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Consider a charge $Q = 1.31 \times 10^{-17} \text{C}$ held stationary at the origin. A second charge $q = 3.2 \times 10^{-19} \text{C}$ with a mass of $6.7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ is placed $5 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}$ from the first.

- A) What is the electrical potential energy of the system?
- B) Release the smaller charge. How quickly would it be moving when it is 10^{-12} m from the origin?
- C) How quickly would it be moving when it is 10^{-10} m from the origin?
- D) How quickly would it be moving when it is 'very far' from the origin?

This corresponds (approximately) to alpha decay of polonium 210 to lead 206.