

Class 9 Preclass Quiz on MasteringPhysics

- Vocabulary:
- 60% got: The electric field of a charge is defined by the force on a **positive probe charge**.
- 98 % of students got: A charge alters the space around it. This alteration of space is called the **Electric field**.

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• 77% of students got the electric field of a dipole question.



Class 9 Preclass Quiz – Student Comments...

- "The difference between a test charge and a probe charge. What are their purposes and how do they differ? Can the electric field of a charge be canceled out by another charge?"
- "Are positive and negative charges analogous to North and South poles on a magnet?"
- "Can we go over why in electric fields the charge moves from positive to negative, I find this very confusing."
- Harlow answer: The electric field is in the direction that a positive probe charge would accelerate if placed there. Since like-charges repel, the electric field points away from positive source charges.

Class 9 Preclass Quiz – Student Comments...

- Jokes:
- "I once sat in an electric chair; it was a shocking experience."
- "I am so charged for the test!---->not really"
- "What is the definition of a shock absorber? A careless electrician."
- "A neutron walks into a bar and asks how much drinks are. The bartender says 'NO CHARGE!""
- "An electrician claimed that his truck was a volts wagon."

Fun with Charge Conservation!!!

Identical metal spheres are initially charged as shown. Spheres P and Q are touched together and then separated. Then spheres Q and R are touched together and separated. Afterward the charge on sphere R is

P

+4 nC

R

-1 nC

0

-2 nC

*+4×10-9C

- A. -1 nC or less.
- B. -0.5 nC.
- **C**. 0 nC.
- D. +0.5 nC.
- E. +1.0 nC or more.

- What is electric current?
- It's something to do with the electrons moving through the metal wires.

What is **voltage?**

Umm....











Coulomb's Law, and The Permittivity Constant

- We can make many future equations easier to use if we rewrite Coulomb's law in a somewhat more complicated way.
- Let's define a new constant, called the permittivity constant *ϵ*₀:

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi K} = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \,\mathrm{C}^2 /\mathrm{N} \,\mathrm{m}^2$$

• Rewriting Coulomb's law in terms of ϵ_0 gives us:

$$F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{|q_1||q_2|}{r^2}$$

Charge Polarization

- Charge polarization produces an excess positive charge on the leaves of the electroscope, so they repel each other.
- Because the electroscope has no *net* charge, the electron sea quickly readjusts once the rod is removed.



Although the net charge on the electroscope is still zero, the leaves have excess positive charge and repel each other.

The Electric Dipole

- Even a single atom can become polarized.
- The figure below shows how a neutral atom is polarized by an external charge, forming an electric dipole.

Atom all alone:



In an isolated atom, the electron cloud is centered on the nucleus.

The Electric Dipole

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The Electric Dipole



- When an insulator is brought near an external charge, all the individual atoms inside the insulator become polarized.
- The polarization force acting on each atom produces a net polarization force toward the external charge.

Thinking about Electric Force



E. None of these.

Thinking about Electric Force

The direction of the force on charge -q is





- A. Up.
- B. Down.
- C. Left.
- D. Right.
- E. The force on -q is zero.

The Field Model

- The photos show the patterns that iron filings make when sprinkled around a magnet.
- These patterns suggest that space itself around the magnet is filled with magnetic influence.
- This is called the magnetic field.



• The concept of such a "field" was first introduced by Michael Faraday in 1821.

The Field Model

- A *field* is a function that $\vec{F}_{A \text{ on } B}$ assigns a vector to every point in space.
- The alteration of space around a mass is called the gravitational field.
- Similarly, the space around a charge is altered to create the electric field.

In the Newtonian view, A exerts a force directly on B.

In Faraday's view, A alters the space around it. (The wavy lines are poetic license. We don't know what the alteration looks like.)



B

Particle B then responds to the altered space. The altered space is the agent that exerts the force on B.

The Electric Field

A charged particle with charge q at a point in space where the electric field is \vec{E} experiences an electric force:

$$\vec{F}_{\mathrm{on}\,q} = q\vec{E}$$

- If q is positive, the force on the particle is in the direction of \vec{E} .
- The force on a negative charge is *opposite* the direction of \vec{E} .

The units of the electric field are N/C. The magnitude E of the electric field is called the **electric field strength**.

Field location	Field strength (N/C)
Inside a current- carrying wire	$10^{-3} - 10^{-1}$
Near the earth's surface	$10^2 - 10^4$
Near objects charged by rubbing	$10^3 - 10^6$
Electric breakdown in air, causing a spark	3×10^{6}
Inside an atom	10^{11}

 TABLE 26.1
 Typical electric field strengths

The Electric Force





Example.

A 0.10 g honeybee has an electric charge.

There is a natural <u>electric field</u> near the earth's surface of 100 N/C, downward.

