

# Sample Exam 2

## Physics 121

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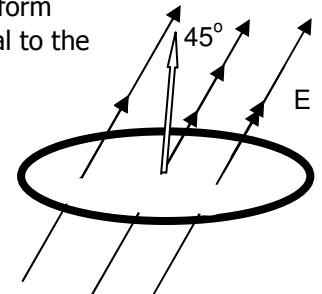
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1. A point charge of 10 nano-coulombs is located at the center of a cube. Each of the six faces of the cube is 25 cm. by 25 cm. in size. What is the total electric flux through the surface of the cube?

- A)  $8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}$       B)  $1130 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}$       C)  $188 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}$       D)  $0.0 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}$   
E)  $94.2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}$

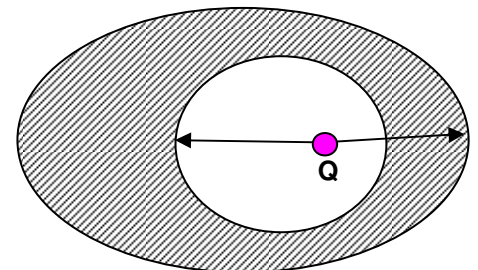
2. The circular surface shown in the sketch has a radius of 10 cm. It is immersed in a uniform electric field with magnitude  $120 \text{ N/C}$ . The field lines make a  $45^\circ$  angle with the vector normal to the surface, as shown in the sketch. What is the electric flux through the surface in  $\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}$ :

- A)  $7.1 \times 10^{-3}$       B) 2.7      C) 3.8      D) -0.098      E) 9.4



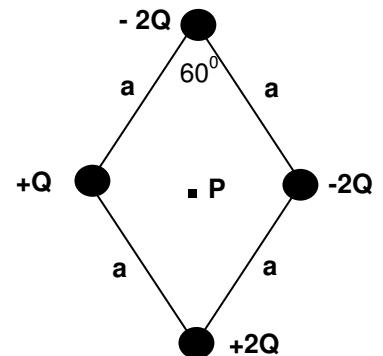
3. A positive charge  $Q = 25 \text{ nC}$  is placed inside the cavity of an egg shaped, electrically neutral conducting shell as shown. How much charge will be induced on the inner and outer surfaces of the shell?

- A.  $Q_{\text{inner}} = 25 \text{ C.}$        $Q_{\text{outer}} = 0 \text{ C}$   
B.  $Q_{\text{inner}} = 0 \text{ nC.}$        $Q_{\text{outer}} = +25 \text{ nC}$   
C.  $Q_{\text{inner}} = -25 \text{ nC.}$        $Q_{\text{outer}} = 0 \text{ C}$   
D.  $Q_{\text{inner}} = -25 \text{ nC.}$        $Q_{\text{outer}} = +25 \text{ nC}$   
E.  $Q_{\text{inner}} = 25 \text{ nC.}$        $Q_{\text{outer}} = -25 \text{ nC}$



4. Four point charges are located at the corners of a diamond-shaped parallelogram as shown in the sketch. The value of  $Q = 20 \mu\text{C}$ . The length of each side of the figure is  $a = 30 \text{ cm}$ , with an  $60^\circ$  angle located as shown. The potential at infinity is the zero reference level. Find an expression for the electric potential  $V$  at point  $P$ , the center of the diamond shape. Note:  $k_e$  is the constant  $1 / 4\pi\epsilon_0$

- A)  $V = 0$
- B)  $V = 2k_eQ / a.\text{sqrt}(3)$
- C)  $V = -4k_eQ / a$
- D)  $V = -k_eQ / a.\text{sqrt}(3)$
- E)  $V = -2k_eQ / a$



5. Find the electric field  $0.3 \text{ cm}$  away from an infinitely long thin charged line with linear charge density  $\lambda = 2.0 \mu\text{C/m}$ .

- A.  $12 \times 10^6 \text{ V/m}$
- B.  $12 \times 10^7 \text{ V/m}$
- C.  $4.5 \times 10^5 \text{ V/m}$
- D.  $9 \times 10^9 \text{ V/m}$
- E.  $4.5 \times 10^6 \text{ V/m}$

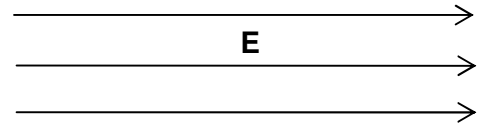
6. The equi-potential surfaces near an infinite charged sheet are planes. If the potential difference between a pair of equi-potentials that are  $8 \text{ meters}$  apart is  $1200 \text{ volts}$ , what is the magnitude of the electric field between the sheets?

