

- 6 (a) Define magnetic flux density.

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- (b) Fig. 6.1 shows two parallel metal plates P and Q placed in a vacuum. P is connected to a positive potential and Q is connected to earth such that a uniform electric field of field strength 500 N C^{-1} is set up in the region between the plates.

A uniform magnetic field is also set up in the region between the plates.

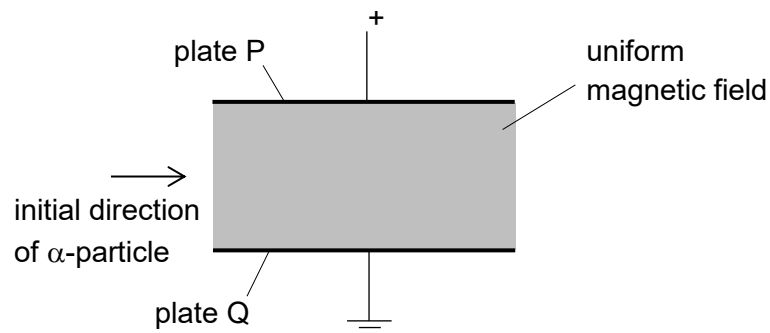


Fig. 6.1

An α -particle of charge $+2e$, mass $6.64 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ and kinetic energy 120 eV enters the region between the plates at right angles to the electric field. The α -particle travels through the region without any deflection.

- (i) State and explain the direction of the magnetic field.

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- (ii) Show that the electric force on the α -particle is 1.6×10^{-16} N.

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- (iii) Calculate the speed of the α -particle.

speed = m s⁻¹ [2]

(iv) Determine the flux density B of the magnetic field.

B = T [2]

(v) A proton travels along the same initial path with a kinetic energy of 120 eV. Describe and explain the initial deflection of the proton between the plates.

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