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## PHYS 2135 Exam II

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Five multiple choice questions, 8 points each. Choose the best or most nearly correct answer. For questions 6-9, solutions must begin with a correct OSE. You must show work to receive full credit for your answers. **Calculators are NOT allowed.**

(8) **D** 1. A parallel plate capacitor is fully charged. It remains connected to the battery, and the plates are moved further apart. Which quantity remains unchanged?  
[A] capacitance  
[B] electric field  
[C] charge  
[D] potential difference

(8) **C** 2. The potential difference across a length of wire is decreased. Which of the following does **not** decrease as well?  
[A] Electric field in the wire  
[B] Current through the wire  
[C] Resistance of the wire  
[D] Power dissipated in the wire

(8) **B** 3. An ideal voltmeter has \_\_\_\_\_ resistance. An ideal ammeter has \_\_\_\_\_ resistance.  
[A] infinite, infinite  
[B] infinite, zero  
[C] zero, infinite  
[D] zero, zero

(8) **A** 4. The time constant of an RC circuit is the time it takes  
[A] for the current to decrease to 37% of its initial value.  
[B] for the current to drop to zero.  
[C] for the current to reach its maximum value.  
[D] for the capacitor to be completely charged.

(8) \_\_\_\_\_ 5. If magnetic charges were discovered at S&T,  
[A] those whose science knowledge is current would be attracted to Rolla.  
[B] S&T would push back against others who claimed to find the same charges.  
[C] it would be an outstanding discovery in the field.  
[D] there would be a significant increase in our potential.

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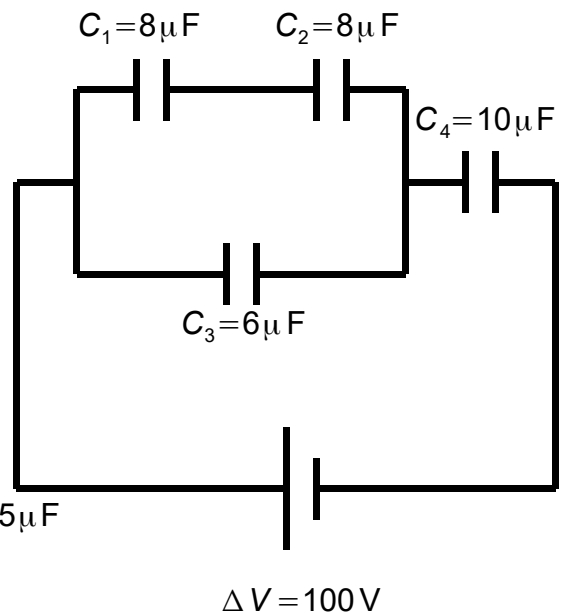
6. In the capacitor circuit shown  $C_1 = C_2 = 8 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_3 = 6 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_4 = 10 \mu\text{F}$ , and  $\Delta V = 100 \text{ V}$ .

(20) (a) Find the equivalent capacitance of this circuit.

$$C_{12} = \left( \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} \right)^{-1} = \left( \frac{1}{8 \mu\text{F}} + \frac{1}{8 \mu\text{F}} \right)^{-1} = \left( \frac{2}{8 \mu\text{F}} \right)^{-1} = 4 \mu\text{F}$$

$$C_{123} = C_{12} + C_3 = 4 \mu\text{F} + 6 \mu\text{F} = 10 \mu\text{F}$$

$$C_T = \left( \frac{1}{C_{123}} + \frac{1}{C_4} \right)^{-1} = \left( \frac{1}{10 \mu\text{F}} + \frac{1}{10 \mu\text{F}} \right)^{-1} = \left( \frac{2}{10 \mu\text{F}} \right)^{-1} = 5 \mu\text{F}$$



$$C_T = 5 \mu\text{F}$$

(10) (b) Find the potential difference  $V_4$  across capacitor  $C_4$ .

$$Q_4 = Q_T = C_T \Delta V = (5 \mu\text{F})(100 \text{ V}) = 500 \mu\text{C}$$

$$V_4 = \frac{Q_4}{C_4} = \frac{500 \mu\text{C}}{10 \mu\text{F}} = 50 \text{ V}$$

