

Part I. Lecture Multiple Choice (43 points total)

1. (5 pts.) The voltage between the cathode and the screen of a television set is 22 kV. If we assume a speed of zero for an electron as it leaves the cathode, what is its speed just before it hits the screen? ( $m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31}$  kg;  $q_e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  C)

- A.  $8.8 \times 10^7$  m/s
- B.  $2.8 \times 10^6$  m/s
- C.  $6.2 \times 10^7$  m/s
- D.  $7.7 \times 10^{15}$  m/s
- E.  $5.3 \times 10^7$  m/s

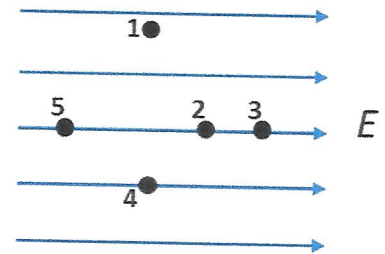
$$22 \times 10^3 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} = \frac{1}{2} 9.1 \times 10^{-31} v^2$$

$$V q = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$\rightarrow v = \sqrt{\quad} = 8.8 \times 10^7$$

2. (3 pts.) Which points in the diagram are at the same potential?

- A. 2 and 5
- B. 2, 3, and 5
- C. 2 and 4
- D. 1 and 5
- E. 1 and 4



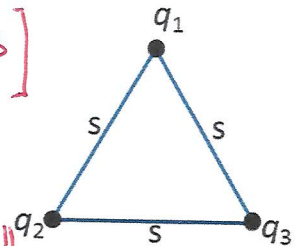
3. (5 pts.) You assemble the system of point charges  $q_1 = 1 \mu\text{C}$ ,  $q_2 = 2 \mu\text{C}$ , and  $q_3 = 3 \mu\text{C}$  at the corners of an equilateral triangle whose side  $s = 30$  cm. What is the electrostatic potential energy of the system? (assume  $U = 0$  at infinity)

- A. 1.10 J
- B. 0.990 J
- C. 0.631 J
- D. 0.330 J
- E. 0.123 J

$$U = k \left[ \frac{q_1 q_2}{s} + \frac{q_1 q_3}{s} + \frac{q_2 q_3}{s} \right]$$

$$= \frac{k}{s} (q_1 q_2 + q_1 q_3 + q_2 q_3)$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^9}{0.3} \cdot 10^{-12} (2 + 3 + 6) = 3 \times 10^{-2} \times 11 = 33 \times 10^{-2}$$



4. (4 pts.) A parallel plate capacitor filled with air is connected to a battery. When a dielectric is inserted between the plates of the capacitor

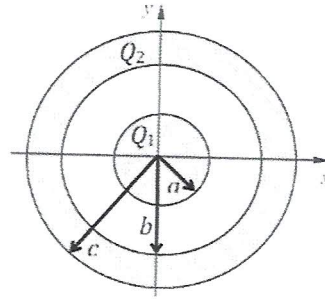
- A. only the capacitance changes.
- B. only the voltage across the capacitor changes.
- C. only the charge on the capacitor changes.
- D. both the capacitance and the voltage change.
- E. both the capacitance and the charge change.

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**Diagram pertains to the next two questions:**

A solid conducting sphere of radius  $a$  is centered on the origin, and carries a total charge  $Q_1$ . Concentric with this sphere is a conducting spherical shell of inner radius  $b$  and outer radius  $c$ , which carries a total charge  $Q_2$ . The value of parameters are given in the figure.



$Q_1 = -4 \mu\text{C}$   
 $Q_2 = +5 \mu\text{C}$   
 $a = 2 \text{ cm}$   
 $b = 6 \text{ cm}$   
 $c =$

5. (5 pts.) Calculate the magnitude of the electric potential difference between the radius  $r = b$  (the inner surface of the conducting shell) and the origin.

- A.  $|V_b - V_0| = 1.50 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$
- B.  $|V_b - V_0| = 4.50 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$
- C.  $|V_b - V_0| = 6.00 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$
- D.  $|V_b - V_0| = 12.0 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$**
- E.  $|V_b - V_0| = 18.0 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$

