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- The energy of a charged capacitor is given by the expression ( $q$  = charge on the conductor and  $C$  = its capacity)
  - $\frac{q^2}{2C}$
  - $\frac{q^2}{C}$
  - $2qC$
  - $\frac{q}{2C^2}$
- The capacity of a condenser is  $4 \times 10^{-6}$  farad and its potential is 100 volts. The energy released on discharging it fully will be
  - 0.02 Joule
  - 0.04 Joule
  - 0.025 Joule
  - 0.05 Joule
- Which one statement is correct ? A parallel plate air condenser is connected with a battery. Its charge, potential, electric field and energy are  $Q_0, V_0, E_0$  and  $U_0$  respectively. In order to fill the complete space between the plates a dielectric slab is inserted, the battery is still connected. Now the corresponding values  $Q, V, E$  and  $U$  are in relation with the initially stated as
  - $Q > Q_0$
  - $V > V_0$
  - $E > E_0$
  - $U > U_0$
- In a charged capacitor, the energy resides
  - The positive charges
  - Both the positive and negative charges
  - The field between the plates
  - Around the edge of the capacitor plates
- The energy stored in a condenser of capacity  $C$  which has been raised to a potential  $V$  is given by
  - $\frac{1}{2} CV$
  - $\frac{1}{2} CV^2$
  - $CV$
  - $\frac{1}{2VC}$
- If two conducting spheres are separately charged and then brought in contact
  - The total energy of the two spheres is conserved
  - The total charge on the two spheres is conserved
  - Both the total energy and charge are conserved
  - The final potential is always the mean of the original potentials of the two spheres
- Two insulated charged spheres of radii 20 cm and 25 cm respectively and having an equal charge  $Q$  are connected by a copper wire, then they are separated
  - Both the spheres will have the same charge  $Q$
  - Charge on the 20 cm sphere will be greater than that on the 25 cm sphere
  - Charge on the 25 cm sphere will be greater than that on the 20 cm sphere
  - Charge on each of the sphere will be  $2Q$
- Eight drops of mercury of equal radii possessing equal charges combine to form a big drop. Then the capacitance of bigger drop compared to each individual small drop is
  - 8 times
  - 4 times
  - 2 times
  - 32 times
- Separation between the plates of a parallel plate capacitor is  $d$  and the area of each plate is  $A$ . When a slab of material of dielectric constant  $k$  and thickness  $t$  ( $t < d$ ) is introduced between the plates, its capacitance becomes
  - $\frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d + t \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right)}$
  - $\frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d + t \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)}$
  - $\frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d - t \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right)}$
  - $\frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d - t \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)}$
- The energy of a charged capacitor resides in
  - The electric field only
  - The magnetic field only
  - Both the electric and magnetic field
  - Neither in electric nor magnetic field
- No current flows between two charged bodies connected together when they have the same
  - Capacitance or  $\frac{Q}{V}$  ratio
  - Charge
  - Resistance
  - Potential or  $\frac{Q}{C}$  ratio

