

Two charges are positioned as shown to the left. The relative position vector between them is **d**. What is the dipole moment of this configuration?

$$\sum_i q_i \mathbf{r}_i$$

A.
$$+q\mathbf{d}$$

C. Zero

D. None of these; it's more complicated than before!

For a dipole at the origin pointing in the z-direction, we have derived:

$$\mathbf{E}_{dip}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{p}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 r^3} \left(2\cos\theta \,\,\hat{\mathbf{r}} + \sin\theta \,\,\hat{\theta}\right)$$

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For the dipole $\mathbf{p} = q\mathbf{d}$ shown, what does the formula predict for the direction of $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r} = 0)$?

A. Down

B. Up

C. Some other direction

D. The formula doesn't apply

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