



Physics 102

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(Fundamental constants)

- $k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9.0 \times 10^9 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2 / \text{C}^2$ (Coulomb constant)
- $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 / (\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2)$ (Permittivity of free space)
- $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ T}\cdot\text{m/A}$ (Permeability of free space)
- $|e| = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ (Elementary unit of charge)
- $N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23}$ (Avogadro's number)
- $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ (Acceleration due to gravity)
- $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ (Electron mass)
- $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ (Proton mass)

Prefixes of units

- $m = 10^{-3}$
- $\mu = 10^{-6}$
- $n = 10^{-9}$
- $p = 10^{-12}$
- $k = 10^3$
- $M = 10^6$
- $G = 10^9$
- $T = 10^{12}$

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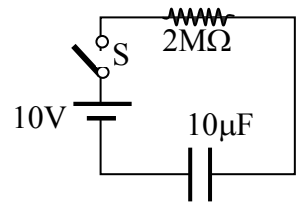
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Part I: Solve the following problems

1. In the circuit shown, the capacitor is initially uncharged. The switch S is closed at time $t=0$. Find the current in the circuit when the charge on the capacitor is $20 \mu\text{C}$. (2 pts)

$$\varepsilon = RI + \frac{q}{c}$$

$$I = \frac{\varepsilon - \frac{q}{c}}{R} = 4 \mu\text{A}$$

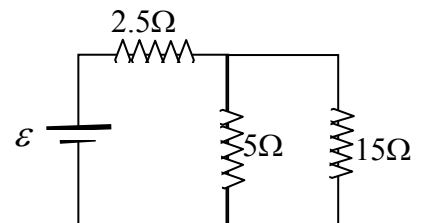


2. In the circuit shown $\varepsilon = 15 \text{ V}$. Find the current in the 15Ω resistor. (3 pts)

$$R_{\text{eq}} = 2.5 \Omega + 3.75 \Omega = 6.25 \Omega$$

$$I = \frac{\varepsilon}{R_{\text{eq}}} = 2.4 \text{ A}$$

$$\text{in } 15 \Omega : I = \frac{2.4 \text{ A} \times 3.75 \Omega}{15 \Omega} = 0.6 \text{ A}$$



3. A parallel-plate capacitor with plate area 0.2 m^2 and plate separation 1 mm is charged by connecting to a 10 V battery, and then the battery is disconnected. If we double the plate separation and insert a dielectric ($K = 3$) into the capacitor completely filling the gap between the plates, what is the final potential difference between the capacitor plates? **(4 pts)**

$$C_o = \epsilon_o \frac{A}{d} = 1.77 \text{ nF}$$

$$Q_o = C_o V_o = 17.7 \text{ nC}$$

$$C = K \frac{\epsilon_o A}{2d} = 2.66 \text{ nF}$$

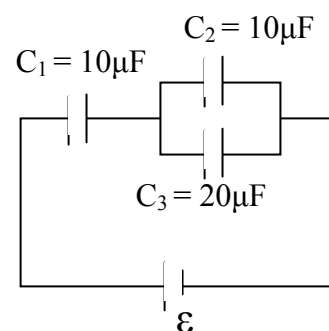
$$V = \frac{Q_o}{C} = 6.67 \text{ V}$$

4. In the capacitor network shown below the magnitude of plate charge on C_2 is $10 \mu\text{C}$. Calculate the emf of the battery (\mathcal{E}). **(3 pts)**

$$Q_3 = C_3 V_3 = C_3 \frac{Q_2}{C_2} = 20 \mu\text{C}$$

$$Q_1 = Q_2 + Q_3 = 30 \mu\text{C}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{Q_1}{C_1} + V_2 = 4 \text{ V}$$



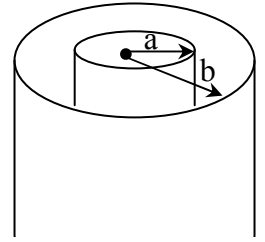
5. Two long conducting cylinders with radii $a = 4$ cm and $b = 6$ cm form a capacitor. If the linear charge density on the inner cylinder is $+2 \mu\text{C/m}$, find the energy density at a distance of 5 cm from the common axis of the cylinders. (3 pts)

Between the two cylinders:

$$E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$E = 7.19 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$$

$$u = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_0 E^2 = 2.30 \text{ J/m}^3$$



6. An electron moving in $+y$ direction at a speed of 3×10^5 m/s enters a uniform magnetic field that is in $+x$ direction. Upon entrance, this electron feels a magnetic force of 7.2×10^{-13} N. Find the magnitude and direction of the magnetic force on another electron that is moving in $+z$ direction at 6×10^5 m/s when entering the magnetic field. (3 pts)

$$\vec{B} = \frac{F_1}{e v_1} \hat{i} = (15 \text{ T}) \hat{i}$$

$$\vec{F}_2 = -e v_2 \hat{k} \times B \hat{i}$$

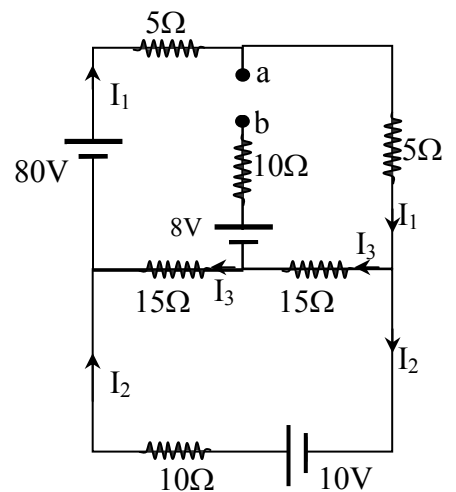
$$= -(1.44 \times 10^{-12} \text{ N}) \hat{j}$$

