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# Electrostatics

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If the charge in a body does not move, then the frictional electricity is known as static electricity. The branch of physics which deals with static electricity is called electrostatics.

## Electric Charge

Electric charge is the property associated with matter due to which it produces and experiences electric and magnetic effects.

## Conservation of Charge

We can neither create nor destroy electric charge. The charge can simply be transferred from one body to another. There are three modes of charge transfer:

- (a) By friction                      (b) By conduction                      (c) By induction

## Quantisation of Charge

Electric charge is quantised. The minimum unit of charge, which may reside independently is the electronic charge  $e$  having a value of  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  C, i.e.  $Q = \pm ne$ , where,  $n$  is any integer.

Important properties of charges are listed below

- Like charges repel while opposite charges attract each other.
- Charge is invariant i.e. charge does not change with change in velocity.
- According to theory of relativity, the mass, time and length change with a change in velocity but charge does not change.
- A charged body attracts a lighter neutral body.
- Electronic charge is additive, i.e. the total charge on a body is the algebraic sum of all the charges present in different parts of the body. For example, if a body has different charges as  $+2q$ ,  $+4q$ ,  $-3q$ ,  $-q$ , then the total charge on the body is  $+2q$ .

## Coulomb's Law of Forces between Two Point Charges

- If  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  be two stationary point charges in free space separated by a distance  $r$ , then the force of attraction / repulsion between them is

$$F = \frac{K |q_1| |q_2|}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{|q_1| |q_2|}{r^2} \quad \left[ K = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right]$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times |q_1| |q_2|}{r^2} \quad [K = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ N-m}^2/\text{C}^2]$$

- If some dielectric medium is completely filled between the given charges, then the Coulomb's force between them becomes

$$F_m = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon} \cdot \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r} \cdot \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \quad \left[ \therefore \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} = \epsilon_r \text{ or } k \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi k \epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

## Superposition Principle

It states that, the net force on any one charge is equal to the vector sum of the forces exerted on it by all other charges. If there are four charges  $q_1, q_2, q_3$  and  $q_4$ , then the force on  $q_1$  (say) due to  $q_2, q_3$  and  $q_4$  is given by  $\mathbf{F}_1 = \mathbf{F}_{12} + \mathbf{F}_{13} + \mathbf{F}_{14}$ , where  $\mathbf{F}_{12}$  is the force on  $q_1$  due to  $q_2$ ,  $\mathbf{F}_{13}$  that due to  $q_3$  and  $\mathbf{F}_{14}$  that due to  $q_4$ .

## Electric Field

The space surrounding an electric charge  $q$  in which another charge  $q_0$  experiences a force of attraction or repulsion, is called the electric field of charge  $q$ . The charge  $q$  is called the **source charge** and the charge  $q_0$  is called the **test charge**. The test charge must be negligibly small so that it does not modify the electric field of the source charge.

## Intensity (or Strength) of Electric Field ( $E$ )

The intensity of electric field at a point in an electric field is the ratio of the forces acting on the test charge placed at that point to the magnitude of the test charge.

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{\mathbf{F}}{q_0}, \quad \text{where } \mathbf{F} \text{ is the force acting on } q_0.$$

Electric field intensity ( $\mathbf{E}$ ) is a vector quantity.

The direction of electric field is same as that of force acting on the positive test charge. Unit of  $E$  is  $\text{NC}^{-1}$  or  $\text{Vm}^{-1}$ .

## Electric Field Lines

An electric field line in an electric field is a smooth curve, tangent to which, at any point, gives the direction of the electric field at that point.

Properties of electric field lines are given below

- Electric field lines come out of a positive charge and go into the negative charge.
- No two electric field lines intersect each other.
- Electric field lines are continuous but they never form a closed loop.
- Electric field lines cannot exist inside a conductor. Electric shielding is based on this property.

## Continuous Charge Distribution

The continuous charge distribution may be one dimensional, two dimensional and three-dimensional.

- Linear charge density ( $\lambda$ )** If charge is distributed along a line, i.e. straight or curve is called linear charge distribution. The uniform charge distribution  $q$  over a length  $L$  of the straight rod.

Then, the linear charge density,  $\lambda = \frac{q}{L}$

Its unit is coulomb metre<sup>-1</sup> ( $\text{Cm}^{-1}$ ).

- Surface charge density ( $\sigma$ )** If charge is distributed over a surface is called surface charge density, i.e.  $\sigma = q/A$   
Its unit is coulomb m<sup>-2</sup> ( $\text{Cm}^{-2}$ )

- Volume charge density ( $\rho$ )** If charge is distributed over the volume of an object, is called volume charge density, i.e.,  $\rho = \frac{q}{V}$ . Its unit is coulomb metre<sup>-3</sup> ( $\text{Cm}^{-3}$ ).

## 1. Electric Field due to a Point Charge

- Electric field at a distance  $r$  from a point charge  $q$  is

$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q}{r^2}$$

- If  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are two like point charges, separated by a distance  $r$ , a neutral point between them is obtained at a point distant

$$r_1 \text{ from } q_1, \text{ such that } r_1 = \frac{r}{\left[ 1 + \sqrt{\frac{q_2}{q_1}} \right]}$$

- If  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are two charges of opposite nature separated by a distance  $r$ , a neutral point is obtained in the extended line joining them, at a distance  $r_1$  from  $q_1$ , such that,

$$r_1 = \frac{r}{\left[ \sqrt{\frac{q_2}{q_1}} - 1 \right]}$$

## 2. Electric Field due to Infinitely Long Uniformly Charged Straight Wire

Electric field at a point situated at a normal distance  $r$ , from an infinitely long uniformly charged straight wire having a linear charge density  $\lambda$ , is

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

### 3. Electric Field due to a Charged Cylinder

- For a conducting charged cylinder of linear charge density  $\lambda$  and radius  $R$ , the electric field is given by

$$E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}, \text{ for } r > R,$$

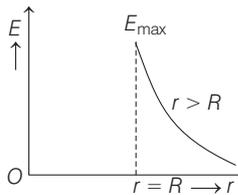
$$E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 R}, \text{ for } r = R$$

and  $E = 0$ , for  $r < R$

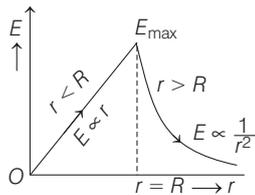
- For a non-conducting charged cylinder, for  $r \leq R$ ,

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

and  $E = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ , for  $r > R$



(a) Variation of electric field with distance for conducting cylinder



(b) Variation of electric field with distance for non-conducting cylinder

### 4. Electric Field due to a Uniformly Charged Infinite Plane Sheet

Electric field near a uniformly charged infinite plane sheet having surface charge density  $\sigma$  is given by

$$E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$

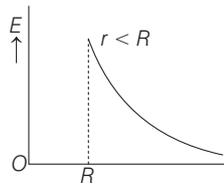
### 5. Electric Field due to a Uniformly Charged Thin Spherical Shell

For a charged conducting sphere/shell of radius  $R$  and total charge  $Q$ , the electric field is given by

**Case I**  $E = 0$ , for  $r < R$

**Case II**  $E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$ , for  $r = R$

**Case III**  $E = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$ , for  $r > R$



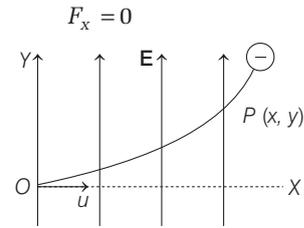
Variation of electric field with distance for uniformly charge spherical shell

## Motion of a Charged Particle in an Electric Field

Let a charged particle of mass  $m$  and charge  $q$ , enters the electric field along  $X$ -axis with speed  $u$ . The electric field  $E$  is along  $Y$ -axis is given by

$$F_y = qE$$

and force along  $X$ -axis remains zero, i.e.



$\therefore$  Acceleration of the particle along  $Y$ -axis is given by

$$a_y = \frac{F_y}{m} = \frac{qE}{m}$$

The initial velocity is zero along  $Y$ -axis ( $u_y = 0$ ).

$\therefore$  The deflection of charged particle along  $Y$ -axis after time  $t$  is given by  $y = u_y t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2$

$$= \frac{qE}{2m} t^2$$

Along  $X$ -axis there is no acceleration, so the distance covered by particle in time  $t$  along  $X$ -axis is given by  $x = ut$

Eliminating  $t$ , we have

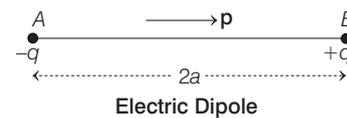
$$y = \left( \frac{qE}{2mu^2} x^2 \right)$$

$$y \propto x^2$$

This shows that the path of charged particle in perpendicular field is a parabola.

## Electric Dipole

An electric dipole consists of two equal and opposite charges separated by a small distance.



Electric Dipole

The dipole moment of a dipole is defined as the product of the magnitude of either charges and the distance between them. Therefore, dipole moment

$$\mathbf{p} = q(2\mathbf{a})$$

## Electric Field due to a Dipole

- At a point distant  $r$  from the centre of a dipole, along its axial line  $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{2\mathbf{p}r}{(r^2 - a^2)^2}$

[direction of  $\mathbf{E}$  is the same as that of  $\mathbf{p}$ ]

For a short dipole,  $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{2\mathbf{p}}{r^3}$  [ $r \gg a$ ]

- At a point distant  $r$  from the centre of a dipole, along its equatorial line

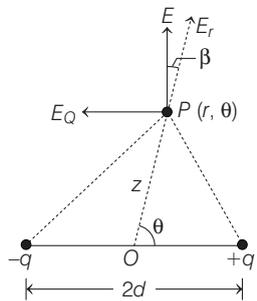
$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}}{(r^2 + a^2)^{3/2}}$$

[direction of  $\mathbf{E}$  is opposite to that of  $\mathbf{p}$ ]

For a short dipole  $\mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}}{r^3}$  [ $r \gg a$ ]

- At a point distant  $r$  from the centre of a short dipole, along a line inclined at an angle  $\theta$  with the dipole axis

$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{p}{r^3} \sqrt{3 \cos^2 \theta + 1}$$



Electric Field at  $(r, \theta)$  position

- $\mathbf{E}$  subtends an angle  $\beta$  from  $\mathbf{r}$  such that  $\tan \beta = \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta$

## Torque on a Dipole in a Uniform Electric Field

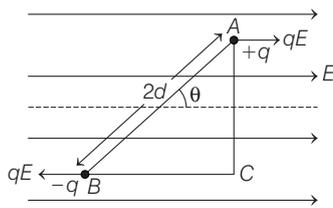
When a dipole is placed in an external electric field, making an angle  $\theta$  with the direction of the uniform electric field  $E$ , it experiences a torque given by

$$\tau = qE \times AC$$

$$\tau = \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{E}$$

$$\tau = pE \sin \theta$$

or  $qE \times 2d \sin \theta = (q \times 2d) E \sin \theta$



Rotation of Electric Dipole

## Work Done in Rotating a Dipole

If an electric dipole initially kept in an uniform electric field  $\mathbf{E}$ , making an angle  $\theta_1$ , is rotated so as to finally subtend an angle  $\theta_2$ , then the work done for rotating the dipole is,

$$W = pE(\cos \theta_1 - \cos \theta_2)$$

## Potential Energy of a Dipole

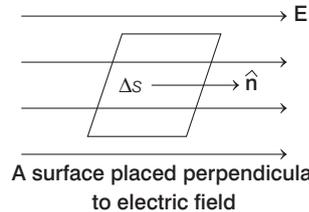
It is the amount of work done in rotating an electric dipole from a direction perpendicular to electric field to a particular direction.

Hence,  $U = -pE \cos \theta$  or  $U = -\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{E}$

## Electric Flux ( $\phi_E$ )

It is a measure of the flow of electric field through a surface. It can be defined as the total number of lines of electric field passes through a surface placed perpendicular to direction of field.

$$\text{i.e. } \phi_E = \int E dS \cos \theta = \int \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int \mathbf{E} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dS$$



A surface placed perpendicular to electric field

## Gauss Law

The total electric flux linked with a closed surface is equal to  $\frac{1}{\epsilon_0}$  times, the net charge enclosed by that surface. Thus,

$$\phi_E = \oint_S \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} [Q_{\text{enclosed}}]$$

where,  $Q_{\text{enclosed}} = \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} qi$  is the algebraic sum of all the charges inside the closed surface.

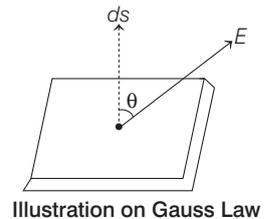


Illustration on Gauss Law

## Electric Potential

The amount of work done in bringing a unit positive charge, without any acceleration, from infinity to that point, along any arbitrary path.

$$V = \frac{W}{q_0}$$

Electric potential is a state function and does not depend on the path followed.

