

DPP – 5 (Electrostatics)

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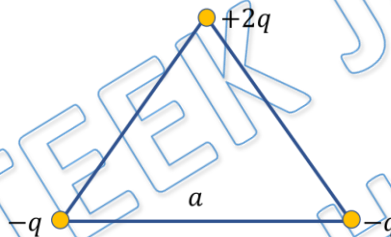
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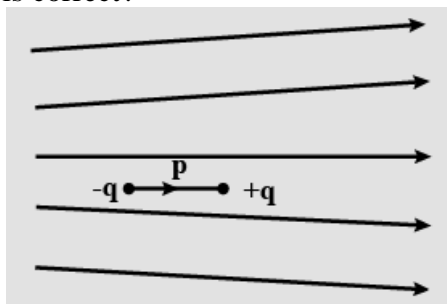
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- Q 1. A system has two charges $q_A = 2.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$ and $q_B = -2.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$ located at points A(0,0,-0.15m) and B(0,0,+0.15) respectively. What is the electric dipole moment of the system?
- (a) $7.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C-m}$ (b) $2.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C-m}$
 (c) $0.15 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C-m}$ (d) $7.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C-m}$

- Q 2. Three charges of $+2q$, $-q$, $-q$ are placed at the corners A, B and C of an equilateral triangle of side a as shown in the adjoining figure. Determine the dipole moment of this combination:



- (a) $2\sqrt{3}qa$ (b) $\sqrt{3}qa$ (c) $2qa$ (d) $\sqrt{2}qa$
- Q 3. An electric dipole is placed along the x-axis centered at the origin O. A point P at a distance 20cm from the origin such that OP makes an angle $\frac{\pi}{3}$ with the x-axis. If electric field at P makes an angle ϕ with the x-axis, the value of ϕ would be:
- (a) $\frac{\pi}{3} + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$ (b) $\frac{\pi}{3}$ (c) $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ (d) $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$
- Q 4. Electric field lines in which an electric dipole P is placed as shown. Which of the following statements is correct?



- (a) The dipole will not experience any force.
 (b) The dipole will experience a force towards right
 (c) The dipole will experience a force towards left
 (d) The dipole will experience a force upwards



- Q 5. A and B are two points on the axis and the perpendicular bisector, respectively, of an electric dipole. A and B are far away from the dipole and at equal distances from it. The fields at A and B are \vec{E}_A and \vec{E}_B . Then:
- (a) $\vec{E}_A = \vec{E}_B$ (b) $\vec{E}_A = 2\vec{E}_B$
(c) $\vec{E}_A = -2\vec{E}_B$ (d) None of these
- Q 6. Two charges $+10 \mu\text{C}$ and $-10 \mu\text{C}$ are held 2 cm apart. Calculate the electric field at a point on the equatorial line at a distance of 50 cm from the centre of the dipole:
- (a) $1.44 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$ (b) $3.44 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$
(c) $1.88 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$ (d) $2.44 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$
- Q 7. The electric force on a point charge situated on the axis of a short dipole is F. If the charge is shifted along the axis to double the distance, the electric force acting will be:
- (a) 4F (b) F/2
(c) F/4 (d) F/8
- Q 8. What is the electric field intensity at a point at a distance 20 cm on a line making an angle of 45° with the axis of the dipole of moment 10 C-m?
- (a) $1.77 \times 10^{13} \text{ V/m}$ (b) $0.177 \times 10^{13} \text{ V/m}$
(c) $17.7 \times 10^{13} \text{ V/m}$ (d) $177 \times 10^{13} \text{ V/m}$
- Q 9. An electric dipole with dipole moment $4 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C m}$ is aligned at 30° with the direction of a uniform electric field of magnitude $5 \times 10^4 \text{ N C}^{-1}$. Calculate the magnitude of the torque acting on the dipole:
- (a) 10^{-4} Nm (b) 10^4 Nm
(c) $2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Nm}$ (d) 2×10^4
- Q 10. An electric dipole of length 2 cm, when placed with its axis making an angle of 60° with a uniform electric field, experiences a torque of $8\sqrt{3} \text{ Nm}$. Calculate the potential energy of the dipole, if it has a charge of $\pm 4 \text{ nC}$
- (a) -8 joule (b) 8 joule
(c) -16 joule (d) 16 joule
- Q 11. An electric dipole moment $\vec{P} = (2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})\mu\text{Cm}$ is placed in a uniform electric field $\vec{E} = (3\hat{i} + 2\hat{k}) \times 10^5 \text{ NC}^{-1}$:
- (a) The torque that \vec{E} exerts on \vec{P} is $(0.6\hat{i} - 0.4\hat{j} - 0.9\hat{k})\text{Nm}$
(b) The potential energy of the dipole is -0.6J
(c) Both (a) and (b)
(d) The potential energy of the dipole is 0.9J
- Q 12. Two dipoles each of moment $5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C-m}$ form a cross with their axis (- to +) along the coordinate axes. The potential at a point 20cm away in a direction making an angle of 30° with x-axis is (if the potential at an infinite distance is taken to be zero):
- (a) 1.12 V (b) 2.12 V (c) 2.4 V (d) 1.536 V



