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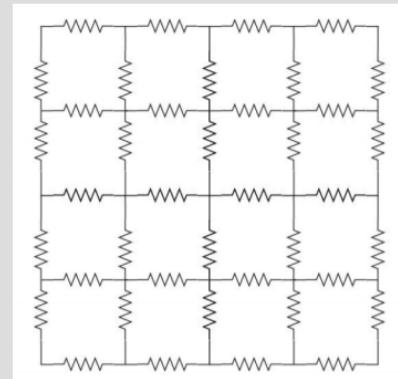
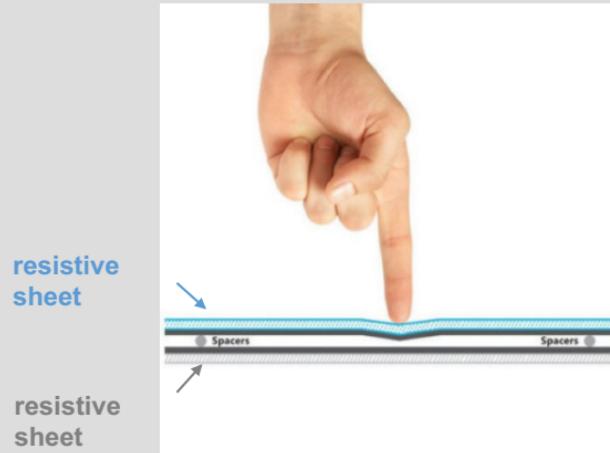
Designing Information Devices and Systems I

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Module 2
Lecture 7
Capacitors
(Note 16)



Now that we understand 2D resistive touchscreen, let's change it!



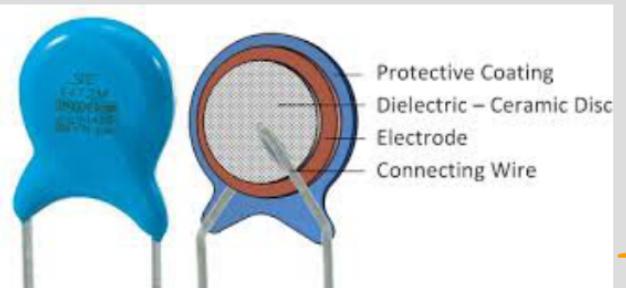
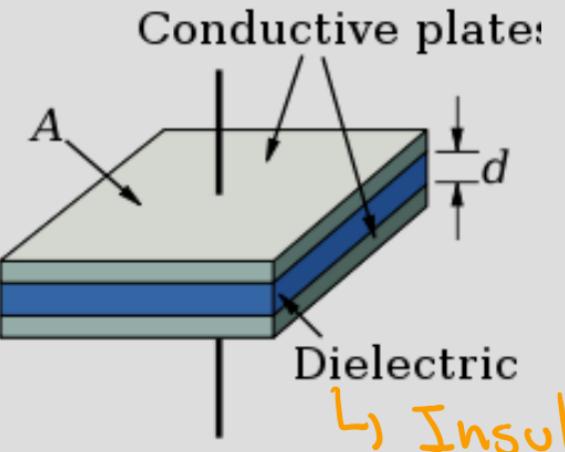
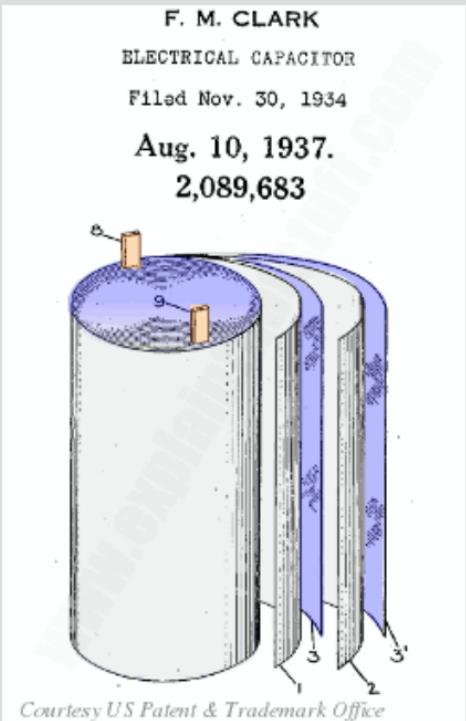
Circuit model for
each resistive sheet
is a grid of resistors

real-world touchscreens are usually capacitive, not resistive:

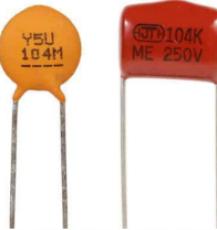
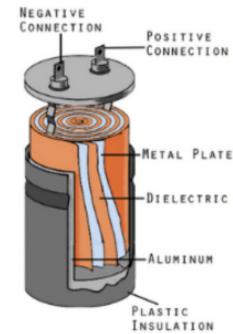
- don't need to be flexible
- multi-touch is easier
- more sensitive
- increased contrast on screen

Now, Capacitors!

