

Chapter 21. Electric Charge & Electric Field

I] Assignments

Quest: 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 17, 19, 21

Probl: 1, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 14, 19, 21, 24, 26, 28, 32, 34, 36, 40, 41, 45, 56, 57, 59, 62, 63, 68, 70, 76, 80, 82, 85, 88

II] Solution to selected problems

21-3)  $Q_1 = 25 \mu\text{C} = 2.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{C}$ ,

$Q_2 = 2.5 \mu\text{C} = 2.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{C}$ ,  $r_{12} = 0.28 \text{m}$ .

$$F_{21} = k \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{r_{12}^2} = 9.0 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2} \frac{2.5 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-11} \text{C}^2}{(0.28 \text{m})^2}$$

$$= 9.0 \times \frac{2.5^2}{0.28^2} \times 10^{-2} \text{N} = 717 \text{N}$$

21-6) When the 2 particles are  $r_0$  apart

$F_0 = 3.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{N}$ , Now  $r = r_0/8$ .  $F = ?$

A) Long Version.

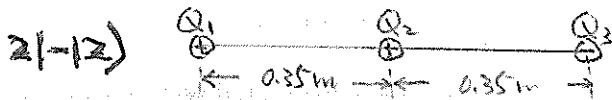
$$\frac{F}{F_0} = \frac{kQ_1 Q_2 / r^2}{kQ_1 Q_2 / r_0^2} = \left(\frac{r_0}{r}\right)^2 = (8)^2 = 64$$

$\therefore F = 64 F_0 = 64 \times 3.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{N} = 2.05 \text{N}$

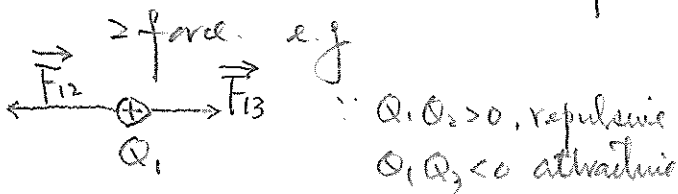
B) Alternative approach,

$F \propto 1/r^2$   
 $r = \frac{1}{8} r_0$  } in your mind!

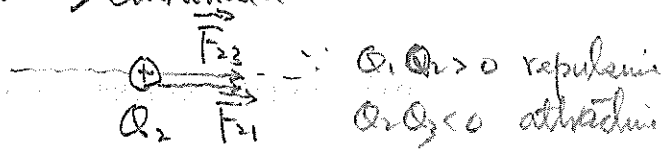
$\therefore F = \left(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{8}}\right)^2 F_0 = 64 F_0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$



Hint: On every charge there are two forces, one each from the other 2 charges. First, determine the direction of the



21-12) Continued



Let's call the total force on  $Q_1$

$\vec{F}_1 = \vec{F}_{12} + \vec{F}_{13}$  &  $\vec{F}_{13} \rightarrow, \vec{F}_{12} \leftarrow$

$\therefore F_1 = F_{13} - F_{12}$

$= k \left[ \frac{|Q_1 Q_3|}{r_{13}^2} - \frac{|Q_1 Q_2|}{r_{12}^2} \right]$

$= 9.0 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2} \left[ \frac{25 \times 85}{(70 \text{m})^2} - \frac{25 \times 48}{(35 \text{m})^2} \right] \times 10^{-12} \text{C}^2$

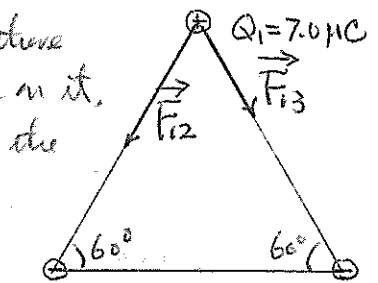
$= 9.0 \times 10^9 \text{N} \left[ 1.30 \times 10^{-4} - 2.94 \times 10^{-4} \right] \times 10^{-12}$

$= 9.0 \times 10^3 \text{N} \left[ -1.64 \times 10^{-4} \right] = -14.8 \times 10^3 \text{N} = -148 \text{N}$

"-"  $\vec{F}_1$  is toward the left.

21-13) Hints:

a) On each charge, there are 2 forces acting on it, one from each of the other 2 charges.