7. Calculate the drift velocity of the electrons in a gold wire of 10 mm diameter which carries a current of 10 A. (The density of free electrons in gold is $5.9 \times 10^{28} \text{ m}^{-3}$) **(2 pts)**

$$A = \pi \frac{d^2}{4} = 7.85 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$$

$$v_d = \frac{I}{enA} = 1.35 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m/s}$$

8. In the circuit shown, find the potential difference V_{ab} between the points a and b. **(5 pts)**



$$80 \text{ V} - 10I_1 - 30I_3 = 0$$

$$10 \text{ V} - 10I_2 + 30I_3 = 0$$

$$I_2 = I_1 - I_3$$

$$\Rightarrow I_1 = 5 \text{ A}, \quad I_3 = 1 \text{ A}$$

$$V_{ab} = 5I_1 + 15I_3 - 8 \text{ V} = 32 \text{ V}$$

Part II: Conceptual questions. Tick the best answer. (one point for each question)

1. What is the unit of resistivity?

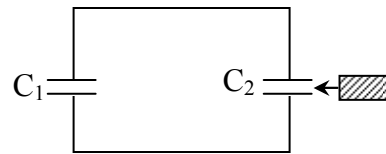
- a) Ωm^{-1} **b) $m\Omega$** c) $A\Omega$ d) $m^{-1} \Omega^{-1}$

2. How does the resistance of a piece of conducting wire change if both its length and diameter are doubled?

- a. It becomes 2 times as much.
 b. It becomes 4 times as much.
c) It becomes $\frac{1}{2}$ as much.
 d. It becomes $\frac{1}{4}$ as much.

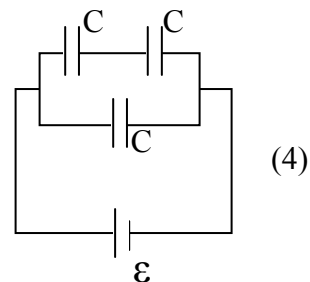
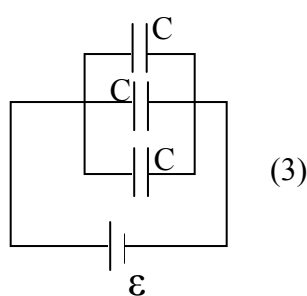
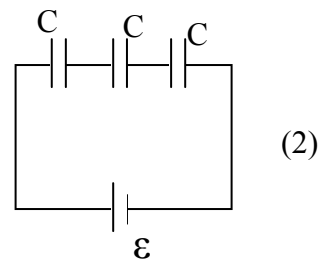
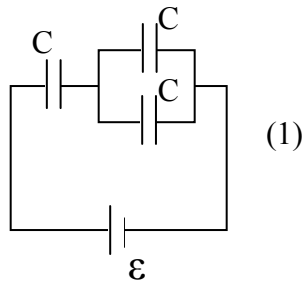
3. The two capacitors in the following diagram are charged. If we insert a dielectric slab between the plates of C_2 filling its volume, the charge on C_2

- a) will increase.**
 b) will decrease.
 c) will remain constant.
 d) may increase or decrease.



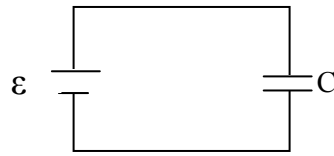
4. If the total electric charges on these four capacitor networks are Q_1 , Q_2 , Q_3 and Q_4 respectively, which statement is correct?

- a) $Q_1 < Q_2 < Q_3 < Q_4$
 b) $Q_4 < Q_3 < Q_2 < Q_1$
c) $Q_2 < Q_1 < Q_4 < Q_3$
 d) $Q_3 < Q_1 < Q_4 < Q_2$



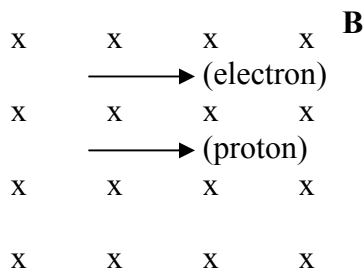
5. The emf of the battery in this diagram is increased to $2\mathcal{E}$. As a result, the energy density in the space between the plates of the capacitor

- a) increases by a factor of 2.
- b) increases by a factor of 4.
- c) decreases by a factor of 2.
- d) decreases by a factor of 4.



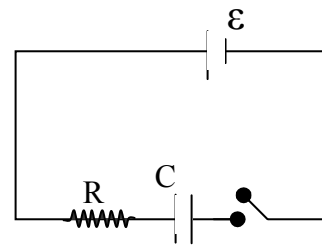
6. A proton and an electron that are moving at the same velocity (v) enter a region of uniform magnetic field. If we want the two particles to go on a straight line,

- a) we have to apply an electric field downward perpendicular to v .
- b) we have to apply an electric field upward perpendicular to v .
- c) the electric field should be upward for proton and downward for electron.
- d) the electric field should be downward for proton and upward for electron.



7. In the circuit, the capacitor is uncharged. As soon as the switch is closed,

- a) the current in the circuit is zero.
- b) the voltage across the capacitor is \mathcal{E} .
- c) the voltage across the resistor is zero.
- d) the voltage across the capacitor is zero.



8. The emf of a battery is equal to:

- a) the chemical energy stored in the battery.
- b) the maximum current supplied by the battery.
- c) the amount of charge the battery can pump.
- d) the terminal voltage of the battery when no current flows.