

Chapter 2 Capacitor Circuits

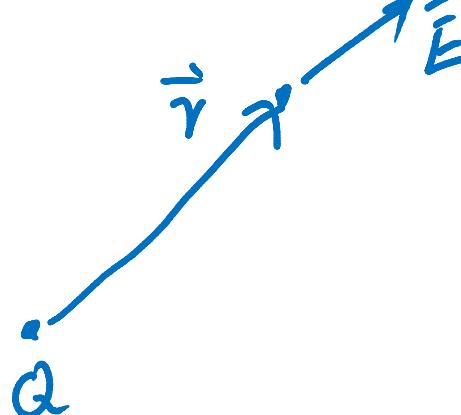
* Electric field and potentials.

Electric force: Acting at a distance

An electric field extends outward from every charge and permeates all of space.

Q : a point charge.

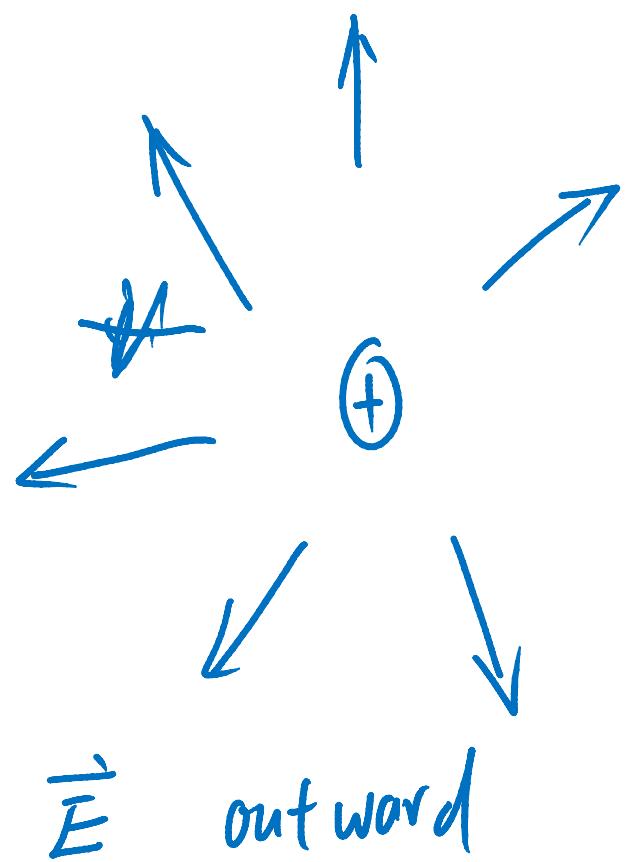
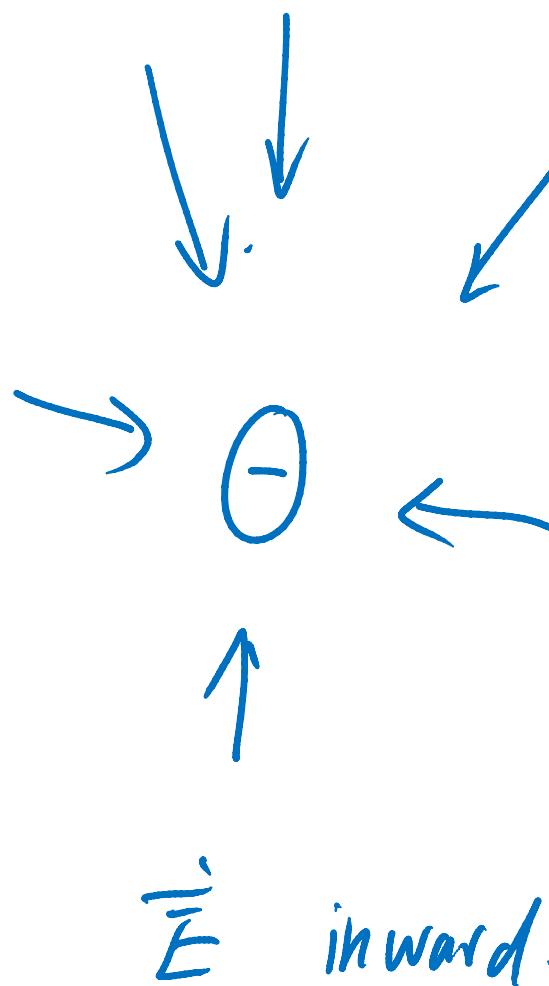
Electric field: $\vec{E} = k \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r}$



\hat{r} : unit vector along \vec{r}

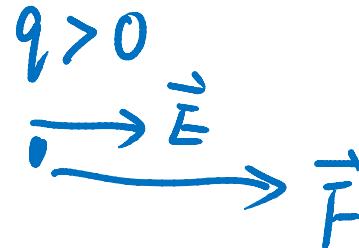
$$k = 8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ N m}^2/\text{C}^2$$

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi k} = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/\text{N m}^2$$

$Q > 0$  $Q < 0$ 

Electric force $\vec{F} = q \vec{E}$

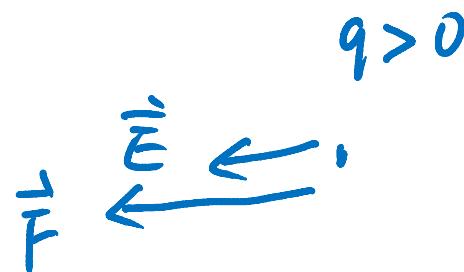
$q > 0$
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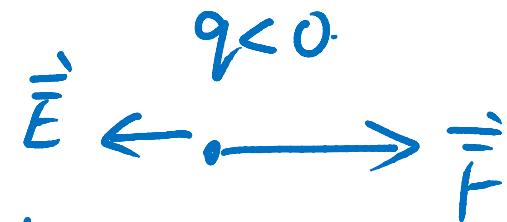
$q > 0$
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$q < 0$
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$q < 0$
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Like charges repel ; Unlike charges attract.

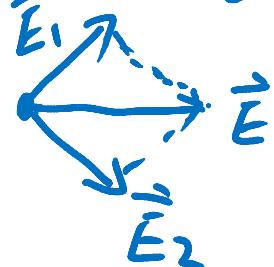
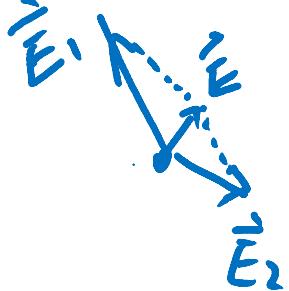
Superposition principle.

\vec{E} at a given point is due to more than one charge: Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, \dots

* $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_1 + \vec{E}_2 + \vec{E}_3 + \dots$

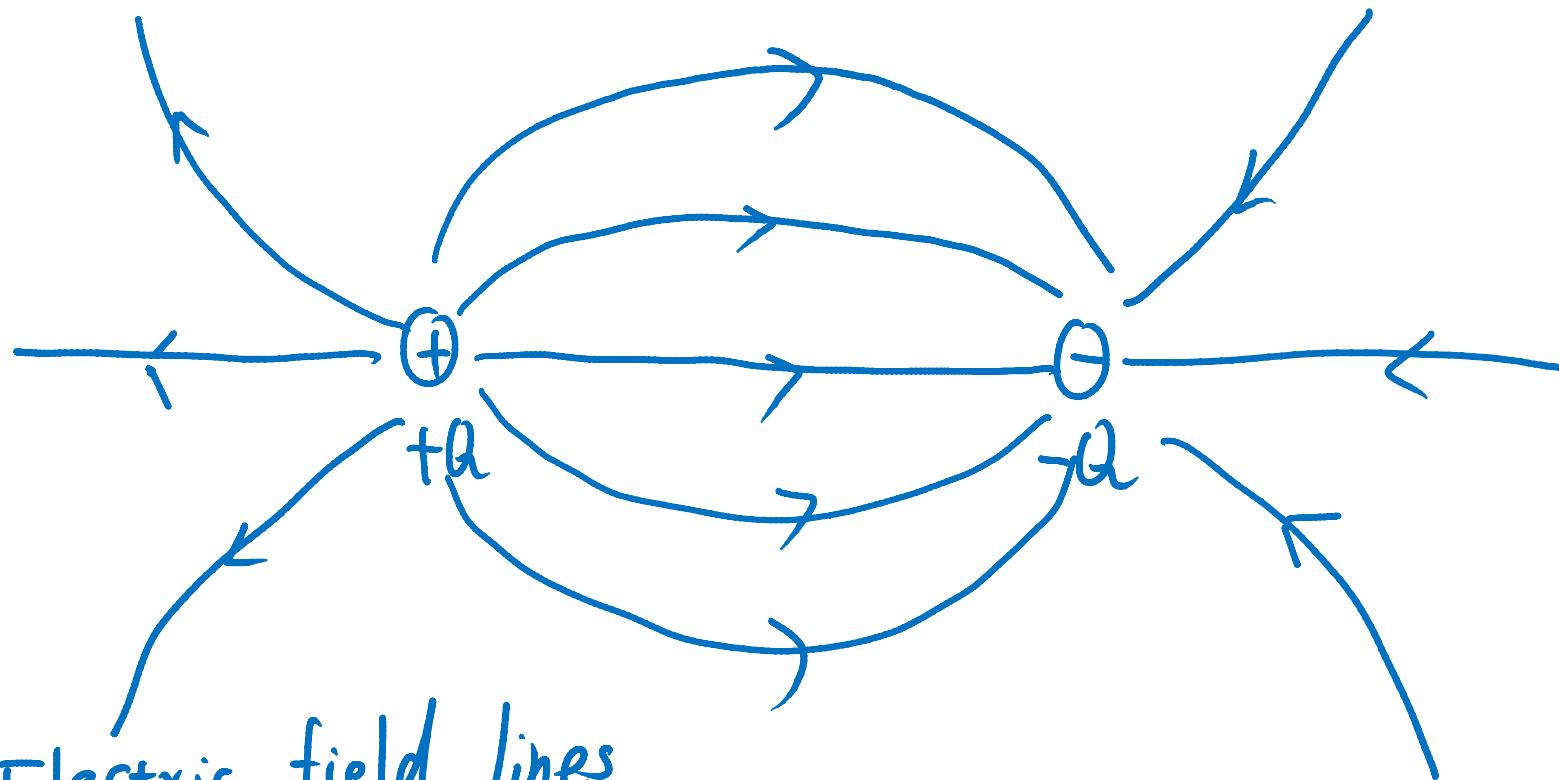
where \vec{E}_1 is due to Q_1 , \vec{E}_2 to Q_2 , ...

