



a.) Since  $r \gg s$ , the field of the dipole at the location of  $Q$  is

$$\vec{E}_d = -\frac{K\vec{p}}{r^3} \quad (\text{on the bisecting axis})$$

So:

$$\vec{E}_d = -\frac{Kqs}{r^3} \hat{j}$$

and the force on  $Q$  is

$$\vec{F}_Q = Q\vec{E}_d = -\frac{KQgs}{r^3} \hat{j}$$

Now, by Newton's 3rd law:

$$\text{Force on dipole} = -(\text{Force on } Q)$$

$$= \frac{KQgs}{r^3} \hat{j} \quad (\text{same direction as } \vec{p})$$

b.) For a dipole in the field of  $Q$ :

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E} \quad \text{where at center of dipole}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{KQ}{r^2} \hat{j}$$

$$\text{So } |\vec{\tau}| = pE \sin 90^\circ = \frac{KQp}{r^2} = \frac{KQgs}{r^2}$$

$$\text{RHR} \Rightarrow \vec{\tau} \text{ is c.w.}$$