

EXERCISES - 4

FORMULAE

Coulomb Force

$$\vec{F}_E = \frac{k_e Q_1 Q_2 \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

$$k_e = 9 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2}$$

E - field

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}_E}{q} \quad q = \text{test charge.}$$

Coulomb E

pt. charge Q at $r=0$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{k_e Q \hat{r}}{r^2}$$

FLUX OF E

$$\Delta \Phi_E = \vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{A}$$

$$= E \Delta A \cos(\vec{E}, \hat{n})$$

GAUSS'S LAW

TOTAL FLUX OF \vec{E} THROUGH A CLOSED SURFACE

IS DETERMINED SOLELY BY THE CHARGES ENCLOSED

BY THE SURFACE

$$\sum_C \vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{A} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \sum Q_i$$

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{k_e} = 9 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$$

E4-1

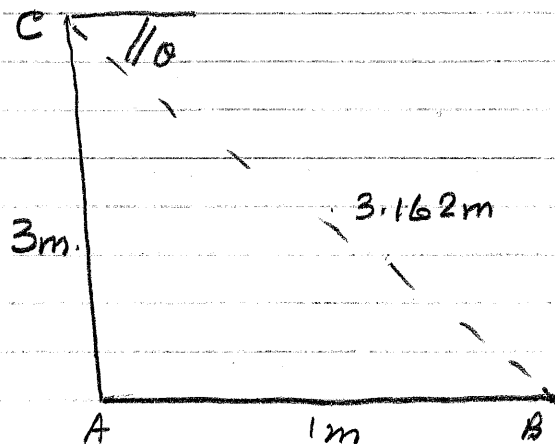
$$Q_A = 1 \mu\text{C}$$

$$Q_B = 2 \mu\text{C}$$

$$Q_C = -3 \mu\text{C}$$

What is the total

\vec{F}_E on (i) Q_A (ii) Q_C .



(i) There are two forces on Q_A .

$$\text{Due to B, } \vec{F}_E(B, A) = -k_e \frac{1 \times 2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ N} \hat{x}}{1}$$

$$= - \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ N} \hat{x}}{1}$$

$$= - 0.018 \text{ N} \hat{x}$$

$$\text{Due to C, } \vec{F}_E(C, A) = + \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 3 \times 1 \times 10^{-12} \text{ N} \hat{y}}{9}$$

$$= + 0.003 \text{ N} \hat{y}$$

Total \vec{F}_E on Q_A

$$\vec{F}_E = - 0.018 \text{ N} \hat{x} + 0.003 \text{ N} \hat{y}$$

$18.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}$ at angle of 170.5 from x -axis.

(ii) Q_C

$$\vec{F}_E(C, A) = - 0.003 \text{ N} \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{F}_E(C, B) = \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 6 \times 10^{-12}}{10} \left[\cos \theta \hat{x} - \sin \theta \hat{y} \right] \text{ N}$$

$$= 4.5 \times 10^{-3} \left[\frac{1}{3.162} \hat{x} - \frac{3}{3.162} \hat{y} \right] \text{ N}$$

$$= 1.423 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N} \hat{x} - 4.269 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N} \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{F}_E (C) = 1.423 \times 10^{-3} N \hat{x} - 4.272 N \hat{y}$$

E4-2 What is the magnitude and direction of an \vec{E} -field such that (i) an electron and (ii) a proton would feel a force equal to its weight?

Electron Weight $\vec{W}_g = Mg \hat{z}$
 $= -9 \times 10^{-31} \times 9.8 N \hat{z}$

$$\vec{F}_E = q \vec{E}$$

$$= -1.6 \times 10^{-19} \vec{E}$$

so $\vec{E} = + \frac{9 \times 10^{-31} \times 9.8}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} \hat{z} = 5.5 \times 10^{-11} \frac{N}{C} \hat{z}$

Proton Weight $\vec{W}_g = -1.6 \times 10^{-27} \times 9.8 N \hat{z}$

$$\vec{F}_E = q \vec{E} = +1.6 \times 10^{-19} \vec{E}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{-1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 10^{-27}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} N \hat{z} = 10^{-8} \frac{N}{C} \hat{z}$$

E-4-3 The intensity of the Earth's \vec{E} -field near its surface is $\sim 130 N/C \hat{z}$. What is the Earth's charge, assuming that Earth is a sphere and cause this \vec{E} -field?

