

At least #1, 3, 5-10, 13

PRACTICE EXERCISES

Formulas: $|\vec{E}| = \frac{kq}{r^2}$ $\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}_e}{q}$

Note: Problems on gravitational fields are included for comparison.

1. What is the magnitude of the electric field strength 7.50×10^{-1} m from an $8.00 \mu\text{C}$ point charge?

$$E = \frac{k(8 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.75)^2} = 1.28 \times 10^5 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}} \checkmark$$

2. Calculate the magnitude of the gravitational field strength on the surface of Mars. Mars has a radius of 3.43×10^6 and a mass of 6.37×10^{23} kg.

$$mg = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$

$$g = \frac{G(6.37 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg})}{(3.43 \times 10^6)^2} = 3.61 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{kg}} \checkmark$$

3. At a point, a short distance from a 4.60×10^{-6} C point charge, there is an electric field strength of 2.75×10^5 N/C. What is the distance to the point charge producing this field?

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{kq}{E}} = \sqrt{\frac{9 \times 10^9 (4.6 \times 10^{-6})}{2.75 \times 10^5}} = 0.388 \text{ m} \checkmark$$

4. On the surface of Planet X an object has a weight of 63.5 N and a mass of 22.5 kg. What is the magnitude of the gravitational field strength on the surface of Planet X?

$$F = mg \quad g = \frac{F}{m} = \frac{63.5 \text{ N}}{22.5 \text{ kg}} = 2.82 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{kg}} \checkmark$$

ELECTROSTATICS—Practice Exercises

- Helium = $2p + 2n = 2(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}) = 2p = q_{\text{He}} = 2q_p$
5. If an alpha particle experiences an electric force of 0.250 N at a point in space, what electric force would a proton experience at the same point?

$$E = \frac{F}{q} \quad \frac{F_p}{q_p} = \frac{F_{\text{He}}}{q_{\text{He}}} \quad F_p = \frac{q_p F_{\text{He}}}{q_{\text{He}}} = \frac{q_p (0.25 \text{ N})}{2q_p} = 0.125 \text{ N} \quad \checkmark$$

$F = Eq$
 $F \propto q$

6. What is the magnitude of the electric field strength at a point in space where a $5.20 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$ point charge experiences an electric force of $7.11 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}$?

$$E = \frac{F}{q} = \frac{7.11 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}}{5.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}} = 1.37 \times 10^3 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}} \quad \checkmark$$

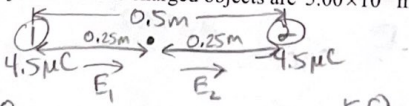
7. What is the initial acceleration of an alpha particle when it is placed at a point in space where the magnitude of the electric field strength is $7.60 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$?

$$F = Eq = ma$$

$$a = \frac{Eq}{m} = \frac{(7.6 \times 10^4 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{C}})(2(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}))}{6.65 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}} = 3.65 \times 10^{12} \text{ m/s}^2 \quad \checkmark$$

8. Calculate the magnitude of the electric field strength mid-way between a $4.50 \mu\text{C}$ charged object and a $-4.50 \mu\text{C}$ charged object if the two charged objects are $5.00 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ apart.

Mistake on direction
E direction + charge would move at that point

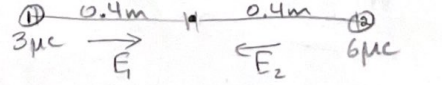


$$E_1 = \frac{kQ_1}{r^2} = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(4.5 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.25)^2} = 6.48 \times 10^5 \text{ [F]}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{kQ_2}{r^2} = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(4.5 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.25)^2} = 6.48 \times 10^5 \text{ [F]}$$

$$E_{\text{tot}} = 6.48 \times 10^5 + 6.48 \times 10^5 = 1.30 \times 10^6 \text{ [F]}$$

9. Calculate the magnitude of the electric field strength mid-way between a $3.0 \mu\text{C}$ point charge and a $6.0 \mu\text{C}$ point charge if the objects are $8.0 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ apart.



