

TEST QUESTIONS - EXAM II (Partial)

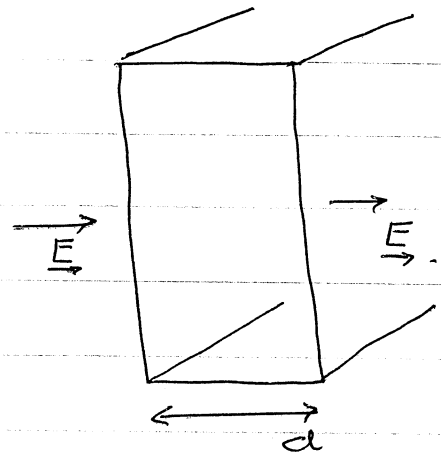
1. Sketch the \vec{E} field due to a conducting sphere of radius R ^{which} ~~and~~ has a charge Q . (Assume Stationary Conditions).
2. In Prob 1 where is the charge Q located.
3. What is the direction of the \vec{E} -field at the surface of a conductor under Stationary conditions.
4. We are told that a thin sheet carrying a uniform charge density σ C/m^2 will produce an \vec{E} -field of $\pm \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \hat{n}$ where \hat{n} is perpendicular to the sheet. How would you use two sheets to produce the following field.

$$\begin{array}{ll} x < 0 & \vec{E} = 0 \\ 0 < x < d & \vec{E} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \hat{x} \\ x > d & \vec{E} = 0. \end{array}$$

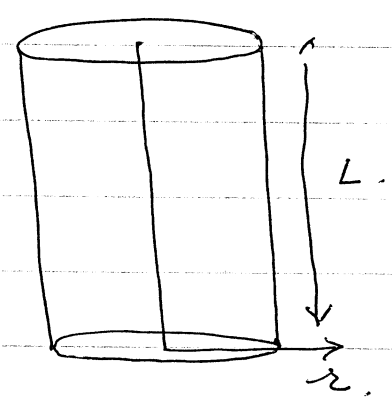
5. Shown is a hollow sphere of radius R which carries a charge Q uniformly distributed on its surface. Show that as r goes from $r < R$ to $r > R$ the \vec{E} field jumps by $\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$ where $\sigma = \frac{Q}{4\pi R^2}$.



6. A conductor of thickness d is placed as shown in a uniform \vec{E} -field [i.e. $\vec{E} \perp$ surface]. Under stationary conditions what are the charge densities that appear on its surface? Why?



7. A hollow cylinder of radius R carries a charge Q on its surface. Show that as r goes from $r < R$ to $r > R$ the \vec{E} -field



jumps by $\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$ where $\sigma = \frac{Q}{2\pi RL}$. [Assume that L is very large].

8. Why is there a minus sign on the right of these equations:

$$\Delta P = - \sum \vec{F}_E \cdot \Delta \vec{s}$$

$$\Delta V = - \sum \vec{E} \cdot \Delta \vec{s}$$

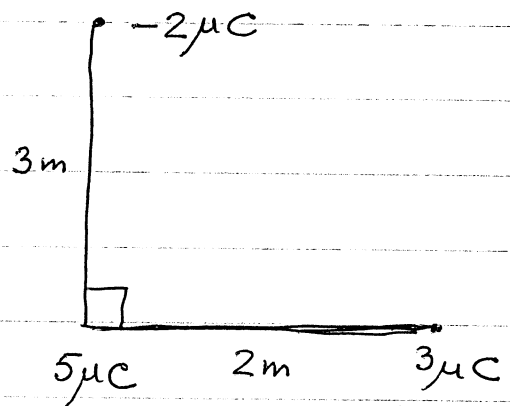
9. Show that the Coulomb Force

$$\vec{F}_E = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$$

is a conservative force.

10. Which potential is larger: 0.1m away from a charge of $10\mu\text{C}$ or 0.3m away from a charge of $30\mu\text{C}$? why?

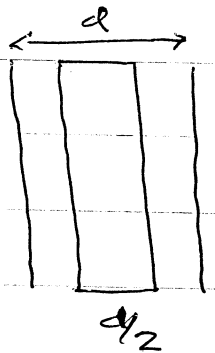
11. Calculate the potential energy of the charge configuration shown here.



12. Sketch the potential due to a charge $-|q|$ placed at $x=0$. Sketch the ^{concomitant} potential energy for a) $+q'$, b) $-|q'|$.

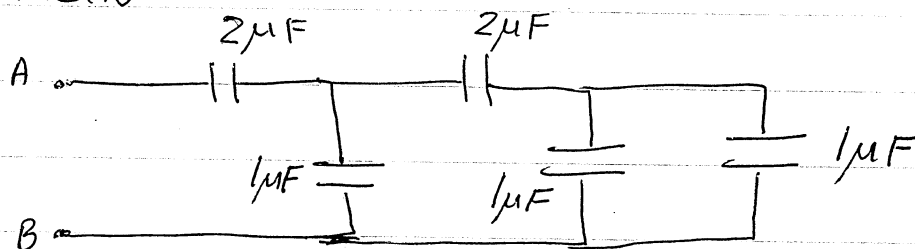
13. Begin with a parallel plate capacitor filled with air. Plate area A , separation d . Put charges $\pm Q$ on the plates. What is the potential difference between the plates?

14. Place a conductor of area A and thickness $\frac{d}{2}$ between the plates of
 Prob 13. What is the potential difference between the plates? Why?



15. Place a dielectric of thickness d , area A and dielectric const. $k=2$ ^{between} ~~the~~ ~~plates~~ of Prob 13. What is the potential difference? Why?

16. What is the capacitance between points A and B



17. Attach a 12V battery across AB. Calculate

the charge on each capacitor.

