

Physics 122
 Worksheet - Electric Charge and Coulomb's Law

Electric Charge

1. $N = ?$
 $q = 25 \text{ C}$
 $e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

$q = Ne$
 $N = \frac{q}{e}$
 $N = \frac{25}{1.60 \times 10^{-19}}$
 $N = 1.6 \times 10^{20}$

The number of electrons needed is 1.6×10^{20} .

2. $q = ?$
 $N = 1.88 \times 10^{19}$
 $e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

$q = Ne$
 $q = 1.88 \times 10^{19} \times 1.60 \times 10^{-19}$
 $q = 3.01 \text{ C}$

The electrons have 3.01 C of charge.

Coulomb's Law - 2 Charges

1. q_1, q_2, d, F * $F_n \rightarrow$ new force

a) $F_n = \frac{kq_1q_2}{(4d)^2}$
 $F_A = \frac{1}{16} F$

b) $F_n = k \left(\frac{1}{2} q_1 \right) \left(\frac{3}{4} q_2 \right) \frac{1}{d^2}$
 $F_n = \left[\frac{3}{2} \right] \left[\frac{kq_1q_2}{d^2} \right] \frac{1}{2} = 3F$

c) $F_n = \frac{kq_1(2q_2)}{(3d)^2}$
 $F_n = \left[\frac{2}{9} \right] \left[\frac{kq_1q_2}{d^2} \right] = \frac{2}{9} F$

d) $F_n = \frac{k \left(\frac{1}{2} q_1 \right) \left(\frac{1}{4} q_2 \right)}{\left(\frac{1}{4} d \right)^2}$
 $F_n = 2F$

2. $q_1 = 1.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$
 $q_2 = 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$
 $r = 0.040 \text{ m}$
 $F = ?$

$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$F = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(1.8 \times 10^{-6})(1.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.040)^2}$$

$$F = 10 \text{ N}$$

The magnitude of the force is 10 N.

3. $q_1 = 4.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$
 $F = 7.2 \text{ N}$
 $r = 0.050 \text{ m}$
 $q_2 = ?$

$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$F r^2 = k q_1 q_2$$

$$q_2 = \frac{F r^2}{k q_1}$$

$$q_2 = \frac{(7.2)(0.050)^2}{(9.0 \times 10^9)(4.0 \times 10^{-6})}$$

$$q_2 = 5.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$$

$q_1 \ominus$
 F repulsion
 $q_2 \ominus$

The second charge has a magnitude of $5.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$ and is negatively charged.

4. $r = ?$
 $q_1 = 1.0 \mu\text{C} = 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$
 $q_2 = 1.0 \mu\text{C} = 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$
 $F = 440 \text{ N}$

$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{k q_1 q_2}{F}}$$

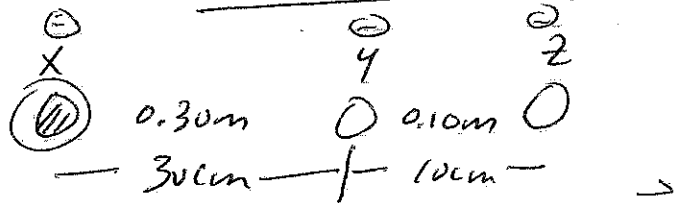
$$r = \sqrt{\frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(1.0 \times 10^{-6})(1.0 \times 10^{-6})}{440}}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(1.0 \times 10^{-6})^2}{440}}$$

$$r = 4.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

The two charges are $4.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$ apart.

