

# 8.022 - Class 1 - 9/6/2006

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## Coursework -

- 3 hour exams and one final
- Problem sets due in class on Tuesdays
- E/M- Electromagnetic Forces

Table 1: Table of Forces

Force	Interaction Particles	Exchange Particles	Strength	Range
Gravity	matter/energy	graviton	1	$\infty$
Weak	most particles	$w^+, w^-, Z^0$ bosons	$10^{24}$	$10^{-17}m$
E/M	charges	photons	$10^{35}$	$\infty$
Strong	quarks, gluons	gluons	$10^{37}$	$10^{-15}m$

Note - Gluons in exchange and interaction categories, Law of Superposition invalid, so strong force problems are complex.

## 1 Charge

- Something on which the e/m force acts
- Plus and minus signs
- Quantized (oil drop experiment)
- Conserved quantity
- Coulomb's Law:

$$\vec{F}_2 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2}{r_{12}^2} \hat{r}_{12}$$

where  $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} C^2/N \cdot m^2$

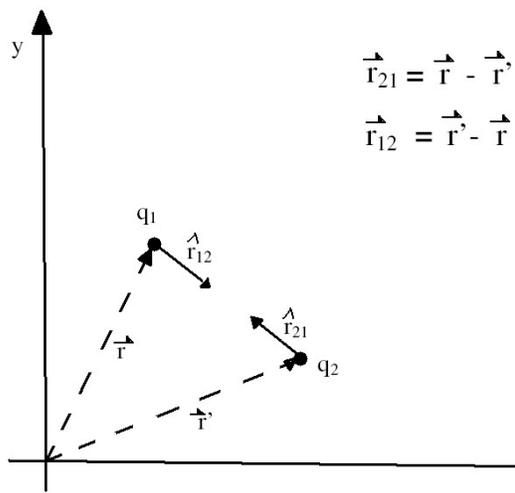


Figure 1: Two point charges and vectors;  $\vec{r}$ ,  $\vec{r}'$ ,  $\vec{r}_{12}$ , and  $\vec{r}_{21}$ .

- Superposition

$$\vec{F}_2 = F_{12} + F_{32} = q_2 \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{q_1}{r_{12}^2} \hat{r}_{12} + \frac{q_3}{r_{32}^2} \hat{r}_{32} \right)$$

- Electric Field

$$\vec{F}_2 = q_2 \cdot \vec{E}(\{q_1\}, \{q_3\}, x, y)$$

$$\frac{\vec{F}_2}{q_2} = \vec{E}(\{q_1\}, \{q_3\}, x, y)$$

where  $\vec{E}$  is the electric field.