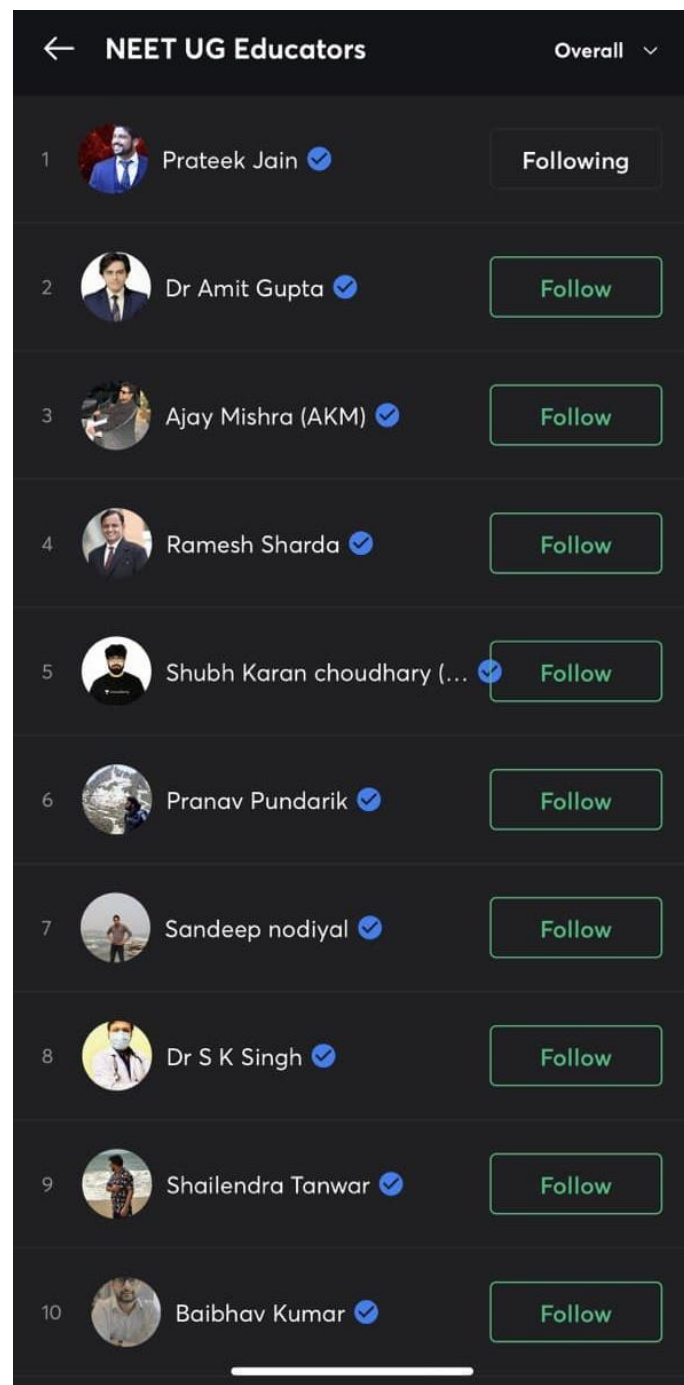




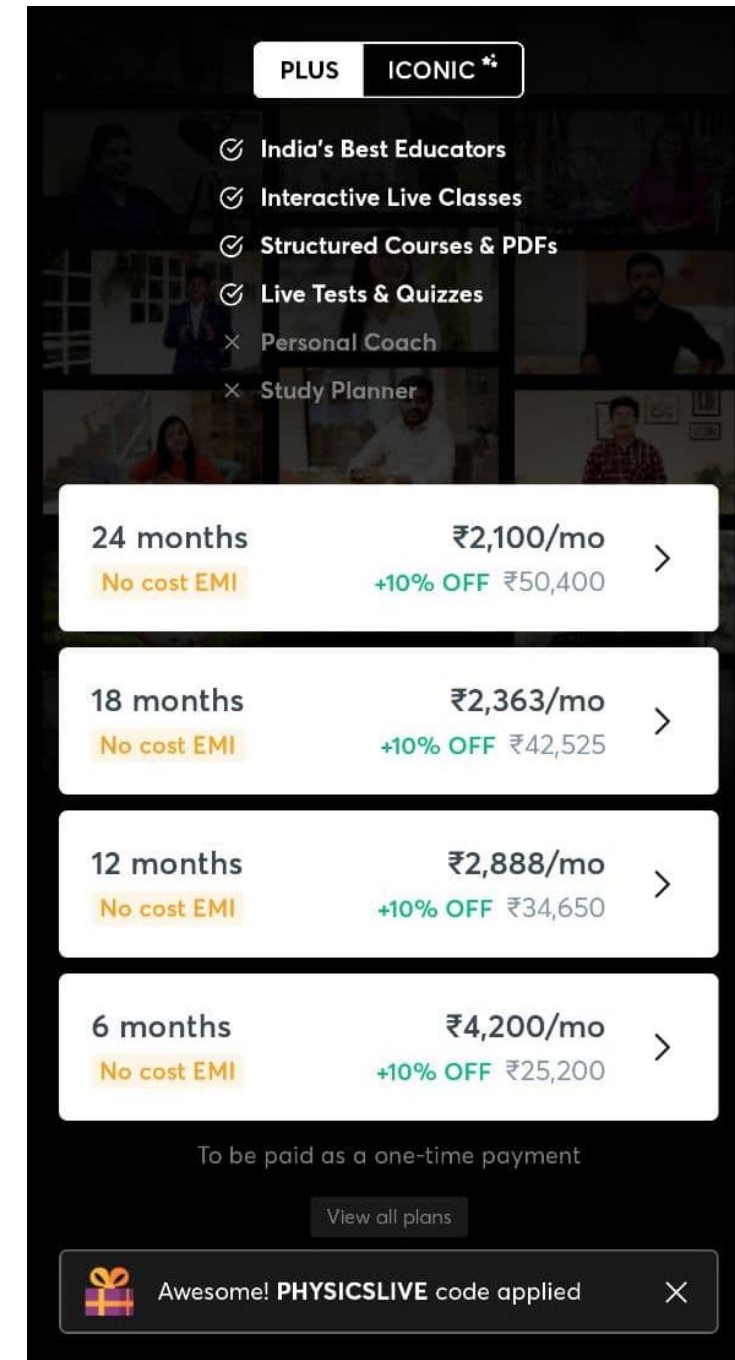
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Previous Years Questions

Topic - Capacitor

By Physicsaholics Team

What is the area of the plates of a 3 F parallel plate capacitor, if the separation between the plates is 5 mm?

(a) $9.281 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^2$

(b) $4.529 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^2$

(c) $1.694 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^2$

(d) $12.981 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^2$

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$C = \epsilon_0 A / d$
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Ans. (c)

$$C = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \Rightarrow A = \frac{Cd}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$A = \frac{3 \times 5 \times 10^{-3}}{8.85 \times 10^{-12}} = \frac{15}{8.85} \times 10^9 \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 1.694 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^2$$

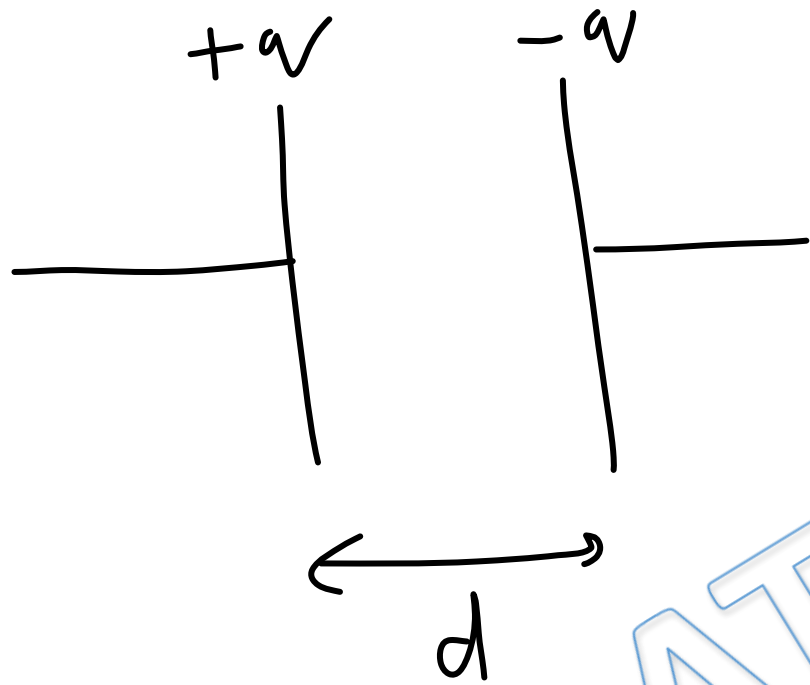
Ans (c)

A parallel plate air capacitor is charged to a potential difference of V volts. After disconnecting the charging battery the distance between the plates of the capacitor is increased using an insulating handle. As a result the potential difference between the plates

[CBSE AIPMT 2006]

- (a) decreases
- (b) does not change
- (c) becomes zero
- (d) increases

Ans. (d)



On increasing d , q remains constant.

$$V = \frac{q}{C} = \frac{q d}{A \epsilon_0} \Rightarrow V \text{ increases on increasing } d.$$

Ans (d)

The diameter of the plate of a parallel plate condenser is 6 cm. If its capacity is equal to that of a sphere of diameter 200 cm, the separation between the plates of the condenser is

(a) 4.5×10^{-4} m

(b) 2.25×10^{-4} m

(c) 6.75×10^{-4} m

(d) 9×10^{-4} m

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Ans. (b)

Capacitance of Parallel plate Capacitor

= , , sphere

$$\Rightarrow \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 r \Rightarrow d = \frac{A}{4\pi r}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{\pi \left(\frac{6 \times 10^{-2}}{2}\right)^2}{4\pi \times \left(\frac{2}{2}\right)} = \frac{9 \times 10^{-4}}{4} \text{ m}$$

$$= 2.25 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$$

Ans (b)

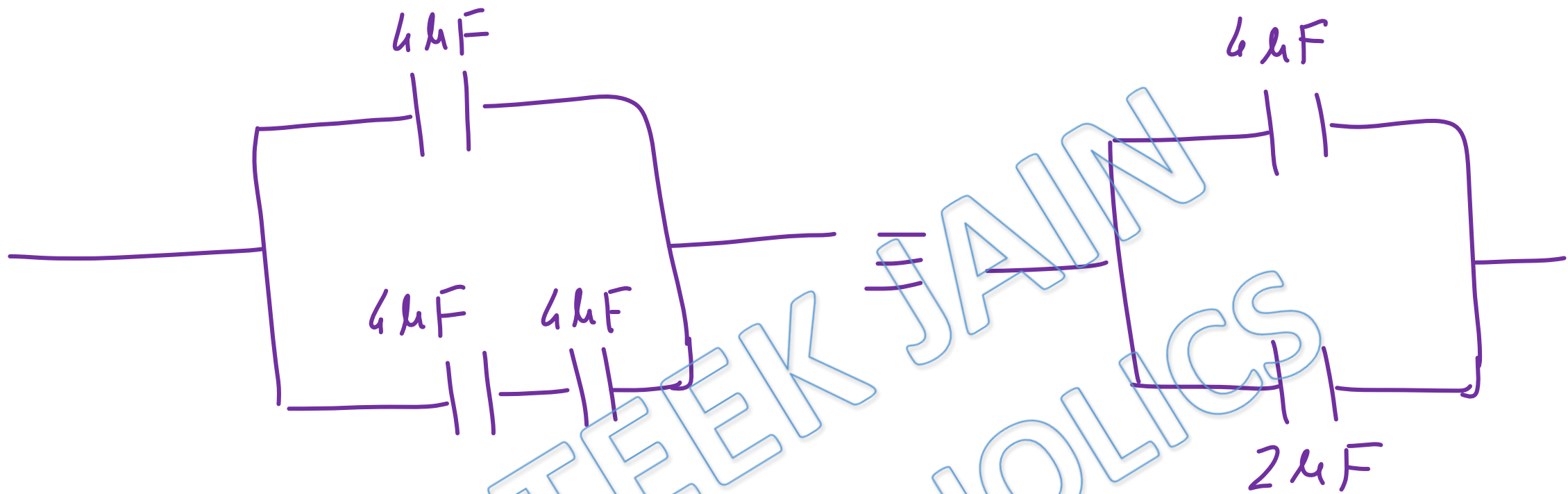
PYQs on Following Subtopic:

Combination of Capacitors

Three capacitors each of capacity $4\ \mu\text{F}$ are to be connected in such a way that the effective capacitance is $6\ \mu\text{F}$. This can be done by **[CBSE AIPMT 2003]**

- (a) connecting two in series and one in parallel
- (b) connecting two in parallel and one in series
- (c) connecting all of them in series
- (d) connecting all of them in parallel

Ans. (a)



$$C_{\text{eff}} = 6\ \mu\text{F} + 2\ \mu\text{F} = 6\ \mu\text{F}$$

Ans (a)

Given a number of capacitors labelled as $8 \mu\text{F}$, 250 V . Find the minimum number of capacitors needed to get an arrangement equivalent to $16 \mu\text{F}$, 1000 V is

Series / Parallel

- (a) 4
(c) 32

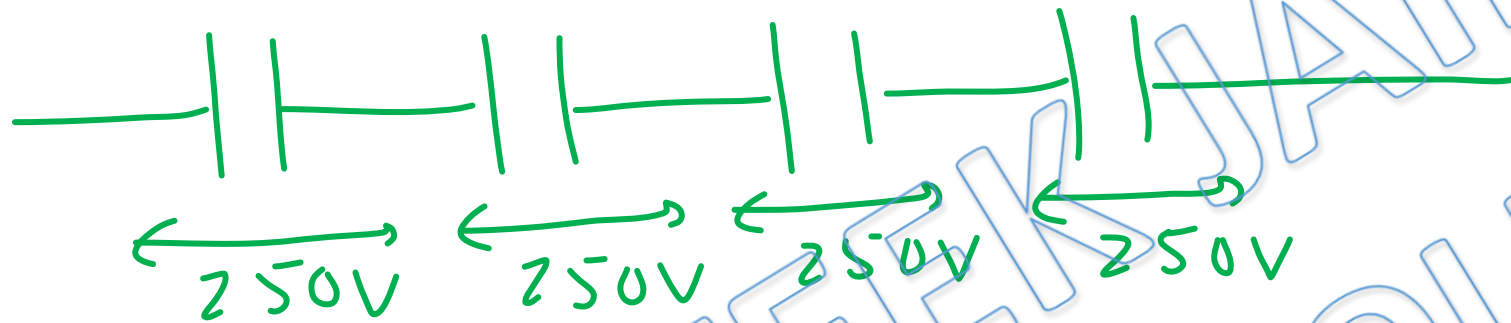
- (b) 16
(d) 64

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Ans. (c)

Add Capacitors in series to get 1000V breakdown Voltage.



$$C_{\text{eff}} = \frac{8 \mu\text{F}}{4} = 2 \mu\text{F}$$

add 8 such branches in parallel to get
16 μF Capacitance.

$$\Rightarrow \text{total no of capacitors required} = 4 \times 8 = 32$$

Ans(c)

Seven capacitors each of capacitance $2 \mu\text{F}$ are to be connected to obtain a capacitance of $\frac{10}{11} \mu\text{F}$. Which of the following combination is possible? (wrong)

- (a) 5 in parallel, 2 in series
- (b) 4 in parallel, 3 in series
- (c) 3 in parallel, 4 in series
- (d) 2 in parallel, 5 in series.

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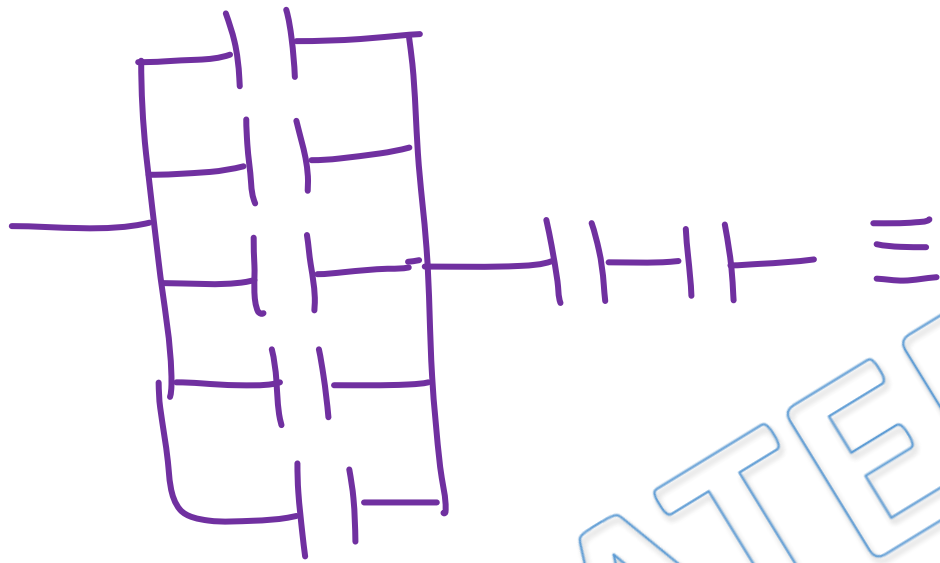
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Ans. (a)

Two config. possible
for every option.