### 1. Electric Potential Due to a Point Charge

Potential due to a point charge  $Q$ , at a distance  $r$  is given

$$\text{by } V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q}{r}$$

### 2. Electric Potential Due to a System of Charges

If a number of charges  $q_1, q_2, q_3, \dots$  are present in space, then the electric potential at any point will be

$$\begin{aligned} V &= V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{q_1}{r_1} + \frac{q_2}{r_2} + \frac{q_3}{r_3} + \dots \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{q_i}{r_i} \right) \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Electric Potential Due to an Electric Dipole

At any general point,  $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{p \cos \theta}{r^2}$

On the dipole axis,  $\theta = 0^\circ$  and  $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{p}{r^2}$

On the equatorial axis  $\theta = 90^\circ$  and  $V = 0$

### 4. Electric Potential due to Some Common Charge Distributions

Potential at a point distant  $r$  from an infinitely long wire having linear charge density  $\lambda$ , is

$$V = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \ln r$$

For a charged conducting sphere/shell having total charge  $Q$  and radius  $R$ , the potential at a point distant  $r$  from the centre of the sphere/shell is

$$(i) V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}, \text{ for } r > R \quad (ii) V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r}, \text{ for } r = R$$

$$(iii) V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}, \text{ for } r \leq R$$

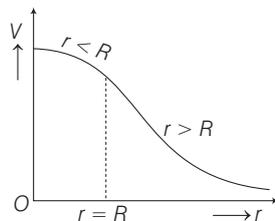
For a charged non-conducting (dielectric) sphere of radius  $R$ , the charge  $Q$  is uniformly distributed over the entire volume.

Hence, (i)  $V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ , for  $r > R$  (ii)  $V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$ , for  $r = R$

$$\text{and (iii) } V = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{3R^2 - r^2}{2R^3} \right] \text{ for } r < R$$

At the centre of the sphere ( $r = 0$ )

$$V = \frac{3Q}{8\pi\epsilon_0 R} = \frac{3}{2} V_s \quad \left[ V_s = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R} \right]$$



### Electric Potential Energy

The electric energy of a system of charges is the work that has been done in bringing those charges from infinity to near each other to form the system. For two point charges  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  separated by distance  $r_{12}$ , the potential energy is given by

$$U = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r_{12}}$$

In general, for a system of  $n$  charges, the electric potential energy is given by

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \sum \frac{q_i q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}}, i \neq j$$

$\left[ \frac{1}{2} \right]$  is used as each term in summation will appear twice

### Relation between $E$ and $V$

Because  $E$  is force per unit charge and  $V$  is work per unit charge.  $E$  and  $V$  are related in the same way as work and force.

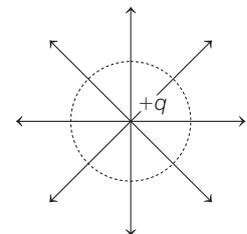
Work done against the field to take a unit positive charge from infinity (reference point) to the given point  $V_p = -\int_{\infty}^p \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$  volt

where, the negative sign indicates that the work is done against the field.

### Equipotential Surface

Equipotential surface is an imaginary surface joining the points of same potential in an electric field. So, we can say that the potential difference between any two points on an equipotential surface is zero.

The electric lines of force at each point of an equipotential surface are normal to the surface. Figure shows the electric lines of force due to point charge  $+q$ . The spherical surface will be the equipotential surface and the electrical lines of force emanating from the point charge will be radial and normal to the spherical surface.



An Equipotential Surface

Regarding equipotential surface, following points are worth noting

- (i) Equipotential surface may be planar, solid etc. But equipotential surface can never be point size.
- (ii) Equipotential surface is single valued. So, equipotential surfaces never cross each other.
- (iii) Electric field is always perpendicular to equipotential surface.
- (iv) Work done to move a point charge  $q$  between two points on equipotential surface is zero.
- (v) The surface of a conductor in equilibrium is an equipotential surface.

### Conductors and Insulators

**Conductors** are those materials through which electricity can pass through easily. e.g. metals like copper, silver, iron etc. **Insulators** are those materials through which electricity cannot pass through, e.g. rubber, ebonite, mica etc.

## Dielectrics and Polarisation

Dielectrics are insulating materials which transmit electric effect without actually conducting electricity.

e.g. mica, glass, water etc.

When a dielectric is placed in an external electric field, so the molecules of dielectric gain a permanent electric dipole moment. This process is called polarisation.

## Electrical Capacitance

Capacitance of a conductor is the amount of charge needed in order to raise the potential of the conductor by unity.

Mathematically, Capacitance  $C = \frac{Q}{V}$

## Sharing of Charges

- Let two charged conductors having charges  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  (or potentials  $V_1, V_2$  and capacitances  $C_1, C_2$  respectively). If these are joined together. In such case

$$\text{Common potential, } V = \frac{Q_1 + Q_2}{C_1 + C_2} = \frac{C_1 V_1 + C_2 V_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

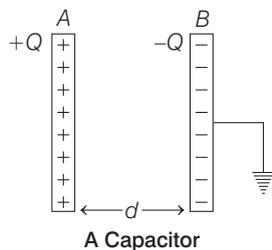
- During sharing of charges, there is some loss of electrostatic energy, which in turn reappears as heat or light. The loss of electrostatic energy

$$\Delta U = U_i - U_f = \frac{C_1 C_2}{2(C_1 + C_2)} (V_1 - V_2)^2$$

- When charges are shared between any two bodies, their potential become equal. The charges acquired are in the ratio of their capacities.

## Capacitor

A capacitor is a device which stores electrostatic energy. It consists of conductors of any shape and size carrying charges of equal magnitudes and opposite signs and separated by an insulating medium.



There are two types of combination of capacitors:

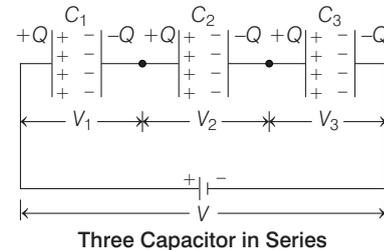
### 1. Series Grouping

In a series arrangement,  $V = V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + \dots$

and  $V_1 : V_2 : V_3 \dots = \frac{1}{C_1} : \frac{1}{C_2} : \frac{1}{C_3} : \dots$

The equivalent capacitance  $C_s$  is given by

$$\frac{1}{C_s} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} \frac{1}{C_i}$$



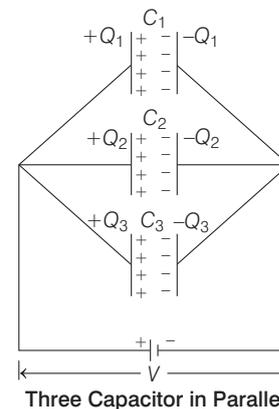
### 2. Parallel Grouping

In a parallel arrangement,  $Q = Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3 + \dots$

and  $Q_1 : Q_2 : Q_3 \dots = C_1 : C_2 : C_3 \dots$

The equivalent capacitance is given by

$$C_p = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} C_i$$



## Capacitance of a Parallel Plate Capacitor

### 1. Capacitor without Dielectric Medium between the Plates

If the magnitude of charge on each plate of a parallel plate capacitor be  $Q$  and the overlapping area of plates be  $A$ , then

- Electric field between the plates,  $E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A}$

- Potential difference between the plates

$$V = E \cdot d = \frac{\sigma d}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{Qd}{\epsilon_0 A}, \text{ where } d = \text{separation between the two}$$

plates.

- Capacitance,  $C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}$

## 2. Capacitor with Dielectric Medium between the Plates

- If a dielectric medium of dielectric constant  $K$  is completely filled between the plates of a capacitor, then its capacitance becomes,

$$C' = \frac{K\epsilon_0 A'}{d} = KC_0 \left[ \text{where, } C_0 = \frac{\epsilon_0 A'}{d} \right]$$

- If a dielectric slab/sheet of thickness  $t$  (where,  $t < d$ ) is introduced between the plates of the capacitor, then

$$C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{\left( d - t + \frac{t}{K} \right)}$$

- If a metallic slab/plate of thickness  $t$  (where,  $t < d$ ), is inserted between the plates of capacitor, then

$$C' = \frac{K\epsilon_0 A'}{d} = KC_0$$

- Magnitude of the attractive force between the plates of a parallel plate capacitor is given by

$$F = \frac{\sigma^2 A}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{Q^2}{2A\epsilon_0} = \frac{CV^2}{2d}$$

- The energy density between the plates of a capacitor

$$u = \frac{U}{\text{Volume}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$$

## Energy Stored in a Capacitor

If a capacitor of capacity  $C$  is charged to a potential  $V$ , the electrostatic energy stored in it is,

$$U = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} QV = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C}$$

## Energy Loss During Parallel Combination

When capacitor of capacitance  $C_1$  charge to potential  $V_1$ , whereas another of  $C_2$  charge to potential of  $V_2$ , then after parallel combination.

$$\text{Loss in energy} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} (V_1 - V_2)^2$$

## DAY PRACTICE SESSION 1

# FOUNDATION QUESTIONS EXERCISE

- When a glass rod rubbed with silk is brought near the gold leaf electroscope, the leaves diverge. What is the charge on the leaves?
  - Negative
  - Zero
  - Positive
  - Either positive or negative
- Identify the wrong statement in the following Coulomb's law correctly described the electric force that
  - binds the electrons of an atom to its nucleus
  - binds the protons and neutrons in the nucleus of an atom
  - binds atoms together to form molecules
  - binds atoms and molecules to form solids
- The excess (equal in number) of electrons that must be placed on each of two small spheres spaced 3 cm apart, with force of repulsion between the spheres to be  $10^{-19}$  N, is
  - 25
  - 225
  - 625
  - 1250
- When air is replaced by a dielectric medium of constant  $K$ . The maximum force of attraction between two charges separated by a distance
  - increases  $K^{-1}$  times
  - increases  $K$  times
  - decreases  $K$  times
  - remains constant
- Two identical coins having similar charges are placed 4.5 m apart on a table. Force of repulsion between them is  $\frac{40}{9}$  N. The value of charge on each coin is
  - 100  $\mu$ C
  - 200  $\mu$ C
  - 300  $\mu$ C
  - 400  $\mu$ C
- A small uncharged metallic sphere is positioned exactly at a point midway between two equal and opposite point charges. If the sphere is slightly displaced towards the positive charge and released, then
  - it will oscillate about its original position
  - it will move further towards the positive charge
  - its electric potential energy will decrease and kinetic energy will increase
  - its total energy remains constant but it non-zero
- A charge  $Q$  is divided into two parts of  $q$  and  $-q$ . If the coulomb repulsion between them when they are separated is to be maximum, the ratio of  $\frac{Q}{q}$  should be
  - 2
  - $\frac{1}{2}$
  - 4
  - $\frac{1}{4}$
- Two positive ions, each carrying a charge  $q$ , are separated by a distance  $d$ . If  $F$  is the force of repulsion between the ions, the number of electrons missing from

each ion will be ( $e$  being the charge on an electron)

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(a)  $\frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 F d^2}{e^2}$  (b)  $\sqrt{\frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 F e^2}{d^2}}$  (c)  $\sqrt{\frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 F d^2}{e^2}}$  (d)  $\frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 F d^2}{q^2}$

- 9 The electric field due to a charge at a distance of 3 m from it is  $500 \text{ NC}^{-1}$ . The magnitude of the charge is

$[1/4\pi\epsilon_0 = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2\text{C}^{-2}]$

- (a)  $2.5 \mu\text{C}$  (b)  $1.0 \mu\text{C}$   
(c)  $2.0 \mu\text{C}$  (d)  $0.5 \mu\text{C}$

- 10 An electron is sent in electric field of intensity  $9.1 \times 10^6 \text{ NC}^{-1}$ . The acceleration produced is (mass of electron =  $9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ )

- (a)  $1.6 \text{ ms}^{-2}$  (b)  $1.6 \times 10^{18} \text{ ms}^{-2}$   
(c)  $3.2 \times 10^{18} \text{ ms}^{-2}$  (d)  $0.8 \times 10^{18} \text{ ms}^{-2}$

- 11 A charged particle of mass 0.003 g is held stationary in space by placing it in a downward direction of electric field of  $6 \times 10^4 \text{ NC}^{-1}$ . Then, the magnitude of the charge is

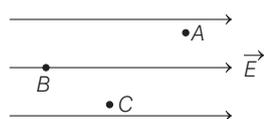
- (a)  $5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C}$  (b)  $5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ C}$  (c)  $18 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$  (d)  $-5 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C}$

- 12 A point charge  $+q$ , is placed at a distance  $d$  from an isolated conducting plane. The field at a point  $P$  on the other side of the plane is

- (a) directed perpendicular to the plane and away from the plane  
(b) directed perpendicular to the plane but towards the plane  
(c) directed radially away from the point charge  
(d) directed radially towards the point charge

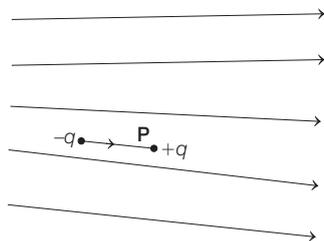
- 13  $A, B$  and  $C$  are three points in a uniform electric field. The electric potential is

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- (a) maximum at  $A$  (b) maximum at  $B$   
(c) maximum at  $C$   
(d) same at all the three points  $A, B$  and  $C$

- 14 Figure shows electric field lines in which an electric dipole  $p$  is placed as shown in figure. Which of the following statements is correct?



