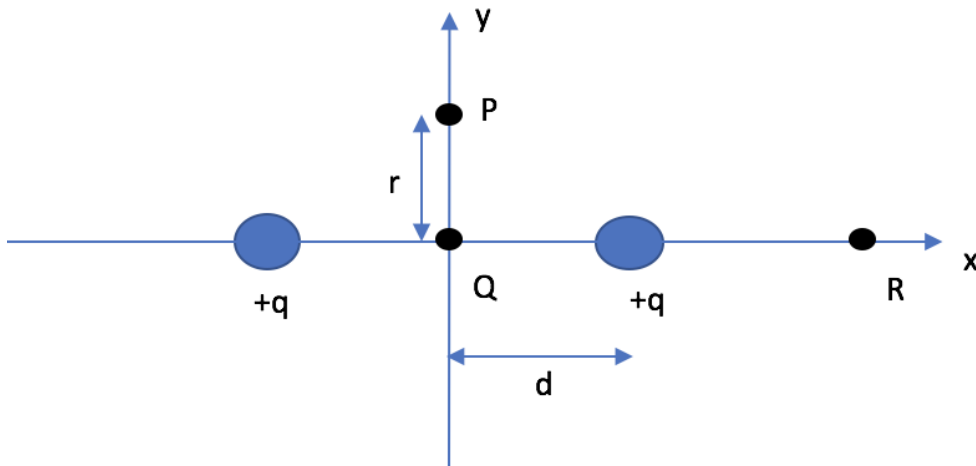


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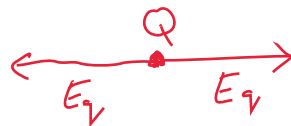
Consider the collection of two charges separated in the x-axis by a distance 2d:



1) Where should we place a negatively charged test particle so that it is not subject to a force?

- a. Point R
- b. Point Q**
- c. Point P

*At point Q, the net electric field is zero*



2) Now place the negative test charge at point Q. Which statement below is correct?

- a. The test charge is stable to a slight perturbation in the x direction
- b. The test charge is stable to a slight perturbation in the y direction**
- c. The test charge is stable to a slight perturbation in both x and y directions

*Displace charge slightly in +y direction, net force is in the -y direction*

3) Write an expression for the force on a negatively charged test particle of charge -q at location P. ( $\hat{x}$  and  $\hat{y}$  are unit vectors in the x and y directions.)

- a.  $-\frac{2kq^2}{(d^2+r^2)}$
- b.  $-\frac{2kq^2r}{(d^2+r^2)^{3/2}}\hat{y}$**
- c.  $-\frac{2kq^2d}{(d^2+r^2)^{3/2}}\hat{y}$
- d.  $-\frac{2kq^2dr}{(d^2+r^2)^2}\hat{x}$
- e.  $\frac{2kq^2r}{(d^2+r^2)^{3/2}}\hat{x}$

*At P ⇒*

*by Coulomb's law ⇒*

$$|F| = \frac{Kq^2}{d^2+r^2}$$

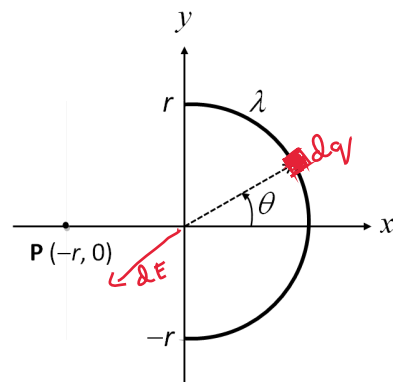
*Note that the horizontal components cancel  
Vertical components add and point in  $-\hat{y}$  direction*

$$\text{Net force} = -2F \sin \theta \hat{y}$$

$$= -\frac{2Kq^2}{d^2+r^2} \frac{r \hat{y}}{(d^2+r^2)^{1/2}} = -\frac{2Krq^2}{(d^2+r^2)^{3/2}} \hat{y}$$

The next three questions pertain to the situation described below.

