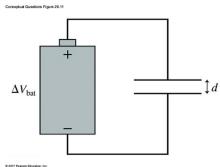


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1. The parallel plate capacitor in the figure is connected to a battery having a potential difference ΔV_{bat} . Without breaking any of the connections, insulating handles are used to increase the plate separation to $2d$.
- a. (1 pt) Does the potential difference ΔV_C change as the separation increases? If so, by what factor? If not, why?
- b. (1 pt) Does the capacitance change? If so, by what factor? If not, why?
- c. (1 pt) Does the capacitor charge Q change? If so, by what factor? If not, why?



A.) Potential between the plates doesn't change if plate separation is increased and the battery remains connected.

$$C_1 = \frac{\kappa \epsilon_0 A}{d}$$

$$C_2 = \frac{\kappa \epsilon_0 A}{2d}$$

$$\frac{C_2}{C_1} = \frac{\left(\frac{\kappa \epsilon_0 A}{2d}\right)}{\left(\frac{\kappa \epsilon_0 A}{d}\right)}$$

Changes by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$. $\frac{C_2}{C_1} = \frac{d}{2d} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$

C.) If separation is increased, charge decreases.

$$Q = CV$$

$$\frac{Q_2}{Q_1} = \frac{C_2 V}{C_1 V} = \frac{1}{2}$$

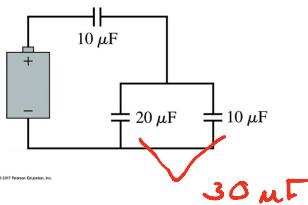
$$\boxed{Q_2 = \frac{Q_1}{2}}$$

Decreases by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$.

2. What is the

- (1 pt) The equivalent capacitance of the three capacitors shown in the figure?
- (1 pt) If there is 5×10^{-5} C of charge in the lower $10 \mu\text{F}$ that capacitor what is the charge in the $20 \mu\text{F}$ capacitor?
- (1 pt) The charge in the upper 10uF capacitor?
- (1 pt) The potential of the battery?

Exercise Figure 26.27



A.)

$$C_{eq} = \frac{30(10)}{40} = \frac{300}{40} = \frac{30}{4} = \boxed{7.5 \mu\text{F}}$$

B.)

$$Q = CV$$

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

$$\frac{Q_1}{C_1} = \frac{Q_2}{C_2} \quad \frac{(5 \times 10^{-5})}{(10 \times 10^{-6})} = \frac{Q_2}{(20 \times 10^{-6})}$$

$$Q_2 = \frac{(20 \times 10^{-6})(5 \times 10^{-5})}{(10 \times 10^{-6})}$$

$$\boxed{Q_2 = 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C.}}$$

C.)

$$Q = CV$$

$$(5 \times 10^{-5}) = (10 \times 10^{-6}) V$$

$$V = \frac{(5 \times 10^{-5})}{(10 \times 10^{-6})}$$

$$V = 5 \text{ V.}$$

$$Q_{eq} = C_{eq} V$$

$$Q_{eq} = (30 \times 10^{-6})(5)$$

$$Q_{eq} = 1.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C.}$$

In series $q_1 = q_2$



$$Q \text{ for top } 10\mu F \text{ capacitor} = [1.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C.}]$$

D.J

$$(1.5 \times 10^{-4}) = (10 \times 10^{-6}) V$$

$$V = 15 \text{ V.}$$

$$V_{\text{battery}} = 15 + 5$$

$$V_{\text{battery}} = 20 \text{ V.}$$

3. Two 5.0 mm x 5.0 mm electrodes are held 0.10 mm apart and are attached to a 9.0 V battery. Without disconnecting a battery, 0.10 mm thick sheet of Mylar is inserted between the plates. What are the capacitors potential difference, electric field and charge:

- a. (1 pt) Before
- b. (1 pt) After the mylar is inserted

A.J

$$A = b l$$

$$A = (5.0 \times 10^{-3})(5.0 \times 10^{-3})$$

$$A = 2.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m.}^2$$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} = \frac{(8.85 \times 10^{-12})(2.5 \times 10^{-5})}{(0.1 \times 10^{-3})}$$

$$C = 2.21 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F}$$

$$E = \frac{V}{d} = \frac{9}{(0.1 \times 10^{-3})}$$

$$E = 90000 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{m}}$$

$$Q = CR = 2.21 \times 10^{-12} (9)$$

$$Q = 1.99 \times 10^{-11} \text{ C.}$$

B.)

