

# Electrostatics JEE Main PYQ – 3

Total Time: 25 Minute

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## Instructions

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1. Test will auto submit when the Time is up.
2. The Test comprises of multiple choice questions (MCQ) with one or more correct answers.
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### Navigating & Answering a Question

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## Electrostatics

1. A uniformly charged solid sphere of radius  $R$  has potential  $V_0$  measured with respect to  $\infty$  on its surface. For this sphere the equipotential surfaces with potentials  $\frac{3V_0}{2}$ ,  $\frac{5V_0}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3V_0}{4}$  and  $\frac{V_0}{4}$  have radius  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  respectively. Then (+4, -1)
- [2015]
- a.  $R_1 \neq 0$  and  $(R_2 - R_1) > (R_4 - R_3)$
- b.  $R_1 = 0$  and  $R_2 > (R_4 - R_3)$
- c.  $2R < R_4$
- d.  $R_1 = 0$  and  $R_2 < (R_4 - R_3)$
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2. Assume that an electric field  $\vec{E} = 30x^2\hat{i}$  exists in space. Then the potential difference  $V_A - V_O$ , where  $V_O$  is the potential at the origin and  $V_A$  the potential at  $x = 2\text{ m}$  is (+4, -1)
- [2014]
- a. 120 J
- b. -120 J
- c. -80 J
- d. 80 J
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3. In the following figure is shown a system of four capacitors connected across a 10 V battery. Charge that will flow from switch  $S$  when it is closed is (+4, -1)
- [Online April 11, 2015]
- a.  $5\ \mu\text{C}$  from  $b$  to  $a$
- b.  $20\ \mu\text{C}$  from  $a$  to  $b$
- c.  $5\ \mu\text{C}$  from  $a$  to  $b$
- d. zero
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4. In the circuit shown, find  $C$  if the effective capacitance of the whole circuit is to be  $0.5\ \mu\text{F}$ . All values in the circuit are in  $\mu\text{F}$ . (+4, -1)
- [12 Jan. 2019 II]

- a.  $\frac{7}{10}\mu F$
- b.  $\frac{7}{11}\mu F$
- c.  $\frac{6}{5}\mu F$
- d.  $4\mu F$

5. In the figure shown, after the switch '*S*' is turned from position '*A*' to position '*B*', the energy dissipated in the circuit in terms of capacitance '*C*' and total charge '*Q*' is: (+4, -1)

[12 Jan. 2019 I]

- a.  $\frac{3}{8}\frac{Q^2}{C}$
- b.  $\frac{4}{3}\frac{Q^2}{C}$
- c.  $\frac{1}{8}\frac{Q^2}{C}$
- d.  $\frac{5}{8}\frac{Q^2}{C}$

6. In the figure shown below, the charge on the left plate of the  $10\mu F$  capacitor is  $-30\mu C$ . The charge on the right plate of the  $6\mu F$  capacitor is: (+4, -1)

[11 Jan. 2019 I]

- a.  $-18\mu C$
- b.  $-12\mu C$
- c.  $+12\mu C$
- d.  $+18\mu C$

7. Voltage rating of a parallel plate capacitor is  $500V$ . Its dielectric can withstand a maximum electric field of  $10^6V/m$ . The plate area is  $10^{-4}m^2$ . What is the dielectric constant if the capacitance is  $15pF$ ? (given  $\epsilon_0 = 8.86 \times 10^{-12}C^2/Nm^2$ ) (+4, -1)

[8 April 2019 I]

- a. 3.8
- b. 4.5

c. 6.2

d. 8.5

8. The surface charge density of a thin charged disc of radius  $R$  is  $\sigma$ . The value of the electric field at the centre of the disc is  $\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$ . With respect to the field at the centre, the electric field along the axis at a distance  $R$  from the centre of the disc : (+4, -1)