What electric charge would the bee have to have to hang suspended in the air, without even flapping her wings?

$$(F_{Net})_{q} = 0 = F_{e} - Mg = 0$$

$$(F_{e})_{q} = Mg$$

$$F_{e} = E q$$

$$(E)_{q} = -100 \ N/c$$

$$E_{q} = Mg$$

$$Q = -Mg = \frac{(0.1 \times 10^{-3} kg) 9.8}{-100 \ N/c}$$

$$Q = -9.8 \times 10^{-6} C$$

$$= -9.800 \ N C$$

The Electric Field of a Point Charge

 The electric field at a distance r away from a point charge, q, is given by:

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}_{\text{on }q'}}{q'} = \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\frac{q}{r^2}, \text{ away from } q\right)$$

or
$$F = \frac{kq'q}{r^2}$$
 $E = \frac{F}{q'} = \frac{kq}{r^2}$

The Electric Field of a Point Charge

What is the electric field of q at this point?

$$+$$
 Point charge q





The Electric Field of a Point Charge

- If we calculate the field at a sufficient number of points in space, we can draw a field diagram.
- Notice that the field vectors all point straight away from charge q.
- Also notice how quickly the arrows decrease in length due to the inverse-square dependence on *r*.



At which point is the electric field stronger?

- A. Point A.
- B. Point B.
- C. Not enough information to tell.



The Electric Field of a Point Charge

 Using unit vector notation, the electric field at a distance *r* from a point charge *q* is:

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

- A negative sign in front of a vector simply reverses its direction.
- The figure shows the electric field of a negative point charge.



Which is the electric field at the dot?



E. None of these.

- Toot 1 in Tomorrow from 6:00				Group	Room	
7:30)pm.		2 I 21	Group	W2A	UC 266 (East Hall)
Group Room					W2B	UC 273 (West
Group	Room	T1A		HA 403		Hall)
M2A	HA 401	T2A		SF 3202		UC 266 (East
M2B	SF 2202	T2E	1	HA 403	W3A	
M3A	HA 316	T34	72.6			Hall)
МЗВ	SF 3201	137		UA 403		UC 273
13B HA 403				W3B	(West Hall)	
Group	Room	Group		Room		110 266
R2A	SF 3201	F1A	I	BA 1170	W4A	(East
R2B	HA 410	F1B	SF 3202			Hall)
R3A	SF 3201	F2A	-	BA 1170		UC 273
R3B	SF 2202				W4B	(West

What will tomorrow evening's test cover?

- Test 1 is on:
 - Knight Chs. <u>20, 21</u>, <u>23, 24</u> and <u>25</u>. including 25.5

- The midterm test will have:
 - 8 multiple-choice questions
 - 2 unrelated long-answer problems counting for a total of 16 marks, which will be graded in detail; part marks may be awarded, but only if you show your work.

Test 1 on Tuesday Evening

- Please bring:
 - □ Your student card.
 - □ A calculator without any communication capability.
 - A single, original, handwritten 8 1/2 × 11 inch sheet of paper on which you may have written anything you wish, on both sides. You may also type it if you wish, but it must be prepared by you. No photocopies.

□ A ruler

The Electric Field of Multiple Point Charges

- Suppose the source of an electric field is a group of point charges q₁, q₂, ...
- The net electric field \vec{E}_{net} at each point in space is a superposition of the electric fields due to each individual charge:

$$(E_{\text{net}})_x = (E_1)_x + (E_2)_x + \dots = \sum (E_i)_x$$
$$(E_{\text{net}})_y = (E_1)_y + (E_2)_y + \dots = \sum (E_i)_y$$
$$(E_{\text{net}})_z = (E_1)_z + (E_2)_z + \dots = \sum (E_i)_z$$



Electric Dipoles

A water molecule is a *permanent* dipole because the negative electrons spend more time with the oxygen atom.

- Two equal but opposite charges separated by a small distance for an *electric dipole.*
- The figure shows two examples.



The Dipole Moment

It is useful to define the dipole moment *p*, shown in the figure, as the vector:



 $\vec{p} = (qs, \text{ from the negative to the positive charge})$

• The SI units of the dipole moment are C m.

The Dipole Electric Field at Two Points



The Electric Field of a Dipole

The electric field at a point on the axis of a dipole is:

 $\vec{E}_{\text{dipole}} \approx \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2\vec{p}}{r^3}$ (on the axis of an electric dipole)

where r is the distance measured from the *center* of the dipole.

 The electric field in the plane that bisects and is perpendicular to the dipole is

$$\vec{E}_{\text{dipole}} \approx -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\vec{p}}{r^3}$$
 (bisecting plane)

 This field is opposite to the dipole direction, and it is only half the strength of the on-axis field at the same distance.



This figure represents the electric field of a dipole as a fieldvector diagram.

The Electric Field of a Dipole



This figure represents the electric field of a dipole using electric field lines.

The Electric Field of Two Equal Positive Charges



This figure represents the electric field of two same-sign charges using electric field lines. Two protons, A and B, are in an electric field. Which proton has the larger acceleration?

- A. Proton A.
- B. Proton B.
- C. Both have the same acceleration.



Before Class 10 on Wednesday

- There is NO pre-class quiz due on Wednesday morning.
- However, if you could read over the rest of Chapter 26 before coming to class on Wednesday, I would appreciate it.
- Something to think about: What causes lightning? If the ground is neutral and the cloud-cover is positive, is lightning the electrons jumping up to the clouds?
- Good luck on the test tomorrow night!