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12. The capacity of a parallel plate condenser is  $C$ . Its capacity when the separation between the plates is halved will be
- (a)  $4C$  (b)  $2C$   
(c)  $\frac{C}{2}$  (d)  $\frac{C}{4}$
13. Eight small drops, each of radius  $r$  and having same charge  $q$  are combined to form a big drop. The ratio between the potentials of the bigger drop and the smaller drop is
- (a)  $8 : 1$  (b)  $4 : 1$   
(c)  $2 : 1$  (d)  $1 : 8$
14. 1000 small water drops each of radius  $r$  and charge  $q$  coalesce together to form one spherical drop. The potential of the big drop is larger than that of the smaller drop by a factor of
- (a) 1000 (b) 100  
(c) 10 (d) 1
15. A parallel plate condenser is immersed in an oil of dielectric constant 2. The field between the plates is
- (a) Increased proportional to 2  
(b) Decreased proportional to  $\frac{1}{2}$   
(c) Increased proportional to  $\sqrt{2}$   
(d) Decreased proportional to  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
16. A parallel plate condenser is connected with the terminals of a battery. The distance between the plates is  $6\text{mm}$ . If a glass plate (dielectric constant  $K = 9$ ) of  $4.5\text{mm}$  is introduced between them, then the capacity will become
- (a) 2 times (b) The same  
(c) 3 times (d) 4 times
17. Between the plates of a parallel plate condenser, a plate of thickness  $t_1$  and dielectric constant  $k_1$  is placed. In the rest of the space, there is another plate of thickness  $t_2$  and dielectric constant  $k_2$ . The potential difference across the condenser will be
- (a)  $\frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{t_1}{k_1} + \frac{t_2}{k_2} \right)$  (b)  $\frac{\epsilon_0 Q}{A} \left( \frac{t_1}{k_1} + \frac{t_2}{k_2} \right)$   
(c)  $\frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{k_1}{t_1} + \frac{k_2}{t_2} \right)$  (d)  $\frac{\epsilon_0 Q}{A} (k_1 t_1 + k_2 t_2)$
18. The distance between the plates of a parallel plate condenser is  $8\text{mm}$  and P.D.  $120\text{volts}$ . If a  $6\text{mm}$  thick slab of dielectric constant 6 is introduced between its plates, then
- (a) The charge on the condenser will be doubled  
(b) The charge on the condenser will be reduced to half  
(c) The P.D. across the condenser will be  $320\text{volts}$   
(d) The P.D. across the condenser will be  $45\text{volts}$
19. The capacity and the energy stored in a parallel plate condenser with air between its plates are respectively  $C_0$  and  $W_0$ . If the air is replaced by glass (dielectric constant = 5) between the plates, the capacity of the plates and the energy stored in it will respectively be
- (a)  $5C_0, 5W_0$  (b)  $5C_0, \frac{W_0}{5}$   
(c)  $\frac{C_0}{5}, 5W_0$  (d)  $\frac{C_0}{5}, \frac{W_0}{5}$
20.  $N$  identical spherical drops charged to the same potential  $V$  are combined to form a big drop. The potential of the new drop will be
- (a)  $V$  (b)  $V/N$   
(c)  $V \times N$  (d)  $V \times N^{2/3}$
21. A  $6\mu\text{F}$  capacitor is charged from  $10\text{volts}$  to  $20\text{volts}$ . Increase in energy will be
- (a)  $18 \times 10^{-4}\text{J}$  (b)  $9 \times 10^{-4}\text{J}$   
(c)  $4.5 \times 10^{-4}\text{J}$  (d)  $9 \times 10^{-6}\text{J}$
22. Twenty seven drops of water of the same size are equally and similarly charged. They are then united to form a bigger drop. By what factor will the electrical potential changes
- (a) 9 times (b) 27 times  
(c) 6 times (d) 3 times
23. The distance between the plates of a parallel plate capacitor is  $d$ . A metal plate of thickness  $d/2$  is placed between the plates. The capacitance would then be

