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**AP Physics 1: Electrostatics  
Stations....**

**Station 1:**

Two charges ( $q_1$  and  $q_2$ ) are placed on opposite ends of a meter stick with charges  $q_1 = 2 \text{ C}$  and  $q_2 = 3.5 \text{ C}$ . Where could an electron be placed in between these two on the meter stick such that it remains in electrostatic equilibrium?

**Station 2:**

Two conductive spheres experience a repulsive force of  $12.0 \text{ N}$  when placed  $1.06 \text{ m}$  away from each other. Combined, these two charges have  $80.0 \mu\text{C}$  between them. What is the charge held on each of the spheres?

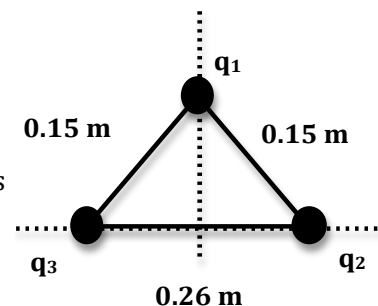
**Station 3:**

Three small spheres are located at the vertices of an **isosceles triangle** with two sides each measuring  $0.150 \text{ m}$  and the third measuring  $0.260 \text{ m}$ . The triangle is cut completely in half by the y-axis. The values for the charges are as follows:

$$q_1 = +4.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$q_3 = -5.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$q_2 = +6.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

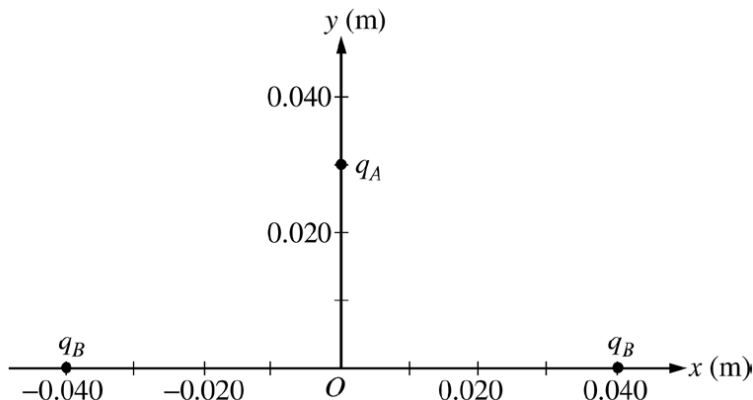


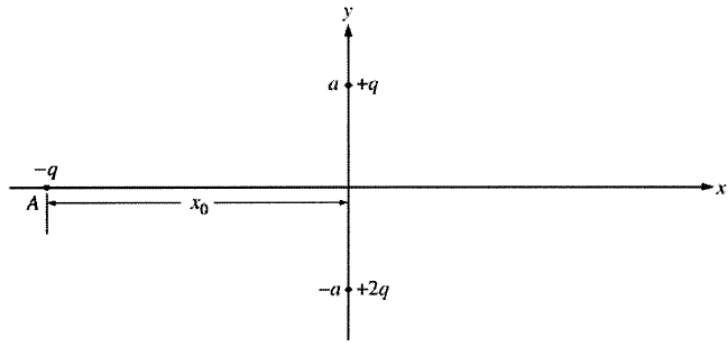
Find the magnitude and direction of the net force exerted on  $q_1$ .

**Station 4:**

Three particles are arranged on coordinate axes as shown. Particle A has a charge of  $q_A = -0.20 \text{ nC}$ , and is initially on the y-axis at  $y = 0.030 \text{ m}$ . The other two particles each have a charge of  $q_B = +0.30 \text{ nC}$  and are held fixed on the x-axis at  $x = -0.040 \text{ m}$  and  $x = +0.040 \text{ m}$ , respectively.

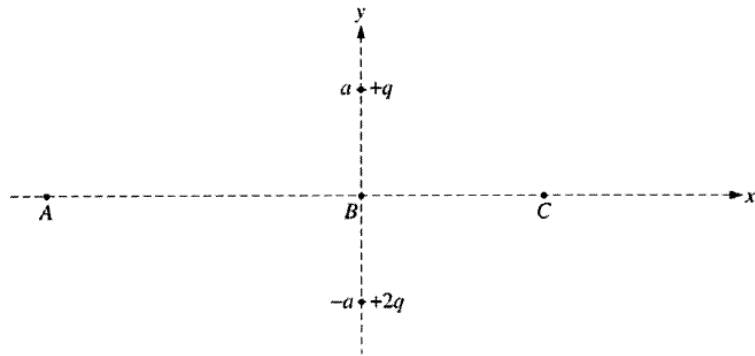
- Calculate the magnitude of the net electric force on particle A when it is at  $y = 0.030 \text{ m}$ , and state its direction.
- Particle A is then released from rest. Qualitatively describe its motion over a long time.





**Station 5:**

- A. Write expressions in terms of  $q$ ,  $a$ ,  $x_0$ , and fundamental constants for the magnitudes of the forces on the  $-q$  charge at point A caused by each of the following.
- i. The  $+q$  charge
  - ii. The  $+2q$  charge



- B. The  $-q$  charge can also be placed at other points on the  $x$ -axis. At each of the labeled points (A, B, and C) in the following diagram, draw a vector to represent the direction of the net force on the  $-q$  charge due to the other two charges when it is at those points.