18. In order to place a charge Q on a capacitor C_0 the battery has to perform $U_E = \frac{Q^2}{2C_0}$ Joules of work. Where

does this energy go?

19. Show that an \vec{E} -field stores $\eta_E = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$ Joules/m³ of energy.

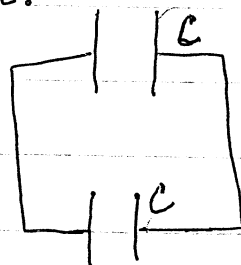
20. Show that in a dielectric, the energy density in the \vec{E} -field is

$$\eta_E(k) = \frac{1}{2} k \epsilon_0 E_k^2.$$

where $E_k = \frac{\sigma}{k \epsilon_0}$.

21. Given two identical capacitors C . Charge one to Q and store energy $\frac{Q^2}{2C}$. Next connect the two as shown.

What is the total energy now? What do we learn from this experiment?



22. Given a Capacitor filled with a dielectric, $C_k = \frac{k\epsilon_0 A}{d}$. Connect it to

a battery to charge it to $\pm Q$. How much energy is stored in C_k ?

Disconnect Battery. Remove the dielectric.

Now how much energy in C_0 ? Where did the extra energy come from?

23. Show that if you apply an \vec{E} -field to a conductor, it responds by setting up a current density

$$\vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E}$$

where σ is the electrical conductivity.

24. A $100\mu\text{F}$ capacitor is charged to 40V.

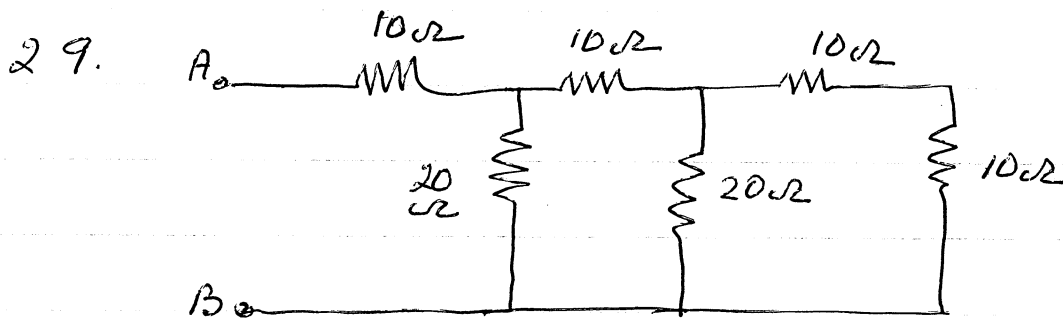
It is allowed to discharge through a resistor (of negligible mass) immersed in 10gms of water. What is the rise in the temperature of water caused by the collapse of the \vec{E} , field in the capacitor.
[sp. ht. of water = 1 cal/gm].

25. Explain the physical basis of Kirchhoff's Rules for Circuits.

26. Cu has one free electron per atom. Its atomic mass # is 64 and density is 8.9 gm/cm^3 . What is the total "free" charge in one m^3 of Cu. (One mol has 6×10^{23} particles, mass of one mol of Cu is 64 gm)

27. A Cu wire of diameter 1 mm carries a current of 5 Amps. What is v_d , the drift speed of electrons in the wire?
($e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$).

28. If the wire is at 300K what is the thermal r.m.s. speed of the electrons. What causes v_d to be so much smaller than v_{rms} .



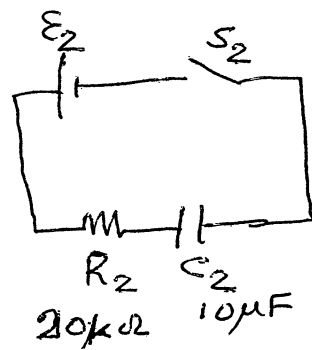
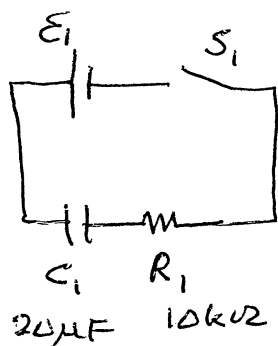
Calculate R_{AB} .

30. If you apply 10V across AB what are the currents in the resistors.

31. Show that RC has the dimensions of time.

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32. Shown are two circuits. Which capacitor will reach 6V first if both switches are closed at $t=0$ and a) $E_1 = E_2 = 12$ Volts or b) $E_1 = 12$ Volts, $E_2 = 9$ Volts? Why?

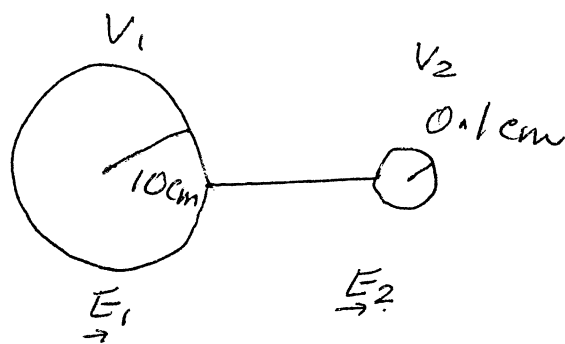


33. An insulating sphere of radius R has a charge Q uniformly distributed over its volume. Show that inside the sphere the \vec{E} field varies as

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\rho r}{3} \hat{r}$$

where $\rho = \frac{Q}{\frac{4\pi}{3}R^3}$ is the charge density.

34. Two conducting spheres are connected by a copper wire. If you place some



charge on this system what is the relationship between i) the potentials V_1, V_2 and ii) the E -fields, E_1, E_2 on the surfaces of the spheres.