- Charge storage device (like a ‘bucket’ for charge)

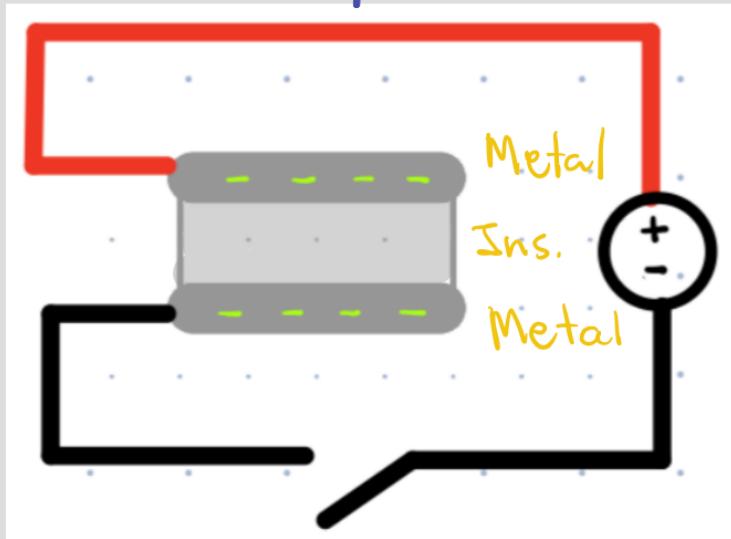


↳ Higher Energy is needed to move charge.



The Physics of a Capacitor

* Energy is needed to move charge.



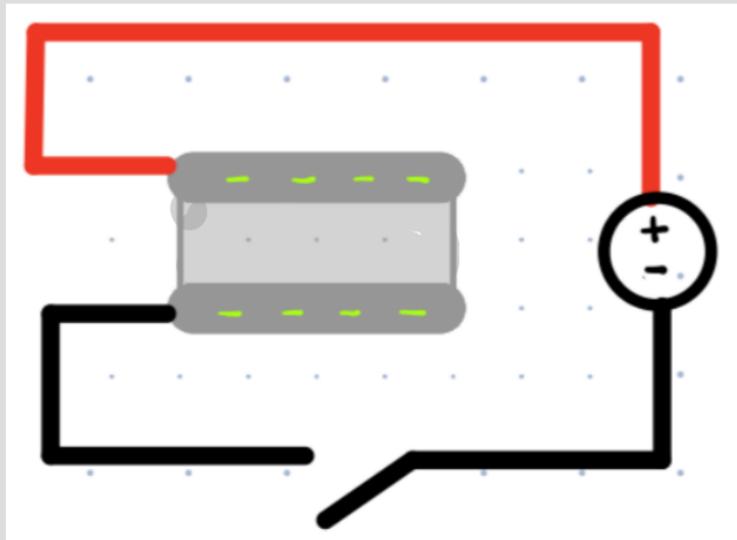
e^-

- No current across the capacitor plates
- Voltage Source provides Energy needed for flow of charges (e^-)

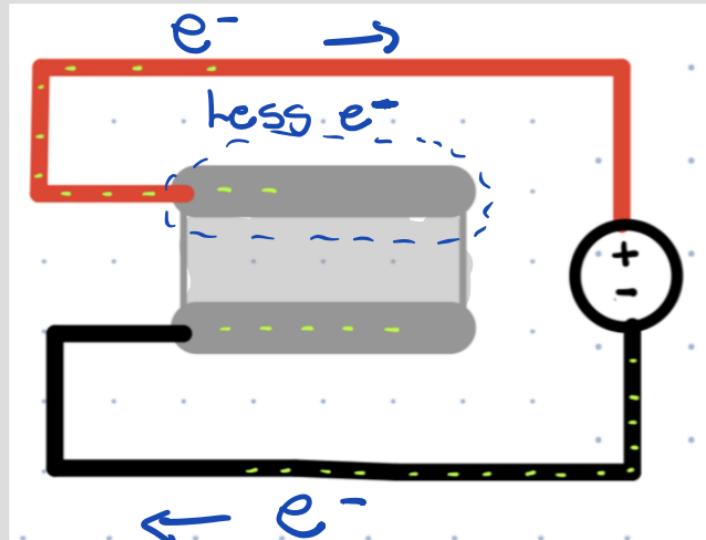
The Physics of a Capacitor

→ Once the switch is ON e⁻ flow!

