

$$C = \frac{k \cdot A}{d}$$

- where C is Capacitance in Farads
- k is Permittivity constant of the dielectric
- A is the Area of the plates in square metres
- d is Distance between the plates in metres

Capacitance **halves**

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

Inverse relationship

Capacitance **doubles**

$$C \propto A$$

Direct relationship

Yes it is, on the third row from the top. It should be written as

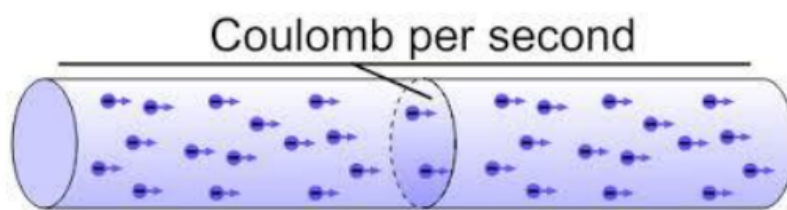
$$C = \frac{k \times A}{d}$$

and not with A as a subscript

The Coulomb is the quantity of electricity or charge:

$$Q = \text{current} \times \text{time}$$

and if one Coulomb of charge passes a point every second, 1 Amp of current is flowing. Coulomb is the charge from 6×10^{18} electrons. Q is not to be confused with Q as a measure of selectivity or magnification factor.



Yet another Quite Interesting fact, but this one *is* included in the syllabus, *and* in EX309...

We know that capacitors charge up when we apply voltage

‘Stored’ charge (also Q) is related to:

- Voltage (V) applied and Capacitance (C) of the capacitor
- Syllabus formula: $Q = V \times C$

Formula on EX309 shows transposed version: $C = Q / V$

Capacitance (C) = Charge (Q) ÷ Voltage (V)

Sorry to bang on: this may be Quite Interesting but it is of little practical use in an amateur radio context, other than to answer an exam question!

First one is a 'basic concept' of electricity

Charge in a wire = $Q = I \times t$

- In syllabus but not on EX309 formula sheet
- Used to derive meaning of the Ampere
 - If 1 Coulomb of charge passes in 1 second, then current = 1 Amp

Charge in (on?) a capacitor = $Q = V \times C$

- In syllabus as $Q = V \times C$
- But shown on EX309 as $C = Q \div V$

The 'several hours' allows adequate time for 5 time constants (Tau) to elapse and the capacitor to become fully charged.

EX309 formula with Q, C & V? = $C = Q \div V$

Transpose to $Q = V \times C$ (or use 4 answers)

$$Q = 12 \times 22 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$= 2.64 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$[\text{ENG}] = 264 \times 10^{-6} = 264 \text{ micro coulombs}$$