- (a) The dipole will not experience any force  
(b) The dipole will experience a force towards right

- (c) The dipole will experience a force towards left  
(d) The dipole will experience a force upwards

- 15 An electric dipole has the magnitude of its charge as  $q$  and its dipole moment is  $p$ . It is placed in a uniform electric field  $E$ . If its dipole moment is along the direction the field, the force on it and its potential energy are respectively

- (a)  $2qE$  and minimum (b)  $qE$  and  $pE$   
(c) zero and minimum (d)  $qE$  and maximum

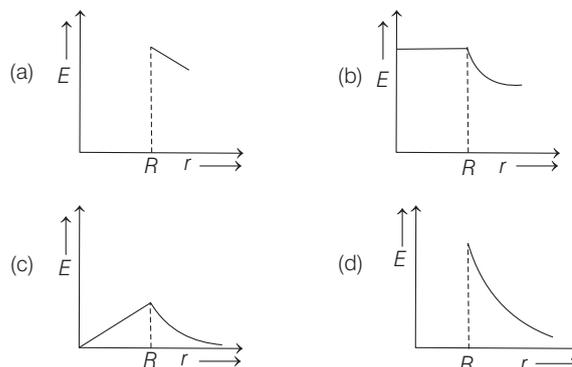
- 16 The electric potential at a point  $(x, y, z)$  is given by  $V = -x^2y - xz^3 + 4$ .

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The electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  at that point is

- (a)  $\mathbf{E} = (2xy + z^3)\hat{i} + x^2\hat{j} + 3xz^2\hat{k}$   
(b)  $\mathbf{E} = 2xy\hat{i} + (x^2 + y^2)\hat{j} + (3xz - y^2)\hat{k}$   
(c)  $\mathbf{E} = z^3\hat{i} + xyz\hat{j} + z^2\hat{k}$   
(d)  $\mathbf{E} = (2xy - z^3)\hat{i} + xy^2\hat{j} + 3z^2x\hat{k}$

- 17 Which one of the following graphs represents the variation of electric field strength  $E$  with distance  $r$  from the centre of a uniformly charged non-conducting sphere?

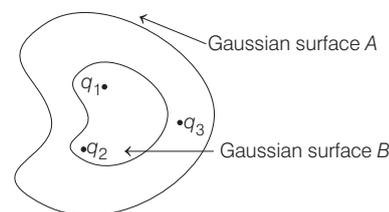


- 18 An electric dipole of moment  $p$  is placed in an electric field of intensity  $E$ . The dipole acquires a position such that the axis of the dipole makes an angle  $\theta$  with the direction of the field. Assuming that the potential energy of the dipole to be zero when  $\theta = 90^\circ$ , the torque and the potential energy of the dipole will respectively be

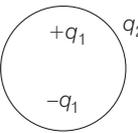
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(a)  $pE \sin\theta, -pE \cos\theta$  (b)  $pE \sin\theta, -2pE \cos\theta$   
(c)  $pE \sin\theta, 2pE \cos\theta$  (d)  $pE \cos\theta, -pE \sin\theta$

- 19 The electric flux for Gaussian surface  $A$  that enclose the charged particles in free space is

(Given  $q_1 = -14 \text{ nC}$ ,  $q_2 = 78.85 \text{ nC}$ ,  $q_3 = -56 \text{ nC}$ )



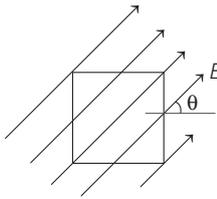
- (a)  $10^3 \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ C}^{-1}$  (b)  $10^3 \text{ CN}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$   
(c)  $6.32 \times 10^3 \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ C}^{-1}$  (d) zero

- 20** Consider the charge configuration and a spherical Gaussian surface as shown in figure. When calculating the flux of the electric field over the spherical surface, the electric field will be due to
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- (a)  $q_2$  (b) only the positive charges  
(c) all the charges (d)  $+q_1$  and  $-q_1$

- 21** If the electric flux entering and leaving an enclosed surface respectively is  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$ , the electric charge inside the surface will be
- (a)  $(\phi_1 + \phi_2)\epsilon_0$  (b)  $(\phi_2 - \phi_1)\epsilon_0$   
(c) zero (d)  $\phi_2/\epsilon_0$
- 22** What is the total flux from the surface of cylinder of radius  $R$  and length  $L$  which is placed in a uniform electric field  $E$  parallel to cylinder axis?
- (a)  $2\pi R^2 E$  (b)  $\pi R^2 E$   
(c)  $(\pi R + \pi R^2)/E$  (d) zero

- 23** A hemisphere surface of radius  $R$  is placed in uniform electric field of intensity  $E$  parallel to the axis of its circular plane. What will be the electric flux  $\phi$  through the hemisphere surface?
- (a)  $2\pi RE$  (b)  $2\pi R^2 E$   
(c)  $\pi R^2 E$  (d)  $(4/3)\pi R^3 E$

- 24** What is the total electric flux leaving a spherical surface of radius 1 cm and surrounding at electric dipole?
- (a)  $q/\epsilon_0$  (b) zero (c)  $2q/\epsilon_0$  (d)  $8\pi r^2 q/\epsilon_0$
- 25** A charge  $Q$  is enclosed by a gaussian spherical surface of radius  $R$ . If the radius is doubled, then the outward electric flux will
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(a) be reduced to half (b) remain the same  
(c) be doubled (d) increase four times

- 26** A square surface of side  $L$  metre in the plane of the paper is placed in a uniform electric field  $E$  (V/m) acting along the same plane at an angle  $\theta$  with the horizontal side of the square as shown in figure. The electric flux linked to the surface in unit of V-m, is
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(a)  $EL^2$  (b)  $EL^2 \cos\theta$  (c)  $EL^2 \sin\theta$  (d) 0

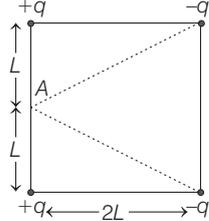
- 27** What is the flux through a cube of side  $a$  if a point charge of  $q$  is at one of its corner?
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(a)  $\frac{2q}{\epsilon_0}$  (b)  $\frac{q}{8\epsilon_0}$   
(c)  $\frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$  (d)  $\frac{q}{2\epsilon_0} 6a^2$

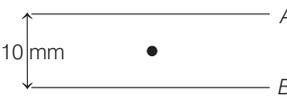
- 28** There exists an electric field of 1 N/C along y-direction. The flux passing through the square of 1m placed in xy plane inside the electric field is
- (a)  $1 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}$  (b)  $10 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}$  (c)  $2 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}$  (d) zero

- 29** Four point charges  $-Q, -q, 2q$  and  $2Q$  are placed, one at each corner of the square. The relation between  $Q$  and  $q$  for which the potential at the centre of the square is zero, is
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(a)  $Q = -q$  (b)  $Q = -\frac{1}{q}$  (c)  $Q = q$  (d)  $Q = \frac{1}{q}$

- 30** A hollow metallic sphere of radius  $R$  is given a charge  $Q$ . Then, the potential at the centre is
- AFMC 2010  
(a) zero (b)  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R}$  (c)  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2Q}{R}$  (d)  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{2R}$

- 31** Four electric charges  $+q, +q, -q$  and  $-q$  are placed at the corners of a square of side  $2L$  as see figure. The electric potential at point A, midway between the two charges  $+q$  and  $+q$ , is
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- (a)  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{L} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$  (b)  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{L} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)$   
(c) zero (d)  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q}{L} (1 + \sqrt{5})$

- 32** The electric charge on drop B is  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  C and its mass is  $1.6 \times 10^{-14}$  kg. If the drop is in equilibrium, then the potential difference between the plates will be (where, density  $d = 10 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kgm}^{-3}$ )
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- (a)  $5 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$  (b)  $10^4 \text{ V}$  (c)  $2 \times 10^4 \text{ V}$  (d)  $10^5 \text{ V}$

- 33** A conducting sphere of radius  $R$  is given a charge  $Q$ . The electric potential and the electric field at the centre of the sphere respectively are
- CBSE AIPMT 2014  
(a) zero and  $\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$  (b)  $\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$  and zero  
(c)  $\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R}$  and  $\frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^2}$  (d) Both are zero

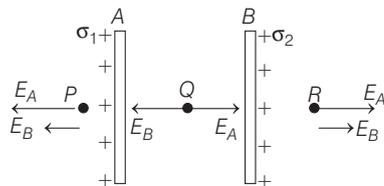
- 34** Which of the following is not the property of equipotential surfaces?
- (a) They do not cross each other  
(b) They are concentric spheres for uniform electric field  
(c) Rate of change of potential with distance on them is zero  
(d) They can be imaginary spheres

- 35** The potential of a spherical conductor of radius 3 m is 6 V. The potential at its centre is
- (a) zero (b) 2V (c) 6V (d) 18V

- 36** A parallel plate capacitor has an electric field of  $10^5 \text{ Vm}^{-1}$  between the plates. If the charge on the capacitor plates is  $1 \mu\text{C}$ , the force on each capacitor plate is
- (a) 0.5 N (b) 0.05 N  
(c) 0.005 N (d) None of these

- 37** If a battery is disconnected from the capacitor and then a dielectric substance between two plates of condenser is introduced the capacity, potential and potential energy respectively
- (a) increases, decreases, decreases  
(b) decreases, increases, increases  
(c) increases, increases, increases  
(d) decreases, decreases, decreases

- 38** Two identical metal plates are given positive charge  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  such that  $Q_2 < Q_1$ . If they are now brought close to each other to form a parallel plate capacitor of capacitance  $C$ , the potential difference between them is



- (a)  $\frac{Q_1 + Q_2}{2C}$  (b)  $\frac{Q_1 + Q_2}{C}$   
(c)  $\frac{Q_1 - Q_2}{C}$  (d)  $\frac{Q_1 - Q_2}{2C}$

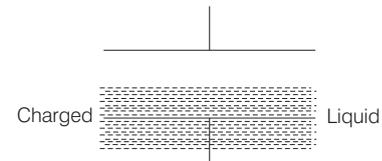
- 39** A  $0.2 \mu\text{F}$  capacitor is charged to 600 V. After removing it from battery it is connected to another capacitor  $1.0 \mu\text{F}$  in parallel. The voltage on the capacitor will become
- (a) 300 V (b) 600 V  
(c) 100 V (d) 120 V

- 40** A thin aluminium sheet is placed between the plates of a parallel plate capacitor. Its capacitance will
- (a) increase (b) decrease  
(c) remain same (d) become infinite

- 41** Work done in placing a charge of  $8 \times 10^{-18} \text{ C}$  on a condenser of capacity  $100 \mu\text{F}$  is
- (a)  $16 \times 10^{-32} \text{ J}$  (b)  $31 \times 10^{-26} \text{ J}$   
(c)  $4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}$  (d)  $32 \times 10^{-32} \text{ J}$

- 42** A number of condensers, each of the capacitance  $1 \mu\text{F}$  and each one of which gets punctured, if a potential difference just exceeding 500 V is applied, are provided. An arrangement suitable for giving capacitance of  $2 \mu\text{F}$  across which 3000 V may be applied requires at least.
- (a) 6 component capacitors  
(b) 12 component capacitors  
(c) 72 component capacitors  
(d) 2 component capacitors

- 43** A parallel plate capacitor is located horizontally such that one of the plates is submerged in a liquid while the other is above the liquid surface. When plates are charged, the level of liquid



- (a) rises  
(b) falls  
(c) remains unchanged  
(d) may rise or fall depending on the amount of charge

- 44** A parallel plate condenser has a uniform electric field  $E \left( \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}} \right)$  in the space between the plates. If the distance between the plates is  $d(\text{m})$  and area of each plate is  $A(\text{m}^2)$ . The energy (joule) stored in the condenser is

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- (a)  $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$  (b)  $\epsilon_0 E A d$   
(c)  $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 A d$  (d)  $E^2 \frac{A d}{\epsilon_0}$

- 45** Two capacitors of capacitances  $3 \mu\text{F}$  and  $6 \mu\text{F}$  are charged to a potential of 12 V each. They are now connected to each other, with the positive plate of each joined to the negative plate of the other. The potential difference across each will be

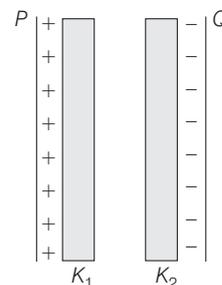
- (a) 4 V (b) 6 V  
(c) zero (d) 3 V

- 46** Three capacitors each of capacitance  $C$  and of breakdown voltage  $V$  are joined in series. The capacitance and breakdown voltage of the combination will be

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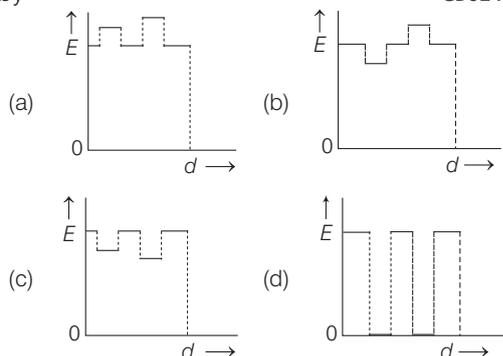
- (a)  $\frac{C}{3}, \frac{V}{3}$  (b)  $3C, \frac{V}{3}$   
(c)  $\frac{C}{3}, 3V$  (d)  $3C, 3V$

- 47** Two thin dielectric slabs of dielectric constants  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  ( $K_1 < K_2$ ) are inserted between plates of a parallel plate capacitor, as shown in the figure.



