

## Answer on Question # 73668, Physics - Electric Circuits :

**Question:** Calculate the ratio of the electrostatic force and the gravitational force exerted by two protons on each other.

**Solution:** We know mass of proton ( $m$ ) =  $1.6727 \times 10^{-27}$  kg.

Gravitational constant ( $G$ ) =  $6.67 \times 10^{-11}$  N m<sup>2</sup>/kg<sup>2</sup>.

Charge of proton ( $q$ ) =  $1.602 \times 10^{-19}$  C.

Now let distance between two protons is  $r$ .

So, electrostatic force between two protons,  $F_E = k \frac{q^2}{r^2}$  .....(1)

Where  $k$  is constant with value  $8.9 \times 10^9$  N-m<sup>2</sup>/C<sup>2</sup>

And gravitational force between two protons  $F_G = G \frac{m^2}{r^2}$  .....(2)

$$\text{So, } \frac{F_E}{F_G} = \frac{k \cdot q^2}{G \cdot m^2} = \frac{(8.9 \times 10^9)(1.602 \times 10^{-19})^2}{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(1.6727 \times 10^{-27})^2} = 1.22 \times 10^{36} \text{ (approx).}$$

**Answer:** Ratio of the electrostatic force to the gravitational force exerted by two protons on each other is  $1.22 \times 10^{36}$ .

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