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MIDTERM EXAMINATION – CLASS

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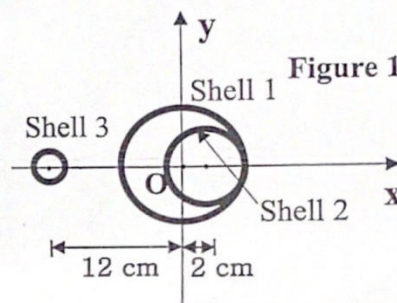
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SUBJECT: PHYSICS 3	
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INSTRUCTIONS: This is a closed book examination. Use of cell phones, laptops, dictionaries is not allowed.

- 1/ (20 pts) Three non-conducting spherical shells are fixed in place. Shell 1 has a uniform surface charge density  $\sigma_1 = +5.0 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$  on its outer surface and radius 6.0 cm; shell 2 has uniform charge density  $\sigma_2 = +3.0 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$  on its outer surface and radius 4.0 cm; shell 3 has uniform charge density  $\sigma_3 = +2.0 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$  on its outer surface and radius 2.0 cm. The center of shell 1 is at origin O. The centers of shell 2 and 3 are on the x axis, at 2 cm and 12 cm from origin O (Figure 1), respectively. In unit-vector notation, what is the net electric field at the origin O? ( $k = 9.0 \times 10^9 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}^2$ ; Hint: Use the shell theorem)



- 2/ (10 pts) A proton is at the origin and an electron is on the y axis at  $y = 0.5 \text{ mm}$ . Find the electric dipole moment of these two particles in unit-vector notation.

- 3/ (10 pts) Figure 2 shows a uniform electric field of  $4.0 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$  perpendicular to the left face of a large neutral vertical conducting plate. Find the surface charge density of the left ( $\sigma_L$ ) and right ( $\sigma_R$ ) surfaces of the plate. ( $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/(\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2)$ ; Hint: Use Gauss' law to explain the distribution of negative and positive charges on the left and right surfaces, then calculate the charge density on each surface)

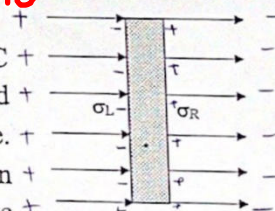


Figure 2

- 4/ (20 pts) Calculate the work done by an external force to bring four  $2.0 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C}$  positive point charges from infinity and place them at the corners of a square of side 8 cm. ( $U = \frac{kq_1q_2}{r}$ )

- 5/ (20 pts) A 25-k $\Omega$  resistor and a capacitor are connected in series. A 12-V potential difference is suddenly applied across them. The potential difference across the capacitor rises to 4.0 V in 1.3  $\mu\text{s}$ .

Find the capacitance C. ( $V = \epsilon(1 - e^{-t/RC})$ )

- 6/ (20 pts) Determine the currents in Figure 3 if  $\epsilon_1 = 12 \text{ V}$ ,  $\epsilon_2 = 6 \text{ V}$ ,  $\epsilon_3 = 3 \text{ V}$ ,  $R_1 = 1 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 2 \Omega$  and  $R_3 = 3 \Omega$ .

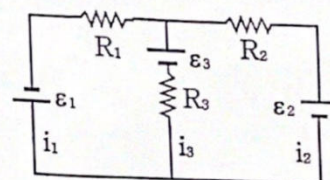


Figure 3

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$$\oint E \cdot d\mathbf{A} = q = \sigma A$$

$$\Rightarrow E \cdot 0 = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$$