

There are two questions in this quiz: one conceptual, and one practical. The conceptual question is multiple choice while **you must show your work for the practical problem for full credit**. Both questions are short and the quiz should take about **5 minutes** or so to complete.

Name: SOLUTIONS

Equations that you may need:

$$e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \quad k = 8.99 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{C}^2}$$

$$Q = (N_p - N_e)e \quad F_e = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

$$F = qE \quad E = k \frac{q}{r^2}$$

1. Consider a charge  $q_A$  producing an electric field. A second charge  $q_B$  feels the electric field with a magnitude  $E$ . If the distance between  $q_A$  and  $q_B$  is doubled, and the charge  $q_B$  is halved, what is the new value of the electric field felt by  $q_B$ ?

(a)  $E/8$

(b)  $E/4$

(c)  $E/2$

(d)  $E$

$E = k \frac{q_A}{r^2}$   $\leftarrow q_A$  IS THE PRODUCING CHARGE.

IF  $r$  IS DOUBLED,  $E' = k \frac{q_A}{(2r)^2} = \frac{1}{4} k \frac{q_A}{r^2} = \frac{E}{4}$

IF  $q_B$  IS HALVED, NO EFFECT ON  $E$ !!

2. If the electric force between an electron and a charged substance is  $1.5 \times 10^{-20} \text{ N}$  when separated by 1m, how many excess electrons does the substance have?

$$F = k \frac{qQ}{r^2} \Rightarrow Q = \frac{r^2 F}{kq} = \frac{(1)^2 (1.5 \times 10^{-20})}{(8.99 \times 10^9)(1.6 \times 10^{-19})} = 1.04 \times 10^{-11} \text{ C}$$

EXCESS ELECTRONS:  $Q = Ne$

$$\Rightarrow N = \frac{Q}{e} = \frac{(1.04 \times 10^{-11})}{(1.6 \times 10^{-19})}$$

$$= \boxed{6.52 \times 10^7 \text{ electrons}}$$