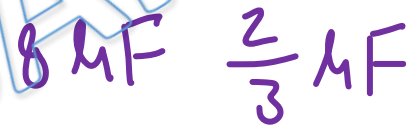
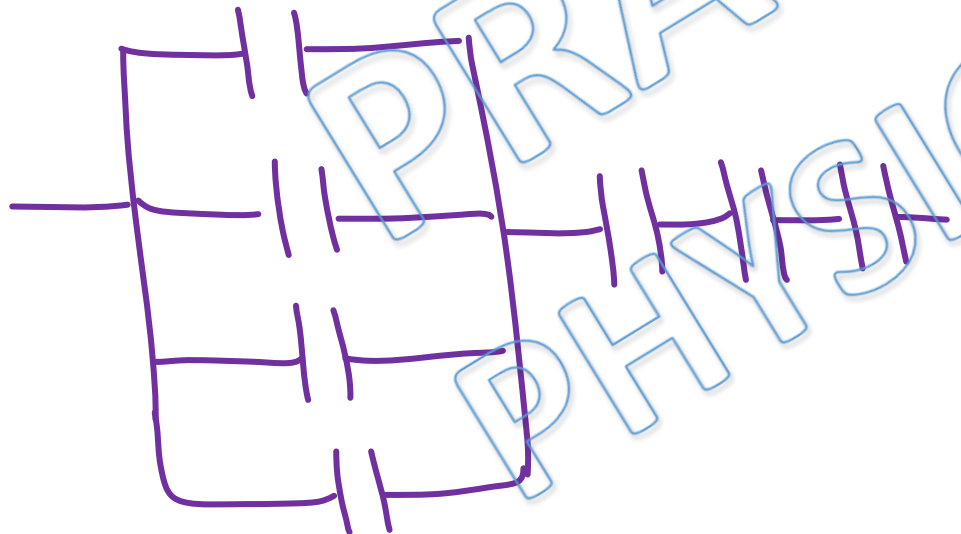
Effective of 7 Capacitors of $2 \mu\text{F}$ each = $\frac{10}{11} \mu\text{F}$

(a)



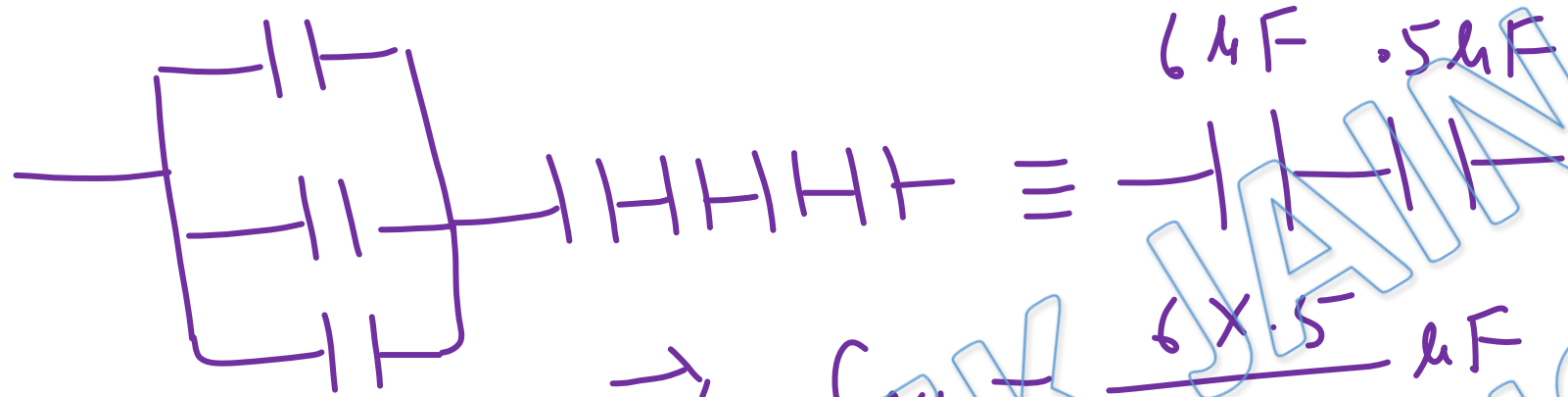
$$\Rightarrow C_{\text{eff}} = \frac{10 \times 1}{10 + 1} \mu\text{F}$$
$$= \frac{10}{11} \mu\text{F}$$

(b)



$$\Rightarrow C_{\text{eff}} = \frac{8 \times \frac{2}{3}}{8 + \frac{2}{3}} \mu\text{F}$$
$$= \frac{16}{26} \mu\text{F} = \frac{8}{13} \mu\text{F}$$

(c)



$$\Rightarrow C_{\text{eff}} = \frac{6 \times 0.5}{6 + 0.5} \mu\text{F} = \frac{6}{13} \mu\text{F}$$

(d)

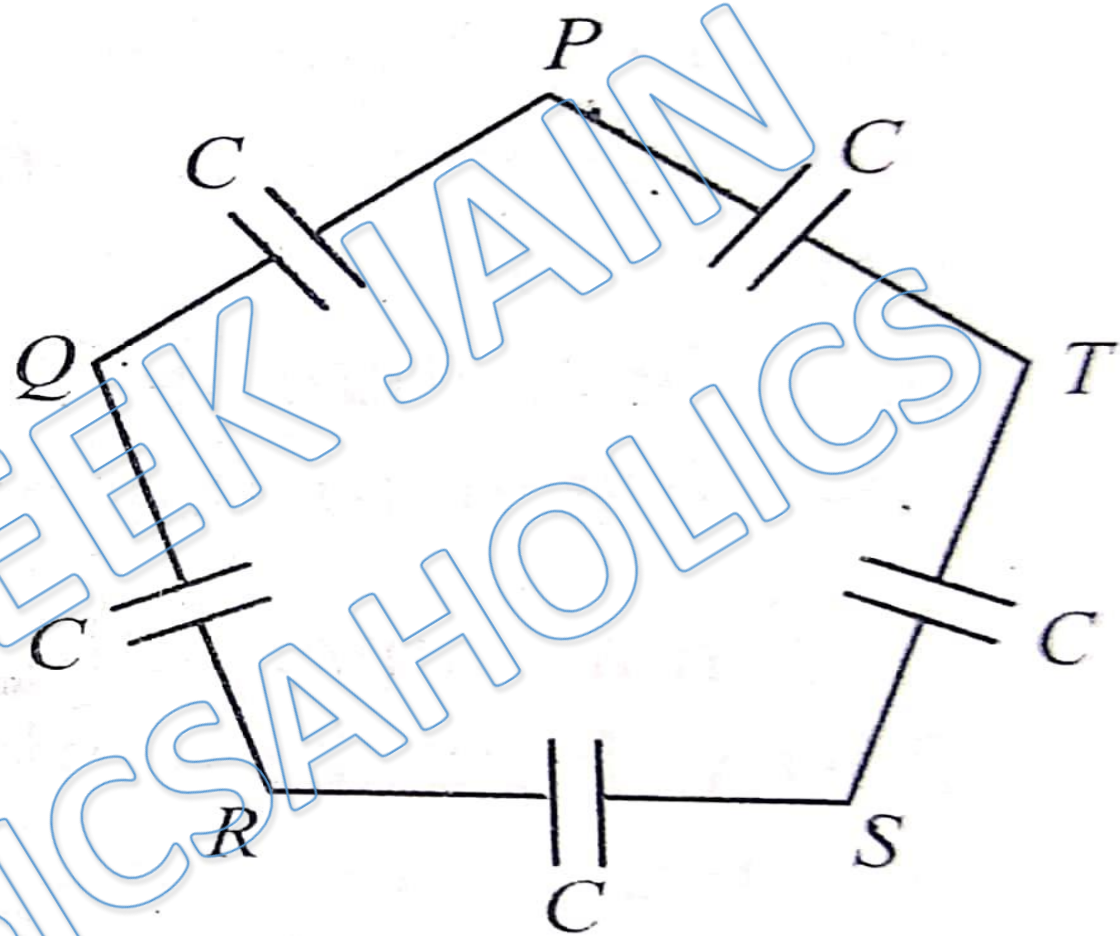


$$C_{\text{eff}} = \frac{4 \times \frac{2}{5}}{4 + \frac{2}{5}} = \frac{8}{22} \mu\text{F} = \frac{4}{11} \mu\text{F}$$

Ans (a)

Five capacitors, each of capacitance value C are connected as shown in the figure.

The ratio of capacitance between P and R , and the capacitance between P and Q if the battery is connected to P and R first and then P and Q



(a) $3 : 1$

(b) $5 : 2$

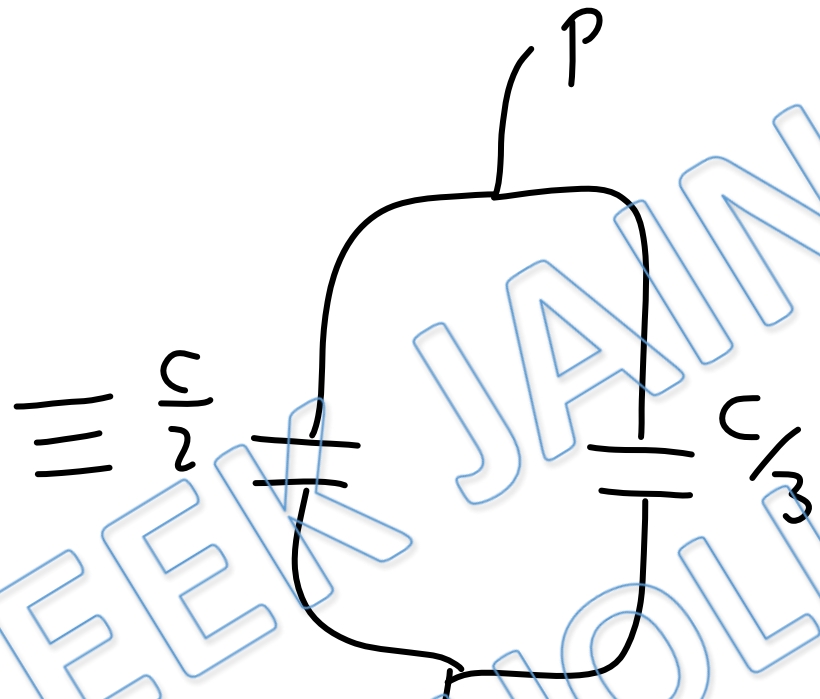
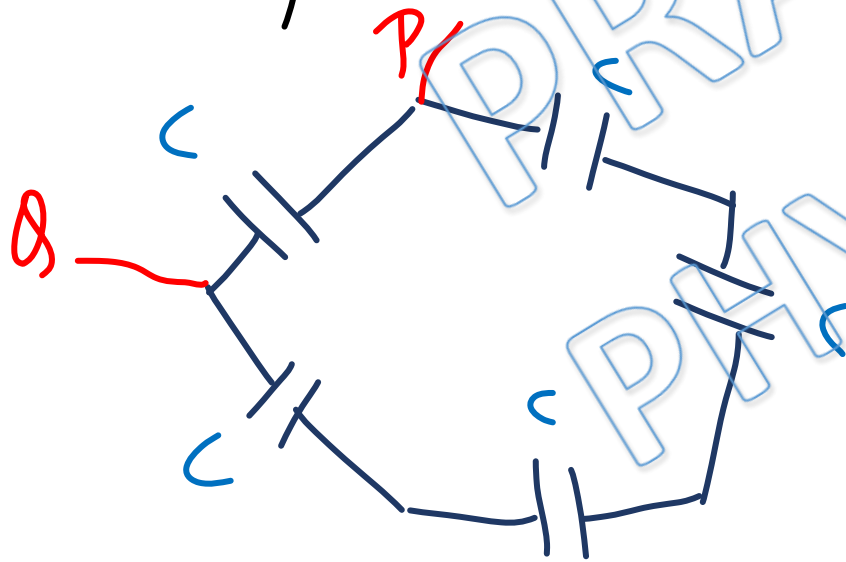
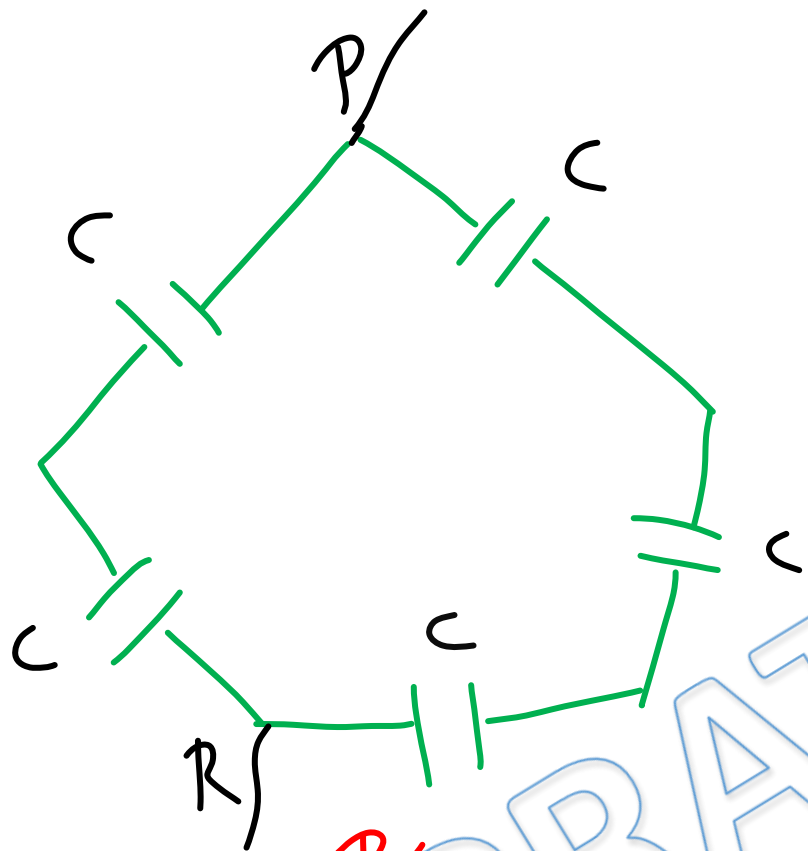
(c) $2 : 3$

(d) $1 : 1$

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Ans. (c)



$$C_{PR} = \frac{C}{2} + \frac{C}{3} = \frac{5C}{6}$$



$$C_{PR} = C + \frac{C}{4} = \frac{5C}{4}$$

$$\frac{C_{PR}}{C_{PA}} = \frac{5c/6}{5c/4} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

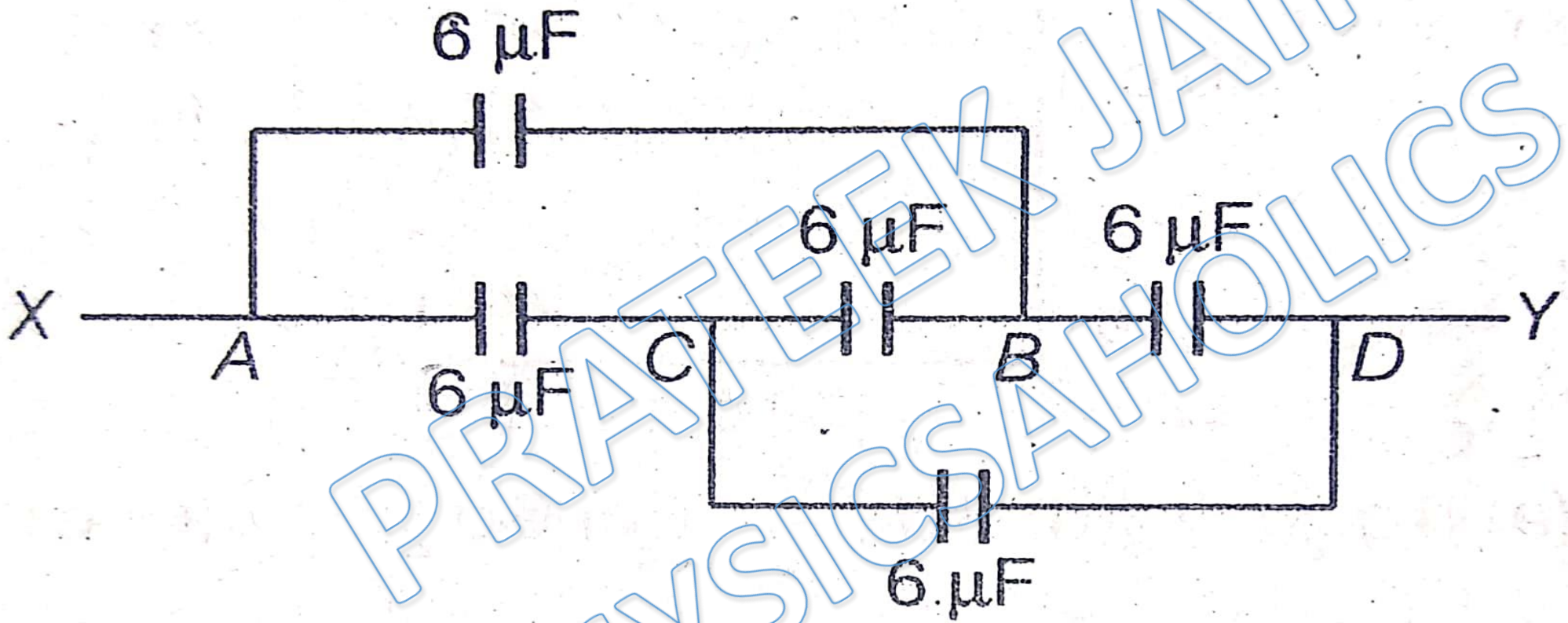
Ans(c)

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PYQs on Following Subtopic:

Wheatstone bridge
of Capacitor

The effective capacitance between points X and Y of figure shown is [CBSE AIPMT 1999]