On the surface of a sphere

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

So $\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_E^2} \hat{r} = -130 \text{ N/C} \hat{r}$ $R_E = 6400 \text{ km}$.

$$Q = -4\pi\epsilon_0 R_E^2 \times 130 \text{ C}$$

$$= -4 \times \pi \times 9 \times 10^{-12} \times (6400 \times 10^3)^2 \times 130 \text{ C}$$

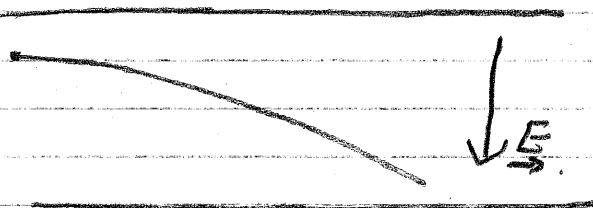
$$= -4 \times \pi \times 9 \times 10^{-12} \times (6.4)^2 \times 10^{12} \times 130 \text{ C}$$

$$\approx -6.02 \times 10^5 \text{ C}$$

E4-4 A constant \vec{E} -field.

$$\vec{E} = -10^3 \text{ N/C} \hat{y} \text{ exists}$$

between two parallel



parallel plates. If a 10^{-4} kg mass of

charge of $10 \mu\text{C}$ is released near the

top plate at a velocity of $100 \text{ m/s} \hat{x}$ what is its motion?

$$\vec{F}_E = q \vec{E} = -10^{-5} \times 10^3 \text{ N} \hat{y} = -10^{-2} \text{ N} \hat{y}$$

acceleration

$$\vec{a} = \frac{-10^{-2}}{10^{-4}} = -100 \text{ m/s}^2 \hat{y}$$

so motion is like projectile motion when a projectile is launched horizontally.

$$\vec{v} = 100 \text{ m/s } \hat{x} - (100t) \text{ m/s } \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{y} = (y_0 - 50t^2) \text{ m } \hat{y}$$

E4-5

An Electron moves in a circular orbit about a stationary proton. (i) What provides the centripetal force? (ii) The electron has a kinetic energy of $2.18 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$, what is its potential energy, its speed and the radius of the orbit?

i) The required centripetal force is

$$\vec{F}_G = - \frac{m_e v_e^2}{r} \hat{r}$$

m_e = mass of Electron

v_e = speed of Electron

It is provided by the Coulomb force:

$$\vec{F}_E = - \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times (1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

(ii) For a circular orbit we showed in Phys121 that the potential energy (-ive) is twice the kinetic energy so

$$\text{Potential Energy } P_e = - 4.36 \times 10^{-18} \text{ J}$$

speed

$$k_e = \frac{1}{2} m_e v_e^2$$

$$v_e = \sqrt{\frac{2k_e}{m_e}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 2.18 \times 10^{-18}}{9 \times 10^{-31}}}$$
$$= 2.2 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s.}$$

radius

$$\frac{m_e v_e^2}{r} = \frac{-k_e (1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2}{r^2}$$

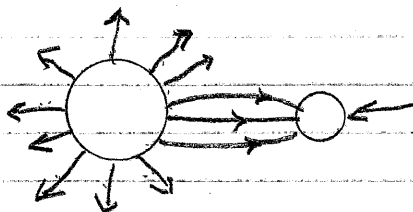
$$r = \frac{k_e (1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2}{m_e v_e^2}$$
$$= \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 2.56 \times 10^{-38}}{4.36 \times 10^{-18}}$$
$$= 5.3 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$$

This is close to the so-called Bohr radius, the putative "size" of the hydrogen atom.

Caution, this is not the appropriate model for the hydrogen atom.

E-4-6 Two conducting spheres are held close together so that the

E-field lines are as shown. What is



the sign (positive or -ive) on each and what is the ratio

of the charge on the small sphere relative to that on the large sphere?

Large sphere \rightarrow +ive

Small sphere \rightarrow -ive

No. of lines is proportional to Q so

$$\frac{Q_{\text{Large}}}{Q_{\text{Small}}} = 3.$$