

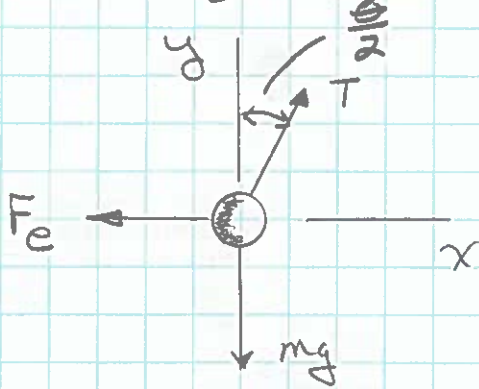
$$L = 0.7\text{m}$$

$$m = 0.2\text{kg}$$

$$\theta = 20^\circ$$

Find charge q , assumed equal.

FBD of left balloon (right one gives the same)



$$\sum F_y = T \cos \frac{\theta}{2} - mg = 0$$

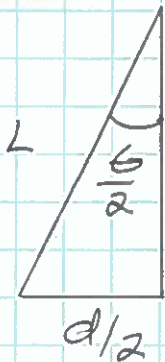
$$T = \frac{mg}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \quad (1)$$

$$\sum F_x = -F_e + T \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = 0 \quad (2)$$

Now, from Coulomb's Law:

$$F_e = \frac{k |q||q|}{d^2} = \frac{kq^2}{d^2}$$

and from geometry:



$$\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{d/2}{L}$$

So: $d = 2L \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$

and

$$F_e = \frac{kq^2}{4L^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \quad (3)$$

$\frac{v \sin \alpha - 0}{2}$

Now, subst. eqn'n (1) & (3) \rightarrow eqn'n (2):

$$-\frac{Kq^2}{4L^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} + \frac{mg \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} = 0$$

Or,

$$\frac{-Kq^2}{4L^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} + mg \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = 0$$

and,

$$q^2 = \frac{4L^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{K} mg \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$

\therefore

$$q = 2L \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sqrt{\frac{mg \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{K}}$$
$$= 4.77 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C}$$

$$\underline{q = 47.7 \text{ nC}}$$