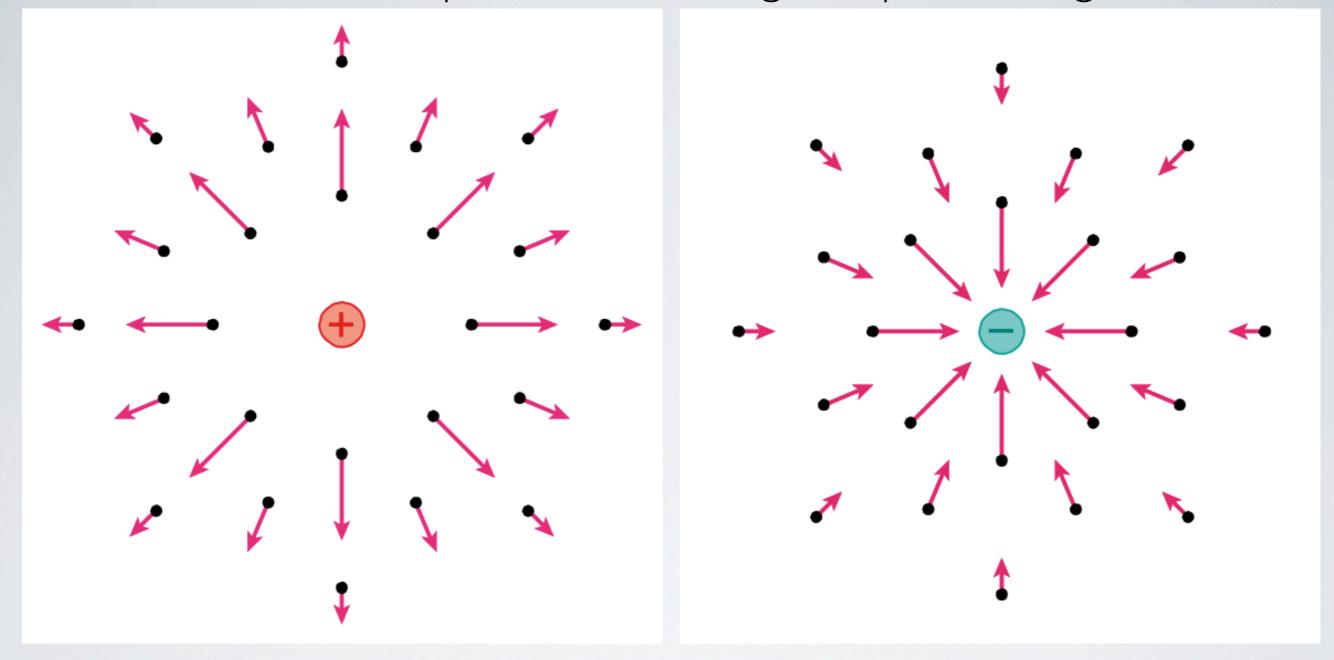
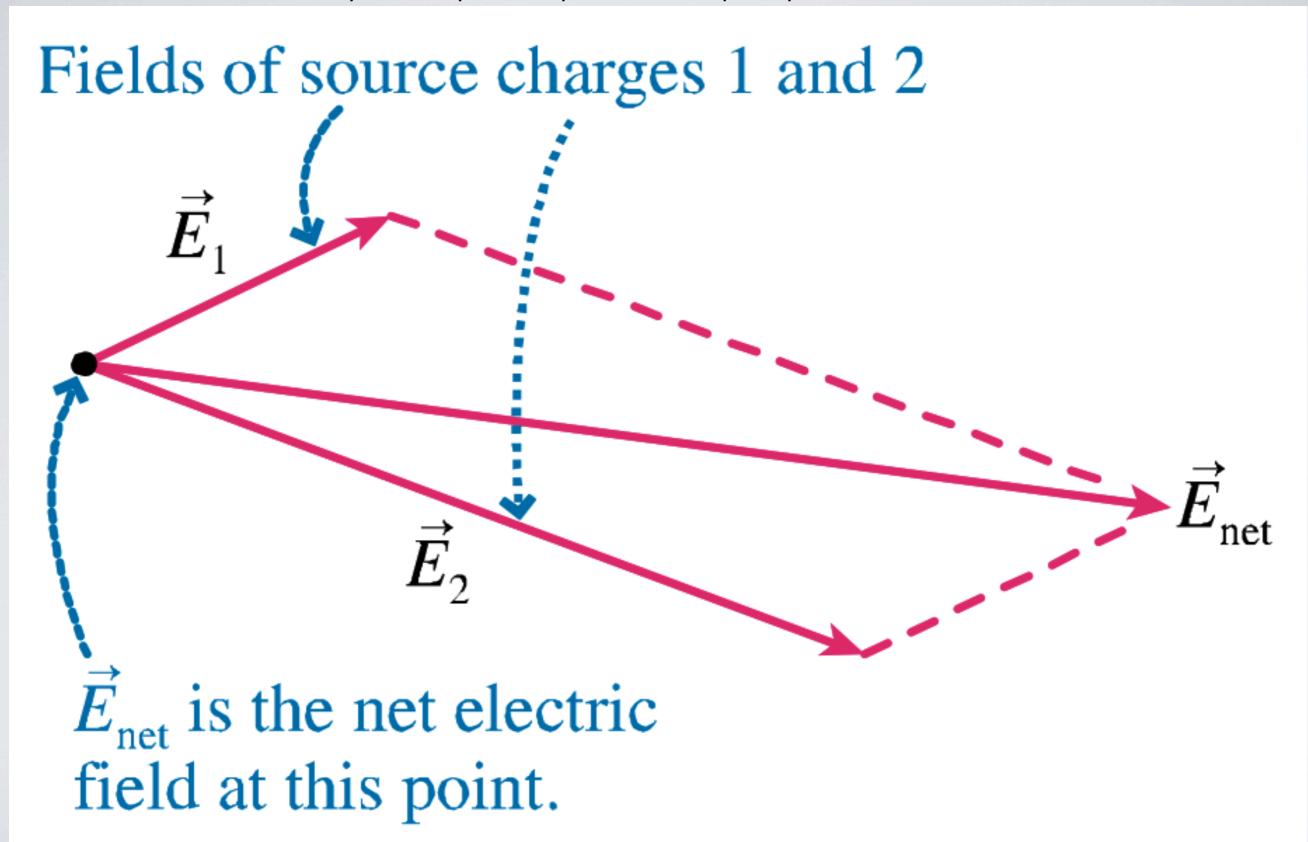
ELECTRIC FIELD

