

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \mathbf{J}$$



# Electricity and Magnetism I: 3811

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# Check Your Understanding #1

- Suppose the general solutions of Laplace's equation for a particular problem in Cartesian coordinates are:
  - $V_n(x,y) = [A_n e^{kx} + B_n e^{-kx}] * [C_n \cos(n\pi y/a) + D_n \sin(n\pi y/a)]$
- What are the values of  $k$  for each  $n$ ?

Q1:

$$X_n(x) = A_n e^{kx} + B_n e^{-kx}$$

$$Y_n(y) = C_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right)$$

$$\frac{d^2 X_n}{dx^2} = k^2 (A_n e^{kx} + B_n e^{-kx})$$

$$\frac{d^2 Y_n}{dy^2} = -\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{a^2} (C_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right) + D_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{a}\right))$$

$$\frac{1}{X} \frac{d^2 X}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{Y} \frac{d^2 Y}{dy^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 - \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{a^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

# Check Your Understanding #2

- Suppose the general solutions of Laplace's equation for a particular problem in Cartesian coordinates are:
  - $V_n(x,y) = [A_n e^{kx} + B_n e^{-kx}] * [C_n \cos(n\pi y/a) + D_n \sin(n\pi y/a)]$
- If the boundary conditions are such that  $V=0$  at  $y = \pm a/2$ ,  $V = \cos(\pi y/a)$  at  $x = 0$ , and  $V \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  and, what are  $A_n, B_n, C_n, D_n$  for all  $n$ ?

$$Q2: V(x, y) = \sum_n V_n(x, y)$$

$$\text{if } V(0, y) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi y}{a}\right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  only  $n=1$  contributes  
And only  $C_1 \neq 0$

$$e^{kx} \rightarrow \infty \text{ @ } x = \infty$$

so only  $B_1 \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow V(x, y) = e^{-\frac{\pi x}{a}} \cos\left(\frac{\pi y}{a}\right)$$

# Check Your Understanding #3

- The general solutions of Laplace's equation in spherical coordinates are:
  - $V_l(r, \theta) = (A_l r^l + B_l / r^{l+1}) P_l(\cos \theta)$
- If you want to find a solution valid from  $r = R$  to  $r = \infty$ , and you know  $V(R, \theta) = P_3(\cos \theta)$ , what is the full solution  $V(r, \theta)$ ?

$$Q3: V(r, \theta) = \sum_l (A_l r^l + B_l / r^{l+1}) P_l(\cos \theta)$$

$$\text{for } r > R \quad A_l = 0$$

$$V_{>}(r, \theta) = \sum_l \frac{B_l}{r^{l+1}} P_l(\cos \theta)$$

$$\text{but } V(R, \theta) = P_3(\cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{only } B_3 \neq 0$$

$$V_{>}(R, \theta) = \frac{B_3}{R^4} P_3(\cos \theta)$$

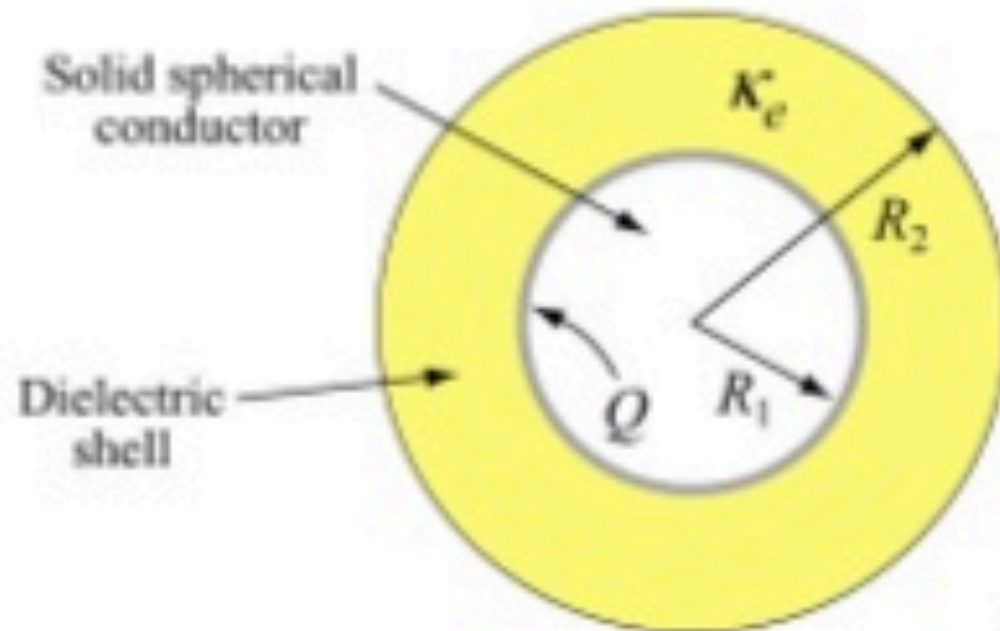
$$= P_3(\cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow B_3 = R^4$$

