

**PHY 1120**  
**Exam 1**  
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Useful Information:	$k = 9.0 \times 10^9 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}^2$ $c = 3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$	$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2$ $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2$
	$n = \text{nano} = 10^{-9}$	$p = \text{pico} = 10^{-12}$

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**Multiple Choice:** Select the BEST answer from the options provided. Clearly check or fill in the box in front of the answer you are selecting. (2 pts each)

- 1) What is the net charge of a Sodium (Na) atom? **Explain**

+1

0

-1

More information needed

an atom is neutral, if it was charged, it would be anion

- 2) What is magnitude and direction of the electric field caused by a  $+75 \mu\text{C}$  at a distance of 25 cm?

$1.08 \times 10^3 \text{ N/C}$  away from the charge

$1.08 \times 10^7 \text{ N/C}$  away from the charge

$1.08 \times 10^3 \text{ N/C}$  towards the charge

$1.08 \times 10^7 \text{ N/C}$  towards the charge

$$E = k \frac{Q}{r^2} = 9 \cdot 10^9 \cdot \frac{75 \cdot 10^{-6}}{0.25^2} = 108 \cdot 10^7$$

The source is positive

- 3) A glass rod is rubbed with wool and a steel rod is rubbed with hair. Both rods are then brought close to each other without touching. Which of the following is true?

The steel rod is more positive and the rods will attract

The steel rod is more negative and the rods will attract

The steel rod is more positive and the rods will repel

The steel rod is more negative and the rods will repel

glass would lose  $e^-$

steel would gain  $e^-$

because glass is higher and steel is lower  
on the triboelectric scale than their  
respective materials

- 4) Two charges  $q_1 = -1.33 \mu\text{C}$  and  $q_2 = +81.5 \mu\text{C}$  are separated by 0.27 m. Which charge is the test charge and what is the magnitude of the force on the test charge?

$q_1, 1.34 \times 10^1 \text{ N}$  test charge is much smaller

$q_2, 1.34 \times 10^1 \text{ N}$   $F = k \frac{|q_1 q_2|}{r^2} = q_1 q_2 \cdot \frac{81.5 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot 1.33 \cdot 10^{-6}}{0.27^2} = 13.38$

$q_1, -1.34 \times 10^1 \text{ N}$

$q_2, -1.34 \times 10^1 \text{ N}$

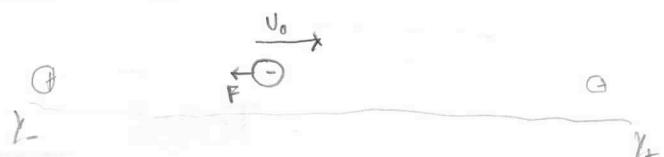
- 5) An electron is traveling in the +Y direction and is slowing down. What is the direction of the E-field in this situation?

+Y direction

Zero

-Y direction

Depends on the size of the base charge



slowing down implies a force is pulling/pushing it in -y direction.  
since it is negative, the E-field would be anti-parallel to the force.

- 6) A parallel plate capacitor has an electric field with a magnitude of 300,000 N/C. What is the magnitude of the potential difference if the spacing between the plates is 1.5 cm.

- 4,500 V  
 200,000 V  
 450,000 V  
 20,000,000 V

$$E = k \frac{a}{d^2}$$

$$V = k \frac{a}{d} = k \frac{a}{d^2} \cdot d = B \cdot d = 300,000 \cdot 0.015 = 4500$$

- 7) A parallel plate capacitor is made with two square plates with sides of 25.0 cm. If the plates are 0.015 m apart, what is the capacitance?

- 0.008 pF  
 0.531 pF  
 36.9 pF  
 147 pF

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 \cdot A}{d} = \frac{8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \cdot 0.6625}{0.015} = 3.6875 \cdot 10^{-11} \text{ F} / 10^{-12} \text{ pF} = 36.9 \text{ pF}$$

$$A = 0.25 \cdot 0.25 = 0.0625$$

- 8) A capacitor is made with two circular plates (radius = r) that are separated by 1.00cm. If another capacitor is made with circular plates (radius = 2\*r) and a separation of 2.00 cm, what is the new capacitance compared to the initial capacitance ( $C_0$ )?

