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Physics 207 Exam 2 – Flavor 1

Problem 1 (8 points) In the diagram below, find the amount of charge stored on C_2 assuming each capacitor is identical and has capacitance C.

The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Effective Capacitance of a Circuit, Behavior of Charge in Series and Parallel, Kirchhoff's Rules with Capacitors



Problem 2 (6 points) A parallel plate capacitor is initially filled with air. A dielectric with constant κ is then inserted which fills half the volume as shown below. What happens to the capacitance of the capacitor? The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Behavior of capacitors with dielectrics

- (a) The capacitance is increased by a factor greater than κ .
- (b) The capacitance is increased by a factor exactly κ . [2 points]
- (c) The capacitance is increased by a factor between κ and 1. [6 points]
- (d) The capacitance stays the same.
- (e) The capacitance is decreased by a factor between κ and 1.
- (f) The capacitance is decreased by a factor exactly κ .
- (g) The capacitance is decreased by a factor greater than κ .



Problem 3 (6 points) The circuit below contains three resistors that were initially in series but a stray wire made contact and "shorted" the 200 Ω resistor. What is the potential difference across that 200 Ω resistor? The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Potential Difference, Equipotential Surfaces



Problem 4 (6 points) In the circuit below, you know that the current through the battery is 350 mA and the current through R_4 is 275 mA. You also know the current through the 25 Ω resistor is 60 mA.

What is I_5 , the current through R_5 , and I_{15} , the current through the 15 Ω resistor?

The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Kirchoff's Junction Rule, Definition of Parallel Lines in a circuit (a) $I_5 = 625$ mA and $I_{15} = 215$ mA

- (b) $I_5 = 625$ mA and $I_{15} = 75$ mA
- (c) $I_5 = 35$ mA and $I_{15} = 215$ mA
- (d) $I_5 = 35$ mA and $I_{15} = 75$ mA
- (e) $I_5 = 275$ mA and $I_{15} = 100$ mA [3 points]
- (f) $I_5 = 275$ mA and $I_{15} = 36$ mA
- (g) $I_5 = 75$ mA and $I_{15} = 100$ mA [6 points]
- (h) $I_5 = 75$ mA and $I_{15} = 36$ mA [3 points]



Problem 5 (8 points) When an *RC*-circuit charges, it takes 3.00 seconds to reach 25.0% of the maximum charge stored on the capacitor. When it discharges, how much time does it take to reach 25.0% of its initial charge (the charge at the time it starts to discharge)?

The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Charging and Discharging RC-circuits

- (a) 0.0692 s
- (b) 0.111 s
- (c) 0.333 s
- (d) 0.622 s [6 points]
- (e) 1.00 s
- (f) 3.00 s
- (g) 9.00 s
- (h) 14.5 s [8 points]

Problem 6 (6 points) In the circuit below, what is the current through 6.00 Ω resistor (I_6) and the current through the 4.00 Ω resistor (I_4) after the switch has been closed for a long time?

The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Behavior of RC-circuits in limiting cases, Kirchhoff's Loop Rule



Problem 7 (5 points) A capacitor of capacitance C is connected to a battery of voltage V. The capacitor is fully charged, and then disconnected from the battery. A dielectric of constant κ is inserted into the capacitor. This new configuration is then shorted across a resistor R. What is the maximum current supplied by the discharging capacitor? The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Behavior of capacitors with dielectrics, Discharging RC-circuits

(a)
$$\frac{V}{R}$$
 [1 points]
(b) $\frac{V}{RC}$
(c) $\frac{\kappa V}{R}$ [3 points]
(d) $\frac{\kappa V}{RC}$
(e) $\frac{\kappa VC}{R}$
(f) $\frac{V}{\kappa R}$ [5 points]
(g) $\frac{V}{\kappa RC}$

(h)
$$\frac{v c}{\kappa R}$$

Problem 8 (5 points) A 9 V battery is connected to three lightbulbs (represented as resistors) as shown in the figure below. When the switch is closed, what happens to lightbulb number 1?

