

Answer all questions 1-6.

1. True or False (T/F). For each question (i – viii) correct answer equals to +1 p, wrong answer -0.5 p, no answer at all 0p. However, minimum score from this exercise is 0 - you cannot lose points gained in any other exercise. No explanations are required, answer simply T or F.
  - (i) Insulator cannot be charged electrically.
  - (ii) Electric potential is a property of charge distribution and it forms a scalar field.
  - (iii) Electric field is perpendicular to the surface of a conductor.
  - (iv) The charge distribution on the surface of a conductor is always independent of the shape of the conductor.
  - (v) Capacitance is a material property.
  - (vi) In metals electric current is carried by electrons.
  - (vii) The induced electric field in insulator opposes the external electric field.
  - (viii) Kirchhoff's laws cannot be applied for circuits in which the current is time-dependent.
2. Let's consider a system in which an electron is placed above a uniformly charged, large, thin plate (positive surface charge density  $+\eta$ ). The distance between the electron and the plate is  $a$ .
  - (a) Where do we need to place a proton to stabilize the electron (fix its position)? Give your answer measured from the surface of the plate. (3p)
  - (b) What is the force experienced by the proton? (2p)
  - (c) What is the force experienced by the plate? (3p)Ignore gravity
3. Let's consider a hollow metal ball with inner radius  $a$  and outer radius  $b$ . The net charge of the ball is  $Q$ . There is a charge  $+q$  placed at the center of the hollow

cavity. Calculate the electric field as a function of  $r$  measured from the center of the hollow ball  $r: 0 \rightarrow \infty$ . (6p) How is  $Q$  distributed over the system? (2p)

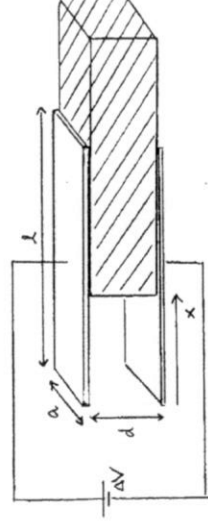
4. Consider a small ball with mass of 0.35 g and charge of +20.0 nC. The ball is allowed to move in a vertical tube (assume no friction). The ball is released in Earth gravitational field from a height of 25 cm towards another ball (charge +50.0 nC) placed at the bottom of the tube.

- What is the closest distance of the balls? (4p)
- What is the equilibrium position of the oscillatory motion? (2p)
- Is this a harmonic oscillator? Explain your answer. (2p)

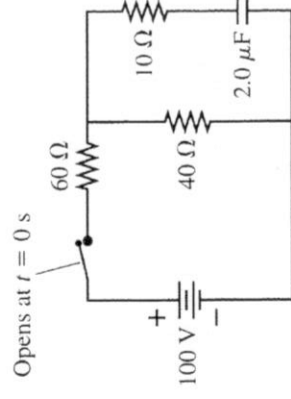
5. A battery  $\Delta V$  is connected to a parallel plate capacitor. An insulator is placed between the plates as shown. The dielectric constant of the insulator is  $\kappa$ .

As a function of  $x$  (see figure) what is

- The capacitance of the system? (3p)
- Energy stored in the capacitor? (2p)
- Force experienced by the insulator? (3p)



6. The switch has been closed for a long time



- What is the charge  $Q$  of the capacitor? (4p)
- The switch is opened at  $t = 0$ . When has the charge of the capacitor decayed to 10 % of the initial charge? (4p)

$$\vec{F}_0 = \frac{1}{q_0} \frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r} \qquad E = \frac{\eta}{2\epsilon_0}$$

$$\vec{p} = q\vec{s} \qquad \vec{\tau} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E} \qquad U = -\vec{p} \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$\Phi_e = \oint_A \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{Q_{\text{in}}}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$V = \frac{U}{q_0} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{dq}{r}$$

$$\Delta V = V_b - V_a = - \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} \qquad E = \frac{\Delta V}{d}$$

$$\vec{E} = - \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \right) = - \vec{\nabla} V$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d} \qquad \epsilon = \kappa \epsilon_0$$

$$U_c = \frac{Q^2}{2C} = \frac{1}{2} C (\Delta V)^2 \qquad u = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$$

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt} = ne v_d A \qquad \vec{J} = ne \vec{v}_d$$

$$J = \sigma E \qquad \rho = \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

$$\Delta V = R I \qquad \Delta V_p = \mathcal{E} - I r$$

$$P_R = I^2 R = \frac{\Delta V_R^2}{R} \qquad P_p = I \Delta V_p$$

$$Q(t) = C \mathcal{E} (1 - e^{-t/RC}) \qquad I(t) = I_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$Q(t) = Q_0 e^{-t/RC} = Q_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$c = 2.9979 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$e = 1.6022 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.8542 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$$

$$(4\pi\epsilon_0)^{-1} = 8.9876 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}^2$$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$$

$$u = 1.66054 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 931.49 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$m_e = 9.1094 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg} = 0.51100 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$m_p = 1.6726 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 938.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$m_n = 1.6749 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 939.6 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$h = 6.6261 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js} = 4.1357 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eVs}$$

$$R = 8.3145 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

$$N_A = 6.0221 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$k = 1.3807 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

$$G = 6.673 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2/\text{kg}^2$$