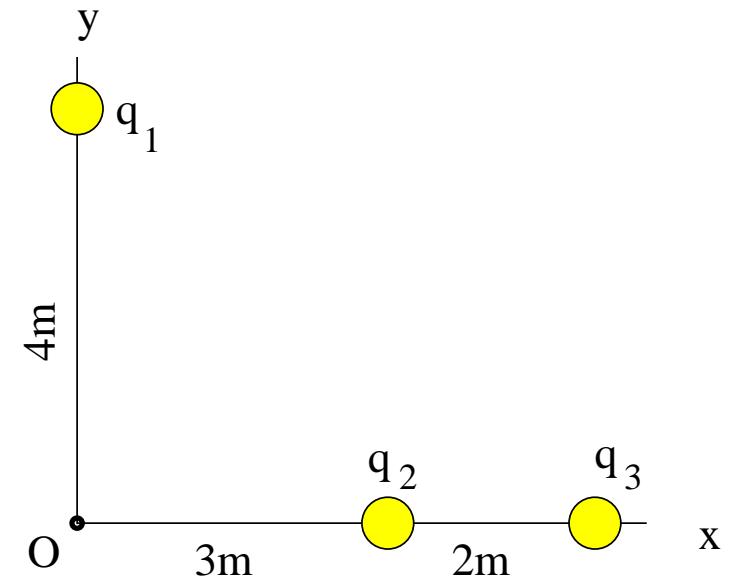


# Unit Exam I: Problem #1 (Spring '17)



Point charges  $q_1 = +1\text{nC}$ ,  $q_2 = +2\text{nC}$ ,  $q_3 = -3\text{nC}$  [ $q_1 = -1\text{nC}$ ,  $q_2 = +2\text{nC}$ ,  $q_3 = +3\text{nC}$ ] are positioned as shown.

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**Solution:**

$$(a) \quad E_x = -k \frac{|q_2|}{(3\text{m})^2} + k \frac{|q_3|}{(5\text{m})^2} = -0.92 \text{ N/C}$$

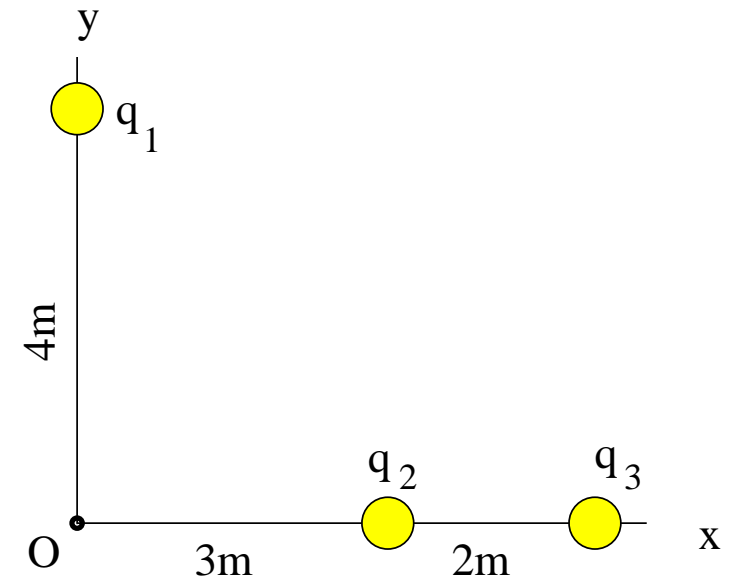
$$\left[ E_x = -k \frac{|q_2|}{(3\text{m})^2} - k \frac{|q_3|}{(5\text{m})^2} = -3.08 \text{ N/C} \right]$$

$$E_y = -k \frac{|q_1|}{(4\text{m})^2} = -0.56 \text{ N/C}$$

$$\left[ E_y = +k \frac{|q_1|}{(4\text{m})^2} = +0.56 \text{ N/C} \right]$$

$$(b) \quad V = k \frac{q_1}{4\text{m}} + k \frac{q_2}{3\text{m}} + k \frac{q_3}{5\text{m}} = 2.85\text{V} \quad \left[ V = k \frac{q_1}{4\text{m}} + k \frac{q_2}{3\text{m}} + k \frac{q_3}{5\text{m}} = 9.15\text{V} \right]$$