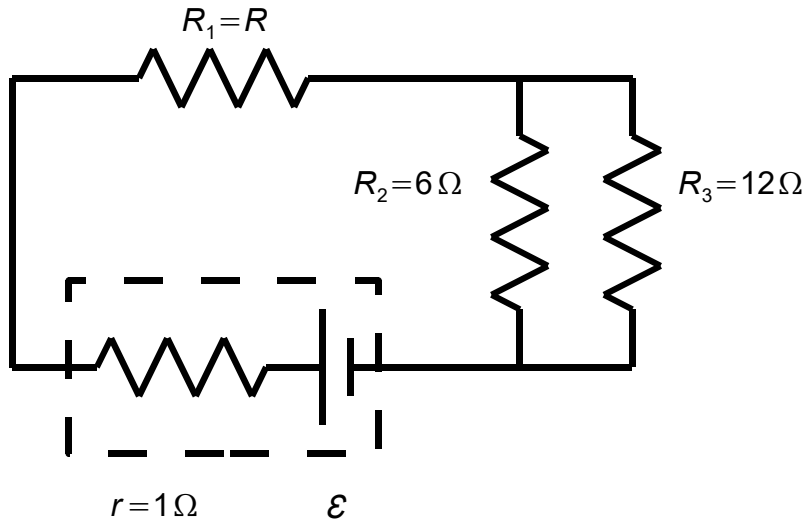
$$V_4 = 50 \text{ V}$$

(10) (c) Find the total energy stored in this capacitor circuit.

$$U = \frac{1}{2} C_T (\Delta V)^2 = \frac{1}{2} (5 \mu\text{F})(100 \text{ V})^2 = 0.025 \text{ J}$$

$$U = 0.025 \text{ J}$$

7. In the circuit shown  $R_1 = R$ ,  $R_2 = 6\Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 12\Omega$ ,  $r = 1\Omega$ .



(10) (a) If the current through  $R_3$  is 1A, find the current  $I_2$  through resistor  $R_2$ .

$$I_2 R_2 = V_2 = V_3 = I_3 R_3$$

$$I_2 = I_3 \frac{R_3}{R_2}$$

$$I_2 = 2\text{ A}$$

$$I_2 = (1\text{ A}) \frac{12\Omega}{6\Omega}$$

(20) (b) If the power dissipated by resistor  $R_1$  equals the total power dissipated by resistors  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$ , find the value of  $R$ .

$$I_1^2 R = P_1 = P_2 + P_3 = I_2^2 R_2 + I_3^2 R_3$$

$$I_1 = I_2 + I_3 = 2\text{ A} + 1\text{ A} = 3\text{ A}$$

$$R = \frac{I_2^2 R_2 + I_3^2 R_3}{I_1^2}$$

$$R = 4\Omega$$

$$R = \frac{(2\text{ A})^2(6\Omega) + (1\text{ A})^2(12\Omega)}{(3\text{ A})^2}$$

(10) (c) Find the emf,  $\mathcal{E}$ , of the battery.

$$R_{23} = \left( \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \right)^{-1} = \left( \frac{1}{6\Omega} + \frac{1}{12\Omega} \right)^{-1} = 4\Omega$$

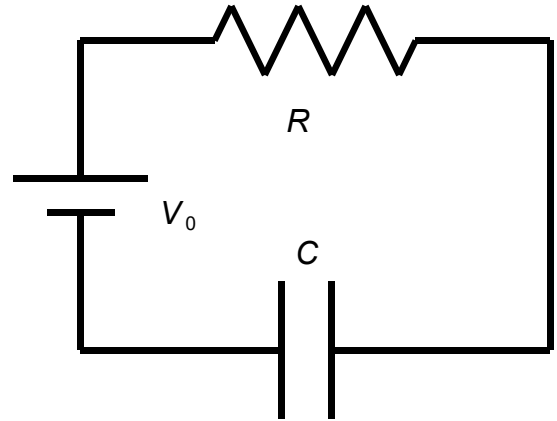
$$\mathcal{E} = I_T R_T = (3\text{ A})(9\Omega)$$

$$\mathcal{E} = 27\text{ V}$$

$$R_T = r + R_1 + R_{23} = 1\Omega + 4\Omega + 4\Omega = 9\Omega$$

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8. An uncharged capacitor with capacitance  $C$ , a resistor with resistance  $R$ , and a battery with voltage  $V_0$  are connected in series as shown in the diagram at right.



