PHYSICS 114 Contemporary Physics II – Homework 5 :: Chapter 14

1. Mulliken oil drop experiment. The mulliken oil drop experiment consists of charging oil drops using x-ray bursts and then "floating" them in an applied electric field by adjusting the electric field until it balances the weight of the drop. Performing this experiment on a drop of $1.64x10^{-4}cm$ radius, you find that you need an electric field of $1.92x10^{5}N/C$. The density of oil is $0.851g/cm^{3}$. How many electrons are on your drop?

Problems 14.P.53, 14.P.54,14.P.61, 14.P.63, 14.P.64, 14.P.67