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## 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

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



 $\boldsymbol{q}_1$ 

3. (5 pts.) You assemble the system of point charges  $q_1 = 1 \mu C$ ,  $q_2 = 2 \mu C$ , and  $q_3 = 3 \mu C$  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

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

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5. (5 pts.) Calculate the <u>magnitude</u> of the electric potential difference between the radius  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{b}$  (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.  $|V_b V_0| = 18.0 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$

6. (3 pts.) If the inner conducting sphere were replaced with an <u>insulating</u> 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 μF
- B.  $30 \,\mu\text{F}$
- C. 75 μF
- D.  $100 \ \mu F$
- E. 83 μF

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

- A. 1.0 V
- B. 4.2 V
- C. 4.6 V
- D. 6.0 V
- E. 20 V







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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,

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- A. the outside of the shell has a charge of -Q and the ball has a charge of +Q.
- B. the outside of the shell has a charge of +Q and the ball has a charge of +Q.
- C. the outside of the shell has a charge of zero and the ball has a charge of +Q.
- D. the outside of the shell has a charge of +Q and the ball has zero charge.
- E. the ouside of the shell has a charge of +Q and the ball has a charge of -Q.

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  $C_1$ ?



+Q

Metal shell

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## **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**?



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

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.

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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:

L2:

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?

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  $R_{Tot}$ ?



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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  $Q_{\rm B}$  from rest at point P to rest at the surface of 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.



 $Q_{\rm A}$  is released at point P.



 $Q_{\rm B}$  is moved from point P to the sphere.

- B. Let  $\Delta U_{\rm A}$  and  $\Delta U_{\rm B}$  represent the changes in electric potential energy in Experiments A and B, respectively.
  - i. [3 pts] Is the magnitude of  $\Delta U_{\rm A}$  greater than, less than, or equal to the magnitude of  $\Delta U_{\rm B}$ ? Explain.
  - ii. [3 pts] Is the sign of  $\Delta U_A$  the same as or **different from** the sign of  $\Delta U_B$ ? Explain.
- 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.
- 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.