Potential remains the same

$$V = 9V.$$

$$E = \frac{9}{(1 \times 10^{-3})} = 90000 \text{ V/m}$$

$$\kappa = 3.1$$

$$C = 3.1 \left(\frac{(8.85 \times 10^{-12})(2.5 \times 10^{-5})}{(1 \times 10^{-3})} \right)$$

$$C = 6.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F}$$

$$Q = CV = 6.85 \times 10^{-12} (9)$$

$$Q = 6.16 \times 10^{-11} \text{ C.}$$

4. Two 2.0 cm x 2.0 cm metal electrodes are spaced 1.0 mm apart and connected to the terminals of a 9.0 V battery.
 a. (1 pt) What are the charge on each electrode and the potential difference between them

The wires are then disconnected, and insulated handles are used to pull the plates apart to a new spacing of 2.0 mm.

- b. (1 pt) What are the charge on each electrode and the potential difference between them.

A.) Potential difference = 9 V. because they are connected to 9 V.

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} = \frac{(8.85 \times 10^{-12})(4 \times 10^{-9})}{(1 \times 10^{-3})} \text{ battery}$$

$$Q = CV$$

$$Q = \left(\frac{(8.85 \times 10^{-12})(4 \times 10^{-9})}{(1 \times 10^{-3})} \right) (9)$$

$$Q = \left(\frac{(8.85 \times 10^{-12})(4 \times 10^{-9})}{(1 \times 10^{-3})} \right) (9)$$

$$Q = 3.2 \times 10^{-11} \text{ C.}$$

B.) Q is constant if wires are disconnected.

C and V change.

$$C \propto \frac{1}{d}$$

so if d is doubled, C is halved.

$$C = \frac{(8.85 \times 10^{-12})(4 \times 10^{-9})}{2(1 \times 10^{-3})}$$

$$C = 1.77 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F}$$

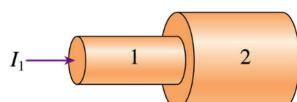
$$Q = CV$$

$$V = \frac{Q}{C} = \frac{(3.2 \times 10^{-11})}{(1.77 \times 10^{-12})}$$

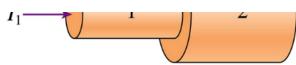
$$V = 18.079 \text{ V.}$$

$$\approx 18 \text{ V.}$$

5. The wire consists of two segments of different diameters but made from the same metal. The current in segment 1 is I₁.
- (1 pt) Compare the currents in the two segments. That is, is I₂ greater than, less than, or equal to I₁? Explain.
 - (1 pt) Compare the current densities J₁ and J₂ in the two segments.
 - (1 pt) Compare the electric field strengths E₁ and E₂ in the two segments.
 - (1 pt) Compare the drift speeds v_{d1} and v_{d2} in the two segments.



The current in the wire is



A.) Current in a wire is equal to its output current.

$$I_1 = I_2$$

output of I_1 is equal to input of I_2 .

B.) current density is equal to current divided by area.

current stays the same, but A_2 is greater than A_1 .

$$J_1 > J_2$$

C.) E & J

Electric field is directly proportional to current.

$$E_1 > E_2$$

D.) Drift velocity is directly proportional to electric field.

$$V_{d1} > V_{d2}$$

6. An engineer cuts a 1.0 m long, 0.33 mm diameter wire, connects it across a 1.5 V battery, and finds that the current in the wire is 8.0 A?
- (1 pt) What is the resistance of the wire?
 - (1 pt) What is the current density in the wire?
 - (1 pt) What is the electric field in the wire?
 - (1 pt) What material is the wire made of?