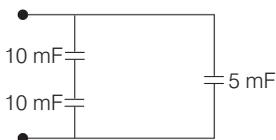
The variation of electric field  $E$  between the plates with distance  $d$  as measured from plate  $P$  is correctly shown by

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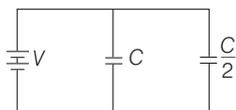


- 48** A capacitor having capacity of  $2.0 \mu\text{F}$  is charged to  $200 \text{ V}$  and then the plates of the capacitor are connected to a resistance wire. The heat produced in joule will be  
 (a)  $2 \times 10^{-2}$  (b)  $4 \times 10^{-2}$   
 (c)  $4 \times 10^4$  (d)  $4 \times 10^{10}$

- 49** The equivalent capacitance of the following combination is



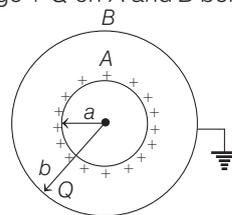
- (a)  $10 \mu\text{F}$  (b)  $4 \mu\text{F}$   
 (c)  $25 \mu\text{F}$  (d)  $15 \mu\text{F}$
- 50** Two condensers, one of capacity  $C$  and the other of capacity  $\frac{C}{2}$ , are connected to a  $V$  volt battery, as shown in figure.



The work done in charging fully both the condensers is

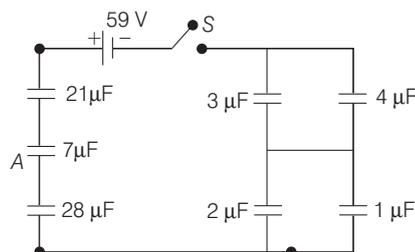
- (a)  $2CV^2$  (b)  $\frac{1}{4}CV^2$   
 (c)  $\frac{3}{4}CV^2$  (d)  $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$

- 51** What will be the equivalent capacitance of the system as shown in the figure, where two spherical conductors  $A$  and  $B$  of radii  $a$  and  $b$  ( $b > a$ ) are placed concentrically in air with a charge  $+Q$  on  $A$  and  $B$  being earthed?



- (a)  $4\pi\epsilon_0 \left( \frac{ab}{b-a} \right)$  (b)  $4\pi\epsilon_0 (a+b)$   
 (c)  $4\pi\epsilon_0 b$  (d)  $4\pi\epsilon_0 \left( \frac{b^2}{b-a} \right)$

- 52** The following figure shows seven capacitors, a switch  $S$  and a source of emf connected together. Initially  $S$  is open and all capacitors are uncharged.



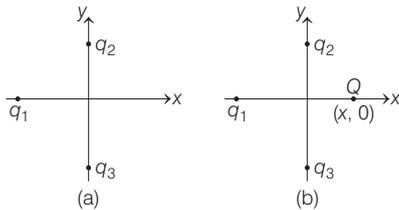
What will be the potential difference in volts across the plates of the capacitor  $A$ , if  $S$  is closed afterwards and a steady state is attained?

- (a) 12 (b) 15  
 (c) 17 (d) 19
- 53** A capacitor of capacitance  $C$  has charge  $Q$  and stored energy is  $W$ . If the charge is increased to  $2Q$ , the stored energy will be  
 (a)  $\frac{W}{4}$  (b)  $\frac{W}{2}$   
 (c)  $2W$  (d)  $4W$
- 54** Two capacitors of  $10 \mu\text{F}$  and  $20 \mu\text{F}$  are connected in series with a  $30 \text{ V}$  battery. The charge on the capacitors will be respectively  
 (a)  $100 \mu\text{C}$ ,  $100 \mu\text{C}$  (b)  $200 \mu\text{C}$ ,  $100 \mu\text{C}$   
 (c)  $200 \mu\text{C}$ ,  $200 \mu\text{C}$  (d)  $100 \mu\text{C}$ ,  $200 \mu\text{C}$

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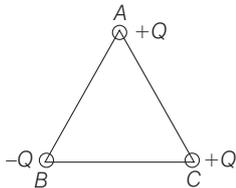
## PROGRESSIVE QUESTIONS EXERCISE

- 1 In figure, two positive charges  $q_2$  and  $q_3$  fixed along the  $y$ -axis, exert a net electric force in the  $+x$  direction on a charge  $q_1$  fixed along the  $x$ -axis. If a positive charge  $Q$  is added at  $(x, 0)$ , the force on  $q_1$



- (a) shall increase along the positive  $x$ -axis  
 (b) shall decrease along the positive  $x$ -axis  
 (c) shall point along the negative  $x$ -axis  
 (d) shall increase but the direction changes, because of the intersection of  $Q$  with  $q_2$  and  $q_3$

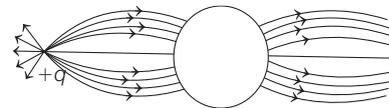
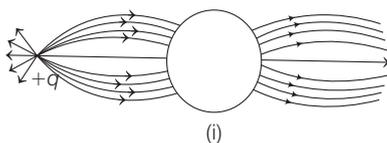
2. Three charges are placed at the vertices of an equilateral triangle of side  $a$  as shown in the figure. The force experienced by the charge placed at the vertex  $A$  in a direction normal to  $BC$  is



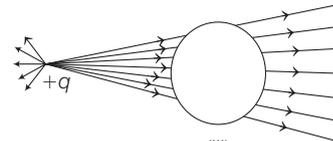
- (a)  $Q^2/(4\pi\epsilon_0 a^2)$                       (b)  $-Q^2/(4\pi\epsilon_0 a^2)$   
 (c) zero                                      (d)  $Q^2/(2\pi\epsilon_0 a^2)$

- 3 The ratio of electrostatic and gravitational forces acting between electron and proton separated by a distance  $5 \times 10^{-11} \text{m}$ , will be (Charge of electron =  $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{C}$ , mass of electron =  $9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{kg}$ , mass of proton =  $1.6 \times 10^{-27} \text{kg}$ ,  $G = 6.7 \times 10^{-11} \text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2 \text{kg}^{-2}$ )  
 (a)  $2.36 \times 10^{39}$                       (b)  $2.36 \times 10^{40}$   
 (c)  $2.34 \times 10^4$                       (d)  $2.34 \times 10^{42}$

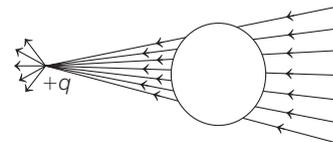
- 4 A point positive charge is brought near an isolated conducting sphere, in figure shown. The electric field is best given by



(ii)



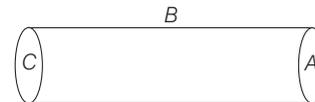
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- (a) Fig. (i)                      (b) Fig. (ii)  
 (c) Fig. (iii)                      (d) Fig. (iv)

- 5 A hollow cylinder has a charge  $q$  coulomb within it. If  $\phi$  is the electric flux in unit of  $\text{V}\cdot\text{m}$  associated with the curved surface  $B$ , the flux linked with the plane surface  $A$  in unit of  $\text{V}\cdot\text{m}$  will be



- (a)  $\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} - \phi \right)$                       (b)  $\frac{q}{2\epsilon_0}$   
 (c)  $\frac{\phi}{3}$                       (d)  $\frac{q}{\epsilon_0} - \phi$

- 6 Two infinitely long parallel conducting plates having surface charge densities  $+\sigma$  and  $-\sigma$  respectively, are separated by a small distance. The medium between the plates is vacuum. If  $\epsilon_0$  is the dielectric permittivity of vacuum, then the electric field in the region between the plates is

- (a) zero                      (b)  $\sigma/2\epsilon_0 \text{Vm}^{-1}$   
 (c)  $\sigma/\epsilon_0 \text{Vm}^{-1}$                       (d)  $2\sigma/\epsilon_0 \text{Vm}^{-1}$

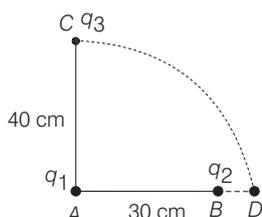
- 7 When  $n$  identical mercury droplets charged to the same potential  $V$  coalesce to form a single bigger drop. The potential of the new drop will be

- (a)  $\frac{V}{n}$                       (b)  $nV$                       (c)  $nV^2$                       (d)  $n^{2/3}V$

8 Charges  $+q$  and  $-q$  are placed at points  $A$  and  $B$  respectively which are a distance  $2L$  apart,  $C$  is the mid-point between  $A$  and  $B$ . The work done in moving a charge  $+Q$  along the semi-circle  $CRD$  is

- (a)  $\frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0 L}$  (b)  $\frac{qQ}{2\pi\epsilon_0 L}$   
 (c)  $\frac{qQ}{6\pi\epsilon_0 L}$  (d)  $-\frac{qQ}{6\pi\epsilon_0 L}$

9 Two charges  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are placed 30 cm apart, as shown in the figure. A third charge  $q_3$  is moved along the arc of a circle of radius 40 cm from  $C$  to  $D$ . The change in the potential energy of the system is  $\frac{q_3}{4\pi\epsilon_0} k$ , where  $k$  is



- (a)  $8q_2$  (b)  $8q_1$   
 (c)  $6q_2$  (d)  $6q_1$

10 The electrostatic potential inside a charged spherical ball is given by  $V = ar^2 + b$ , where  $r$  is the distance from the centre and  $a, b$  are constants. Then, the charge density inside the ball is

- (a)  $-3a\epsilon_0 r$  (b)  $-6a\epsilon_0$   
 (c)  $+3a\epsilon_0 r$  (d) zero

11 Three point charges  $+q, -2q$  and  $+q$  are placed at points  $(x = 0, y = a, z = 0), (x = 0, y = 0, z = 0)$  and  $(x = a, y = 0, z = 0)$ , respectively. The magnitude and direction of the electric dipole moment vector of this charge assembly are

- (a)  $\sqrt{2}aq$  along  $+y$ -direction  
 (b)  $\sqrt{2}aq$  along the line joining points  $(x = 0, y = 0, z = 0)$  and  $(x = a, y = a, z = 0)$   
 (c)  $qa$  along the line joining points  $(x = 0, y = 0, z = 0)$  and  $(x = a, y = a, z = 0)$   
 (d)  $\sqrt{2}aq$  along  $+x$ -direction

12 27 small drops each having charge  $q$  and radius  $r$  coalesce to form big drop. How many times charge and capacitance will become?

- (a) 3, 27 (b) 27, 3  
 (c) 27, 27 (d) 3, 3

13 A parallel plate capacitor of value  $1.77 \mu\text{F}$  is to be designed using a dielectric material (dielectric constant = 200), breakdown strength of  $3 \times 10^6 \text{Vm}^{-1}$ . In order to make such a capacitor which can withstand a potential difference of 20 V across the plates, the separation

between the plates  $d$  and area  $A$  of the plates respectively are

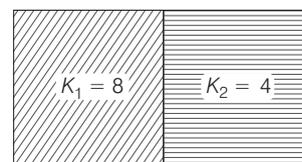
- (a)  $6.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}; 10^3 \text{ m}^2$  (b)  $6.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}; 10^4 \text{ m}^2$   
 (c)  $6.6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}; 10^5 \text{ m}^2$  (d)  $6.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}; 10^2 \text{ m}^2$

14 A parallel plate air capacitor of capacitance  $C$  is connected to a cell of emf  $V$  and then disconnected from it. A dielectric slab of dielectric constant  $K$ , which can just fill the air gap of the capacitor, is now inserted in it. Which of the following statements is incorrect?