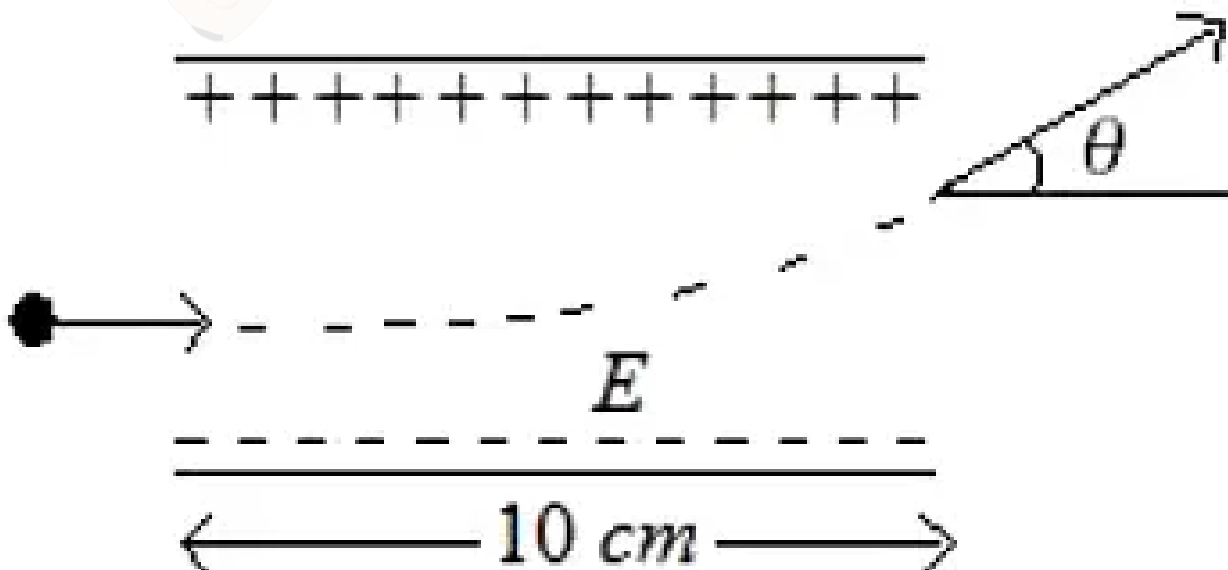
a. reduces by 70.7%

b. reduces by 29.3%

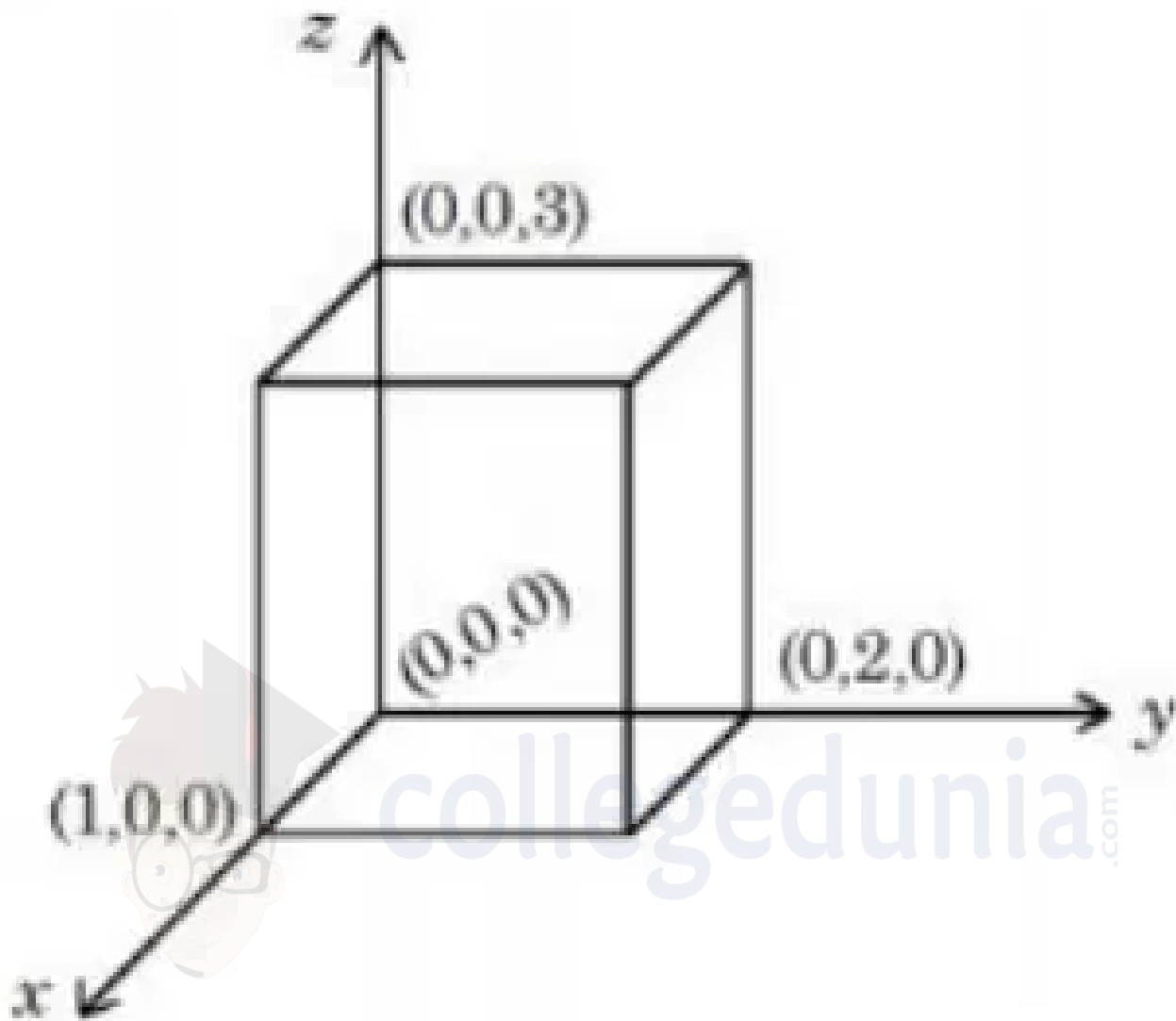
c. reduces by 9.7%

d. reduces by 14.6%

9. A uniform electric field of  $10\text{N/C}$  is created between two parallel charged plates (as shown in figure) An electron enters the field symmetrically between the plates with a kinetic energy  $0.5\text{eV}$ . The length of each plate is  $10\text{cm}$ . The angle ( $\theta$ ) of deviation of the path of electron as it comes out of the field is \_\_\_ (in degree) (+4, -1)



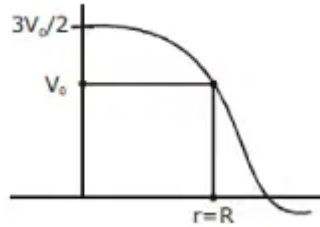
10. As shown in figure, a cuboid lies in a region with electric field  $E = 2x^2\hat{i} - 4y\hat{j} + 6z\hat{k}\text{N/C}$ . The magnitude of charge within the cuboid is  $n\epsilon_0C$ . The value of  $n$  is \_\_\_\_\_. (if dimension of cuboid is  $1 \times 2 \times 3\text{m}^3$ ) (+4, -1)



## Answers

1. Answer: c

Explanation:



$$R_1 = \frac{3V_0}{2}; R_2 = \frac{5V_0}{4}; R_3 = \frac{3V_0}{4}; R_4 = \frac{V_0}{4}$$

$$\therefore r < R \quad V = \frac{KQ}{2R^3} (3R^2 - r^2)$$

$$v = \frac{3V_0}{2}, R_1 = 0$$

$$\frac{5V_0}{4} = \frac{KQ}{2R^3} (3R^2 - R_2^2)$$

$$\therefore R_2 = \frac{R}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$r > R$$

$$\frac{3V_0}{4} = \frac{KQ}{R_3}$$

$$R_3 = \frac{4KQ}{3V_0} = \frac{KQ \times R}{3 \times KQ} = \frac{R}{3}$$

$$\frac{V_0}{4} = \frac{KQ}{R_4}$$

$$\therefore R_4 = \frac{4KQ}{V_0} = \frac{4KQ}{KQ} \times R = 4R$$

On comparing we get

(1)&(2)

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### Explanation:

$$\begin{aligned}dV &= -\vec{E} \cdot \overline{dx} \\ \int_{V_0}^{V_A} dV &= - \int_0^2 30x^2 dx \\ V_A - V_0 &= - [10x^3]_0^2 = -80 J\end{aligned}$$

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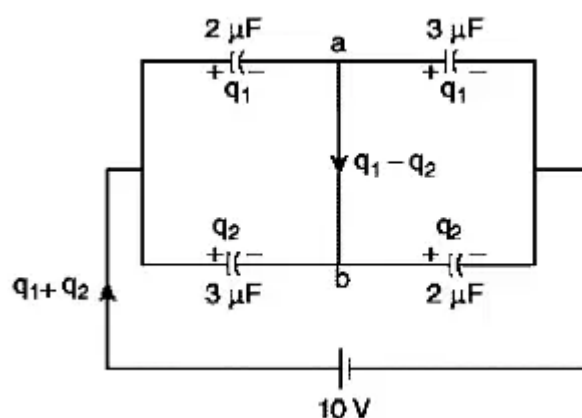
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**3. Answer: a**