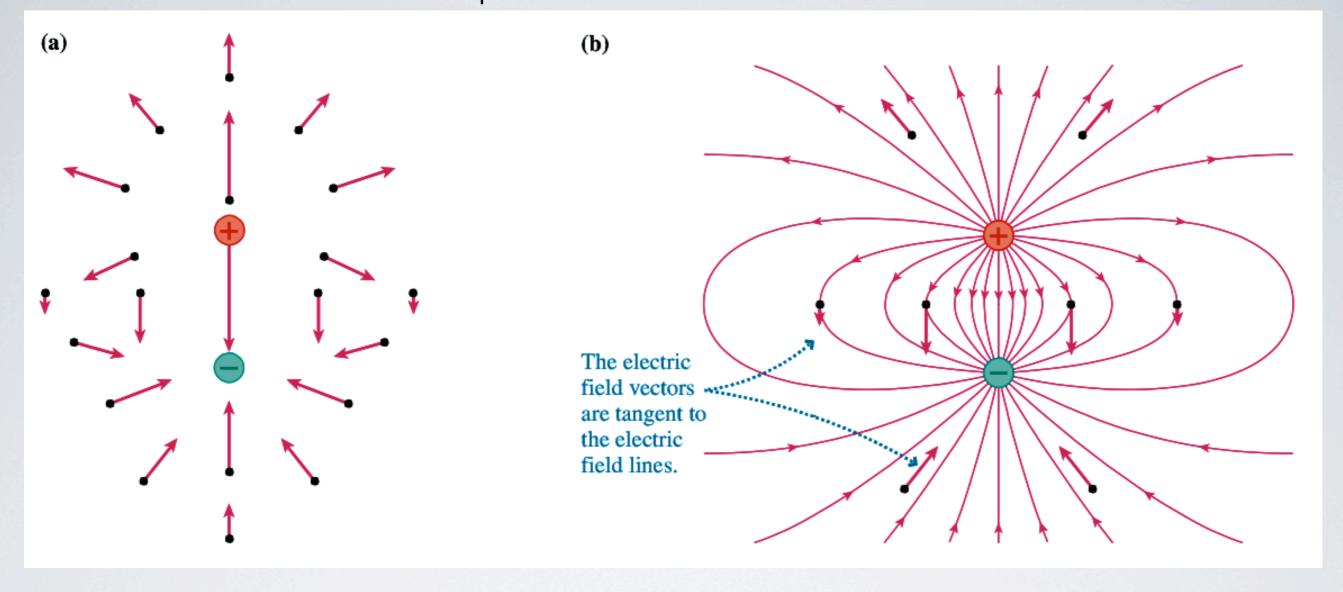
The electric field of a positive and a negative point charge.