t_0



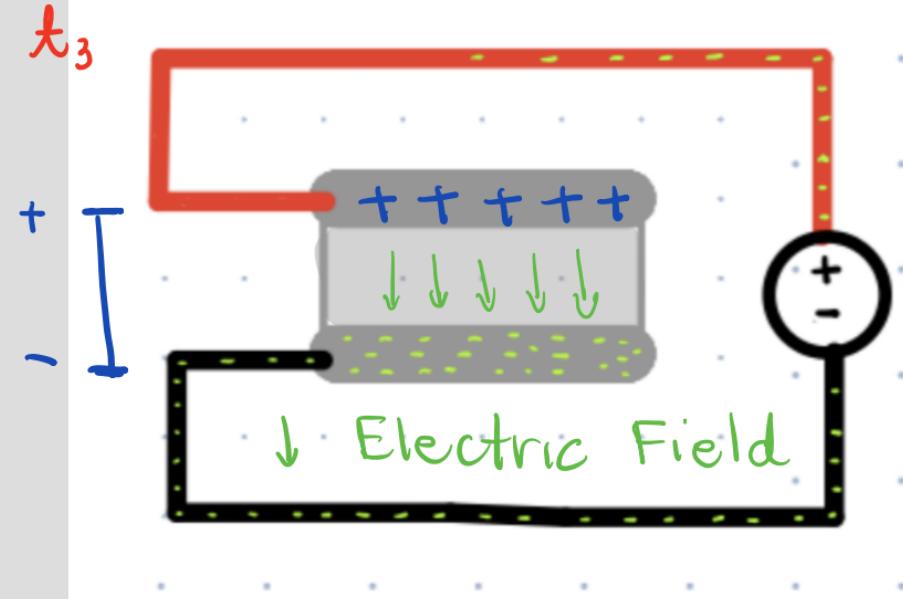
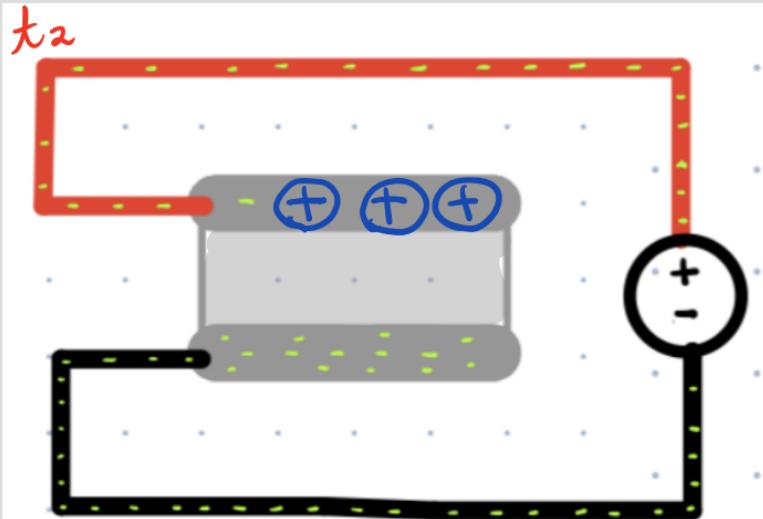
t_1



The Physics of a Capacitor

lack of electrons means holes!

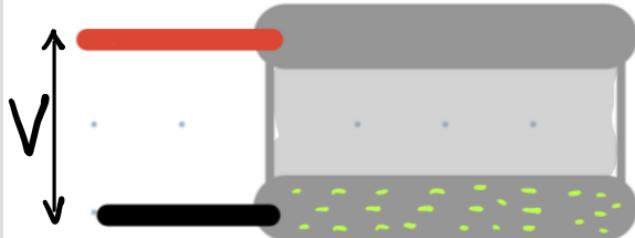
h^+



Potential difference
between the two
plates! V

The Physics of a Capacitor

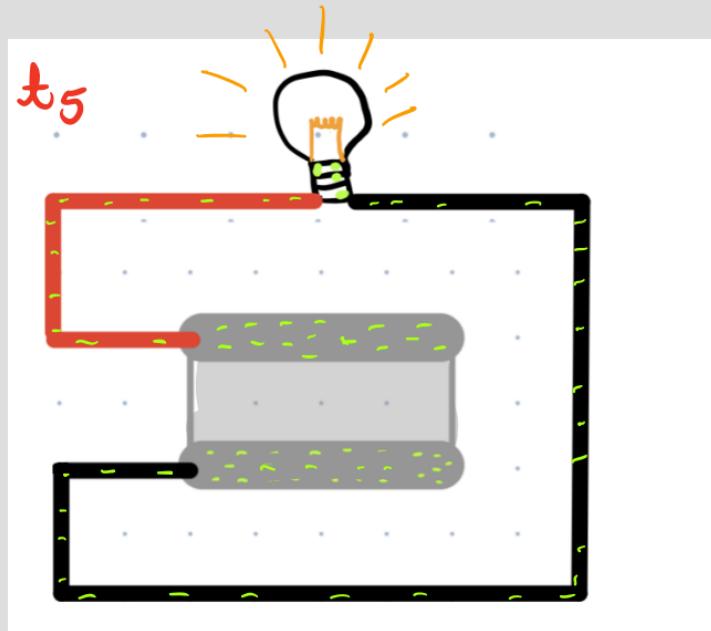
t_4 Independent Energy Source



Charges are stored!