→ CBSE AIPMT 2015

- (a) The energy stored in the capacitor decreases  $K$  times.  
 (b) The charge in energy stored is  $\frac{1}{2}CV^2\left(\frac{1}{K} - 1\right)$   
 (c) The charge on the capacitor is not conserved  
 (d) The potential difference between the plates decreases  $K$  times.

15 A capacitor having capacitance  $1 \mu\text{F}$  with air, is filled with two dielectrics as shown in figure. How many times capacitance will increase?



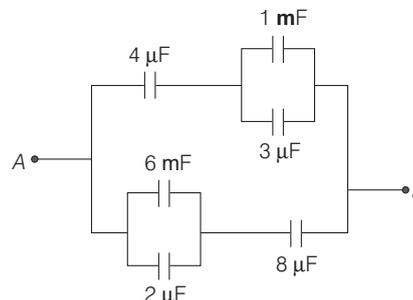
- (a) 12 (b) 6  
 (c)  $8/3$  (d) 3

16 A series combination of  $n_1$  capacitors, each of value  $C_1$ , is charged by a source of potential difference  $4V$ . When another parallel combination of  $n_2$  capacitors, each of value  $C_2$ , is charged by a source of potential difference  $V$ , it has the same (total) energy stored in it, as the first combination has. The value of  $C_2$ , in terms of  $C_1$ , is then

→ CBSE AIPMT 2010

- (a)  $\frac{2C_1}{n_1 n_2}$  (b)  $16 \frac{n_2}{n_1} C_1$  (c)  $2 \frac{n_2}{n_1} C_1$  (d)  $\frac{16C_1}{n_1 n_2}$

17 The equivalent capacitance between  $A$  and  $B$  for the combination of capacitors shown in figure, where all capacitances are in microfarad is



- (a)  $6.0 \mu\text{F}$  (b)  $4.0 \mu\text{F}$  (c)  $2.0 \mu\text{F}$  (d)  $3.0 \mu\text{F}$

18 Charge  $Q$  is divided into two parts which are then kept some distance apart. The force between them will be maximum, if the two parts are having the charge (where  $e =$  electronic charge )

- (a)  $\frac{Q}{2}$  each (b)  $\frac{Q}{4}$  and  $\frac{3Q}{4}$   
 (c)  $\frac{Q}{3}$  and  $\frac{2Q}{3}$  (d)  $e$  and  $(Q - e)$

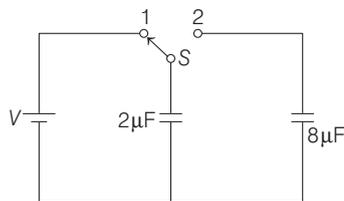
19 A capacitor is charged by a battery. The battery is removed and another identical uncharged capacitor is connected in parallel. The total electrostatic energy of resulting system → NEET 2017

- (a) increases by a factor of 4  
 (b) decreases by a factor of 2  
 (c) remains the same  
 (d) increases by a factor of 2

20 Suppose the charge of a proton and an electron differ slightly. One of them is  $-e$  and the other is  $(e + \Delta e)$ . If the net of electrostatic force and gravitational force between two hydrogen atoms placed at a distance  $d$  (much greater than atomic size) apart is zero, then  $\Delta e$  is of the order (Given mass of hydrogen,  $m_h = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$  kg)

- NEET 2017  
 (a)  $10^{-20}$  C (b)  $10^{-23}$  C (c)  $10^{-37}$  C (d)  $10^{-47}$  C

21 A capacitor of  $2\mu\text{F}$  is charged as shown in the figure. When the switch  $S$  is turned to position 2, the percentage of its stored energy dissipated is → NEET 2016

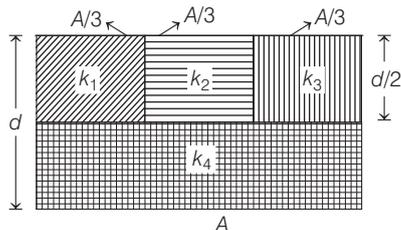


- (a) 20% (b) 75% (c) 80% (d) 0%

22 An electric dipole is placed at an angle of  $30^\circ$  with an electric field intensity  $2 \times 10^5$  N/C. It experiences a torque equal to 4 Nm. The charge on the dipole, if the dipole length is 2 cm, is → NEET 2016

- (a) 8 mC (b) 2 mC (c) 5 mC (d) 7  $\mu\text{C}$

23 A parallel-plate capacitor of area  $A$ , plate separation  $d$  and capacitance  $C$  is filled with four dielectric materials having dielectric constants  $k_1, k_2, k_3$  and  $k_4$  as shown in the figure below. If a single dielectric material is to be used to have the same capacitance  $C$  in this capacitor, then its dielectric constant  $k$  is given by → NEET 2016



- (a)  $k = k_1 + k_2 + k_3 + 3k_4$  (b)  $k = \frac{2}{3}(k_1 + k_2 + k_3) + 2k_4$   
 (c)  $\frac{2}{k} = \frac{3}{k_1 + k_2 + k_3} + \frac{1}{k_4}$  (d) None of these

24 The electric field in a certain region is acting radially outward and is given by  $E = Ar$ . A charge contained in a sphere of radius 'a' centred at the origin of the field' will be given by → CBSE AIPMT 2015

- (a)  $4\pi\epsilon_0 Aa^2$  (b)  $A\epsilon_0 a^2$   
 (c)  $4\pi\epsilon_0 Aa^3$  (d)  $\epsilon_0 Aa^3$

25 If potential (in volts) in a region is expressed as  $V(x, y, z) = 6xy - y + 2yz$ , the electric field (in N/C) at point (1, 1, 0) is → CBSE AIPMT 2015

- (a)  $-(3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$  (b)  $-(6\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$   
 (c)  $-(2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k})$  (d)  $-(6\hat{i} + 9\hat{j} + \hat{k})$

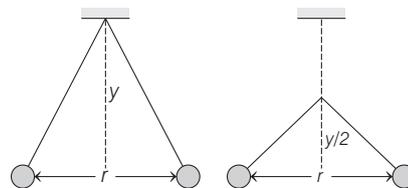
26 A parallel plate air capacitor has capacity  $C$ , distance of separation between plates is  $d$  and potential difference  $V$  is applied between the plates. Force of attraction between the plates of the parallel plate air capacitor is → CBSE AIPMT 2015

- (a)  $\frac{C^2 V^2}{2d}$  (b)  $\frac{CV^2}{2d}$   
 (c)  $\frac{CV^2}{d}$  (d)  $\frac{C^2 V^2}{2d^2}$

27 In a region, the potential is represented by  $V(x, y, z) = 6x - 8xy - 8y + 6yz$ , where  $V$  is in volts and  $x, y, z$  are in metres. The electric force experienced by a charge of 2 C situated at point (1, 1, 1) is → CBSE AIPMT 2014

- (a)  $6\sqrt{5}$  N (b) 30 N  
 (c) 24 N (d)  $4\sqrt{35}$  N

28 Two pith balls carrying equal charges are suspended from a common point by strings of equal length, the equilibrium separation between them is  $r$ . Now, the strings are rigidly clamped at half the height. The equilibrium separation between the balls now becomes → NEET 2013



- (a)  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2$  (b)  $\left(\frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$   
 (c)  $\left(\frac{2r}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  (d)  $\left(\frac{2r}{3}\right)$

29 Two identical charged spheres suspended from a common point by two massless strings of lengths  $l$ , are initially at a distance  $d$  ( $d < l$ ) apart because of their mutual repulsion. The charges begin to leak from both the spheres at a constant rate. As a result, the spheres approach each other with a velocity  $v$ . Then,  $v$  varies as a



# Hints and Explanations

**1** The glass rod acquires positive charge on rubbing. When the rod is brought near the disc of the electroscope, the disc will acquire negative charge and there will be positive charge on the far end, i.e. on the leaves.

**2** Coulomb's law is applicable for charge particles, it is not responsible to bind the protons and neutrons in the nucleus of an atom.

**3** Coulomb's law is given by

$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

Substituting  $q_1 = q_2 = ne$ , we get

$$F = k \frac{(ne)(ne)}{r^2} = k \frac{n^2 e^2}{r^2} \Rightarrow n^2 = \frac{Fr^2}{ke^2}$$

On putting

$$F = 10^{-19} \text{ N}, r = 3 \text{ cm} = 3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m},$$

$$k = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ C}^{-2}, e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C},$$

we get  $n = 625$

**4** Coulomb's force between them,

$$F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 k r^2} = \frac{F_0}{k}$$

**5** Given,  $F = \frac{40}{9}$  or  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} = \frac{40}{9}$

$$\text{or } \frac{9 \times 10^9 \times (q)^2}{(4.5)^2} = \frac{40}{9}$$

[because  $q_1 = q_2 = q$ ]

$$\Rightarrow q^2 = 10^{-8}$$

$$q = 10^{-4} \text{ C} = 100 \mu\text{C}$$

**6** Initially, the force on the sphere is equal due to both negative and positive charges.

$\therefore$  Net force = 0

On displacing the sphere towards the positive charge, force on sphere due to positive charge will be more than due to the negative charge, because it is nearer. So, sphere will move further to the positive charge.

**7** Let distance between two charges is  $x$ .

The force between them,

$$F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q(Q-q)}{x^2}$$

$x$  is constant, so for maximum force  $q(Q-q)$  should be maximum.

$$\frac{d}{dq} [q(Q-q)] = 0$$

$$Q - 2q = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{Q}{q} = 2$$

**8** From Coulomb's law, force of repulsion is

$$F = K \frac{qq}{d^2} \Rightarrow F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qq}{d^2}$$

where,  $q = ne$

$$\therefore F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{n^2 e^2}{d^2} \Rightarrow n = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 F d^2}{e^2}}$$

**9** Electric field by the charges.

$$E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2} = 500 = 9 \times 10^9 \times \frac{q}{(3)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 500 \times 10^{-9} = q$$

$$\text{or } q = 0.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}, q = 0.5 \mu\text{C}$$

**10** Electric field intensity is given by

$$E = \frac{F}{q} = \frac{F}{e} \quad [\text{here, } q = e]$$

$$\Rightarrow F = eE$$

$$\text{or } ma = eE \quad [\text{because, } F = ma]$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{eE}{m}$$

Substituting

$$e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}, E = 9.1 \times 10^6 \text{ NC}^{-1},$$

$$\text{and } m = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg, we get}$$

$$a = 1.6 \times 10^{18} \text{ ms}^{-2}$$

**11** Weight of charged particle

= magnitude of force of electric field

$$\text{i.e. } mg = qE$$

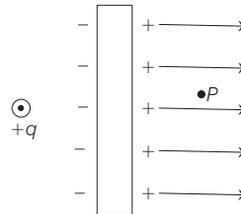
$$\text{Given, } m = 3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kg}$$

$$g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2} \text{ and } E = 6 \times 10^4 \text{ NC}^{-1}$$

Substituting the values, we get

$$q = 5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ C}$$

**12** When a point charge  $+q$  is placed at a distance ( $d$ ) from an isolated conducting plane, some negative charge develop on the surface of the plane towards the charge and an equal positive charge develops on opposite side of the plane. Hence, the field at a point  $P$  on the other side of the plane is directed perpendicular to the plane and away from the plane as shown in figure.



**13** The electric field is maximum at  $B$ , because electric field is directed along decreasing potential. Hence,  $V_B > V_C > V_A$ .

**14** In figure spacing between electric lines of force increases from left to right. Therefore,  $E$  on left is greater than  $E$  on right. Force on  $+q$  charge of dipole is smaller and to the right. Force on  $-q$  charge of dipole is bigger and to the left. Hence, the dipole will experience a net force towards the left.

**15** Force on the charge  $q$  is  $F_2 = qE$  along the direction of  $E$  and force on charge  $-q$  is  $F_1 = -qE$  in the direction opposite to  $E$ .

Since, forces on the dipole are equal and opposite, so net force on the electric dipole is zero.