\vec{E} from two opposite charges ($Q_1 > 0, Q_2 < 0, |Q_1| = |Q_2|$)



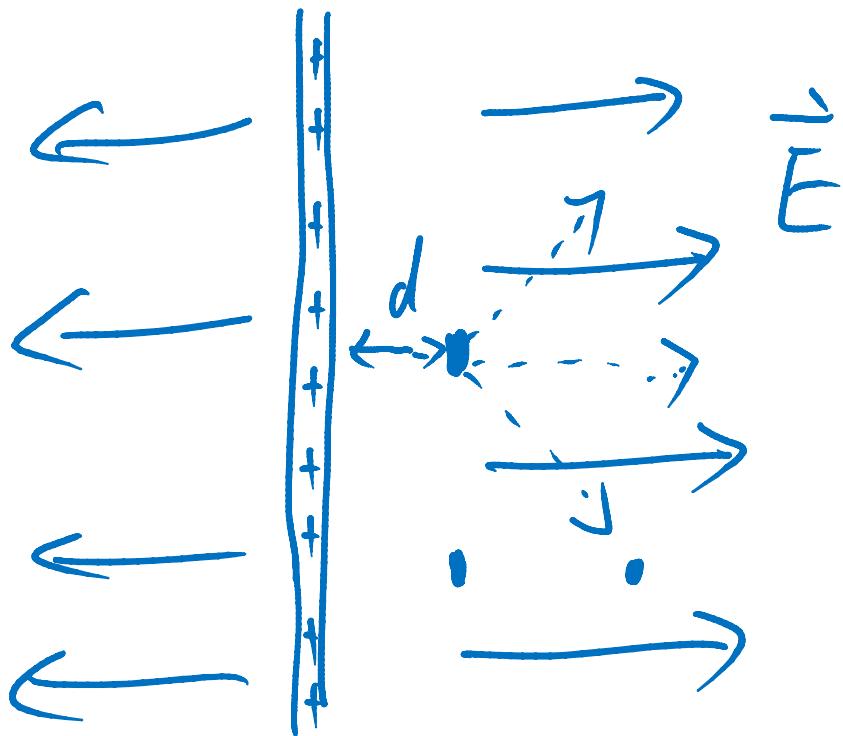
$\oplus Q_1$

$\overset{\vec{E}_1}{\rightarrow} \overset{\vec{E}}{\rightarrow} \overset{\oplus Q_2}{\rightarrow}$



Electric field lines

1. The electric field points in the direction tangent to the field line at any point.
2. Magnitude of field is proportional to the number of lines crossing unit area perpendicular to the lines.
3. Electric field lines start at positive charge and end on negative charge.



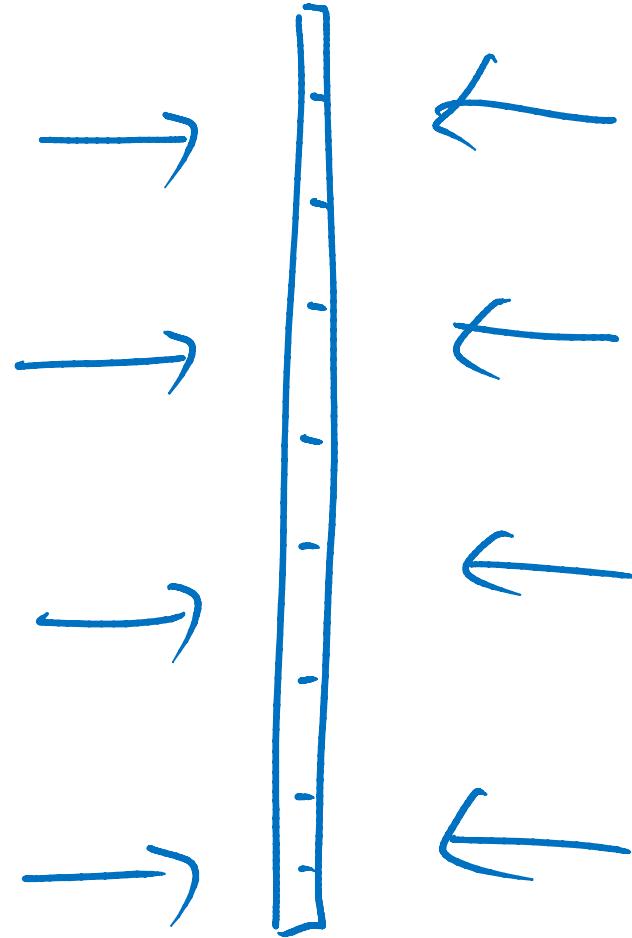
$$\sigma = \frac{Q}{A}$$

$$E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$

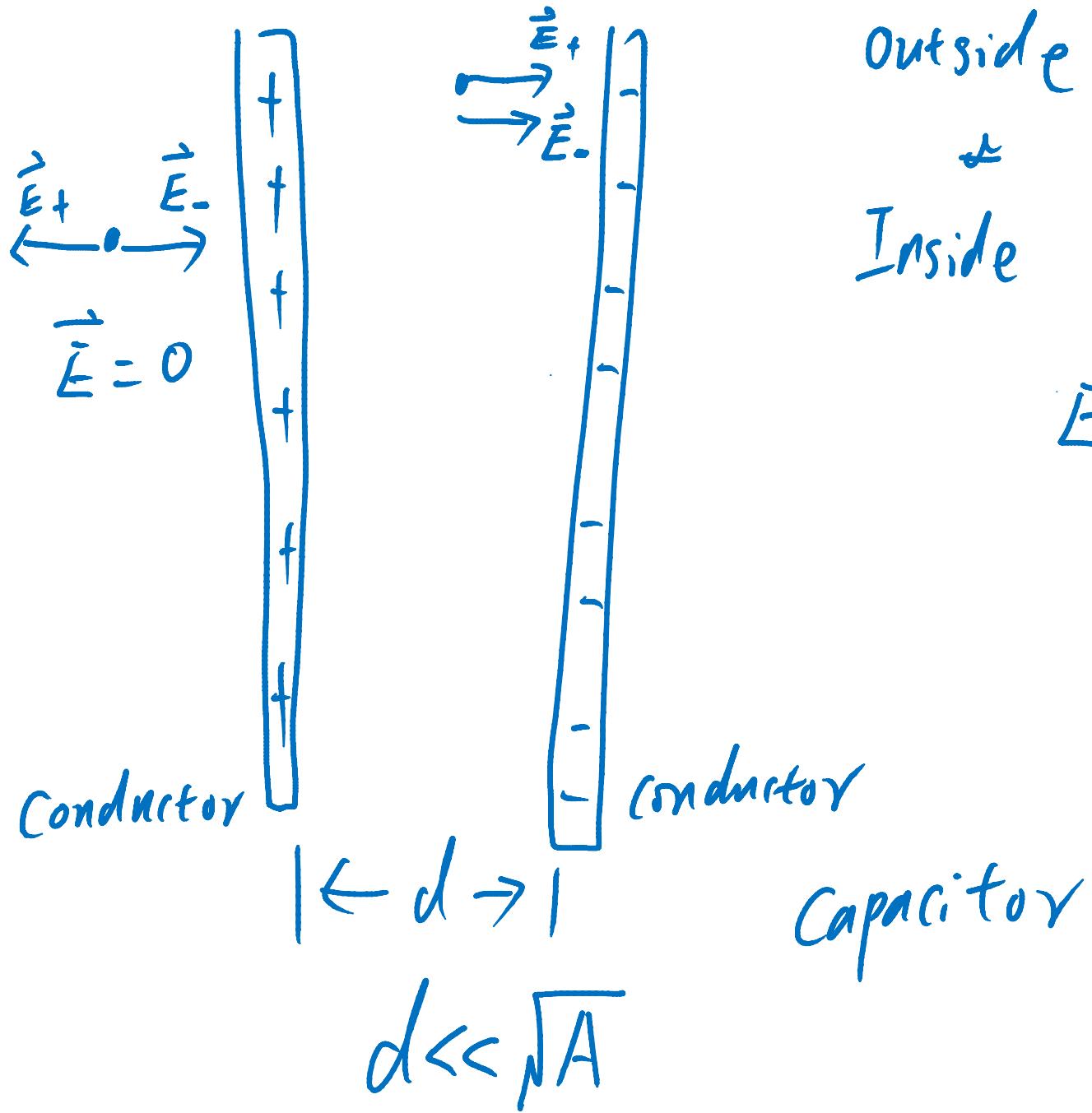
$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/\text{Nm}^2$$