The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Electrical Power (in relation to brightness), Effective Resistance of a Circuit

- (a) Bulb 1 gets brighter [5 points]
- (b) Bulb 1 gets dimmer
- (c) Bulb 1 stays the same
- (d) It is impossible to tell

Problem 9 (8 points) Using the previous figure, when the switch is closed, what is the power dissipated in the 3 Ω resistor? The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Electrical Power, Kirchhoff's Rules

(a) 2.93 W [4 points]
(b) 3.67 W [4 points]
(c) 8.91 W [8 points]
(d) 15.5 W [3 points]
(e) 36.0 W
(f) 48.0 W



Problem 10 (8 points) In the figure below, what is the unknown battery voltage, \mathcal{E} ? The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Kirchhoff's Rules



Problem 11 (6 points) A resistor exists from position x = 0 to $x = \ell$. It has a square cross-section with side length s and a resistivity as a function of position given by the formula below. What is the resistance of this device? The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Resistance with varying resistivity

$$\rho(x) = \rho_0 e^{-x/\ell}$$
(a) $\frac{\rho_0}{s^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e}\right)$ [3 points]
(b) $\frac{\rho_0}{s^2} \left(\frac{1}{e} - 1\right)$ [2 points]
(c) $\frac{\rho_0}{s^2} \frac{1}{e}$
(d) $\frac{\rho_0}{s^2}$
(e) $\frac{\rho_0 \ell}{s^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e}\right)$ [6 points]
(f) $\frac{\rho_0 \ell}{s^2} \left(\frac{1}{e} - 1\right)$ [4 points]
(g) $\frac{\rho_0 \ell}{s^2} \frac{1}{e}$
(h) $\frac{\rho_0 \ell}{s^2}$

Problem 12 (6 points) In the figure below what would be the readings of the ideal voltmeters? The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Behavior of ideal voltmeters, Kirchhoff's Loop Rule, Direction of Current

(a) $V_1 = 22$ V and $V_2 = 2$ V (b) $V_1 = 22$ V and $V_2 = 10$ V [3 points] (c) $V_1 = 20$ V and $V_2 = 2$ V (d) $V_1 = 20$ V and $V_2 = 10$ V [3 points] (e) $V_1 = 20$ V and $V_2 = 16$ V (f) $V_1 = 14$ V and $V_2 = 2$ V [3 points] (g) $V_1 = 14$ V and $V_2 = 10$ V [6 points] (h) $V_1 = 14$ V and $V_2 = 16$ V [3 points]



Problem 13 (5 points) In a circuit, a fuse is used to make sure that the total current in the circuit does not exceed 2.5 A. The emf in the circuit is 120 V. What is the maximum number of 120 W light bulbs that can be connected *in parallel* so that the fuse does not break?

The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Electrical Power, Behavior of Parallel Lines

- (a) None, the fuse will not support a single bulb
- (b) One bulb
- (c) Two bulbs [5 points]
- (d) Three bulbs [2 points]
- (e) Four bulbs

Problem 14 (5 points) When a parallel plate capacitor stays connected to a battery, the distance between the plates is reduced by a factor of 2. What happens to the charge stored on the capacitor and the energy stored in the capacitor? The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Behavior of Capacitors

- (a) Charge increases by a factor of 2, Energy increases by a factor of 2 [5 points]
- (b) Charge increases by a factor of 2, Energy increases by a factor of 4 [2 points]
- (c) Charge increases by a factor of 2, Energy decreases by a factor of 2 [2 points]
- (d) Charge increases by a factor of 2, Energy decreases by a factor of 4 [2 points]
- (e) Charge decreases by a factor of 2, Energy increases by a factor of 2 [2 points]
- (f) Charge decreases by a factor of 2, Energy increases by a factor of 4
- (g) Charge decreases by a factor of 2, Energy decreases by a factor of 2
- (h) Charge decreases by a factor of 2, Energy decreases by a factor of 4

Problem 15 (8 points) In the circuit below, what is the magnitude of the potential difference between point b and c when the switch is open?

The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Potential Difference between two Points, Kirchhoff's Loop Rules, Behavior of Open Circuits



Problem 16 (4 points) In the previous problem we assumed the 5 V battery was ideal. What if that battery and only that battery instead had an internal resistance of 0.5 Ω . What would happen to your answer in the previous problem for the potential difference between *b* and *c*?

The major concepts used to solve this problem include: Potential Difference between two Points, Kirchhoff's Loop Rules, Behavior of Open Circuits, Terminal Voltage of a Battery

- (a) The potential difference would increase
- (b) The potential difference would stay the same [4 points]
- (c) The potential difference would decrease
- (d) There is not enough information to tell