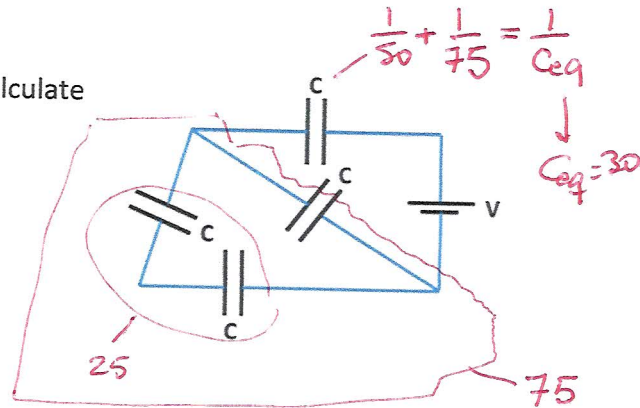
$\Delta V = V(b) - V(a) = -kQ_1 \left[ \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right] = -9 \times 10^9 \times 4 \times 10^{-6} \left[ \frac{1}{0.02} - \frac{1}{0.06} \right]$   
 $\Delta V = 1.2 \times 10^6 \text{ V}$

6. (3 pts.) If the inner conducting sphere were replaced with an insulating sphere having the same total charge  $Q_1$  distributed uniformly throughout its volume, the magnitude of the potential difference  $|V_b - V_0|$  would

- A. increase**
- B. decrease
- C. stay the same

7. (5 pts.) All four capacitors have equal values of  $50 \mu\text{F}$ . Calculate the equivalent capacitance of this network of capacitors.

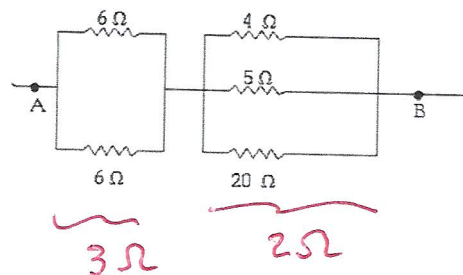
- A.  $50 \mu\text{F}$
- B.  $30 \mu\text{F}$**
- C.  $75 \mu\text{F}$
- D.  $100 \mu\text{F}$
- E.  $83 \mu\text{F}$



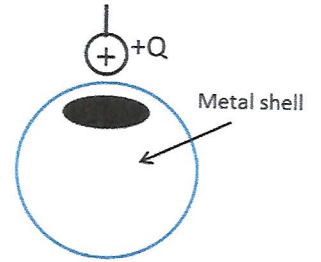
8. (5 pts.) A current of  $1.2 \text{ A}$  flows from A to B. Therefore, the magnitude of the potential difference between points A and B is approximately

- A.  $1.0 \text{ V}$
- B.  $4.2 \text{ V}$
- C.  $4.6 \text{ V}$
- D.  $6.0 \text{ V}$**
- E.  $20 \text{ V}$

$5 \times 1.2 = 6$



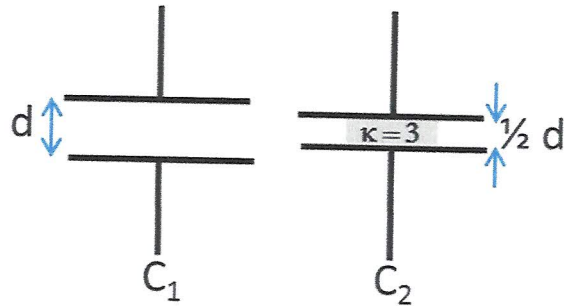
9. (4 pts) A metal ball of charge  $+Q$  is lowered into an uncharged metal shell and allowed to rest on the bottom of the shell. When the charges reach equilibrium,



- A. the outside of the shell has a charge of  $-Q$  and the ball has a charge of  $+Q$ . ~~X~~
  - B. the outside of the shell has a charge of  $+Q$  and the ball has a charge of  $+Q$ . ~~X~~
  - C. the outside of the shell has a charge of zero and the ball has a charge of  $+Q$ . ~~X~~
  - D. the outside of the shell has a charge of  $+Q$  and the ball has zero charge.
  - E. the outside of the shell has a charge of  $+Q$  and the ball has a charge of  $-Q$ . ~~X~~
- $Q_{MS} + Q_{MB} = +Q$
- charge repels itself      Dis correct.

10. (4 pts) Parallel plate capacitor  $C_1$  has plate area  $A$  and separation distance  $d$ . Capacitor  $C_2$  is made by starting with  $C_1$  and first reducing the plate separation to  $d/2$ . Next, a dielectric with  $\kappa=3$  and plate area  $A/2$  is inserted into the middle, as shown. What is  $C_2$  in terms of  $C_1$ ?