- Q 13. What is the electric potential at a point distant 100 cm from the centre of an electric dipole of moment 2×10^{-4} C-m on a line making an angle of 60° with the axis of dipole?
(a) 7×10^5 V (b) 8×10^5 V
(c) 9×10^5 V (d) 10×10^5 V
- Q 14. A short electric dipole has dipole moment of 4×10^{-9} C-m. Determine the electric potential due to the dipole at a point distant 0.3 m from the centre of the dipole situated on
(1) the axial line (V_1),
(2) on equatorial line (V_2)
(a) $V_1 = 400$ V, $V_2 = 0$ V (b) $V_1 = 400$ V, $V_2 = 200$ V
(c) $V_1 = 400$ V, $V_2 = 20$ V (d) $V_1 = 400$ V, $V_2 = -200$ V
- Q 15. Two short dipoles, each of dipole moment P are placed at a large separation r. The force between them:
(a) is proportional to product of dipole momenta
(b) is inversely proportional to r^4
(c) the force is attractive, if direction of dipole momenta is same, repulsive if opposite
(d) all options are correct
- Q 16. An electric dipole consists of two opposite charges of magnitude $1\mu\text{C}$ separated by a distance of 2cm. The dipole is placed in an electric field 10^{-5}Vm^{-1} . The maximum torque that the field exerts on the dipole is:
(a) 10^{-3}Nm (b) $2 \times 10^{-13} \text{Nm}$
(c) $3 \times 10^{-3} \text{Nm}$ (d) $4 \times 10^{-3} \text{Nm}$

Answer Key

Q.1 a	Q.2 b	Q.3 a	Q.4 c	Q.5 c
Q.6 a	Q.7 d	Q.8 a	Q.9 a	Q.10 a
Q.11 c	Q.12 d	Q.13 c	Q.14 a	Q.15 d
Q.16 b				