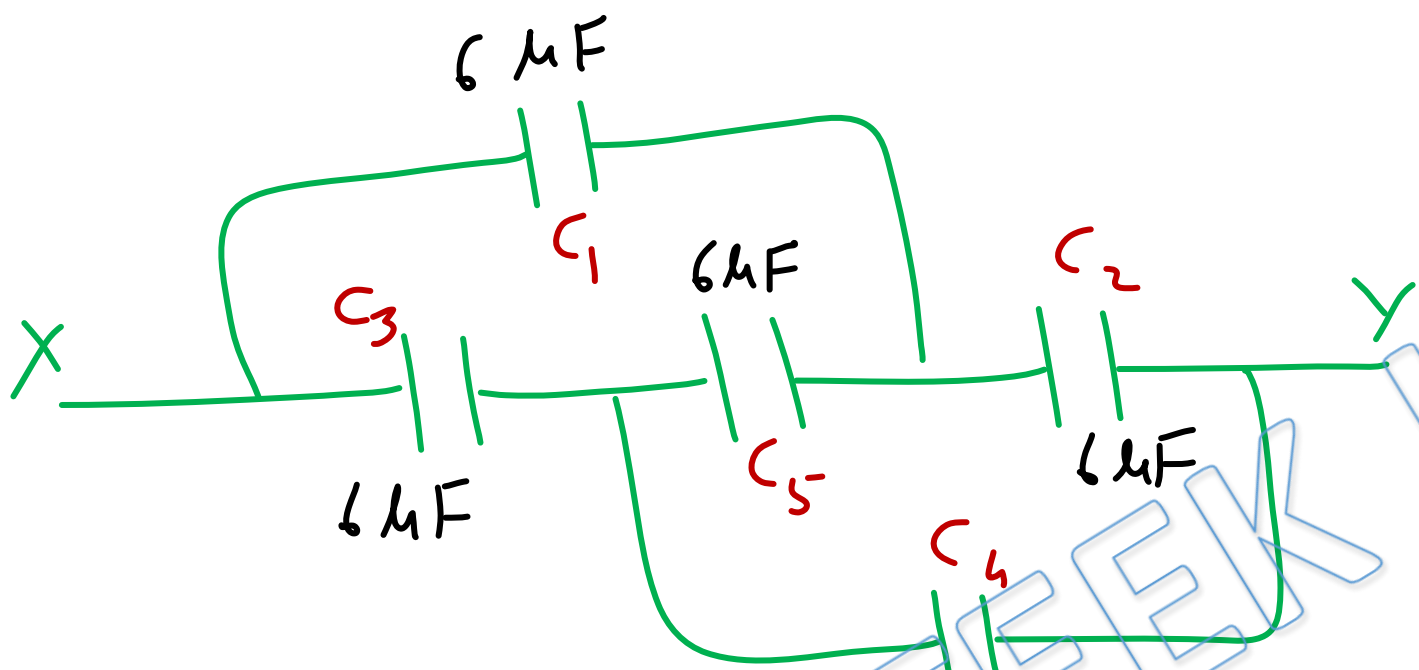
(a) $6 \mu\text{F}$

(c) $18 \mu\text{F}$

(b) $12 \mu\text{F}$

(d) $24 \mu\text{F}$

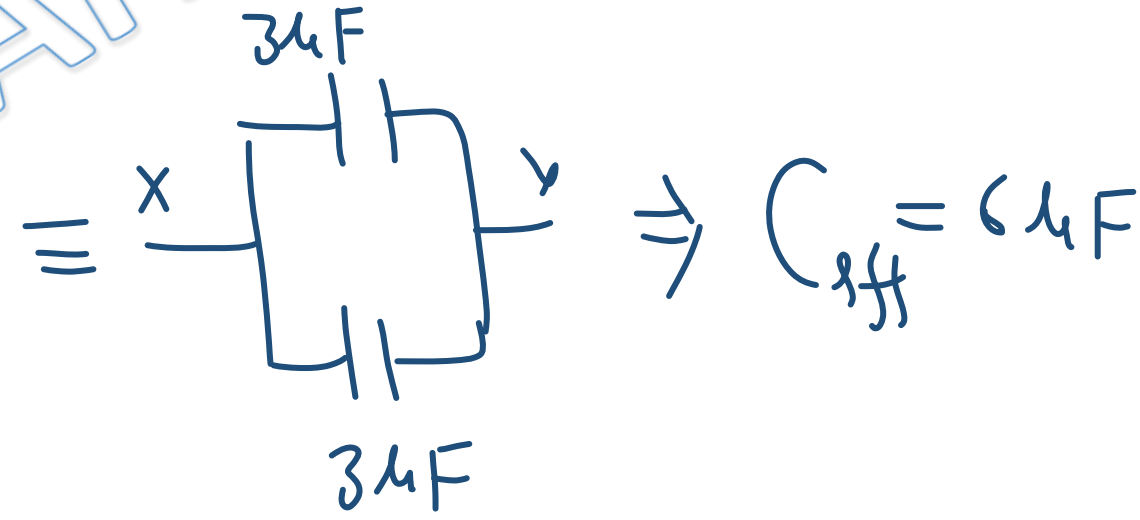
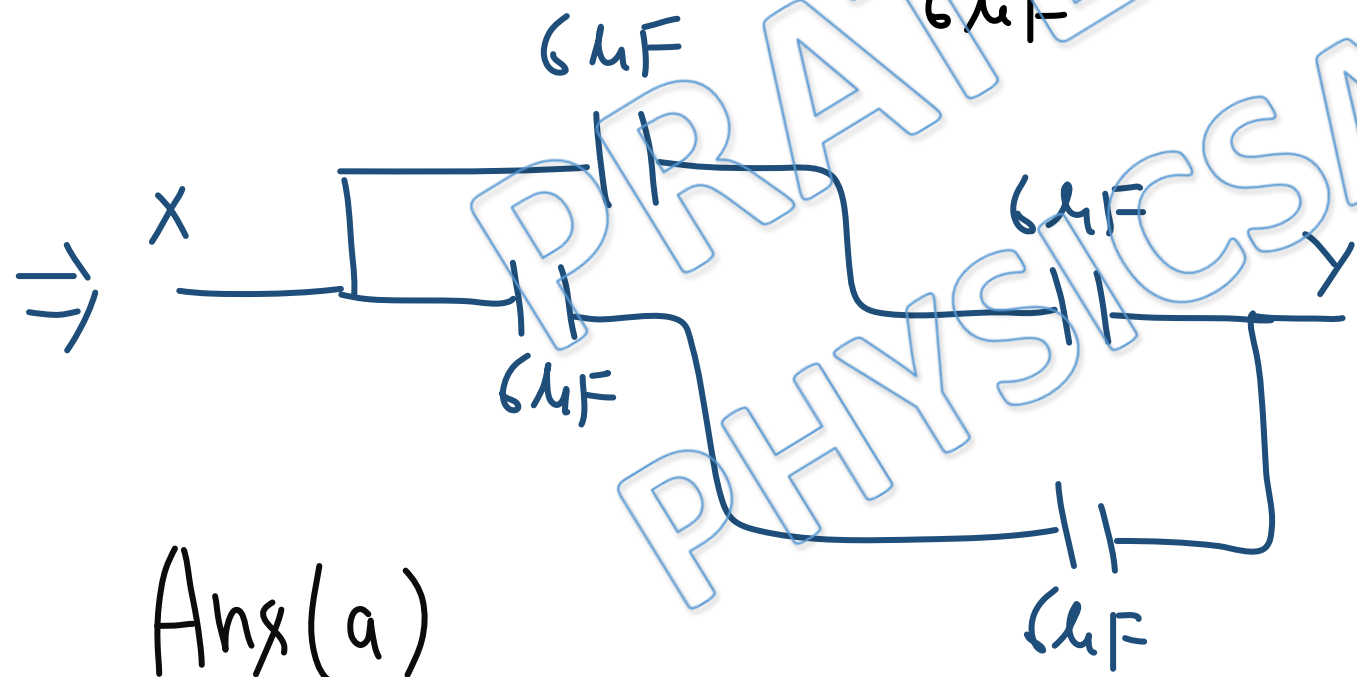
Ans. (a)



Here $\frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{C_3}{C_4} = \frac{6}{6} = 1$

⇒ balanced wheat stone bridge

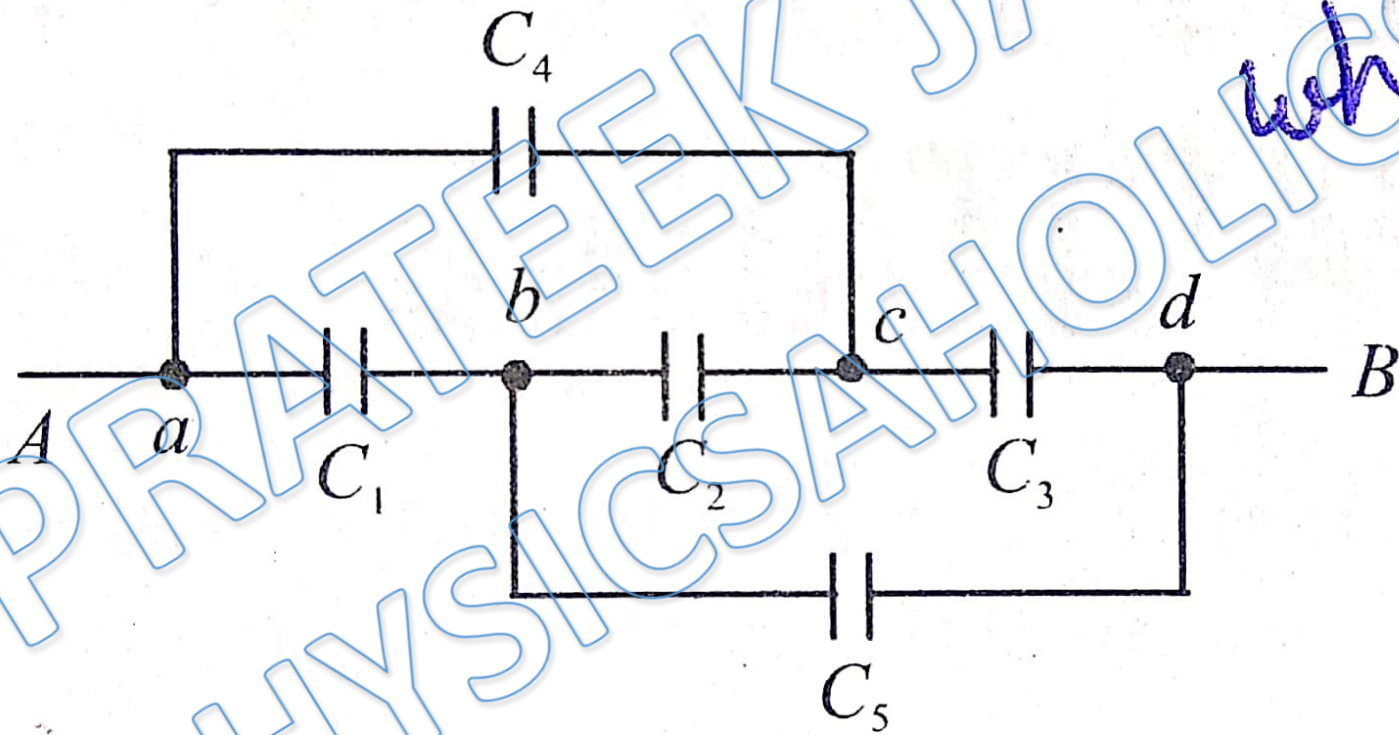
⇒ C_5 is useless.



⇒ $C_{eff} = 6 \mu F$

Ans(a)

13. In the given figure, the capacitance $C_1, C_3, C_4,$
 C_5 have a capacitance $4 \mu\text{F}$ each. If the capacitor
 C_2 has a capacitance $10 \mu\text{F}$, then effective
capacitance between A and B will be

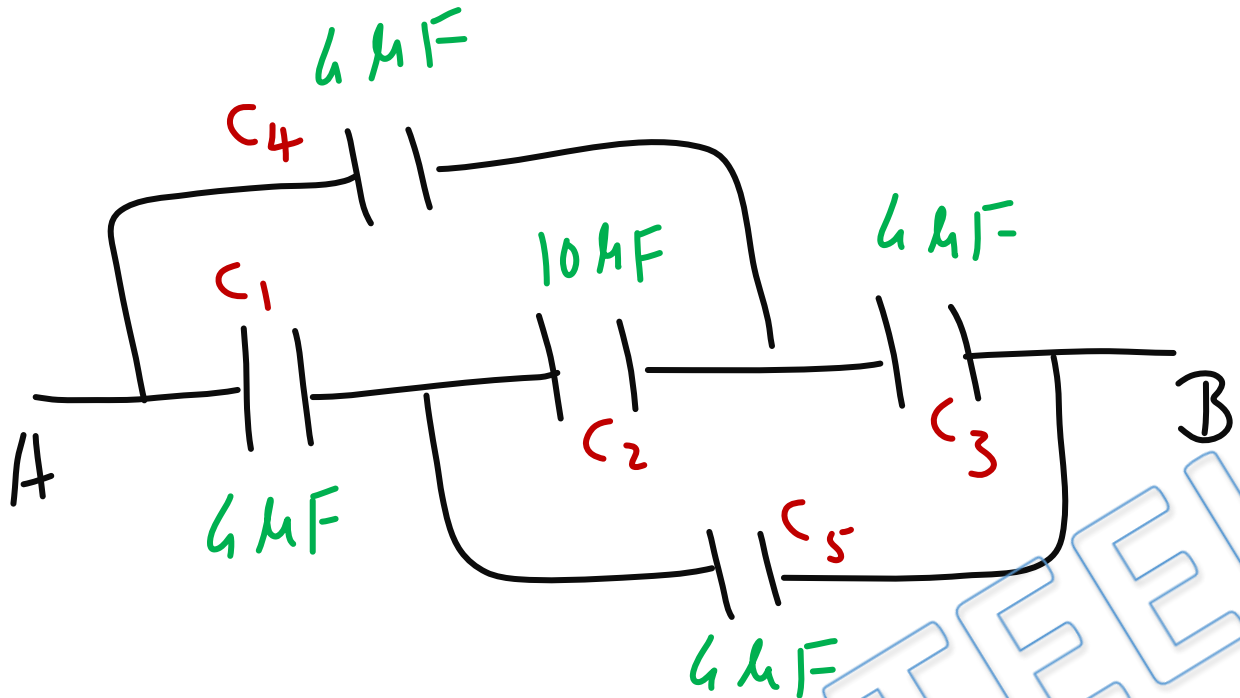


- (a) $2 \mu\text{F}$
(c) $4 \mu\text{F}$

- (b) $6 \mu\text{F}$
(d) $8 \mu\text{F}$

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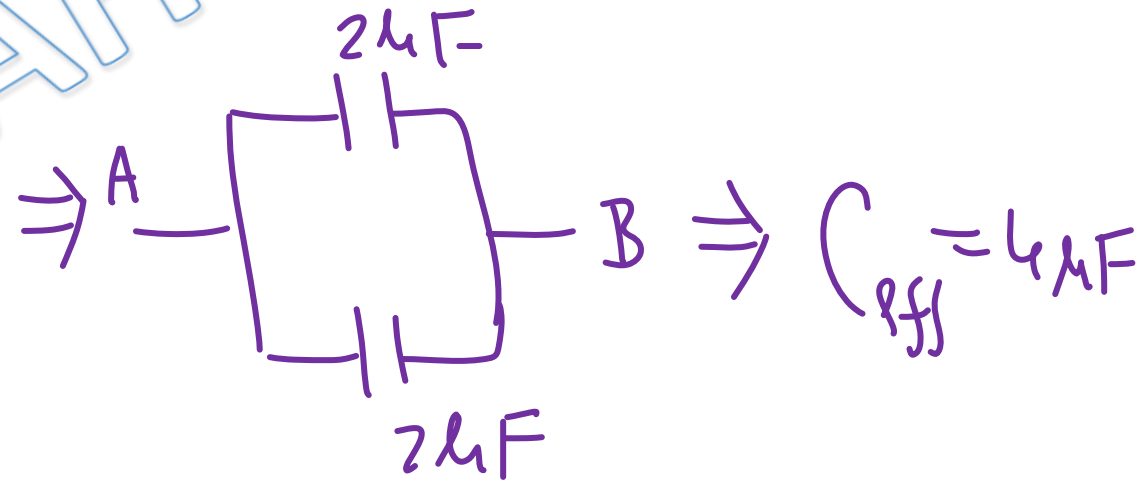
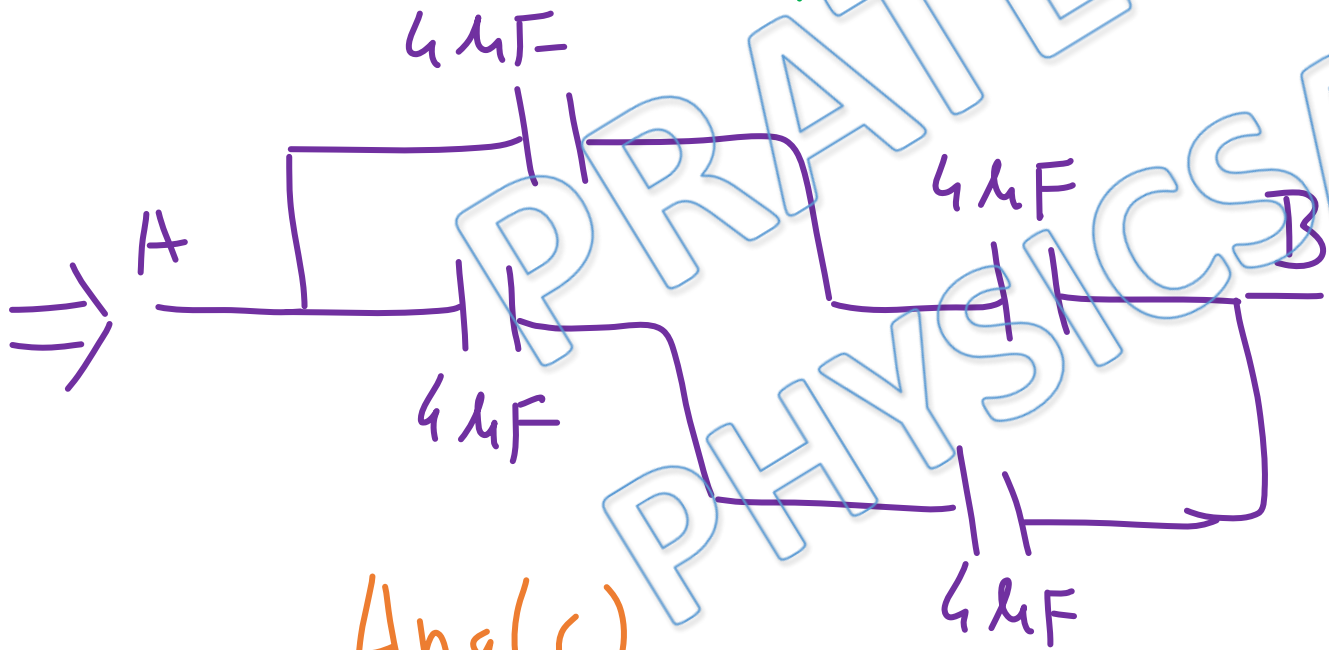
Ans. (c)



Here $\frac{C_4}{C_3} = \frac{C_1}{C_5} = 1$

\Rightarrow balanced wheat stone bridge

$\Rightarrow C_2$ is useless

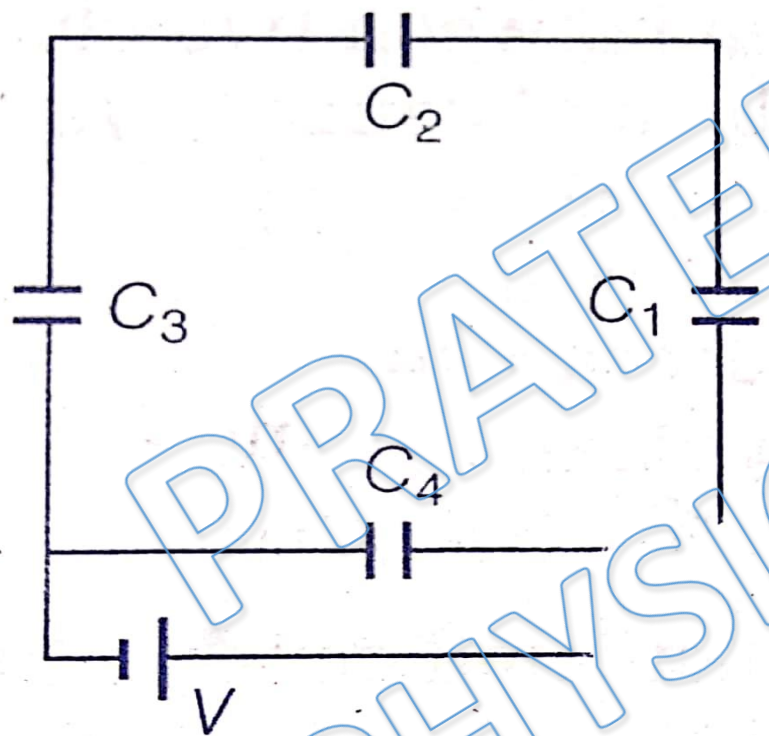


Ans(c)

PYQs on Following Subtopic:

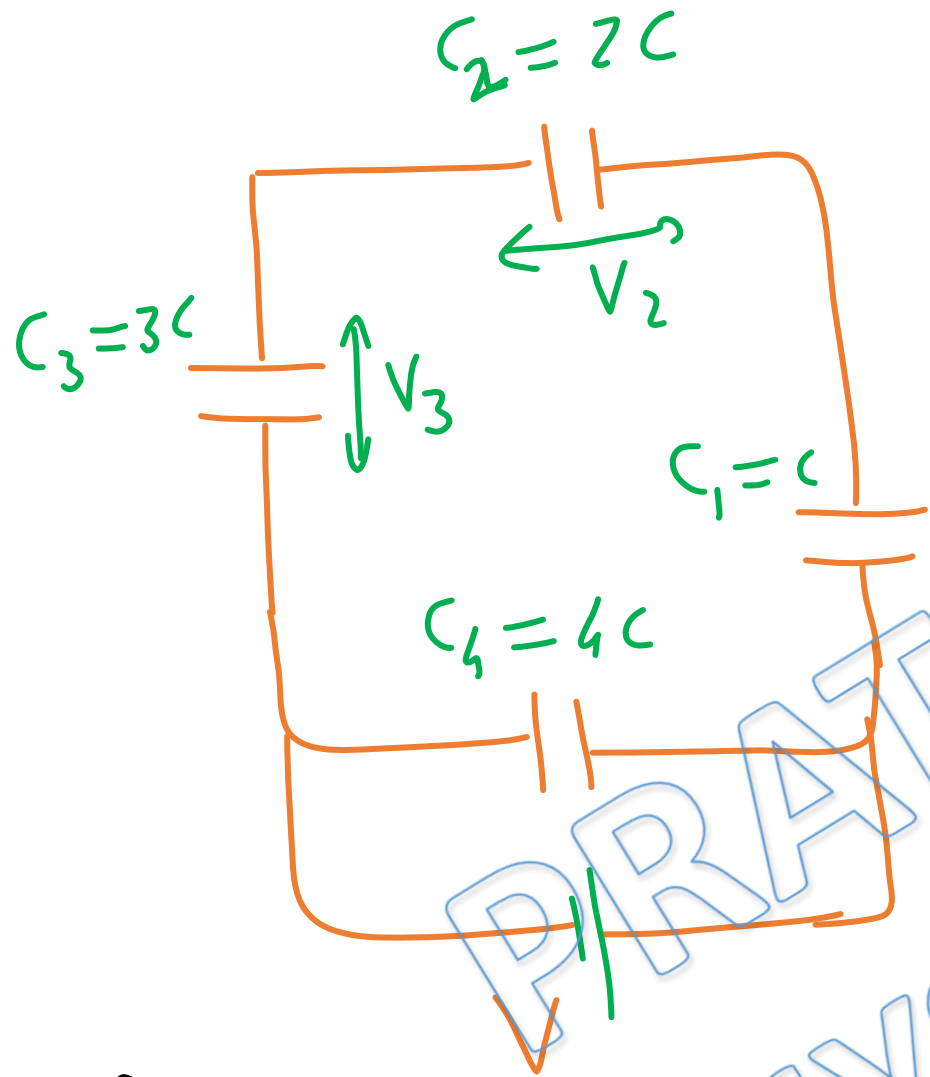
Capacitor Circuit

A network of four capacitors of capacity equal to $C_1 = C$, $C_2 = 2C$, $C_3 = 3C$ and $C_4 = 4C$ are connected to a battery as shown in the figure. The ratio of the charges on C_2 and C_4 is [CBSE AIPMT 2005]



- (a) $\frac{22}{3}$
- (b) $\frac{3}{22}$
- (c) $\frac{7}{4}$
- (d) $\frac{4}{7}$

Ans. (b)



C_1, C_2 & C_3 are in series

$$V_1 : V_2 : V_3 = \frac{1}{C} : \frac{1}{2C} : \frac{1}{3C}$$

$$= 6 : 3 : 2$$

$$\Rightarrow V_2 = \frac{3}{6+3+2} \times V = \frac{3V}{11}$$

$$\frac{\text{Charge on } C_2}{\text{Charge on } C_4} = \frac{2C \times \frac{3V}{11}}{4C \times V} = \frac{3}{22}$$

Ans(b)

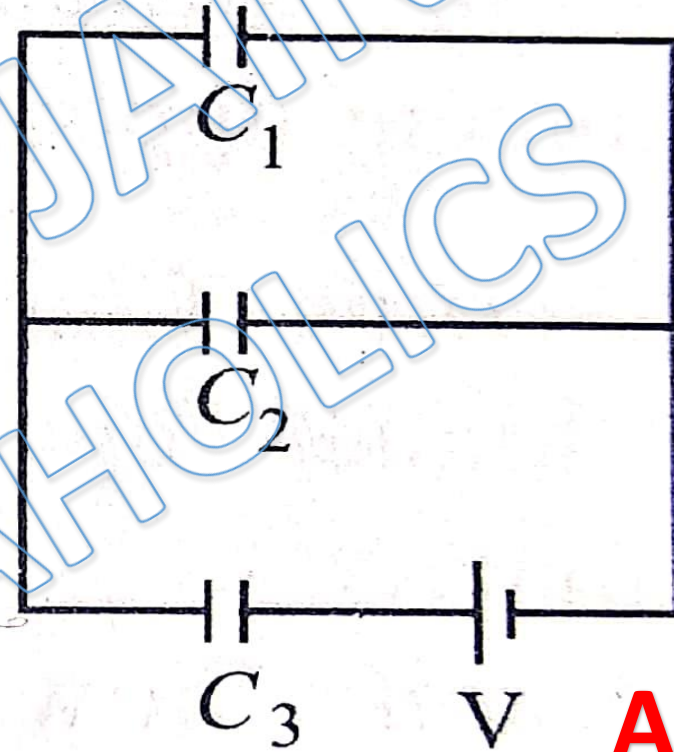
What would be the voltage across C_3 ?

(a)
$$\frac{(C_1 + C_2)V}{C_1 + C_2 + C_3}$$

(b)
$$\frac{C_1 V}{C_1 + C_2 + C_3}$$

(c)
$$\frac{C_2 V}{C_2 + C_2 + C_3}$$

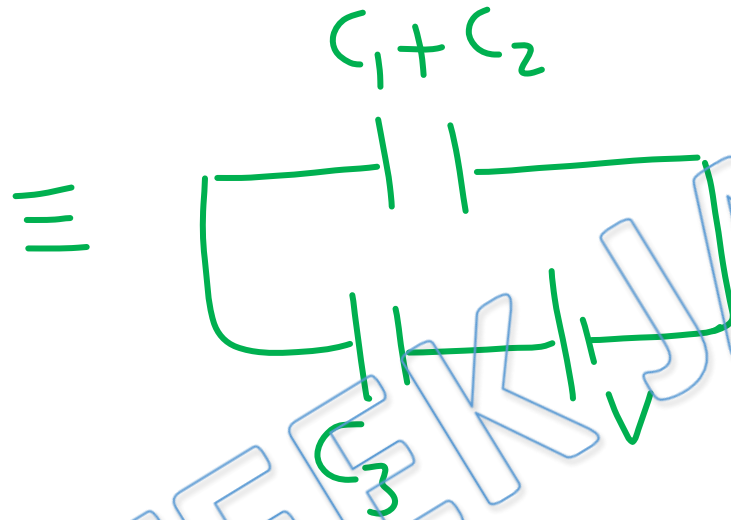
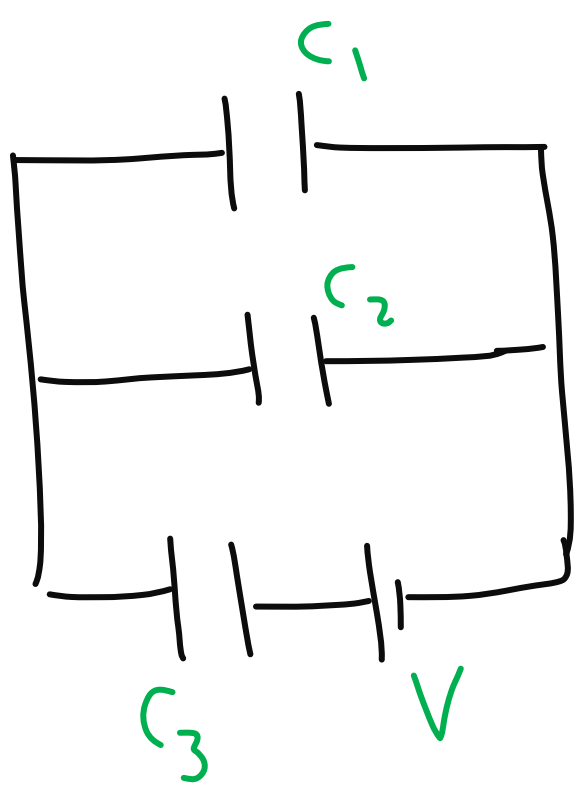
(d)
$$\frac{C_3 V}{C_1 + C_2 + C_3}$$



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Ans. (a)



$$C_{\text{eff}} = \frac{(C_1 + C_2) C_3}{C_1 + C_2 + C_3}$$

$$\text{Charge on } C_3 = \text{Charge supplied by cell} = \frac{(C_1 + C_2) C_3}{C_1 + C_2 + C_3} V$$

$$\text{Voltage across } C_3 = \frac{q_3}{C_3} = \frac{(C_1 + C_2) V}{C_1 + C_2 + C_3}$$

Ans(a)

Three capacitors each of capacitance C and of breakdown voltage V are joined in series. The capacitance and breakdown voltage of the combination will be [CBSE AIPMT 2009]

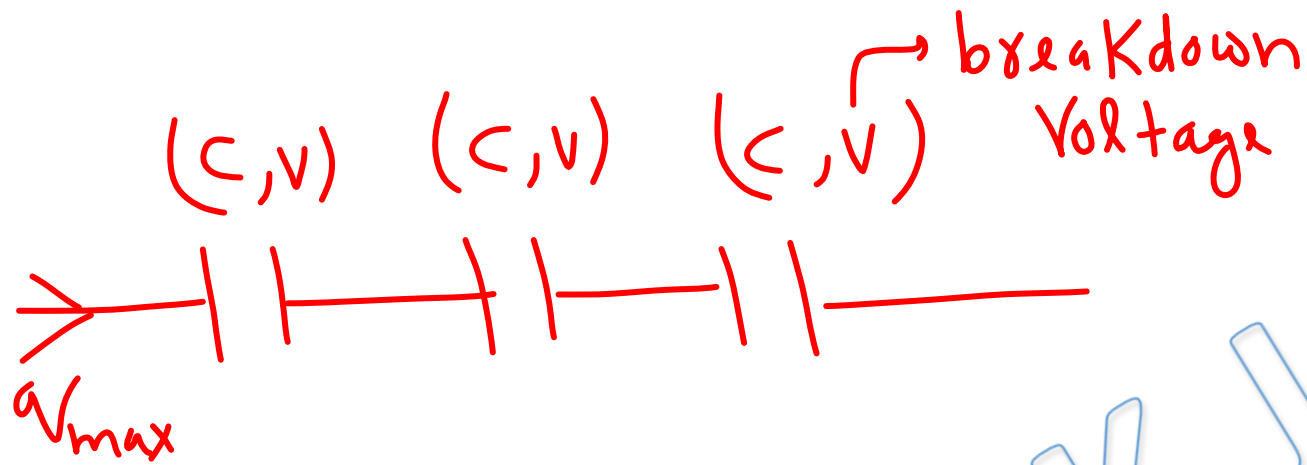
(a) $\frac{C}{3}, \frac{V}{3}$

(b) $3C, \frac{V}{3}$

(c) $\frac{C}{3}, 3V$

(d) $3C, 3V$

Ans. (c)



Each Capacitor can hold maximum charge CV .

\Rightarrow maximum charge on combination = CV



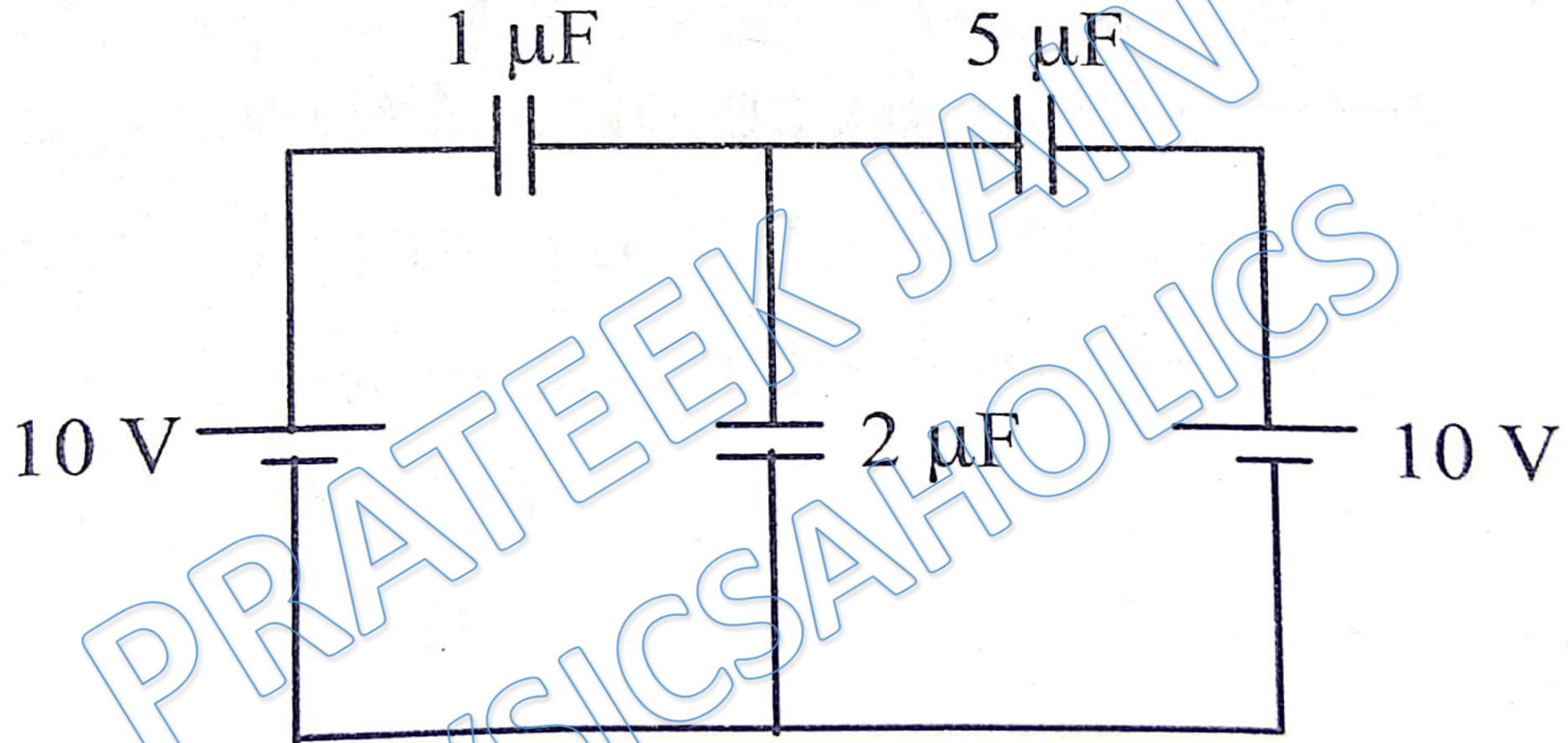
maximum voltage across combination = $\frac{qV_{max}}{C_{eff}} = \frac{CV}{C/3} = 3V$

Ans (c)

PYQs on Following Subtopic:

Kirchhoff's First &
Second (Loop) Law

Find the charge on $2\mu\text{F}$.



(a) $18\mu\text{C}$

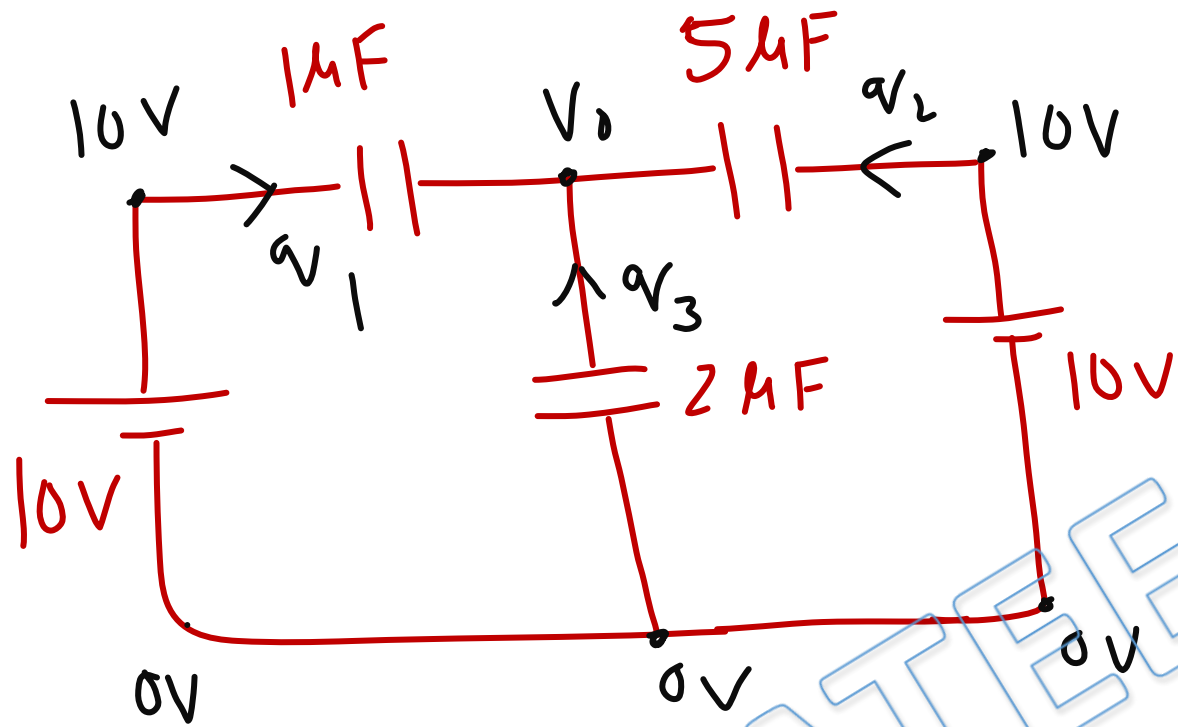
(b) $25\mu\text{C}$

(c) $15\mu\text{C}$

(d) $17\mu\text{C}$

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Ans. (c)



$$q_1 + q_2 + q_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1\mu(10 - V_0) + 5\mu(10 - V_0) + 2\mu(-V_0) = 0$$

$$10 - V_0 + 50 - 5V_0 - 2V_0 = 0$$

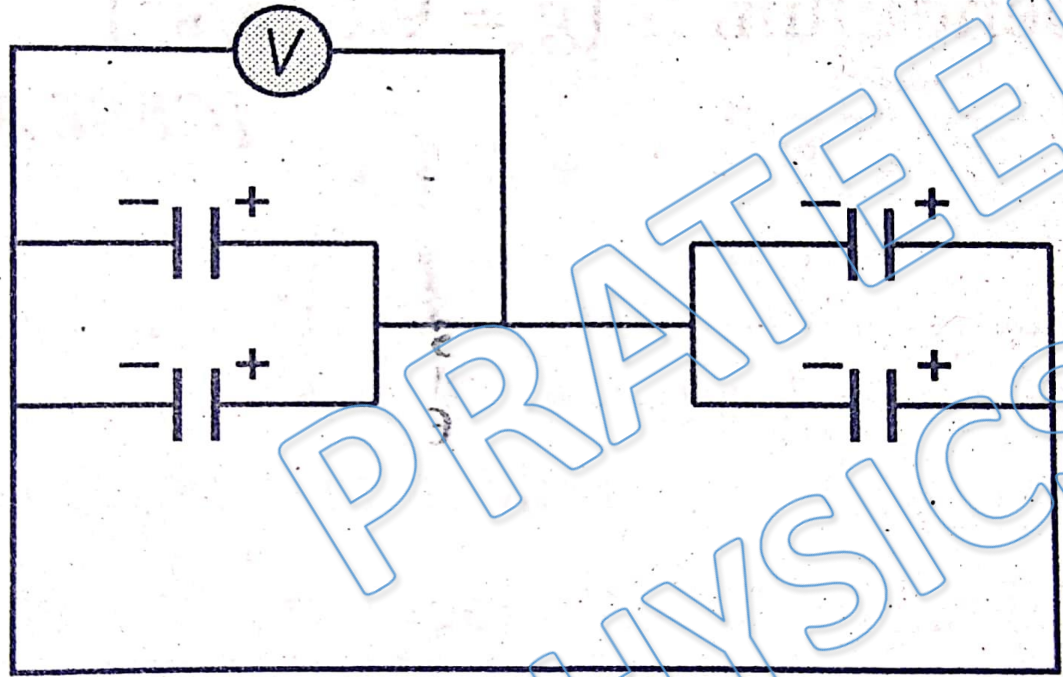
$$8V_0 = 60$$

$$V_0 = \frac{15}{2} \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Charge on } 2\mu\text{F} = 2\mu \times \frac{15}{2} = 15\mu\text{C}$$

Ans(c)

The four capacitors, each of $25 \mu\text{F}$ are connected as shown in figure. The DC voltmeter reads 200 V . The charge on each plate of capacitor is **[CBSE AIPMT 1994]**



Wrong charge distribution.

