

- 6 Two capacitors P and Q, each of capacitance C , are connected in series with a battery of e.m.f. 9.0 V, as shown in Fig. 6.1.

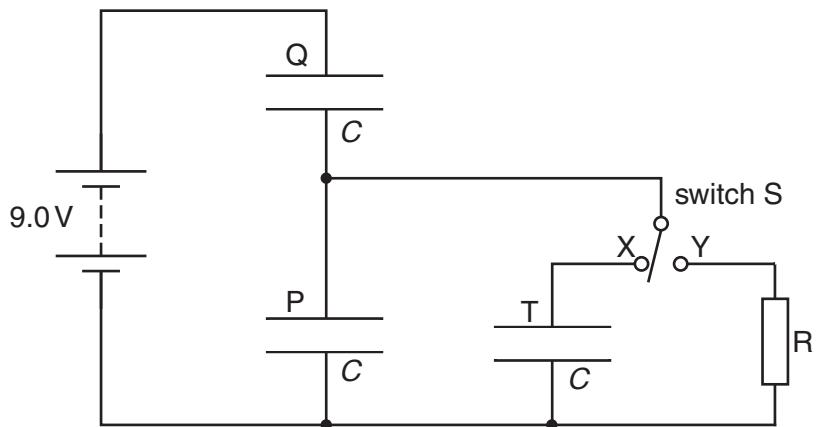


Fig. 6.1

A switch S is used to connect either a third capacitor T, also of capacitance C , or a resistor R, in parallel with capacitor P.

- (a) Switch S is in position X.

Calculate

- (i) the combined capacitance, in terms of C , of the three capacitors,

$$\text{capacitance} = \dots \quad [2]$$

- (ii) the potential difference across capacitor Q. Explain your working.

$$\text{potential difference} = \dots \text{ V} \quad [2]$$

- (b) Switch S is now moved to position Y.

State what happens to the potential difference across capacitor P and across capacitor Q.

capacitor P:

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capacitor Q:

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[4]

[Total: 8]