A uniformly charged semi-circular line with linear charge density  $\lambda$  is placed in the x-y plane as shown in the Figure on the right. Its radius is  $r$  and its total charge  $Q = 15 \mu\text{C}$ .



length of the line =  $\frac{2\pi r}{2}$

so  $\lambda = \frac{Q}{\pi r} = \frac{15 \mu\text{C}}{\pi (5/100)\text{m}}$

$\lambda = 95 \mu\text{C/m}$

pay attention to the units.

4) If  $r = 5 \text{ cm}$ , what is  $\lambda$ ?

- a.  $\lambda = 48 \mu\text{C/m}$
- b.  $\lambda = 95 \mu\text{C/m}$
- c.  $\lambda = 150 \mu\text{C/m}$

5) What is the correct expression for the x-component of the total electric field at the origin,  $E_x$ , due to this charge?

consider a charge element  $dq$  at position  $\theta$  shown above

$dq = \lambda r d\theta \rightarrow dE_x = -\frac{k dq \cos\theta}{r^2}$

$dE_x = -\frac{k \lambda \cos\theta d\theta}{r}$

$E_x = -\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{k \lambda \cos\theta d\theta}{r}$



a.  $E_x = -\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{k \lambda}{r^2} \cos\theta d\theta$

b.  $E_x = -\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{k \lambda}{r} \cos\theta \sin\theta d\theta$

c.  $E_x = 0$

d.  $E_x = -\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{k \lambda}{r} \sin\theta d\theta$

e.  $E_x = -\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{k \lambda}{r} \cos\theta d\theta$

6) What kind of point charge should be placed at point  $P(-r, 0)$  in order to make the net electric field at the origin vanish?

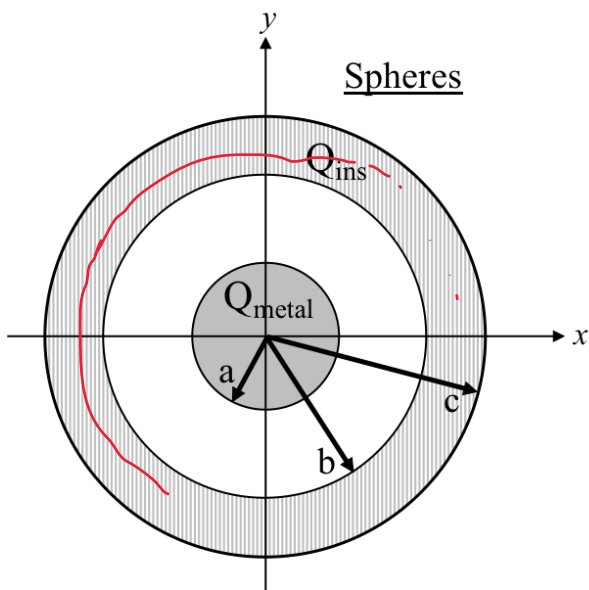
Note that  $E_y = -\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{k \lambda}{r} \sin\theta d\theta = 0$

- a. There is no such charge
- b. Positive charge
- c. Negative Charge

The electric field above is only along the x-direction and since  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $E_x$  points in the negative x-direction. So we need to place a positive charge at point P to make net electric field to be zero.

The next four questions pertain to the situation described below.

A metal conducting sphere of radius  $a$  is centered on the origin. Concentric with it is a spherical shell made of insulating material of inner radius  $b$  and outer radius  $c$ . A total positive charge  $Q_{\text{metal}}$  is placed on the inner metal sphere, while a total negative charge  $Q_{\text{insul}}$  is uniformly distributed over the volume of the outer insulating sphere. The values of all parameters are given in the figure below. The figure is not drawn to scale.



- $a = 5 \text{ cm}$
- $b = 9 \text{ cm}$
- $c = 17 \text{ cm}$
- $Q_{\text{metal}} = 6 \mu\text{C}$
- $Q_{\text{insul}} = -4 \mu\text{C}$

7) Calculate the surface charge density on the inner metal sphere at  $a = 5 \text{ cm}$

- a.  $\sigma = 190 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$
- b.  $\sigma = 2 \times 10^4 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$
- c.  $\sigma = 19 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$

$$\sigma = \frac{Q_{\text{metal}}}{4\pi a^2} = \frac{6 \mu\text{C}}{4\pi (5/100)^2} = 190 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$$

8) Calculate the magnitude of the electric field  $E$  at a radius of  $7 \text{ cm}$  from the origin.