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- (a) Unchanged                      (b) Halved  
(c) Zero                                (d) Doubled
24. An uncharged capacitor is connected to a battery. On charging the capacitor
- All the energy supplied is stored in the capacitor
  - Half the energy supplied is stored in the capacitor
  - The energy stored depends upon the capacity of the capacitor only
  - The energy stored depends upon the time for which the capacitor is charged
25. The capacitance of an air capacitor is  $15\mu F$  the separation between the parallel plates is  $6mm$ . A copper plate of  $3mm$  thickness is introduced symmetrically between the plates. The capacitance now becomes
- $5\mu F$
  - $7.5\mu F$
  - $22.5\mu F$
  - $30\mu F$
26. The plates of a parallel plate capacitor of capacity  $50\mu C$  are charged to a potential of  $100\text{ volts}$  and then separated from each other so that the distance between them is doubled. How much is the energy spent in doing so
- $25 \times 10^{-2} J$
  - $-12.5 \times 10^{-2} J$
  - $-25 \times 10^{-2} J$
  - $12.5 \times 10^{-2} J$
27. The area of the plates of a parallel plate condenser is  $A$  and the distance between the plates is  $10mm$ . There are two dielectric sheets in it, one of dielectric constant  $10$  and thickness  $6mm$  and the other of dielectric constant  $5$  and thickness  $4mm$ . The capacity of the condenser is
- $\frac{12}{35} \epsilon_0 A$
  - $\frac{2}{3} \epsilon_0 A$
  - $\frac{5000}{7} \epsilon_0 A$
  - $1500 \epsilon_0 A$
28. An air capacitor of capacity  $C = 10\mu F$  is connected to a constant voltage battery of  $12V$ . Now the space between the plates is filled with a liquid of dielectric constant  $5$ . The charge that flows now from battery to the capacitor is
- $120\mu C$
  - $699\mu C$
  - $480\mu C$
  - $24\mu C$
29. The force between the plates of a parallel plate capacitor of capacitance  $C$  and distance of separation of the plates  $d$  with a potential difference  $V$  between the plates, is
- $\frac{CV^2}{2d}$
  - $\frac{C^2V^2}{2d^2}$
  - $\frac{C^2V^2}{d^2}$
  - $\frac{V^2d}{C}$
30. Two metal spheres of capacitance  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  carry some charges. They are put in contact and then separated. The final charges  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  on them will satisfy
- $\frac{Q_1}{Q_2} < \frac{C_1}{C_2}$
  - $\frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$
  - $\frac{Q_1}{Q_2} > \frac{C_1}{C_2}$
  - $\frac{Q_1}{Q_2} < \frac{C_2}{C_1}$
31. A parallel plate condenser with oil between the plates (dielectric constant of oil  $K = 2$ ) has a capacitance  $C$ . If the oil is removed, then capacitance of the capacitor becomes
- $\sqrt{2}C$
  - $2C$
  - $\frac{C}{\sqrt{2}}$
  - $\frac{C}{2}$
32. A condenser having a capacity  $2.0$  micro farad is charged to  $200\text{ volts}$  and then the plates of the capacitor are connected to a resistance wire. The heat produced in joules will be
- $4 \times 10^4 J$
  - $4 \times 10^{10} J$
  - $4 \times 10^{-2} J$
  - $2 \times 10^{-2} J$
33. Sixty-four drops are jointed together to form a bigger drop. If each small drop has a capacitance  $C$ , a potential  $V$ , and a charge  $q$ , then the capacitance of the bigger drop will be
- $C$
  - $4C$
  - $16C$
  - $64C$
34. A  $700pF$  capacitor is charged by a  $50V$  battery. The electrostatic energy stored by it is
- $17.0 \times 10^{-8} J$
  - $13.6 \times 10^{-9} J$
  - $9.5 \times 10^{-9} J$
  - $8.7 \times 10^{-7} J$

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35. A variable condenser is permanently connected to a 100 V battery. If the capacity is changed from  $2\mu F$  to  $10\mu F$ , then change in energy is equal to

- (a)  $2 \times 10^{-2} J$                       (b)  $2.5 \times 10^{-2} J$   
(c)  $3.5 \times 10^{-2} J$                       (d)  $4 \times 10^{-2} J$

36. A  $12pF$  capacitor is connected to a 50V battery. How much electrostatic energy is stored in the capacitor

- (a)  $1.5 \times 10^{-8} J$                       (b)  $2.5 \times 10^{-7} J$   
(c)  $3.5 \times 10^{-5} J$                       (d)  $4.5 \times 10^{-2} J$

37. The capacity of a parallel plate condenser is  $15\mu F$ , when the distance between its plates is 6 cm. If the distance between the plates is reduced to 2 cm, then the capacity of this parallel plate condenser will be

- (a)  $15\mu F$                                   (b)  $30\mu F$   
(c)  $45\mu F$                                   (d)  $60\mu F$

38. In a capacitor of capacitance  $20\mu F$ , the distance between the plates is 2mm. If a dielectric slab of width 1mm and dielectric constant 2 is inserted between the plates, then the new capacitance is

- (a)  $2\mu F$                                     (b)  $15.5\mu F$   
(c)  $26.6\mu F$                                 (d)  $32\mu F$

39. If  $n$  drops, each of capacitance  $C$ , coalesce to form a single big drop, then the ratio of the energy stored in the big drop to that in each small drop will be

- (a)  $n : 1$                                     (b)  $n^{1/3} : 1$   
(c)  $n^{5/3} : 1$                                 (d)  $n^2 : 1$

40. 64 small drops of mercury, each of radius  $r$  and charge  $q$  coalesce to form a big drop. The ratio of the surface density of charge of each small drop with that of the big drop is

