## PHYS1022 Electricity and Magnetism

## Problem Sheet 1: for workshop

Note that these questions will not be marked, but will be demonstrated in Workshops. Assessed problems are to be found at http://www:masteringphysics.com or from the PHYS1022 web pages.

1. a. Metal sphere A is initially neutral. A positively charged rod is brought near, but not touching. Is A now positive, negative or neutral? Explain using charge diagram and words.

b. Metal spheres A and B are initially neutral and are touching. A positively charged rod is brought near A, but not touching. Is A now positive, negative or neutral? Explain using charge diagram and words.
c. Metal sphere A is initially neutral. It is connected by a metal wire to the ground. A positively charged rod is brought near A, but not touching. Is A now positive, negative or neutral? Explain using charge diagram and words.

2. A rod of length $L$ has charge distribution $\lambda=\mathrm{kx}^{3} \mathrm{Cm}^{-1}$ where x is the distance from one end and k a constant - what is the total charge on the rod?
3. A charge of $q_{1}=4.0 \mu \mathrm{C}$ is at the origin, and a charge $q_{2}=6.0 \mu \mathrm{C}$ is on the $x$ axis at $x=3.0 \mathrm{~m}$.
(a) Find the force on charge $q_{2}$.
(b) Find the force on charge $q_{1}$.
(c) How would your answers for parts (a) and (b) differ if $q_{2}$ were $-6.0 \mu \mathrm{C}$ ?

Make sure you define and draw the forces clearly.
4. Three charges, $+q,+2 q$, and $+4 q$, are connected by strings as shown in the figure. Find the magnitudes of the tensions $T_{1}$ and $T_{2}$.