- a.  $|E| = 1.1 \times 10^7 \text{ N/C}$
- b.  $|E| = 1.8 \times 10^7 \text{ N/C}$
- c.  $|E| = 7.7 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$

at  $r < b$ , Use Gauss's law,  $\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = Q_{\text{metal}}/\epsilon_0$

$$|E| = \frac{Q_{\text{metal}}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} = \frac{6 \times 10^{-6}}{4\pi(8.854 \times 10^{-12})(7 \times 10^{-2})^2}$$

9) Calculate the magnitude of the electric field  $E$  at a radius of  $13 \text{ cm}$  from the origin.

- a.  $|E| = 8.2 \times 10^6 \text{ N/C}$
- b.  $|E| = 7.4 \times 10^7 \text{ N/C}$
- c.  $|E| = 2.4 \times 10^6 \text{ N/C}$
- d.  $|E| = 0 \text{ N/C}$
- e.  $|E| = 5.3 \times 10^6 \text{ N/C}$

Note that  $13 \text{ cm}$  is for  $b < r < c$

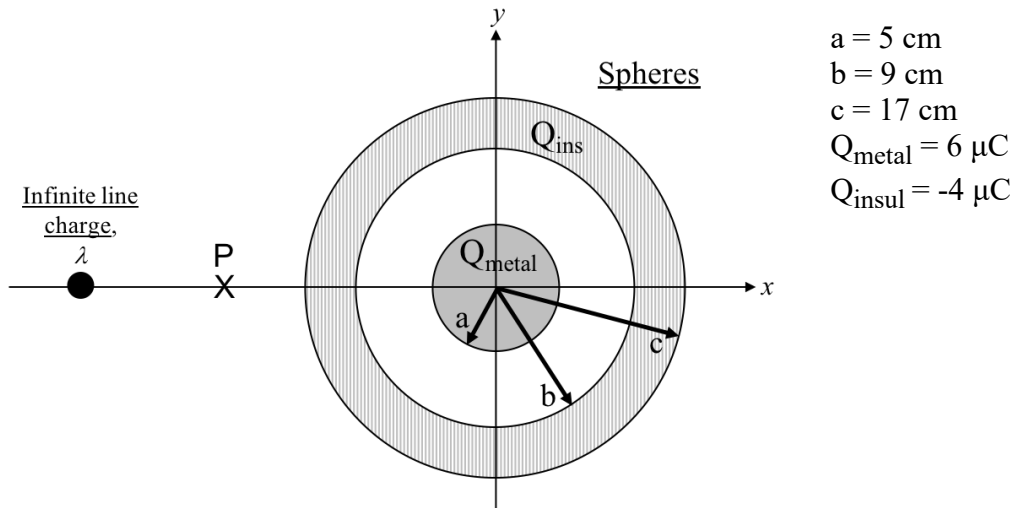
$$|E| = \frac{Q_{\text{enclosed}}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

where  $Q_{\text{enclosed}} = Q_{\text{metal}} + \rho V$   
 Note  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 - \frac{4}{3}\pi b^3 = 6.15 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$

$$\text{and } \rho = \frac{Q_{\text{insul}}}{\frac{4}{3}\pi c^3 - \frac{4}{3}\pi b^3} = -228 \text{ mC}/\text{m}^3$$

$$|E| = \frac{(6 + (-228)(6.15 \times 10^{-3})) \cdot 10^{-6}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 (13/100)^2}$$

