

Exercises on Electric potential

Question (1):

- (a) Find the potential at a distance of 3 cm from a proton.
(b) What is the potential difference between two points that are 1 cm and 2 cm from a proton? ($k_e = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}^2$) ($e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$)

Question (2):

Two point charges $Q_1 = +5 \text{ n C}$ and $Q_2 = -3 \text{ n C}$ are separated by 50 cm.

- (a) What is the potential energy of the pair?
(b) What is the electric potential at a point midway between the charges?

Question (3):

How much work is required to move a charge of 4 n C from a point 2m away to a point 0.5 m away from a point charge of 60 n C? What is the potential difference between these points?

Question (4):

The difference in potential between the accelerating plates in the electron gun of a TV picture tube is about 25 000 V. If the distance between these plates is 1.50 cm, what is the magnitude of the uniform electric field in this region?

Question (5):

Suppose an electron is released from rest in a uniform electric field whose magnitude is $5.90 \times 10^3 \text{ V/m}$. (a) Through what potential difference will it have passed after moving 1.00 cm? (b) How fast will the electron be moving after it has travelled 1.00 cm?

Question (6):

At a certain distance from a point charge, the magnitude of the electric field is 500 V/m and the electric potential is - 3.00 kV. (a) What is the distance to the charge? (b) What is the magnitude of the charge?

Question (7):

The three charges in the following Figure are at the vertices of an isosceles triangle. Calculate the electric potential at the midpoint of the base, taking $q = 7.00 \mu\text{C}$.

