

Physics 132, Practice Final Exam Multiple Choice Questions

Circle the letter that corresponds to your choice for the correct answer to each problem.

1. A square loop of wire lies in the plane of the page. A decreasing magnetic field is directed into the page. The induced current in the loop is:

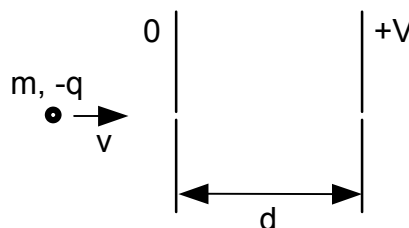
- A) counterclockwise.
- B) clockwise.
- C) zero.
- D) depends upon whether or not B is decreasing at a constant rate.
- E) clockwise in two of the loop sides and counterclockwise in the other two.

2. A point charge, $-3q$, lies at the center of a conducting, cubical shell with sides of length $2d$. The shell has a net charge of $-3q$. The net charge on the outer surface of the shell is:

- A) $6q$
- B) $3q$
- C) zero
- D) $-3q$
- E) $-6q$

3. A particle (mass m , charge $-q$) with speed v enters the region between two parallel plates through a very small hole, as shown. The potential difference between the two plates is V and their separation is d . The change in kinetic energy of the particle after it traverses this region is best given by:

- A) $-qV/d$
- B) $2qV/mv^2$
- C) qV
- D) $\frac{1}{2} mv^2$
- E) none of these



4. Charge is distributed uniformly on the surface of a large flat plate. The electric field 2 cm from the plate is 30 N/C. The electric field 4 cm from the plate is:

- A) 120 N/C
- B) 80 N/C
- C) 30 N/C
- D) 15 N/C
- E) 7.5 N/C

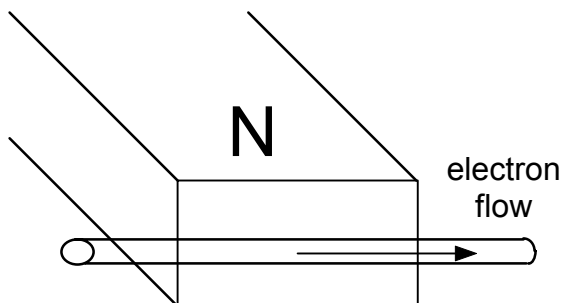
5. Two small charged objects repel each other with a force F when separated by a distance d . If the charge on each object is reduced to one-fourth of its original value and the distance between is reduced to $d/2$, the force becomes:

- A) $F/16$
- B) $F/8$
- C) $F/4$
- D) $F/2$
- E) F

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6. The figure shows the motion of *electrons* in a wire which is near the North pole of a magnet. The wire will be pushed:

- A) toward the magnet
- B) away from the magnet
- C) downwards
- D) upwards
- E) along its length



7. Two wires made of different materials have the same uniform current density. They carry the same current only if:

- A) their lengths are the same.
- B) their cross-sectional areas are the same.
- C) both their lengths and cross-sectional areas are the same.
- D) the potential differences across them are the same.
- E) the electric fields in them are the same.

8. In the formula $\mathbf{F} = q\mathbf{v}\times\mathbf{B}$:

- A) \mathbf{F} must be perpendicular to \mathbf{v} but not necessarily to \mathbf{B} .
- B) \mathbf{F} must be perpendicular to \mathbf{B} but not necessarily to \mathbf{v} .
- C) \mathbf{v} must be perpendicular to \mathbf{B} but not necessarily to \mathbf{F} .
- D) all three vectors must be mutually perpendicular.
- E) none of the above.

9. Two point charges, 8×10^{-9} C and -2×10^{-9} C are separated by 4 m. The electric field magnitude (in units of V/m) midway between them is:

- A) 9×10^9 B) 13,500 C) 135,000 D) 36×10^{-9} E) 22.5

10. Two point charges, q_1 and q_2 , are placed a distance r apart. The electric field is zero at a point P between the charges on the line segment connecting them. We conclude that:

- A) q_1 and q_2 must have the same magnitude and sign
- B) P must be midway between q_1 and q_2
- C) q_1 and q_2 must have the same sign but may have different magnitudes
- D) q_1 and q_2 must have equal magnitudes and opposite signs
- E) q_1 and q_2 must have opposite signs and may have different magnitudes

11. Resistances of $2.0\ \Omega$, $4.0\ \Omega$, and $6.0\ \Omega$, and a 24 V battery are all in series. The current in the $2.0\ \Omega$ resistor is:

- A) 12 A B) 4.0 A C) 2.4 A D) 2.0 A E) 0.50 A

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12. A current of 0.3 A is passed through a lamp for 2 minutes using a 6 V supply. The energy dissipated by the lamp during the 2 minutes is:

- A) 1.8 J B) 12 J C) 20 J D) 36 J E) 216 J

13. Let Q denote charge, V denote potential difference, and U denote stored energy. Of these quantities, capacitors in series must have the same:

- A) Q only D) Q and U only
B) V only E) V and U only
C) U only

14. Choose the correct statement:

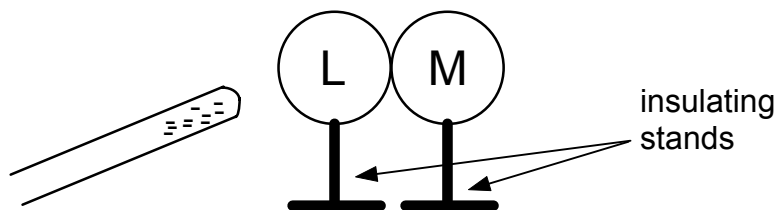
- A) A proton tends to go from a region of low potential to a region of high potential
B) The potential of a negatively charged conductor must be negative
C) If $E=0$ at a point P , then V must be zero at P
D) If $V=0$ at a point P , then E must be zero at P
E) None of the above are correct

15. If 500 J of work are required to carry a 40 C charge from one point to another, the potential difference between these two points is:

- A) 12.5 V D) depends on the path
B) 20,000 V E) none of these
C) 0.08 V

16. Two uncharged metal spheres, L and M, are in contact. A negatively charged rod is brought close to L, but not touching it, as shown. The two spheres are slightly separated and the rod is then withdrawn. As a result:

- A) both spheres are neutral.
B) both spheres are positive.
C) both spheres are negative.
D) L is negative and M is positive.
E) L is positive and M is negative.



17. Each plate of a capacitor stores a charge of magnitude 1×10^{-3} C when a 100 V potential difference is applied. The capacitance is:

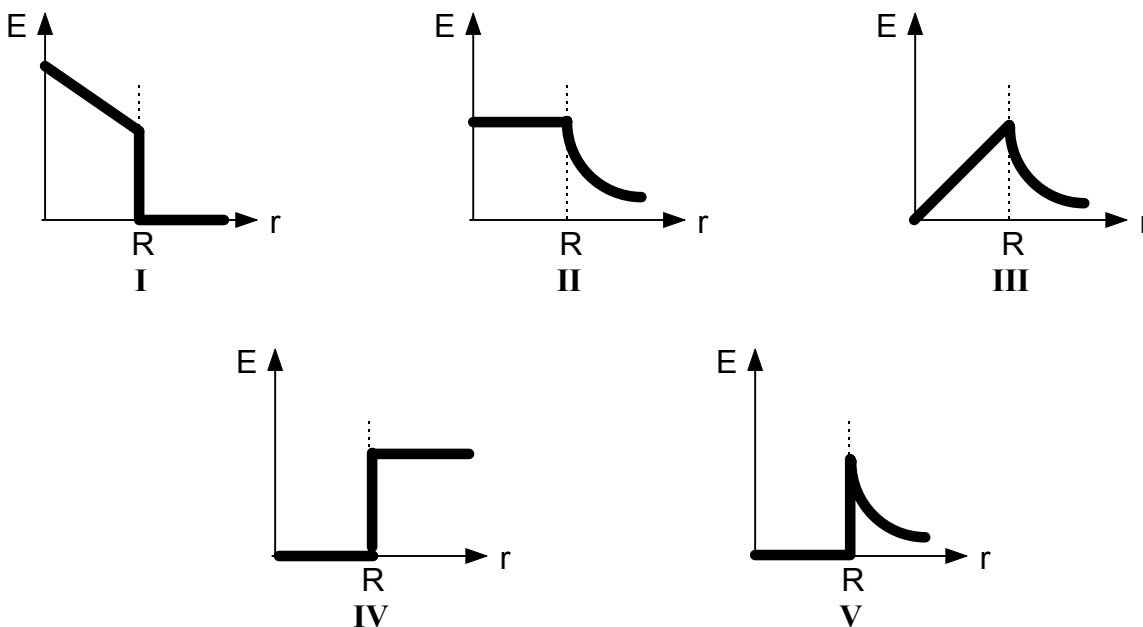
- A) 5 μF D) 100 μF
B) 10 μF E) none of these
C) 50 μF

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18. Two wires made of the same material have the same length but different diameters. They are connected in parallel to a battery. The quantity that is NOT the same for the wires is:

- A) the end-to-end potential difference
- B) the current
- C) the current density
- D) the electric field
- E) the electron drift velocity

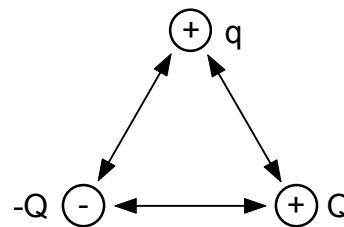
19. A solid insulating sphere of radius R contains a uniform volume distribution of positive charge. Which of the graphs below correctly gives the magnitude E of the electric field as a function of r ?