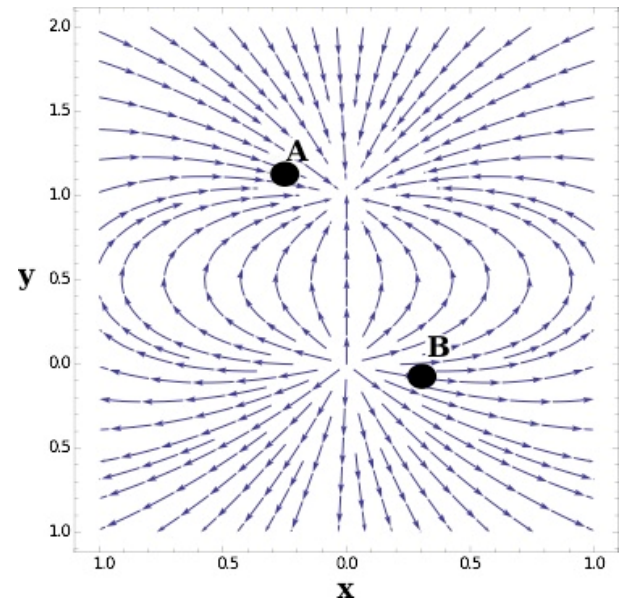
10) An infinite line charge having  $\lambda = 4 \mu\text{C/m}$  is now added parallel to the z-axis and centered at  $(x,y) = (-30 \text{ cm}, 0)$ , as shown. Find the magnitude of electric field at a point P located at  $(x,y) = (-21.5 \text{ cm}, 0)$ . (The figure is not drawn to scale. Here we assume the line charge does not affect the surface charge distribution on the metal sphere.)



- a.  $|\mathbf{E}| = 7.2 \times 10^6 \text{ N/C}$
- b.  $|\mathbf{E}| = 8.5 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$
- c.  $|\mathbf{E}| = 1.9 \times 10^6 \text{ N/C}$
- d.  $|\mathbf{E}| = 1.9 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$
- e.  $|\mathbf{E}| = 4.6 \times 10^5 \text{ N/C}$

The next three questions pertain to the situation described below.

The electric field due to two point charges is given as a cross sectional view in the x-y plane. There are two points labeled A and B on the graph.



11) What is the position of the point charges?

- a. A positive charge at (1,0) and a negative charge at (0,0)
- b. A positive charge at (0,0) and a negative charge at (0,1)
- c. A positive charge at (0,1) and a negative charge at (0,0)

12) Which of these lines is an equipotential?

- a.  $y=0.5$
- b.  $y=0$
- c.  $x=0.5$
- d.  $x=1$
- e.  $x=0$

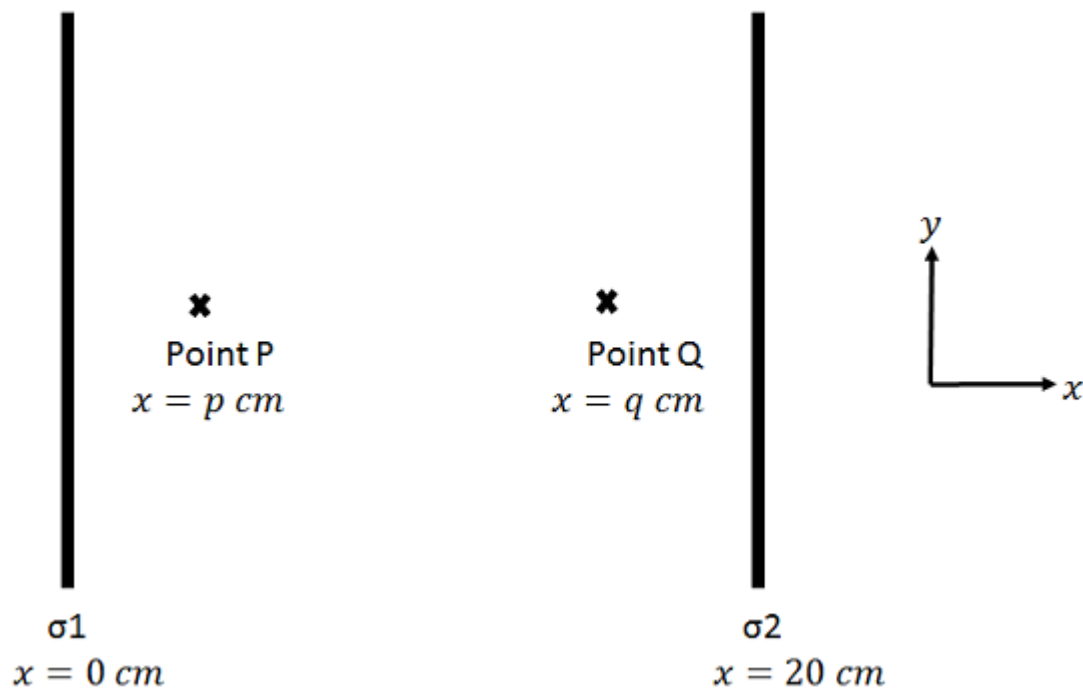
13) What is the relationship between the potential at A and B?

