

- 5 (a) (i) Define *capacitance*.

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- (ii) A capacitor is made of two metal plates, insulated from one another, as shown in Fig. 5.1.

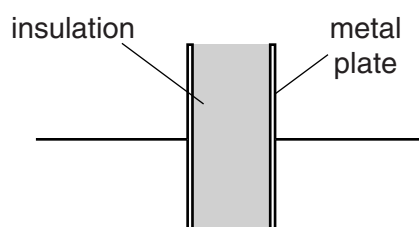


Fig. 5.1

Explain why the capacitor is said to store energy but not charge.

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- (b) Three uncharged capacitors X, Y and Z, each of capacitance $12\mu\text{F}$, are connected as shown in Fig. 5.2.

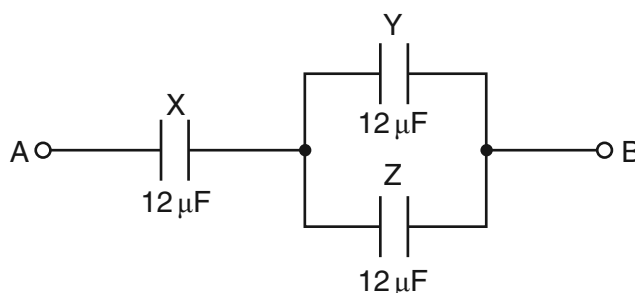


Fig. 5.2

A potential difference of 9.0V is applied between points A and B.

- (i) Calculate the combined capacitance of the capacitors X, Y and Z.

capacitance = μF [2]

- (ii) Explain why, when the potential difference of 9.0V is applied, the charge on one plate of capacitor X is $72\mu\text{C}$.

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- (iii) Determine

1. the potential difference across capacitor X,

potential difference = V [1]

2. the charge on one plate of capacitor Y.

charge = μC [2]