Now, potential energy of the dipole.

$$U = -pE \cos \theta$$

where,  $\theta$  is the angle between direction of electric field and direction of dipole moment.

$$\therefore \theta = 0^\circ$$

$$\text{Hence, } U = -pE \cos 0^\circ = -pE \quad [\text{minimum}]$$

**16** Potential gradient relates with electric field according to the following relation,

$$E = -\frac{dV}{dr}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{dV}{dr}$$

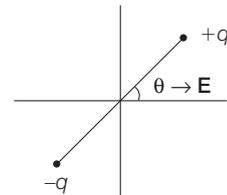
$$\text{As } V = -x^2 y - xz^3 + 4$$

$$\text{So, } \mathbf{E} = -\frac{dV}{dx} \hat{i} - \frac{dV}{dy} \hat{j} - \frac{dV}{dz} \hat{k}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = (2xy + z^3) \hat{i} + x^2 \hat{j} + 3xz^2 \hat{k}$$

**17** At  $r \leq R$ ,  $E \propto r$  and at  $r > R$ ,  $E \propto \frac{1}{r^2}$

**18** Here, torque,  $\tau = pE \sin \theta$



Potential energy of the dipole,

$$U = \int \tau d\theta$$

$$= \int_{\pi/2}^0 pE \sin \theta d\theta = -pE [\cos \theta]_{\pi/2}^0$$

$$= -pE \cos \theta$$

**19** Electric flux ( $\phi$ ) =  $\frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$

$$= \frac{(-14 + 78.85 - 56) \times 10^9}{8.85 \times 10^{-12}}$$

$$= \frac{8.85 \times 10^{-9}}{8.85 \times 10^{-12}} = 10^3 \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ C}^{-1}$$

**20** At any point over the spherical gaussian surface, net electric field is the vector sum of electric field due to  $+q_1$ ,  $-q_1$  and  $q_2$ . Hence, electric field will be due to all the charges.

**21** For a closed surface outward flux is taken as positive and inward flux is taken as negative.

$$\text{Net flux, } \phi = \frac{\text{Total charge enclosed}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \times Q$$

$$\therefore Q = \epsilon_0(\phi_2 - \phi_1)$$

**22** Electric field is perpendicular to area vector. Hence, the total flux,

$$\phi = 0 \quad [\because \phi = E d \cos \theta]$$

**23** The electric flux through any surface is equal to the product of electric field intensity at the surface and component of the surface perpendicular to electric field

$$= E \times \pi R^2 = \pi R^2 E$$

**24** From Gauss' theorem,

$$\phi = \frac{\text{Net charge enclosed by the surface}}{\epsilon_0}$$

The net charge due to a dipole is zero, hence  $\phi = 0$

**25** Total flux ( $\phi_T$ ) =  $\frac{\text{Net enclosed charge}}{\epsilon_0}$

Hence, we can say the electric flux depends only on net enclosed charge by the surface.

**26** Flux of electric field  $E$  through any area  $A$  is defined as  $\phi = E A \cos \theta$ . Now, angle between normal and field lines is  $(90 - \theta)$ . So,  $\phi = EA \cos(90 - \theta)$

$$= EA \sin \theta$$

$$= EL^2 \sin \theta$$

**27** According to Gauss' law, the electric flux through a closed surface is equal to  $\frac{1}{\epsilon_0}$  times the net charge enclosed by the surface.

As the charge enclosed =  $q/8$

$$\text{So, electric flux} = \frac{q_{\text{enclosed}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi = \frac{q}{8\epsilon_0}$$

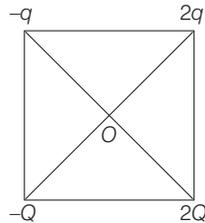
**28** The flux passing through the square of 1m placed in  $xy$  plane inside the electric field is zero. Because surface area is parallel to the electric field.

$$\text{So, } \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 0$$

**29** If potential at centre is zero, then

$$V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + V_4 = 0$$



$$-\frac{kQ}{r} - \frac{kq}{r} + \frac{k2Q}{r} + \frac{k2q}{r} = 0$$

$$-Q - q + 2q + 2Q = 0$$

$$Q = -q$$

**30** Potential at the centre of a hollow metallic sphere

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R}$$

**31** Electric potential,  $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r}$

Here,  $V = 2V_{+ve} + 2V_{-ve}$

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left[ \frac{2q}{L} - \frac{2q}{L\sqrt{5}} \right]$$

$$V = \frac{2q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 L} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right)$$

**32** As  $E = v/d$  and  $mg = qE$ .

So,

$$V = \frac{mgd}{q} = \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-14} \times 9.8 \times 10 \times 10^{-3}}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}}$$

$$V = 10^4 \text{ V}$$

**33** In a conducting sphere charge is present on the surface of the sphere. So, electric field inside will be zero and potential remains constant from centre to surface of sphere and is equal to  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R}$ .

**34** Spherical equipotential surface exists only for point charges.

**35** Electric potential inside a charged sphere is everywhere same as that on the surface.

**36** Net charge on the parallel plate capacitor is  $1\mu\text{C}$

$\Rightarrow$  Charge on each plate of the capacitor,  $q = 0.5\mu\text{C}$

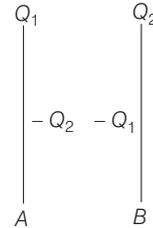
Now, force is given by  $F = qE$

Substituting  $q = 0.5\mu\text{C} = 0.5 \times 10^{-6}\text{C}$  and

$E = 10^5 \text{Vm}^{-1}$ , we get  $F = 0.05 \text{ N}$

**37** If a battery is disconnected from the capacitor and then a dielectric substance between the two plates of condenser, so capacity, potential and potential energy are increased at saturated point and then it will decrease.

**38** Let plate  $A$  and plate  $B$  be carrying charge  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , respectively.



When they are brought closer, they induce equal and opposite charge on each other, i.e.  $-Q_2$  on plate  $A$  and  $-Q_1$  on plate  $B$ .

Therefore, net charge on plate  $A = Q_1 - Q_2$  and net charge on plate  $B = -(Q_1 - Q_2)$ . So, the charge on capacitor is given as

$$Q_1 - Q_2$$

Potential difference between the plates is  $V = \frac{Q_1 - Q_2}{C}$

**39** Charge on capacitor plates is given by

$$q = CV$$

Substituting  $C = 0.2\mu\text{F}$  and  $V = 600 \text{ V}$ , we get  $q = 120\mu\text{C}$  ... (i)

When  $0.2\mu\text{F}$  capacitor is joined to  $1.0\mu\text{F}$  capacitor in parallel combination, then equivalent capacitance.

Now, voltage across the capacitor is

$$\text{given by } V' = \frac{q}{C'} = \frac{120\mu\text{C}}{1.2\mu\text{F}} = 100 \text{ V}$$

**40** The combination shows two capacitors connected in series. Resultant capacitance is

$$\frac{1}{C'} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}$$

$$C = \frac{K\epsilon_0 A}{d}, \text{ where } A \text{ is area, } d \text{ is the}$$

distance between the plates and  $K$  is dielectric constant ( $= 1$ ). Therefore,

$$C_1 = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d/2}, C_2 = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d/2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{C'} = \frac{d/2}{\epsilon_0 A} + \frac{d/2}{\epsilon_0 A} \Rightarrow C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} = C$$

Hence, on inserting aluminium sheet the capacitance remains the same.

**41** Here,  $q = 8 \times 10^{-18} \text{ C}$ ,

$$C = 100 \mu\text{F} = 10^{-4} \text{ F}$$

$$V = \frac{q}{C} = \frac{8 \times 10^{-18}}{10^{-4}} = 8 \times 10^{-14} \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Work done} = \frac{1}{2} qV$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 10^{-18} \times 8 \times 10^{-14}$$

$$= 32 \times 10^{-32} \text{ J}$$

**42** Minimum number of condensers in each row =  $\frac{3000}{500} = 6$

If  $C_s$  is capacity of 6 condensers in a row,

$$\frac{1}{C_s} = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} = 6$$

$$C_s = \frac{1}{6} \mu\text{F}$$

Let there be  $m$  such rows in parallel,

Total capacity =  $m \times C_s$

$$2 = m \times \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\therefore m = 12$$

Total number of capacitors =  $6 \times 12 = 72$

**43** When plates of the capacitor are charged, then opposite charges are induced on water, so due to attractive force water level will rise.

**44** The energy stored in the condenser

$$U = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 \Rightarrow U = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \right) (Ed)^2$$

$$\left[ \because C = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \text{ and } V = Ed \right]$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 Ad$$

**45** Common potential is given by

$$V = \frac{C_1 V_1 - C_2 V_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

Substituting

$C_1 = 3 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_2 = 6 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $V_1 = V_2 = 12 \text{ V}$ ,  
we get, potential difference,  $V = 4 \text{ V}$

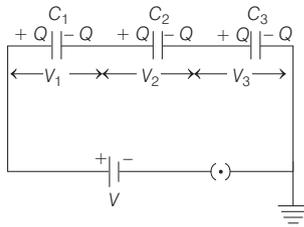
**46** In series arrangement charge on each plate of all the capacitors have same magnitude. The potential difference is distributed inversely in the ratio of capacitors,

$$\text{i.e. } V = V_1 + V_2 + V_3$$

$$[\because V_1 = V_2 = V_3 = V]$$

Here,  $V = 3 \text{ V}$

The equivalent capacitance  $C_s$  is given by

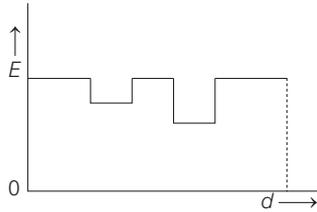


$$\frac{1}{C_s} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}$$

$$[\because C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C]$$

$$C_s = \frac{C}{3}$$

**47** Graph (c) will be the right graph, the electric field inside the dielectrics will be less than the electric field outside the dielectrics. The electric field inside the dielectrics could not be zero.



As  $K_2 > K_1$ , the drop in electric field for  $K_2$  dielectric must be more than  $K_1$ .

**48** Heat produced in wire

= Energy stored in capacitor

$$= \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times (2 \times 10^{-6}) (200)^2$$

$$= 4 \times 10^{-2} \text{ J}$$

**49** Both  $10 \mu\text{F}$  capacitances are in series.

Hence, equivalent capacitance can be calculated as, i.e.

$$\frac{1}{C_1} = \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow C_1 = 5 \mu\text{F}$$

Now,  $C_1 = 5 \mu\text{F}$  and  $C_2 = 5 \mu\text{F}$ , both are in parallel.

Hence, equivalent capacitance,

$$C = C_1 + C_2 = 5 + 5 = 10 \mu\text{F}$$

**50** The two condensers in the circuit are in parallel order, hence

$$C' = C + \frac{C}{2} = \frac{3C}{2}$$

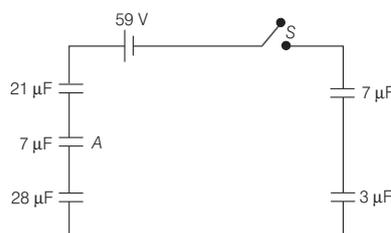
The work done in charging the equivalent capacitor is stored in the form of potential energy.

Hence,  $W = U = \frac{1}{2} C' V^2$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3C}{2} \right) V^2 = \frac{3}{4} CV^2$$

**51** If the outer sphere is earthed, then inside of outer sphere and outside of inner sphere constitute a spherical capacitor. So, the capacitance of the system is  $C = 4\pi\epsilon_0 \frac{ab}{b-a}$ .

**52** The equivalent circuit is



If  $q$  be the charge on each capacitor, then  $\frac{q}{21} + \frac{q}{7} + \frac{q}{28} + \frac{q}{3} + \frac{q}{7} = 59$

or  $q = 84 \mu\text{C}$

$\therefore$  Potential difference across A

$$= \frac{q}{7} = \frac{84}{7} = 12 \text{ V}$$

**53** Stored energy,  $W = \frac{Q^2}{2C}$

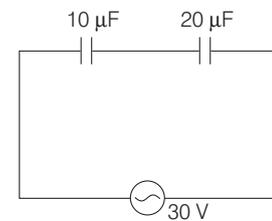
$$W_1 = \frac{(2Q)^2}{2C} = \frac{4Q^2}{2C} = 4W$$

**54** The equivalent capacitance, for capacitors in series is

$$\frac{1}{C_s} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{20}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_s = \frac{20}{3} \mu\text{F}$$



Also,  $q = CV = \frac{20}{3} \times 30 = 200 \mu\text{C}$

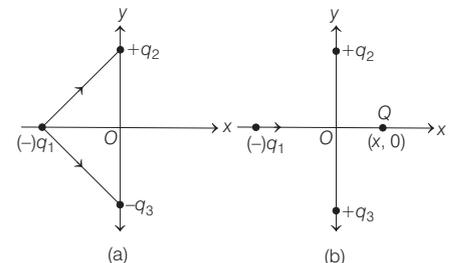
This charge on the two capacitors in series is same.

Hence,  $q' = 200 \mu\text{C}$ ,  $q'' = 200 \mu\text{C}$

## SESSION 2

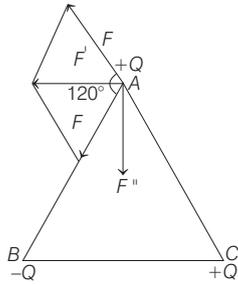
**1** As  $q_2, q_3$  are positive charges and net force on  $q_1$  is along  $+x$ -direction, therefore  $q_1$  must be negative as shown in figure.

When a positive charge  $Q$  is added at  $(x, 0)$ , it will attract  $(-q_1)$  along  $+x$  direction, in figure. Therefore, force on  $q_1$  will increase along the positive  $x$ -axis.



