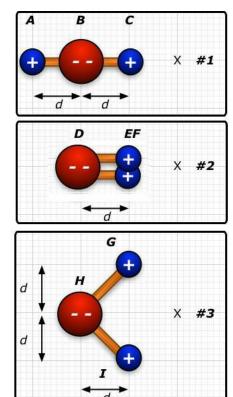
In the figure at the right are shown three molecules, each consisting of two positive ions of charge +e and a negative ion of charge -2e. The distance scale is given by the grid, each box having a height and width equal to d.

Answer each of the three questions below by choosing a symbol for the appropriate direction: points to the left (\leftarrow) , points to the right (\rightarrow) , points up (\uparrow) , or points down (\downarrow) , or is zero (0).

- a) The direction of the net electrical force of the molecule on a positive charge placed at the x in situation #1.
- b) The direction of the net electrical force of the molecule on a positive charge placed at the x in situation #2.
- c) The direction of the net electrical force of the molecule on a positive charge placed at the x in situation #3.



Complete each of the two sentences below by choosing a symbol for the appropriate relation: is greater than (>), is equal to (=), is less than (<), or cannot be determined (?).

- d) In situation #1, the magnitude of the force on a positive test charge at the x from the negative ion B is ____ the magnitude of the force on that test charge from the positive ion C.
- e) In situation #3, the magnitude of the force on a positive test charge at the x from the two positive ions G and I is ____ the magnitude of the force on a positive test charge at the x from the two positive ions E and F in situation #2.