$$E_1 = \frac{kQ_1}{r^2} = \frac{k(3 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.4)^2} = 1.6875 \times 10^5 \text{ [F]}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{kQ_2}{r^2} = \frac{k(6 \times 10^{-6})}{(0.4)^2} = 3.375 \times 10^5 \text{ [F]}$$

$$E_2 - E_1 = 1.7 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C [F]} \quad \checkmark$$

CASTLE ROCK RESEARCH

Copyright Protected

10. Calculate the magnitude of the electric field strength at a point in space where they are $9.0 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ apart.

$$\text{charges} = \frac{F}{3k}$$

$$\text{distance} = \frac{F}{3k}$$

Ele

11. What is the magnitude of the electric field strength at a point in space where an initial acceleration of $7.50 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s}^2$ is experienced?

$$F = ma$$

$$= (9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg})(7.50 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s}^2)$$

$$= 6.8325 \times 10^{-26} \text{ N}$$

12. The electric field strength at a distance of $7.50 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ from a point charge is $2.10 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$. What is the electric field strength at a distance of $4.20 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ from the same point charge?

$$E = \frac{kq}{r^2}$$

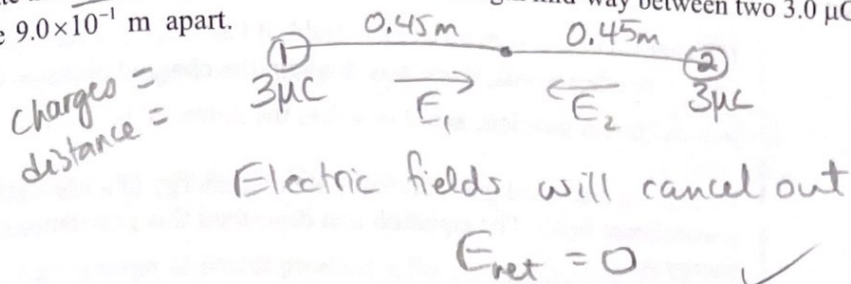
13. At a distance of $7.50 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ from a point charge, the electric field strength is $2.10 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$. At what distance from the same point charge is the electric field strength $4.20 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$?

$$\frac{r_2^2}{r_1^2} = \frac{E_1}{E_2}$$

$$r_2 = \sqrt{\frac{r_1^2 E_1}{E_2}}$$

Not for Reproduction

10. Calculate the magnitude of the electric field strength mid-way between two $3.0 \mu\text{C}$ point charges if they are $9.0 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ apart.



11. What is the magnitude of the electric field strength at a point in space where an electron experiences an initial acceleration of $7.50 \times 10^{12} \text{ m/s}^2$?

$$F = ma$$

$$= (9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg})(7.50 \times 10^{12} \text{ m/s}^2)$$

$$= 6.8325 \times 10^{-18} \text{ N}$$

$$E = \frac{F}{q} = \frac{6.8325 \times 10^{-18}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}}$$

$$= 4.27 \times 10^1$$

$$= 42.7 \text{ N/C} \quad \checkmark$$

12. The electric field strength at a distance of $3.00 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ from a point charge is $3.60 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C} = E_1$. What is the electric field strength at a distance of $4.50 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ from the same point charge?

$$E = \frac{kq}{r^2}$$

$$\frac{E_2}{E_1} = \frac{r_1^2}{r_2^2}$$

$$E_2 = E_1 \frac{r_1^2}{r_2^2} = 3.6 \times 10^5 \times \frac{0.3^2}{0.45^2} = 1.6 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C} \quad \checkmark$$

13. At a distance of $7.50 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}$ from a small charged object the electric field strength is $E_1 = 2.10 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$. At what distance from this same object would the magnitude of the electric field strength be $4.20 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C} = E_2$?

$$\frac{r_2^2}{r_1^2} = \frac{E_1}{E_2}$$

$$r_2 = \sqrt{\frac{r_1^2 E_1}{E_2}} = \sqrt{\frac{(0.75 \text{ m})^2 (2.1 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C})}{4.2 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}}}$$

$$= 5.3 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m} \quad \checkmark$$