Physics 2321. Electricity and Magnetism

Quiz 4. Capacitance, Current

Name:

Constants: $k = 9 \times 10^9$, $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \ C^2 N^{-1} m^{-2}$

1. (2pt) Here are the formulae for the capacitance of four common capacitors:

1. $C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$ 2. $C = \frac{ab}{k(b-a)}$ 3. $C = \frac{l}{2k_e \ln(b/a)}$ 4. $C = \frac{a}{k}$

• Which is the capacitance for a single sphere?

• Which is the capacitance for nested spheres? _____

• Which is the capacitance for nested cylinders?

• Which is the capacitance for parallel plates?

2. (1pt) Find the capacitance of a parallel plate capacitor with area 0.0009 m² and plate separation .01 m.

3. (1pt) How much energy is stored in a cylindrical capacitor with capacitance 8 pF when a voltage of 10 V is applied? $(1pF = 10^{-12} F)$

(a) 8.0×10^{-12} J (e) 4.1×10^{-9} J

(b) $2.5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}$ (c) $4.0 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}$ (d) $1.25 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}$

4. (2pt) If the charge (in C) passing a point in a circuit is given by $q(t) = 5t^2 + 3$, then ...

(a) how much charge passes that point between t = 0 and t = 3 seconds?

(b) What is the instantaneous current at t = 2 seconds?

5. (1pt) What is the average current density, J, in a wire of cross-sectional area $A = 10^{-6}$ m² when carrying a current I = 3 A? (Include units.)

6. (1pt) Copper contains 8.4×10^{28} free electrons/m³. A copper wire of crosssectional area 7.4×10^{-7} m² carries a current of 1 A. The electron drift speed is approximately:

(a) 3×10^8 m/s (b) 10^3 m/s (c) 1 m/s (d) 10^{-4} m/s (e) 10^{-23} m/s