

# Homework 3

ECE 665 Spring 2009  
Due March 4

All homework is due at the beginning of class; late submissions will not be accepted. Please work through the entire problem set before writing up your solutions; doing so will ensure that your homework submission is neat, clear and concise.

1. Exercise 6-5.8
2. Suppose that you are a physicist, studying the properties of a new particle you have discovered, called a *squark*. In particular, you wish to know the Coulombic force between a squark and  $n - 1$  other squarks in a particular setting, where all the particles lie at regular intervals in one dimension. This allows us to label the points from 1 to  $n$  such that the distance  $d_{ij}$  between particles  $i$  and  $j$  ( $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ) is simply  $j - i$ . The net Coulombic force between a squark  $j$  with charge  $q_j$  and  $n - 1$  other squarks with charges  $q_1, \dots, q_{j-1}, q_{j+1}, \dots, q_n$  is

$$F_j = \sum_{i < j} \frac{Cq_i q_j}{(j - i)^2} - \sum_{i > j} \frac{Cq_i q_j}{(j - i)^2}.$$

Give an algorithm to compute  $F_j$ , for all  $j$ . Prove its correctness and derive its running time as a function of  $n$ .

3. Exercise 30.1-2
4. Exercise 30.1-7
5. Exercise 16.3-5
6. Exercise 16.3-7
7. Exercise 16.3-8