- (a) 1 : 64                                    (b) 64 : 1  
(c) 4 : 1                                      (d) 1 : 4

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1. (a)  $q = CV$  and  $U = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{q^2}{2C}$

2. (a)  $U = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 10^{-6} \times (100)^2 = 0.02 J$

3. (a,d) Capacitance will be increased when a dielectric is introduced in the capacitor but potential difference will remain the same because battery is still connected. So according to  $q = CV$ , charge will increase *i.e.*  $Q > Q_0$  and  $U = \frac{1}{2} QV_0, U_0 = \frac{1}{2} Q_0V_0 \Rightarrow Q > Q_0$  so  $U > U_0$

4. (c)

5. (b)  $U = \int_0^V CV dV = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$

6. (b) Law of conservation of charge.

7. (c) After the connection of wire  $V_1 = V_2$   
 $\therefore \frac{Q_1}{25} = \frac{Q_2}{20} \Rightarrow \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = \frac{25}{20} \Rightarrow Q_1 > Q_2$

8. (c) Volume of 8 small drops = Volume of big drop

$$8 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 = \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \Rightarrow R = 2r$$

As capacity is  $r$ , hence capacity becomes 2 times.

9. (c) Potential difference between the plates  $V = V_{air} + V_{medium}$

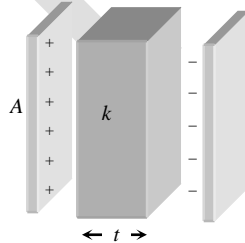
$$= \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \times (d-t) + \frac{\sigma}{K\epsilon_0} \times t$$

$$\Rightarrow V = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \left( d-t + \frac{t}{K} \right)$$

$$= \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} \left( d-t + \frac{t}{K} \right)$$

Hence capacitance  $C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{Q}{\frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} \left( d-t + \frac{t}{K} \right)}$

$$= \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{\left( d-t + \frac{t}{K} \right)} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d-t \left( 1 - \frac{1}{K} \right)}$$



10. (a) Stationary charge produces electric field only.

11. (d)

12. (b)  $C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}, C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d/2} \Rightarrow C' = 2C$

13. (b) By using  $V_{big} = n^{2/3} v_{small} \Rightarrow \frac{V_{big}}{v_{small}} = (8)^{2/3} = \frac{4}{1}$

14. (b)  $V_{big} = n^{2/3} v_{small} = (1000)^{2/3} v_{small} = 100 v_{small}$

15. (b)  $E_{medium} = \frac{E_{air}}{K} = \frac{E}{2}$

16. (c)  $C \propto \frac{1}{d} \Rightarrow \frac{C_{medium}}{C_{air}} = \frac{d}{d-t + \frac{t}{K}} = \frac{6}{6-4.5 + \frac{4.5}{9}} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$

17. (a) Potential difference across the condenser

$$V = V_1 + V_2 = E_1 t_1 + E_2 t_2 = \frac{\sigma}{K_1 \epsilon_0} t_1 + \frac{\sigma}{K_2 \epsilon_0} t_2$$

$$\Rightarrow V = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{t_1}{K_1} + \frac{t_2}{K_2} \right) = \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{t_1}{K_1} + \frac{t_2}{K_2} \right)$$

18. (d) If nothing is said, it is considered that battery is disconnected. Hence charge remain the same

$$\text{Also } V_{air} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \times d \text{ and } V_{medium} = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \left( d-t + \frac{t}{k} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_m}{V_a} = \frac{(d-t + \frac{t}{k})}{d} \Rightarrow \frac{V_m}{120} = \frac{(8-6 + \frac{6}{6})}{8} \Rightarrow V_m = 45V$$

19. (b) When a dielectric  $K$  is introduced in a parallel plate condenser its capacity becomes  $K$  times. Hence

$$C' = 5C_0. \text{ Energy stored } W_0 = \frac{q^2}{2C_0}$$

$$\therefore W' = \frac{q^2}{2C'} = \frac{q^2}{2 \times 5C_0} \Rightarrow W' = \frac{W_0}{5}$$