- a.  $V_A > V_B$
- b.  $V_A < V_B$
- c.  $V_A = V_B$

The next three questions pertain to the situation described below.

As seen in Figure 1, two charged, infinite plates have charge densities of  $\sigma_1 = 5 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$  and  $\sigma_2 = 9 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$  and are placed at  $x = 0 \text{ cm}$  and  $x = 20 \text{ cm}$  respectively.

Figure 1

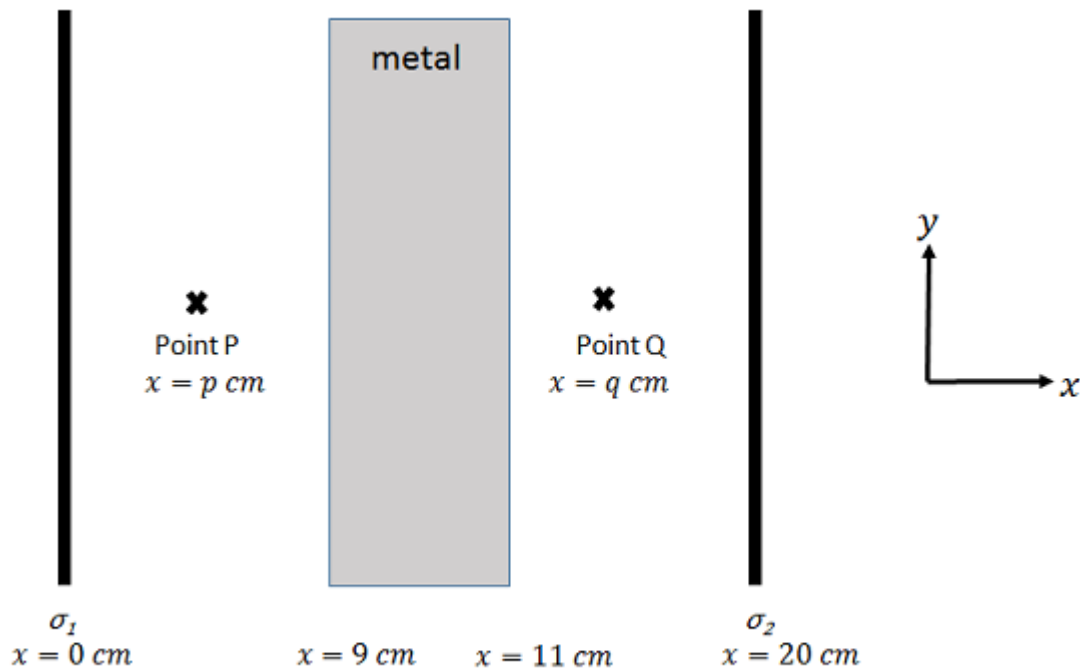


14) What is the potential difference between point Q,  $(q \text{ cm}, 0 \text{ cm})$  and point P,  $(p \text{ cm}, 0 \text{ cm})$ ? Let  $q = 17 \text{ cm}$  and  $p = 2 \text{ cm}$ .

- a.  $\Delta V = 84 \text{ kV}$
- b.  $\Delta V = 120 \text{ kV}$
- c.  $\Delta V = 34 \text{ kV}$
- d.  $\Delta V = 280 \text{ kV}$
- e.  $\Delta V = 230 \text{ kV}$

15) For the next two problems, consider Figure 2.