- A) I.
- B) II.
- C) III.
- D) IV.
- E) V.

20. Charges Q , $-Q$, and q are placed at the vertices of an equilateral triangle as shown. The total force exerted on the charge q is:

- A) toward charge Q .
- B) toward charge $-Q$.
- C) away from charge Q .
- D) left.
- E) right.



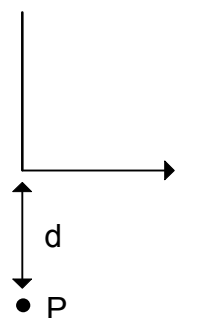
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21. Three resistors, R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , are in series with each other. $R_1 < R_2 < R_3$. The current through R_1 is i . Which statement is true?

- A) R_1 has the largest potential difference across it.
- B) R_3 has the largest potential difference across it.
- C) The potential difference across each resistor is the same.
- D) The power dissipated by each resistor is the same.
- E) If the resistors are made of the same material, and have the same cross-sectional area, then R_1 is the longest.

22. A current i goes through a wire that extends from infinitely far up, follows a 90° bend, and continues infinitely far to the right as shown. What is the magnitude of the magnetic field at P, a distance d below?

- A) $\frac{2\mu_0 i}{\pi d}$
- B) $\frac{\mu_0 i}{\pi d}$
- C) $\frac{\mu_0 i}{2\pi d}$
- D) $\frac{\mu_0 i}{4\pi d}$
- E) zero



23. A certain physics textbook shows a region of space in which two electric field lines cross each other. We should conclude that:

- A) at least two point charges are present.
- B) an electrical conductor is present.
- C) an insulator is present.
- D) the field points in two directions at the same place.
- E) the author of the textbook made a mistake.

24. The capacitance of a parallel-plate capacitor can be increased by:

- A) increasing the charge.
- B) decreasing the charge.
- C) increasing the plate separation.
- D) decreasing the plate separation.
- E) decreasing the plate area.

25. Charge Q is distributed uniformly throughout a spherical insulating shell. The net electrical flux in Nm^2/C through the outer surface of the shell is:

- A) zero
- B) Q/ϵ_0
- C) $2Q/\epsilon_0$
- D) $Q/4\epsilon_0$
- E) $Q/2\pi\epsilon_0$

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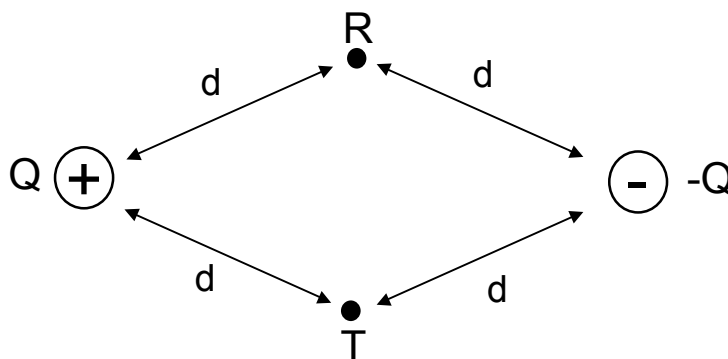
26. A 2 ohm resistor and 4 ohm resistor are connected in parallel to a 6 volt battery. The power dissipated by the 2 ohm resistor is:

- A) 8 W
- B) 6 W
- C) 9 W
- D) 18 W
- E) None of these

27. A kiloampere - hour is a unit of:

- A) current
- B) charge per time
- C) power
- D) charge
- E) energy

28. Points R and T are each a distance d from each of two equal and opposite charges as shown. If $k = 1/4\pi\epsilon_0$, the work required to move a negative charge q from R to T is:



- A) zero
- B) kqQ/d^2
- C) kqQ/d
- D) $kqQ/(4d^2)$
- E) $kqQ/(2d)$

29. The current is zero in a conductor when no potential difference is applied because:

- A) the electrons are not moving.
- B) the electrons are not moving fast enough.
- C) for every electron with a given velocity, \mathbf{v} , there is another with velocity, $-\mathbf{v}$.
- D) equal numbers of electrons and protons are moving together.
- E) otherwise Ohm's law would not be valid.