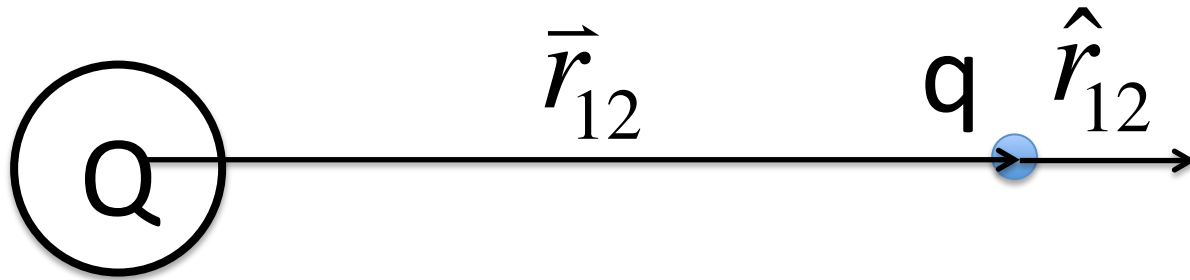


# Electric Field

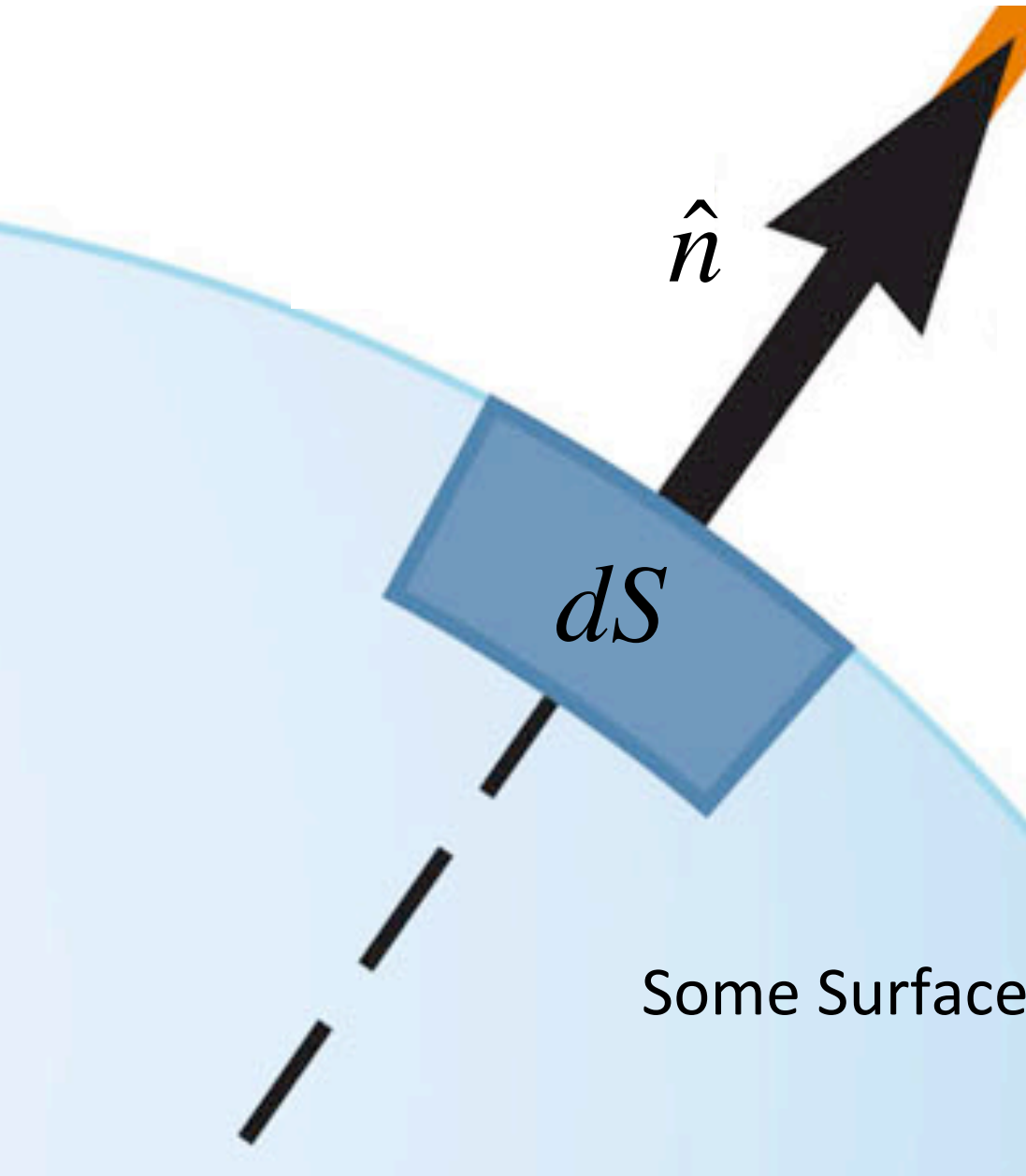


Force on q by Q  $\vec{F}_{Qq} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Qq}{|\vec{r}_{12}|^2} \hat{r}_{12}$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}_{Qq}}{q} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{|\vec{r}_{12}|^2} \hat{r}_{12}$$