(b) The 2 forces on each charge

do not line up. they are vectors. Add them up as vectors

21-14) Given:  $Q_1 + Q_2 = 90.0 \mu\text{C} = 9.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{C}$

a) when  $r_{12} = 1.16 \text{ m}$ ,  $F = 12.0 \text{ N}$  repulsive

$\Rightarrow Q_1$  &  $Q_2$  are like charges.

use  $F = k \frac{|Q_1 Q_2|}{r_{12}^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |Q_1 Q_2| &= |Q_1| |Q_2| = \frac{F \cdot r_{12}^2}{k} \\ &= \frac{12 \text{ N} \times (1.16 \text{ m})^2}{9.0 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2}} = 1.79 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C}^2 \\ &= 1.79 \times 10^{-3} (\mu\text{C})^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|Q_1| + |Q_2| = 90 \mu\text{C}$

$$\therefore [ |Q_1| + |Q_2| ]^2 - 4 |Q_1| |Q_2| = (90^2 - 4 \times 1.79) (\mu\text{C})^2$$

$$\text{ie } [ |Q_1| - |Q_2| ]^2 = 940 (\mu\text{C})^2 = (30.66 \mu\text{C})^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so: } |Q_1| + |Q_2| &= 90 \mu\text{C} \quad \dots (1) \\ |Q_1| - |Q_2| &= 30.66 \mu\text{C} \quad \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$(1) + (2) \Rightarrow 2|Q_1| = 120.66 \mu\text{C}$$

$$\text{ie: } |Q_1| = 60.33 \mu\text{C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so: } |Q_2| &= (90 - 60.33) \mu\text{C} \\ &= 29.67 \mu\text{C} \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $Q_1, Q_2$  can be both "+" or both "-"

(b) when  $r = 1.16 \text{ m}$ ,  $F = 12.0 \text{ N}$  & attractive.

then  $Q_1$  &  $Q_2$  are unlike charges,

Let's consider  $Q_1$  is "+"  $\Rightarrow Q_2$  is "-"

$$\Rightarrow Q_1 + Q_2 = Q_1 - |Q_2| = 90 \mu\text{C}$$

$$\& \text{ From } F = k \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{r_{12}^2}$$

$$\text{we get } |Q_1 Q_2| = Q_1 |Q_2| = 1790 (\mu\text{C})^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } [Q_1 + |Q_2|]^2 &= [Q_1 - |Q_2|]^2 + 4 |Q_1 Q_2| \\ &= [90^2 + 4 \times 1790] (\mu\text{C})^2 = (1.526 \times 10^4) (\mu\text{C})^2 \\ &= (123.5 \mu\text{C})^2 \end{aligned}$$

21-14) Continued

$$\text{ie: } Q_1 + |Q_2| = 123.5 \mu\text{C} \quad \dots (3)$$

$$Q_1 - |Q_2| = 90.0 \mu\text{C} \quad \dots (4)$$

$$(3) + (4) \Rightarrow 2Q_1 = 213.5 \mu\text{C}$$

$$\text{so } Q_1 = 106.8 \mu\text{C}$$

$$\& |Q_2| = (123.5 - 106.8) \mu\text{C} = 16.7 \mu\text{C}$$

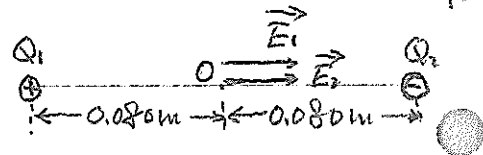
$$\therefore Q_2 = -16.7 \mu\text{C}$$

21-24) Use y (soz) part up

$$\text{Given } \vec{F} = -(8.4) \hat{j} \text{ N} \text{ \& } Q = -8.8 \mu\text{C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \vec{E} &= \vec{F} / Q = \frac{-8.4 \hat{j} \text{ N}}{-8.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}} \\ &= 9.55 \times 10^5 \hat{j} \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}} \quad (\Rightarrow \text{points up}) \end{aligned}$$

21-32)



Hints:

- (a)  $Q_1$  is "+",  $\vec{E}_1$  points away from it
- $Q_2$  is "-",  $\vec{E}_2$  points toward it.