Infinitely large conductor plate.

$$d \ll \sqrt{A}$$



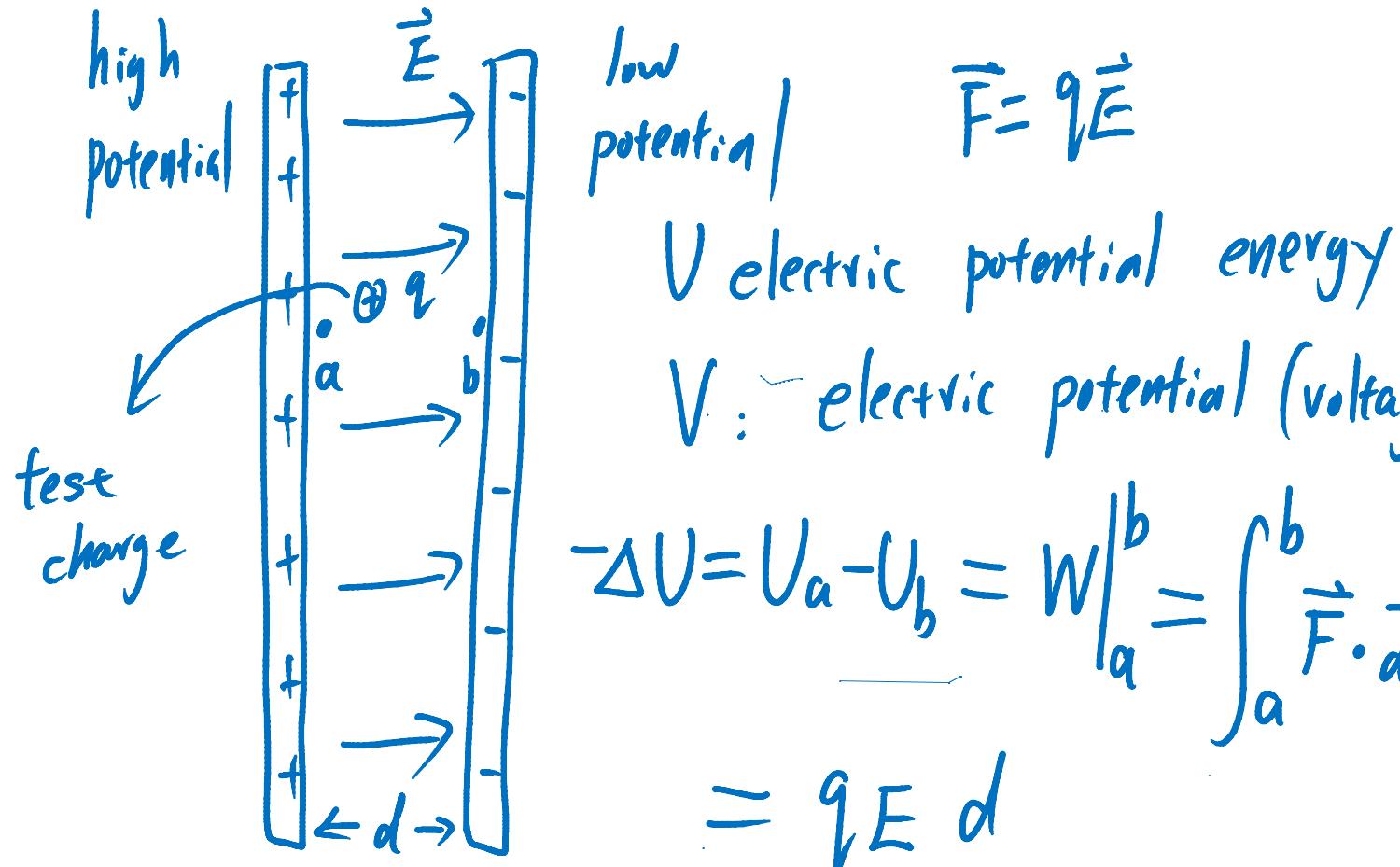
$$\vec{E} = \frac{\nabla}{2\epsilon_0}$$



Outside $E = 0$

Inside $E = 2 \left(\frac{\Delta}{2\epsilon_0} \right)$

$$E = \frac{\Delta}{\epsilon_0}$$



V : electric potential (voltage) $V = \frac{U}{q}$

$$-\Delta V = U_a - U_b = W \Big|_a^b = \int_a^b \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

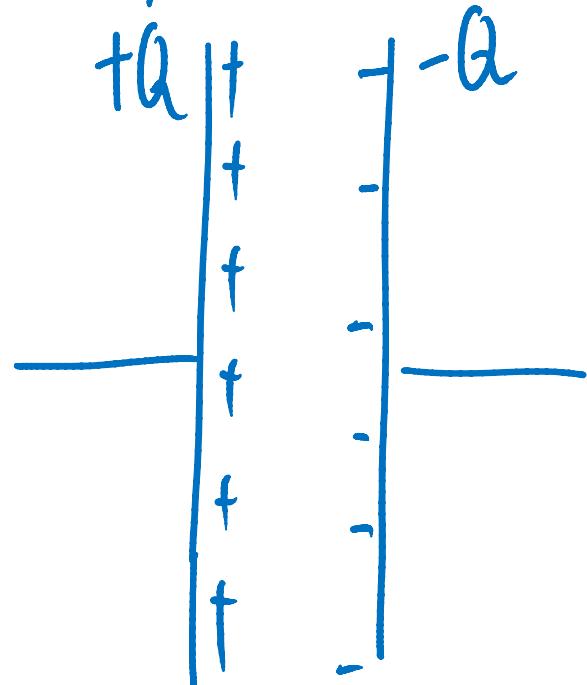
$$= q E d$$

$$\Delta V = V_a - V_b = \frac{U_a - U_b}{q} = q E d / q = E \cdot d$$

$$\Delta V = E \cdot d$$

Along the field lines, V decreases.

* Capacitors



two parallel conducting plates

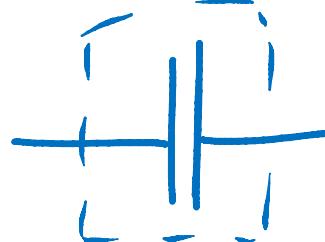
Capacitor is a device that can store electric charge.

Capacitance :

$$C = \frac{Q}{V}$$

voltage difference

Symbol for C



$$E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A}$$

$$V = E \cdot d = \left(\frac{Q}{\epsilon_0 A} \right) \cdot d = V$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$$

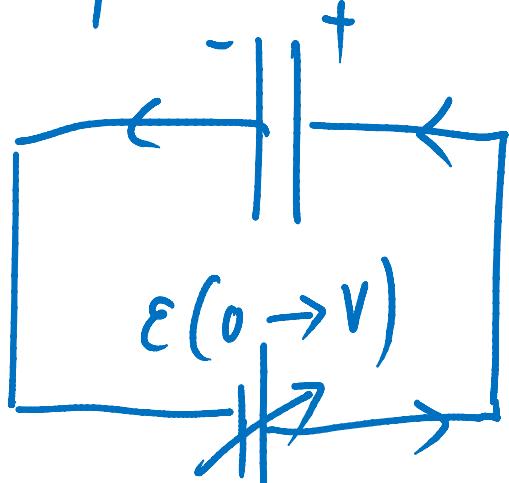
↳ vacuum dielectric constant.

unit of C

$$\epsilon_0 \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$\frac{\text{Coulomb}}{\text{Volt}} = \text{Faraday}$$

A capacitor stores electric energy



$$W = \frac{Q^2}{2C} = \frac{1}{2}CV^2 = \frac{1}{2}QV$$

↑
electric energy
(Q = CV)

variable emf
static process dq emf = capacitor voltage

$$\delta W = V \cdot dq$$

$$W = \int_0^Q V \cdot dq$$

$$= \int_0^Q \frac{q}{C} dq = \frac{q^2}{2C} \Big|_0^Q = \frac{Q^2}{2C}$$

Review for Exam 1.