$$\vec{E} \sim \hat{r}_{12} \quad |\vec{E}| \sim Q \quad |\vec{E}| \sim \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_{12}|^2}$$

# Comment on notation and electric flux



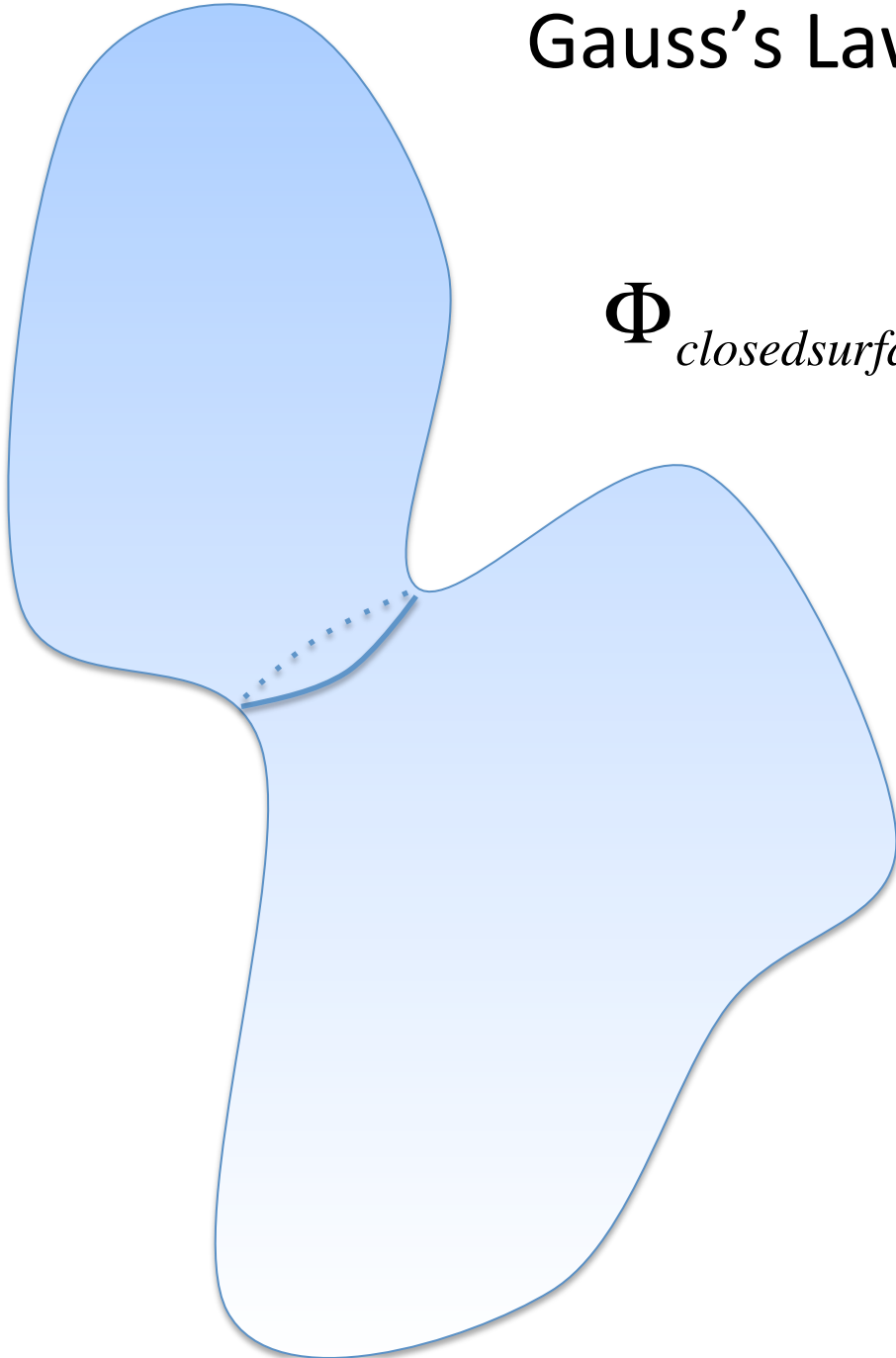
$$dS\hat{n} = d\vec{A}$$

$$d\Phi = \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n}dS$$

