

Question 25 (6 marks)

A pair of parallel metal plates, placed in a vacuum, are separated by a distance of 5.00×10^{-3} m and have a potential difference of 1000 V applied to them.

- (a) Calculate the magnitude of the electric field strength between the plates. 1

$$E = \frac{V}{d}$$

$$E = \frac{1000}{5 \times 10^{-3}} = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ V.m}^{-1}$$

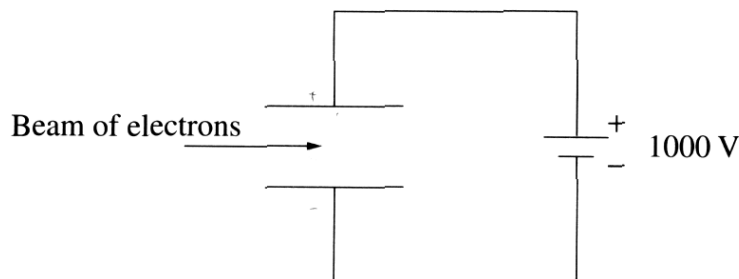
- (b) Calculate the magnitude of the electrostatic force acting on an electron between the plates. 1

$$F = qE$$

$$F = 2 \times 10^5 \times 1.602 \times 10^{-19}$$

$$F = 3.2 \times 10^{-14} \text{ N}$$

- (c) A beam of electrons is fired with a velocity of 3.00×10^6 m s⁻¹ between the plates as shown. A magnetic field is applied between the plates, sufficient to cancel the force on the electron beam due to the electric field. 4



Calculate the magnitude and direction of the magnetic field required between the plates to stop the deflection of the electron beam.

$$F_m = qvB \quad F_e = qE$$

$$\therefore qvB = qE$$

$$3 \times 10^6 \times B = 2 \times 10^5$$

$$B = 0.067 \text{ T (3 de p.l.s)}$$

direction : into the page.