$$V_{>}(r, \theta) = \frac{R^4}{r^4} P_3(\cos \theta)$$

# Check Your Understanding #4

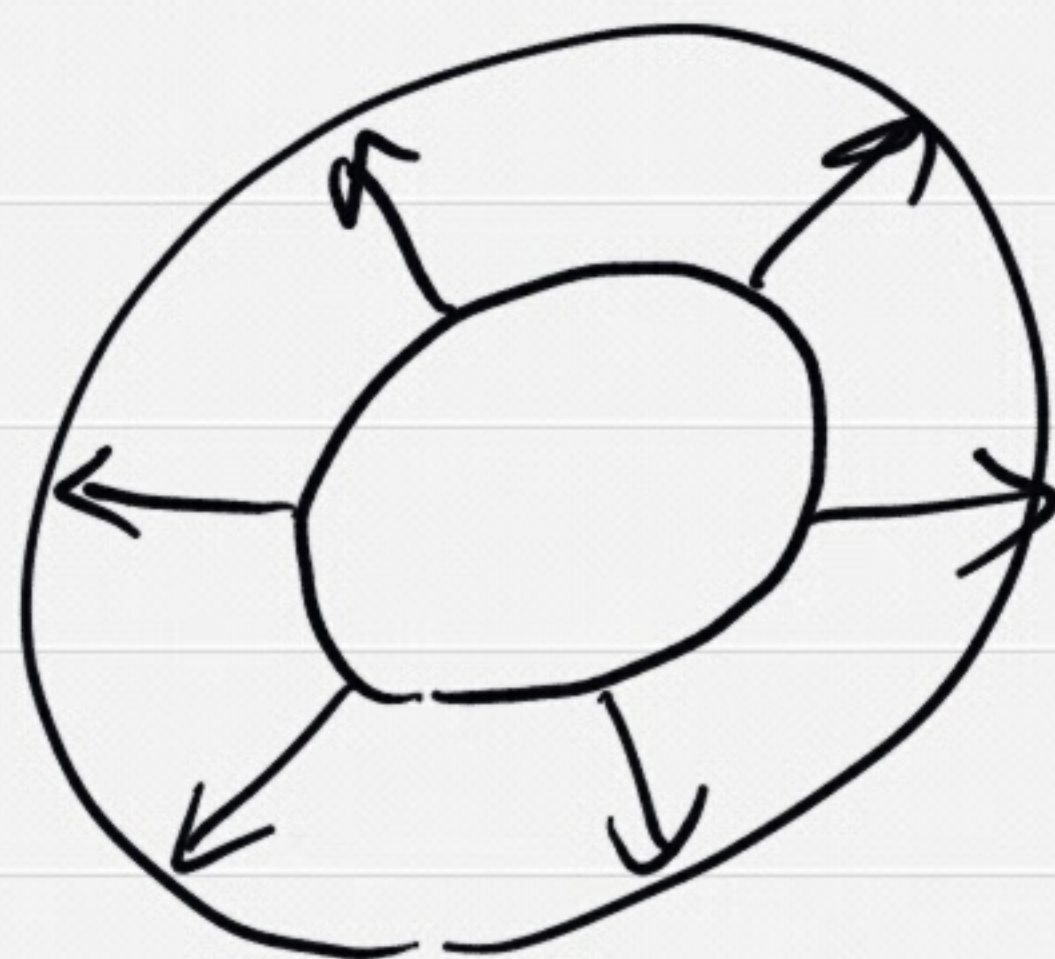
- Consider a dielectric shell surrounding a conductor with charge  $+Q$  on its surface.
- Draw three diagrams, showing the lines of polarization, electric field, and electric displacement. Be qualitatively accurate, with more lines for stronger fields.