Every Capacitor can
be charged up to a
fixed Voltage.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X4EUwTwZ110>



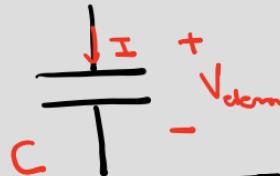
The capacitor will charge a "load" until the charges on the plate are equalized. (No change in V)

Charge storage device (like a ‘bucket’ for charge)

Holds electric charge when we apply a voltage across it, and gives up the stored charge to the circuit when voltage removed

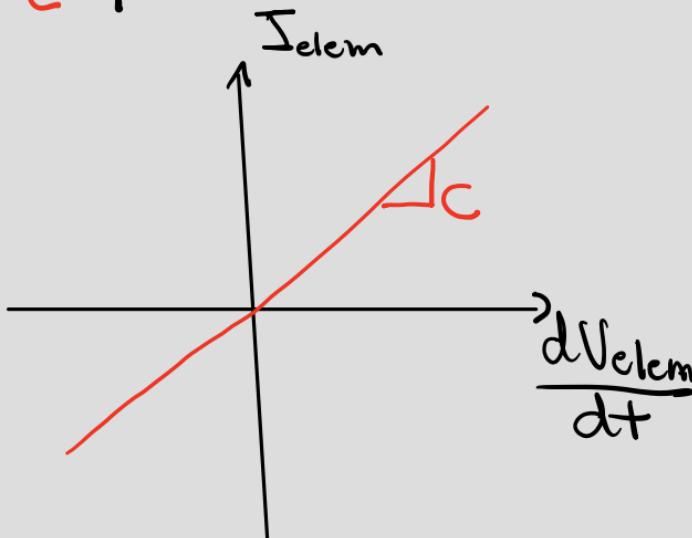
Circuit Model: IV relationship

Capacitor Symbol



$$Q_{elecm} = C \cdot V_{elecm}$$

[C] [F] [V]
(Farad)



We know : $I_{elecm} = \frac{d Q_{elecm}}{dt}$

$$I_{elecm} = \frac{d}{dt} C \cdot V_{elecm}$$

$C = \text{constant over time}$

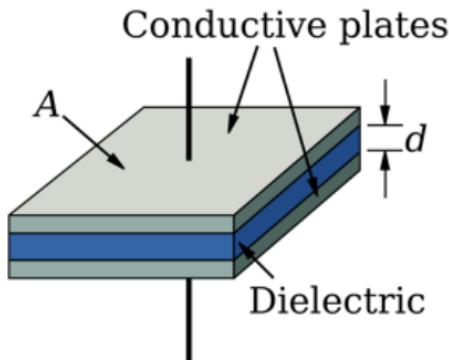
$$I_{elecm} = C \cdot \frac{d V_{elecm}}{dt}$$

↳ Can use the same 7-step analysis.

Capacitance

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

$$[F] = [E] \left[\frac{m^2}{m} \right]$$



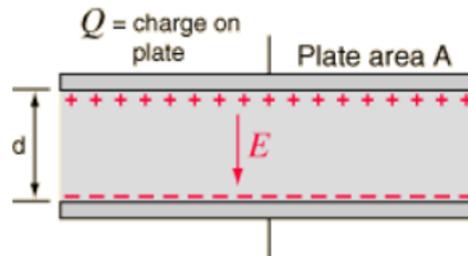
Depends on:

- Materials : ϵ permittivity

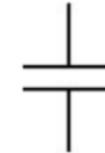
$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$$

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r$$

- Geometry of Conductors



Symbol:



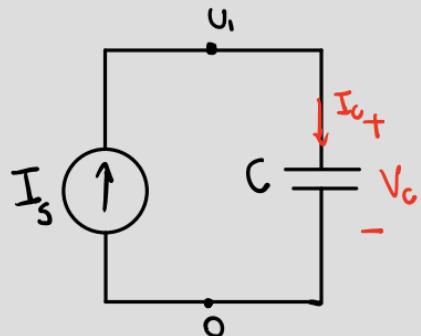
Capacitance:

C

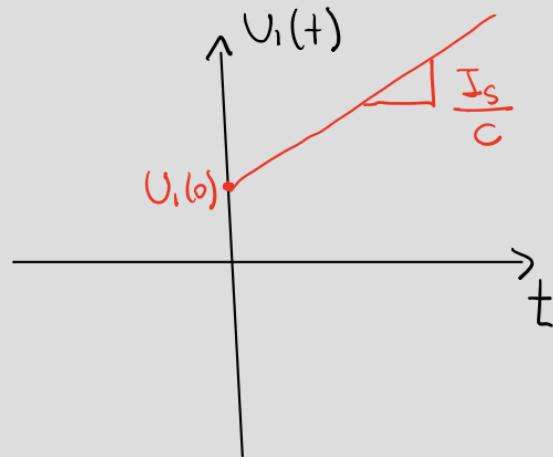
Units: Farads [F]

IV equation: $I = C \cdot \frac{dV}{dt}$

Simple Circuit 1



$$\boxed{I_s = C \frac{dU_1}{dt}} \times dt$$



$$KCL : \underline{I_s = I_c}$$

Element Def.:

$$\underline{I_c} = C \cdot \frac{dV_c}{dt}$$

Voltage Def.:

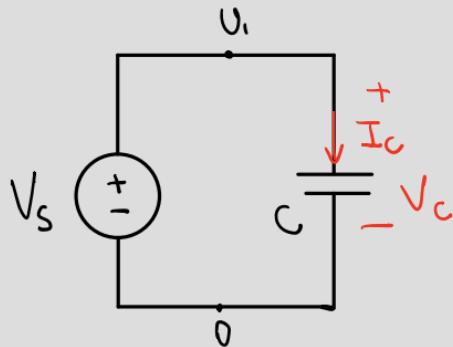
$$U_1 - 0 = V_c$$

$$I_s \cdot dt = C dU_1$$
$$\int_0^+ I_s dt = \int_{U_1(0)}^{U_1(+)} C \cdot dU_1$$

$$I_s + = C \cdot (U_1(+)-U_1(0))$$

$$U_1(+) = \frac{I_s}{C} \cdot + + U_1(0)$$

Simple Circuit 2



$$\begin{aligned} V_1 - 0 &= V_s \\ V_1 - 0 &= V_c \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Voltage Def.} \\ \text{Voltage Def.} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$V_s = V_c$$

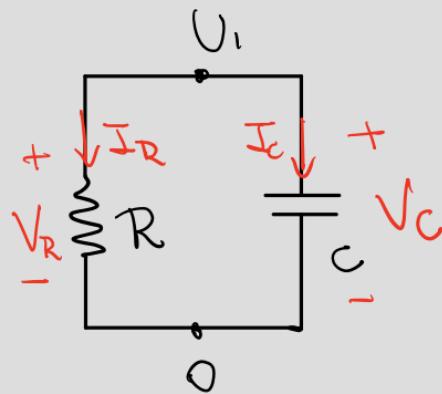
$$I_c = C \frac{dV_c}{dt} \quad (\text{capacitor Def.})$$

$$I_c = C \frac{dV_c}{dt} = C \cdot \frac{dV_s}{dt} = 0$$

Current in a capacitor is zero when
a constant Voltage source is across it.

Hint: We like zeros... they make our lives easier!

Simple Circuit 3



$$V_1 = ?$$

Steady State:
means the Voltages
Settled.

If current is zero \Rightarrow OPEN-CIRCUIT

looking for V_1 value when
 $V_C = \text{const.}$ (steady-state)

$$I_C = C \frac{dV_C}{dt} = 0$$

$$\text{KCL: } I_C + I_R = 0$$

$$I_R = 0$$

$$\text{Ohm's law: } V_R = I_R R = 0$$

$$\text{Voltage Def: } V_1 - 0 = V_R$$

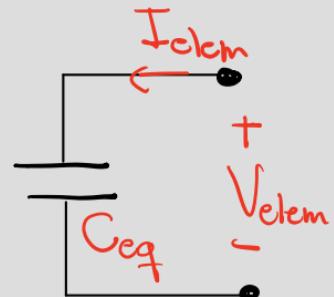
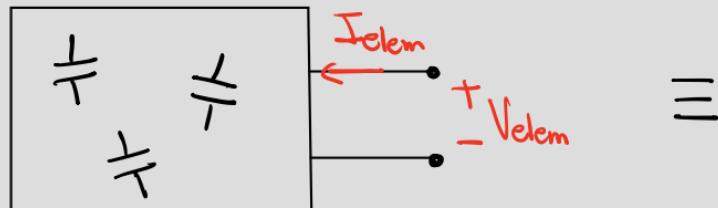
$$V_1 = 0$$

Equivalent Circuits with Capacitors

* Capacitor - only circuits

~~Step 1 : Find V_{th} and I_{no} no source~~

Step 2 : $C_{eq} = \frac{I_{elem}}{\frac{dV_{elem}}{dt}}$



only if
(match $\frac{dV_{elem}}{dt}$)