- $C = 4 * C_0$        $C_0 = \frac{\epsilon_0 \cdot \pi r^2}{0.01}$        $C = \frac{\epsilon_0 \cdot \pi (2r)^2}{0.02}$   
  $C = 2 * C_0$        $\frac{0.01}{\epsilon_0 \pi} = \frac{r^2}{C_0}$        $\frac{0.01}{\epsilon_0 \pi} = \frac{4r^2}{2C}$   
  $C = C_0$   
  $C = (1/2) * C_0$        $\frac{r^2}{C_0} = \frac{2r^2}{C}$ ,  $(r^2 = 2r^2 C_0)$ ,  $C = 2C_0$

- 9) A capacitor ( $C = 200 \text{ pF}$ ) has a sheet of plastic placed in between the plates. If the dielectric constant of plastic is 3.5, what is the new capacitance of the capacitor?

- 5.71 pF  
 200 pF  
 700 pF  
 More information required

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} = 200 \text{ pF}$$

$$C' = k \cdot \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} = 3.5 \cdot 200 = 700 \text{ pF}$$

- 10) A 660  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor is charged with 330 V, how much energy is stored in that capacitor?

- 72 J  
 36 J  
 0.22 J  
 0.11 J

$$PE = \frac{1}{2} C U^2 = \frac{1}{2} 660 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot 330^2 = 35.937 \text{ J}$$

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PSP Style: Solve the problem. Make sure to show your work in detail. (25 pts each)

- 11) Three charges are located at the corners of a square with sides that are 120.0 cm as shown below. If a -0.5  $\mu\text{C}$  test charge is placed at the open corner, what is the magnitude and direction of the electric field at the open corner? Determine the magnitude and direction of the Force on the test charge.

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(a) what is the net force and direction on the test charge, what is the net e-field and direction on the test charge?

(d) Force = ?

B-field = ?

2a) distance (to +140  $\mu\text{C}$  & +130  $\mu\text{C}$ ) = 1.2 m

Angle =  $90^\circ$ ,  $45^\circ$

Charges = +140  $\mu\text{C}$ , +130  $\mu\text{C}$ , -270  $\mu\text{C}$ , -0.5  $\mu\text{C}$

2b) distance to -270  $\mu\text{C}$  =  $\sqrt{1.2^2 + 1.2^2} = 1.697 \text{ m}$

3q) trig (SOH-CAH-TOA)

Force calc ( $k \frac{Qq}{r^2}$ )

B-field calc ( $k \frac{q}{r^2}$ )

3b) Force calc: calculate net force

trig: calculate direction

B-field calc: calculate net E-field

trig: calculate direction

$$4a) F_{140} = q_e q \cdot \frac{0.5 \times 10^{-6} \times 140 \times 10^{-6}}{1.2^2} = 0.4375 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{130} = q_e q \cdot \frac{0.5 \times 10^{-6} \times 130 \times 10^{-6}}{1.2^2} = 0.46625 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{-270} = q_e q \cdot \frac{0.5 \times 10^{-6} \times 270 \times 10^{-6}}{1.697^2} = 0.421875 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{-270x} = 0.421875 \cos(45^\circ) = 0.29831 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{Netx} = F_{130} - F_{-270x} = 0.1079 \text{ N to pos x}$$

$$F_{Nety} = F_{140} - F = 0.1392 \text{ N to neg y}$$

$$E_{140} = k_e q \cdot \frac{140 \times 10^{-6}}{1.2^2} = 475000 \text{ N/C}$$

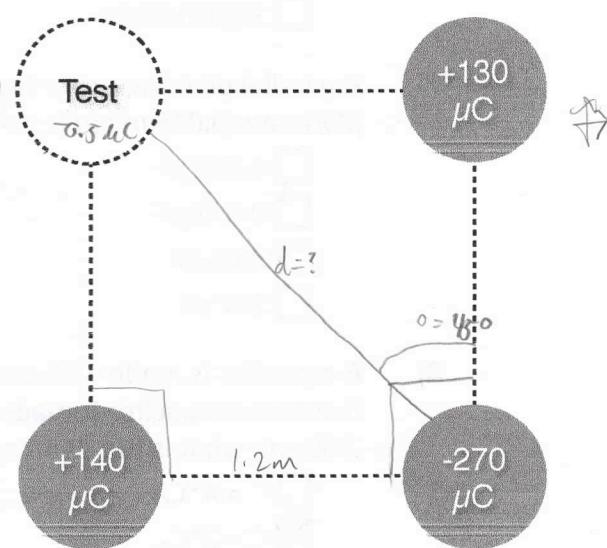
$$E_{130} = k_e q \cdot \frac{130 \times 10^{-6}}{1.2^2} = 412500 \text{ N/C}$$

