

**Physics 30 - Lesson 18H**  
**Resistors and Capacitors**  
**Part A**

1)  $A = (0.9m) \times (0.025m)$   
 $A = 0.0225m^2$  ✓  
 $d = 0.5 \times 10^{-3}m$

/ 5  $V = 9.0V$

$$C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d} = (8.85 \times 10^{-12} C / Nm) \left( \frac{0.0225m^2}{0.5 \times 10^{-3}m} \right)$$

$$C = 3.98 \times 10^{-10} F$$

$$C = 398 pF$$
 ✓

$Q = CV$  ✓  
 $Q = (3.98 \times 10^{-10} F)(9.0V)$   
 $Q = 3.58 \times 10^{-9} C$  ✓

2)  $V = 9.0V$   
 $C = 40 \mu F$

/ 3  $E = ?$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$$
 ✓
$$E = \frac{1}{2} (40 \times 10^{-6} F)(9.0V)^2$$
 ✓
$$E = 1.62 \times 10^{-3} J$$
 ✓

3)  $Q = ?$   
 $V = 12.0V$

/ 3  $C = 2.50 \times 10^{-6} F$

$$Q = CV$$
 ✓
$$Q = (2.50 \times 10^{-6} F)(12.0V)$$
 ✓
$$Q = 3.0 \times 10^{-5} C$$
 ✓

4)  $V = 388V$   
 $Q = 1500 \mu C$

/ 3  $C = ?$

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{1500 \times 10^{-6} C}{388V} = 3.87 \times 10^{-6} C$$
 ✓

5)  $E = ?$   
 $V = ?$

/ 6  $C = 20 \mu F$   
 $Q = 300 \mu C$   
 $d = 2.0 \times 10^{-3} m$

$$V = \frac{Q}{C} = \frac{300 \mu C}{20 \mu F} = 15V$$
 ✓
$$E = \frac{V}{d} = \frac{15V}{2.0 \times 10^{-3} m} = 7500V / m$$
 ✓
$$E = 7.5 \times 10^3 V / m$$

6)  $E = ?$   
 $A = (0.1m)(0.1m)$   
 $= 0.01m^2$   
 $d = 3.0 \times 10^{-3}m$   
 $Q = 3.00 \times 10^{-6}C$

$C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d} = (8.85 \times 10^{-12} C/Nm) \left( \frac{0.01m^2}{3.0 \times 10^{-3}m} \right)$   
 $C = 2.95 \times 10^{-11}F$   
 $E = \frac{(1/2)Q^2}{2C} = \frac{(1/2)(3.00 \times 10^{-6}C)^2}{2(2.95 \times 10^{-11}F)}$

Two plates, equal and opposite

$E = 0.31J$

7)  $Q$   
 $d' = 2d$   
 $E' = ?$

$C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$   
 $E = \frac{(1/2)Q^2}{C} = \frac{(1/2)Q^2}{\left( \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d} \right)}$   
 $E \propto \frac{1}{d}$   
 $E \propto d$  so if  $d \uparrow (2)$ ,  $E \uparrow (2)$

If the separation between the plates doubles, then the energy stored should also double (Keeping all else the same!)

### Part B

1) If  $C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C$   
 Then  $C_A = C_2 + C_3 = C + C = 2C$   
 $\frac{1}{C_B} = \frac{1}{C_A} + \frac{1}{C_1}$   
 $\frac{1}{C_B} = \frac{1}{2C} + \frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{2C} + \frac{2}{2C} = \frac{3}{2C}$   
 $\therefore C_B = \frac{2}{3}C$

2)  $t = ?$   
 $R = 200 \times 10^3$   
 $t = ?$   
 $R = 200 \times 10^3 \Omega$   
 $C = 3.0 \times 10^{-6} F$

$t = RC$   
 $t = (200 \times 10^3 \Omega)(3.00 \times 10^{-6} F)$   
 $t = 0.6s$

3) A)  $C = 1.5 \mu F$   
 $C = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + C_4 + C_5 + C_6$   
 $\frac{1}{C} = 1.5 \mu F + 1.5 \mu F + 1.5 \mu F + 1.5 \mu F + 1.5 \mu F + 1.5 \mu F$   
 $C = 9 \mu F$



B)  $C = 1.5\mu F$

$$\frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} + \frac{1}{C_4} + \frac{1}{C_5} + \frac{1}{C_6} \checkmark$$

$$\frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{1.5\mu F} + \frac{1}{1.5\mu F} + \frac{1}{1.5\mu F} + \frac{1}{1.5\mu F} + \frac{1}{1.5\mu F} + \frac{1}{1.5\mu F} \checkmark$$

$$\boxed{C = 0.25\mu F} \checkmark$$

4) By adding a  $1\mu F$  capacitor in parallel to the circuit, the new capacitance will be  $4\mu F$  ✓  
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5) To accomplish this, you would have to add a capacitor in series such that:

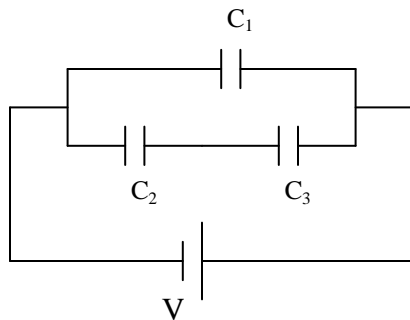
$$\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{3600 pF} = \frac{1}{1000 pF} \checkmark$$

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$$\therefore \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{1000 pF} - \frac{1}{3600 pF} \checkmark$$

$$x = 1384.6 pF \text{ (added in series to the circuit)} \checkmark$$

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$$\frac{1}{C_A} = \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} \checkmark$$

$$\frac{1}{C_A} = \frac{1}{4.0\mu F} + \frac{1}{4.0\mu F} \checkmark$$

$$C_A = 2.0\mu F \checkmark$$

$$C_B = C_1 + C_A = 2.0\mu F + 4.0\mu F$$

$$C_B = 6.0\mu F \text{ (Total Capacitance)} \checkmark$$

$$C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = 4\mu F$$

$$V = 50V$$

$$Q = CV$$

$$Q_1 = C_1V$$

$$Q_1 = (4.0\mu F)(50V)$$

$$Q_1 = 2.0 \times 10^{-4} C$$

$$\boxed{Q_1 = 20mC} \checkmark$$

$$Q_2 = C_2V$$

$$Q_2 = (2.0\mu F)(50V)$$

$$Q_2 = 1.0 \times 10^{-4} C$$

$$\boxed{Q_2 = 10mC} \checkmark$$

$$Q_3 = C_3V$$

$$Q_3 = (2.0\mu F)(50V)$$

$$Q_3 = 1.0 \times 10^{-4} C$$

$$\boxed{Q_3 = 10mC} \checkmark$$

7)

Maximum

Hook all the capacitors in parallel

$$C_T = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 = 2000 \times 10^{-12} F + 5000 \times 10^{-12} + 0.1 \times 10^{-6} F \quad \checkmark$$

$$C_T = 1.07 \times 10^{-7} F \quad \checkmark$$

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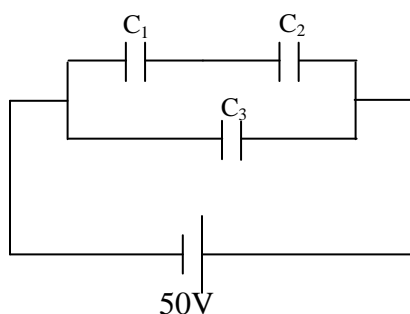
Minimum

Hook all the capacitors in series

$$\frac{1}{C_T} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} = \frac{1}{2000 pF} + \frac{1}{5000 pF} + \frac{1}{0.1 pF} \quad \checkmark$$

$$C_T = 1.4 \times 10^{-9} F \quad \checkmark$$

8)



$$C_1 = 3.0 \mu F$$

$$C_2 = 4.0 \mu F$$

$$C_3 = 2.0 \mu F$$

A)  $\frac{1}{C_A} = \frac{1}{3.0 \mu F} + \frac{1}{4.0 \mu F}$

$$C_A = 1.71 \mu F \quad \checkmark$$

$$C_T = C_A + C_3 = 1.71 \mu F + 2.0 \mu F = 3.7 \mu F \quad \checkmark$$

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B)  $Q = CV$

$$Q_A = C_A V$$

$$Q_A = (1.71 \mu F)(50V) \quad \checkmark$$

$$Q_A = 8.55 \times 10^{-5} C$$

$$V_1 = \frac{Q_A}{C_1} = \frac{8.55 \times 10^{-5} C}{3.0 \mu F}$$

$$V_1 = 28.5V \quad \checkmark$$

$$V_2 = \frac{Q_A}{C_2} = \frac{8.55 \times 10^{-5} C}{4.0 \mu F}$$

$$V_2 = 21.4V \quad \checkmark$$

$$Q_3 = C_3 V$$

$$Q_3 = 2.0 \mu F (50V) \quad \checkmark$$

$$Q_3 = 1.0 \times 10^{-4} C$$

$$V_3 = \frac{Q_3}{C_3} = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-4} C}{2.0 \times 10^{-6} F}$$

$$V_3 = 50V \quad \checkmark$$

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9)  $f = 70b / \text{min} = 1.17b / \text{sec} \checkmark$

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{1.17b / \text{sec}} = 0.857 \text{ sec}/b$$

$$C = 7.0 \mu F \checkmark$$

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$$t = RC \therefore R = \frac{t}{C} = \frac{0.857 \text{ sec}/b}{7.0 \mu F} \checkmark$$

$$R = 0.122 M\Omega \checkmark$$

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