Electric current $I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$

Constant current $I = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t}$

$$\Delta Q = I \cdot \Delta t$$

ΔQ in Coulomb (C)

I in Ampere (A)

Number of electrons $\Delta N = \frac{\Delta Q}{e}$ $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ C

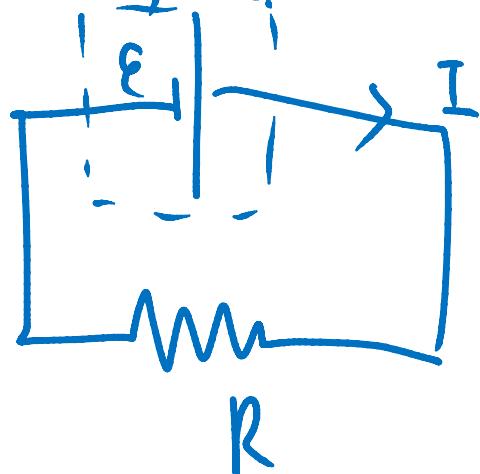
Ohm's law $R = \frac{V}{I}$, $I = \frac{V}{R}$, $V = IR$
 $R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$

Electric power $P = IV$

Joule heating on resistor

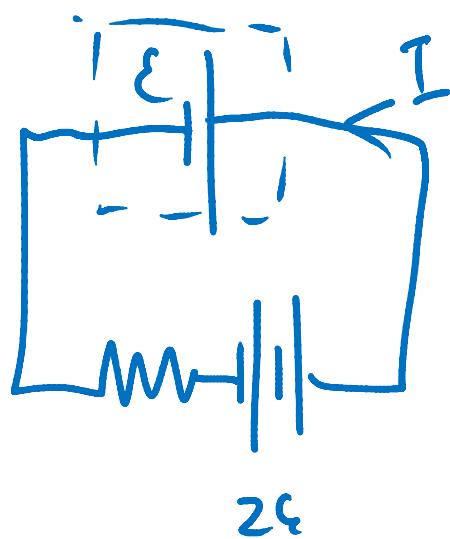
$$P = IV = I^2 R = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

Battery power.



discharging

$$P = I \epsilon$$



charging

$$P = I \epsilon$$

Resistors in series.



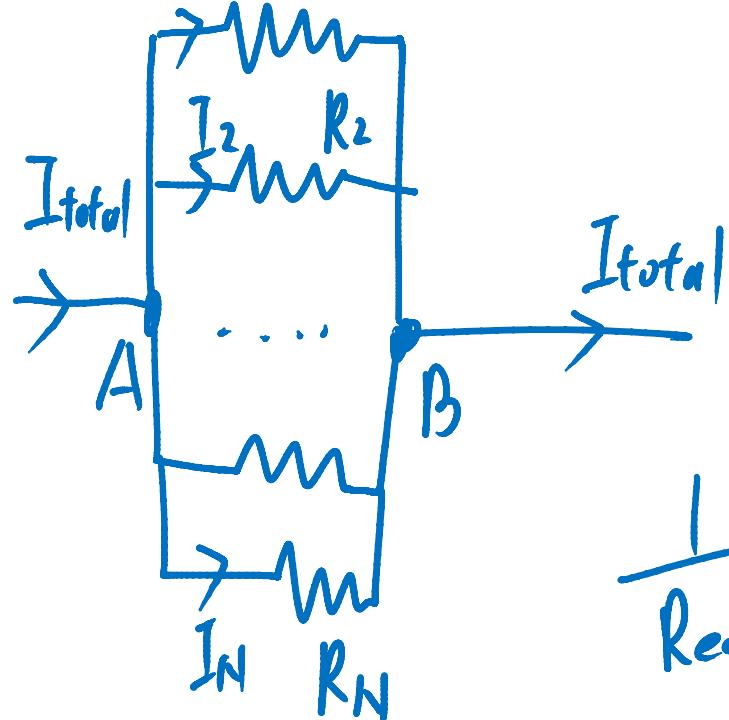
$$V_{\text{total}} = V_1 + V_2 + \dots + V_N$$

$$R_{\text{eq}} = R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_N$$

Current : Same

$$V_m = V_{\text{total}} \cdot \frac{R_m}{R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_m + \dots + R_N} \quad m=1, 2, \dots, N$$

I_1, R_1 Resistors in parallel



V : same on each resistor.

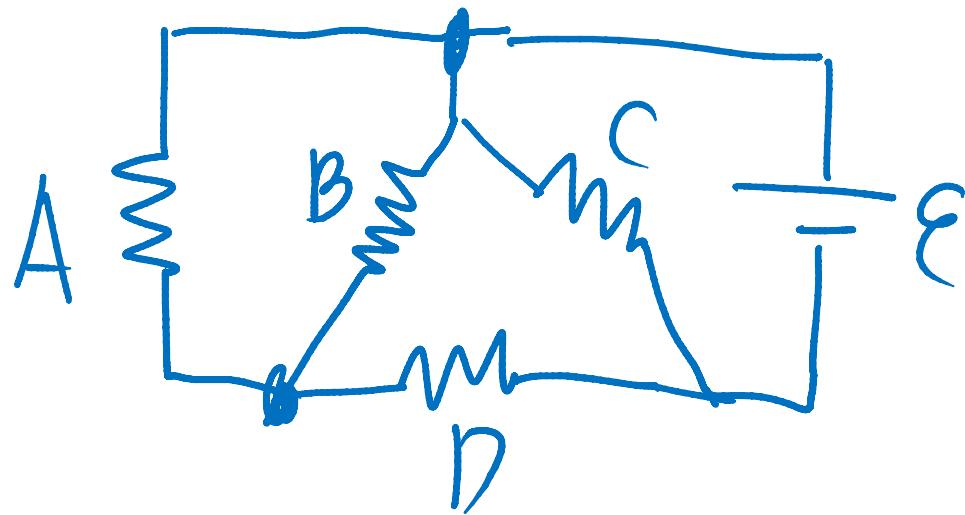
$$I_{total} = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_N$$

$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_N}$$

current divider rule

$$I_m = I_{total} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{R_m}}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_m} + \dots + \frac{1}{R_N}}$$

$$m = 1, 2, \dots, N$$



$$(A \parallel B + D) \parallel C$$

Meters

Ammeter — \textcircled{A} —

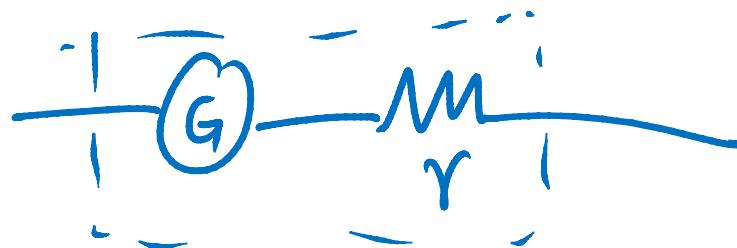
ideal meter

$$r=0$$

practical

$$r>0$$

basic ammeter : galvanometer

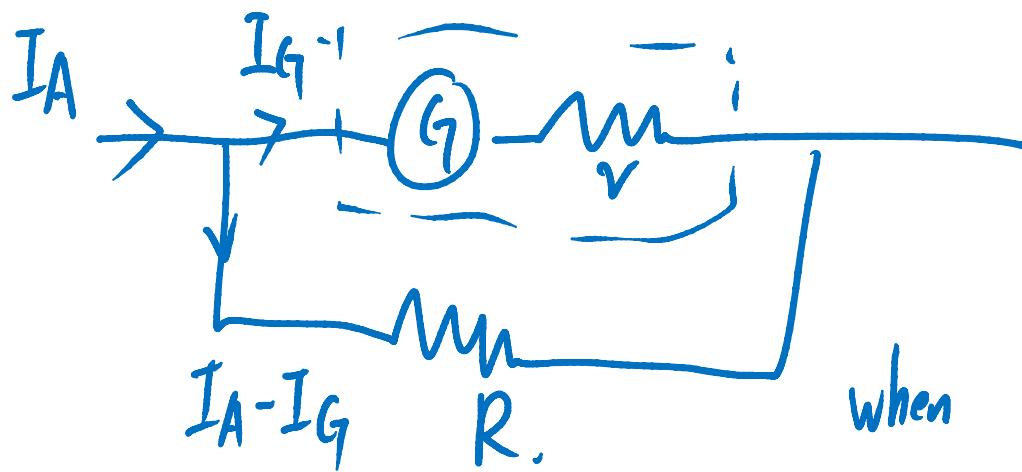


full scale deflection

$$I_G$$

$$I_A \gg I_G$$

change range.



