

- 6 (a) Two parallel plate capacitors  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are connected to a supply that has a potential difference (p.d.)  $V_S$ . The capacitors may be connected in series or in parallel.

The supply provides charge  $Q_S$  and the plates of the two capacitors acquire charges  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  respectively. The p.d.s across the plates of the capacitors are  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  respectively.

Complete Table 6.1 to indicate how  $Q_S$ ,  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  relate to each other, and how  $V_S$ ,  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  relate to each other, for series and parallel connections of the capacitors to the supply.

**Table 6.1**

	relationship between charges	relationship between p.d.s
series		
parallel		

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- (b) An isolated capacitor of capacitance  $470\ \mu\text{F}$  stores  $19\ \text{mJ}$  of energy.

- (i) Calculate the p.d. across the capacitor.

p.d. = ..... V [2]

- (ii) Calculate the charge on the capacitor.

charge = ..... C [2]

- (iii) The capacitor is now connected in parallel with a capacitor of capacitance  $180\mu\text{F}$  that is initially uncharged.

Determine the total energy, in mJ, now stored in the two capacitors.

energy = ..... mJ [3]

[Total: 11]