

- 6 (a) Define electric field at a point.

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- (b) An isolated conducting sphere in a vacuum has a capacitance of 69 pF.
The charge on the sphere is +83 pC.

- (i) On Fig. 6.1, draw field lines to represent the electric field outside the sphere due to the charge on the sphere.

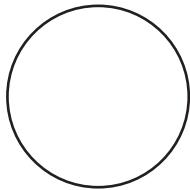


Fig. 6.1

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- (ii) Calculate the electric potential at the surface of the sphere.

electric potential = V [2]

- (iii) Determine the radius of the sphere.

radius = m [2]



- (iv) Calculate the electric field strength E at the surface of the sphere. Give a unit with your answer.

$$E = \dots \text{unit} \dots [2]$$

- (c) The sphere in (b) is discharged by connecting it to earth (0 V) through a resistor of resistance $120\text{ M}\Omega$.

Calculate the time taken for the charge to fall to 26 pC.