$$(c) \quad \searrow \quad [\nwarrow]$$

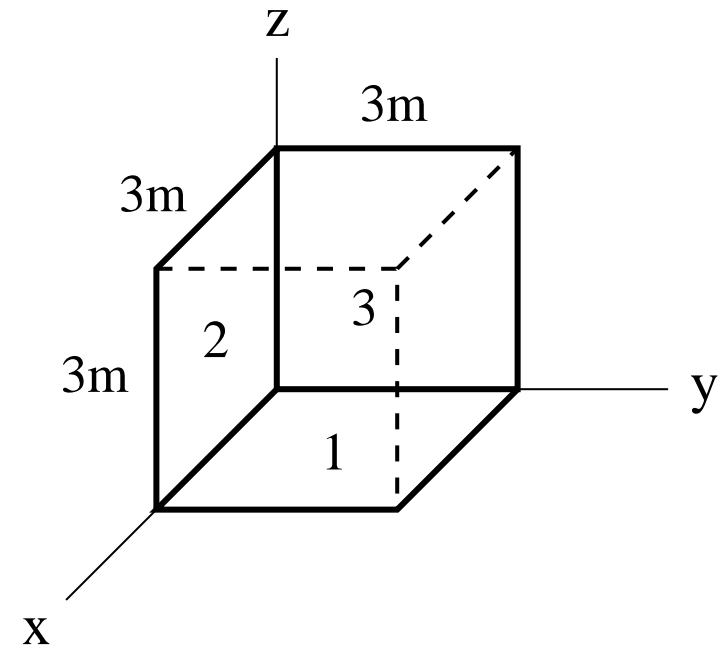


## Unit Exam I: Problem #2 (Spring '17)



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- (a) Find the electric flux  $\Phi_E^{(1)}$  through face 1 (in  $xy$  plane).
- (b) Find the electric flux  $\Phi_E^{(2)}$  through face 2 (in  $xz$  plane).
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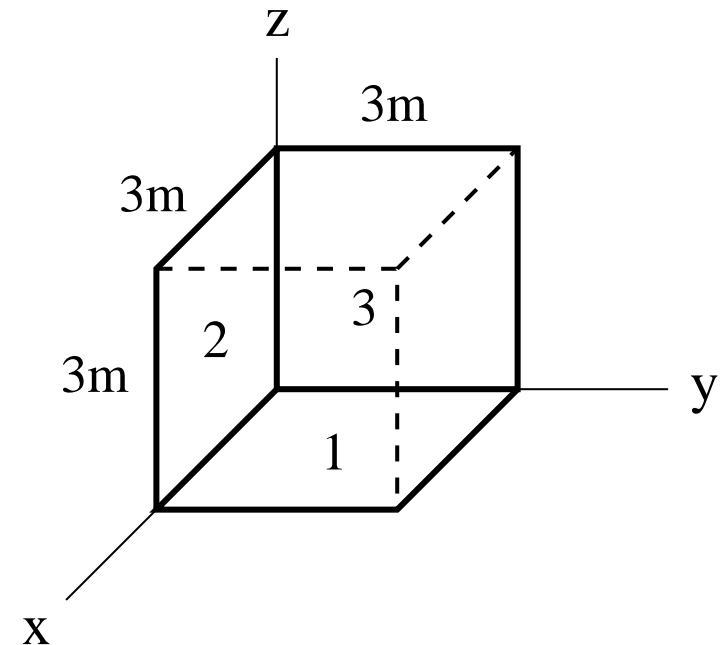
### Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \Phi_E^{(1)} &= \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}_1 = (6\text{N/C})\hat{k} \cdot (-9\text{m}^2)\hat{k} = -54\text{Nm}^2/\text{C} \\ [\Phi_E^{(1)} &= \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}_1 = (-9\text{N/C})\hat{k} \cdot (-9\text{m}^2)\hat{k} = 81\text{Nm}^2/\text{C}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad \Phi_E^{(2)} &= \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}_2 = (-4\text{N/C})\hat{j} \cdot (-9\text{m}^2)\hat{j} = +36\text{Nm}^2/\text{C} \\ [\Phi_E^{(2)} &= \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}_2 = (7\text{N/C})\hat{j} \cdot (-9\text{m}^2)\hat{j} = -63\text{Nm}^2/\text{C}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad \Phi_E^{(3)} &= \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}_3 = (5\text{N/C})\hat{i} \cdot (-9\text{m}^2)\hat{i} = -45\text{Nm}^2/\text{C} \\ [\Phi_E^{(3)} &= \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}_3 = (8\text{N/C})\hat{i} \cdot (-9\text{m}^2)\hat{i} = -72\text{Nm}^2/\text{C}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad \Phi_E^{(tot)} = \frac{Q_{in}}{\epsilon_0} = 0 \quad \left[ \Phi_E^{(tot)} = \frac{Q_{in}}{\epsilon_0} = 0 \right]$$