$$d\Phi = \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

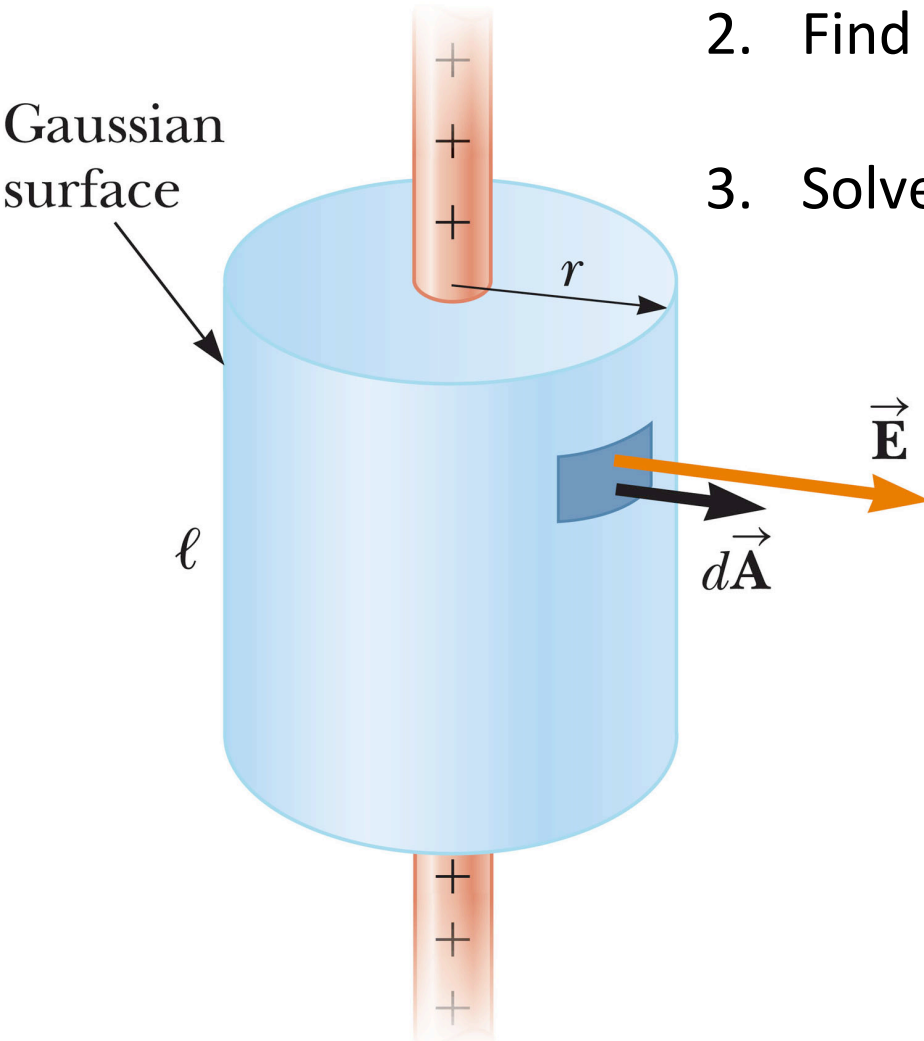
# Gauss's Law

$$\Phi_{\text{closed surface}} = \oint_{\text{surface}} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{enclosed}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