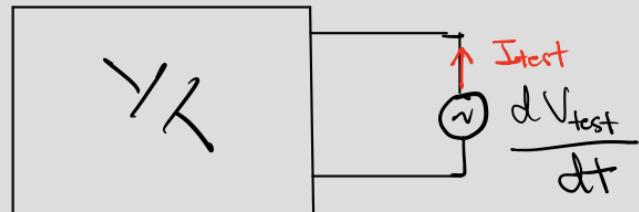
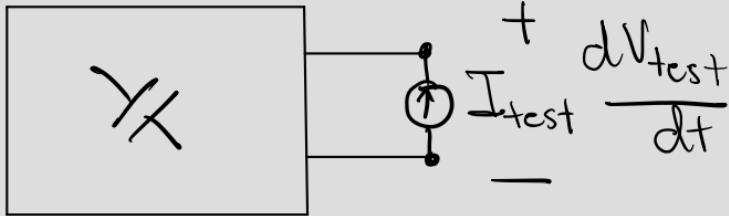
Two Methods:

a) Apply I_{test} and measure $\frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$

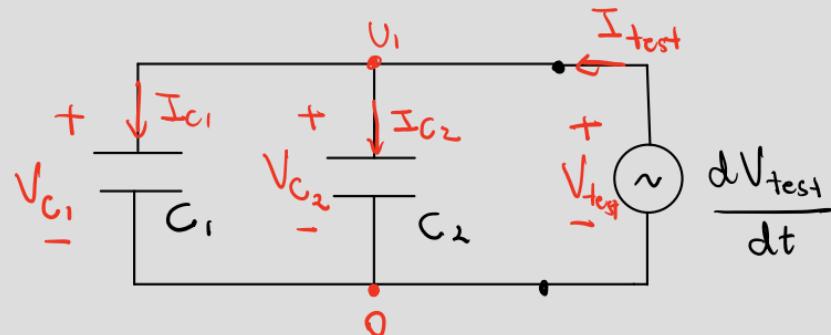
b) Apply $\frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$ and measure I_{test}

$$= C_{\text{eq}} = \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{\frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}}$$

(a)



Example 1



$$V_{C_1} = U_1, \quad V_{C_2} = U_1 \quad \text{and}$$
$$U_1 = V_{\text{test}}$$

$$\frac{dU_1}{dt} = \frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$$

Elem def: $I_{C_1} = C_1 \frac{dV_1}{dt} = C_1 \frac{dU_1}{dt} = C_1 \frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$

Elem def: $I_{C_2} = C_2 \frac{dV_2}{dt} = C_2 \frac{dU_1}{dt} = C_1 \frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$

KCL: $I_{\text{test}} = I_{C_1} + I_{C_2} = C_1 \frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt} + C_2 \frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$

$$I_{\text{test}} = (C_1 + C_2) \frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$$

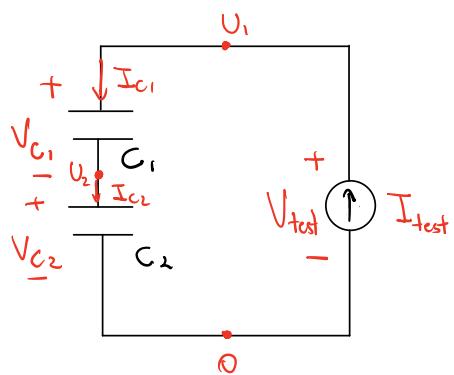
$$C_{\text{eq}} = \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{\frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}} = C_1 + C_2$$



$$\equiv R_{\text{eq}} = R_1 + R_2$$

Series

Example 2 : "Capacitors in series"



$$\text{KCL} : I_{c_1} = I_{c_2} = I_{\text{test}}$$

Elements :

$$I_{c_2} = C_2 \frac{dV_{c_2}}{dt}$$

$$I_{c_1} = C_1 \frac{dV_{c_1}}{dt}$$

Voltage Def.

$$V_{c_2} = U_2 - 0$$

$$V_{c_1} = U_1 - U_2$$

$$V_{\text{test}} = U_1 - 0$$

For V_{c_2} :

$$I_{c_2} = C_2 \frac{dV_{c_2}}{dt}$$

$$I_{\text{test}} = C_2 \frac{dU_2}{dt} \equiv \frac{dU_2}{dt} = \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{C_2}$$

For V_{c_1} :

$$I_{c_1} = C_1 \frac{dV_{c_1}}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dV_1}{dt} = \frac{I_c}{C_1} = \frac{dU_1 - dU_2}{dt} = \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{C_1}$$