(20) (a) Derive an equation for the current through the resistor as a function of time. Start from OSEs and express your answer in terms of  $V_0$ ,  $R$ , and  $C$ .

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$$

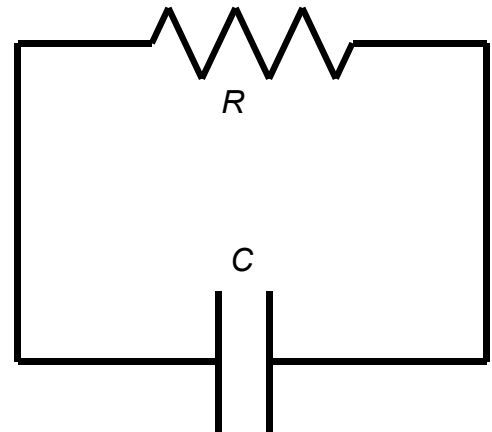
$$I = \frac{d}{dt} Q_f (1 - e^{-t/\tau})$$

$$I = \frac{Q_f}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$I = \frac{Q_f}{RC} e^{-t/RC}$$

$$I = \frac{V_0}{R} e^{-t/RC}$$

(20) (b) After a while, the battery is removed from the circuit and the charge on the capacitor is found to be  $Q_i$ . The capacitor and resistor are then reconnected as shown in the diagram at right. Derive an equation for the energy stored in the capacitor as a function of time. Start from OSEs and express your answer in terms of  $Q_i$ ,  $R$ , and  $C$ .

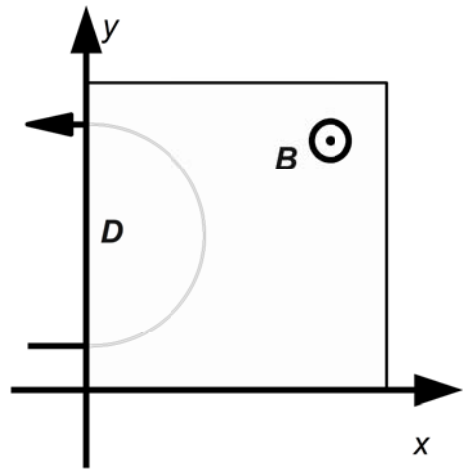


$$U = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{Q^2}{C} \right)$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{[Q_i e^{-t/\tau}]^2}{C} \right)$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{Q_i^2}{C} \right) e^{-2t/RC}$$

9. A beam of particles having charge  $Q$ , mass  $m_0$ , moving with speed  $v_0$ , enter a region which has a uniform magnetic field of unknown magnitude pointing out of the page ( $+\hat{k}$ ). These particles are observed to follow the circular path shown in the figure with diameter  $D$ .



(5) (a) What is the sign of the charge of the particles

(Circle one.)

negative       positive

(10) (b) Starting with OSE, derive a formula for the magnitude of the magnetic field  $B$  in terms of the given variables.

$$|q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})| = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$

$$|Q v_0 B| = \frac{m_0 v_0^2}{D/2}$$

$$B = \frac{2m_0 v_0}{|Q| D}$$

(10) (c) How much time does each particle spend in the region of magnetic field?

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

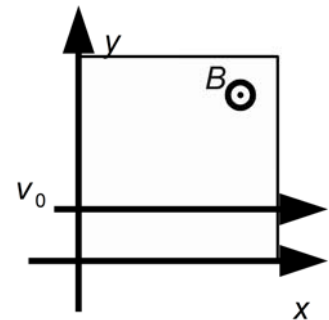
$$t = \frac{d}{v}$$

$$t = \frac{\pi D/2}{v_0}$$

$$t = \frac{\pi D}{2v_0}$$

(5) (d) Suppose we now want to use an electric field to make a velocity selector. What should be the direction of the electric field? (Circle one.)

$+\hat{i}$         $+\hat{j}$         $+\hat{k}$   
  $-\hat{i}$         $-\hat{j}$         $-\hat{k}$



(10) (e) Derive a formula for the magnitude of the electric field  $E$  for the velocity selector in terms of  $m_0$ ,  $v_0$ ,  $Q$  and  $D$ .

$$0 = \vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

$$E = vB$$

$$E = v_0 \left( \frac{2m_0 v_0}{|Q| D} \right)$$

$$E = \frac{2m_0 v_0^2}{|Q| D}$$

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