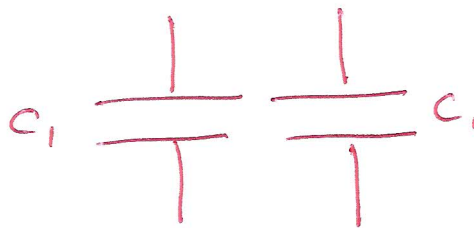
- A.  $C_2 = C_1 / 4$
- B.  $C_2 = C_1$
- C.  $C_2 = 2 C_1$
- D.  $C_2 = 3 C_1$
- E.  $C_2 = 4 C_1$



$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}$$

$$d \rightarrow d/2 \Rightarrow C = 2C_1$$

Consider as two in parallel



one gets filled

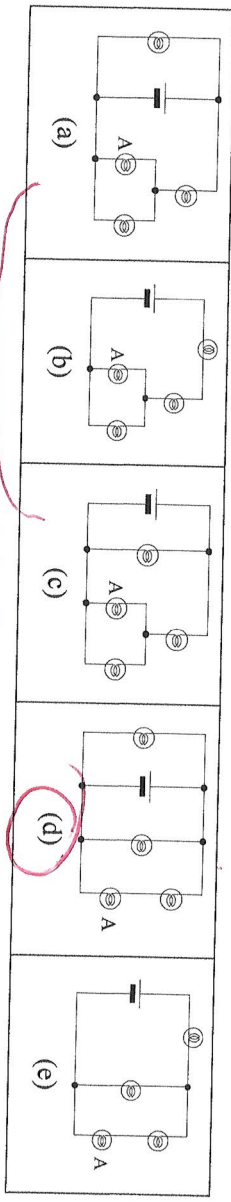
$$C_1 \quad C_1 K$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = C_1 (1 + K)$$

II. Lab questions [12 pts]

For problems 10–12, assume that the battery and ammeter are ideal and that all bulbs are identical.

11. [4 pts] In which circuit below is bulb A **brightest**?

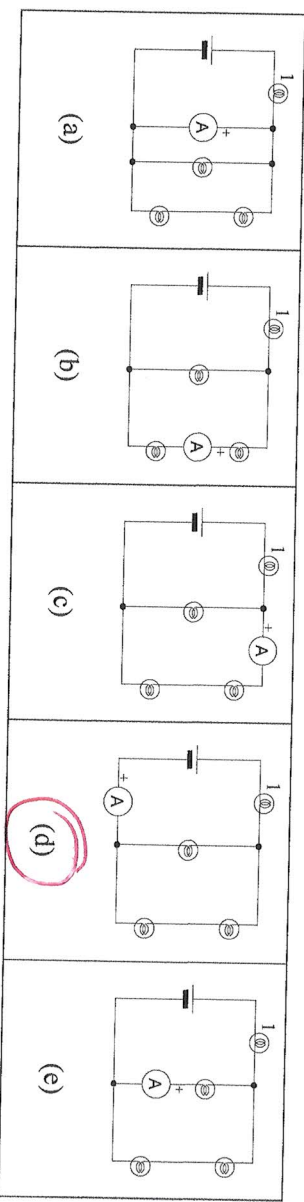
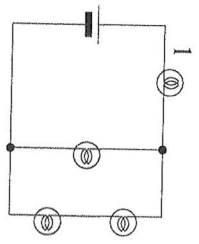


*identical for 11*

12. [4 pts] In which circuit **above** is the power delivered by the battery the **lowest**?

*b*

13. [4 pts] An ammeter is to be **added to the circuit at right** in order to measure the current through the bulb labeled 1. Which placement of the ammeter will **correctly** measure the current through bulb 1?





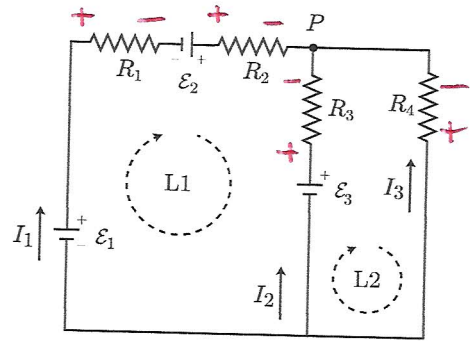
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The next four problems are related.

Kirchhoff Laws. Study the circuit and answer the following questions.

X. (3 pts) Use the Kirchhoff Current Law to relate the three currents at point P.

P:  $I_1 + I_2 + I_3 = 0$



X. (6 pts) Use the Kirchhoff Voltage Law to write equations for the sum of the voltage drops around loops L1 and L2. Express all equations in terms of the parameters defined in the figure above.

L1:  $I_1 R_1 - E_2 + I_1 R_2 - I_2 R_3 + E_3 - E_1 = 0$

L2:  $I_2 R_3 - I_3 R_4 - E_3 = 0$

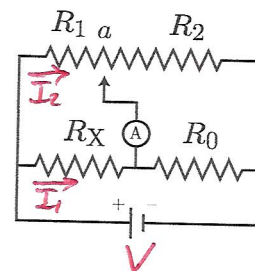
X. (9 pts) Assume that all emf sources supply 5 V and all resistors have a resistance of 100 Ohms.  $I_1$  is found to be 0.03 A. What are the remaining currents?