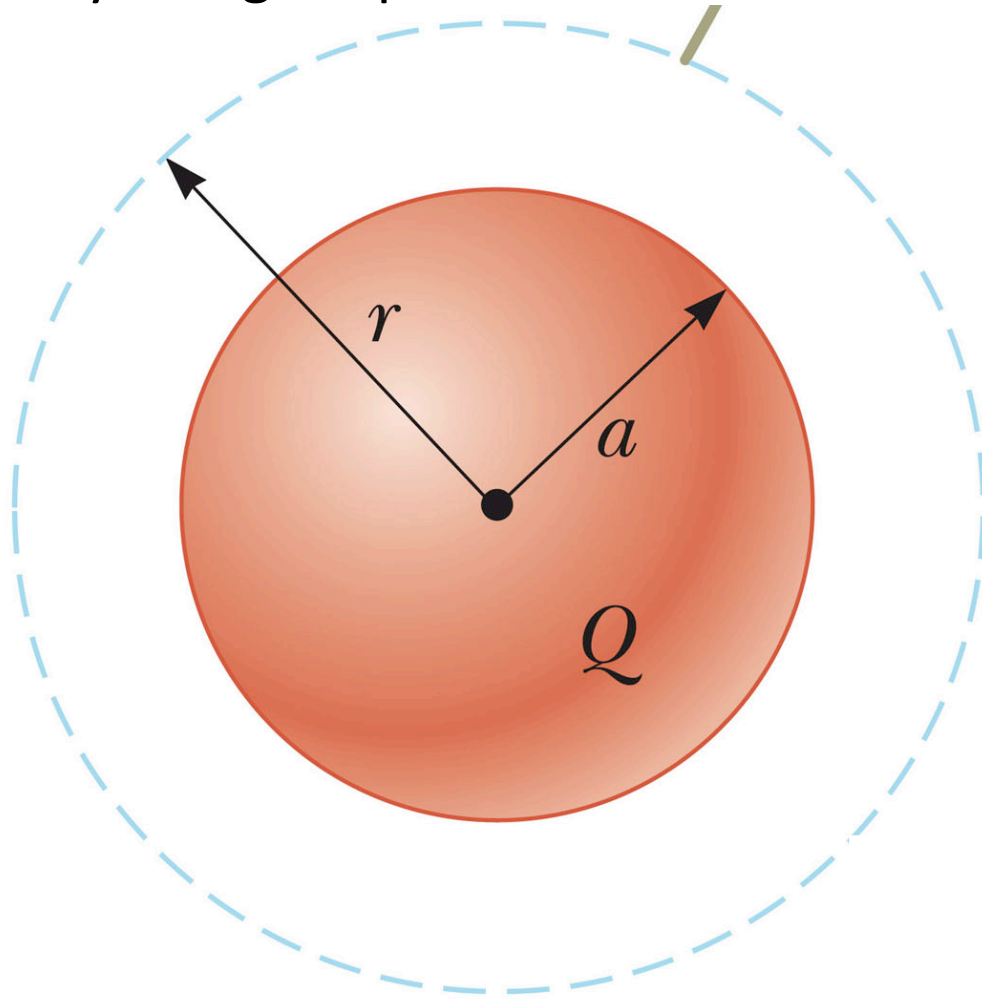


# Using Gauss's Law (to find electric field)

1. Define a closed surface (Gaussian surface)
2. Find the enclosed charge
3. Solve algebra to get the electric field

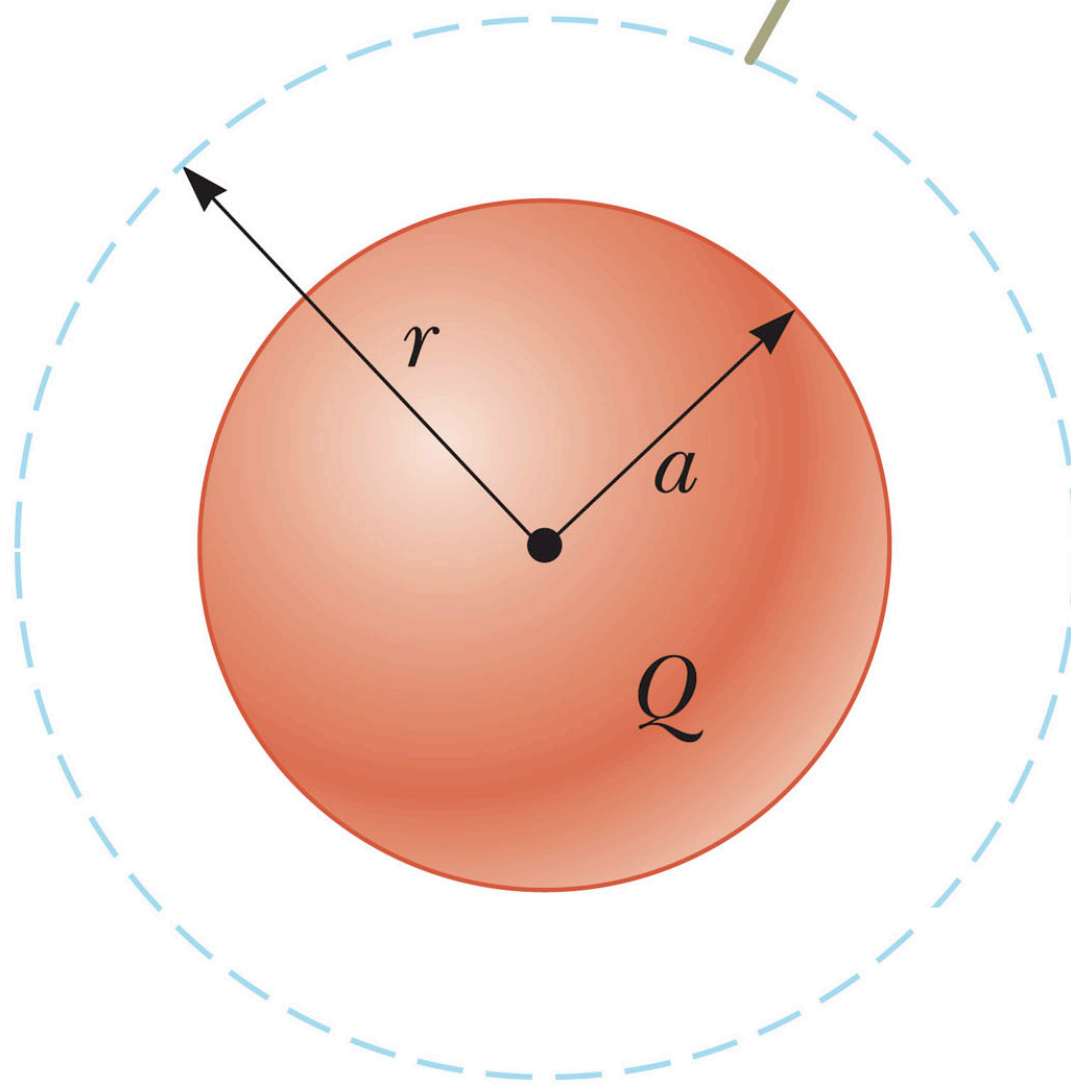


