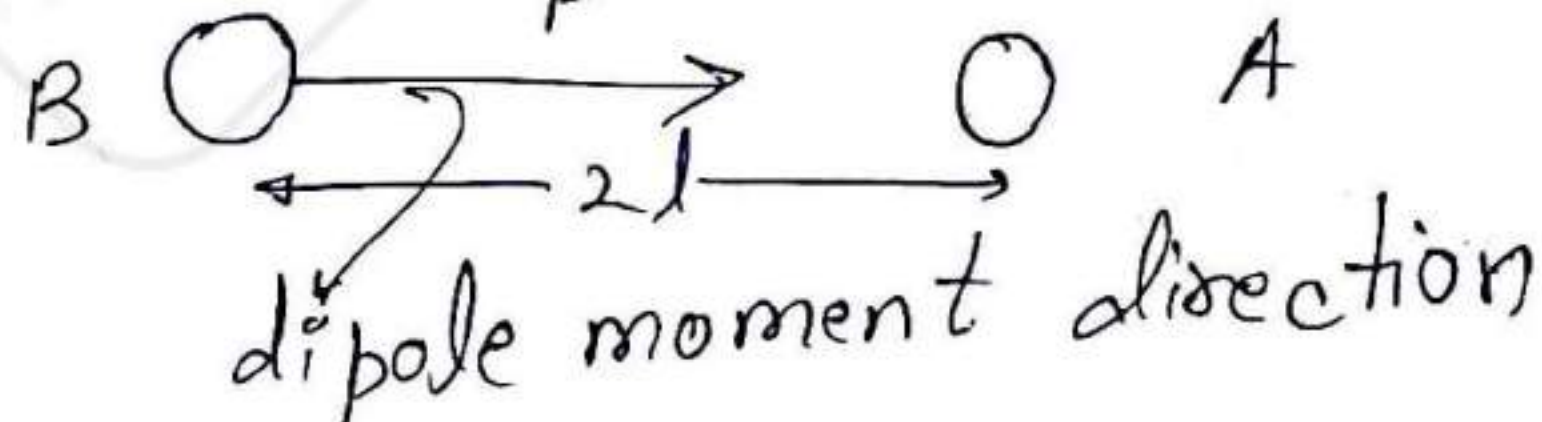
Electric Dipole :

Two equal and opposite point charge placed at small distance

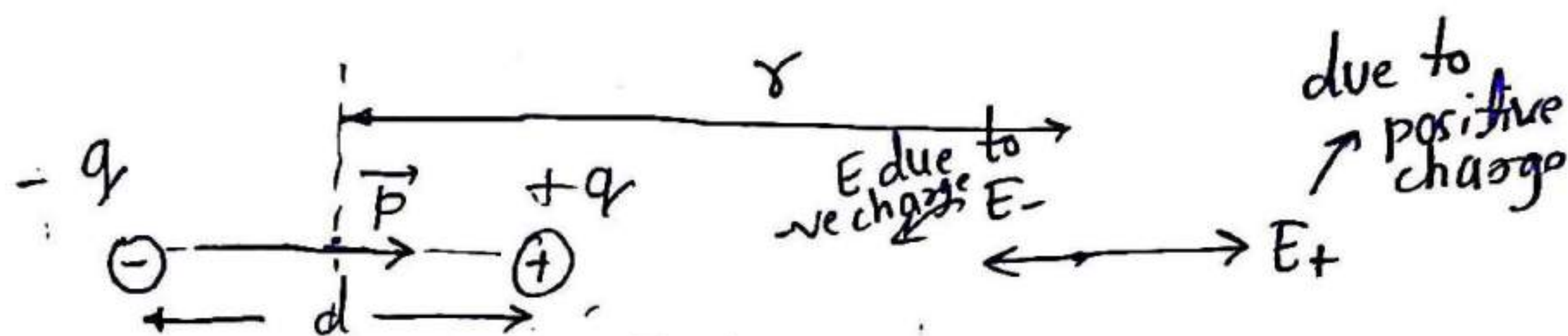


\vec{P} \Rightarrow dipole moment $\Rightarrow |\vec{P}| = 2qd$
points from -ve to +ve
charge \times distance