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## 4. Answer: b

### Explanation:

From equs.

$$\frac{\frac{7C}{3}}{\frac{7}{3}+C} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 14C = 7 + 3C$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{7}{11}$$

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### Explanation:

$$V_i = \frac{1}{2}CE^2$$
$$V_f = \frac{(CE)^2}{2 \times 4c} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{CE^2}{4}$$
$$\Delta E = \frac{1}{2}CE^2 \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{8}CE^2$$

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**6. Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

$6\mu F$  &  $4\mu F$  are in parallel & total charge on this combination is  $30\mu C$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Charge on } 6\mu F \text{ capacitor} &= \frac{6}{6+4} \times 30 \\ &= 18\mu C\end{aligned}$$

Since charge is asked on right plate therefore is  $+18\mu C$

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### Explanation:

$$A = 10^{-4}m^2$$

$$E_{max} = 10^6V/m$$

$$C = 15\mu F$$

$$C = \frac{k\varepsilon_0 A}{d}$$

$$\frac{Cd}{\varepsilon_0 A} = k$$

$$k = \frac{15 \times 10^{-12} \times 500 \times 10^{-6}}{8.86 \times 10^{-12} \times 10^4}$$

$$= \frac{15 \times 5}{8.86} = 8.465$$
$$k \approx 8.5$$

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## 8. Answer: a

### Explanation:

Electric field intensity at the centre of the disc.  $E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$  (given)

Electric field along the axis at any distance  $x$  from the centre of the disc  $E' = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}}\right)$

From question,  $x=R$  (radius of disc)

$$\therefore E' = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left(1 - \frac{R}{\sqrt{R^2 + R^2}}\right) = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}R - R}{\sqrt{2}R}\right) = \frac{4}{14}E$$

$$\therefore \% \text{ reduction in the value of electric field} = \frac{\left(E - \frac{4}{14}E\right) \times 100}{E} = \frac{1000}{14} \% \approx 70.7\%$$

Hence, The correct answer is option (A): reduces by 70.7%

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## 9. Answer: 45 – 45

### Explanation:

The correct answer is 45

$$0.5e = \frac{1}{2} m v_x^2 \Rightarrow v_x = \sqrt{\frac{e}{m}}$$

$$\text{Along } x \quad L = v_x t = \sqrt{\frac{e}{m}} t$$

$$\text{Along } y \quad v_y = \frac{eE}{m} t$$

$$\text{dividing } \frac{v_y}{L} = E \sqrt{\frac{e}{m}} = E v_x$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{v_y}{v_x} = E \times L = 10 \times 0.1 = 1$$

$$\theta = 45^\circ$$

### Concepts:

#### 1. Electric charges and field:

### What is Electric Charge

It is the property of subatomic particles that experiences a force when put in an electric and **magnetic field**.

### What is Electric Field

It is a property associated with each point in space when **charge** is present in any form. The magnitude and direction of the **electric field** are expressed by  $E$ , called



electric field strength or electric field intensity.

Electric charges are of two types: Positive and Negative. It is commonly carried by charge carriers protons and **electrons**.

## Properties of Electric Charge

Various properties of charge include the following :-

- Additivity of Electric Charge
- **Conservation of Electric Charge**
- Quantization of Electric Charge

## Types of electric charge

Two kinds of electric charges are there :-

**Negative Charge** - When an object has a negative charge it means that it has more electrons than protons.

**Positive Charge** - When an object has a positive charge it means that it has more protons than electrons.

When there is an identical number of positive and negative charges, the negative and positive charges would cancel out each other and the object would become neutral.