- (a) $\pm 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ C}$
- (c) $\pm 2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ C}$

- (b) $\pm 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ C}$
- (d) $\pm 5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ C}$

Ans. (b)

Charge on each Capacitor

$$q = CV$$

$$= 25 \mu \times 200$$

$$= 5000 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C}$$

$$= 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ C}$$

Ans (b)

PYQs on Following Subtopic:

Parallel connection of charged capacitor with other charged or uncharged capacitor

A capacitor of capacity C_1 is charged upto potential V volt and then connected in parallel to an uncharged capacitor of capacity C_2 . The final potential difference across each capacitor will be

[CBSE AIPMT 2002]

(a) $\frac{C_2 V}{C_1 + C_2}$

(b) $\frac{C_1 V}{C_1 + C_2}$

(c) $\left(1 + \frac{C_2}{C_1}\right) V$

(d) $\left(1 - \frac{C_2}{C_1}\right) V$

Ans. (b)

$$V = \frac{C_1 V_1 + C_2 V_2}{C_1 + C_2} = \frac{C_1 V}{C_1 + C_2}$$

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Ans(b)

Assertion : Charge never flows from a condenser of higher capacity to the condenser of lower capacity.

Reason : Flow of charge between two bodies connected by a thin wire is determined by the charges on them.

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Ans. (d)

flow of charge between two bodies is

determined by their potentials.

Charge will flow from high Capacity

Condenser to low capacity condenser. If high

Capacity Condenser have high potential.

Assertion & reason both are wrong.

PYQs on Following Subtopic:

Energy stored in a charged capacitor
in the form of Electric field

A capacitor is charged by connecting a battery across its plates. It stores energy U . Now the battery is disconnected and another identical capacitor is connected across it, then the energy stored by both capacitors of the system will be

[CBSE AIPMT 2000]

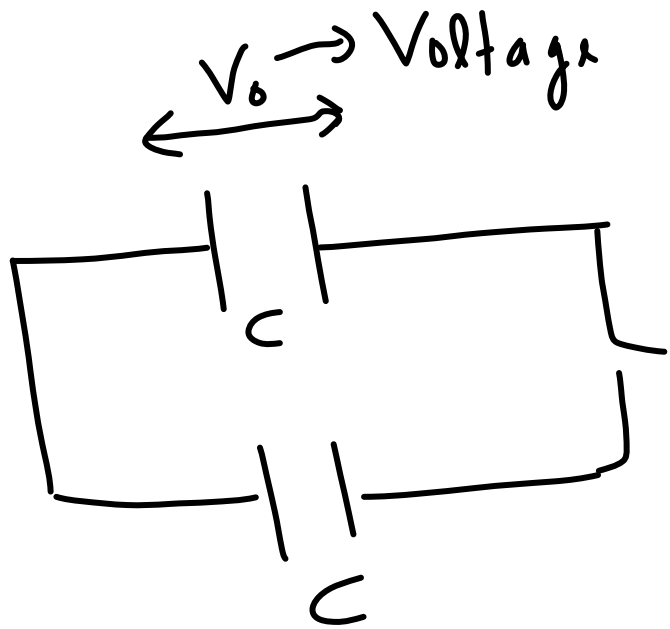
(a) U

(b) $\frac{U}{2}$

(c) $2U$

(d) $\frac{3}{2}U$

Ans. (b)

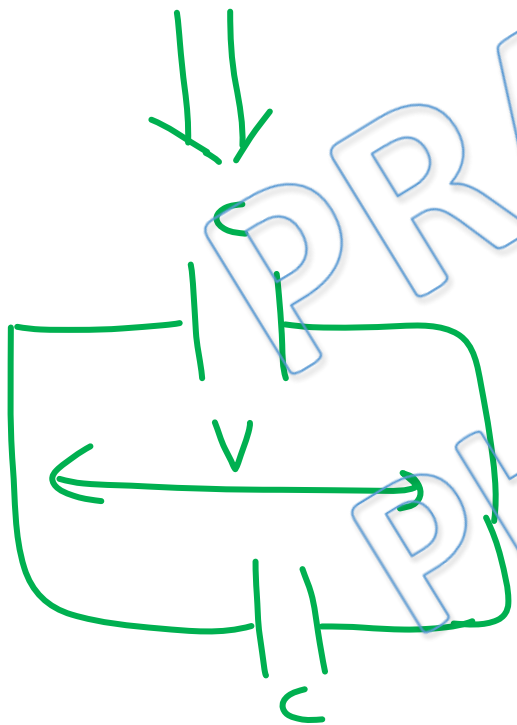


energy stored in upper
Capacitor $U = \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2$

Common voltage after closing switch

$$V = \frac{C_1 V_1 + C_2 V_2}{C_1 + C_2} = \frac{C V_0}{C + C} = \frac{V_0}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{final energy} &= \frac{1}{2} C V^2 + \frac{1}{2} C V^2 = C \left(\frac{V_0}{2} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4} C V_0^2 = \frac{U}{2} \end{aligned}$$

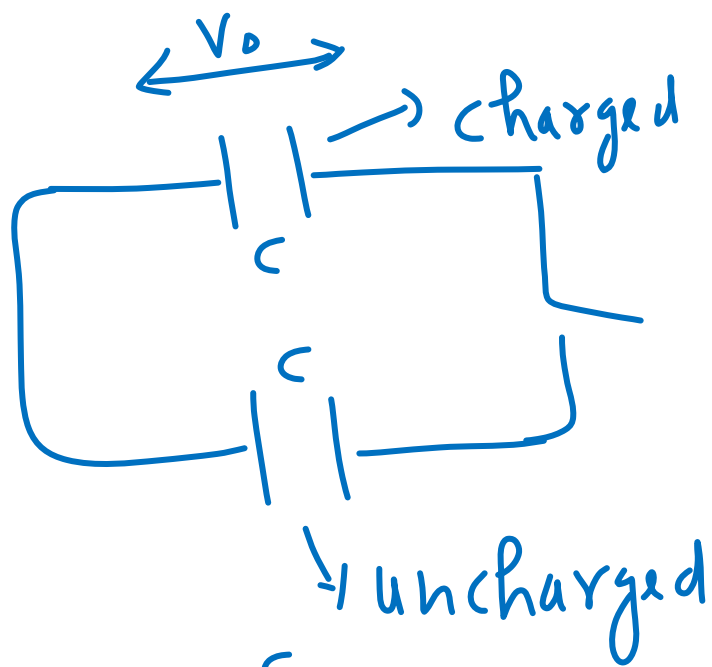


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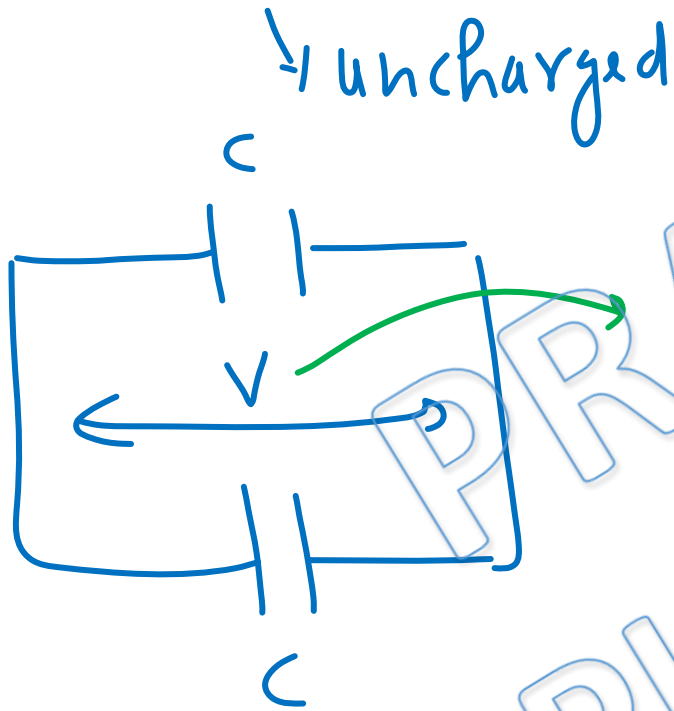
A capacitor is charged by a battery. The battery is removed and another identical uncharged capacitor is connected in parallel. The total electrostatic energy of resulting system **[NEET 2017]**

- (a) increases by a factor of 4
- (b) decreases by a factor of 2
- (c) remains the same
- (d) increases by a factor of 2

Ans. (b)



$$\Rightarrow U_i = \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2$$



$$\text{Common Voltage} = \frac{C_1 V_1 + C_2 V_2}{C_1 + C_2} = \frac{C V_0}{2C} = \frac{V_0}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{final energy of system} &= \frac{1}{2} C V^2 \times 2 = \frac{C V_0^2}{4} \\ &= \frac{U_i}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Ans (b)

If the potential of a capacitor having capacity $6 \mu\text{F}$ is increased from 10 V to 20 V , then increase in its energy will be

[CBSE AIPMT 1995]

(a) $4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$

(b) $4 \times 10^{-14} \text{ J}$

(c) $9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$

(d) $12 \times 10^{-6} \text{ J}$

Ans. (c)

$$\Delta U = \frac{1}{2} C (v_f^2 - v_i^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 10^{-6} [400 - 100]$$

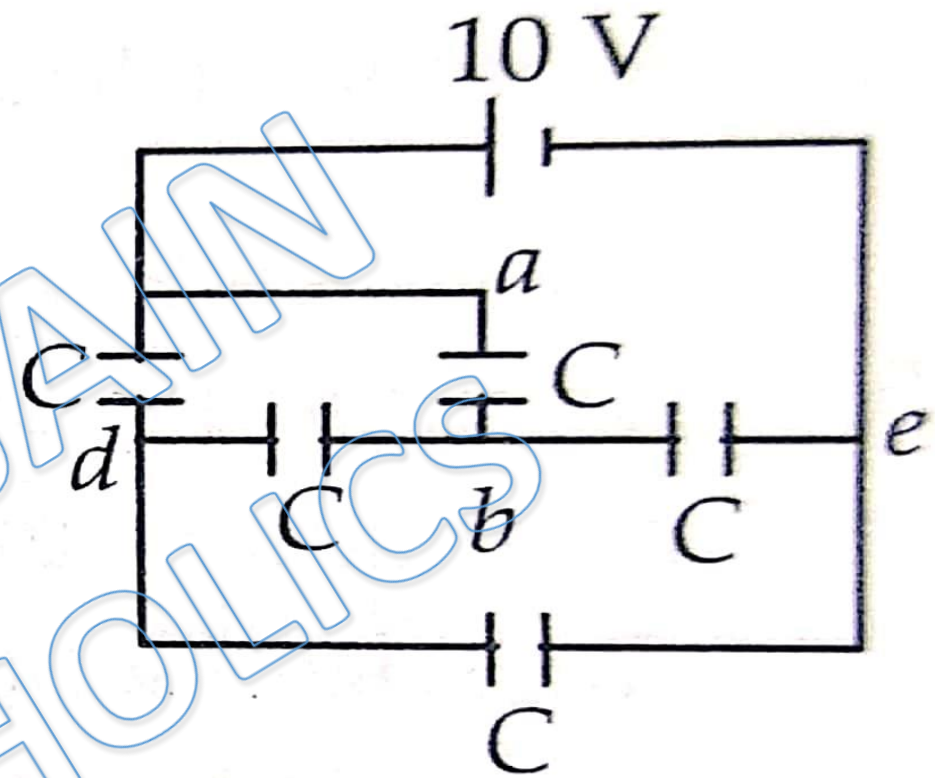
$$= 900 \times 10^{-6} \text{ J}$$

$$= 9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$$

Ans(c)

What is the energy stored in the capacitor between terminals a and b of the network shown in the figure?

(Capacitance of each capacitor $C = 1 \mu\text{F}$)

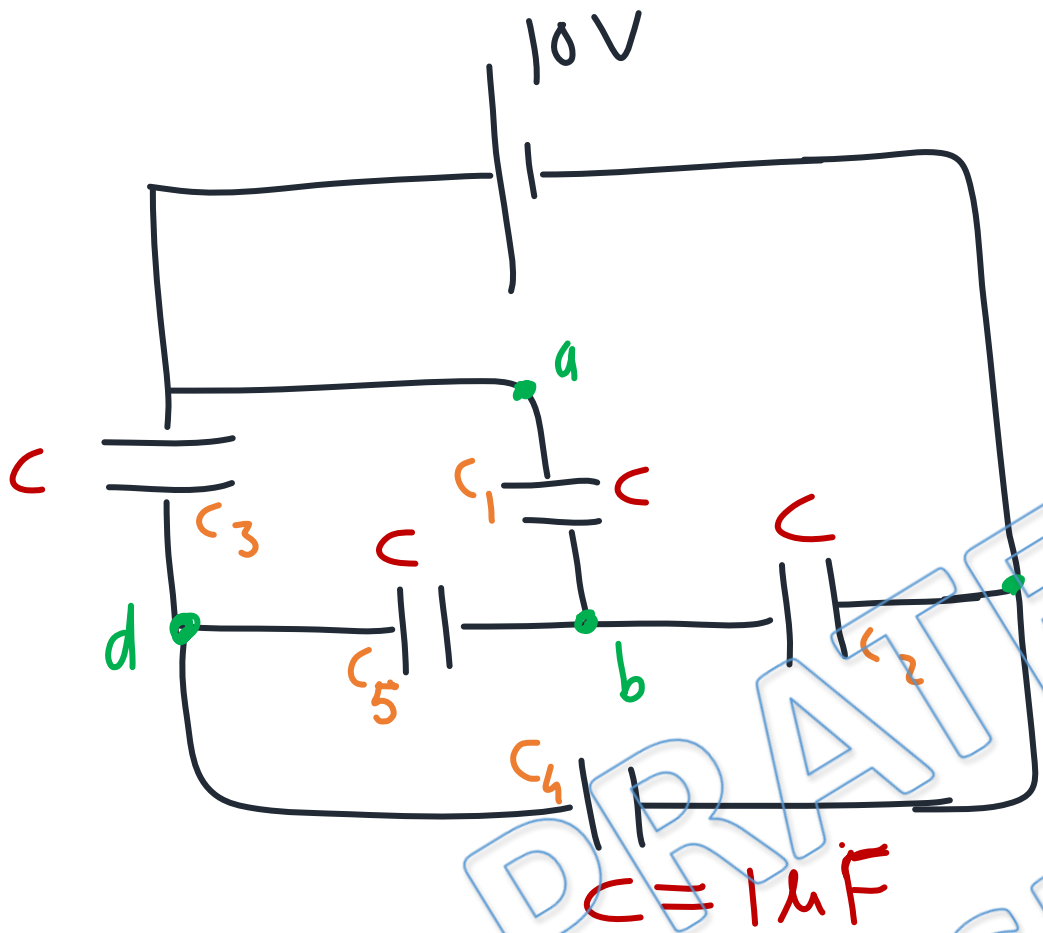


- (a) $12.5 \mu\text{J}$ (b) Zero
- (c) $25 \mu\text{J}$ (d) $50 \mu\text{J}$

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Ans. (a)

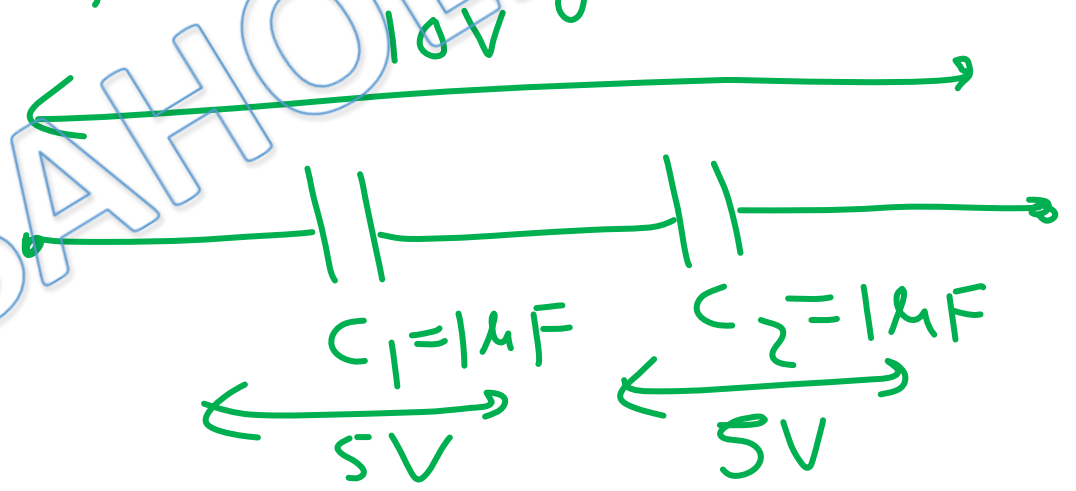


Ans (a)

Here $\frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{C_3}{C_4} = 1$

⇒ It is a balanced wheat stone bridge. C_5 is useless

After removing C_5



Voltage across C_1 is 5V.