$$I_G \cdot r = (I_A - I_G)R$$

$$R = \frac{I_G \cdot r}{I_A - I_G}$$

when $I_A > I_G$, $R = \frac{I_G}{I_A} r$

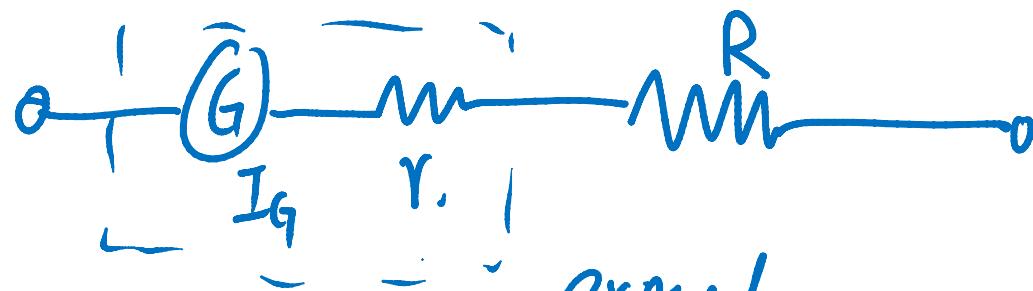
Voltmeter



$\gamma = \infty$ for ideal meter.

$\gamma < \infty$ for practical meter

Construct a voltmeter from a galvanometer.



$$V_G = I_G \cdot r_g$$

expand range to V_v

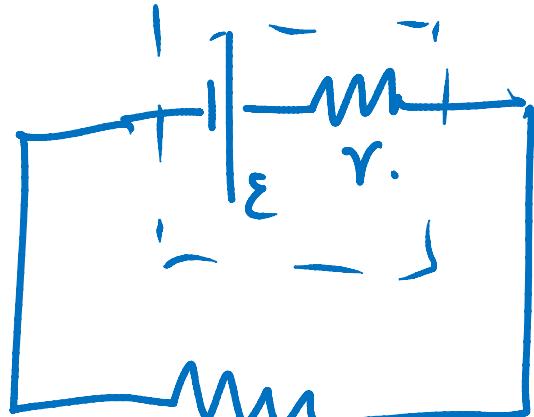
$$\frac{V_v}{R+r_g} = I_G$$

$$V_v \gg V_G \approx 0$$

$$\frac{V_v}{I_G} \gg r_g$$

$$R = \frac{V_v}{I_G} - r_g \approx \frac{V_v}{I_G} = \frac{V_v}{V_G} r_g$$

practical voltage source.



R .

ideal battery $r=0$

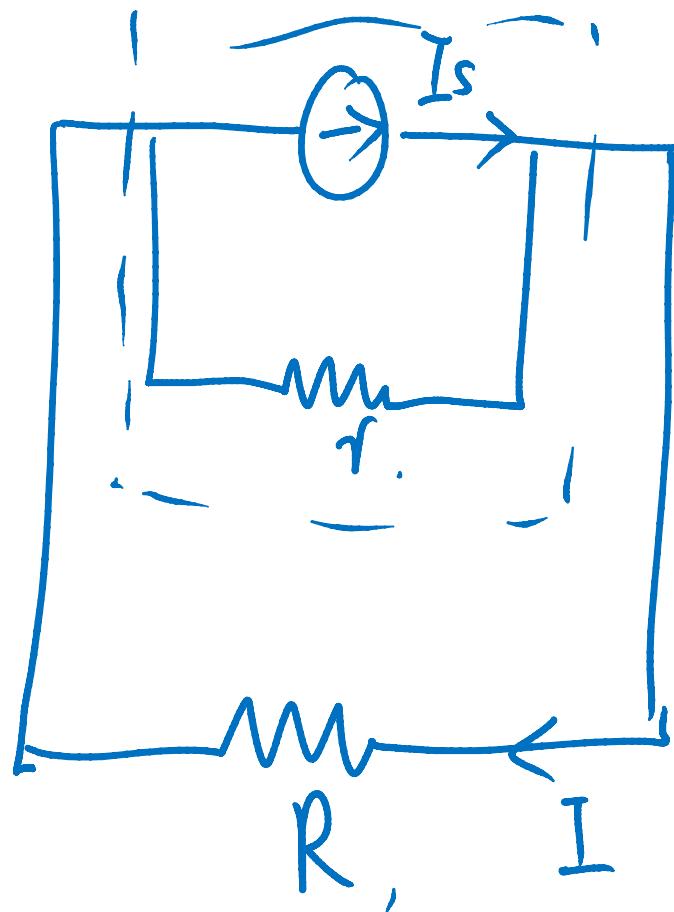
practical battery $r>0$

terminal voltage

$$V = \epsilon \cdot \frac{R}{R+r} < \epsilon$$

$$R \rightarrow \infty \quad V \rightarrow \epsilon$$

practical current source



ideal $r = \infty$

practical $r < \infty$

$$I = I_s \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{R}}{\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{r}}$$

$$I = I_s \frac{r}{R+r} < I_s$$

$$r \rightarrow \infty \quad I \rightarrow I_s$$

$$(\text{short circuit}) R \rightarrow 0 \quad I \rightarrow I_s$$

Kirchhoff's laws

KCL $\sum I_{in} = \sum I_{out}$

KVL $\sum \Delta V = 0$ around closed loop

along current across resistor $\Delta V < 0$

against current across resistor $\Delta V > 0$

Mesh analysis

KCL implicit

KVL explicit

Norton and Thevenin

$$V_{TH} \quad R_{TH} = R_N \quad I_N$$

$$V_{TH} = V_{oc}$$

$$I_N = I_{sc}$$

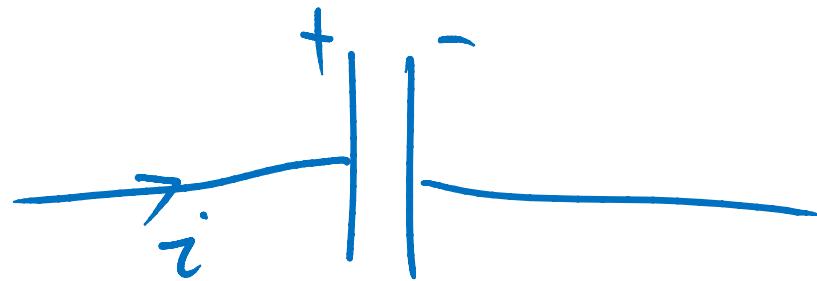
$$R_{TH} = R_N = R_{eq} \text{ (after killing sources)}$$

$$V_{oc} = I_{sc} \cdot R_{eq}$$

Only two
are
independent

$$C = \frac{q}{V} \quad C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$$

i-v characteristics of C



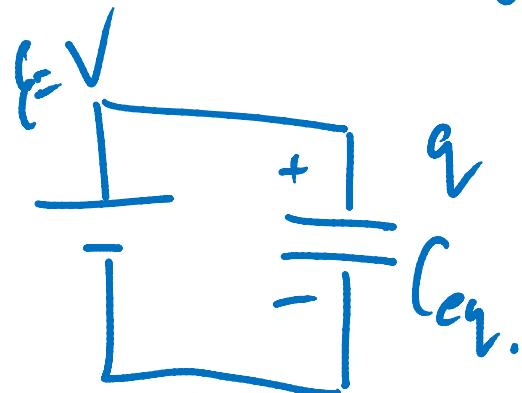
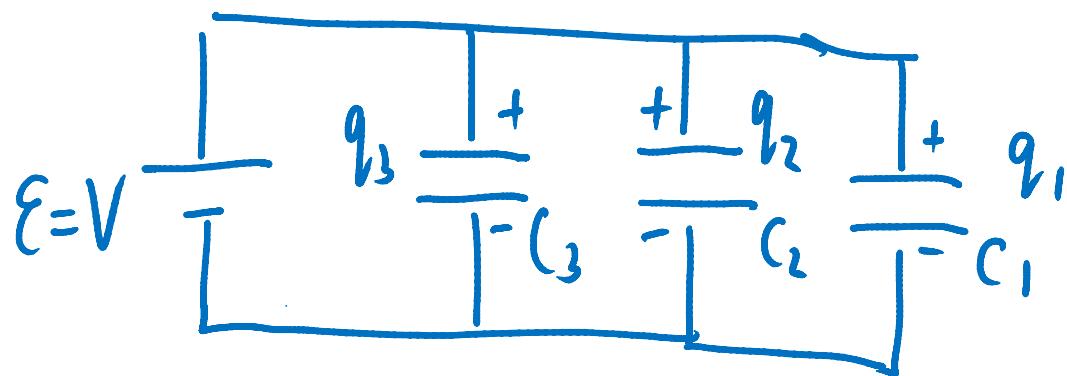
$$i = \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{d(Cv)}{dt} = C \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$i = C \frac{dv}{dt}$$