Coulomb's Law - 3 Charges

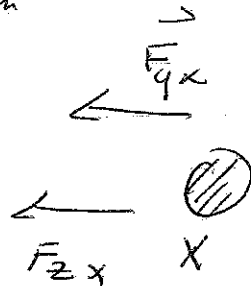


1.

$$X \Rightarrow q_x = (-)5.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$Y \Rightarrow q_y = (-)3.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$Z \Rightarrow q_z = (-)2.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$



$$F_{yx} = \frac{k q_y q_x}{r^2}$$

$$F_{yx} = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(3.0 \times 10^{-6})(5.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.30)^2}$$

$$F_{yx} = 1.50 \times 10^0 \text{ N}$$

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$$F_{zx} = \frac{k q_z q_x}{r^2}$$

$$F_{zx} = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(2.0 \times 10^{-6})(5.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.40)^2}$$

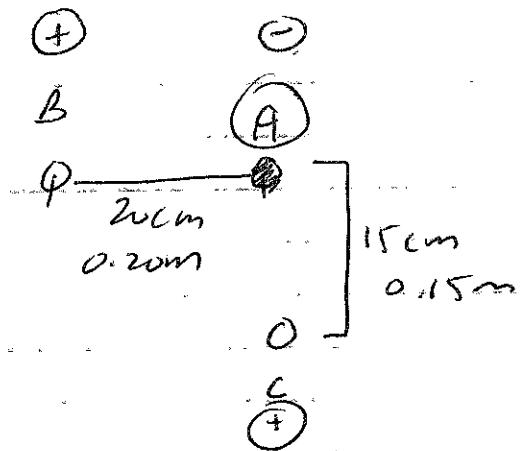
$$F_{zx} = 0.563 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = -1.50 + (-0.563)$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = -2.1 \text{ N}$$

The net force on q_x is 2.1 N left.

2. $q_A = (-) 4.0 \mu\text{C} = (-) 4.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{C}$
 $q_B = 5.0 \mu\text{C} = 5.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{C}$
 $q_C = 3.0 \mu\text{C} = 3.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{C}$



$$F_{BA} = k \frac{q_B q_A}{r^2}$$

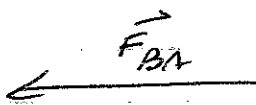
$$F_{CA} = k \frac{q_C q_A}{r^2}$$

$$F_{BA} = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(5.0 \times 10^{-6})(4.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.20)^2}$$

$$F_{CA} = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(3.0 \times 10^{-6})(4.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.15)^2}$$

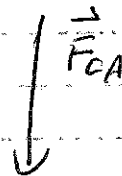
$$F_{BA} = 4.50 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{CA} = 4.80 \text{ N}$$



$$\vec{F}_{BAx} = -4.50 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{BAy} = 0 \text{ N}$$

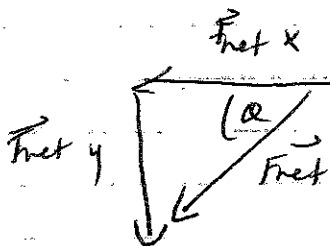


$$\vec{F}_{CAx} = 0 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{CAy} = -4.80 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}x} = -4.50 + 0 = -4.50 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}y} = 0 - 4.80 = -4.80 \text{ N}$$



$$F_{\text{net}} = \sqrt{4.50^2 + 4.80^2}$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = 6.6 \text{ N}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{4.80}{4.50}$$

$$\theta = 47^\circ$$

The net force on A is 6.6 N, 47° S of W.

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1. $r = ?$

$$q_1 = q_2 = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$F = 1.80 \times 10^{-10} \text{ N}$$

$$F = \frac{k q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$F = \frac{k q^2}{r^2}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{k q^2}{F}}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(1.60 \times 10^{-19})^2}{1.80 \times 10^{-10}}}$$

$$r = 1.1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$

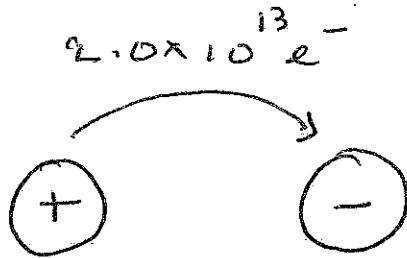
The two electrons are $1.1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$ apart.

