

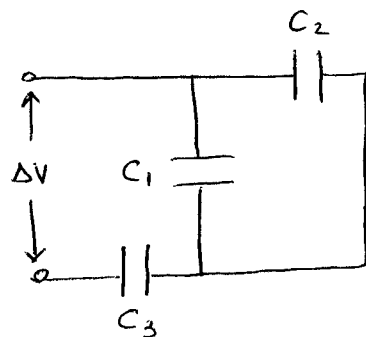
Unit 24 - Homework solution

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28-13

C_1 and C_2 are connected in parallel, because both of their plates are directly connected to each other.

C_{12} is in series with C_3 .



$$C_{12} = C_1 + C_2 = 10 + 5 = 15 \mu\text{F}$$

$$C_{eq} = \left(\frac{1}{C_{12}} + \frac{1}{C_3} \right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{4} \right)^{-1} = 3.0 \mu\text{F}$$

28-16

a) ΔV_1 (potential difference across C_1) is equal to 10 V, because C_1 is in parallel with the battery.

$$q_1 = C_1 \Delta V_1 = (10 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F})(10 \text{ V}) = 10^{-4} \text{ C} = 100 \mu\text{C}$$

b)

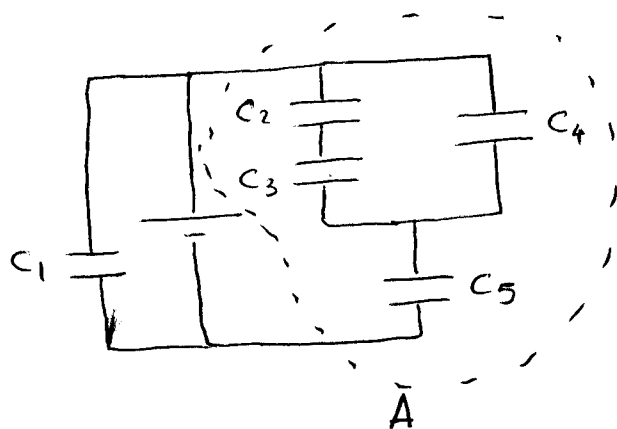
$$C_A = \left(\frac{1}{C_5} + \frac{1}{C_{234}} \right)^{-1}$$

$$C_{234} = C_4 + \left(\frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} \right)^{-1} = 10 + 5 = 15 \mu\text{F}$$

$$C_A = \left(\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{15} \right)^{-1} = 6.0 \mu\text{F}$$

$$q_A = C_A \Delta V_A = 6 \times 10 = 60 \mu\text{C} = q_5 = q_{234}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_4 + q_{23} = 60 \Rightarrow q_4 + q_2 = 60 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta V_4 = \Delta V_{23} = 2\Delta V_2 \Rightarrow \frac{q_4}{C_4} = \frac{2q_2}{C_2} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow q_4 = 43 \mu\text{C}$$



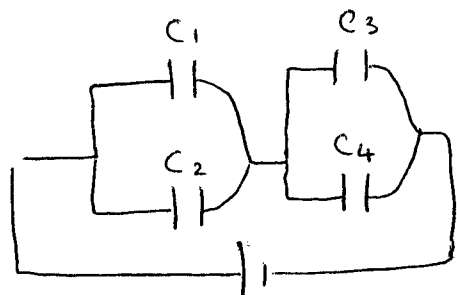
28-20

- a) C_1 and C_3 : Series
 C_2 and C_4 : Series
 C_{13} and C_{24} : parallel

$$q_1 = q_3 = q_{13} = C_{13} \Delta V_B = \left(\frac{C_1 C_3}{C_1 + C_3} \right) \Delta V_B = \frac{(1.0)(3.0)}{1.0 + 3.0} \times 12 = 9.0 \mu C$$

$$q_2 = q_4 = q_{24} = C_{24} \Delta V_B = \left(\frac{C_2 C_4}{C_2 + C_4} \right) \Delta V_B = \frac{2 \times 4}{2 + 4} \times 12 = 16 \mu C$$

- b) C_1 and C_2 : parallel
 C_3 and C_4 : parallel
 C_{12} and C_{34} : Series



$$q_{12} = q_{34} = q_{tot}$$

$$q_{tot} = C_{tot} \Delta V_B = \left(\frac{1}{C_1 + C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3 + C_4} \right)^{-1} \Delta V_B = \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{7} \right)^{-1} \times 12$$

$$= 25 \mu C$$

$$q_{12} = q_1 + q_2 = 25 \mu C$$

$$\Delta V_1 = \Delta V_2 \Rightarrow \frac{q_1}{C_1} = \frac{q_2}{C_2} \Rightarrow \frac{q_1}{1} = \frac{q_2}{2} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{q_1}{1} = \frac{q_2}{2}} \right\} \Rightarrow \boxed{q_1 = 8.4 \mu C, q_2 = 17 \mu C}$$

$$q_{34} = q_3 + q_4 = 25 \mu C$$

$$\Delta V_3 = \Delta V_4 \Rightarrow \frac{q_3}{C_3} = \frac{q_4}{C_4} \Rightarrow \frac{q_3}{3} = \frac{q_4}{4} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{q_3}{3} = \frac{q_4}{4}} \right\} \Rightarrow \boxed{q_4 = 14 \mu C, q_3 = 11 \mu C}$$