\Rightarrow direction of \vec{P} is opposite to direction



Electric field at axis of dipole:



$$K = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon}$$

$$E_{net} = E_+ - E_-$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{net} = \frac{kq}{(r - d/2)^2} - \frac{kq}{(r + d/2)^2}$$

$$E_{net} = kq \left[\frac{4r(d/2)}{[r^2 - (d/2)^2]^2} \right]$$

$r \gg d/2$

$$E_{net} = kq \left[\frac{4r(d/2)}{r^4} \right] \rightarrow E_{net} =$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{net} = \frac{2kqd}{r^3} \rightarrow \text{dipole moment}$$

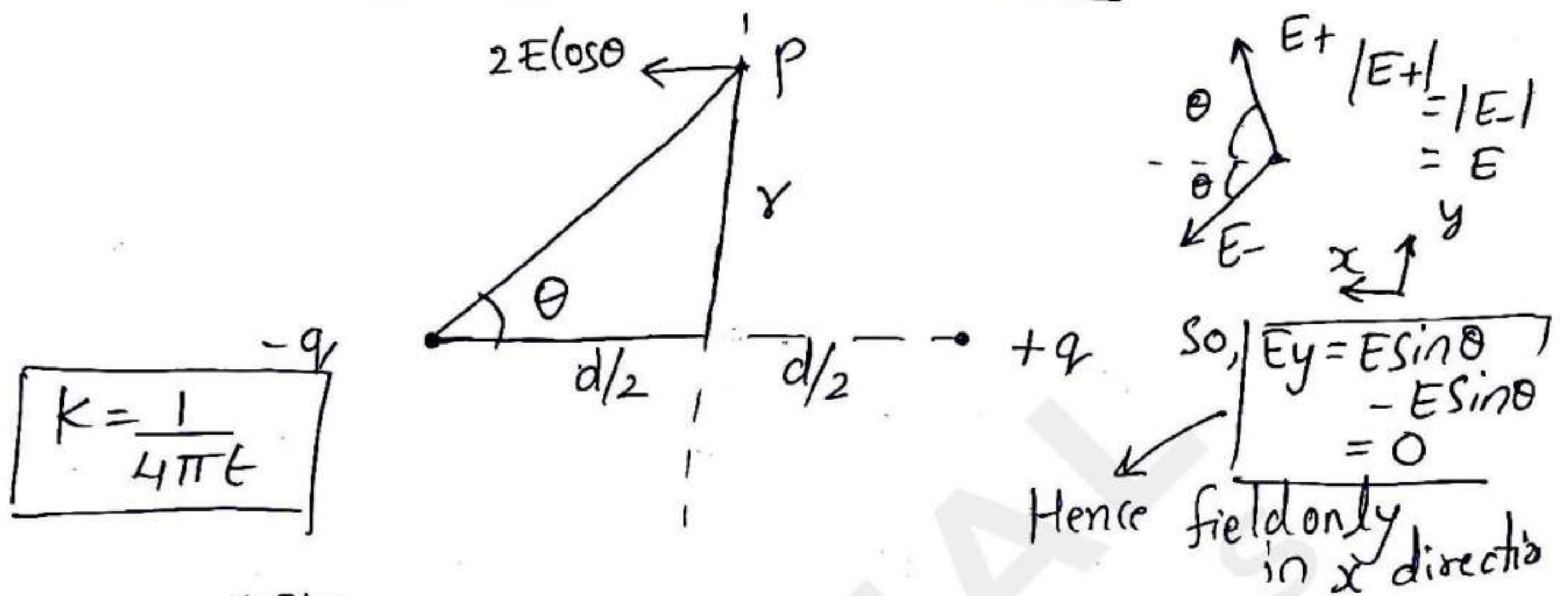
as $d/2 \ll r$

$$E_{net} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{2p}{r^3}$$

as \vec{p} points in \vec{E} direction

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{E}_{net} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{2\vec{p}}{r^3}}$$

Electric field at equatorial line by dipole



$$k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon}$$

now

$$E_{\text{net}} = 2E \cos \theta$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{kq}{[r^2 + (d/2)^2]} \right] \left[\frac{d/2}{\sqrt{r^2 + (d/2)^2}} \right]$$