$$E_{-270} = k_e q \cdot \frac{270 \times 10^{-6}}{1.697^2} = 843750 \text{ N/C}$$

$$E_{-270x} = E_{-270} \cos(45^\circ) = 596621.3466 \text{ N/C}$$

$$E_{-270y} = E_{-270} \sin(45^\circ) = 596621.3466 \text{ N/C}$$

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$$\tan(\frac{x}{y}) + 90^\circ = 37.793^\circ + 90^\circ = 127.8^\circ$$

$$4b) F_{net} = \sqrt{0.1079^2 + 0.1392^2} = 0.176 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{Direction } F = \tan^{-1}(\frac{y}{x}) = -52.2^\circ$$

$$E_{net} = \sqrt{215878.6534^2 + 278378.6534^2} = 352275.8403 \text{ N/C}$$

$$\text{Direction} = \tan^{-1}(\frac{y}{x}) + 90^\circ = 37.793^\circ + 90^\circ = 127.8^\circ$$

4c) J

4d) J

4e) There will be a net force of 0.176 N at  $-52.2^\circ$  on the test charge and the net e-force would have a magnitude of  $352275.8403 \text{ N/C}$  at  $127.8^\circ$  on the test charge.

$$F_{Netx} = F_{130} - F_{-270x} = 215978.6534 \text{ N to -x}$$

$$F_{Nety} = F_{140} - F_{-270y} = 218378.6534 \text{ N to +y}$$

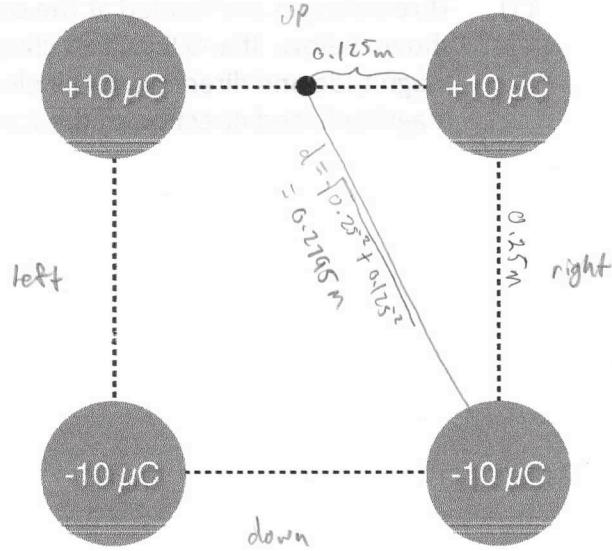
- 12a) Given the following charge distributions determine the potential at the CENTER of one edge of the square as shown below. Assume the square is 0.25 m on each side. (15 pts)

$$V = k \frac{q}{r}$$

$$2 \times +10\mu\text{C} \text{ charge} = 2 \cdot 9 \cdot 10^9 \cdot \frac{10 \cdot 10^{-6}}{0.125} = 1440000\text{V}$$

$$2 \times -10\mu\text{C} \text{ charges} = 2 \cdot 9 \cdot 10^9 \cdot \frac{-10 \cdot 10^{-6}}{0.25} = -643987.5775\text{V}$$

$$\text{Net potential} = 1440000 - 643987.5775 = 796012.4225\text{V}$$



- 12b) If a  $-0.5 \mu\text{C}$  test charge is placed at the center of one edge of the square, what will be the direction of the force on that test charge? What will be the direction of the Electric Field at the center of the square. (10 pts)

The force would depend on the side, but assuming the same side as 12a)

$F_x$  from both  $+10\mu\text{C}$  would cancel,  $F_y$  from both  $-10\mu\text{C}$  would cancel (because they are both equal and in opposite directions). The remaining forces acting on the  $-0.5\mu\text{C}$  test charge are the  $F_y$  from both  $-10\mu\text{C}$  charges which would repel the test charge pushing it in the up direction.