28-29

a) Initial charge : $q_i = C_i \Delta V_i = \frac{k\epsilon_0 A}{d} \Delta V_i$

As capacitor is disconnected, charge remains the same : and d is changed

$$q_f = q_i \Rightarrow C_f \Delta V_f = q_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k\epsilon_0 A}{2d} \Delta V_f = \frac{k\epsilon_0 A}{d} \Delta V_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta V_f = 2 \Delta V_i}$$

b) $U_i = \frac{q_i^2}{2C_i}$ $U_f = \frac{q_f^2}{2C_f}$ $q_i = q_f$ and $C_i = 2C_f$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{U_f = 2U_i}$$

c) $W = \Delta U = U_f - U_i = U_i = \frac{1}{2} C_i V_i^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{k\epsilon_0 A}{d} \Delta V_i^2$

28-49

a) Capacitor is charging up, therefore the potential difference across its plates is increasing:

$$\Delta V_c = \Delta V_0 (1 - e^{-\frac{t}{RC}}) \quad RC = \tau$$

$$t = 1.3 \mu s : \Delta V_c = 5 \text{ V}, \quad \Delta V_0 = 12.0 \text{ V}$$

$$5 = 12 (1 - e^{-\frac{1.3}{\tau}}) \Rightarrow \boxed{\tau = 2.41 \mu s}$$

b) $\tau = RC \Rightarrow 2.41 \mu s = (15 \times 10^3 \Omega) C$

$$\Rightarrow C = 1.6 \times 10^{-4} \mu F = 160 \text{ pF}$$

28-51

$$a) \Delta V_c = \Delta V_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \quad \tau = RC$$

$$1.00 = 100 e^{-\frac{10}{\tau}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\tau = 2.17 \text{ s}}$$

$$\Delta V_c = 100 e^{-\frac{17}{2.17}} = 0.04 \text{ V}$$

28-46

$$q_c = q_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$a) q_c = q_0 - \frac{1}{3} q_0 = \frac{2}{3} q_0$$

$$\frac{2}{3} q_0 = q_0 e^{-t/\tau} \Rightarrow \boxed{t = 0.41 \tau}$$

$$b) q_c = \frac{1}{3} q_0 = q_0 e^{-t/\tau} \Rightarrow \boxed{t = 1.10 \tau}$$

28-53

$$a) U_i = \frac{q_i^2}{2C} \Rightarrow 0.50 = \frac{q_i^2}{2 \times 10^{-6}} \Rightarrow q_i^2 = 1 \times 10^{-6} \\ \Rightarrow \boxed{q_i = 10^{-3} \text{ C}}$$

$$\tau = RC \\ = 10^6 \times 10^{-6} \\ = 1 \text{ s}$$

$$b) I_R = - \frac{dq_c}{dt} = - \frac{d}{dt} (q_i e^{-t/\tau}) \\ = \frac{q_i}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau} = \frac{10^{-3}}{1} e^{-t/1} = 10^{-3} e^{-t}$$

discharge starts at $t=0$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{I_R = 10^{-3} \text{ A} = 1 \text{ mA}}$$

$$c) \Delta V_c = \Delta V_i e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} = \frac{q_i}{C} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} = \frac{10^{-3}}{10^{-6}} e^{-t} = 10^3 e^{-t}$$

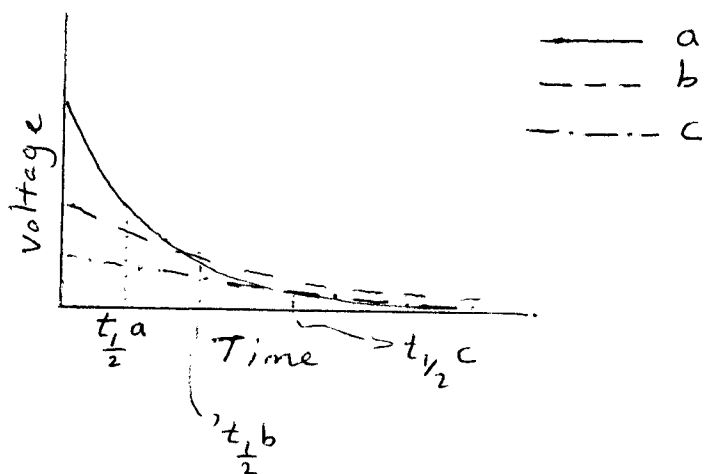
$$\Delta V_R = \Delta V_c = 10^3 e^{-t}$$

$$d) P = RI^2 = (10^6 \Omega) \times (10^{-3} e^{-t})^2 = e^{-2t} \text{ W}$$

28-62

These are similar to the graphs that you ⁵
drew in the class.

By comparing the half lives, you can find out which one is a bigger capacitor.



$$t_{1/2} c > t_{1/2} b > t_{1/2} a \Rightarrow 0.69 \tau_c > 0.69 \tau_b > 0.69 \tau_a$$

$$\Rightarrow RC_c > RC_b > RC_a$$

$$\Rightarrow C_c > C_b > C_a$$