

Assignment-2 (Regular Assignment)

Course: PHY 105/2105 Summer: 2024

Title: Physics 105/2105

Content: Coulomb's Law

1. Two small charged spheres repel each other with a force $=5 \times 10^{-4}$ N. The charge on one sphere is twice that on the other. When one of the charges is moved 10 cm away from the other, the force $= 6 \times 10^{-5}$ N. Calculate the charges and the initial distance between them.
2. Four charges $+5q$, $+5q$, $+3q$ and $-6q$ are placed at the corners of a square. (i) Draw the arrangement of the charges (ii) Calculate the magnitude and direction of electrostatic forces on a charge $+1q$ at the intersection of the diagonals of the square of side 10 cm if $q = 5 \times 10^{-9}$ C.
3. Four charges are arranged in a square with sides of length 2.5 cm. The two charges in the top right and bottom left corners are $+5$ C. The charges in the other two corners are -6 C. What is the net force and direction exerted on the charge in the top right corner by the other three charges?
4. What is (i) the force between two 4 gm pennies 2 m apart if we remove all the electrons from the ${}^{23}_{11}\text{Na}$ atoms? (ii) What is their acceleration as they separate?
5. Three charges lie on the x axis: $q_1 = +10$ nC at the origin, $q_2 = -8$ nC at $x = 2$ m, $q_3 = +20$ nC at $x = 3$ m. What is the net force on q_1 ? and What is the direction?