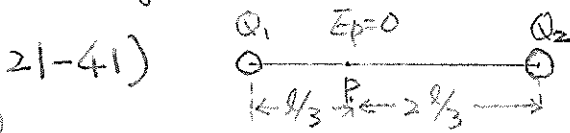
$$\therefore E_0 = E_1 + E_2 = 586 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}}$$

(b) Since  $E = k \frac{|Q|}{r^2}$  &  $|Q_1| = |Q_2|$  &  $r_1 = r_2$

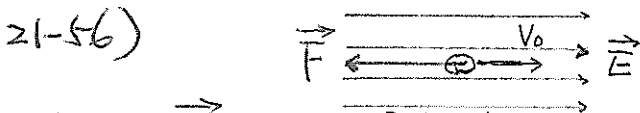
$$\text{so } E_1 = E_2 \text{ ie } 2E_1 = 586 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}}$$

$$\text{also } E_1 = k \frac{|Q_1|}{(0.080 \text{ m})^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |Q_1| &= \frac{E_1 \times 64 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2}{k} \\ &= \frac{293 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}} \times 64 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2}{9.0 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2}} = 0.208 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C} \\ &= 0.208 \text{ nC} \end{aligned}$$



Given: at point P,  $E_P = 0 = |\vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2|$   
 i.e.  $\vec{E}_1 = -\vec{E}_2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} Q_1, Q_2 \text{ are like charge.} \\ k \frac{Q_1}{r_1^2} = k \frac{Q_2}{r_2^2} \end{cases}$   
 i.e.  $Q_1/Q_2 = \frac{r_2^2}{r_1^2} = \frac{(2r_1/3)^2}{(r_1/3)^2} = 4$



Given:  $\vec{v}_0 = 2.75 \times 10^7 \hat{x} \text{ m/s}$   
 $\vec{E} = 1.14 \times 10^4 \hat{x} \text{ N/C}$   
 $\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{F}}{m} = \frac{e\vec{E}}{m} = \frac{-1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 1.14 \times 10^4 \hat{x} \text{ N}}{9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}}$   
 $= (-\hat{x}) \frac{1.6 \times 1.14}{9.11} \times 10^{-19+4+31} \frac{\text{N}}{\text{kg}}$   
 $= (-\hat{x}) 0.203 \times 10^{16} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} = (-\hat{x}) 2.03 \times 10^{15} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$

i.e.  $v_0 = 2.75 \times 10^7 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}, a = -2.03 \times 10^{15} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$

(a) use  $v^2 - v_0^2 = 2a \Delta x_{\text{stop}}$   
 $\Delta x_{\text{stop}} = \frac{0 - v_0^2}{2a} = \frac{-(2.75 \times 10^7 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2}{-4.06 \times 10^{15} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}}$   
 $= 0.186 \text{ m}$

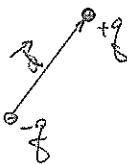
(b) When the electron returns to its starting point,  $v = -v_0 = -2.75 \times 10^7 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

use  $v - v_0 = a t$

$\therefore t = \frac{v - v_0}{a} = \frac{(-2.75 - 2.75) \times 10^7 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}{-2.03 \times 10^{15} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}}$   
 $= 2.71 \times 10^{-8} \text{ A}$

21-62)

Given  $f = e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$   
 $d = 0.68 \text{ nm} = 6.80 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$



(a)  $p = qd = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \times 6.80 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} = 1.088 \times 10^{-28} \text{ C}\cdot\text{m}$   
 $= 1.09 \times 10^{-28} \text{ C}\cdot\text{m}$

(b)  $\theta = 90^\circ \quad \tau = pE \sin 90^\circ$

21-62) continued

(b)  $\therefore \tau = pE \sin 90^\circ = 1.09 \times 10^{-28} \times 2.2 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}} \times 1.0$   
 $= 2.39 \times 10^{-24} \text{ (N}\cdot\text{m)}$

(c) when  $\theta = 45^\circ \quad \sin \theta = 45^\circ = 0.707$   
 $\therefore \tau = pE \sin 45^\circ = 2.39 \times 10^{-24} \times 0.707 \text{ (N}\cdot\text{m)}$   
 $= 1.69 \times 10^{-24} \text{ (N}\cdot\text{m)}$

(d) From parallel (i.e.  $\theta_0 = 0$ ) to anti-parallel (i.e.  $\theta = 180^\circ$ )

$W_{\text{ext}} = \Delta U = -(U - U_0)$   
 $= [-pE \cos \theta + pE \cos \theta_0]$   
 $= [-pE \cos 180^\circ + pE \cos 0^\circ]$   
 $= [pE + pE] = 2pE$   
 $= 2 \times 1.09 \times 10^{-28} \text{ (C}\cdot\text{m)} \times 2.2 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}}$   
 $= 4.78 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J}$