2. $r = 0.64 \text{ m}$
 $F = ?$

$$F = \frac{k q^2}{r^2}$$

$$F = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(3.20 \times 10^{-6})^2}{(0.64)^2}$$

$$F = 2.3 \times 10^{-1} \text{ N}$$



$$q = Ne$$

$$q = 2.0 \times 10^{13} (1.60 \times 10^{-19})$$

$$q = 3.20 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$q_1 = q_2 = q$$

The magnitude of the force between the spheres is $2.3 \times 10^{-1} \text{ N}$

3. $q_1 = q$
 $q_2 = 3q$
 $r = 24 \text{ cm} = 0.24 \text{ m}$
 $F = 72 \text{ N}$

$q_2 = ?$

$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$F = k \frac{(3q^2)}{r^2}$$

$$Fr^2 = 3kq^2$$

$$q = \sqrt{\frac{Fr^2}{3k}}$$

$$q = \sqrt{\frac{(72)(0.24)^2}{3(9.0 \times 10^9)}}$$

$$q = 1.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$$

$$q_2 = 3q = 3.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$$

The charge on q_2 is $3.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}$.

4. $F = 8.0 \text{ N}$
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$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$F_n = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{(4r)^2}$$

$$F_n = \frac{1}{16} \left[k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \right]$$

$$F_n = \frac{1}{16} (8.0)$$

$$F_n = 0.50 \text{ N}$$

The new force of attraction will be 0.50 N .

5. $q_1 = (+) 6.0 \mu\text{C}$
 $q_2 = (-) 2.0 \mu\text{C}$
 $F = 2.0 \text{ N}$

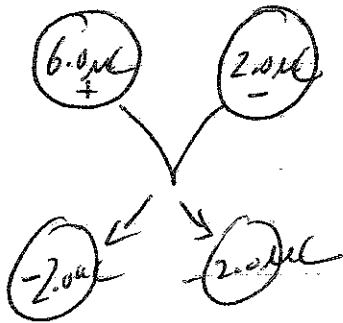
$$E = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{k q_1 q_2}{F}}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(6.0 \times 10^{-6})(2.0 \times 10^{-6})}{2.0}}$$

$$r = 0.232 \text{ m}$$

new $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} q_1 = 2.0 \mu\text{C} \\ q_2 = 2.0 \mu\text{C} \\ r = 2(0.232 \text{ m}) \\ r = 0.464 \text{ m} \end{array} \right.$



$$F = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(2.0 \times 10^{-6})(2.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.464)^2}$$

$$F = 0.17 \text{ N}$$

OR

new $q_{1n} = \frac{1}{3} q_1$
 $q_{2n} = q_2$
 $r_n = 2r$

$$F_n = \frac{k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) (q_2)}{(2r)^2}$$

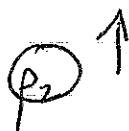
$$F_n = \frac{1}{12} F$$

$$F_n = \frac{1}{12} (2.0)$$

$$F_n = 0.17 \text{ N}$$

The new force will have a magnitude of 0.17 N.

6.



$$F = W_p = (1.67 \times 10^{-27})(9.80)$$

$$F = 1.637 \times 10^{-26} \text{ N}$$



$$F = \frac{kq^2}{r^2}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{kq^2}{F}}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(1.60 \times 10^{-19})^2}{1.637 \times 10^{-26}}}$$

$$r = 0.12 \text{ m}$$

$$q_1 = q_2 = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

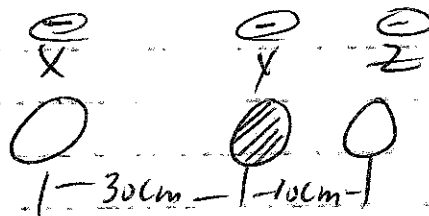
The second proton must be placed 0.12 m above the first.

