

## Question #53449, Physics / Electric Circuits |

125 drops of water having potential of each 100 V . find the potential of bigger drop.

### Answer:

The potential of one drop is defined:

$E = kq/r$ , where  $k$ -the constant,  $q$  –the charge and  $r$  – radius of a drop.

The bigger drop has a volume of  $(4/3)\pi R^3$  which equals the sum volume of all drops  $125 \times (4/3)\pi r^3$ .

Since  $(4/3)\pi R^3 = 125 \times (4/3)\pi r^3$ ,  $R = (125)^{1/3} \times r = 5r$ .

Thus, the potential of bigger drop is:

$E = kQ/R$ , where  $Q$  – the total charge being of  $125q$ , and  $R$ - the radius.

After substitution of all parameters the potential of bigger drop is defined:

$$E = 125kq/(5r) = 25 kq/r = 25E = 2500 V$$