- A)  $1.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ V/m}$
- B)  $300 \text{ V/m}$
- C)  $150 \text{ V/m}$
- D)  $2400 \text{ V/m}$
- E)  $1.7 \times 10^{13} \text{ V/m}$

7. A metal sphere is charged to a potential of 300 volts. Its radius is 2 meters. The potential at a point 1 meter from the center of the sphere is:

- A) 300 V.
- B) -100 V.
- C) -300 V.
- D) 0 V.
- E) 100 V.

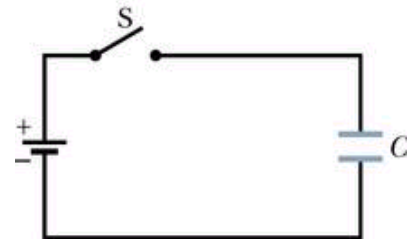
8. An electron is moved through a displacement  $\Delta x$  parallel to the direction of a uniform electric field. During this displacement:



- A) the potential energy of the electron and the electric potential do not change.
- B) the potential energy of the electron increases, the electric potential increases.
- C) the potential energy of the electron increases, the electric potential decreases.
- D) the potential energy of the electron decreases, the electric potential decreases.
- E) the potential energy of the electron decreases, the electric potential increases

9. The capacitor in the sketch has a capacitance of  $24.0 \mu\text{F}$  and is initially uncharged. The battery maintains a potential difference of 3.0 V. How much total charge flows out of the battery until the capacitor is fully charged (the current stops flowing)?

- A)  $3.20 \mu\text{C}$
- B)  $8.00 \mu\text{C}$
- C)  $72.0 \mu\text{C}$
- D)  $12,000 \mu\text{C}$
- E)  $30.0 \mu\text{C}$

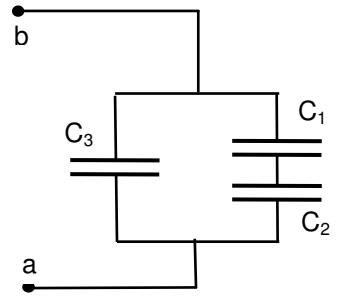


10. A parallel plate capacitor being designed is supposed to have a capacitance of  $400 \text{ pF}$  ( $1 \text{ pF} = 10^{-12} \text{ F} = 10^{-6} \mu\text{F}$ ). It will be filled with a material whose dielectric constant is close to 1.5 (glass). The distance between plates will be 0.3mm. Approximately, what should the area of the plates be?

- A)  $1.10 \text{ m}^2$
- B)  $0.028 \text{ m}^2$ .
- C)  $0.014 \text{ m}^2$ .
- D)  $0.009 \text{ m}^2$ .
- E)  $0.9 \text{ m}^2$ .

**11.** Three capacitors are connected in the series/parallel arrangement shown in the sketch. Suppose  $C_1 = 30\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_2 = 30\mu\text{F}$ , and  $C_3 = 15\mu\text{F}$ . The potential difference across the combination  $V_{ab} = 40\text{ V}$ . The equivalent capacitance between points a and b is closest to:

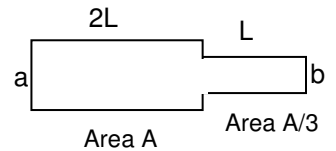
- A)  $15\ \mu\text{F}$
- B)  $30\ \mu\text{F}$
- C)  $7.5\ \mu\text{F}$
- D)  $45\ \mu\text{F}$
- E)  $12\ \mu\text{F}$



**12.** In problem 11, calculate the voltage across capacitor  $C_2$  (in volts)

- A) 60
- B) 40
- C) 10
- D) 20
- E)  $6 \times 10^{-4}$

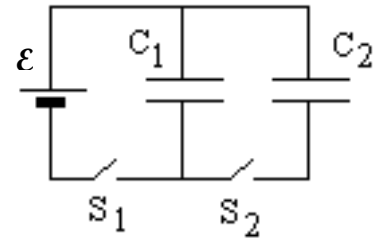
**13.** Two wires made of the same material are joined end-to-end and a potential difference is maintained across the combination, from a to b in the sketch. The thin wire has cross sectional area  $A/3$  and length  $L$ . The fatter wire has area  $A$  and length  $2L$ . Which of the following quantities are the same for both wires:



1. The resistivity of each wire
2. The resistance of each wire
3. The current density inside each wire
4. The current through each wire
5. The potential difference across each wire

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

**14.** In the circuit shown in the sketch, switches  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are initially open. Capacitor  $C_1 = 30.0 \text{ nF}$  is then charged by closing switch  $S_1$  which connects it to the battery whose EMF  $\mathcal{E} = 90 \text{ V}$ . Switch  $S_1$  is then opened, thereby disconnecting  $C_1$  from the battery. Switch  $S_2$  is then closed, thereby connecting the charged capacitor  $C_1$  to the uncharged  $15.0 \text{ nF}$  capacitor  $C_2$ . Find the final potential difference across capacitors  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . (Hint: after being disconnected, the total charge on the combination  $C_1, C_2$  remains constant).