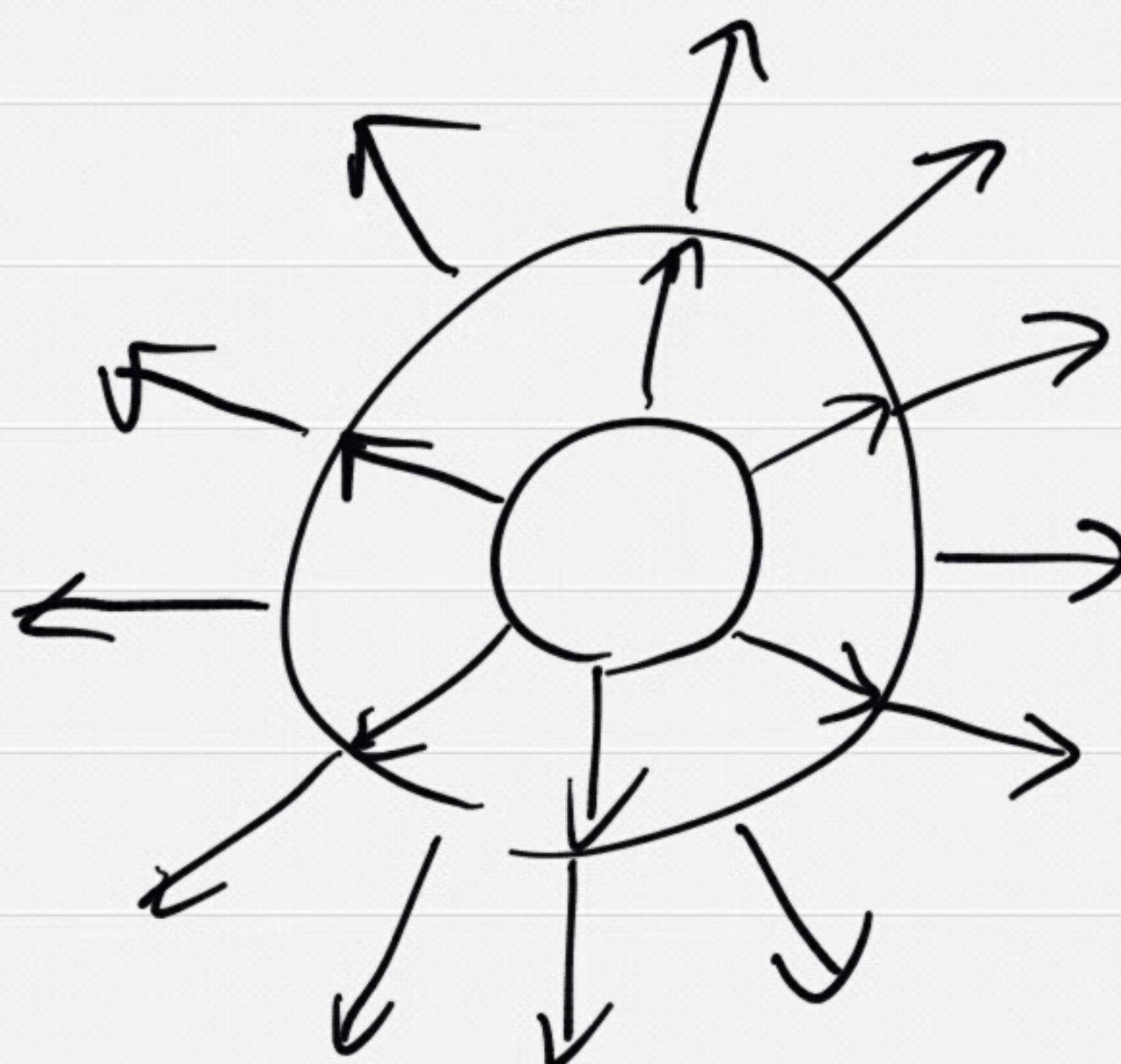


Q4:

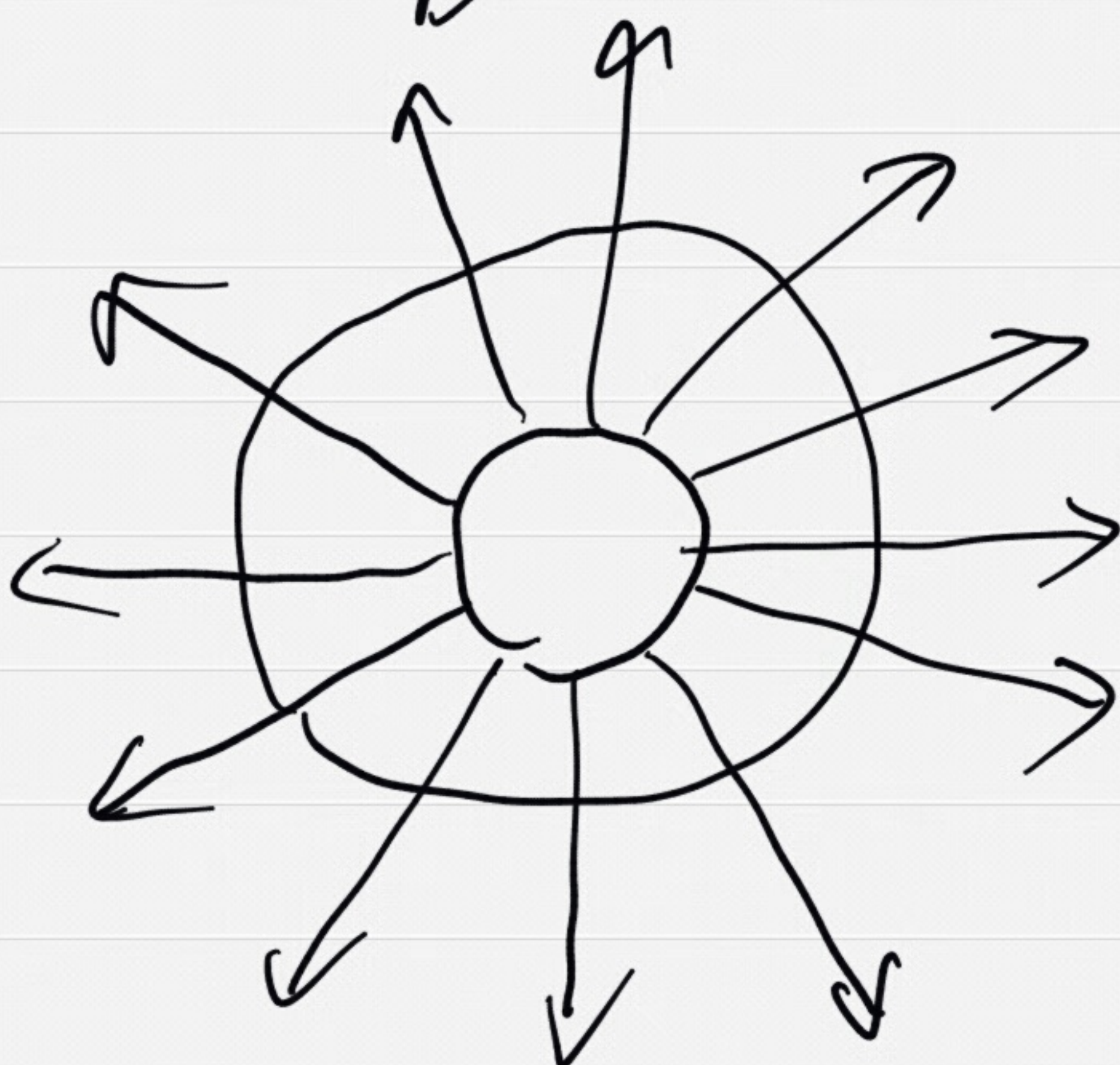
$\vec{p}$



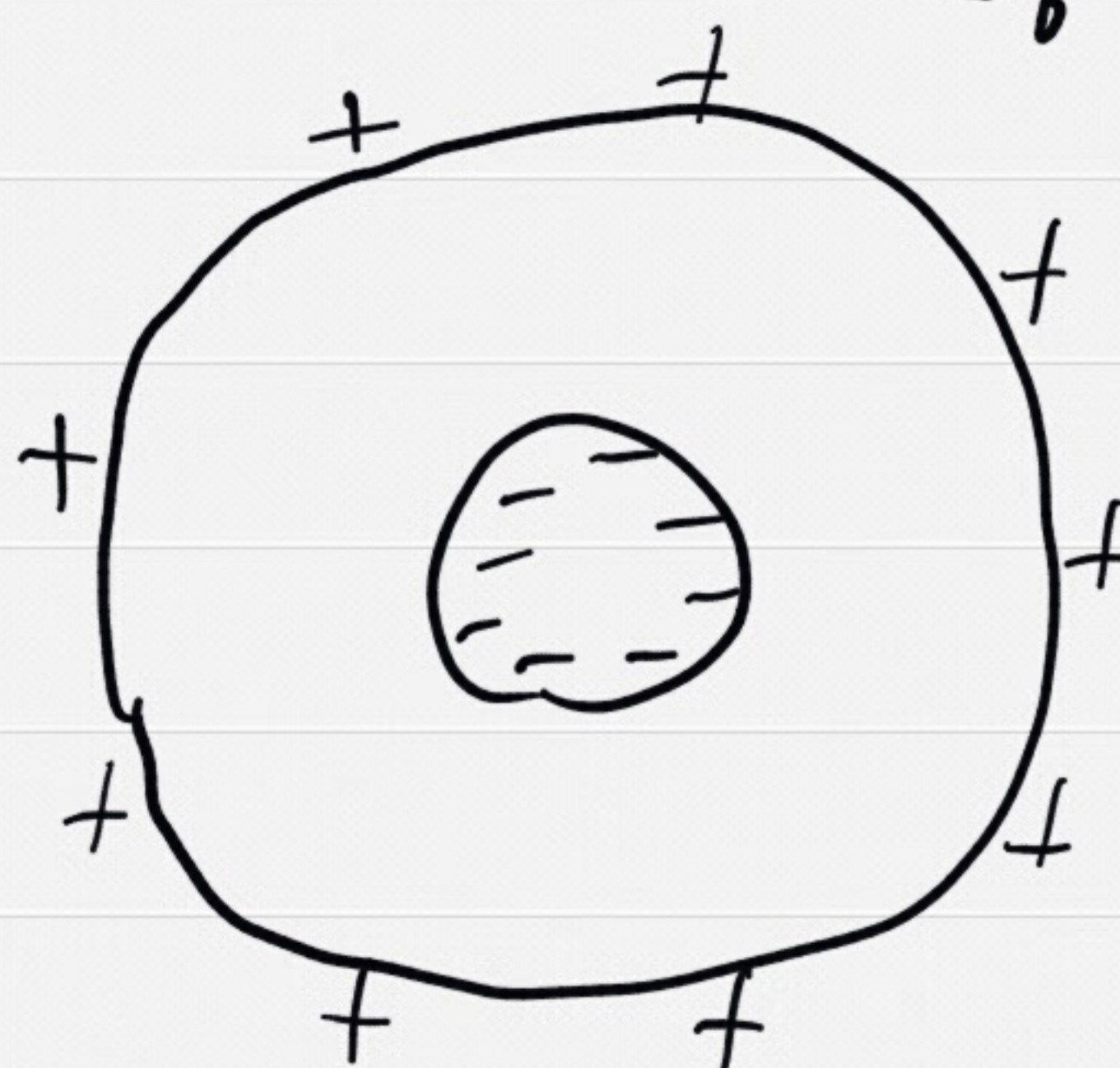
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$\vec{D}$

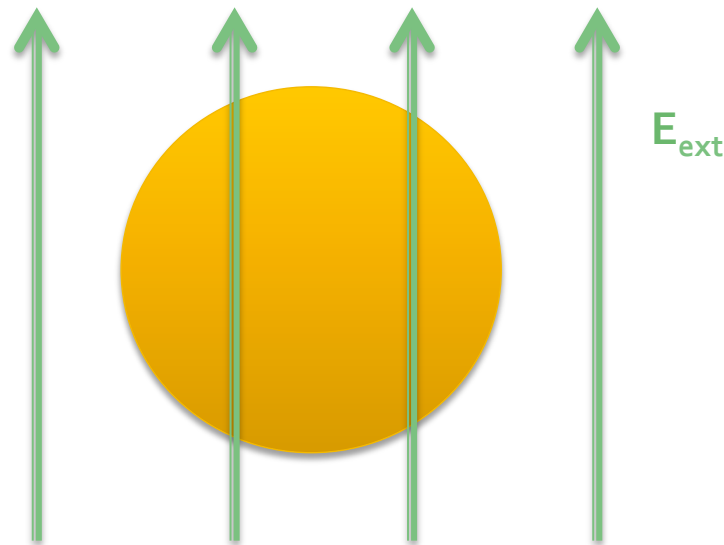


$Q_b$



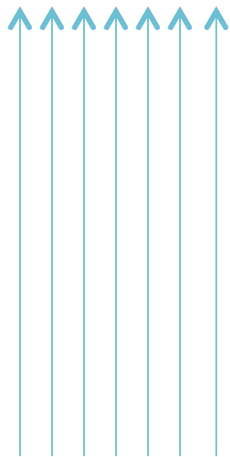
# Check Your Understanding #5

- Consider a dielectric sphere embedded in an initially uniform external field. Sketch the resulting lines of polarization, electric field, and electric displacement.