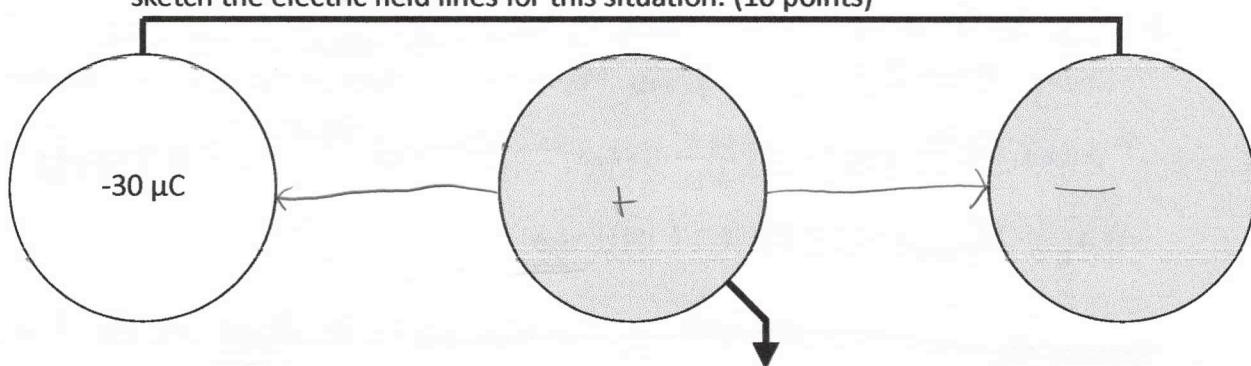
The  $x$ -components of both the  $+10\mu\text{C}$  charges and  $-10\mu\text{C}$  charges would cancel out (the  $+10\mu\text{C}$  would cancel the  $+10\mu\text{C}$ , similar situation for the  $-10\mu\text{C}$ ) since positive is a source of E-fields and negative is a sink for E-fields, the E-fields would all be towards down because positive is above the test charge and negative is below the test charge.

Complete the short-answer question below. Be aware the question may have multiple parts. You must answer all parts to receive full credit. Show all work. Partial credit may be given for partially correct or complete answers.

- 13) An amber comb is rubbed with silk and then brought next to a stream of water. What is the charge on the amber comb and what effect will it have on the thin stream of water when brought in close proximity?

The comb is negative. The water would bend towards the comb  
amber is lower on the triboelectric scale. ∵ it would gain electrons.  
the comb would pull on the positive H<sup>+</sup> bending the stream towards the comb.

- 14) Three metal spheres are arranged as shown below. One sphere has a net charge of  $-30 \mu\text{C}$ . The other two have zero net charge. What will the charge look like on all of the spheres once the left and right spheres are connected with a conducting wire?  
NOTE: the center sphere is "grounded". Once you've found the induced charge, sketch the electric field lines for this situation. (10 points)



when the  $-30 \mu\text{C}$  is connected to the neutral sphere on the far right, the charge will spread out making the far right sphere negatively charged.

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The middle sphere will have all its electrons pushed away, but because it's grounded, the earth acts as an electron sink and takes electrons away, leaving it positively charged. Positive acts as E-field source, negative acts as E-field sink.

- 15) As you go across the periods (rows) of the periodic table the radius of the atoms increase. Each time you add a proton in the nucleus you also add an electron in the outer shell. Using concepts from Chapter 18 explain why this is the case.

the radius actually decreases as you go across the period.

$F = \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \cdot k$ , the force increases as the nucleus "gains" more protons making the radius smaller

<b>Tend to lose electrons</b>	(+)
	human hands (dry)
	glass
	human hair
	nylon
	cat fur
	silk
	cotton
	steel
	wood
	amber
	ebonite
	plastic wrap
	Teflon®
	(-)

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<sup>1</sup><https://extension.tennessee.edu/publications/Documents/W460.pdf>

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