E.) $V = IR$

$$R = \frac{1.5}{8}$$

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$$R = 0.1875 \Omega$$

B.)

$$J = \frac{I}{A} = \frac{I}{\frac{1}{4}\pi d^2} = \frac{8}{\frac{1}{4}\pi (0.33 \times 10^{-3})^2}$$

$$J = 9.35 \times 10^7 \text{ A/m}^2$$

C.)

$$E = \frac{V}{d} = \frac{1.5}{1}$$

$$E = 1.5 \text{ V/m}$$

D.)

$$V = IR$$

$$R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

$$V = I \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

$$\rho = \frac{VA}{IL} = 1.5 \left(\frac{\frac{1}{4}\pi (0.33 \times 10^{-3})^2}{8(1)} \right)$$

$$\rho = 1.6 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \cdot \text{m}$$

Thus the wire is made of silver.

7. The starter motor of a car engine draws a current of 150 A from the battery. The copper wire to the motor is 5.0 mm in diameter and 1.2 m long. The starter motor runs for 0.80 s until the car engine starts.

- (1 pt) How much charge passes through the starter motor?
- (1 pt) How far does an electron travel along the wire while the starter motor is on.
- (1 pt) How long would it take an electron to travel from the beginning of the wire to the end of the wire?

A.) $Q = I \Delta t = 150 (.80)$

$$Q = 120 \text{ C.}$$

C.) $t = \frac{d}{v}$

$$t = \frac{1.2}{5.61 \times 10^{-4}}$$

$$t = 2139.04 \text{ s.}$$

B.) $v_d = \frac{J}{ne} \quad J = \frac{I}{A}$

$$v_d = \frac{I}{\frac{1}{4} \pi r^2 d^2}$$

$$v_d = \frac{150}{\frac{1}{4} (3.5 \times 10^{-8}) (1.602 \times 10^{-19}) \pi (5 \times 10^{-3})^2}$$

$$v_d = 5.61 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m/s}$$

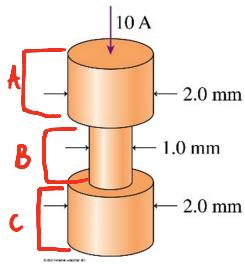
$$dl = v_d t$$

$$dl = (5.61 \times 10^{-4})(.8)$$

$$dl = 4.49 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m.}$$

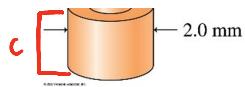
8. An aluminum wire consists of the three segments shown in the figure. The current in the top segment is 10 A. For each of these three segments, find the

- (1 pt) Current I
- (1 pt) Current density J
- (1 pt) Electric field E.
- (1 pt) Drift velocity v_d



A.) Current is 10 A. throughout the wire.

B.) $A: J = \frac{I}{A} = \frac{4I}{\pi d^2}$



C.) $E = \frac{J}{\sigma}$

$$\sigma = 3.5 \times 10^8$$

for aluminum

A:

$$E = .091 \frac{V}{m}$$

B:

$$E = .371 \frac{V}{m}$$

C:

$$E = .091 \frac{V}{m}$$

D.)

$$A: J = \frac{I}{A} = \frac{4I}{\pi d^2}$$

$$J = \frac{40}{\pi (0.001)^2}$$

$$J = 3.2 \times 10^6 \frac{A}{m^2}$$

B:

$$J = \frac{40}{\pi (0.001)^2}$$

$$J = 1.3 \times 10^7 \frac{A}{m^2}$$

C:

$$J = 3.2 \times 10^6 \frac{A}{m^2}$$

D.)