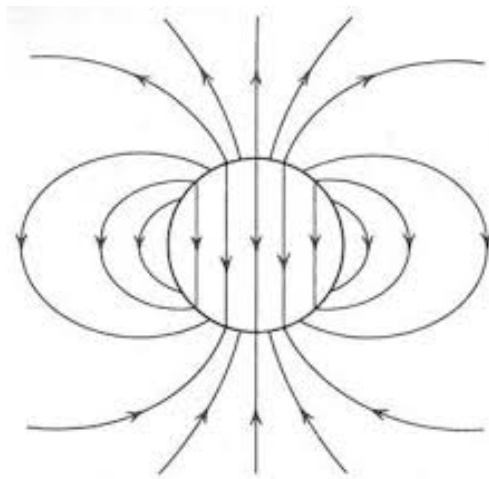


# Dielectric Sphere Electric Field

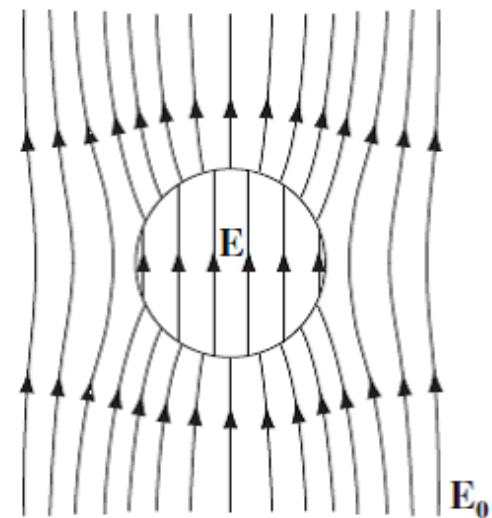
$E_{\text{ext}}$



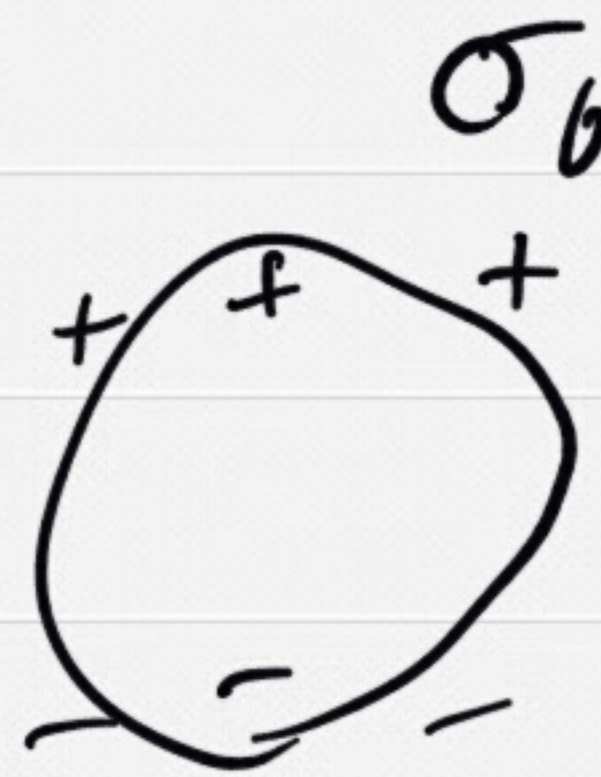
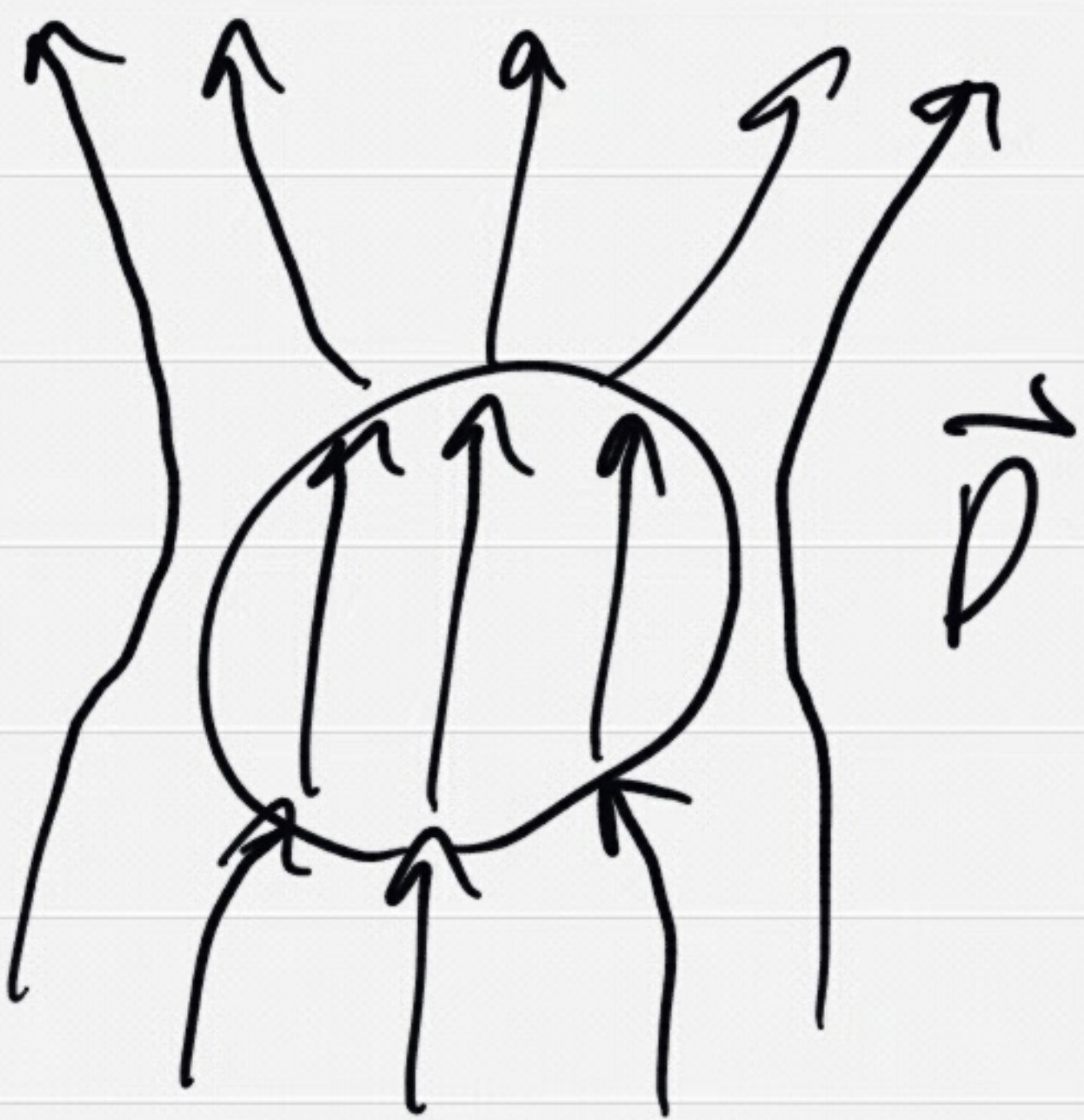
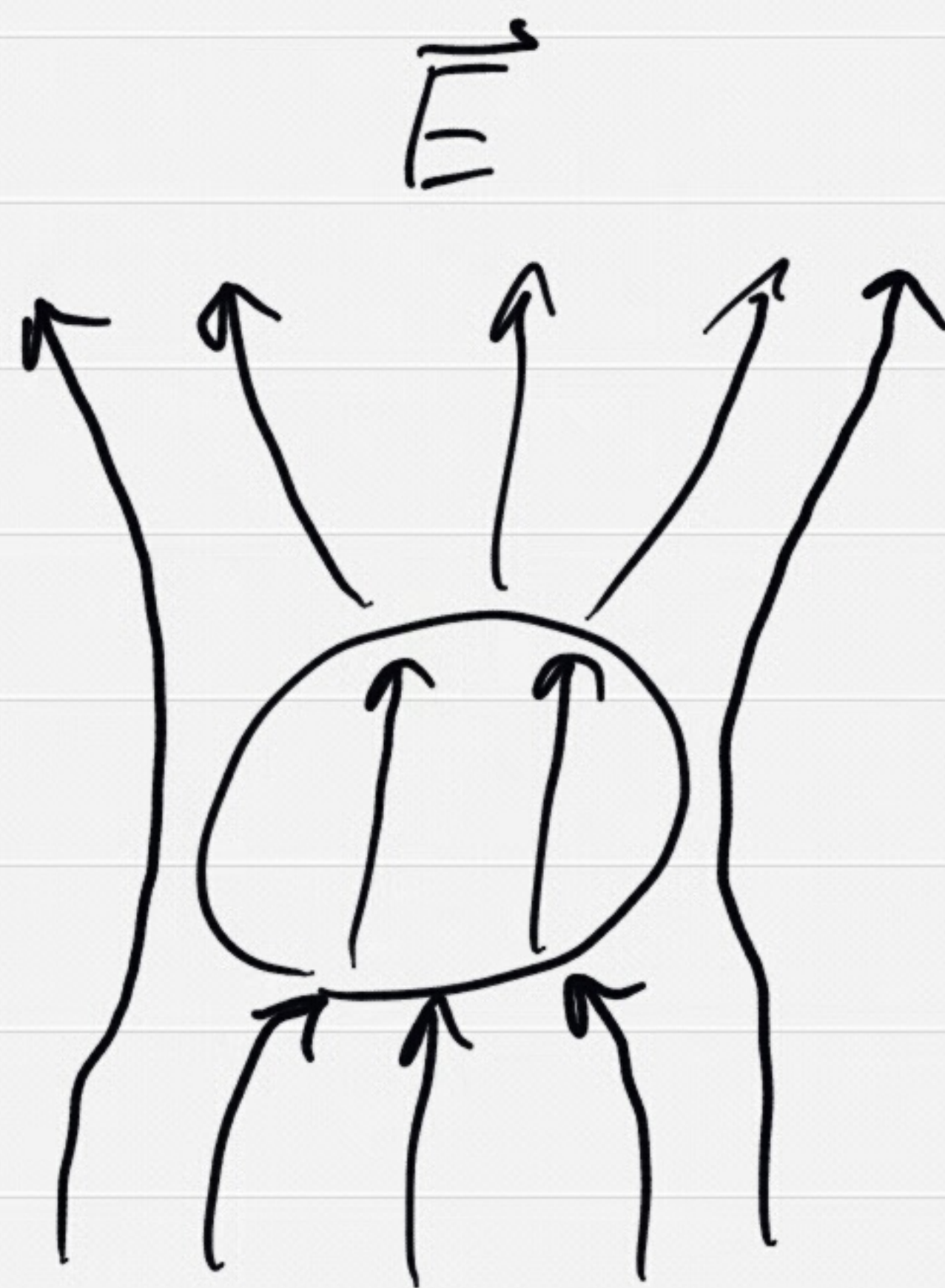
