## Physics 131-Physics for Biologists I



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I did not realize how relevant the topics from 132 were- entropy was the very first thing I learned in Biochemistry this semester, and some of our problems looked like the **recitations** we did.

Momentum Conservation

Emergence



## National Science Foundation / Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Study Wants to Hear from Students in This Course

- <u>Talking About Leaving Revisited (TALR)</u>: Study aims to understand students' motivations & experiences in courses required for a degree in science, technology, engineering, and math
- Findings will be used to influence nation-wide efforts to improve the education of future scientists, engineers, and computer scientists
- Receive \$20 cash for participating in a 60-90 minute focus group interview. Email invitation forwarded from instructor with the subject heading "Volunteer your experiences for a national study, receive \$20"
- Look for end of semester survey: Student Assessment of their Learning Gains (SALG)





(2 pts) Two charges +q and –q are brought near a test charge Q in two different ways (A) and (B). In which case is the force larger Indicate AB if the force is the same, D if it depends on the magnitude of q or Q



A student suspends a small piece of aluminum foil by a light insulating thread, holds the foil between her fingers for a moment, then releases it.

2a (2 pts) The aluminum foil is then attracted towards a charged comb. Before it actually touches the comb, the foil most likely\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. is neutral
- B. is polarized
- C. has the same charge as the comb
- D. has a charge opposite to the comb

2b (2 pts) Suppose that instead of the comb you used a glass rod, which is charged oppositely to the comb. In this case, the aluminum foil would\_\_\_\_\_.



- E. be attracted towards the glass rod
- F. be repelled by the glass rod
- G. do neither

Two fan carts are on opposite sides of a table with their fans pointed in the same direction. Cart A is twice as heavy as cart B. When the fans are on, they cause the air to exert a constant force of the cart independent of its mass. Assume friction can be neglected.

The fans are set with a timer so that after they are switched on, they stay on for a fixed length of time,  $\Delta t$ , and then are turned off.



Just after the fans are turned off, which is true about the momenta of the two carts? (A)  $p_A > p_B$ (B)  $p_A < p_B$ (C)  $p_A = p_B$ 

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3. (4 pts) Consider a charge Q near a pair of charges which we will call a +e/-e pair. Choose the letter corresponding to the **direction** of the following forces for the situation shown at the right. Use the compass rose below the figure to provide a letter associated with a direction. (J points out of the page, K points into the page.)



- B. The net electric force on Q from the +e/-e pair if Q is negative.
- C. The net electric force on the +e/-e pair if Q is negative (note that both +e and -e are part of the same object).
- D. The net electric force on the +e/-e pair if Q is positive (note that both +e and -e are part of the same object).





## **Momentum Conservation**

$$m_A \Delta \vec{v}_A = \vec{F}_{B \to A} \Delta t$$
$$m_B \Delta \vec{v}_B = \vec{F}_{A \to B} \Delta t$$

$$m_{A} \Delta \vec{v}_{A} + m_{B} \Delta \vec{v}_{B} = \left(\vec{F}_{A \to i} \xrightarrow{= 1}^{i} \right)$$

$$\Delta \left(m_{A} \vec{v}_{A} + m_{B} \vec{v}_{B}\right) = 0$$

$$\Delta \left(m_{B} \vec{v}_{B}\right) = -\Delta \left(m_{A} \vec{v}_{A}\right)$$

$$F_{arth} \xrightarrow{= 1}^{i} \left(\vec{F}_{A \to i} \xrightarrow{= 1}^{i} \right)$$

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- 1. Whoever gets pushed will reach a higher momentum (magnitude)
- 2. Whoever gets pushed will reach a higher speed
- 3. Whoever pushes will reach a higher momentum (magnitude)
- 4. Whoever pushes will reach a higher speed
- 5. Both A and B move with the same momentum (magnitude)
- 6. Both A and B move with the same speed