Energy in $C_1 = \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \mu \times 25 = 12.5 \mu J$

A series combination of n_1 capacitors, each of value C_1 , is charged by a source of potential difference $4V$. When another parallel combination of n_2 capacitors, each of value C_2 , is charged by a source of potential difference V , it has the same (total) energy stored in it, as the first combination has. The value of C_2 , in terms of C_1 , is then

[CBSE AIPMT 2010]

(a) $\frac{2C_1}{n_1 n_2}$

(b) $16 \frac{n_2}{n_1} C_1$

(c) $2 \frac{n_2}{n_1} C_1$

(d) $\frac{16C_1}{n_1 n_2}$

Ans. (d)

Effective Capacitance of Series Combination of n_1 Capacitors

$$\text{each of Capacitance } C_1 = \frac{C_1}{n_1}$$

$$\text{Energy stored in it} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{C_1}{n_1} \right) (4V)^2 = \frac{8 C_1 V^2}{n_1}$$

Effective capacitance of parallel combination of n_2 capacitors

$$\text{each of Capacitance } C_2 = n_2 C_2$$

$$\text{Energy stored in it} = \frac{1}{2} (n_2 C_2) V^2 = \frac{8 C_1 V^2}{n_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{16 C_1}{n_1 n_2}$$

Ans(d)

2 A $40 \mu\text{F}$ capacitor in a defibrillator is charged to 3000 V . The energy stored in the capacitor is sent through the patient during a pulse of duration 2 ms . The power delivered to the patient is

(a) 45 kW

(b) 90 kW

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(c) 180 kW

(d) 360 kW

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Ans. (b)

$$\text{Energy stored in capacitor} = \frac{1}{2} \times 40 \mu \times (3000)^2$$
$$= 20 \times 9 = 180 \text{ J}$$

$$\text{Power} = \frac{dU}{dt} = \frac{180}{2 \times 10^{-3}} = 90000 \text{ Watt}$$
$$= 90 \text{ kW}$$

Ans (b)

A parallel plate condenser has a uniform electric field E (V/m) in the space between the plates. If the distance between the plates is d (m) and area of each plate is A (m^2), the ~~energy (joule)~~ stored in the condenser is [CBSE AIPMT 2011]

- (a) $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$ (b) $\epsilon_0 E A d$ (c) $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 A d$ (d) $\epsilon^2 A d / \epsilon_0$

Ans. (c)

Energy density between plates of Parallel

$$\text{Plate Capacitor} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$$

$$\text{Volume of Capacitor} = Ad$$

$$\text{Energy stored between plates} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 Ad$$

In a parallel plate capacitor, the distance between the plates is d and potential difference across plates is V . Energy stored per unit volume between the plates of capacitor is

[CBSE AIPMT 2001]

(a) $\frac{Q^2}{2V^2}$

(b) $\frac{1}{2} \frac{\epsilon_0 V^2}{d^2}$

(c) $\frac{1}{2} \frac{V^2}{\epsilon_0 d^2}$

(d) $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \frac{V^2}{d}$

Ans. (b)

Energy stored per unit volume

$$= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \left(\frac{V}{d} \right)^2$$

; Since $V = Ed$ in
Parallel plate Capacitor.

Ans (b)

Energy stored in between the plates of parallel plate capacitor of area A , separated by distance d is

(a) $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 Ad$

(b) $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 \frac{A}{d}$

(c) $\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 \frac{d}{E^2 A}$

(d) $\frac{1}{2} \frac{Ad}{\epsilon_0 E^2}$

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Ans. (a)

Energy stored

= Energy density \times volume

$$= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2 A d$$

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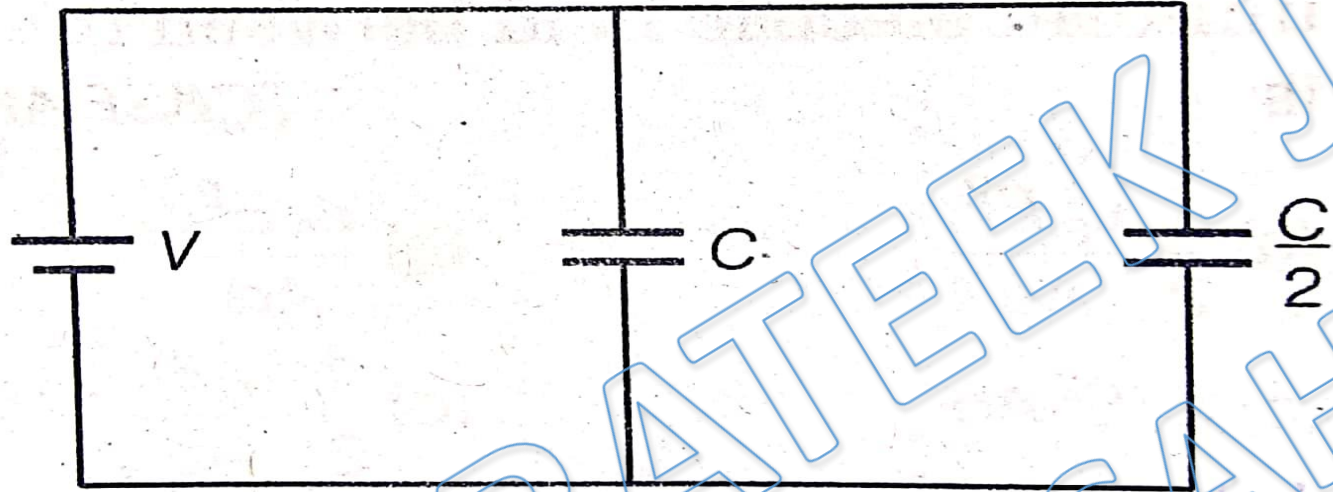
Ans (a)

PYQs on Following Subtopic:

Work done by battery, Heat generated in charging a capacitor

Two condensers, one of capacity C and the other of capacity $\frac{C}{2}$, are connected to a V volt battery, as shown.

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The work done in charging fully both the condensers is [CBSE AIPMT 2007]

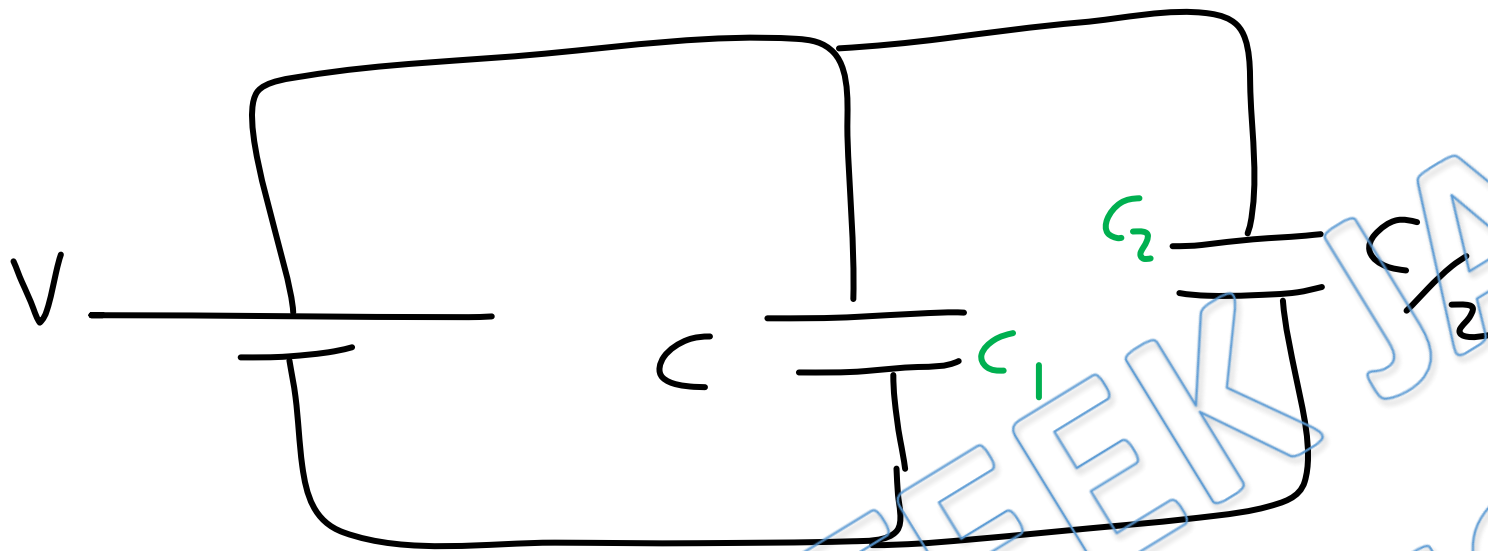
(a) $2CV^2$

(b) $\frac{1}{4} CV^2$

(c) $\frac{3}{4} CV^2$

(d) $\frac{1}{2} CV^2$

Ans. ~~(c)~~ $\frac{3}{2} c v^2$



Charge on $C_1 = CV$, charge on $C_2 = \frac{CV}{2}$

total charge supplied by battery = $\frac{3}{2}CV$

work done by battery = $qV = \frac{3}{2}CV^2$

All answers are wrong.

The energy required to charge a parallel plate condenser of plate separation d and plate area of cross-section A such that the uniform electric field between the plates E , is

[CBSE AIPMT 2008]

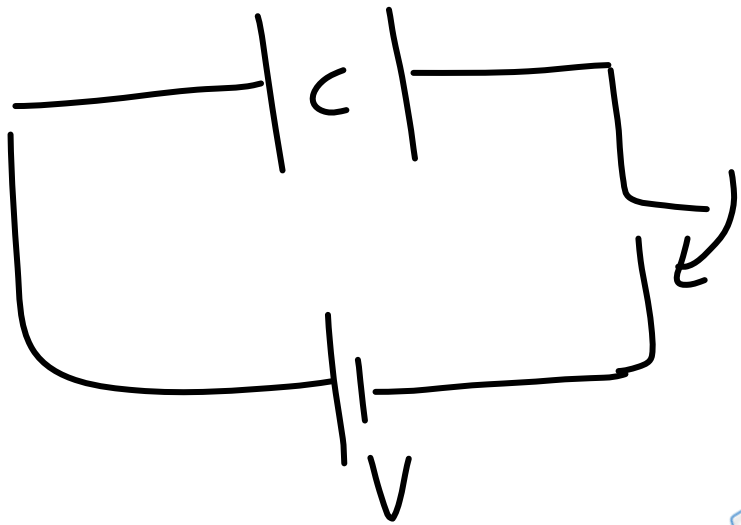
(a) $\frac{1}{2} \frac{\epsilon_0 E^2}{Ad}$

(b) $\frac{\epsilon_0 E^2}{Ad}$

(c) $\epsilon_0 E^2 Ad$

(d) $\frac{1}{2} \frac{\epsilon_0 E^2}{Ad}$

Ans. (c)



charge supplied by battery = $C V$

work done by battery = $V (C V) = C V^2$

Energy required to charge parallel plate capacitor = $C V^2 = \frac{A \epsilon_0 V^2}{d}$

$$= A d \epsilon_0 \frac{V^2}{d^2} = \epsilon_0 E^2 A d$$

Since $E = \frac{V}{d}$

22. A conducting sphere of radius R carrying charge Q lies inside an uncharged conducting shell of radius $2R$. If they are joined by a metal wire, the amount of heat that will be produced is

(a) $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q^2}{4R}$

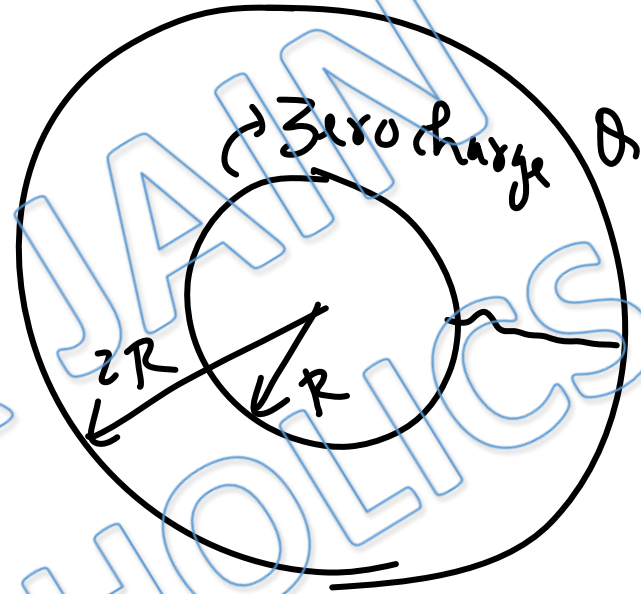
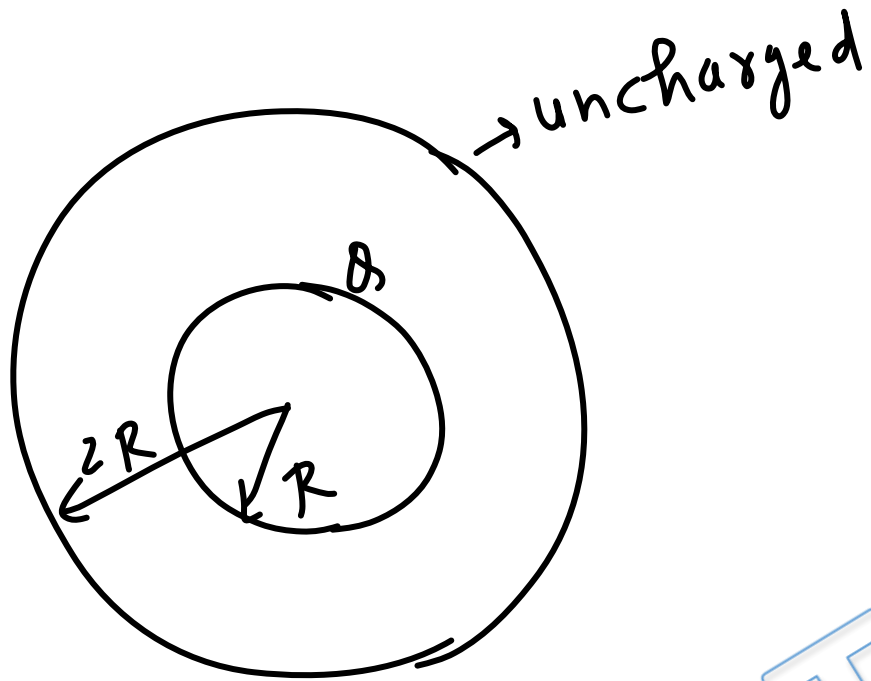
(b) $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q^2}{2R}$

(c) $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q^2}{R}$

(d) $\frac{2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{Q^2}{3R}$ **AIIMS**

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Ans. (a)



$$U_i = \frac{Q^2}{2(4\pi\epsilon_0 R)}$$

$$U_f = \frac{Q^2}{2(8\pi\epsilon_0 R)}$$

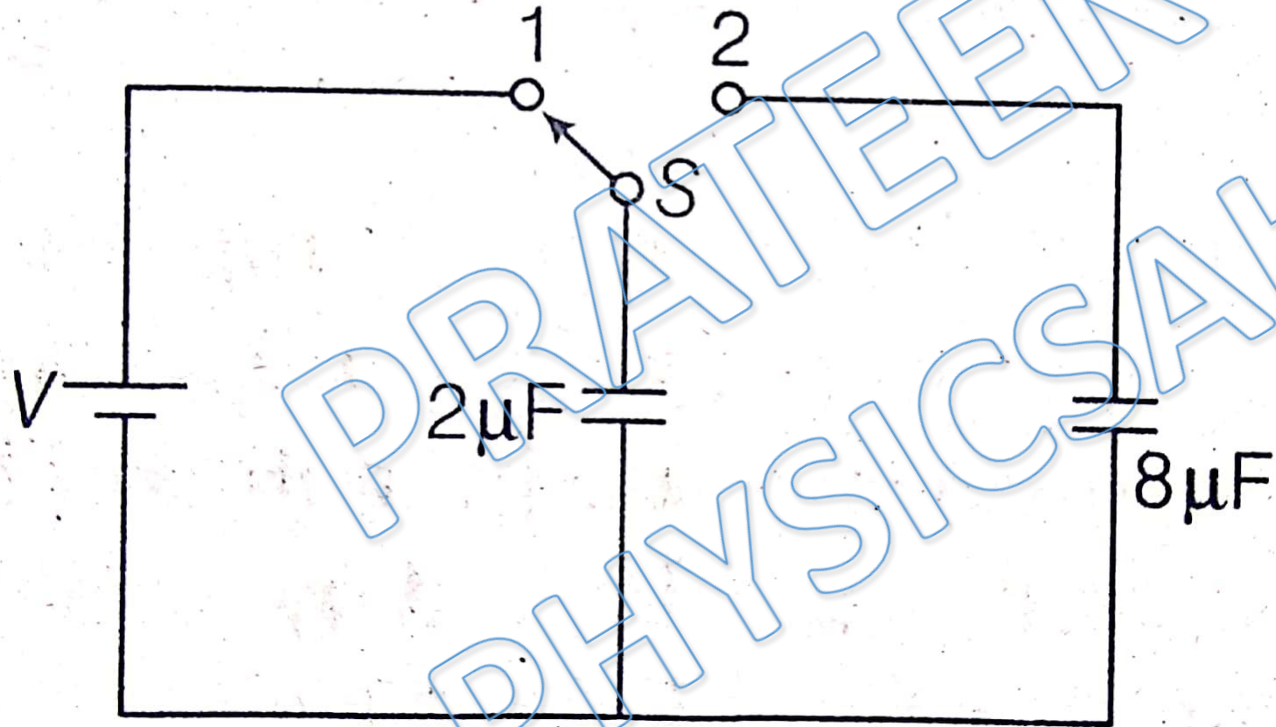
$$\text{loss in energy} = U_i - U_f = \frac{Q^2}{16\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$

$$\text{Heat produced} = \frac{Q^2}{16\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$

Ans(a)

A capacitor of $2\mu\text{F}$ is charged as shown in the figure. When the switch S is turned to position 2, the percentage of its stored energy dissipated is

[NEET 2016]



