## Exam 1 Sample

## 29:012

Instructions:

- Closed book
- You may use: a pencil, an eraser, and a calculator. You are not permitted to use a calculator with a display capable of showing graphs, formulas, or text messages.
- No other notes, materials, or electronic devices are permitted.

With the exam paper, you are provided a standard page of formulas, on colored paper.

- 1. Which one of the following statements is true concerning the magnitude of the electric field at a point in space?
  - A) It is a measure of the ratio of the charge on an object to its mass.
  - B) It is a measure of the electric force per unit charge on a test charge.
  - C) It is a measure of the total charge on the object.
  - D) It is a measure of the electric force per unit mass on a test charge.
  - E) It is a measure of the electric force on any charged object.
  - 2. Three point charges -Q, -Q, and +3Q are arranged along a line as shown in the sketch.



What is the electric potential at the point **P**? A) -2kQ/R B) +kQ/R C) -1.6kQ/R D) +4.4kQ/R E) +1.6kQ/R

- 3. In the Coulomb's Law experiment, after adjusting the zero for the torsion-wire balance, you apply a charge to both spheres and you find that the balance turns by 20 degrees; by how many degrees would you expect it to turn if you doubled the separation between the spheres?"
  - A) 5
    B) 10
    C) 20
    D) 40
    E) 20
  - E) 80

## Answers

- 1. B
- 2. E
- 3. A

this sample exam illustrates 3 types of questions: conceptual, calculation, and lab.

An actual exam will have approx. 15 questions total, including one lab question