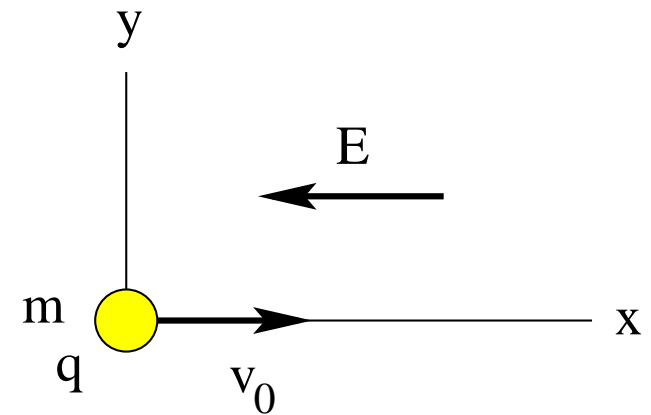


## Unit Exam I: Problem #3 (Spring '17)



Consider a region of uniform electric field  $\mathbf{E} = -2\text{N/C}\hat{\mathbf{i}}$  [ $\mathbf{E} = -3\text{N/C}\hat{\mathbf{i}}$ ]. A charged particle ( $m = 0.04\text{kg}$ ,  $q = 6\text{mC}$ ) [ $m = 0.05\text{kg}$ ,  $q = 7\text{mC}$ ] is projected at time  $t = 0$  with initial velocity  $\mathbf{v}_0 = 8\text{m/s}\hat{\mathbf{i}}$  [ $\mathbf{v}_0 = 9\text{m/s}\hat{\mathbf{i}}$ ] from the origin of the coordinate system as shown.

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### Solution:

$$(a) \quad a_x = -\frac{q}{m}E = -\frac{6 \times 10^{-3}\text{C}}{4 \times 10^{-2}\text{kg}}(2\text{N/C}) = -0.3\text{m/s}^2$$

$$\left[ a_x = -\frac{q}{m}E = -\frac{7 \times 10^{-3}\text{C}}{5 \times 10^{-2}\text{kg}}(3\text{N/C}) = -0.42\text{m/s}^2 \right]$$

$$(b) \quad v_x = v_0 + a_x t = 8\text{m/s} - (0.3\text{m/s}^2)(2.5\text{s}) = 7.25\text{m/s}$$
$$[v_x = v_0 + a_x t = 9\text{m/s} - (0.42\text{m/s}^2)(2.5\text{s}) = 7.95\text{m/s}]$$

$$(c) \quad x = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2}a_x t^2 = (8\text{m/s})(2.5\text{s}) - 0.5(0.3\text{m/s}^2)(2.5\text{s})^2 = 19.1\text{m}$$
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