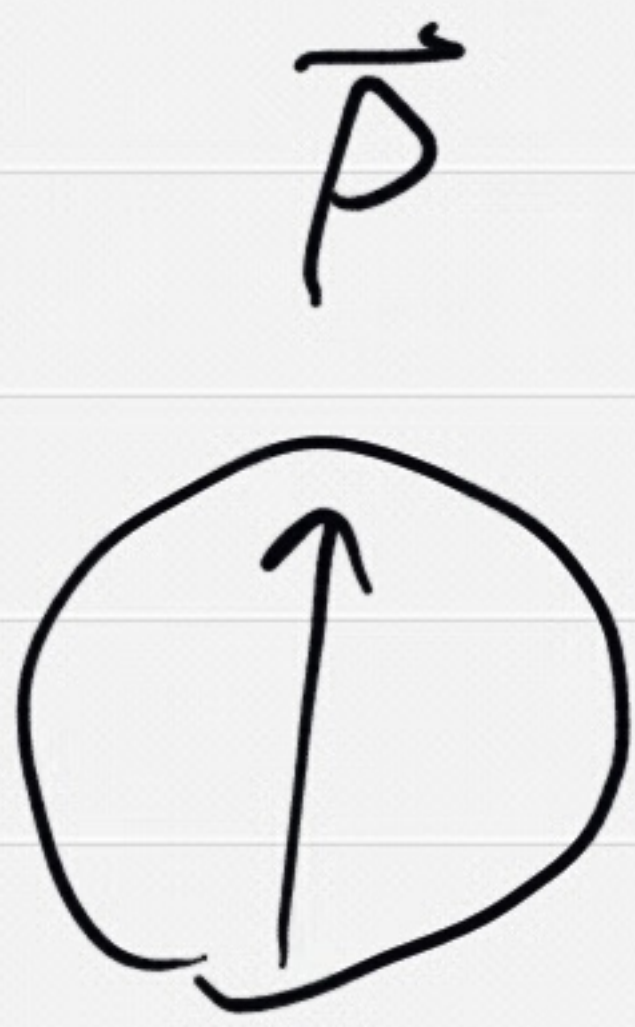
$E_{\text{int}}$



$E_{\text{tot}}$



Q5:



# Check Your Understanding #6

- In the problem with the dielectric sphere, there is no free charge anywhere

$$\oint \mathbf{D} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = Q_{f \text{ enc}}$$

- But  $D \neq 0$
- Why not?

$$Q6: \oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{enc}$$
$$= 0$$

But  $\vec{D} \neq 0$

$\vec{D} \cdot \hat{n} > 0$  over half

$\vec{D} \cdot \hat{n} < 0$  over half

Cancel out in  $\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a}$