i-v need initial conditions,

* Capacitors in series and in parallel /

Parallel



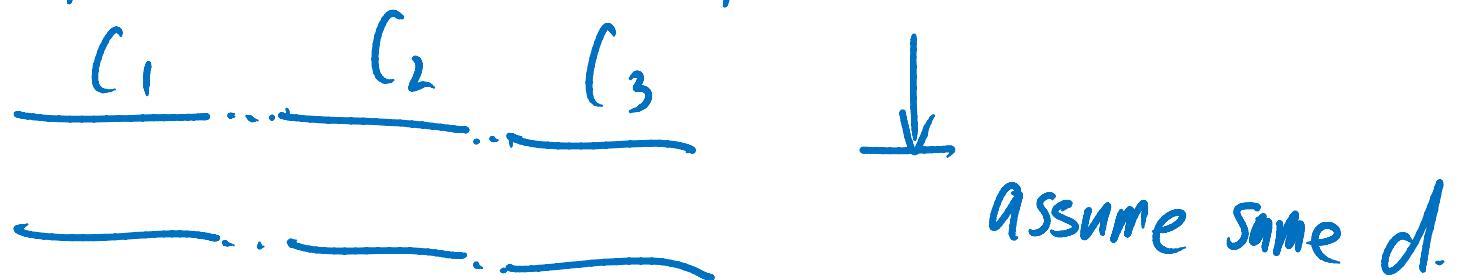
$$q = q_1 + q_2 + q_3$$

$$V = V_1 = V_2 = V_3$$

$$C_{eq} = \frac{q}{V} \quad C_1 = \frac{q_1}{V_1} \quad C_2 = \frac{q_2}{V_2} \quad C_3 = \frac{q_3}{V_3}$$

$$C_{eq} = \frac{q}{V} = \frac{q_1 + q_2 + q_3}{V} = \frac{q_1}{V} + \frac{q_2}{V} + \frac{q_3}{V}$$
$$C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$$

Imagine putting C_1, C_2, C_3 parallel like this :



parallel: effectively increase \overline{A} area.

$$A = A_1 + A_2 + A_3 \quad \text{same } d.$$

$$C_{eq} = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d} = \epsilon_0 \frac{(A_1 + A_2 + A_3)}{d}$$

$$= \epsilon_0 \frac{A_1}{d} + \epsilon_0 \frac{A_2}{d} + \epsilon_0 \frac{A_3}{d}$$

$$= C_1 + C_2 + C_3$$

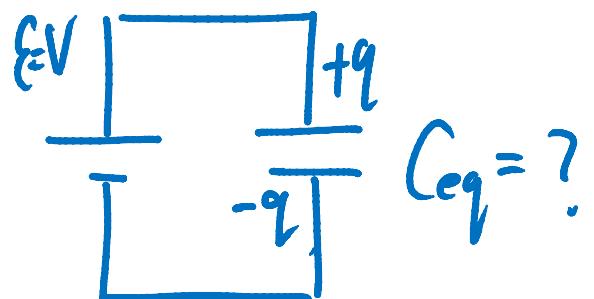
In series (initially uncharged)



$$\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}$$

$$-q_1 + q_2 = 0$$

$$q = q_1 = q_2 = q_3$$



$$V = V_1 + V_2 + V_3$$

$$\frac{q}{C_{eq}} = \frac{q_1}{C_1} + \frac{q_2}{C_2} + \frac{q_3}{C_3}$$

$$q = q_1 = q_2 = q_3 \quad V_L = ?$$

$$C_{eq}V = C_1 \underline{V_1} = C_2 V_2 = C_3 V_3 \quad V_3 = ?$$

$$V_1 = \frac{C_{eq}}{C_1} V$$

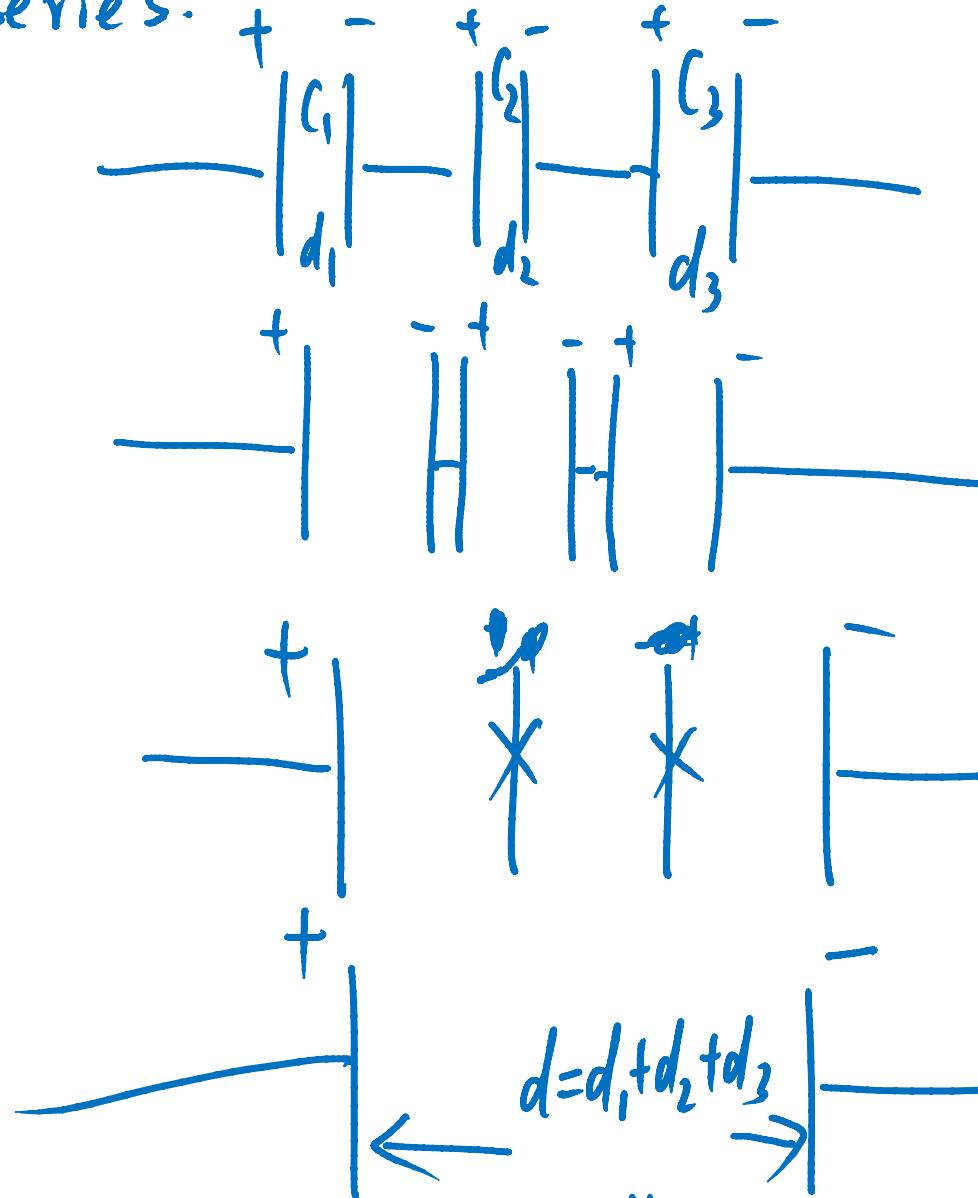
$$= \left(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}} \right) \frac{1}{C_1} V.$$

$$V_1 = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{C_1}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}\right)} V$$

voltage divider rule
for capacitor,

$$V_1 = \frac{(1/C_1)}{(1/(C_{eq})} V$$

In Series.



assume same A

$$d = d_1 + d_2 + d_3$$

$$C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$$

$$d = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{C}$$

$$d_1 = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{C_1} \quad d_2 = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{C_2}$$