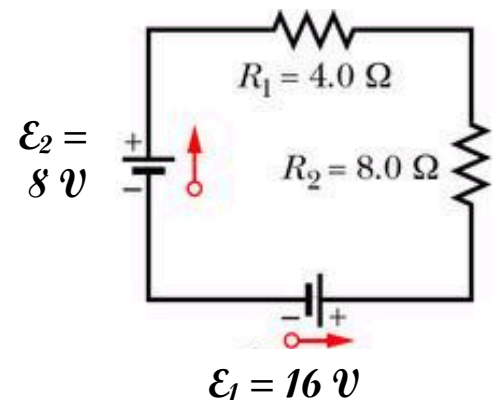
- A. 60 V
- B. 30 V
- C. 4 V
- D. 10 V
- E. 120 V

**15.** For the previous problem, the final charge on capacitor  $C_1$  is closest to:

- A)  $2.0 \mu\text{C}$
- B)  $0.8 \text{ nC}$
- C)  $0.2 \mu\text{C}$
- D)  $1.2 \text{ nC}$
- E)  $1.8 \mu\text{C}$

**16.** Assume that the batteries in the figure have negligible internal resistance. Assume that the current flows counterclockwise. Find the magnitude of the current in the circuit and the power dissipated in resistor  $R_1$ .

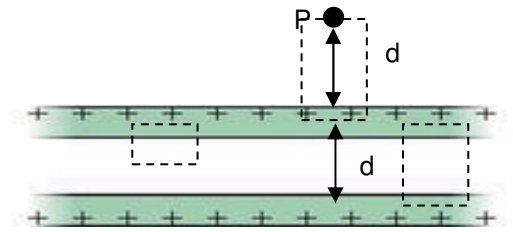
- A)  $i = 0.67 \text{ A}, P_1 = 2.7 \text{ watts}$
- B)  $i = 1.33 \text{ A}, P_1 = 5.4 \text{ watts}$
- C)  $i = 1.5 \text{ A}, P_1 = 24 \text{ watts}$
- D)  $i = 0.67 \text{ A}, P_1 = 1.8 \text{ watts}$
- E)  $i = 1.5 \text{ A}, P_1 = 9 \text{ watts}$



**Extra Credit:**

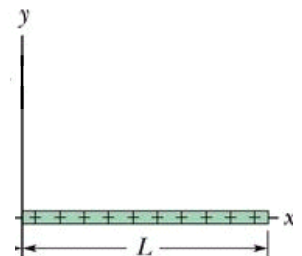
**17.** The sketch shows edge views of two parallel **conducting** sheets with identical positive charges  $Q = 4 \mu\text{C}$ . on each. The area of each plate area is  $2 \text{ m}^2$ . What is the electric field  $E_{\text{IN}}$  midway between the plates; also, what is  $E_p$  at point P, which is 1 mm above the upper plate as shown? Hint: The dashed line Gaussian surfaces may be helpful.

- A)  $E_{\text{IN}} = 0, E_p = 5.65 \times 10^4 \text{ V/m}$
- B)  $E_{\text{IN}} = 0, E_p = 2.26 \times 10^5 \text{ V/m}$
- C)  $E_{\text{IN}} = 1.1 \times 10^5 \text{ V/m}, E_p = \text{zero}$
- D)  $E_{\text{IN}} = 0, E_p = 1.1 \times 10^5 \text{ V/m}$
- E)  $E_{\text{IN}} = 0, E_p = 0$



**18.** The figure shows a plastic rod of length  $L = 2.5 \text{ m}$ , with a non-uniform linear charge density  $\lambda = \alpha x$  with  $\alpha = 10^{-3} \text{ C/m}^2$ . The rod is lying on the x axis. Assuming  $V = 0$  at infinity, find the electric potential (in volts) at the left end of the rod – in other words, at the origin. Select the closest answer.

- A) Zero
- B)  $2.7 \times 10^{10}$  volts
- C)  $2.25 \times 10^7$  volts
- D)  $1.35 \times 10^8$  volts
- E) Infinity



**ANSWER KEY:**

- 1. B**
- 2. B**
- 3. D**
- 4. E**
- 5. A**
- 6. C**
- 7. A**
- 8. C**
- 9. C**
- 10. D**
- 11. B**
- 12. D**
- 13. E**
- 14. A**
- 15. E**
- 16. D**
- 17. B**
- 18. C**