Worksheet 1: The \vec{E} Field

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1 Understanding \vec{E}

(a) Describe, in as much detail possible, what an electric field (\vec{E}) is. What are the units of the \vec{E} field? What is the equation that governs the \vec{E} field? Units? What are some other examples of fields in physics? Similarities/differences?

(b) An electron experiences a force of magnitude F when it is x distance away from a very long, charges wire with a linear charge density λ . If the charge density is doubled, at what distance from the wire will a proton experience a force of the same magnitude F?

2 The Electric Dipole \vec{p}

3 Charged Particle Field Interaction

An electron is at the origin at t=0 with an initial velocity $\vec{v}=2\vec{x}+1\vec{y}$ m/s, moving through a uniform electric field $\vec{E}=3\vec{y}$ N/C. What is the electron's position at t=5 s?