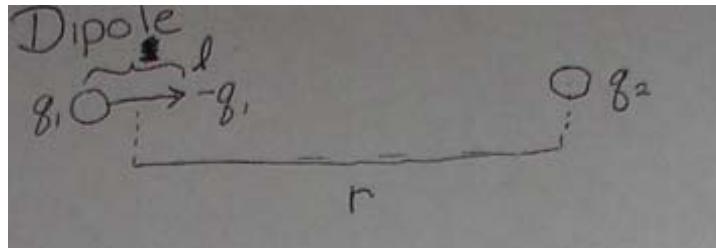


(HW: radius of interaction... mcs &amp; cells)

**Dipole**

$$\begin{aligned}
 E &= \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi e_0 r} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum \frac{q_1 q_2}{r_{12}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{-q_1 q_2}{r - \frac{l}{2}} + \frac{q_1 q_2}{r + \frac{l}{2}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{-q_1 q_2}{r} \right) \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{l}{2r}} - \frac{1}{1 + \frac{l}{2r}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } x = \frac{l}{2r}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore E &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{-q_1 q_2}{r} \right) \left( \frac{1}{1-x} - \frac{1}{1+x} \right) \quad \text{where } \frac{1}{1-x} - \frac{1}{1+x} = \frac{(1+x)-(1-x)}{(1-x)(1+x)} = \frac{2x}{1-x^2} \\
 &\quad \text{or } (1 \pm x)^{-1} = (1 \mp x + x^2 \mp x^3 + x^4 \dots) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{-q_1 q_2}{r} \right) [(1+x+x^2+x^3+\dots) - (1-x+x^2-x^3+\dots)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{-q_1 q_2}{r} \right) (2x) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{-q_1 q_2}{r} \right) (2) \left( \frac{l}{2r} \right) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{-q_1 q_2 l}{1} \right) \left( \frac{1}{r^2} \right) \sim \frac{1}{r^2} \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

↑  
dominant term in series

**Molecular Mechanics in General**