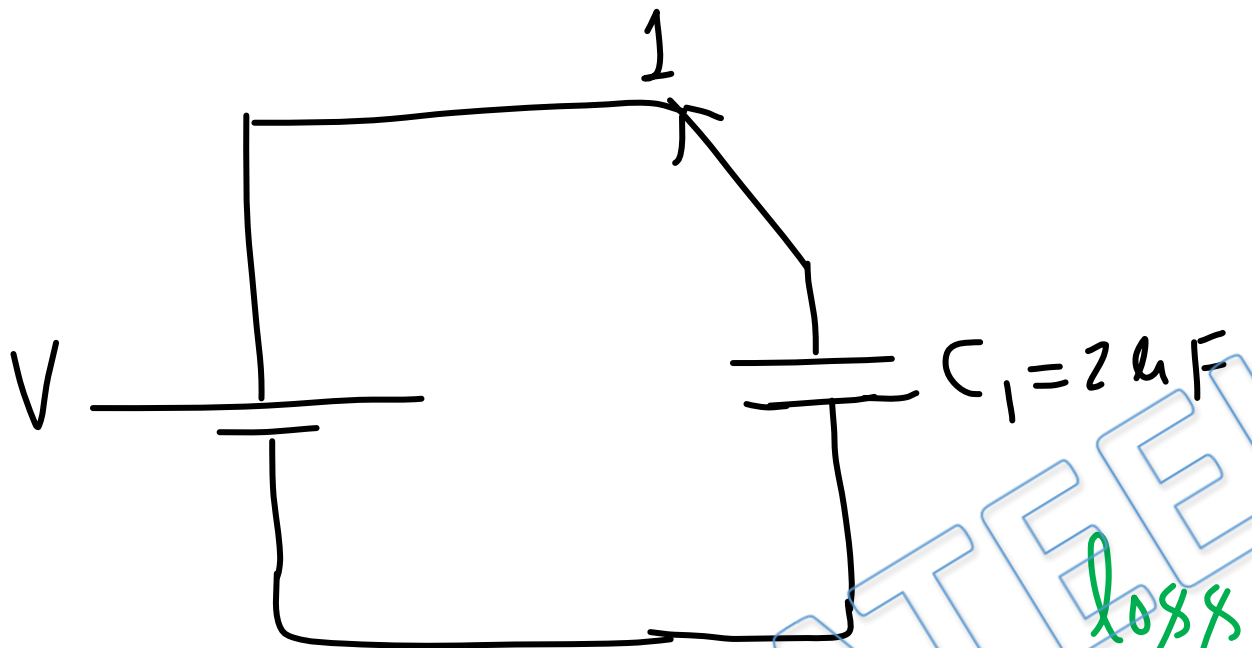
(a) 20%

(b) 75%

(c) 80%

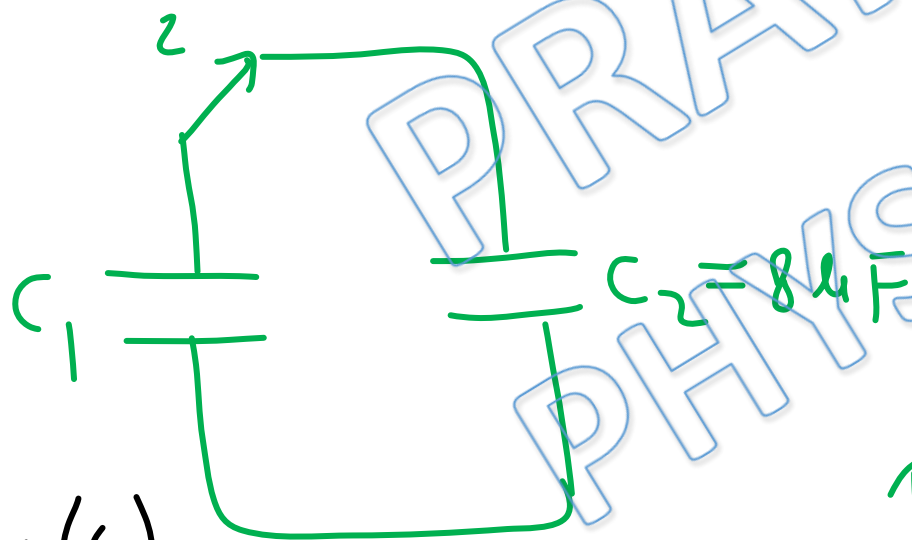
(d) 0%

Ans. (c)



$$U_i = \frac{1}{2} C_1 V^2 = \mu V^2$$

loss in energy after shifting



$$\% \text{ Switch} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} \right) (V_1 - V_2)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2 \times 8}{2 + 8} \mu \right) (V - 0)^2 = \frac{4 \mu V^2}{5}$$

$$\text{Percentage loss} = \frac{4 \mu V^2 / 5}{\mu V^2} \times 100 = 80\%$$

Ans(c)

A $4\ \mu\text{F}$ capacitor is charged to $400\ \text{V}$ and then its plates are joined through a resistance of $1\ \text{k}\Omega$. The heat produced in the resistance is [CBSE AIPMT 1989]

(a) $0.16\ \text{J}$

(b) $1.28\ \text{J}$

(c) $0.64\ \text{J}$

(d) $0.32\ \text{J}$

Ans. (d)

Heat produced in resistance
= Initial energy of Capacitor

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \mu (400)^2$$

$$= 2 \times 10^{-6} \times 16 \times 10^4$$

$$= .32 \text{ J}$$

Ans (d)

PYQs on Following Subtopic:

Force between capacitor plates

Assertion : The force between the plates of a parallel plate capacitor is proportional to charge on it.

Reason : Electric force is equal to charge per unit area.

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Ans. (d)

force between plates of parallel plate capacitor

$$F = \frac{q^2}{2A\epsilon_0} \Rightarrow F \propto q^2$$

Assertion is wrong.

Reason is also wrong.

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A parallel plate air capacitor has capacity C , distance of separation between plates is d and potential difference V is applied between the plates. Force of attraction between the plates of the parallel plate air capacitor is

[CBSE AIPMT 2015]

(a) $\frac{C^2 V^2}{2d}$

(b) $\frac{CV^2}{2d}$

(c) $\frac{CV^2}{d}$

(d) $\frac{C^2 V^2}{2d^2}$

Ans. (b)

$$F = \frac{q^2}{2A\epsilon_0} = \frac{(cV)^2}{2A\epsilon_0} = \frac{c(cV^2)}{2A\epsilon_0}$$
$$= \frac{(cV^2)A\epsilon_0/d}{2A\epsilon_0} = \frac{cV^2}{2d}$$

Ans (b)

PYQs on Following Subtopic:

R-C Circuit- Time Constant (τ)

The time constant of C - R circuit is

[CBSE AIPMT 1992]

(a) $\frac{1}{CR}$

(c) CR

(b) $\frac{C}{R}$

(d) $\frac{R}{C}$

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Ans. c

$$\tau = RC$$

Ans (c)

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PYQs on Following Subtopic:

Effect of Dielectric Slab

A parallel plate condenser with oil (dielectric constant 2) between the plates has capacitance C . If oil is removed, the capacitance of capacitor becomes

[CBSE AIPMT 1999]

(a) $\sqrt{2} C$

(b) $2 C$

(c) $\frac{C}{\sqrt{2}}$

(d) $\frac{C}{2}$

Ans. (d)

Dielectric Constant

$C_{oil} = K C_{vacuum}$

Capacitance in presence of medium

Capacitance if medium is vacuum

$$C_{vacuum} = \frac{C_{oil}}{K} = \frac{C}{2}$$

Ans(d)

Q) the capacitance of a parallel plate capacitor with air as medium is $6\mu\text{F}$. With the introduction of a dielectric medium, the capacitance becomes $30\mu\text{F}$. The permittivity of the medium is :

($\epsilon_0=8.85\times 10^{-12}\text{ C}^2\text{ N}^{-1}\text{ m}^{-2}$)

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(1) $0.44\times 10^{-10}\text{ C}^2\text{ N}^{-1}\text{ m}^{-2}$

(2) $5.00\text{ C}^2\text{ N}^{-1}\text{ m}^{-2}$

(3) $0.44\times 10^{-13}\text{ C}^2\text{ N}^{-1}\text{ m}^{-2}$

(4) $1.77\times 10^{-12}\text{ C}^2\text{ N}^{-1}\text{ m}^{-2}$

Ans. 1

$$C_{\text{medium}} = K C_{\text{vacuum}}$$

$$K = \frac{C_{\text{medium}}}{C_{\text{vacuum}}} = \frac{30 \mu}{6 \mu} = 5$$

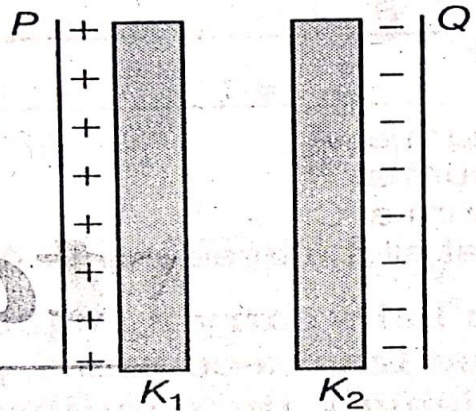
$$C = \epsilon_0 K = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 5$$

$$= 44.25 \times 10^{-12}$$

$$= 4.425 \times 10^{-10}$$

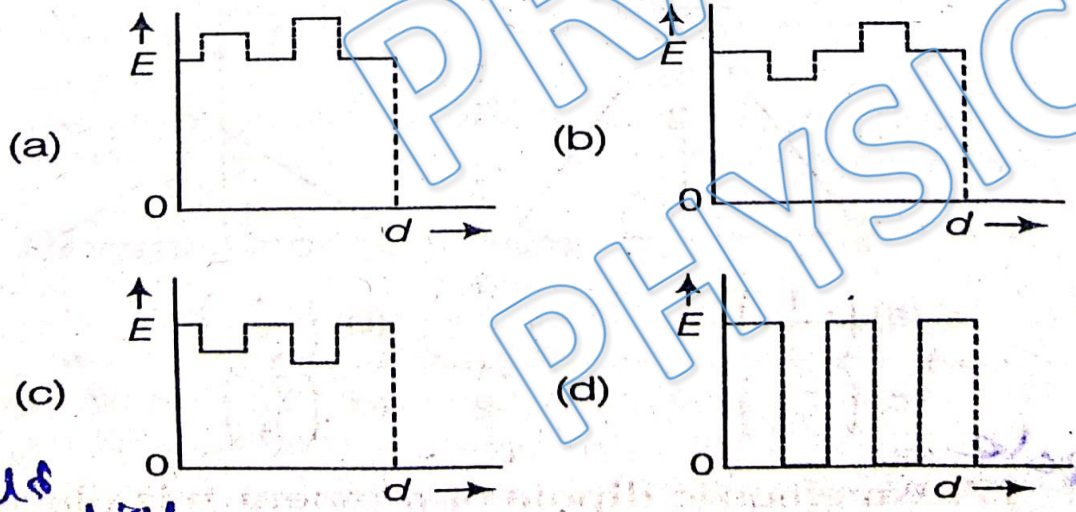
Ans (1)

12. Two thin dielectric slabs of dielectric constants K_1 and K_2 ($K_1 < K_2$) are inserted between plates of a parallel plate capacitor, as shown in the figure.



The variation of electric field E between the plates with distance d as measured from plate P is correctly shown by

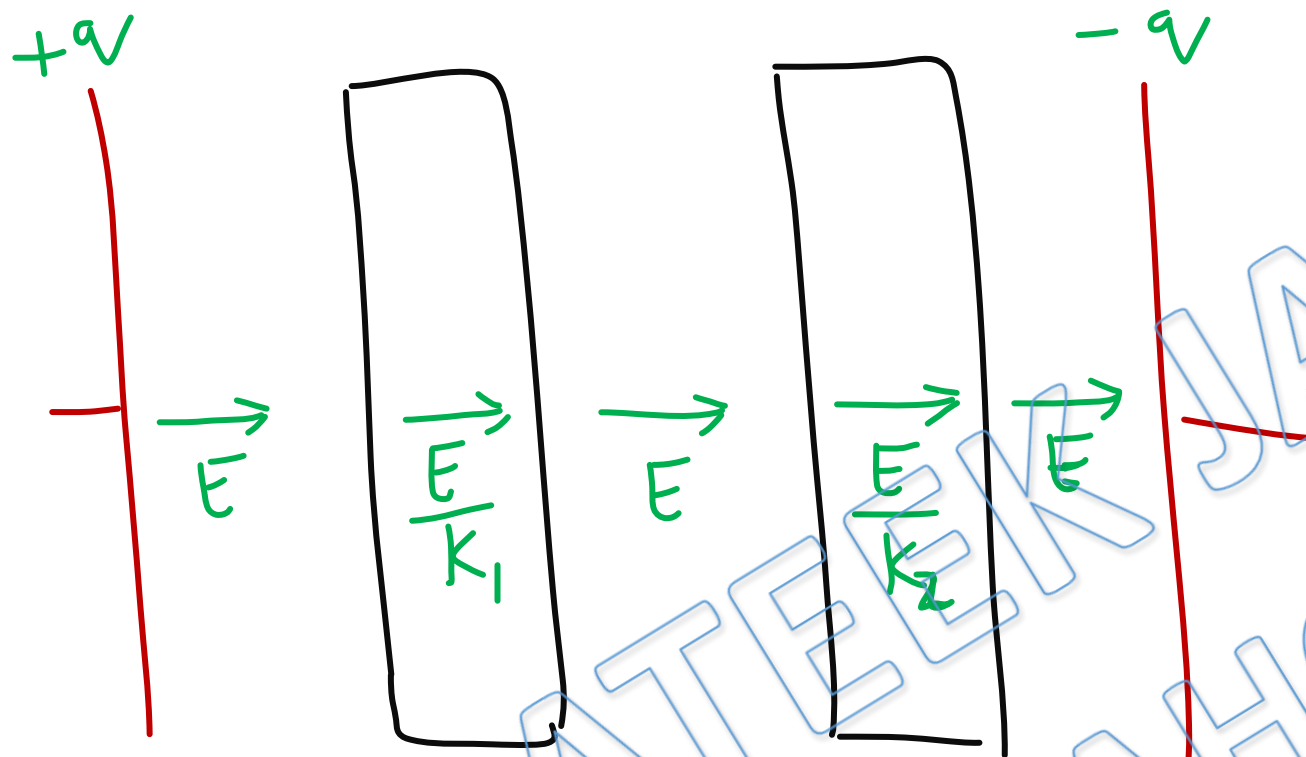
[CBSE AIPMT 2014]



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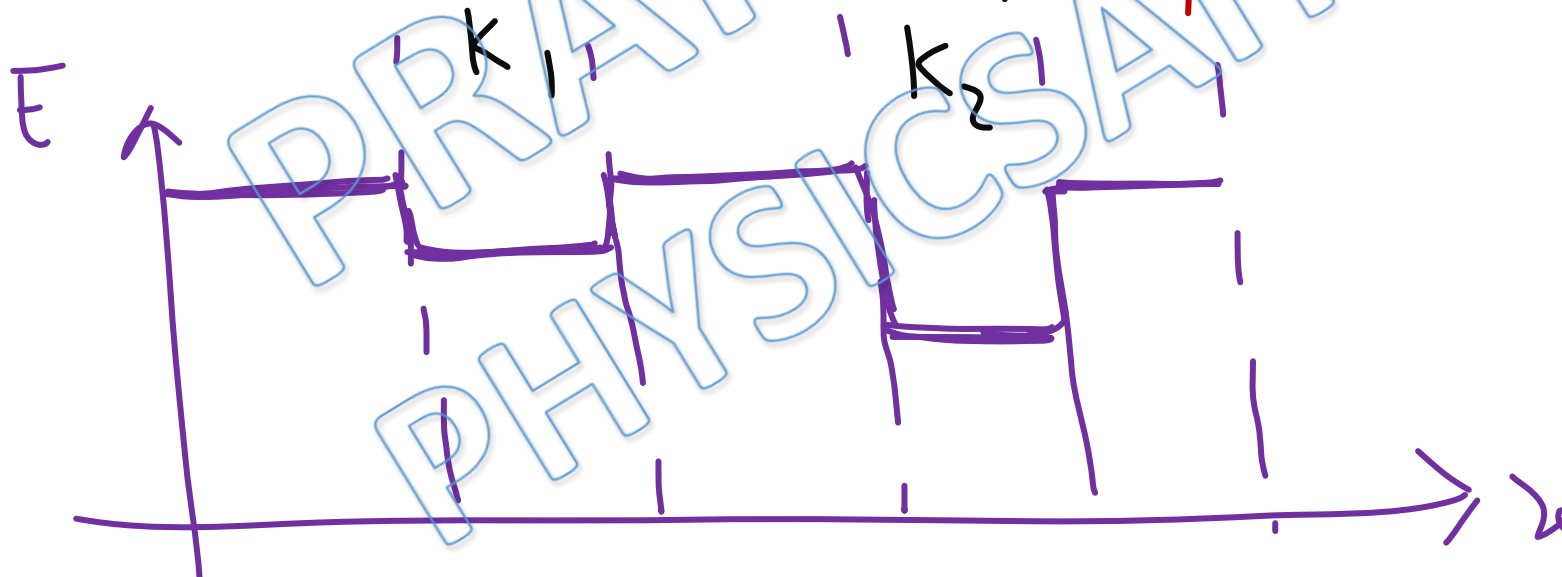
Ans. (c)



Here

$$E = \frac{q}{A\epsilon_0}$$

Since $K_1 < K_2$
 \Rightarrow field in $K_1 >$ field in K_2



Ans (c)

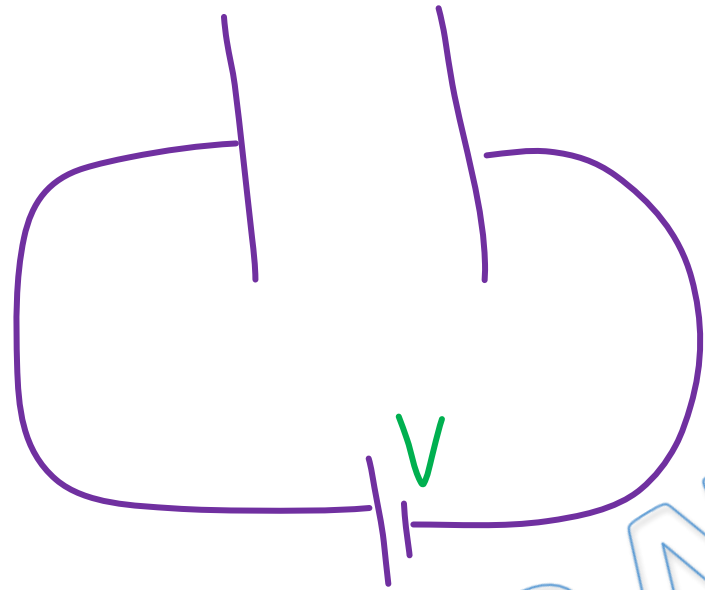
A parallel plate air capacitor of capacitance C is connected to a cell of emf V and then disconnected from it. A dielectric slab of dielectric constant K , which can just fill the air gap of the capacitor, is now inserted in it. Which of the following is incorrect?