**2** Resultant force,

$$F' = \sqrt{F^2 + F^2 + 2FF \cos 120^\circ} = F$$



Now, from figure

$$F = \sqrt{F'^2 + F''^2 + 2F'F''\cos 90^\circ}$$

Now, the force normal to BC at vertex A is

$$F'' = \sqrt{F^2 - F'^2} = 0 \quad [\because F' = F]$$

- 3** Electrostatic force between electron and proton is given by

$$F_e = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}$$

Substituting  $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2\text{C}^{-2}$

$q_1 = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}\text{C}$ ,  $q_2 = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}\text{C}$ ,

$r = 5 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$ , we get

$$F_e = 9.22 \times 10^{-8} \text{ N}$$

Now, gravitational force between electron and proton is given by

$$F_g = G \frac{M_1 M_2}{r^2}$$

Substituting  $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ ,

$$M_1 = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg},$$

$$M_2 = 1.61 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg and}$$

$$r = 5 \times 10^{-11}, \text{ we get}$$

$$F_g = 3.9 \times 10^{-47} \text{ N}$$

So, the ratio of electrostatic and gravitational forces is given by

$$\frac{F_e}{F_g} = \frac{9.22 \times 10^{-8}}{3.9 \times 10^{-47}} = 2.36 \times 10^{39}$$

- 4** When a point positive charge is brought near an isolated conducting sphere, there develops some negative charge on left side of the sphere and an equal positive charge on the right side of the sphere. Electric lines of force emitting from the point positive charge and normally on the left side of the sphere, the electric lines of force emanate normally from the right side. The electric field is best given by Fig (i).

- 5** Gauss' law states that the net electric flux through any closed surface is equal to the net charge inside the surface divided by  $\epsilon_0$ .

$$\text{i.e.} \quad \phi_{\text{total}} = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

Let electric flux linked with surfaces A, B and C are  $\phi_A$ ,  $\phi_B$  and  $\phi_C$ , respectively.

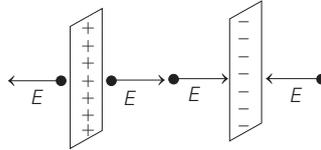
$$\text{i.e.} \quad \phi_{\text{total}} = \phi_A + \phi_B + \phi_C \quad [\because \phi_C = \phi_A]$$

$$\therefore 2\phi_A + \phi_B = \phi_{\text{total}} = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \phi_A = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} - \phi_B \right) \quad [\because \phi_B = \phi]$$

$$\text{Hence,} \quad \phi_A = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} - \phi \right)$$

- 6** Given that conducting plates have surface charge densities  $+\sigma$  and  $-\sigma$ , respectively. Since, the sheet is large, the electric field  $E$  at energy point near the sheet will be perpendicular to the sheet.



The resultant electric field is given by

$$E' = E + E = 2E$$

If  $\sigma$  is surface charge density, then

$$\text{electric field } E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$

$$\therefore E' = 2E = \frac{2\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \text{ Vm}^{-1}$$

- 7** Volume of  $n$  mercury droplets

= Volume of bigger drop

$$\Rightarrow n \times \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 = \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \Rightarrow nr^3 = R^3$$

$$\Rightarrow R = n^{1/3} r \quad \dots(\text{i})$$

Now, charge on bigger drop =  $n$

(Charge on each mercury drop)

$$\Rightarrow q' = nq \quad \dots(\text{ii})$$

Therefore, potential of bigger drop becomes,

$$V' = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q'}{R}$$

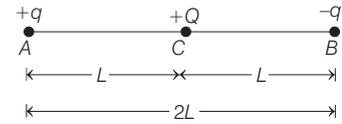
Using Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{nq}{n^{1/3} r}$$

$$\Rightarrow V' = n^{2/3} \left( \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r} \right) = n^{2/3} V$$

$$\left[ \text{here, } V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r} \right]$$

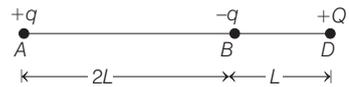
- 8** In first case, when charge  $+Q$  is situated at C.



Electric potential energy of system

$$U_1 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(q)(-q)}{2L} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(-q)Q}{L} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qQ}{L}$$

In second case, when charge  $+Q$  is moved from C to D



Electric potential energy of system in that case

$$U_2 = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(q)(-q)}{2L} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qQ}{3L} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(-q)(Q)}{L}$$

$$\therefore \text{Work done} = \Delta U = U_2 - U_1$$

$$= \left( -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2}{2L} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qQ}{3L} - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qQ}{L} \right) - \left( -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2}{2L} - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qQ}{L} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{qQ}{L} \right) = \frac{qQ}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{3L} - \frac{1}{L} \right) = -\frac{qQ}{6\pi\epsilon_0 L}$$

- 9** When charge  $q_3$  is at C, then its potential energy is

$$U_C = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{q_1 q_3}{0.4} + \frac{q_2 q_3}{0.5} \right)$$

When charge  $q_3$  is at D, then

$$U_D = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{q_1 q_3}{0.4} + \frac{q_2 q_3}{0.1} \right)$$

Hence, change in potential energy

$$\Delta U = U_D - U_C = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{q_1 q_3}{0.1} + \frac{q_2 q_3}{0.5} \right)$$

$$\text{But } \Delta U = \frac{q_3}{4\pi\epsilon_0} k$$

$$\therefore \frac{q_3}{4\pi\epsilon_0} k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{q_2 q_3}{0.1} - \frac{q_2 q_3}{0.5} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow k = q_2 (10 - 2) = 8q_2$$

$$\mathbf{10} \quad E = -\frac{dV}{dr} = -2ar$$

From Gauss' theorem,

$$E (4\pi r^2) = q / \epsilon_0 \Rightarrow q = -8\pi\epsilon_0 ar^3$$

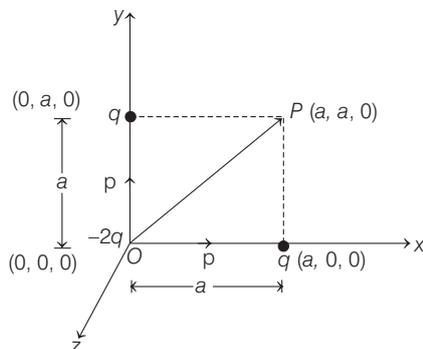
$$\rho = \frac{dq}{dv} = \frac{dq}{dr} \times \frac{dr}{dv}$$

$$= (-24\pi\epsilon_0 ar^2) \times \frac{1}{4\pi r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho = -6\epsilon_0 a$$

- 11** Choose the three coordinate axes as  $x, y$  and  $z$  and plot the charges with the given coordinates as shown in figure.

$O$  is the origin at which  $-2q$  charge is placed. The system is equivalent to two dipoles along  $x$  and  $y$ -directions, respectively. The dipole moments of two dipoles are shown in figure.



The resultant dipole moment will be directed along  $OP$ , where  $P \equiv (a, a, 0)$ . The magnitude of resultant dipole moment is

$$P' = \sqrt{p^2 + p^2} \\ = \sqrt{(qa)^2 + (qa)^2} = \sqrt{2}qa$$

- 12** Let  $R$  and  $r$  be the radii of bigger and each smaller drop, respectively. In coalescence into a single drop, charge remains conserved. Hence, charge on bigger drop
- $$= 27 \times \text{charge on smaller drop}$$

i.e.  $q' = 27q$

Now, before and after coalescing, volume remains same.

i.e.  $\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3 = 27 \times \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

$\therefore R = 3r$

Hence, capacitance of bigger drop

$$C' = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R = 4\pi\epsilon_0(3r) \\ = 3(4\pi\epsilon_0 r) = 3C$$

- 13** We know, the electric field is given by

$$E = \frac{V}{d} \text{ or } E_{\max} = \frac{V}{d_{\min}}$$

where,  $E_{\max}$  = dielectric strength  
Substituting  $V = 20V$

and  $E_{\max} = 3 \times 10^6 V,$

we get  $d_{\min} = 6.6 \times 10^{-6} m$

We know that capacitance is given by

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

$$A = \frac{Cd}{K\epsilon_0}$$

Substituting,

$$C = 1.77 \mu F = 1.77 \times 10^{-6} C,$$

$$d = 6.6 \times 10^{-6}, K = 200$$

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12}, \text{ we get } A = 10^3 m^2$$

- 14** When a parallel plate air capacitor connected to a cell of emf  $V$ , then charge stored will be

$$q = CV \Rightarrow V = \frac{q}{C}$$

Also, energy stored is  $U = \frac{1}{2}CV^2 = \frac{q^2}{2C}$

As the battery is disconnected from the capacitor the charge will not be destroyed, i.e.  $q' = q$  with the introduction of dielectric in the gap of capacitor the new capacitance will be

$$C' = CK \Rightarrow V' = \frac{q}{C'} = \frac{q}{CK}$$

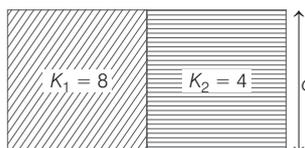
The new energy stored will be

$$U' = \frac{q'^2}{2CK} \Rightarrow \Delta U = U' - U \\ = \frac{q^2}{2C} \left( \frac{1}{K} - 1 \right) = \frac{1}{2}CV^2 \left( \frac{1}{K} - 1 \right)$$

Hence, option (c) is incorrect.

- 15** As shown in figure below, the two capacitors are connected in parallel. Initially, the capacitance of capacitor

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



After filling with dielectrics, we have two capacitors of capacitance.

$$C_1 = \frac{K_1 \epsilon_0 (A/2)}{d} = \frac{8 \epsilon_0 A}{2d} = \frac{4 \epsilon_0 A}{d} = 4C$$

and  $C_2 = \frac{K_2 \epsilon_0 (A/2)}{d} \\ = \frac{4 \epsilon_0 A}{2d} = \frac{2 \epsilon_0 A}{d} = 2C$

Hence, their equivalent capacitance,

$$C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 = 4C + 2C = 6C$$

i.e. new capacitance will be six times of the original.

- 16 Case I** When the capacitors are joined in series

$$U_{\text{Series}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_1}{n_1} (4V)^2$$

**Case II** When the capacitors are joined in parallel

$$U_{\text{Parallel}} = \frac{1}{2} (n_2 C_2) V^2$$

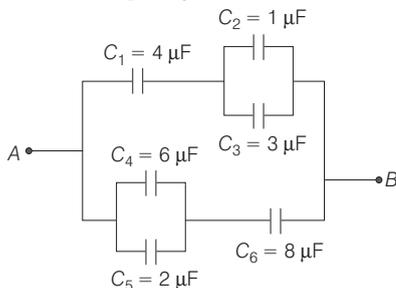
Given,  $U_{\text{Series}} = U_{\text{Parallel}}$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_1}{n_1} (4V)^2 = \frac{1}{2} (n_2 C_2) V^2$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{16C_1}{n_2 n_1}$$

- 17** In given figure,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  are in parallel.

$$\therefore C' = C_2 + C_3 = 4 \mu F$$



As  $C'$  and  $C_1$  are in series,

$$\frac{1}{C''} = \frac{1}{C'} + \frac{1}{C_1} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow C'' = 2 \mu F$$

Similarly,  $C_4$  and  $C_5$  are in parallel

$$C''' = 6 + 2 = 8 \mu F$$

$C'''$  and  $C_6$  are in series

$$\frac{1}{C''''} = \frac{1}{C'''} + \frac{1}{C_6} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow C'''' = 4 \mu F$$

Now,  $C''''$  and  $C''$  are in parallel

$$\therefore C = 4 \mu F + 2 \mu F = 6 \mu F$$

- 18.** On differentiating force between two charges  $q$  and  $\theta - q$  is

$$F = k \frac{q(\theta - q)}{r^2} \text{ w.r.t. } q, \text{ we get}$$

$$\frac{dF}{dq} = \frac{d}{dq} \left[ \frac{Kq}{r^2} (Q - q) \right]$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dF}{dq} = \frac{K}{r^2} \frac{d}{dq} [Qq - q^2]$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dF}{dq} = \frac{K}{r^2} [Q - 2q] \quad \dots(i)$$

But we know that, when force is maximum, then  $\frac{dF}{dq} = 0$

Then, from Eq. (i), we have

$$\frac{K}{r^2} [Q - 2q] = 0$$

$$\text{or } Q - 2q = 0$$

$$\text{or } Q = 2q$$

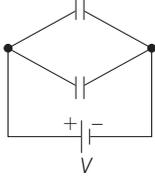
$$\text{or } q = \frac{Q}{2}$$

$$\text{So, the other part} = Q - \frac{Q}{2} = \frac{Q}{2}$$

Hence, the each part have the same charge  $\frac{Q}{2}$ .