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$$E_{\text{net}} = \frac{kqd}{[r^2 + (d/2)^2]^{3/2}}$$

when $d \ll r$

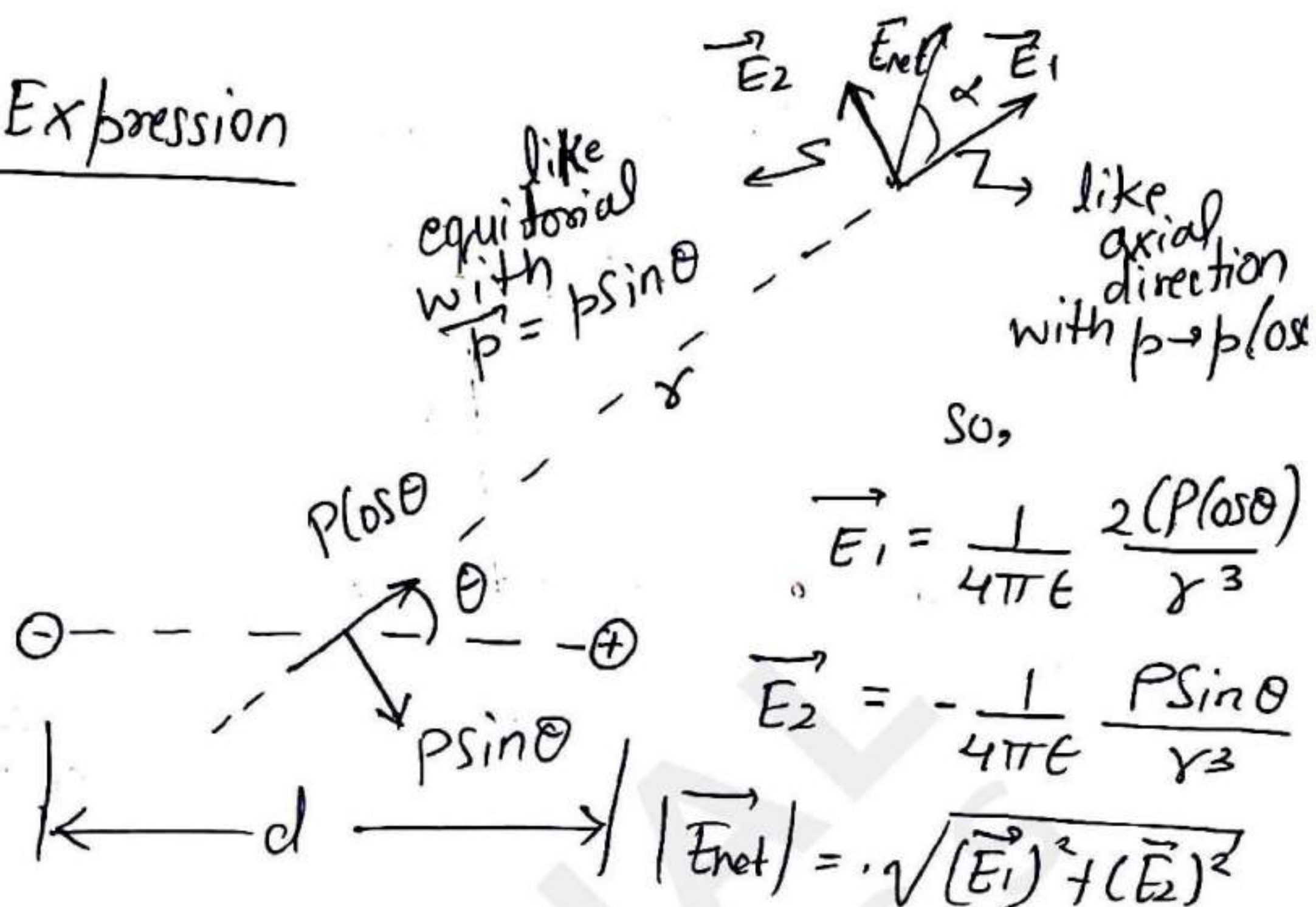
$$\Rightarrow E_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \frac{P}{(r^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{P}{4\pi\epsilon r^3}$$