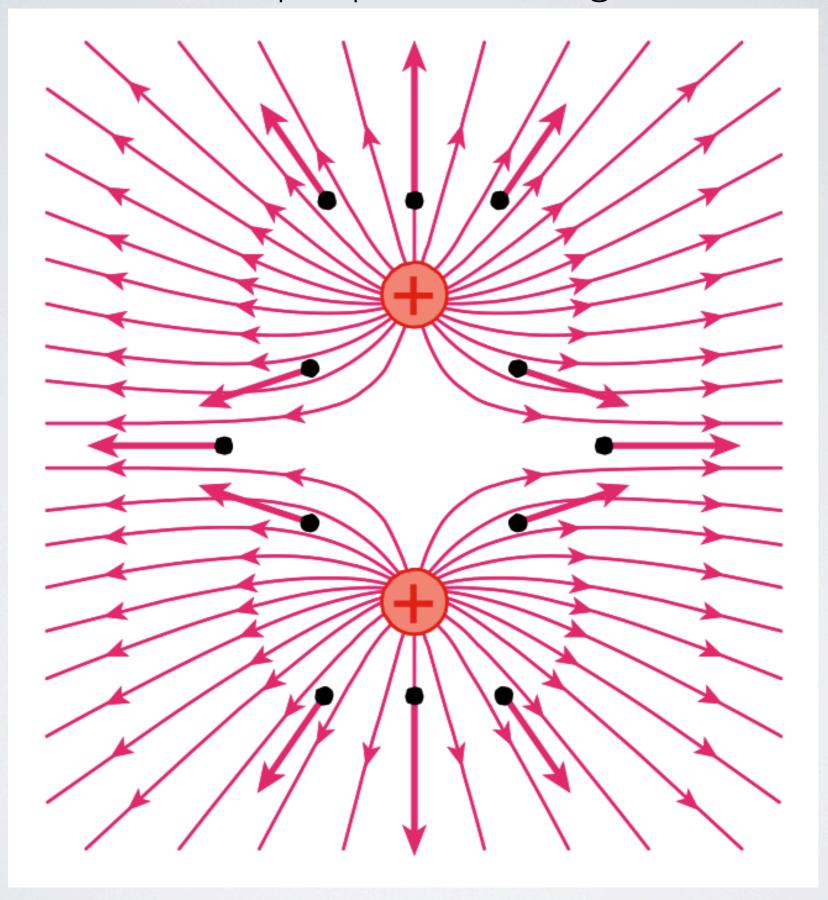
Electric fields obey the principle of superposition.



The electric field of a dipole.



The electric field of two equal positive charges.



Exercise

At the dot, the electric field points

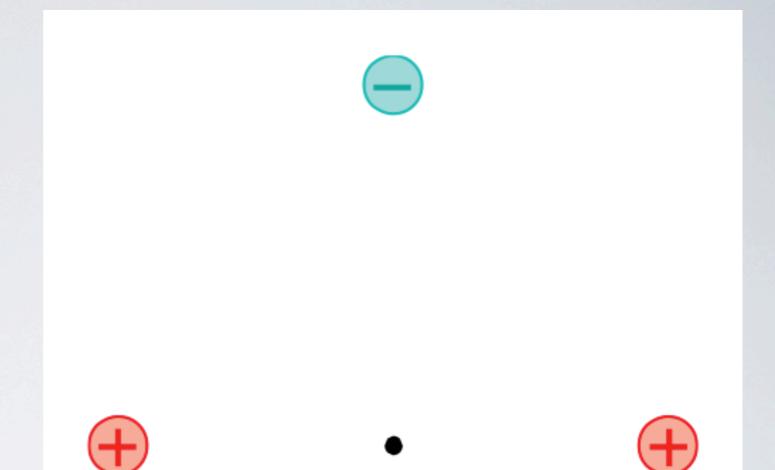
a. left.

b. right.

c. up.

d. down.

e. The electric field is zero.



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Four point charges are at the corners of a square of side a, as shown in the figure. (a) Determine the magnitude and direction of the electric field at the location of charge q. (b) What is the resultant force on q?

Ans:

- a) $5.91k_{\rm e}q/a^2$ at 58.8°
- b) $5.91 k_e q^2/a^2$ at 58.8°