19 Energy stored in a system of capacitors

$$= \Sigma \frac{1}{2} CV^2$$



Also, potential drop remains same in parallel across both capacitors. Initially stored energy,

$$U_1 = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$$

Finally, potential drop across each capacitor will be still  $V$ . So, finally stored energy,

$$U_2 = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 + \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} (2C) V^2$$

$$= 2 \left( \frac{1}{2} CV^2 \right) = 2U_1$$

20 Net charge on one H-atom

$$q = -e + e + \Delta e = \Delta e$$

Net electrostatic repulsive force between two H-atoms

$$F_r = \frac{Kq^2}{d^2} = \frac{K(\Delta e)^2}{d^2}$$

Similarly, net gravitational attractive force between two H-atoms,  $F_G = \frac{Gm_r^2}{d^2}$

It is given that,

$$F_r - F_G = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{K(\Delta e)^2}{d^2} - \frac{Gm_r^2}{d^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\Delta e)^2 = \frac{Gm_r^2}{K}$$

$$(\Delta e)^2 = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11}) (1.67 \times 10^{-27})^2}{9 \times 10^9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta e = 1.437 \times 10^{-37} \text{ C}$$

21 When the switch  $S$  is connected to point 1, then initial energy stored in the capacitor can be given as  $= \frac{1}{2} (2\mu\text{F}) \times V^2$ .

When the switch  $S$  is connected to point 2, energy dissipated on connection across  $8\mu\text{F}$  will be

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} \right) \cdot V^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2\mu\text{F} \times 8\mu\text{F}}{10\mu\text{F}} \times V^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times (1.6\mu\text{F}) \times V^2$$

Therefore, % loss of energy

$$= \frac{1.6}{2} \times 100 = 80\%$$

22  $\therefore$  Torque on an electric dipole in an electric field,

$$\tau = \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{E} \Rightarrow |\tau| = pE \sin \theta$$

where,  $\theta$  is angle between  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{p}$

$$\Rightarrow 4 = p \times 2 \times 10^5 \times \sin 30$$

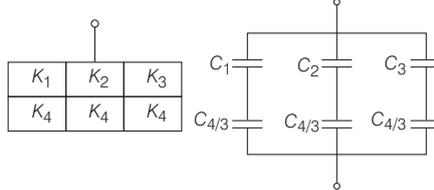
$$\Rightarrow p = 4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore q2l = 4 \times 10^{-5} \quad [\because p = q2l]$$

where,  $2l = 2 \text{ cm} = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$

$$\therefore q = \frac{4 \times 10^{-5}}{2 \times 10^{-2}} \Rightarrow 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ C} = 2 \text{ mC}$$

23 Given capacitor is equivalent to capacitors  $K_1, K_2$  and  $K_3$  in parallel and part of  $K_4$  in series with them



$$\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{3}{C_4} = \frac{3d}{2K_1\epsilon_0 A} + \frac{3d}{2K_4\epsilon_0 A}$$

$$= \frac{3d}{2\epsilon_0 A} \left[ \frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_4} \right]$$

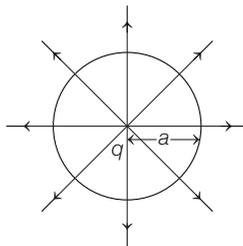
$$\Rightarrow C_{\text{eq}} = \frac{K\epsilon_0 A}{d}$$

$$= \frac{2\epsilon_0 A}{3d} \left[ \frac{K_1 K_4}{K_1 + K_4} + \frac{K_2 K_4}{K_2 + K_4} + \frac{K_3 K_4}{K_3 + K_4} \right]$$

$$K = \frac{2}{3} \left[ \frac{K_1 K_4}{K_1 + K_4} + \frac{K_2 K_4}{K_2 + K_4} + \frac{K_3 K_4}{K_3 + K_4} \right]$$

So, none of these option is correct.

24 Given,  $E = Ar$  ... (i)



$$\text{Here, } r = a \Rightarrow E = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q}{a^2}$$

From Eq. (i), we get

$$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{q}{a^2} = Aa \Rightarrow q = 4\pi\epsilon_0 Aa^3$$

25 Given, potential in a region,

$$V = 6xy - y + 2yz$$

Electric field in a region,

$$E = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \hat{i} - \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \hat{j} - \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \hat{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow E = -6y\hat{i} - (6x - 1)\hat{j} - 2y\hat{k}$$

At,  $(1, 1, 0)$ , electric field can be expressed,

$$E = -(6 \times 1)\hat{i} - (6 \times 1 - 1)\hat{j} - 2 \times 1 \cdot \hat{k}$$

$$= -(6\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \text{ N/C}$$

26 Force between plates of parallel capacitor,

$$F = qE = q \left[ \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \right]$$

$\therefore$  Surface charge density  $\sigma = \frac{q}{A}$

$$\therefore F = q \left[ \frac{q}{2A\epsilon_0} \right] \Rightarrow F = \frac{q^2}{2A\epsilon_0}$$

So, net charge across a capacitor,  $q = CV$

$$F = \frac{C^2 V^2}{2A\epsilon_0} \quad \left[ C = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow F = \frac{\left( \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \right) \times CV^2}{2A\epsilon_0} = \frac{CV^2}{2d}$$

27 As we know that relation between potential difference and electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  in a particular region is given by,

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{dV}{dr}$$

As  $V = 6x - 8xy - 8y + 6yz$

$$\text{So, } \mathbf{E} = -\frac{dV}{dr}$$

$$= -[(6 - 8y)\hat{i} + (-8x - 8 + 6z)\hat{j} + 6y\hat{k}]$$

The value of  $\mathbf{E}$  at coordinate  $(1, 1, 1)$

$$\mathbf{E} = -[-2\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}]$$

So,  $E_{\text{net}} = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-10)^2 + 6^2}$

$$= 2\sqrt{35} \text{ N/C}$$

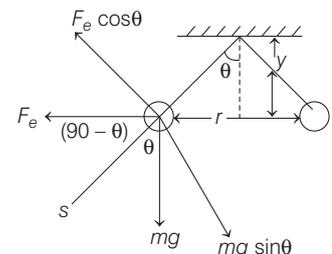
and force on charge  $q$  due to  $E_{\text{net}}$  is given by

$$F = qE_{\text{net}} = 2 \times 2\sqrt{35} = 4\sqrt{35} \text{ N}$$

28 Case I  $F_e \cos \theta = mg \sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{F_e}{mg} = \tan \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow mg = \frac{F_e}{\tan \theta} \quad \dots (i)$$



Case II  $F_e' \cos \theta_1 = mg \sin \theta_1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{F_e'}{mg} = \tan \theta_1$$

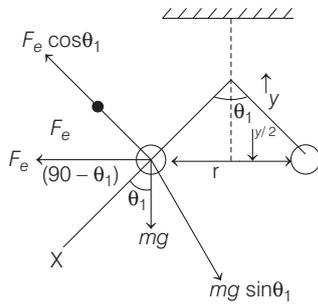
$$\Rightarrow mg = \frac{F_e'}{\tan \theta_1} \quad \dots (ii)$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{F_e}{\tan \theta} = \frac{F_e'}{\tan \theta_1} \Rightarrow \frac{F_e}{F_e'} = \frac{\tan \theta}{\tan \theta_1}$$

As,  $\tan\theta = \frac{P(\text{perpendicular})}{b(\text{base})} = \frac{r}{2y}$

$\tan\theta_1 = P/b = \frac{r}{2 \times y} \times 2 = \frac{r}{y}$



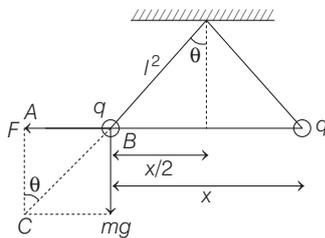
$\frac{F_e}{F_e'} = \frac{r}{2y \times r} \times y \Rightarrow F_e' = 2F_e$

So,  $\frac{kq^2}{r'^2} = \frac{2kq^2}{r^2}$

$\frac{1}{r'} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{r}$

$\therefore r' = \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}$

**29** According to question, two identical charged spheres suspended from a common point by two massless strings of length  $L$ .



$\therefore$  In  $\Delta ABC$

$\tan\theta = \frac{F}{mg}$  or  $\frac{F}{mg} = \tan\theta$  ... (i)

Since, the charges begins to leak from both the spheres at a constant rate. As a result, the spheres approach each other with velocity  $v$ .

Therefore, Eq. (i) can be rewritten as

$\frac{Kq^2}{x^2 mg} = \frac{x/2}{\sqrt{l^2 - \frac{x^2}{4}}}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{Kq^2}{x^2 mg} = \frac{x}{2l}$  or  $q^2 \propto x^3 \Rightarrow q \propto x^{3/2}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dq}{dt} \propto \frac{d(x^{3/2})}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dq}{dt} \propto x^{1/2} \cdot v$

$\Rightarrow v \propto \frac{1}{x^{1/2}}$  or  $v \propto x^{-1/2}$

**30** Force on a charged particle in the presence of an electric field is given as

$F = qE$  ... (i)

where,  $q$  is the charge on the charged particle and  $E$  is the electric field.

From Newton's second law of motion, force on a particle with mass  $m$  is given as

$F = ma$  ... (ii)

where,  $a$  is the acceleration.

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$F = ma = qE \Rightarrow a = \frac{qE}{m}$  ... (iii)

Now, consider that a particle falls from rest through a vertical distance  $h$ .

Therefore,  $u = 0$  and the second equation of motion becomes

$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$

or  $h = 0 \times t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$

$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{qE}{m} t^2$  [from Eq. (iii)]

$\Rightarrow t^2 = \frac{2hm}{qE}$  or  $t = \sqrt{\frac{2hm}{qE}}$

Since, the particles given in the question is electron and proton; and the quantity  $\sqrt{\frac{2h}{qE}}$  (here,  $q_p = q_e = e$ ) for both of them is constant. Thus, we can write

$t = k\sqrt{m}$

where,  $k = \sqrt{\frac{2h}{qE}}$

or  $t \propto \sqrt{m}$

As, mass of proton ( $m_p$ )  $\gg$  mass of electron ( $m_e$ ).

Thus, the time of fall of an electrons would be smaller than the time of fall of a protons.

**31** As we know that, the total work done in transferring a charge to a parallel plate capacitor is given as

$W = \frac{Q^2}{2C}$  ... (i)

where,  $C$  is the capacitance of the capacitor.

We can also write a relation for work done as,

$W = F \cdot d$  ... (ii)

where,  $F$  is the electrostatic force between the plates of capacitor and  $d$  is the distance between the plates.

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$W = \frac{Q^2}{2C} = Fd \Rightarrow F = \frac{Q^2}{2Cd}$  ... (iii)

As, the capacitance of a parallel plate is given as

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

Substituting the value of  $C$  in Eq. (iii), we get

$F = \frac{Q^2 d}{2\epsilon_0 A d} = \frac{Q^2}{2\epsilon_0 A}$

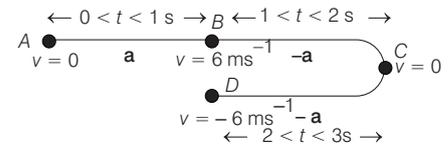
This means, electrostatic force is independent of the distance between the plates.

**32** According to the question,

For the time duration  $0 < t < 1$ s, the velocity increase from 0 to  $6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

As the direction of field has been reversed for  $1 < t < 2$ s, the velocity firstly decreases from  $6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  to 0.

Then, for  $2 < t < 3$ s; as the field strength is same; the magnitude of acceleration would be same, but velocity increases from 0 to  $-6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .



Acceleration of the car

$|a| = \left| \frac{v - u}{t} \right| = \frac{6 - 0}{1} = 6 \text{ ms}^{-2}$

The displacement of the particle is given as

$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$

**For  $t = 0$  to  $t = 1$  s**

$u = 0, a = +6 \text{ m/s}^2$

$\Rightarrow s_1 = 0 + \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times (1)^2 = 3 \text{ m}$

**For  $t = 1$  s to  $t = 2$  s**

$u = 6 \text{ ms}^{-1}, a = -6 \text{ ms}^{-2}$

$\Rightarrow s_2 = 6 \times 1 - \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times (1)^2$   
 $= 6 - 3 = 3 \text{ m}$

**For  $t = 2$  s to  $t = 3$  s**

$u = 0, a = -6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

$\Rightarrow s_3 = 0 - \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times (1)^2 = -3 \text{ m}$

$\therefore$  Net displacement,  $s = s_1 + s_2 + s_3$   
 $= 3 \text{ m} + 3 \text{ m} - 3 \text{ m} = 3 \text{ m}$

Hence, average velocity

$= \frac{\text{Net displacement}}{\text{Total time}} = \frac{3}{3} = 1 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

Total distance travelled,  $d = 9 \text{ m}$

Hence, average speed

$= \frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total time}} = \frac{9}{3} = 3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$