

- 5 Two large flat metal plates A and B are placed 9.0 cm apart in a vacuum, as illustrated in Fig. 5.1.

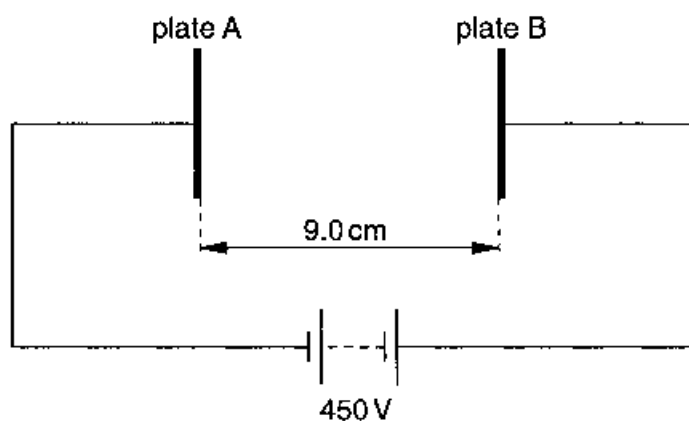


Fig. 5.1

A potential difference of 450 V is maintained between the plates by means of a battery.

- (a) (i) On Fig. 5.1, draw an arrow to indicate the direction of the electric field between plates A and B.
- (ii) Calculate the electric field strength between A and B.

field strength = N C^{-1}
[3]

- (b) An electron is released from rest at the surface of plate A.
- (i) Show that the change in electric potential energy in moving from plate A to plate B is $7.2 \times 10^{-17} \text{ J}$.
- (ii) Determine the speed of the electron on reaching plate B.

speed = m s^{-1}
[4]

- (c) On the axes of Fig. 5.2, sketch a graph to show the variation with distance d from plate A of the speed v of the electron. [1]

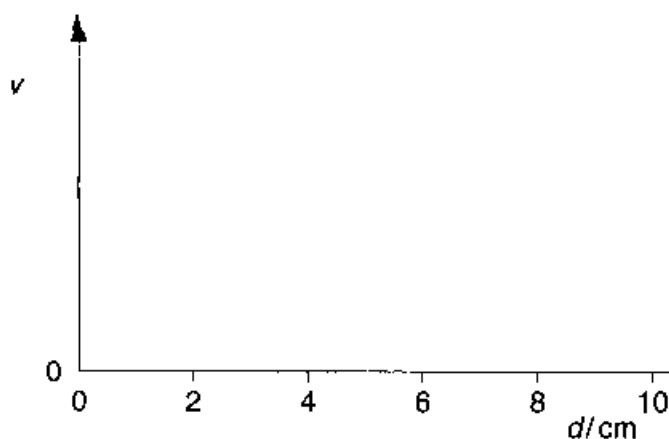


Fig. 5.2