L1:  $I_1 \cdot 2R - I_2 R = E_1 + E_2 - E_3 = 5 \Rightarrow 2I_1 - I_2 = \frac{5}{100}$  (1)

L2:  $I_2 R - I_3 R = 5$   
 $I_2 + I_1$  }  $I_2 \cdot 2R + I_1 R = 5 \Rightarrow I_1 + 2I_2 = \frac{5}{100}$  (2)

$2 \times (1) + (2) \Rightarrow 5I_1 = \frac{15}{100} \Rightarrow I_1 = 0.03 \checkmark$   
 $I_2 = \frac{5/100 - 3/100}{2} = \frac{1}{100}$   
 $I_2 = \frac{1}{100}$      $I_3 = -I_2 - I_1 = -\frac{4}{100}$

X. (7 pts) Wheatstone Bridge: Measuring the resistance. The variable resistor is adjusted by moving the contact position a. a is the position relative to the total length of the resistor such that the resistance from the LHS of the resistor to the contact point is  $R_1 = a R_{Tot}$  and resistance from the contact point to the RHS of the resistor is  $R_2 = (1-a) R_{Tot}$ .



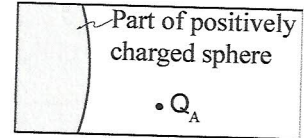
The contact position a is varied until there is no current flowing through the ammeter (A). What is the resistance of  $R_x$  as a function of  $R_0$ , a, and  $R_{Tot}$ ?

$I_1 = \frac{V}{R_x + R_0}$      $I_2 = \frac{V}{R}$   
 $(1-a)R \left( \frac{V}{R} \right) = R_0 \frac{V}{R_x + R_0} \Rightarrow \frac{R_x}{R_0} + 1 = \frac{1}{1-a} \Rightarrow$   
 $\boxed{\frac{R_x}{R_0} = \frac{1}{1-a} - 1}$

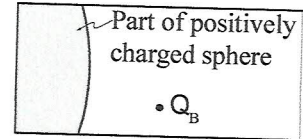
V. [20 points total] Two experiments are conducted with two identical positively charged spheres and two different test charges.  $Q_A = -1.5 \text{ nC}$ ,  $Q_B = +3 \text{ nC}$ .

Experiment A:  $Q_A$  is released from rest at point P, and moves toward the sphere. When it reaches the surface of the sphere it has 8 J of kinetic energy.

Experiment B: A hand moves  $Q_B$  from rest at point P to rest at the surface of the sphere.



$Q_A$  is released at point P.



$Q_B$  is moved from point P to the sphere.

In each experiment, consider the system of the sphere and test charge.

A. [4 pts] In Experiment A, does the potential energy of the system increase, decrease, or remain the same as  $Q_A$  moves toward the sphere? Explain.

$$\Delta U + \Delta K = 0 \quad \Delta K > 0 \Rightarrow \Delta U < 0$$

B. Let  $\Delta U_A$  and  $\Delta U_B$  represent the changes in electric potential energy in Experiments A and B, respectively.

i. [3 pts] Is the magnitude of  $\Delta U_A$  greater than, less than, or equal to the magnitude of  $\Delta U_B$ ? Explain.

Assume charges fixed on sphere

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta U_A &= Q_A \Delta V \\ \Delta U_B &= Q_B \Delta V \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{|\Delta U_A|}{|\Delta U_B|} = \frac{|Q_A|}{|Q_B|} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \Delta U_A < \Delta U_B$$

ii. [3 pts] Is the sign of  $\Delta U_A$  the same as or different from the sign of  $\Delta U_B$ ? Explain.

$$\frac{\Delta U_A}{\Delta U_B} = \frac{Q_A}{Q_B} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

C. [4 pts] If the reference point for the electric potential is at the surface of the sphere, is the electric potential at point P in Experiment A positive, negative, or zero? Explain.

$$U(A) > U(B) \quad \text{assume } U(B) = 0 \Rightarrow U(A) > 0 \text{ but } Q_A < 0 \Rightarrow V(A) < 0$$

D. Let  $\Delta V_A$  and  $\Delta V_B$  represent the electric potential differences from point P to the surface of the sphere in Experiments A and B, respectively.

i. [3 pts] Is the magnitude of  $\Delta V_A$  greater than, less than, or equal to the magnitude of  $\Delta V_B$ ? Explain.

ii. [3 pts] Is the sign of  $\Delta V_A$  the same as or different from the sign of  $\Delta V_B$ ? Explain.