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Written Solution

DPP-5 Electric Dipole

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Solution: 1

$$q_A = 2.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$$

$$q_B = -2.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C}$$



$$d = 2(0.15) = 0.3 \text{ m.}$$

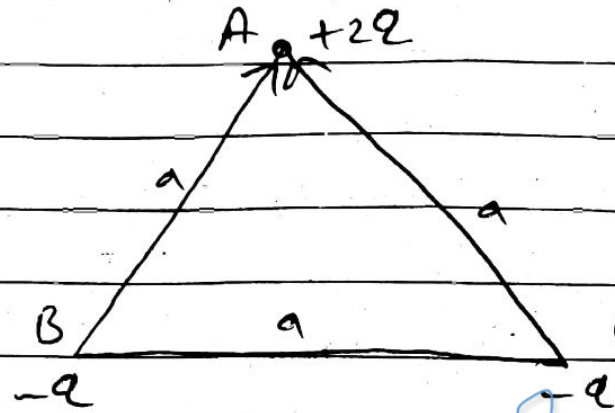
$$P = qd$$

$$P = 2.5 \times 10^{-7} \times 0.3$$

$$P = 7.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C-m}$$

Ans. a

Solution: 2



$$|\vec{P}_{BA}| = q(a)$$

$$|\vec{P}_{CA}| = q(a)$$

\vec{P}_{BA} & \vec{P}_{CA} are at an angle
of 60° with each other

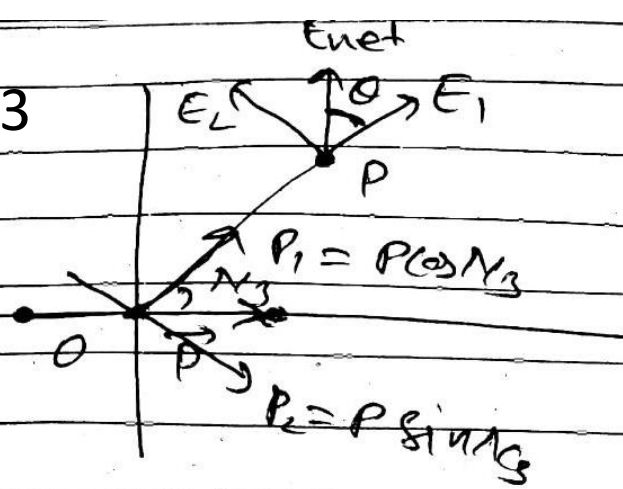
$$\therefore |\vec{P}_{BA}| = |\vec{P}_{CA}| = P$$

$$\therefore P_{\text{net}} = \sqrt{3} P$$

$$P_{\text{net}} = \sqrt{3} q a$$

Ans. b

Solution: 3



$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{E_2}{E_1}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{k(P \sin \lambda_3)}{(20 \times 10^2)^3}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{2k(P \cos \lambda_3)}{(20 \times 10^2)^3}$$

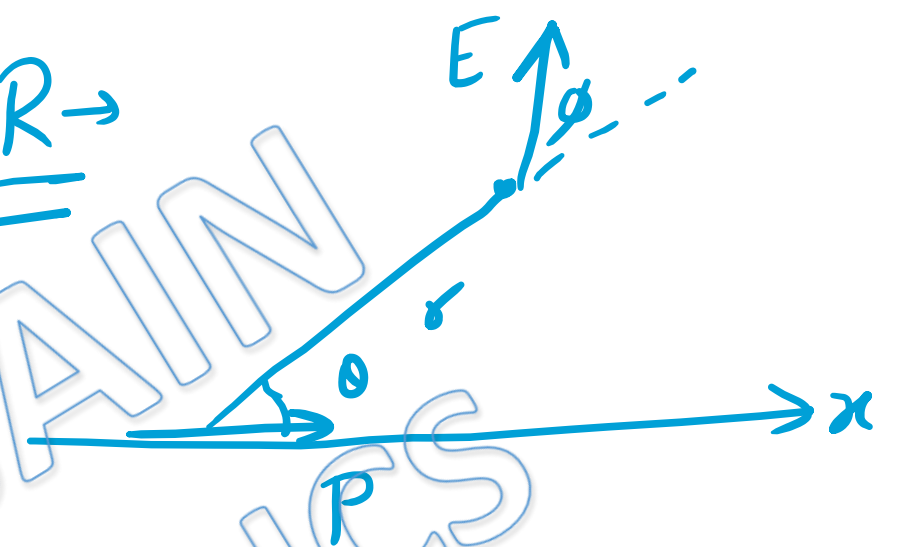
$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sin \lambda_3}{2 \cos \lambda_3} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tan \lambda_3}{2} \right)$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \text{Total angle} = \phi = \frac{\lambda}{3} + \theta$$

$$\phi = \frac{\lambda}{3} + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

OR \rightarrow



$$\tan \phi = \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \tan 60^\circ$$