Example: Uniformly charged sphere: find electric field everywhere



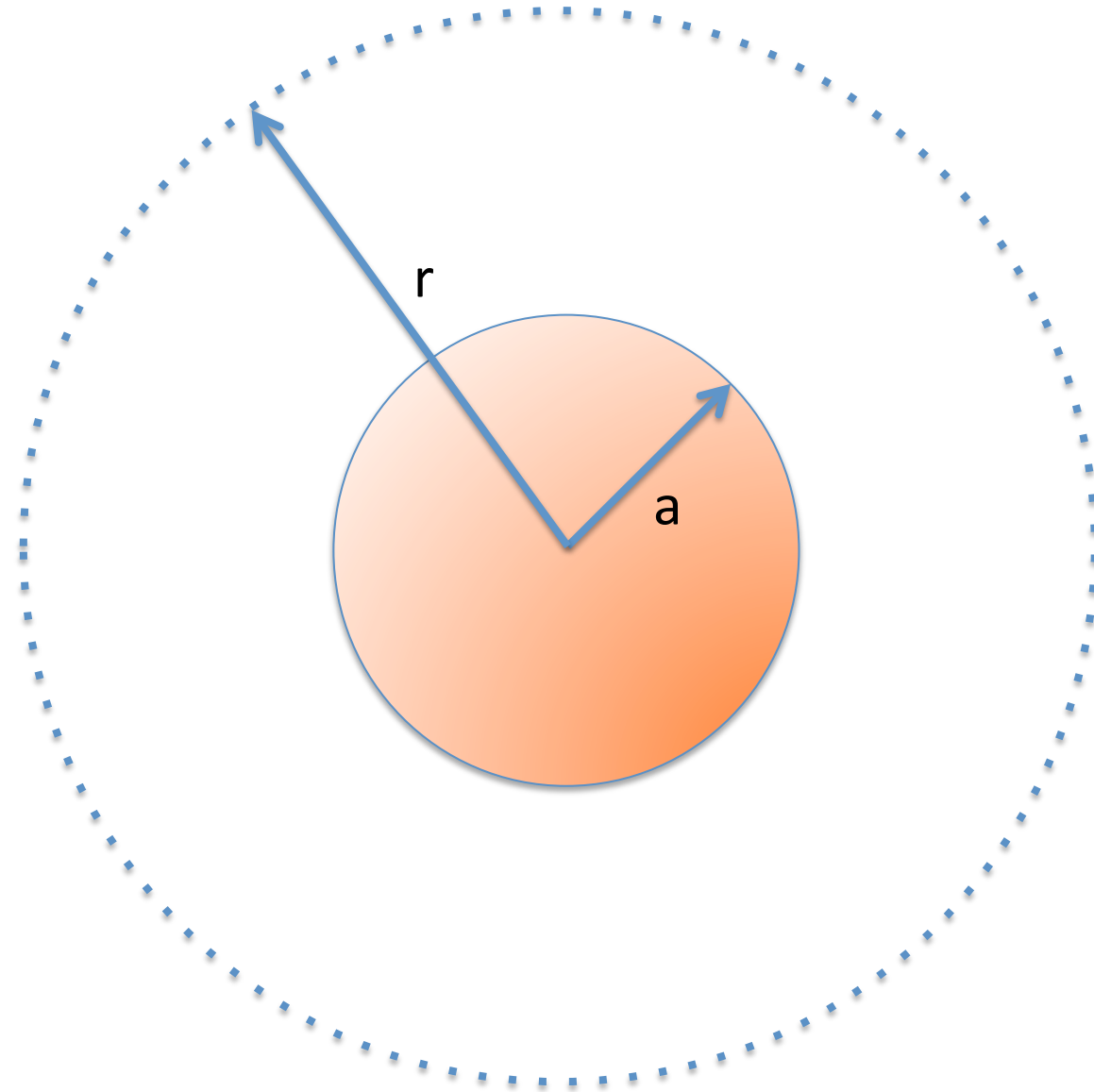
- Charge distribution: spherical symmetry = electric field: spherical symmetry
- Spherical symmetry:

$$\vec{E} \sim E(r)\hat{r}$$



Spherical symmetry means the Gaussian surface must be spherical

Case 1:  $r > a$



Enclosed Charge =  $Q$

$$\Phi = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$$

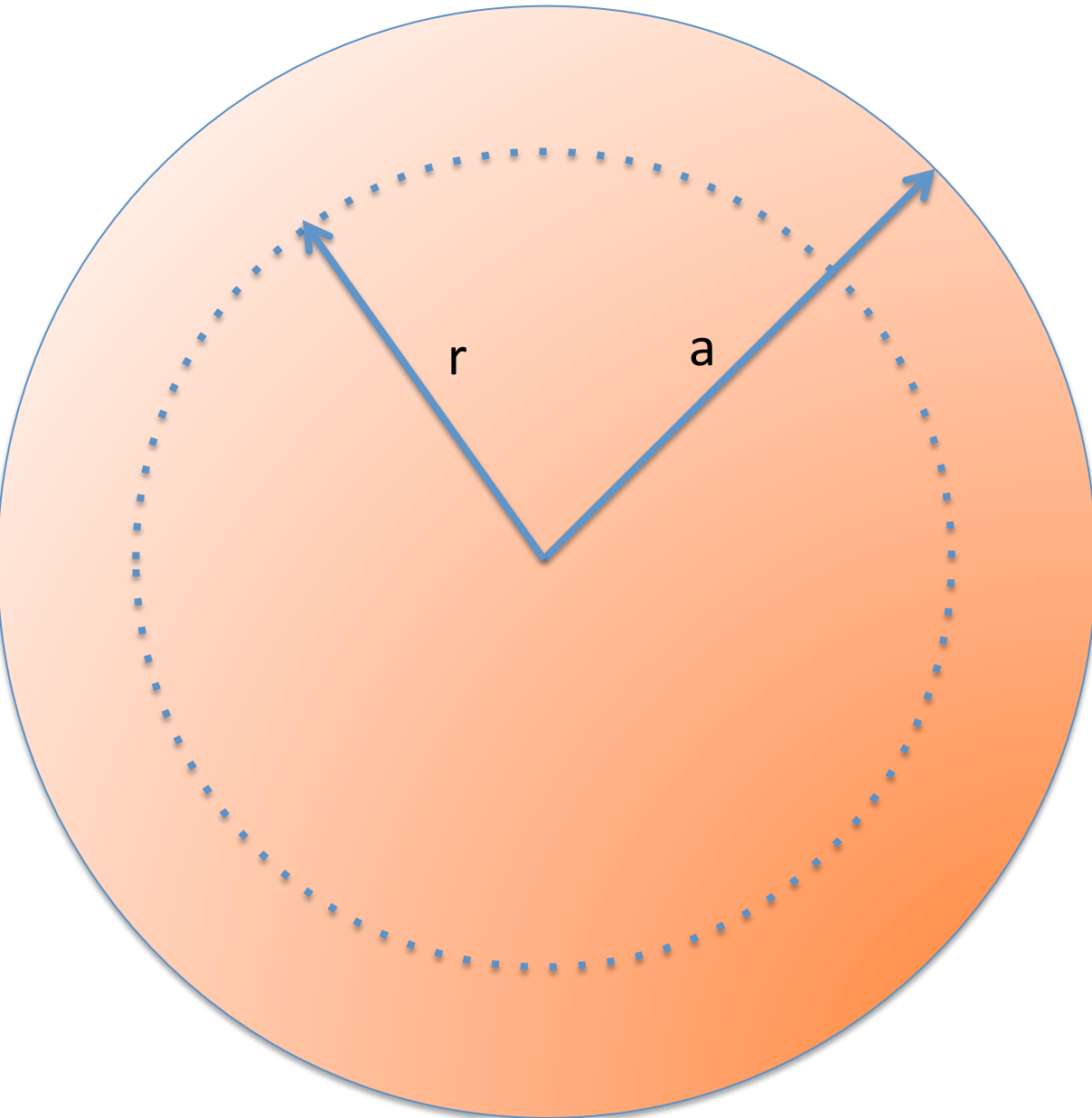
$$\Phi = E(r)4\pi r^2$$

$$E(r)4\pi r^2 = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\vec{E}(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

Case :  $r < a$



Enclosed Charge = ?

