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**TOPIC: ELECTROSTATICS**

**MEMORANDUM**

**MARKS: 60**

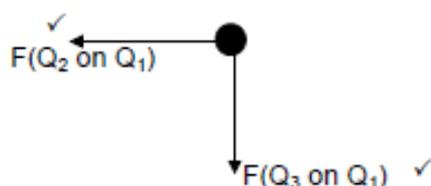
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## QUESTION 1

- 1.1. C ✓✓  
1.2. A ✓✓  
1.3. A ✓✓  
1.4. A ✓✓  
1.5. B ✓✓

## QUESTION 2

- 2.1. The (magnitude) of the electrostatic force exerted by one charge on another is directly proportional to the (magnitudes of the) charges ✓ and inversely proportional to the square of the distance between their centres. ✓ (2)



- 2.2. (2)

2.3.  $F = \frac{kQ_1Q_2}{r^2}$  ✓

$$F_{Q2 \text{ on } Q1} = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(4 \times 10^{-6})(4 \times 10^{-6})}{(3 \times 10^{-3})^2}$$

$$F_{Q2 \text{ on } Q1} = 1,6 \times 10^4 \text{ N left, links}$$

$$F_{Q3 \text{ on } Q1} = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(4 \times 10^{-6})(4 \times 10^{-6})}{(3 \times 10^{-3})^2}$$

$$F_{Q3 \text{ on } Q1} = 1,6 \times 10^4 \text{ N downwards}$$

$$F_{net} = \sqrt{(F_{Q2 \text{ on } Q1})^2 + (F_{Q3 \text{ on } Q1})^2}$$

$$F_{net} = \sqrt{(1,6 \times 10^4)^2 + (1,6 \times 10^4)^2}$$

$$F_{net} = 2,26 \times 10^4$$

$$\tan\theta = \left(\frac{F_{Q3 \text{ on } Q1}}{F_{Q2 \text{ on } Q1}}\right)$$

$$\tan\theta = \left(\frac{1,6 \times 10^4}{1,6 \times 10^4}\right)$$

$$\therefore \theta = 45^\circ$$

$$F_{net} = 2,26 \times 10^4 \text{ N } \checkmark 45^\circ \text{ south of west / } 225^\circ \checkmark$$

(8)  
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### QUESTION 3

3.1. The force per unit charge at that point. (2)

$$E = \frac{kQ}{r^2}$$

$$E = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(6,5 \times 10^{-12})}{(0.003)^2}$$

$$E = 6,5 \times 10^3 \text{ N} \cdot \text{C}^{-1}$$
 (3)

3.3. **At point X**

$$E_Q = 6,5 \times 10^3 \text{ N} \cdot \text{C}^{-1} \text{ West}$$

$$E_R = \frac{kQ}{r^2}$$

$$E_R = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(6,5 \times 10^{-12})}{(0.003)^2}$$

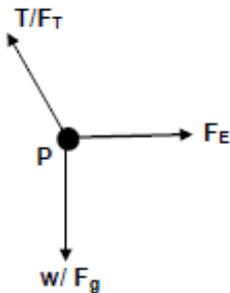
$$E_R = 6,5 \times 10^3 \text{ N} \cdot \text{C}^{-1} \text{ East}$$

$$E_{net} = E_Q + E_R$$

$$E_{net} = 6,5 \times 10^3 + (-6,5 \times 10^3)$$

$$E_{net} = 0 \text{ N} \cdot \text{C}^{-1}$$
 (5)

3.4.1



Accepted labels/Aanvaarde benoemings	
w	$F_g / F_w$ / weight / mg / gravitational force $F_g / F_w$ / gewig / mg / gravitasiekrag
T	$F_T$ / tension $F_T$ / spanning
$F_E$	Electrostatic force/ $F_C$ / Coulombic force/ $F_Q$ / $F_{RRRR}$ Elektrostatiese krag / Coulombkrag / $F_Q$ / $F_{RRRR}$

(3)

3.4.2

$$F = \frac{kQ_1Q_2}{r^2}$$

$$F = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(0,5 \times 10^{-6})(6,5 \times 10^{-12})}{(0,2)^2} \checkmark$$

$$F/T_X = 7,31 \times 10^{-7} \text{ N}$$

$$\tan 7^\circ = \frac{T_X}{T_Y} = \frac{7,31 \times 10^{-7}}{T_Y} \checkmark$$

$$T_Y = 5,95 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N}$$

$$T = \sqrt{T_X^2 + T_Y^2}$$

$$\sqrt{(7,31 \times 10^{-7})^2 + (5,95 \times 10^{-6})^2}$$

$$T = 5,99 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N} \checkmark$$

**OPTION 2**

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 7^\circ &= \frac{T_X}{T} \\ &= \frac{7,31 \times 10^{-7}}{T} \checkmark \\ T &= 5,99 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

(5)

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#### QUESTION 4

4.1. To ensure that charge does not leak to the ground/insulated. ✓ (1)

4.2. Net charge =  $\frac{Q_R + Q_S}{2}$

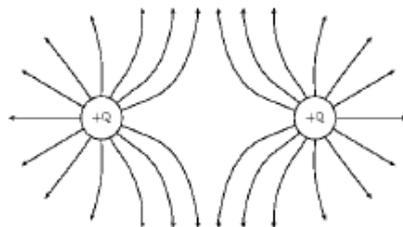
$$Q_{net} = \frac{+8 + (-4)}{2} \checkmark$$

$$Q_{net} = 2 \mu\text{C}$$

(2)

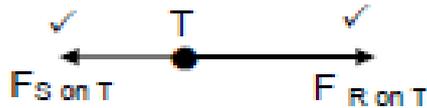
$$Q_{net} = 2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C} \checkmark$$

4.3



(3)

Criteria	Marks
Correct direction of field lines	✓
Shape of the electric field	✓
No field line crossing each other	✓



4.4 (2)

4.5  $F = \frac{kQ_1Q_2}{r^2} \checkmark$   
 $F_{ST} = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(1 \times 10^{-6})(2 \times 10^{-6})}{(0,2)^2} \checkmark$   
 $F_{ST} = 0,45 \text{ N left}$

$$F_{RT} = \frac{(9 \times 10^9)(2 \times 10^{-6})(1 \times 10^{-6})}{(0,1)^2} \checkmark$$

$$F_{RT} = 1,8 \text{ N right}$$

$$F_{net} = F_{ST} + F_{RT}$$

$$F_{net} = 1,8 + (-0,45) \checkmark$$

$$F_{net} = 1,35 \text{ N right or towards sphere S} \checkmark \quad (6)$$

4.6 A region of space  $\checkmark$  in which an electric charge experiences a force.  $\checkmark$  (2)

4.7 **OPTION 1**

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

$$E = \frac{1,35 \checkmark}{1 \times 10^{-6}} \checkmark$$

$$E = 1,35 \times 10^6 \text{ N} \cdot \text{C}^{-1} \checkmark$$

**OPTION 2**

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

$$E = \frac{1,8}{1 \times 10^{-6}} \checkmark$$

$$E = 1,8 \times 10^6 \text{ N} \cdot \text{C}^{-1}$$

$$E = \frac{0,45}{1 \times 10^{-6}} \checkmark$$

$$E = 4,5 \times 10^5 \text{ N} \cdot \text{C}^{-1}$$

$$E_{net} = 1,8 \times 10^6 - 4,5 \times 10^5$$

$$E_{net} = 1,35 \times 10^6 \text{ N} \cdot \text{C}^{-1} \checkmark \quad (4)$$

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**TOTAL: 60**