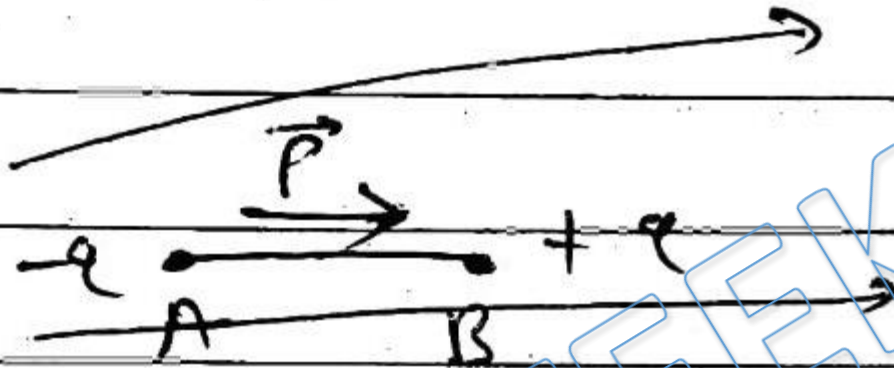
$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

angle of \vec{E} with x axis

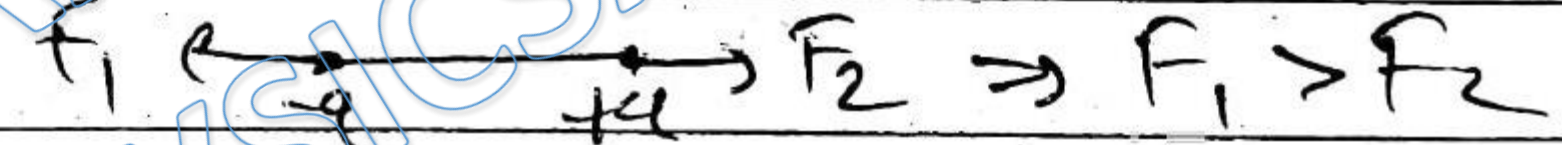
$$= 60^\circ + \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \text{ Ans. a}$$

Solution: 4



$\therefore E_A > E_B$

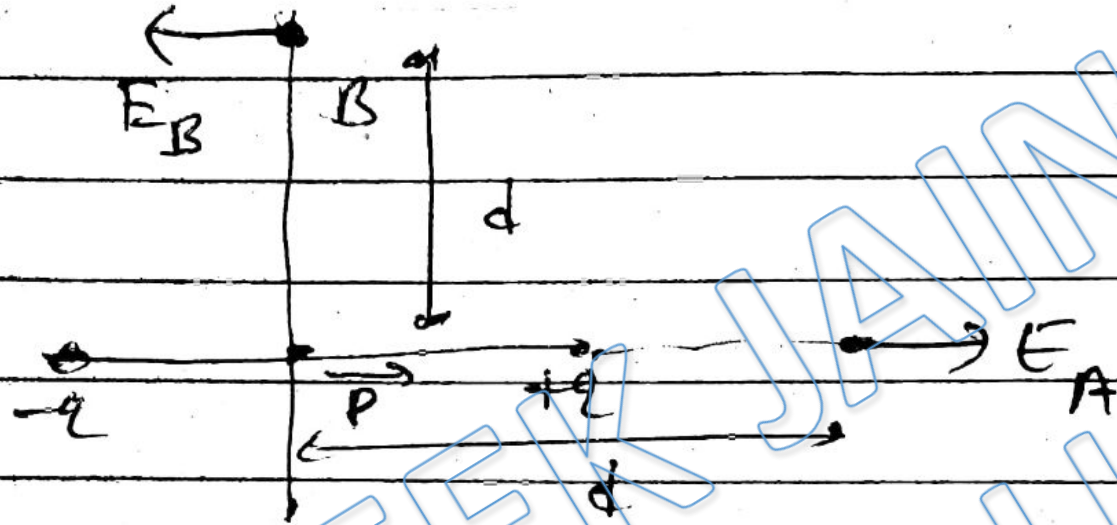
$\therefore F_1$ on $-q$ is greater than F_2 on $+q$



\therefore net force towards left.

