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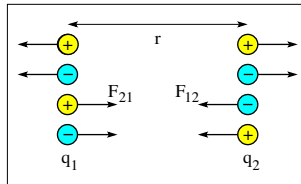


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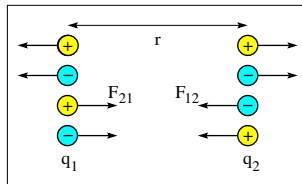


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Newton's law of gravitation (for comparison)

Gravitational force between two massive particles:

$$F = G \frac{m_1m_2}{r^2}$$

Gravitational constant: $G = 6.673 \times 10^{-11} \text{Nm}^2\text{kg}^{-2}$