7.

$$q_x = (-) 5.0 \mu\text{C} = -5.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$q_y = (-) 3.0 \mu\text{C} = -3.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$q_z = (-) 2.0 \mu\text{C} = -2.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$



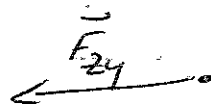
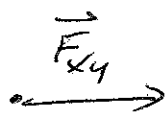
$$F_{xy} = 1.50 \text{ N}$$

(previously calculated)

$$F_{zy} = \frac{kq_z q_y}{r^2}$$

$$F_{zy} = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(2.0 \times 10^{-6})(3.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.10)^2}$$

$$F_{zy} = 5.40 \text{ N}$$



$$F_{\text{net}} = +1.50 - 5.40$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = -3.9 \text{ N}$$

The net force on Y is 3.9 N, left.

8.

$$q_A = (-) 9.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$q_B = (+) 5.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

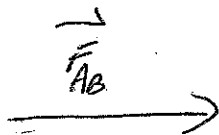
$$q_C = (+) 3.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$r = \sqrt{0.20^2 + 0.15^2}$$

$$r = 0.250 \text{ m}$$

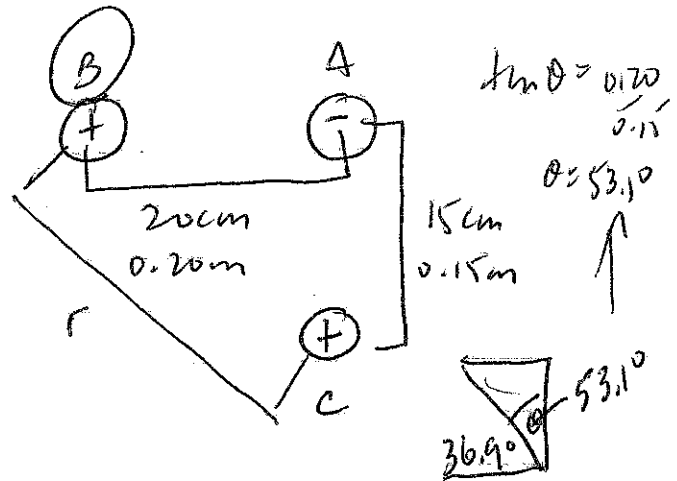
$$F_{AB} = 4.50 \text{ N}$$

(previously calculated)



$$\vec{F}_{ABx} = +4.50 \text{ N}$$

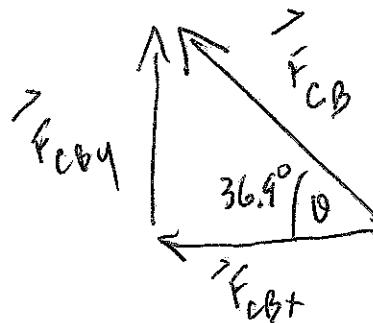
$$\vec{F}_{ABy} = 0 \text{ N}$$



$$F_{CB} = \frac{k q_C q_B}{r^2}$$

$$F_{CB} = \frac{(9.0 \times 10^9)(3.0 \times 10^{-6})(5.0 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.250)^2}$$

$$F_{CB} = 2.16 \text{ N}$$

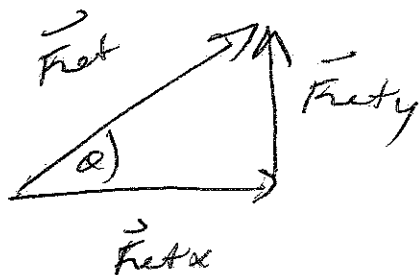


$$\vec{F}_{CBx} = -2.16 \cos 36.9^\circ = -1.73 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{CBy} = +2.16 \sin 36.9^\circ = +1.30 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net } x} = +4.50 - 1.73 \text{ N} = 2.77 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net } y} = 0 + 1.30 \text{ N} = 1.30 \text{ N}$$



$$F_{\text{net}} = \sqrt{2.77^2 + 1.30^2}$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = 3.1 \text{ N}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1.30}{2.77}$$

$$\theta = 25^\circ$$

The net force on B is 3.1 N, 25° N of W.