

SERIES 2 (Part 1)

(Coulomb's Law, Electric Field and Electric Potential)

Exercise 1 :

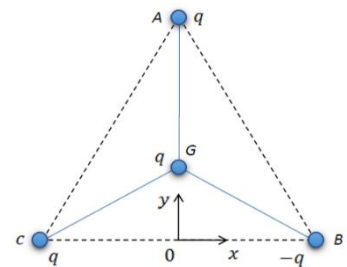
Let us consider two point charges $q_1, q_2 > 0$, placed at A $(-a, 0)$ and B $(a, 0)$ on an Ox axis.

1. Represent the force vector acting on the two charges.
2. Determine the repulsive force between the two charges.

Exercise 2 :

Calculate the force exerted by three charges placed at the vertices of an equilateral triangle of side $2a$, on a charge located at the center of this triangle.

We give: $K = 9 \cdot 10^9$ (SI) ; $q = 1 \mu\text{C}$, $-q = -1 \mu\text{C}$; $2a = 1 \text{ cm}$



Exercise 3 :

Consider two charges q_1, q_2 placed in the same line at a fixed distance r .

1. Where can a third charge q_3 be placed to obtain electrostatic equilibrium?
 - **Case 1** : $q_1 < q_2$ and both charges are positive.
 - **Case 2** : $|q_1| < |q_2|$ with q_1 positive and q_2 negative.
2. Find this distance for : $q_1 = +2 \text{ nC}$, $q_2 = +18 \text{ nC}$ and $r = 25 \text{ cm}$.

Exercise 4 :

Consider four point charges q_A, q_B, q_C and q_D placed at the vertices of a square ABCD of side $2a$.

1. Find the electric field created by these charges at the point G (center of the square).
2. Deduce the force exerted by the other charges on the charge q_G placed at point G.
3. Determine the electric potential V at the point G and at the origin of coordinates.

We give : In an orthonormal coordinate system, the points A $(2a, 2a)$, B $(2a, 0)$, C $(0, 0)$ and D $(0, 2a)$.

$$q_A = q_G = +q \quad ; \quad q_B = q_C = q_D = -q$$

$$q = 2 \mu\text{C} \quad ; \quad a = 10 \text{ cm}$$