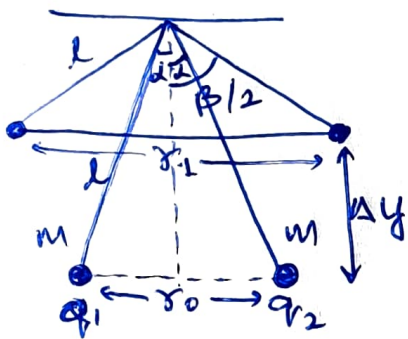


Q. 16. Two small metal balls of mass $m = 0.1 \text{ g}$ are suspended at same point by insulating threads of length $l = 30 \text{ cm}$. One of balls is loaded with twice as much as charge as other. Pushing balls toward each other we move them to a position where both threads make an angle of $\alpha = 20^\circ$ with vertical plane and threads remain in common vertical plane. After releasing two balls at same time angle between two threads reaches largest value of $\beta = 84^\circ$. determine charges.

Solution. Since both charges experience same forces and have same mass they reach extreme point together.



~~Using the work-Energy Theorem,~~

~~$k_i^2 = k_f^2 = 0$ (since $v = 0$ at both instants)~~

Using conservation of mechanical energy,

$$E_i = K(q_1)(q_2)/r_0 \quad [\text{electrostatic P.E.}]$$

$$E_i = K(q_1)(q_2)/(2l \sin \alpha)$$

and $E_f = K(q_1)(q_2)/r_2 + 2mg(\Delta y)$

$$E_f = K q_1 q_2 / (2l \sin \beta) + 2mg l (\cos \alpha - \cos (\beta/2))$$

Equating, $E_i = E_f$

$$\frac{K q_1 q_2}{2l \sin \alpha} = \frac{K q_1 q_2}{2l \sin \beta} + 2mg l (\cos \alpha - \cos \beta/2)$$

$$\frac{K q_1 q_2}{2l} \left(\frac{1}{\sin \alpha} - \frac{1}{\sin \beta/2} \right) = 2mg l (\cos \alpha - \cos \beta/2)$$

$$q_1 q_2 = \frac{4mg l^2}{K} \left(\frac{\cos \alpha - \cos \beta/2}{\sin \beta/2 - \sin \alpha} \right) \sin \alpha \sin \beta/2$$

in the case, given $q_1 = 0$ and $q_2 = 200$.

$$Q(20) = 4\pi\epsilon_0 l^2 \left(\frac{1}{k}\right) \left(\frac{\cos\alpha - \cos\beta/2}{\sin\beta/2 - \sin\alpha}\right) \sin\alpha \sin\beta/2$$

$$Q \approx \sqrt{2\pi\epsilon_0 l^2 \left(\frac{1}{k}\right) \left(\frac{\cos\alpha - \cos\beta/2}{\sin\beta/2 - \sin\alpha}\right) \sin\alpha \sin\beta/2}$$

$$\cos(\alpha) = \cos(20^\circ) = 0.94 \quad \sin 20^\circ = 0.34$$

$$\cos(\beta/2) = \cos(42^\circ) = 0.74 \quad \sin 42^\circ = 0.67$$

$$Q \approx \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 10^{-3} \times (30 \times 10^{-2})^2}{9 \times 10^9} \left(\frac{\cos 20^\circ - \cos 42^\circ}{\sin 42^\circ - \sin 20^\circ}\right) \sin 20^\circ \sin 42^\circ}$$

$$Q \approx \left(\frac{2 \times 10^{-3} \times 10^{-4} \times 10^{-9}}{9 \times 10^9} \left(\frac{0.94 - 0.74}{0.67 - 0.34}\right) 0.67 \times 0.34 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$Q \approx \left(2 \times 10^{-14} \times 0.60 \times 0.67 \times 0.34 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$Q \approx \left(0.27 \times 10^{-14} \right)^{1/2} \approx 0.519 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{Q \approx 5.2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ Coulombs}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{and } \boxed{2Q \approx 10.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C}} \quad \checkmark$$