

Electrostatics/ Natural Electric Charge

Book Chapter: 15, 16

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Terms/ Ideas:

Static electricity

Conductor

Insulator

Electrode

Grounding

Electroscope

Photoelectric effect

Permittivity of free space

Permeability of free space

Electric Field lines

Electric Flux

Dipole

DOP

Capacitance

Voltaic Cell

Coulomb

Elementary Charge

Coulomb's Law

Electron Volt

Equations:

$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$E = \frac{F}{q}$$

$$\phi = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} (\text{flux})$$

$$\tau = pE \sin \theta$$

$$V = \frac{W}{q} (\text{volt})$$

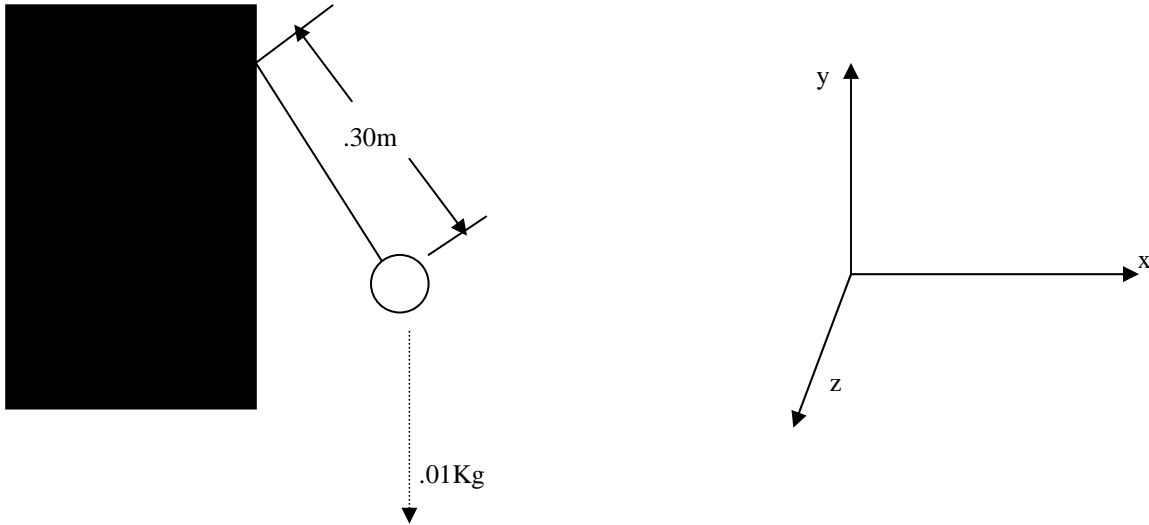
$$E = \frac{V}{d}$$

$$C = \frac{q}{V}$$

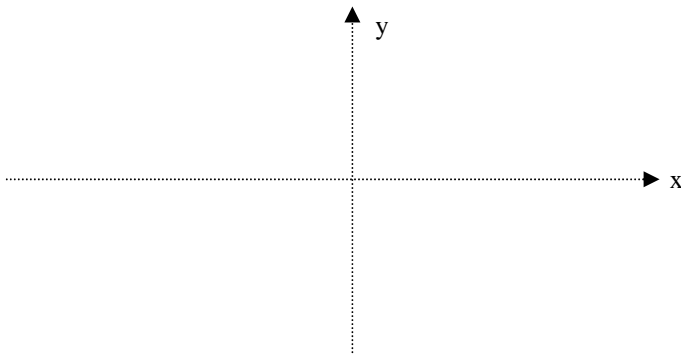
$$W = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$$

Free Response:

A wall has a negative charge distribution producing a uniform horizontal electric field. A small plastic ball of mass $.01 \text{ Kg}$, carrying a charge of $-80.0 \mu\text{C}$, is suspended by an uncharged, non-conducting thread $.30$ meters long. The thread is attached to the wall and the ball hangs in equilibrium, as shown above, in the electric and gravitational fields. The electric force on the ball has a magnitude of $.032 \text{ N}$.



1) On the diagram below, draw and label all of the forces acting on the ball.



2) Calculate the magnitude of the electric field at the ball's location due to the charged wall, and state its direction relative to the coordinate axis shown.

3) Determine the perpendicular distance from the wall to the center of the ball.

4) The string is now cut. Describe the resulting path of the ball.

5) Calculate the charge on the ball.