

Chapter 18

Problems & Exercises

1.

(a) 1.25×10^{10}

(b) 3.13×10^{12}

3.

-600 C

5.

1.03×10^{12}

7.

9.09×10^{-13}

9.

1.48×10^8 C

11.

(a) 0.263 N

(b) If the charges are distributed over some area, there will be a concentration of charge along the side closest to the oppositely charged object. This effect will increase the net force.

13.

The separation decreased by a factor of 5.

17.

$$\begin{aligned} F &= k \frac{|q_1 q_2|}{r^2} = ma \Rightarrow a = \frac{kq^2}{mr^2} \\ &= \frac{(9.00 \times 10^9 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}^2)(1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ m})^2}{(1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg})(2.00 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})^2} \\ &= 3.45 \times 10^{16} \text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

18.

(a) 3.2

(b) If the distance increases by 3.2, then the force will decrease by a factor of 10 ; if the distance decreases by 3.2, then the force will increase by a factor of 10. Either way, the force changes by a factor of 10.

20.

(a) 1.04×10^{-9} C

(b) This charge is approximately 1 nC, which is consistent with the magnitude of charge typical for static electricity

23.

$$1.02 \times 10^{-11}$$

25.

- a. 0.859 m beyond negative charge on line connecting two charges
- b. 0.109 m from lesser charge on line connecting two charges

28.

$$8.75 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N}$$

30.

(a) $6.94 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C}$

(b) 6.25 N/C

32.

(a) 300 N/C (east)

(b) $4.80 \times 10^{-17} \text{ N}$ (east)

42.

(a) $2.12 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$

(b) one charge of $+q$

44.

(a) 0.252 N to the left

(b) $x = 6.07 \text{ cm}$

46.

(a) The electric field at the center of the square will be straight up, since q_a and q_b are positive and q_c and q_d are negative and all have the same magnitude.

(b) $2.04 \times 10^7 \text{ N/C}$ (upward)

48.

0.102 N , in the $-y$ direction

50.

(a) $\vec{E} = 4.36 \times 10^3 \text{ N/C}$, 35.0° below the horizontal.

(b) No

52.

(a) 5.58×10^{-11} N/C

(b) the coulomb force is extraordinarily stronger than gravity

54.

(a) -6.76×10^5 C

(b) 2.63×10^{13} m/s² (upward)

(c) 2.45×10^{-18} kg

56.

The charge q_2 is 9 times greater than q_1 .

69.

(a) The forces are balanced in the x -direction, so the net force is vertical. It is composed of the sum of the vertical components of the Coulomb force and the

$$\mathbf{F}_y = -2 \left(\frac{kq_1q_2}{r^2} + G \frac{m_1m_2}{r^2} \right) \cos 45^\circ =$$
$$-2 \left(\frac{8.99 \times 10^9 (1.00 \times 10^{-9}) (2.00 \times 10^{-9})}{8} + 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{(10.0)(10.0)}{8} \right)$$

gravitational force. $\cos 45^\circ = -4.36 \times 10^{-9}$ N

(b) No, it is in a metastable position. Since it cannot move horizontally, it cannot traverse any part of the track.

$$\mathbf{F}_x = - \left(\frac{kq_1q_2}{4} + G \frac{m_1m_2}{4} \right) \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{kq_1q_2}{12} + G \frac{m_1m_2}{12} \right) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} =$$
$$- \left(\frac{8.99 \times 10^9 (-1.00 \times 10^{-9}) (2.00 \times 10^{-9})}{4} \frac{1}{2} - 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{(10.0)(10.0)}{4} \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

(c) $+ \left(\frac{8.99 \times 10^9 (-1.00 \times 10^{-9}) (2.00 \times 10^{-9})}{12} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{(10.0)(10.0)}{12} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \text{N} = 2.60 \times 10^{-9} \text{ N}$

$$\mathbf{F}_y = - \left(\frac{kq_1q_2}{4} + G \frac{m_1m_2}{4} \right) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \left(\frac{kq_1q_2}{12} + G \frac{m_1m_2}{12} \right) \frac{1}{2} = -2.08 \times 10^{-9} \text{ N}$$
$$- \left(\frac{8.99 \times 10^9 (1.00 \times 10^{-9}) (2.00 \times 10^{-9})}{4} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{(10.0)(10.0)}{4} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$
$$- \left(\frac{8.99 \times 10^9 (1.00 \times 10^{-9}) (2.00 \times 10^{-9})}{12} \frac{1}{2} + 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{(10.0)(10.0)}{12} \frac{1}{2} \right) \text{N} = -6.36 \times 10^{-9} \text{ N}$$

(d) Yes.

(e) It will reach $(1, -\sqrt{3})$ before it will change direction.

(f) The metastable positions where there is no component in one direction are $(0, 0)$, $(4, 0)$, $(2, 2)$, and $(2, -2)$. They number 4.