Questions

1. A balloon gains a charge of -3.7 pC after being rubbed on your hair. How many excess electrons is this?

 $-3.7 \times 10^{-12} C \left(\frac{1e}{1.60 \times 10^{-19} C}\right) = 2.3 \times 10^{7} e$

2. In an experiment, moving a charge through an electric field requires 11 eV of work. How much work is this in Joules?

$$11eV\left(\frac{1.60\times10^{-19}J}{1eV}\right) = {}^{+}1.8\times10^{-18}J$$

3. Calculate the electric force between two electrons if their centers are 2.7×10^{-3} meters apart.

$$F_{e} = \frac{kq_{1}q_{2}}{r^{2}} = \frac{(8.99 \times 10^{9} \frac{N \cdot m^{2}}{c^{2}})(1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})}{(2.7 \times 10^{-3} m)^{2}} = 3.2 \times 10^{-23} \text{ N repel}$$

4. A charge of +48 C experiences a force of 0.8 N when located a certain position in the electric field produced by a second charge. What is the magnitude of the electric field strength at that point?

$$E = \frac{F}{q} = \frac{0.8N}{48C} = 0.02 \frac{N}{C}$$

5. If 56 joules of work is required to move 7.0 coulombs of charge between two plates, the potential difference between the two plates is

$$V = \frac{W}{q} = \frac{56J}{7.0C} = 8.0V$$

Sketch the following graphical relationships



Electrostatics



Definitions

- 1. Electrostatics the study of electrical charges that can be collected and held in one place
- 2. Insulators materials through which charges will not move easily
- 3. Conductors materials that allow charges to move about easily.
- 4. Grounding Removing excess charge from a charged body by connecting it to the Earth
- 5. Polarization to cause one side of an object to become negative, and the other side to be positive
- 6. Conduction charging a neutral object by touching it with a charged object
- 7. Induction causing a neutral object to become charged without direct contact between the charged object and the neutral object
- 8. Electric Field a vector quantity that relates the force exerted on a test charge to the size of the test charge
- 9. Electric Potential Energy potential energy associated with an object due to its position relative to a source of electric force
- 10. Potential Difference difference in potential energy between two points
- 11. Electronvolt the energy that an electron (or proton) gains when accelerated through a potential difference of 1 Volt