now as E points opposite to dipole moment

$$\text{So, } \vec{E}_{\text{net}} = -\frac{\vec{P}}{4\pi\epsilon r^3}$$

General Expression

$$r \gg d$$

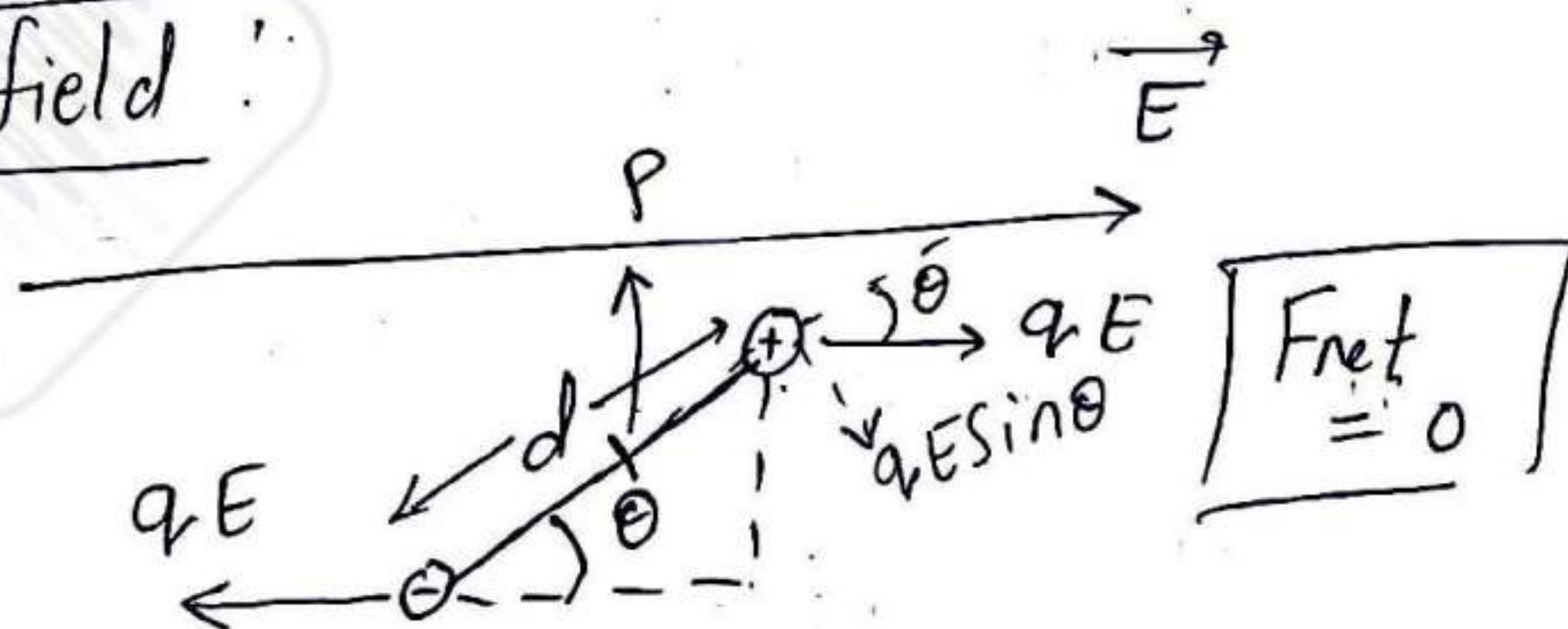


$$|\vec{E}_{\text{net}}| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2(P \cos \theta)}{4\pi\epsilon r^3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{P \sin \theta}{4\pi\epsilon r^3}\right)^2}$$

$$|\vec{E}_{\text{net}}| = \frac{P}{4\pi\epsilon r^3} \sqrt{1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta}$$

Dipole in External field:

Uniform field:



$$\text{net torque about } P = (qE \sin \theta) \left(\frac{d}{2}\right) + (qE \sin \theta) \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)$$

$$\tau = qEd \sin \theta$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{\tau = pE \sin \theta} \quad p = qd$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{\vec{\tau} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E}}$$

if $\theta \rightarrow 0$, $\tau \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow$ stable Equilibrium
 \hookrightarrow as Torque is restoring

if $\theta \rightarrow 180$, $\tau \rightarrow 0$ unstable equilibrium
 \hookrightarrow as Torque is not restoring