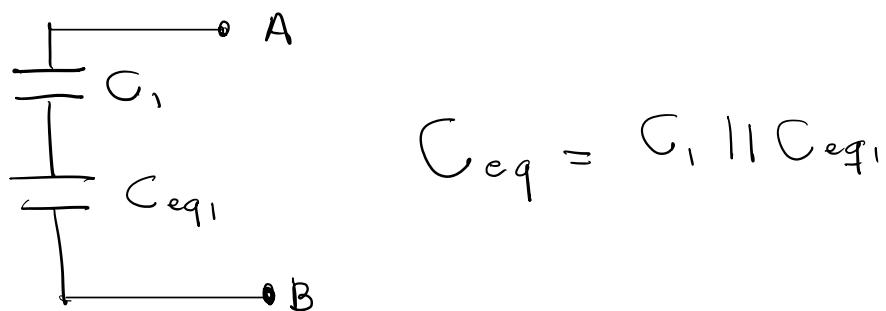
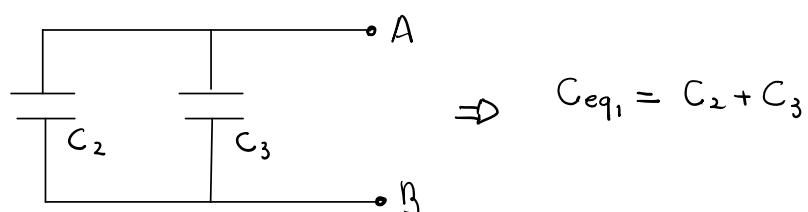
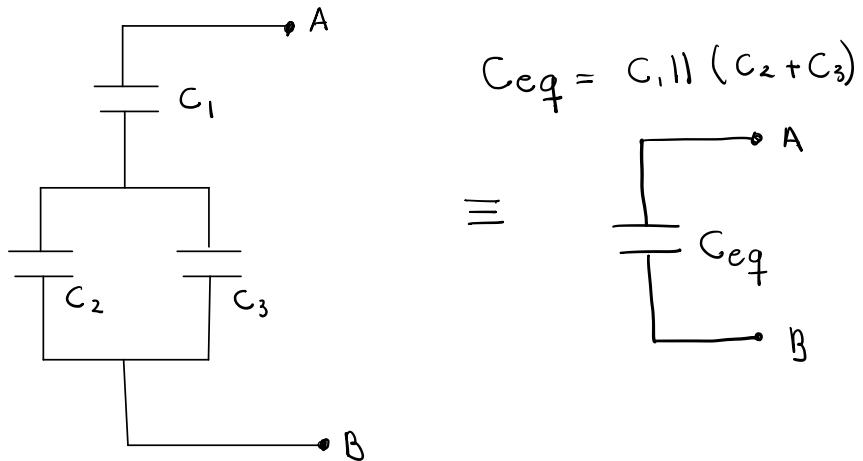
$$\frac{dU_1}{dt} = \frac{dU_2}{dt} + \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{C_1} = \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{C_2} + \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{C_1}$$

$$\frac{dU_1}{dt} = \frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt} = I_{\text{test}} \left(\frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_1} \right)$$

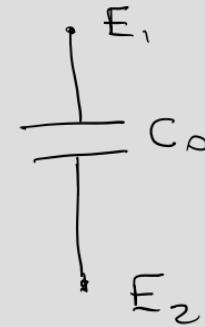
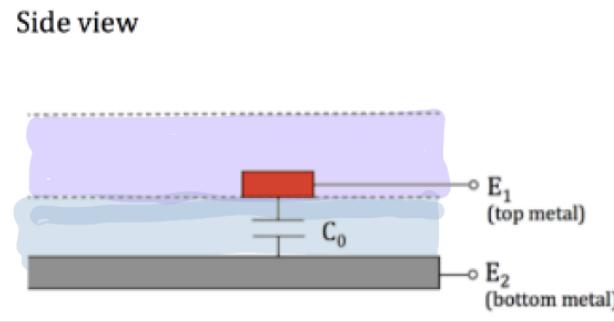
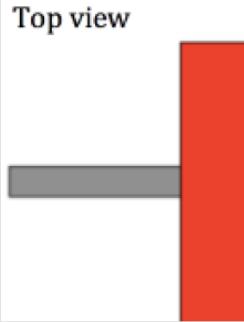
$$C_{\text{eq}} = \frac{\frac{I_{\text{test}}}{dV_{\text{test}}}}{\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} = C_1 \parallel C_2$$

$$C_{\text{eq}} = C_1 \parallel C_2 \quad (\parallel - \text{parallel mathematical operator})$$