Ans. c

Solution: 5



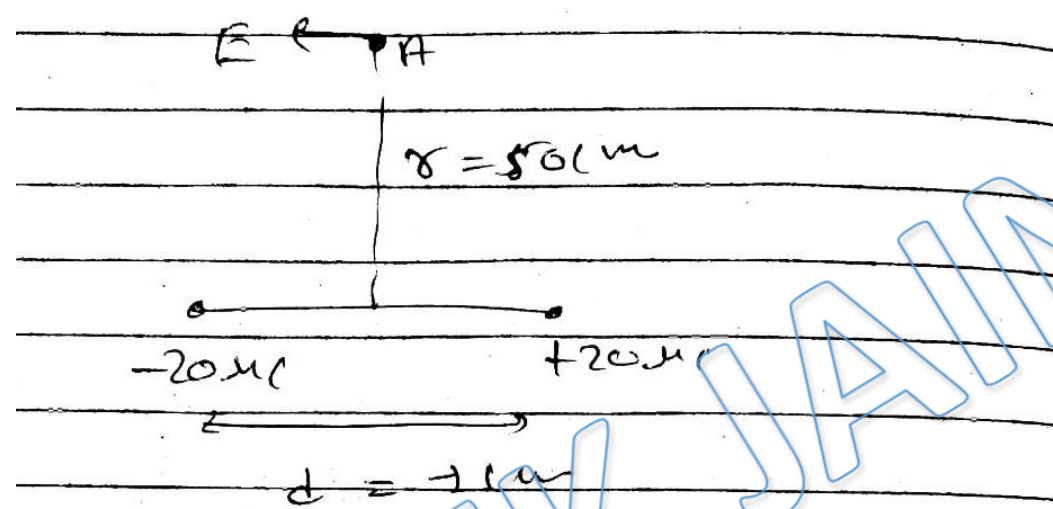
$$\vec{E}_A = \frac{2kq}{d^3} \hat{p} ; \quad \vec{E}_B = -\frac{kq}{d^3} \hat{p}$$

$$\vec{E}_A = -2 \left(-\frac{kq}{d^3} \hat{p} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\vec{E}_A = -2 \vec{E}_B}$$

Ans. c

Solution: 6



$$p = qd = 20 \times 10^{-6} \times 10^{-2}$$

$$p = 20 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$E_A = \frac{k p}{r^3} = \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 20 \times 10^{-8}}{(50 \times 10^{-2})^3}$$

$$E_A = \frac{180 \times 10^1}{(50)^3 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$E_A = 1.44 \times 10^4 \text{ N/C}$$

Ans. a

Solution: 7

field on axis of dipole = $\frac{2KP}{r^3}$

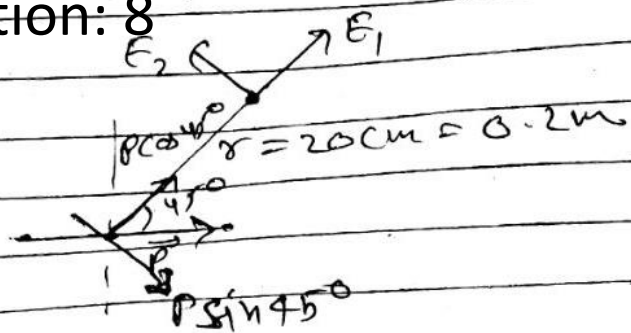
force on point charge due to dipole

$$F = qE \Rightarrow F = \frac{2KPa}{r^3}$$

$F \propto \frac{1}{r^3}$
↙ 1 time r.
↘ 2 times r

Ans. d

Solution: 8



$$P = qd = 10 \text{ C}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{2kP \cos 45^\circ}{r^3}$$

$$= \frac{2 \times 9 \times 10^9 \times (10) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{(0.2)^3}$$

$$= \frac{2 \times 9 \times 10^9 \times 10 \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{8 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$E_1 = 1.59 \times 10^{13} \text{ N/C}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{k(P \sin 45^\circ)}{(0.2)^3}$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \times 10}{8 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$E_2 = 0.79 \times 10^{13} \text{ V/m}$$

$$E = \sqrt{E_1^2 + E_2^2} = \sqrt{(1.59 \times 10^{13})^2 + (0.79 \times 10^{13})^2}$$

$$E = 10^{13} \times \sqrt{(1.59)^2 + (0.79)^2}; E = 1.77 \times 10^{13} \text{ V/m}$$