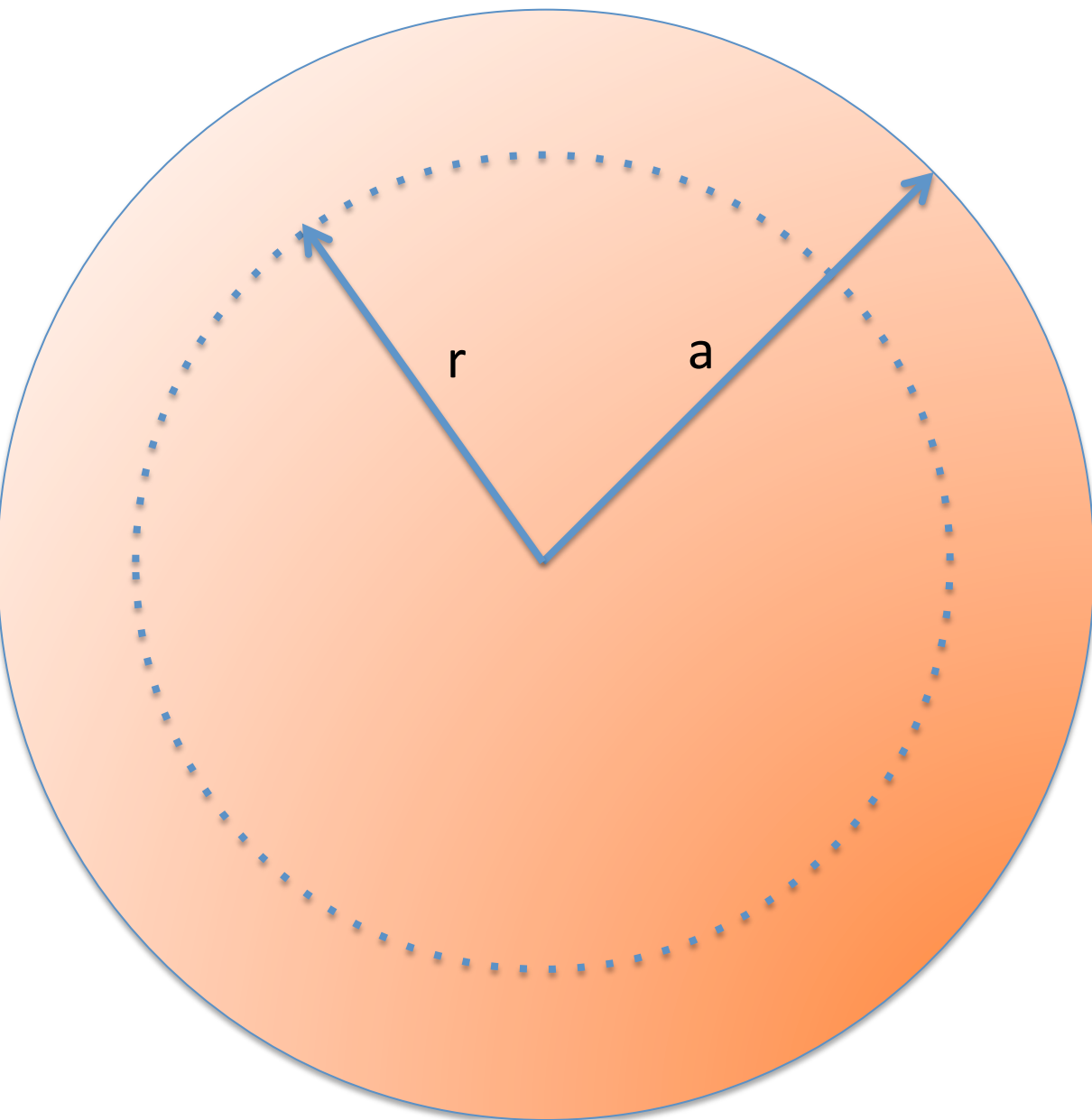
$$\rho = Q / \left( \frac{4\pi a^3}{3} \right)$$

