

**Part A: Coulomb's Law**

$$F_E = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

Symbol	Quantity	SI Unit
$F_E$	Electrostatic Force	Newtons
$k$	Coulomb's Constant 9.0 x 10 <sup>9</sup> N m <sup>2</sup> / C <sup>2</sup>	N m <sup>2</sup> / C <sup>2</sup>
$q_1$	Charge 1	Coulombs (C)
$q_2$	Charge 2	Coulombs (C)
$r$	Distance between charges	Meters (m)

Charge	Attractive or Repulsive?
Positive and Positive	Repulsive
Negative and Negative	Repulsive
Positive and Negative	Attractive

**1.** A charge of positive two coulombs is located 0.5 meters from a charge of positive three Coulombs. What is the force between them? Is the force attractive or repulsive?

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**2.** A charge of positive three Coulombs is located 0.6 meters from a charge of negative four Coulombs. What is the force between them? Is the force attractive or repulsive?

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**3.** Look back at your answers to **1.** and **2.** Do these look like large forces or small forces?

**5.** An electron is separated by a distance of 2 angstrom from a nucleus, which contains 3 protons and two neutrons. What is the force between them? Is that force attractive or repulsive?

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**6.** An electron is separated by a distance of 12 angstrom from a nucleus, which contains 92 protons and 146 neutrons. What is the force between them? Is that force attractive or repulsive?

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