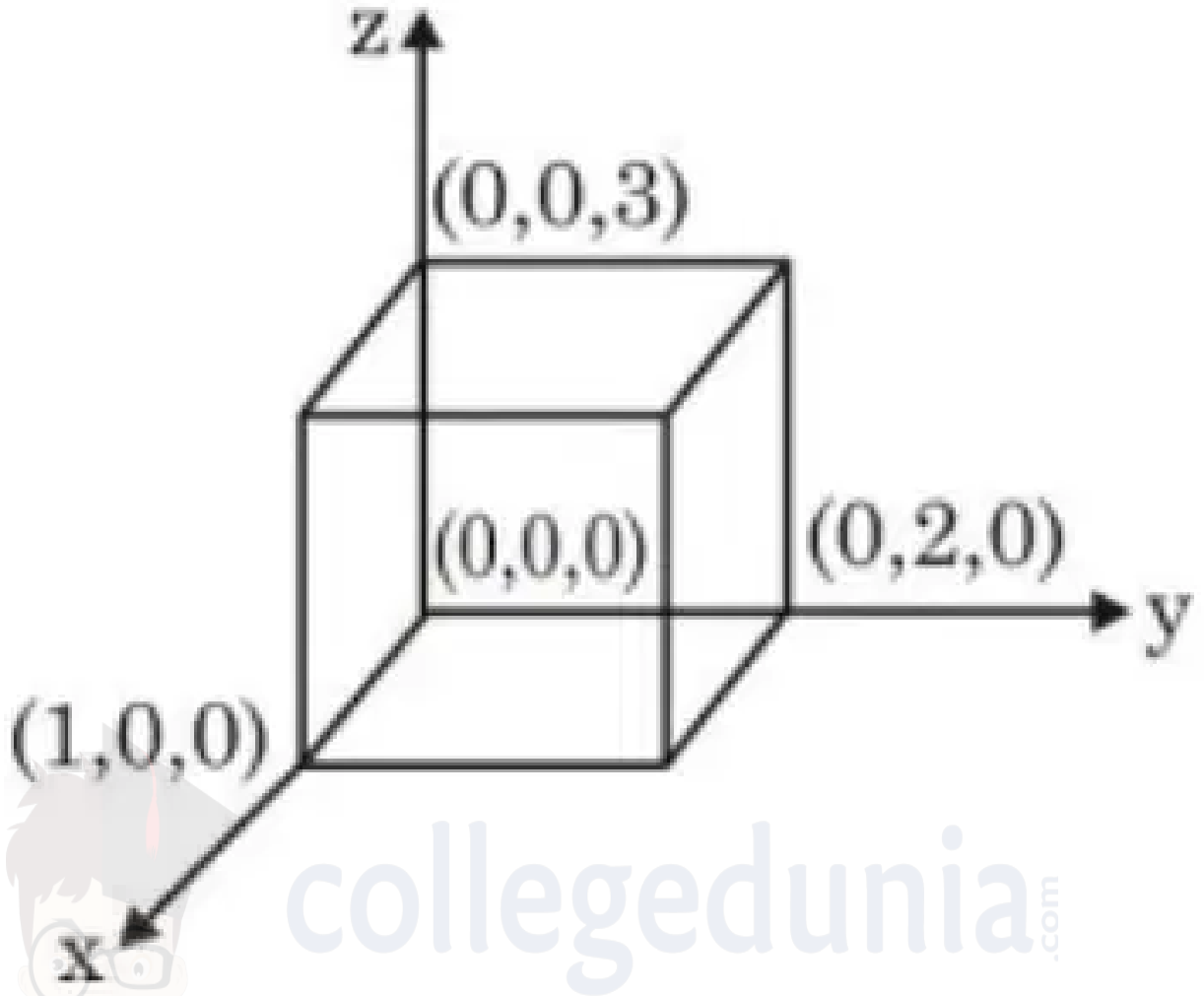
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### 10. Answer: 12 - 12

#### Explanation:

The correct answer is 12.

$$\vec{E} = 2x^2\hat{i} - 4y\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$$



$$\phi_{\text{net}} = -8 \times 3 + 2 \times 6 = -12$$

$$-12 = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$|q| = 12\epsilon_0$$

So, the answer is 12.

## Concepts:

### 1. Electrostatic Potential:

The [electrostatic potential](#) is also known as the electric field potential, electric potential, or potential drop is defined as "The amount of work that is done in order to move a unit charge from a reference point to a specific point inside the field without producing an acceleration."

### SI Unit of Electrostatic Potential:

SI unit of electrostatic potential - volt

Other units – statvolt

Symbol of electrostatic potential – V or  $\varphi$

Dimensional formula –  $ML^2T^{-3}I^{-1}$

## Electric Potential Formula:

The electric [potential energy](#) of the system is given by the following formula:

$$U = 1/(4\pi\epsilon^0) \times [q_1q_2/d]$$

Where  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are the two charges that are separated by the distance  $d$ .