$$Q_{enclosed} = \rho \frac{4\pi r^3}{3}$$

$$Q_{enclosed} = Q \frac{r^3}{a^3}$$



Case :  $r < a$



$$\Phi = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} \frac{r^3}{a^3}$$

$$\Phi = E(r)4\pi r^2$$

$$E(r)4\pi r^2 = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} \frac{r^3}{a^3}$$

$$E(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} \frac{r^3}{a^3}$$

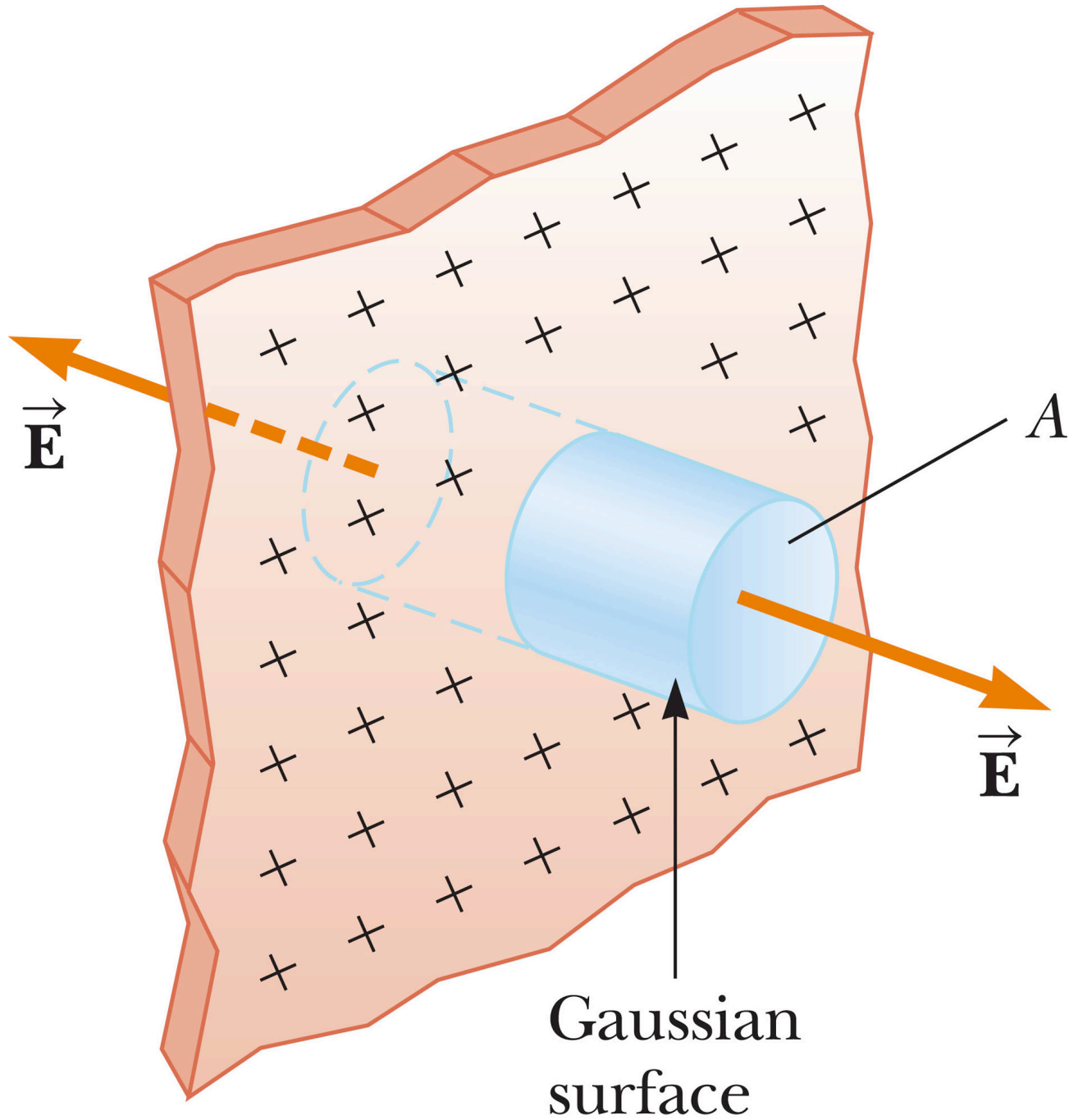
$$\vec{E}(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Qr}{a^3} \hat{r}$$

# Infinite Charged Plane



Sheet charge density: (C/m<sup>2</sup>)  $\sigma$

Draw electric field in the Doc Cam



Discussion on the metal surfaces