A: $J = n_e e V_d$

$$V_d = \frac{J}{n_e e}$$

$$V_d = \frac{(3.2 \times 10^6)}{(6 \times 10^{28})(1.6 \times 10^{-19})}$$

$$V_d = 3.32 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m/s}$$

B:

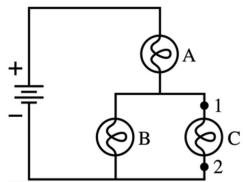
$$V_d = \frac{(1.3 \times 10^7)}{(6 \times 10^{28})(1.6 \times 10^{-19})}$$

$$V_d = 1.35 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s}$$

C:

$$V_d = 3.32 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m/s}$$

9. Bulbs A, B, and C in the figure are identical, and all are glowing.
- (1 pt) Rank in order, from most to least, the brightnesses of the three bulbs. Explain.
 - (1 pt) Suppose a wire is connected between points 1 and 2. What happens to each bulb? Does it get brighter, stay the same, get dimmer or go out? Explain.

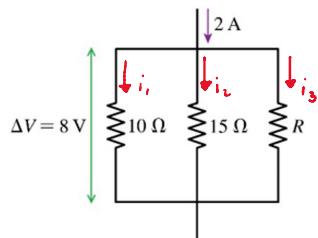


A.) $A > B = C$

using KCL, the current through A is equal to the sum of the currents through both B and C. Less current means less power.

B.) Bulbs B and C would go out since the current would travel through the path of least resistance (the wire). Since A would be the only source of resistance in the circuit, it would have more current going through it. Thus, A would get brighter.

10. (1 pt) What is the value of the resistor in R in the figure?



$$V = IR$$

$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

$$i_1 = \frac{8}{10} = .8 \text{ A.}$$

$$i_2 = \frac{8}{15} = .53 \text{ A.}$$

$$.8 + .53 + i_3 = 2$$

$$i_3 = .66 \text{ A.}$$

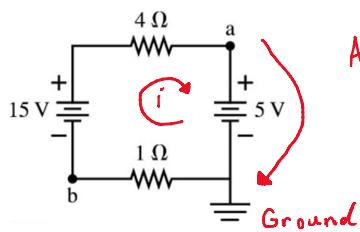
$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

$$R = \frac{8}{.66}$$

$$\boxed{R = 12.12 \Omega}$$

11. In the figure, what is

- (1 pt) The current in each resistor?
- (1 pt) The value of the potential at points a and b?



$$A.) -15 + 4i + 5 + i = 0$$

$$5i = 10$$

$i = 2 \text{ A. through each resistor}$

$$B.) V_a - 5 = 0$$

$V_a = 5 \text{ V.}$

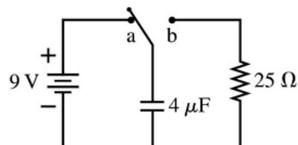
$$V = IR = 2(1)$$

$V_b = -2 \text{ V.}$

12. The switch in the figure has been in position a for a long time. It is changed to position b

at $t=0$ s. What are the charge Q on the capacitor and the current I through the resistor

- (1 pt) Immediately after the switch is closed?
- (1 pt) $T=50e-6$ s
- (1 pt) $T=200e-6$ s
- (1 pt) At what time is the current 15% of the initial value



$$A.) Q = CV$$

$$Q = (4 \times 10^{-6})(9)$$

$$Q = 3.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C.}$$

$$\gamma = RC$$

$$\gamma = (25)(4 \times 10^{-6})$$

$$\gamma = 1 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$I = \frac{Q}{\gamma}$$

$$I = .36 \text{ A.}$$

$$B.) Q = Q_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\gamma}}$$

$$Q = (3.6 \times 10^{-5}) e^{-\frac{(50 \times 10^{-6})}{(1 \times 10^{-4})}}$$

$$Q = 2.18 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C.}$$

$$I = I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\gamma}}$$

$$I = (.36) e^{-\frac{(50 \times 10^{-6})}{(1 \times 10^{-4})}}$$

$$I = .22 \text{ A.}$$

$$C.) n = Q e^{-\frac{t}{\gamma}}$$

$$\dots -61$$

$$t = -\tau e^{-\frac{t}{\gamma}} \quad \dots 10^{-4} \dots$$

$$C.) Q = Q_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

$$Q = (3.6 \times 10^{-5}) e^{-\frac{(200 \times 10^{-6})}{(1 \times 10^{-4})}}$$

