

Physics 132 01 (8 am)

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Way #1: Use  $F = ma$ . Since the electric field points to the left, use  $E = -56\,000$  N/C.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= ma \\
 eE &= ma \implies a = \frac{eE}{m} \\
 v_f^2 &= v_i^2 + 2a(x_f - x_i) \\
 0 &= v_i^2 + 2\left(\frac{eE}{m}\right)\Delta x \\
 \Delta x &= -\frac{1}{2}\frac{mv_i^2}{eE} \\
 \Delta x &= -\frac{1}{2}\frac{(1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}) \times (3.80 \times 10^5 \text{ m/s})^2}{(1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}) \times (-56\,000 \text{ N/C})} \\
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Way #2: Use energy conservation and recall that  $\Delta V = -E\Delta x$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_i + U_i &= K_f + U_f \\
 K_i + eV_i &= K_f + eV_f \\
 \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2 &= 0 + e(V_f - V_i) = -e(E\Delta x) \\
 \Delta x &= \frac{1}{2}\frac{mv_i^2}{(-eE)} = -\frac{1}{2}\frac{mv_i^2}{eE} \\
 \Delta x &= -\frac{(1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}) \times (3.80 \times 10^5 \text{ m/s})^2}{2 \times (1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}) \times (-56\,000 \text{ N/C})} \\
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