OR

Electric field at a general point due to dipole:

$$E = \frac{kP}{r^3} \left[\sqrt{3 \cos^2 \theta + 1} \right]$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 10}{(20 \times 10^{-2})^3} \times \left[\sqrt{3 \times (\cos 45^\circ)^2 + 1} \right]$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 10}{8 \times 10^{-3}} \left[\sqrt{3 \times \frac{1}{2} + 1} \right]$$

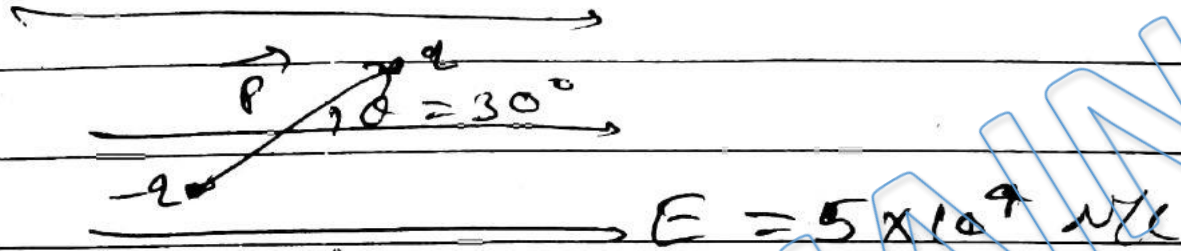
$$= \frac{9}{8} \times 10^{13} \times \left[\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{9}{8} \times \sqrt{2.5} \times 10^{13} \approx \frac{9}{8} \times 1.6 \times 10^{13}$$

$$E \approx 1.8 \times 10^{13} \text{ N/C} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$

Ans. a

Solution: 9



$$P = 4 \times 10^{-9} \text{ cm}$$

$$\tau = \vec{P} \times \vec{E} = PE \sin \theta$$

$$\tau = 4 \times 10^{-9} \times 5 \times 10^9 \times \sin 30^\circ$$

$$= 20 \times 10^{-5} \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\tau = 10^{-4} \text{ Nm}$$

Ans. a

Solution: 10

$$z = PE \sin \theta$$

$$U = -PE \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{z}{U} = \frac{-\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = -\tan \theta$$

$$U = \frac{-z}{\tan \theta} = \frac{-(8\sqrt{3})}{\tan 60^\circ}$$

$$U = \frac{-8\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$U = -8 \text{ Joule}$$

Ans. a

Solution: 11

$$\vec{P} = (2\hat{j} + 3\hat{j}) \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}$$

$$\vec{E} = (3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$$

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{P} \times \vec{E}$$

$$= (2\hat{j} + 3\hat{j}) \times (3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \times 10^{-6} \times 10^5$$

$$= (-4\hat{j} - 9\hat{k} + 6\hat{i}) \times 10^{-1}$$

$$\vec{\tau} = 0.6\hat{i} - 0.4\hat{j} - 0.9\hat{k}$$

$$U = -\vec{P} \cdot \vec{E} = -(2\hat{j} + 3\hat{j}) \cdot (3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \times 10^{-6} \times 10^5$$

$$U = -(6) \times 10^{-1}$$

$$U = -0.6 \text{ Joule.}$$

Ans. c

Solution: 12

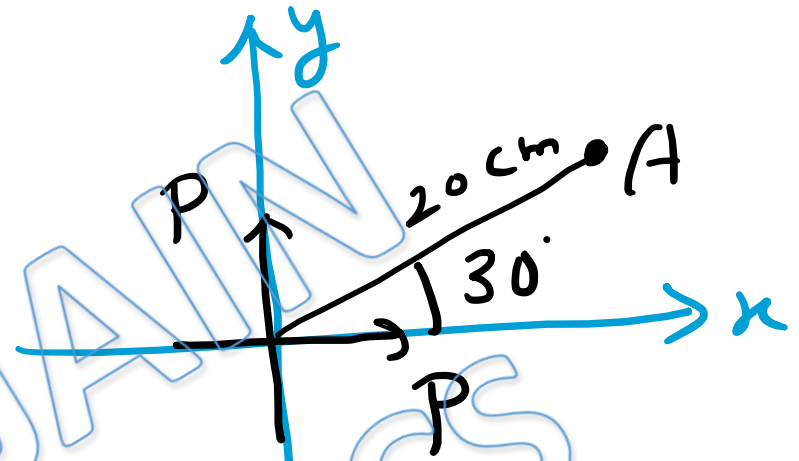
Potential at point A

$$V_A = \frac{KP \cos 30^\circ}{r^2} + \frac{KP}{r^2} \cos 60^\circ$$

$$= \frac{KP}{r^2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 5 \times 10^{-12}}{(-2)^2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{2} \right)$$