$$Q = 4.87 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C.}$$

$$I = I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

$$I = (0.36) e^{-\frac{(200 \times 10^{-6})}{(1 \times 10^{-4})}}$$

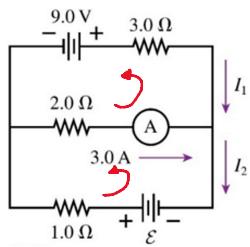
$$I = 0.049 \text{ A.}$$

$$D.) .36 (.15) = .054 \text{ A.}$$

$$.054 = (.36) e^{-\frac{t}{(1 \times 10^{-4})}}$$

$$t = 1.89 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s.}$$

13. (3 pt) The ammeter in the figure reads 3.0 A. Find I_1 , I_2 and ε .



$$i_1 = i_2 - 3$$

$$\varepsilon - 2(3) - i_2 = 0$$

$$9 + 2(3) - 3i_1 = 0$$

$$-3i_1 = -15$$

$$i_1 = 5 \text{ A.}$$

$$i_2 = 8 \text{ A.}$$

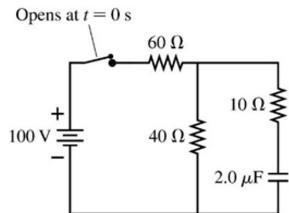
$$\varepsilon = 6 + i_2$$

$$\varepsilon = 14 \text{ V.}$$

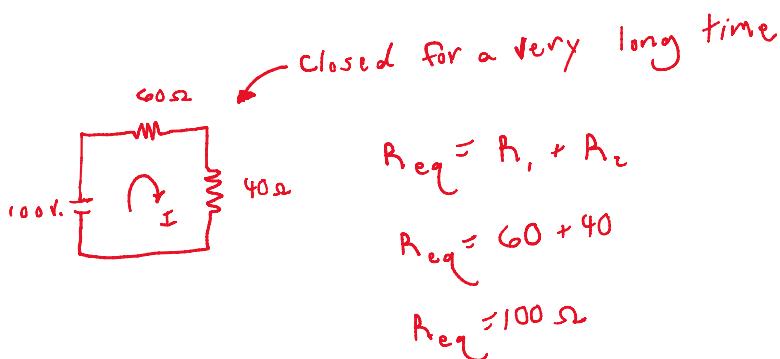
Bonus

The switch in the figure has been closed for a very long time.

- (1 pt) What is the charge on the capacitor?
- (1 pt) What is the current through the 40 ohm resistor
- (1 pt) The switch is opened at $t=0$ s. At what time has the charge on the capacitor decreased to 10% of its initial value?



A.)



$$Q = CV$$

$$Q = I(40)$$

$$Q = 80 \mu C$$

$$I = \frac{V}{R_1} = \frac{100}{100}$$

$$I = 1 A.$$

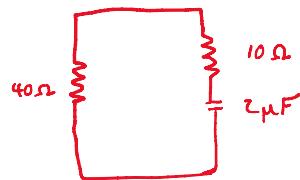
$$V = IR_2 = 1(40)$$

$$V = 40 V.$$

B.)

From Part A, $I = 1 A.$

C.)



$$R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2$$

$$R_{eq} = 10 + 40$$

$$R_{eq} = 50 \Omega$$

$$\tau = RC$$

$$\tau = (50)(2 \times 10^{-6})$$

$$\tau = 1 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$Q = Q_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

$$8 \times 10^{-6} = 80 \times 10^{-6} e^{-\frac{t}{1 \times 10^{-4}}}$$

$$t = 2.30 \times 10^{-4} s.$$

$$Q = .1 Q_0$$

$$Q = .1 (80 \times 10^{-6})$$

$$Q = 8 \times 10^{-6} F$$