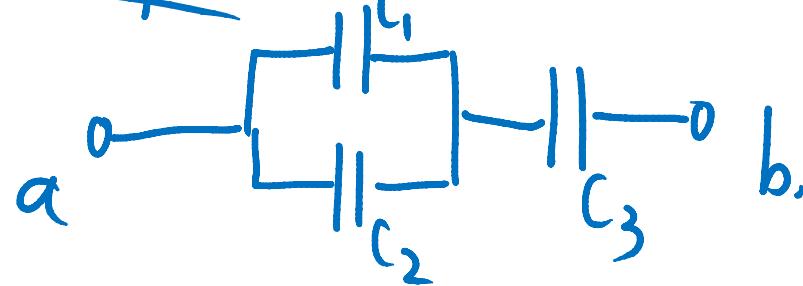
$$d_3 = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{C_3}$$

$$d = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{C_{eq}}$$

$$\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}$$

C_{eq} is smaller than any of C_1, C_2, C_3

Example. $C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C$



(1) C_{eq} between a and b ?

$$C_{1//2} = C_1 + C_2 = 2C$$

$$\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{2C} + \frac{1}{C} \quad \cancel{\text{or}} \quad C_{eq} = \frac{2}{3}C$$

(2) If $\varepsilon = V$ is connected between a and b, what is the charge on each capacitor?

$$V_3 = V \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{C_3}}{\frac{1}{C_3} + \frac{1}{C_{1//2}}} = \frac{2}{3}V$$

$$q_3 = V_3 \cdot C_3 = \frac{2}{3}VC$$

$$V_1 = V_2 = V - V_3 = \frac{1}{3}V$$

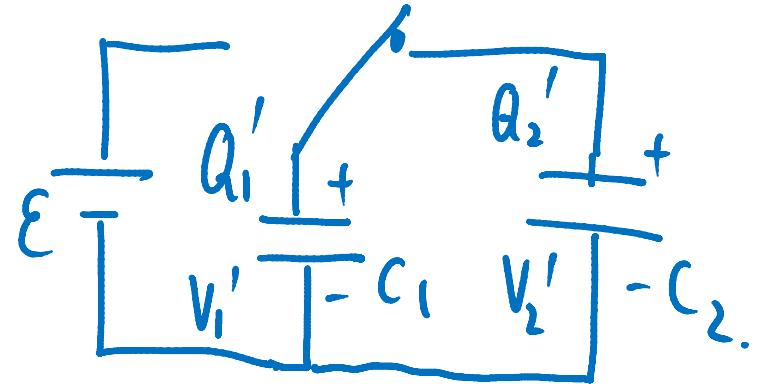
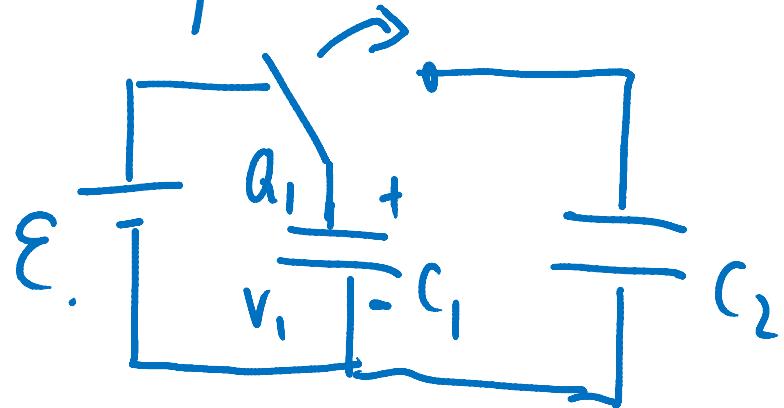
$$q_1 = GV_1 = \frac{1}{3}VC$$

$$q_2 = C_2 V_2 = \frac{1}{3}VC$$

Initially charged Capacitors

{ charge conservation
KVL
~~KQC~~ voltage - charge relation

Example.



$$V_1 = \epsilon$$

$$Q_1 = C_1 V_1 = C_1 \epsilon \quad (1)$$

$$(1)(2) \Rightarrow Q_1' + Q_2' = C_1 \epsilon$$

~~$$\text{into } (1) \Rightarrow Q_1' = C_1 \epsilon - Q_2'$$~~

$$\text{into } (3) \quad \frac{C_1 \epsilon - Q_2'}{C_1} = \frac{Q_2'}{C_2} \Rightarrow Q_2' = \frac{\epsilon C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$Q_1' + Q_2' = Q_1 \quad (2)$$

$$V_1' = V_2'$$

$$\frac{Q_1'}{C_1} = \frac{Q_2'}{C_2} \quad (3)$$

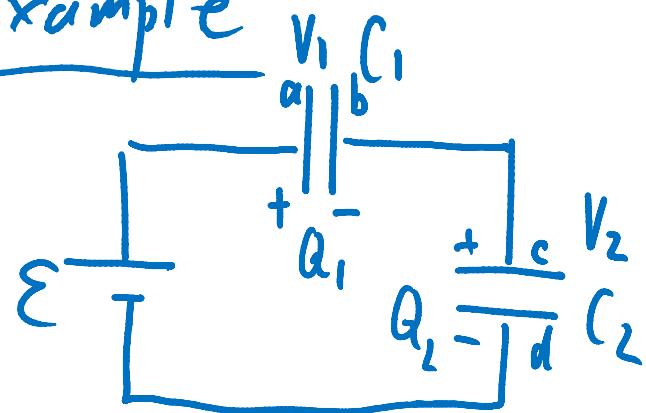
$$Q_1' = C_1 \varepsilon - Q_2' = \frac{C_1^2 \varepsilon}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$V_1' = V_2' = \frac{Q_2'}{C_2} = \frac{Q_1'}{C_1} = \frac{\varepsilon C_1}{C_1 + C_2}$$

If $C_1 = C_2 = C$, $V_1' = V_2' = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$

$$Q_1' = Q_2' = \frac{C \varepsilon}{2}$$

Example



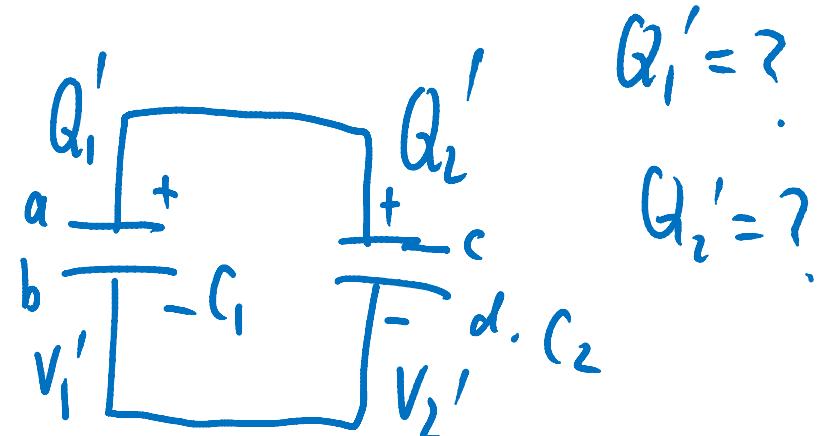
charging

$$Q_1 = Q_2 = \epsilon \cdot C_{eq} = \epsilon \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{Q_1}{C_1} = \frac{\epsilon C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{Q_2}{C_2} = \frac{\epsilon C_1}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$(1)(2) \Rightarrow Q_1' = \frac{2\epsilon C_1^2 C_2}{(C_1 + C_2)^2}$$



$$Q_1' = ?$$

$$Q_2' = ?$$

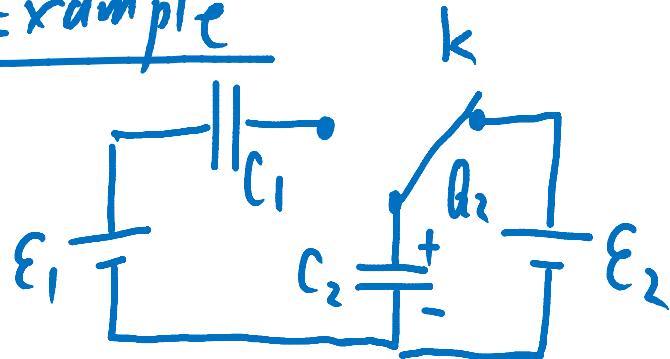
$$Q_1' + Q_2' = Q_1 + Q_2 = \frac{2\epsilon C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$V_1' = V_2'$$