Example 3



Capacitive Touchscreen – Model without touch

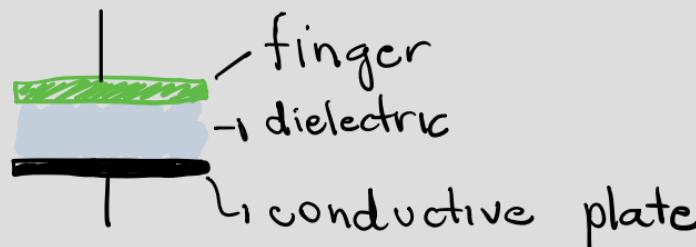
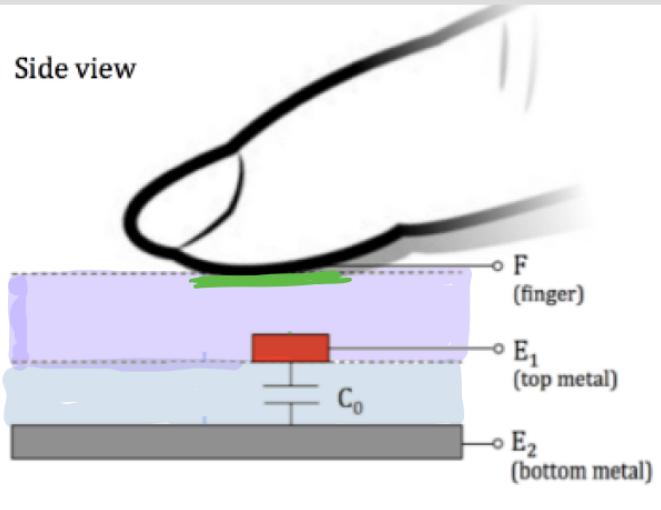


$$C_0 = \epsilon \cdot \frac{A}{d}$$

Capacitive Touchscreen – Model with touch

When there is a touch, it makes a capacitor!

Side view

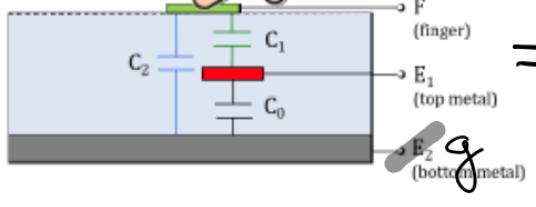


Problem: How can Voltage/Current when the finger is one of the terminals?

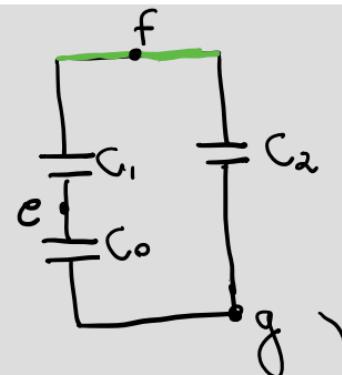
Solution: Models / Good architecture

Side view

with touch

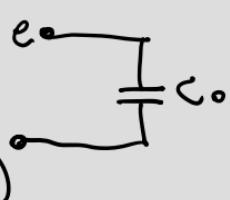


⇒ circuit model

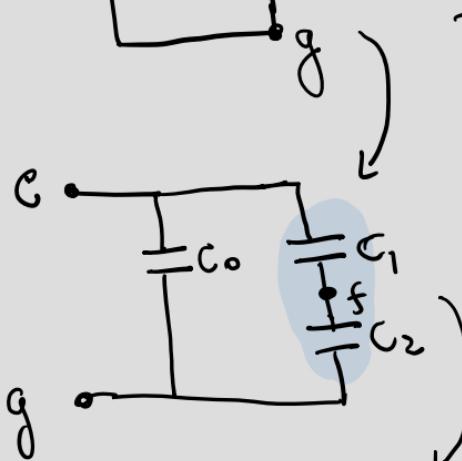
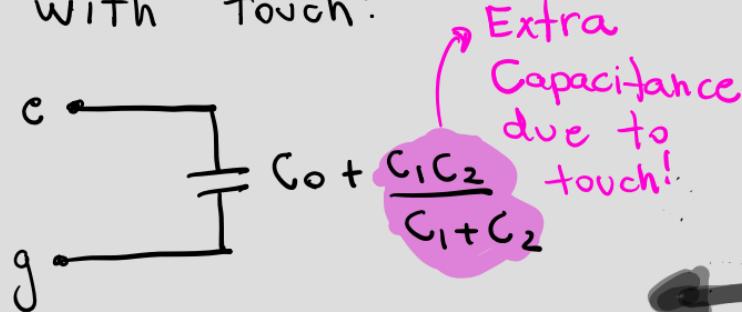


We only have access to nodes e and g, not f

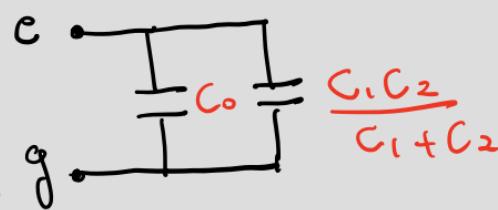
when no touch:



with touch:



Redraw to focus on terminals (nodes) e and g



Equivalent capacitance
for C₁ in series with
C₂

⇒ Equiv. Capacitance
for C₀ in parallel
to $\frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$