

Chapter 6, Solution 25.

(a) For the capacitors in series,

$$\begin{aligned} Q_1 = Q_2 &\longrightarrow C_1 v_1 = C_2 v_2 \longrightarrow \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{C_2}{C_1} \\ v_s = v_1 + v_2 &= \frac{C_2}{C_1} v_2 + v_2 = \frac{C_1 + C_2}{C_1} v_2 \longrightarrow v_2 = \frac{C_1}{C_1 + C_2} v_s \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $v_1 = \frac{C_2}{C_1 + C_2} v_s$

(b) For capacitors in parallel

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 = v_2 &= \frac{Q_1}{C_1} = \frac{Q_2}{C_2} \\ Q_s = Q_1 + Q_2 &= \frac{C_1}{C_2} Q_2 + Q_2 = \frac{C_1 + C_2}{C_2} Q_2 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} Q_2 &= \frac{C_2}{C_1 + C_2} Q_s \\ Q_1 &= \frac{C_1}{C_1 + C_2} Q_s \end{aligned}$$

$$i = \frac{dQ}{dt} \longrightarrow i_1 = \frac{C_1}{C_1 + C_2} i_s, \quad i_2 = \frac{C_2}{C_1 + C_2} i_s$$