

3. W 6-8 Spherical capacitor

$$C = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 ab}{b-a}$$

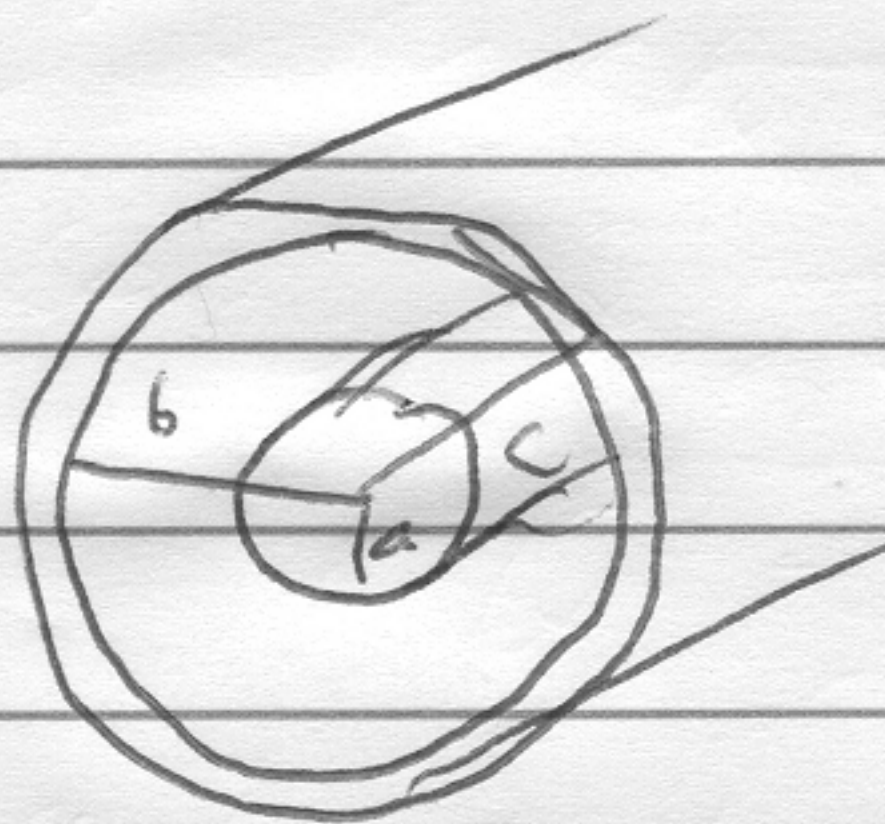
Let $b = a + \delta$ with $\delta \ll a, b$

$$C = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 a(a+\delta)}{a+\delta-a} \approx \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 a^2}{\delta}$$

Since $4\pi a^2 = \text{area of sphere}$ & $\delta = \text{"plate" separation}$

this is analogous to $C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d}$
for a parallel plate capacitor.

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conductors for $a < r < b$, and $b < r < c$.

Find capacitance / length.

Assume $+\lambda, -\lambda$ on inner & outer

conductors; by Gauss' Law

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \hat{r} \quad \text{for } a < r < b.$$

$$|\Delta\phi| = \left| -\int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} \right| \quad d\vec{s} = dr \hat{r}, \text{ so}$$

$$|\Delta\phi| = \left| -\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \int_a^b \frac{dr}{r} \right| = \left| -\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln(b/a) \right| = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln(b/a)$$

for a length l $Q = \lambda l$ so $|\Delta\phi| = \frac{Q}{2\pi\epsilon_0 l} \ln(b/a)$

$$C = \frac{Q}{|\Delta\phi|} = 2\pi\epsilon_0 l \frac{1}{\ln(b/a)}, \quad \frac{C}{l} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln(b/a)}$$

inner conductor can be solid or a thin shell
without changing E or $|\Delta\phi|$, or C .

$E = 0$ for $r > c$, so C is independent of c