Figure 2



A slab of metal with no net charge (shaded region; left edge at  $x = 9$  cm, right edge at  $x = 11$  cm) is now placed between the two charged, infinite plates.

What are the surface charge densities for the left side of the slab (given by  $\sigma_L$ ) and the right side of the slab (given by  $\sigma_R$ )?

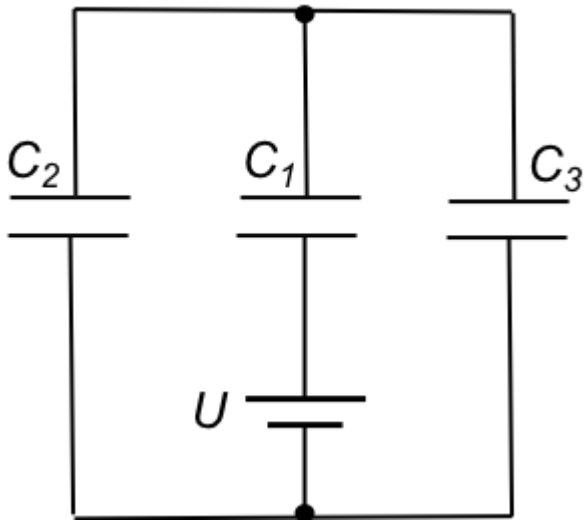
- $\sigma_L = -7 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2, \sigma_R = 7 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$
- $\sigma_L = -2 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2, \sigma_R = 2 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$
- $\sigma_L = 2 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2, \sigma_R = -2 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$
- $\sigma_L = 0 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2, \sigma_R = 0 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$
- $\sigma_L = 7 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2, \sigma_R = -7 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$

16) With the addition of the metal slab, what is the potential difference between point Q and point P?

- $\Delta V = 100$  kV
- $\Delta V = 34$  kV
- $\Delta V = 0$  kV
- $\Delta V = 29$  kV
- $\Delta V = 120$  kV

The next two questions pertain to the situation described below.

Three capacitors and an ideal battery are connected as shown in the figure below. The voltage of the battery is  $U = 9 \text{ V}$ . The capacitances of the capacitors are  $C_1 = 4 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_2 = 4 \mu\text{F}$ , and  $C_3 = 6 \mu\text{F}$ .



17) Capacitors  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  are connected \_\_\_\_\_

- a. in series
- b. in parallel
- c. neither in parallel nor in series

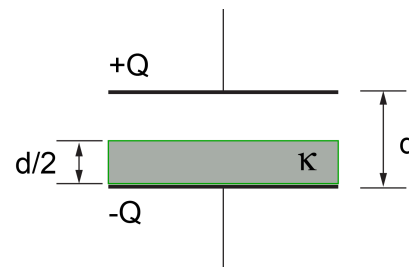
18) What is the total energy stored in all three capacitors?

- a.  $120 \mu\text{J}$
- b.  $570 \mu\text{J}$
- c.  $26 \mu\text{J}$
- d.  $230 \mu\text{J}$
- e.  $1100 \mu\text{J}$



The next two questions pertain to the situation described below.

A parallel plate capacitor is constructed with a dielectric slab with  $\kappa = 1.7$  inserted between the plates. The area of each plate is  $6 \text{ cm}^2$ , and the distance between the two plates is  $2 \text{ mm}$ . Assume the infinite plane approximation.



19) If we fix the charge on the capacitor to be  $Q = 6 \times 10^{-11} \text{ C}$ , what is the potential difference between the top and bottom plates? Note that in the region containing the dielectric medium, the electric field is  $E = E_0 / \kappa$ , where  $E_0$  is the electric field in vacuum.

- a.  $\Delta V = 18 \text{ V}$
- b.  $\Delta V = 6.6 \text{ V}$
- c.  $\Delta V = 11 \text{ V}$
- d.  $\Delta V = 23 \text{ V}$
- e.  $\Delta V = 4.2 \text{ V}$

20) If the dielectric slab is removed, the capacitance of the capacitor will

- a. remain the same
- b. decrease
- c. increase