$$\frac{Q_1'}{C_1} = \frac{Q_2'}{C_2} \quad (2)$$

$$Q_2' = \frac{2\epsilon C_1^2 C_2}{(C_1 + C_2)^2}$$

Example



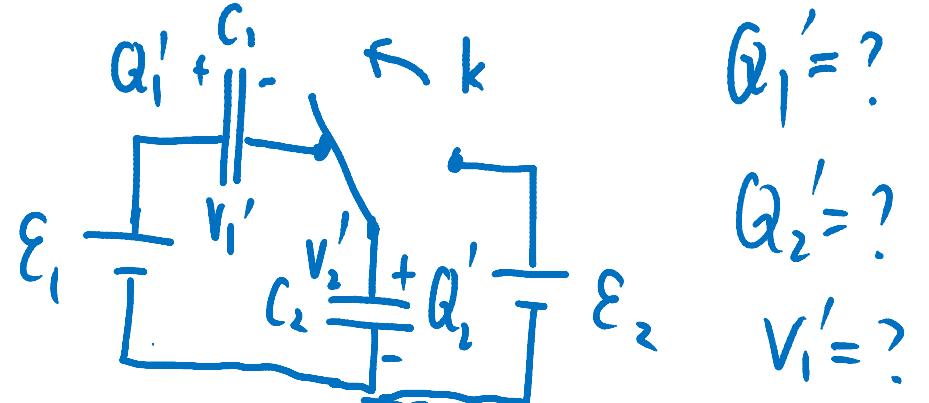
$$Q_2 = C_2 \mathcal{E}_2$$

(1)(2) \Rightarrow

$$Q_1' = \frac{(\mathcal{E}_1 - \mathcal{E}_2) C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$Q_2' = \frac{C_2 (\mathcal{E}_1 C_1 + \mathcal{E}_2 C_2)}{C_1 + C_2}$$

$$V_1' = \frac{Q_1'}{C_1} = \frac{(\mathcal{E}_1 - \mathcal{E}_2) C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$



$$Q_1' = ?$$

$$Q_2' = ?$$

$$V_1' = ?$$

$$V_2' = ?$$

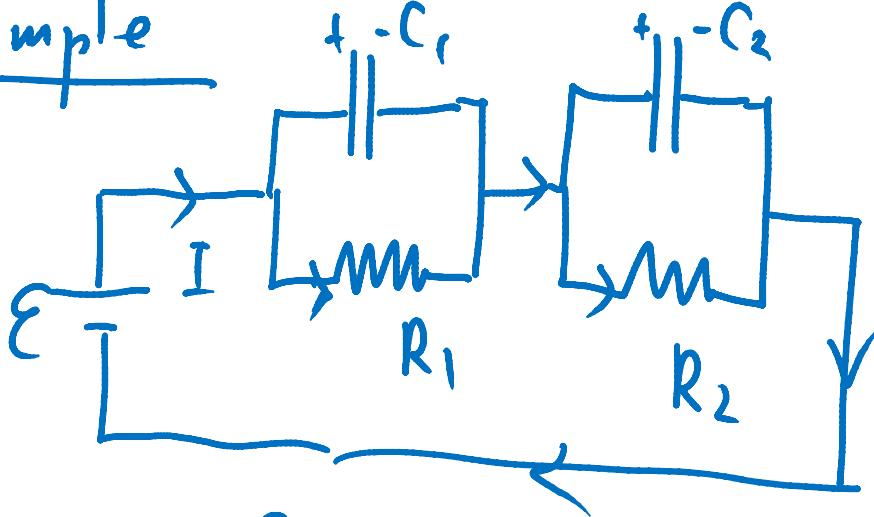
$$-Q_1' + Q_2' = Q_2 = C_2 \mathcal{E}_2 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathcal{E}_1 = V_1' + V_2'$$

$$\mathcal{E}_1 = \frac{Q_1'}{C_1} + \frac{Q_2'}{C_2} \quad (2)$$

$$V_2' = \frac{\mathcal{E}_1 C_1 + \mathcal{E}_2 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

Example



$$Q_1 = ?$$

$$Q_2 = ?$$

$$V_1 = ?$$

$$V_2 = ?$$

$$I = \frac{\epsilon}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$V_1 = IR_1 = \frac{\epsilon R_1}{R_1 + R_2} \quad V_2 = IR_2 = \frac{\epsilon R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$Q_1 = C_1 V_1 = \frac{\epsilon C_1 R_1}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$Q_2 = C_2 V_2 = \frac{\epsilon C_2 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

Summary of Capacitor

— Insulating material between conducting plates

$i=0$ in d.c. circuit in Steady states
equivalent to open circuit.

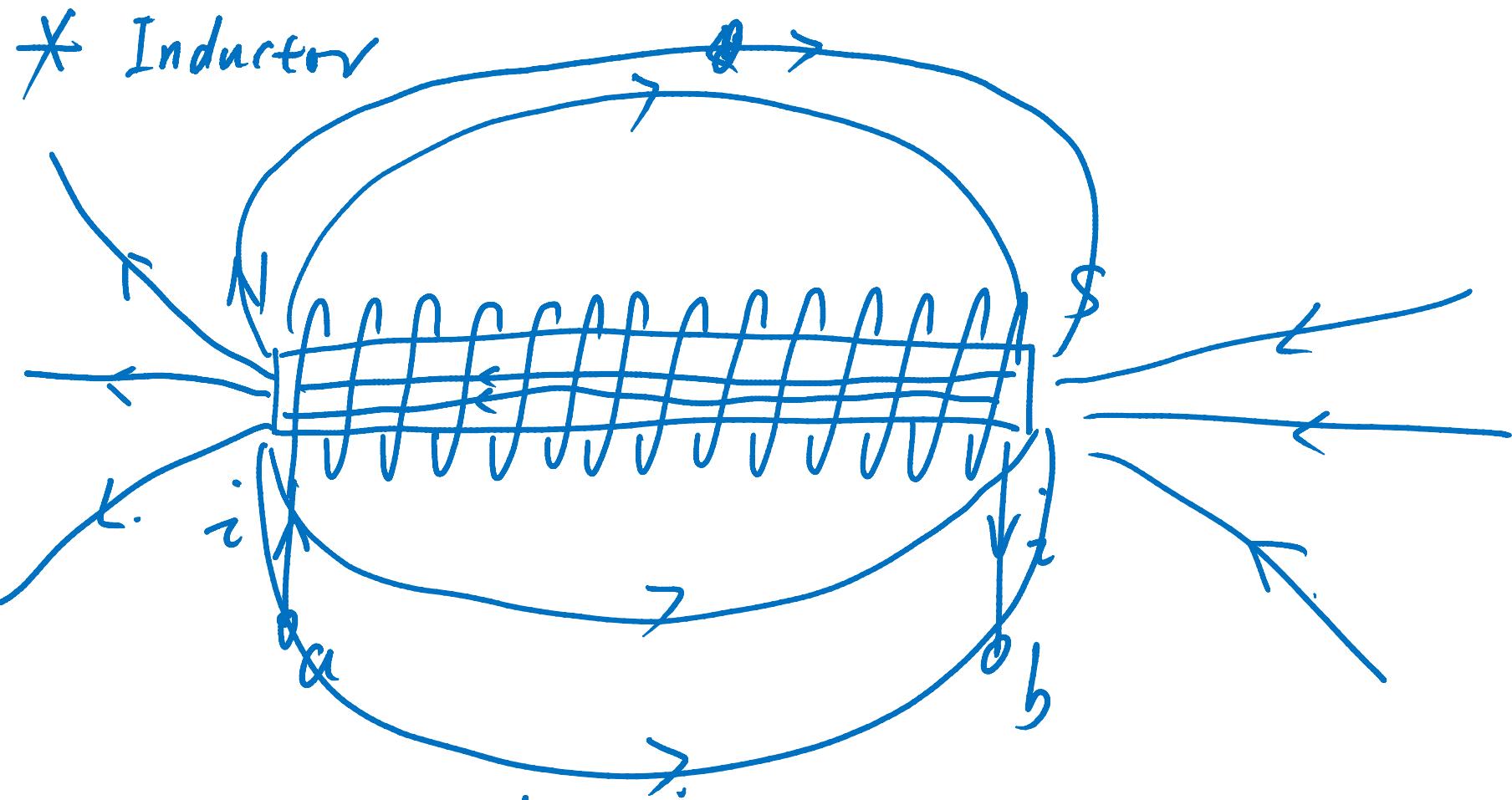
— charge can be stored on plates of capacitor.

$$q = CV$$

— $i-v$ relationship $i = \frac{dq}{dt} = C \frac{dv}{dt}$

— energy stored.

$$W = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$$



A current in Solenoid generates a magnetic field

Magnetic field lines :

field direction (tangential direction of lines)

magnitude (density of lines)

$i - v$ relation inductor

$$V_L = L \frac{di_L}{dt} \quad (\text{compare to } C: i = C \frac{dV_C}{dt})$$

L : inductance. unit: Henry (H)

Energy stored: $W_L = \frac{1}{2} L i_L^2(t)$

(Compare to C : $W_C = \frac{1}{2} C V_C^2$)

In d.c. ~~circuit~~ circuit in steady states, L can be replaced by short circuit.

$$V_L = L \frac{di_L}{dt} = 0 \quad \text{in d.c. circuits}$$

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symbol ~~~~~

inductors in series

$$L_{eq} = L_1 + L_2 + L_3 + \dots$$

inductors in parallel

$$\frac{1}{L_{eq}} = \frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{1}{L_2} + \frac{1}{L_3} + \dots$$