

Fig. 1. Producing EG force using an asymmetrical capacitor structure.

In the absence of any other force, a mass m experiences a force mg due to Earth's gravitational field. Since matter is composed of atoms or molecules, it is possible to generate a polarizing electrostatic force between + and - matter. Let's refer to these forces as F1 and F2, as shown in Fig. 1. Since Biefeld and Brown observed a weight reduction of about 1-2%, it can be said that F1 is slightly greater than F2. Then net forces on an electrified mass are

 $\mathbf{F}_{net} = \mathbf{F}_g - \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2$

So the goal here is to generate an asymmetrical force pair by changing the shape of the capacitor. The + electrode can be made a small sphere and the -

one can be a large plate. This way, the negatively charged mass is distributed to a larger area.

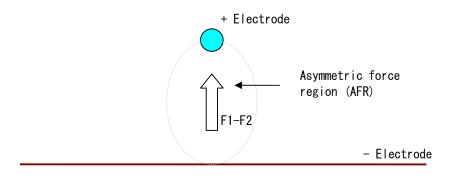
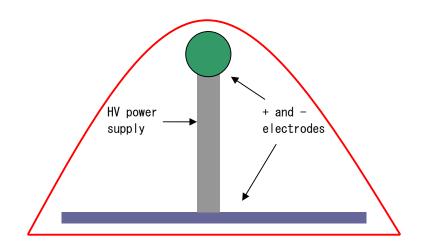


Fig. 2. Asymmetric forces are due to asymmetrical electrodes.





For the structure in Fig. 3, the question is what should be the required high-voltage to lift it up? Let's assume that the total mass is $m_{\rm tot}$.

Gravitational force on $m_{\scriptscriptstyle tot}$ is

 $F_G = m_{tot} g$

Gauss law in differential and integral forms are

 $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho$

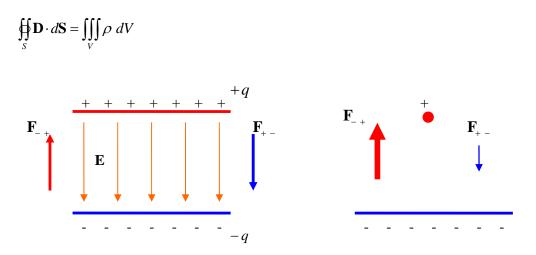


Fig. 4. Forces on symmetric and asymmetric plate capacitors.

Let's make the following definitions:

 ${\bf F}_{\!_{-\,+}}\,$ = Force on the - plate due to charges on the + plate

 ${\bf F}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle +\,-}$ = Force on the + plate due to charges on the - plate

For a symmetrical parallel-plate capacitor these forces are equal. For the asymmetrical case, let's multiply both sides of

$$\varepsilon_0 \oint_{S} \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = q$$

with E. I assume that E field strength is constant. Then

$$\varepsilon_0 \oint_{S} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E} \ d\mathbf{S} = q\mathbf{E}$$

Since $\mathbf{F} = q\mathbf{E}$

$$\varepsilon_0 \oint_{S} \left| E \right|^2 \mathbf{n} \ dS = \mathbf{F}$$

Surface areas are different for an asymmetrical capacitor. In this case

$$\mathbf{F}_{-+} = \varepsilon_0 \oint_{S_-} |E|^2 \mathbf{n} \ dS = \varepsilon_0 |E|^2 S_-$$
$$\mathbf{F}_{+-} = \varepsilon_0 \oint_{S_+} |E|^2 \mathbf{n} \ dS = \varepsilon_0 |E|^2 S_+$$

Now let's take the case of small spherical + electrode (with a radius of 5cm) and a - electrode having a large circular surface (with a radius of 2m). Then

$$S_{-} = \pi b^2 = 12.5664 \text{ m}^2$$

 $S_{+} = 4\pi a^2 = 3.1416\text{E}-4 \text{ m}^2$

Total force on the structure is

 $F_{net} = mg + F_{+-} - F_{-+}$

Due to difference in surface areas $\,F_{\!_{-\,+}}>>F_{\!_{+\,-}}$ and

$$F_{net} \cong mg - F_{-+}$$

The minimum force to lift the entire structure is

 $F_{-+} = mg$

Then

$$\varepsilon_0 \left| E \right|^2 S_- = mg$$

E field strength required for lift

$$\left|E\right| = \sqrt{\frac{mg}{\varepsilon_0 S_-}}$$

Example

If the structure weighs 10 Kg, required E is 948KV/m. To reduce E, b has to be increased. For b=10m radius circle, $S_{-} = \pi b^2 = 314.16 \text{ m}^2$ and E=189KV/m.

If the structure is 3m in height, the potential difference between + and - electrodes must be 189KV/m * 3 = 567 KV.

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