

Solution to Midterm Exam 01 (PHYS 203B, 2015 Fall)

Prob. 1

$$\frac{F_g}{F_e} = \frac{\left(\frac{G m_e m_p}{R^2}\right)}{\left(\frac{k e^2}{R^2}\right)} = \frac{G m_e m_p}{k e^2}$$

$$= \frac{6.7 \times 10^{-11} \times 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27}}{8.99 \times 10^9 \times (1.6 \times 10^{-19})^2} = 4.4 \times 10^{-40}$$

Prob. 2

$$q'_1 = q'_2 = \frac{q_1 + q_2}{2} = \frac{+2.0 \mu C - 8.0 \mu C}{2} = -3.0 \mu C$$

$$F = \frac{k q'_1 q'_2}{r^2} = \frac{8.99 \times 10^9 \times (3.0 \times 10^{-6})^2}{(10.0 \times 10^{-2})^2} = 8.1 \text{ N} \quad (\text{repulsive})$$

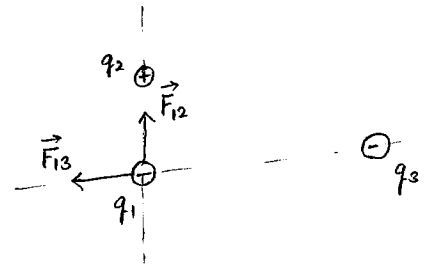
Prob. 3

$$|\vec{F}_{12}| = \frac{k |q_1| |q_2|}{(r_{12})^2} = \frac{8.99 \times 10^9 \times 5.0 \times 10^{-6} \times 4.0 \times 10^{-6}}{(4.0 \times 10^{-2})^2}$$

$$= 112 \text{ N}$$

$$|\vec{F}_{13}| = \frac{k |q_1| |q_3|}{(r_{13})^2} = \frac{8.99 \times 10^9 \times 5.0 \times 10^{-6} \times 6.0 \times 10^{-6}}{(6.0 \times 10^{-2})^2}$$

$$= 74.9 \text{ N}$$



$$\vec{F}_{12} = 0 \hat{i} + 112 \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{F}_{13} = -74.9 \hat{i} + 0 \hat{j}$$

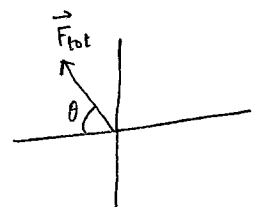
$$\vec{F}_{\text{tot}} = -74.9 \hat{i} + 112 \hat{j}$$

$$|\vec{F}_{\text{tot}}| = \sqrt{(-74.9)^2 + 112^2}$$

$$= 135 \text{ N}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{112}{74.9}\right)$$

$$= 56.2^\circ$$



magnitude: 135 N

direction: 56.2° clockwise w.r.t. $-x$.

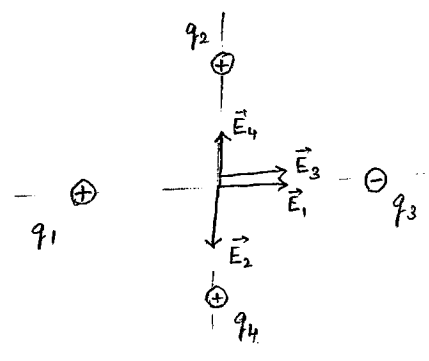
Prob. 4

$$|\vec{E}_1| = \frac{k|q_1|}{L^2} = \frac{8.99 \times 10^9 \times 1.0 \times 10^{-6}}{(40.0 \times 10^{-2})^2} = 5.62 \times 10^4 \frac{N}{C}$$

$$|\vec{E}_2| = \frac{k|q_2|}{L^2} = \frac{8.99 \times 10^9 \times 2.0 \times 10^{-6}}{(40.0 \times 10^{-2})^2} = 11.2 \times 10^4 \frac{N}{C}$$

$$|\vec{E}_3| = \frac{k|q_3|}{L^2} = \frac{8.99 \times 10^9 \times 3.0 \times 10^{-6}}{(40.0 \times 10^{-2})^2} = 16.9 \times 10^4 \frac{N}{C}$$

$$|\vec{E}_4| = \frac{k|q_4|}{L^2} = |\vec{E}_2|$$

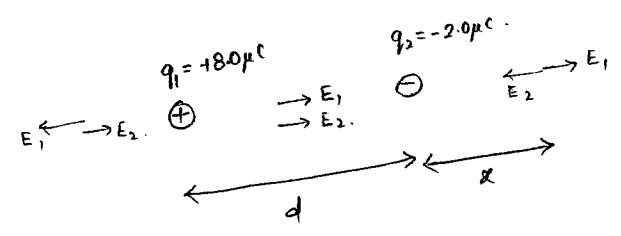


$$\begin{aligned} \vec{E}_1 &= 5.62 \times 10^4 \hat{i} + 0 \hat{j} \\ \vec{E}_2 &= 0 \hat{i} - 11.2 \times 10^4 \hat{j} \\ \vec{E}_3 &= 16.9 \times 10^4 \hat{i} + 0 \hat{j} \\ \vec{E}_4 &= 0 \hat{i} + 11.2 \times 10^4 \hat{j} \\ \hline \vec{E}_{tot} &= 23 \times 10^4 \hat{i} \frac{N}{C} + 0 \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

magnitude: $23 \times 10^4 \frac{N}{C}$
direction: along $+x$.

Prob. 5

Argue that the spot is on the right of q_2 .



$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{E}_1| &= |\vec{E}_2| \\ \frac{k|q_1|}{(d+x)^2} &= \frac{k|q_2|}{x^2} \\ \frac{8.0 \mu C}{(d+x)^2} &= \frac{2.0 \mu C}{x^2} \\ 4.0 x^2 &= (d+x)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\pm 2.0 x = 1.0 + x$$

$$x = -0.33 \text{ m} \quad \text{or} \quad 1.0 \text{ m}$$

does not match with x being on right

Answer: $\vec{E} = 0$ at a distance of 1.0 m to the right of q_2 .

Prob. 6

$$\frac{a_e}{a_p} = \frac{\left(\frac{q_e}{m_e} E\right)}{\left(\frac{q_p}{m_p} E\right)} = \frac{m_p}{m_e} = 1835$$

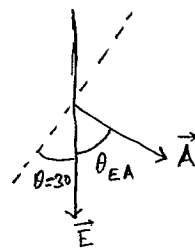
Prob. 7

$$a = \frac{q}{m} E = \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 4.0 \times 10^3}{1.67 \times 10^{-27}} = 3.8 \times 10^{10} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= v_i t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{2} 3.8 \times 10^{10} (1.0 \times 10^{-9})^2 \\ &= 1.9 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

Prob. 8

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_E &= \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A} = EA \cos \theta_{EA} \\ &= 3.0 \times 10^2 \times 2.0 \cos 60 \\ &= 3.0 \times 10^2 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}} \text{ m}^2 \end{aligned}$$



Prob. 9

$$\phi_E = \frac{Q_{\text{en}}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{-1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{8.85 \times 10^{-12}} = -1.8 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}} \text{ m}^2$$

Prob. 10

Charge on a conductor resides on its surface. Thus, there is no charge inside the sphere of radius 5.0 cm.

$$\text{So, } \phi_E = \frac{Q_{\text{en}}}{\epsilon_0} = 0.$$