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24.24 This is a vector addition problem. The negative charge will repel the other negative charge but the positive charges will attract the negative charge in the corner towards the center of the square. Be careful in determining what "r" is.

+2.0 μC
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24.26 set "r" for the distance between the +5.0 μC charge and the third charge (just call it q , it will cancel out anyway) to x . That makes the distance between the +7.0 μC charge and q equal to $(100-x)$. Since the forces must cancel each other set them equal to each other.

$$\frac{kq(5\mu\text{C})}{x^2} = \frac{kq(7\mu\text{C})}{(100-x)^2}$$

This is a pretty common problem in physics books.

24.27 (a) Just use coulombs law

(b) When the balls are touched together the charge equalizes itself by distributing the *net* charge (-9 nC) n stands for *nano* (10^{-9}) between the two balls (so now they each have a charge of -4.5 nC. Which means they now repel each other. Now just apply coulomb's law again with the new charges and the new separation.

24.28 (a) $F = Eq$

(b) Now that you have solved for E, you can use it to determine the force the - 2.0 μC charge will experience.

$$24.29 \quad E = \frac{kQ}{r^2}$$

I use upper case Q to represent the charge that is creating the field (of course both charges in the coulomb law create a field).