20. (d) If the drops are conducting, then

$$\frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 = N \left( \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \right) \Rightarrow R = N^{1/3} r. \text{ Final charge } Q =$$

$$Nq$$

$$\text{So final potential } V = \frac{Q}{R} = \frac{Nq}{N^{1/3} r} = V \times N^{2/3}$$

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$$21. (b) \quad \Delta E = E_{Final} - E_{Initial} = \frac{1}{2} C (V_{Final}^2 - V_{Initial}^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times (20^2 - 10^2) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$= 3 \times (400 - 100) \times 10^{-6} = 3 \times 300 \times 10^{-6} = 9 \times 10^{-4} J$$

$$22. (a) \quad V_{Big} = n^{2/3} \cdot v_{small} \Rightarrow V_{Big} = (27)^{2/3} \cdot v_{small} = 9 v_{small}$$

$$23. (d) \quad C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d - (d/2)} = 2 \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}$$

24. (b) In charging of capacitor half of the supplied energy is stored in the capacitor.

$$25. (d) \quad \text{By using } C_{air} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}, \quad C_{medium} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d - t + \frac{t}{K}}$$

For  $K = \infty \quad C_{medium} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d - t}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{C_m}{C_a} = \frac{d}{d - t} \Rightarrow \frac{C_m}{15} = \frac{6}{6 - 3} \Rightarrow C_m = 30 \mu C$$

$$26. (a) \quad W_{ext} = \frac{1}{2} C' V^2 - \frac{1}{2} C V^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{C}{2}\right) (2V)^2 - \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = \frac{1}{2} C V^2$$

$$W_{ext} = \frac{1}{2} \times 50 \times 10^{-6} \times (100)^2 = 25 \times 10^{-2} J$$

$$27. (c) \quad C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{\left(\frac{t_1}{k_1} + \frac{t_2}{k_2}\right)} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{\frac{6 \times 10^{-3}}{10} + \frac{4 \times 10^{-3}}{5}} = \frac{5000}{7} \epsilon_0 A$$

28. (c) Initially charge on the capacitor  
 $Q = 10 \times 12 = 120 \mu C$

Finally charge on the capacitor  
 $Q' = (5 \times 10) \times 12 = 600 \mu C$

So charge supplied by the battery later  
 $= Q' - Q = 480 \mu C$

29. (a)

30. (b) Potential of both spheres will be same.

$$31. (d) \quad C_{air} = \frac{C_{medium}}{K} = \frac{C}{2}$$

$$32. (c) \quad U = \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 10^{-6} \times (200)^2 = 4 \times 10^{-2} J$$

$$33. (b) \quad C' = n^{1/3} C = (64)^{1/3} C = 4C$$

$$34. (d) \quad U = \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 700 \times 10^{-12} (50)^2 = 8.7 \times 10^{-7} J$$

$$35. (d) \quad \Delta U = U_2 - U_1 = \frac{V^2}{2} (C_2 - C_1)$$

$$= \frac{(100)^2}{2} (10 - 2) \times 10^{-6} = 4 \times 10^{-2} J$$

$$36. (a) \quad U = \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 10^{-12} \times (50)^2 = 1.5 \times 10^{-8} J$$

$$37. (c) \quad C \propto \frac{1}{d} \Rightarrow \frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{d_2}{d_1} \Rightarrow \frac{15}{C_2} = \frac{2}{6} \Rightarrow C_2 = 45 \mu F$$

$$38. (c) \quad C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} \text{ and } C' = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{\left(d - t + \frac{t}{K}\right)} \Rightarrow \frac{C}{C'} = \frac{\left(d - t + \frac{t}{K}\right)}{d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{20}{C'} = \frac{\left(2 \times 10^{-3} - 1 \times 10^{-3} + \frac{1 \times 10^{-3}}{2}\right)}{2 \times 10^{-3}} \Rightarrow C' = 26.6 \mu F$$

$$39. (c) \quad U_{Big} = n^{5/3} u_{small}$$

$$40. (d) \quad \frac{\sigma_{small}}{\sigma_{Big}} = \frac{q}{Q} \times \frac{R^2}{r^2} = \frac{q}{(nq)} \times \frac{(n^{1/3} r)^2}{r^2} = n^{-1/3} = (64)^{-1/3} = \frac{1}{4}$$