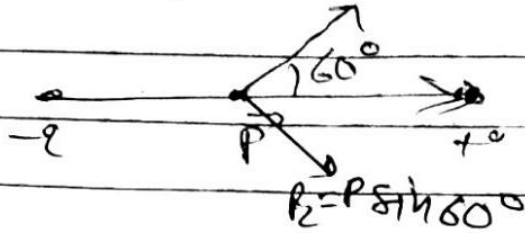
$$= \frac{45(\sqrt{3} + 1)}{8} \times 10^{-1} = 1.536 \text{ V}$$



Ans. d

Solution: 13

$$P_1 = P \cos 60^\circ \quad r = 100 \text{ cm} = 1 \text{ m}$$



$$P_1 = P \cos 60^\circ, \quad P_2 = P \sin 60^\circ$$

Electro. potential due to

P_2 is zero (\because equatorial position)

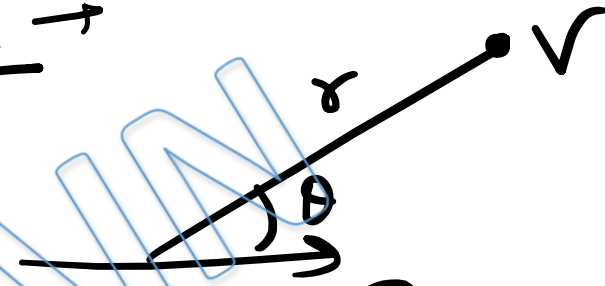
Potential = $V =$ due to P_1

$$V = \frac{k P_1}{r^2} = \frac{k P \cos 60^\circ}{r^2}$$

$$V = \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times (2 \times 10^{-4})}{(1)^2}$$

$$V = 9 \times 10^5 \text{ Volt}$$

OR \rightarrow



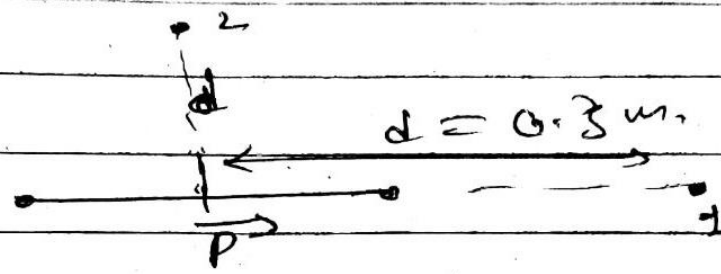
$$V = \frac{k P \cos \theta}{r^2}$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 2 \times 10^{-4} \times \cos 60^\circ}{1^2}$$

$$= 9 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$$

Ans. c

Solution: 14



$$V_1 = \frac{kq}{r^2}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times 4 \times 10^{-9}}{(0.3)^2}$$

$$V = \frac{36}{9 \times 10^2}$$

$$V = 40 \text{ Volt}$$

V_2 = point '2' is on
equatorial

$$V_2 = 0$$

Ans. a

Solution: 15

$$F = \frac{G K P^2}{r^4}$$

$$F \propto \frac{1}{r^4}, \quad F \propto P^2$$

F is inversely proportional
to r^4 & directly proportional
to P_1, P_2 or P^2 .

Ans. d

Solution: 16

$$p = q \times d$$

$$= 10^{-6} \times 2 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$p = 2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C-m}$$

$$E = 10^5 \text{ V/m}$$

$$\tau_{\max} = pE (\sin \theta)_{\max} = pE$$

$$= 2 \times 10^{-8} \times 10^5$$

$$\tau_{\max} = 2 \times 10^{-13} \text{ N-m}$$

Ans. b

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