[CBSE AIPMT 2015]

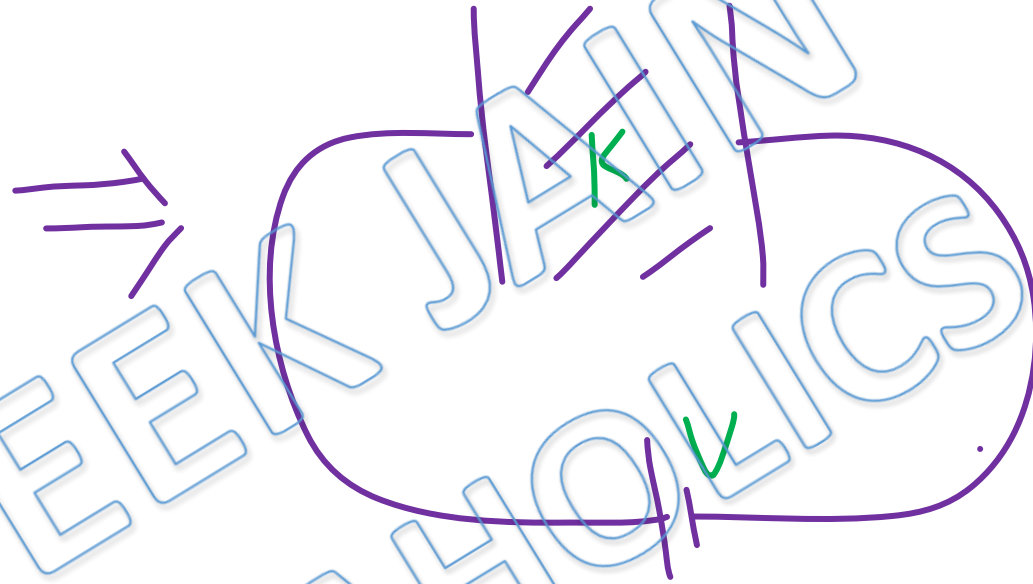
- (a) The potential difference between the plates decreases K times
- (b) The energy stored in the capacitor decreases K times
- (c) The change in energy stored is $\frac{1}{2} CV^2 \left(\frac{1}{K} - 1 \right)$
- (d) The charge on the capacitor is not conserved

Ans. (d)

Capacitance
= C



Capacitance = $K C$



Since cell is connected, Potential difference across Capacitor remains V (unchanged).

$$U_i = \frac{1}{2} C V^2, \quad U_f = \frac{1}{2} K C V^2 \Rightarrow \text{Energy increases to } K \text{ times}$$

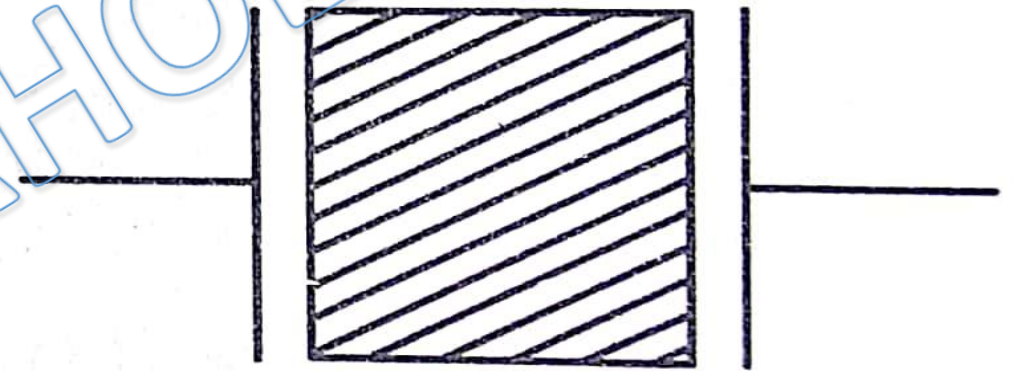
Electric field inside the given capacitor with dielectric is E and dielectric constant of material is K . Find charge density s on the plates. (Given $E = 6 \times 10^5 \text{ V/m}$, $K = 6$)

(a) $18.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ C/m}^2$

(b) $8.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C/m}^2$

(c) $3.18 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C/m}^2$

(d) $3.18 \times 10^{-10} \text{ C/m}^2$



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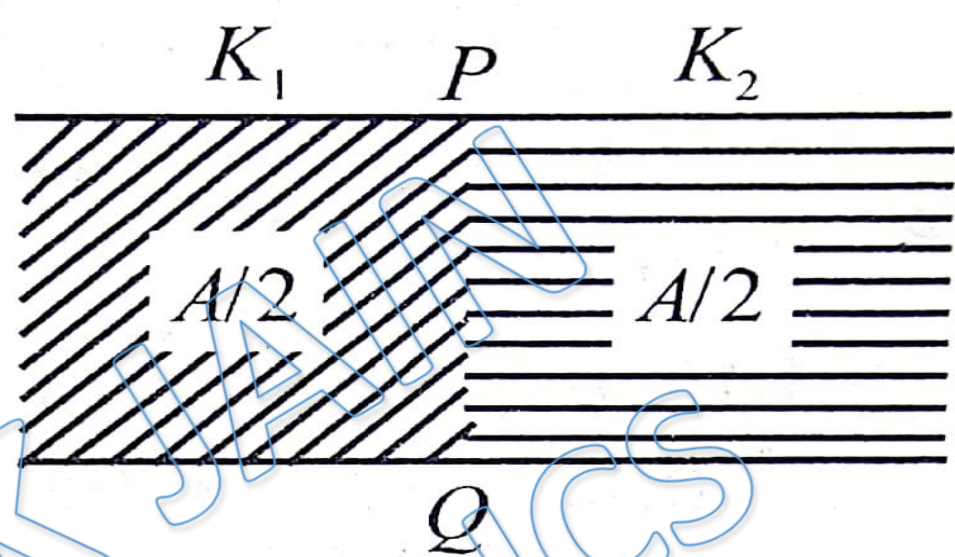
Ans. (c)

$$E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0 K}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \sigma &= E \epsilon_0 K = 6 \times 10^5 \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 6 \\ &= 3.18 \times 10^{-7} \\ &= 3.18 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C/m}^2\end{aligned}$$

Ans (c)

From the figure, find the capacitance of the capacitor?



(a)
$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} \left(\frac{K_1 + K_2}{2} \right)$$

(b)
$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{2d} \left(\frac{K_1 K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \right)$$

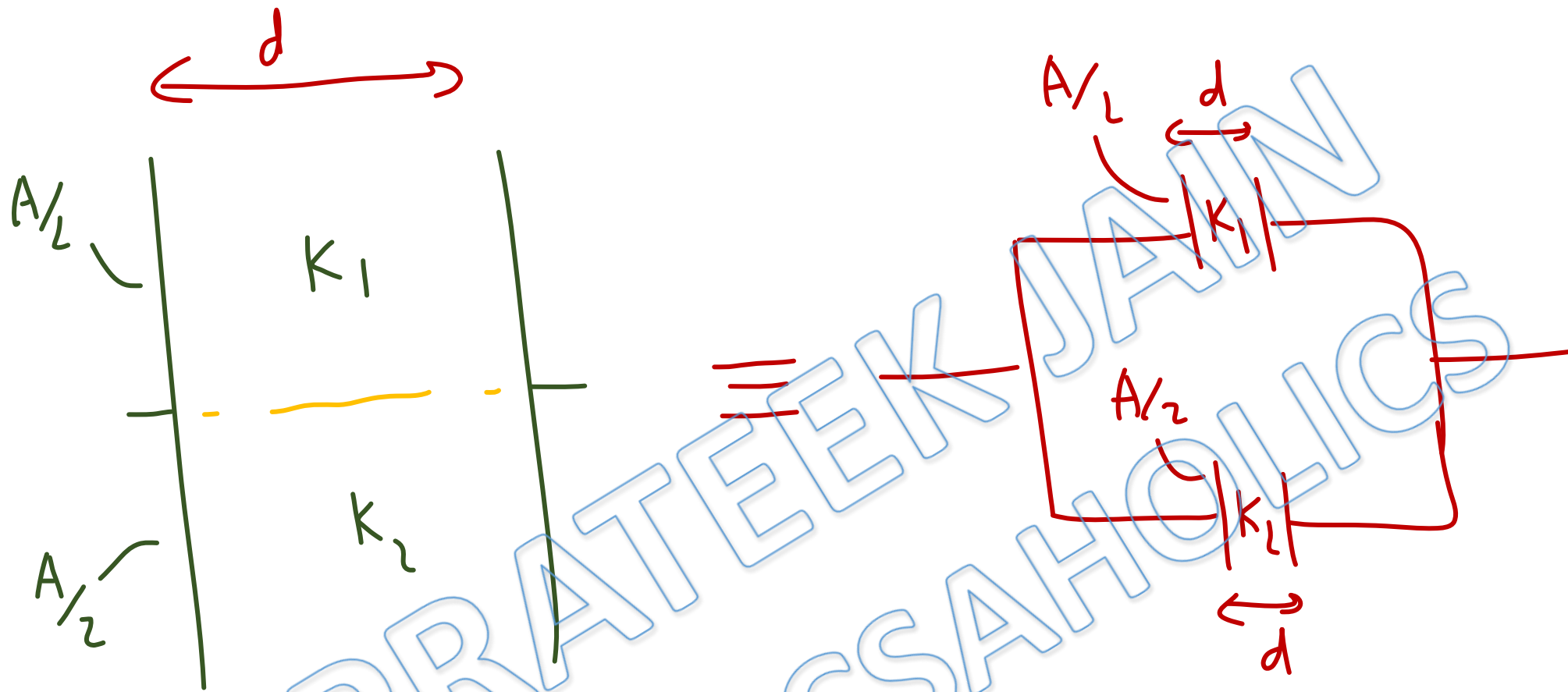
(c)
$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} \left(\frac{K_1}{K_2} \right)$$

(d)
$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} \left(\frac{2K_1 K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \right)$$

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Ans. (a)

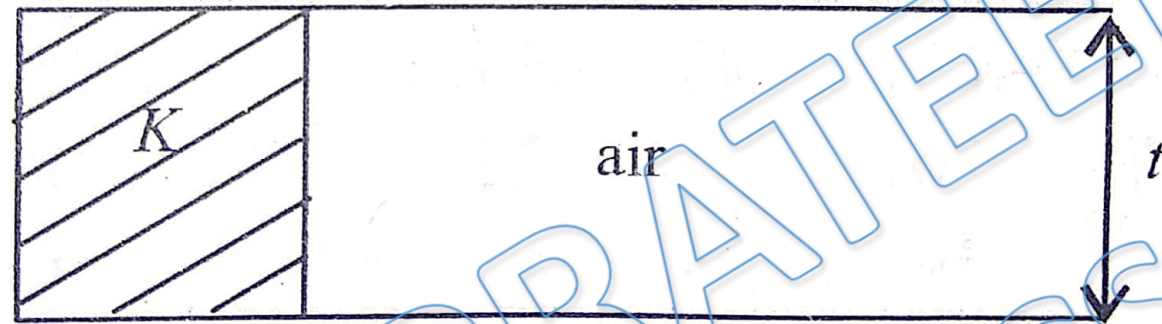


$$C = C_1 + C_2 = \frac{A\epsilon_0 K_1}{2d} + \frac{A\epsilon_0 K_2}{2d} = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \left(\frac{K_1 + K_2}{2} \right)$$

Ans (a)

A parallel plate capacitor with air as a dielectric has capacitance C . A slab of dielectric constant K , having same thickness as the separation between the plates is introduced so as to fill one-fourth of the capacitor as shown in the figure.

The new capacitance will be



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(a) $(K + 3) \frac{C}{4}$

(b) $(K + 2) \frac{C}{4}$

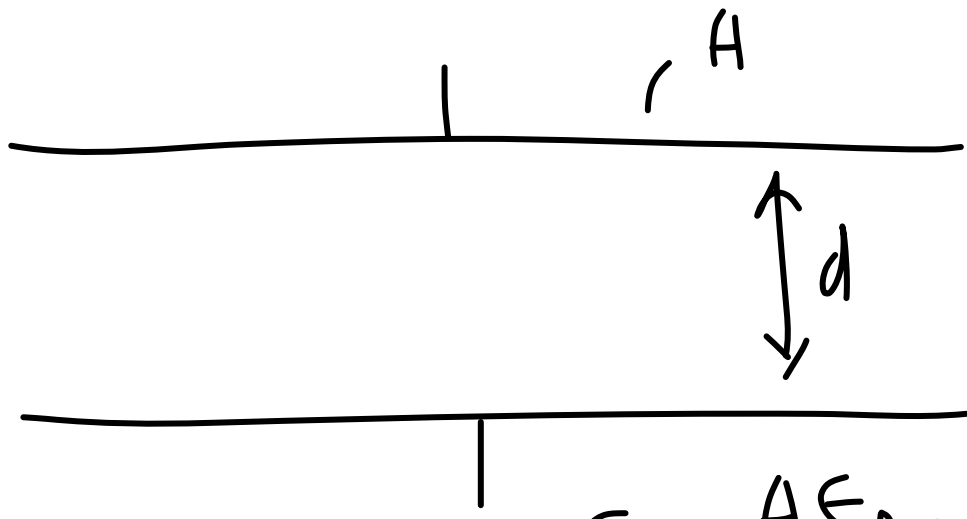
(c) $(K + 1) \frac{C}{4}$

(d) $\frac{KC}{4}$ (2017)

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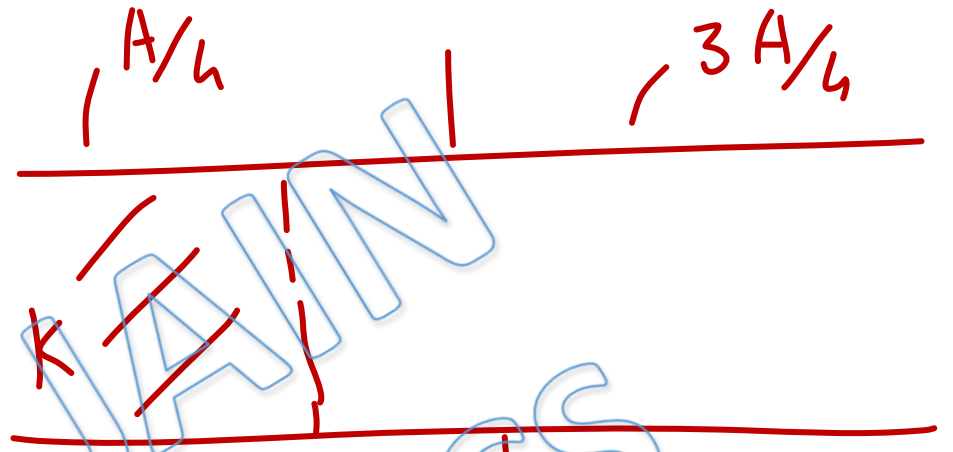
Wrong figure

Ans. (a)



$$C = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d}$$

\Rightarrow



$$C_f = C_1 + C_2$$

$$= \frac{A\epsilon_0 K}{4d} + \frac{3A\epsilon_0}{4d}$$

$$= \frac{A\epsilon_0}{4d} (K+3)$$

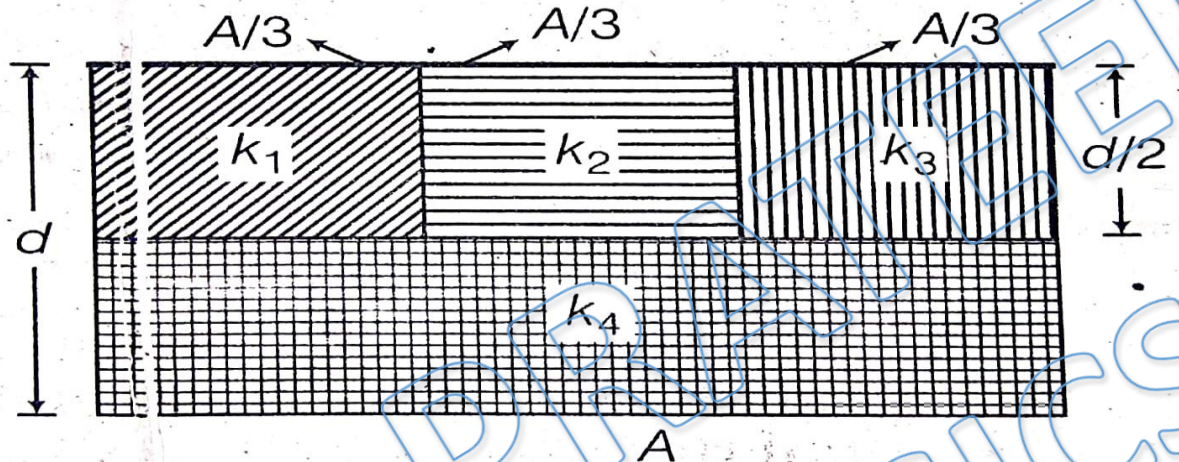
$$= \frac{C}{4} (K+3)$$

Ans (a)

A parallel-plate capacitor of area A , plate separation d and capacitance C is filled with four dielectric materials having dielectric constants k_1, k_2, k_3 and k_4 as shown in the figure below. If a single dielectric material is to be used to have the same capacitance C in this capacitor, then its dielectric constant k is given by

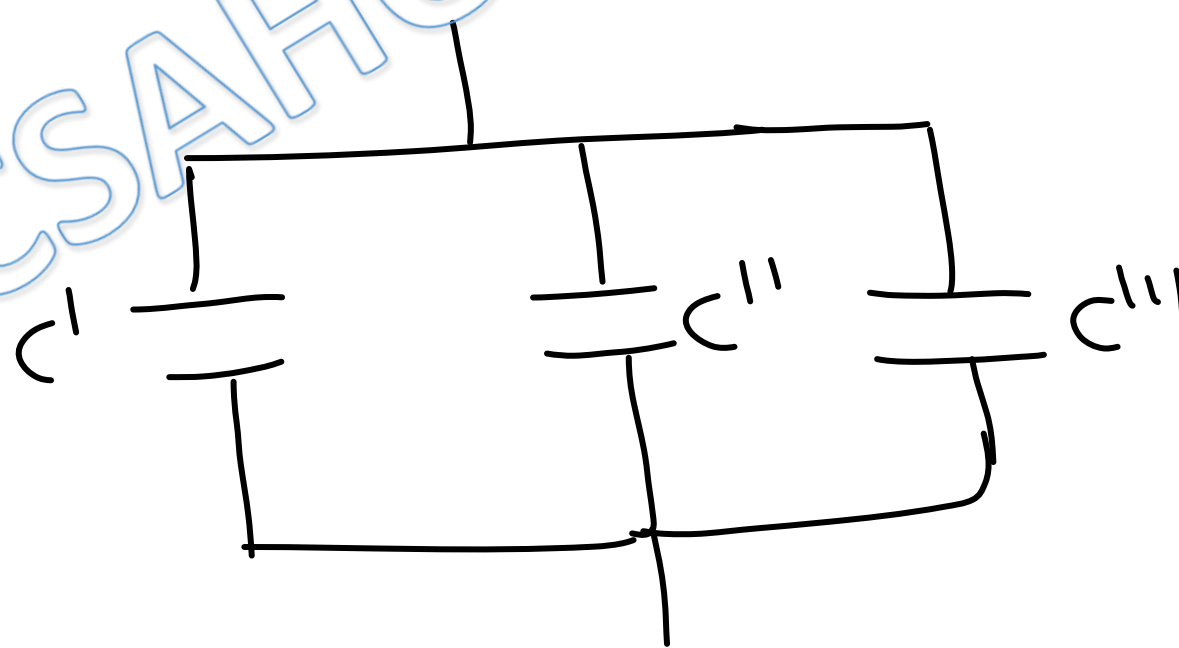
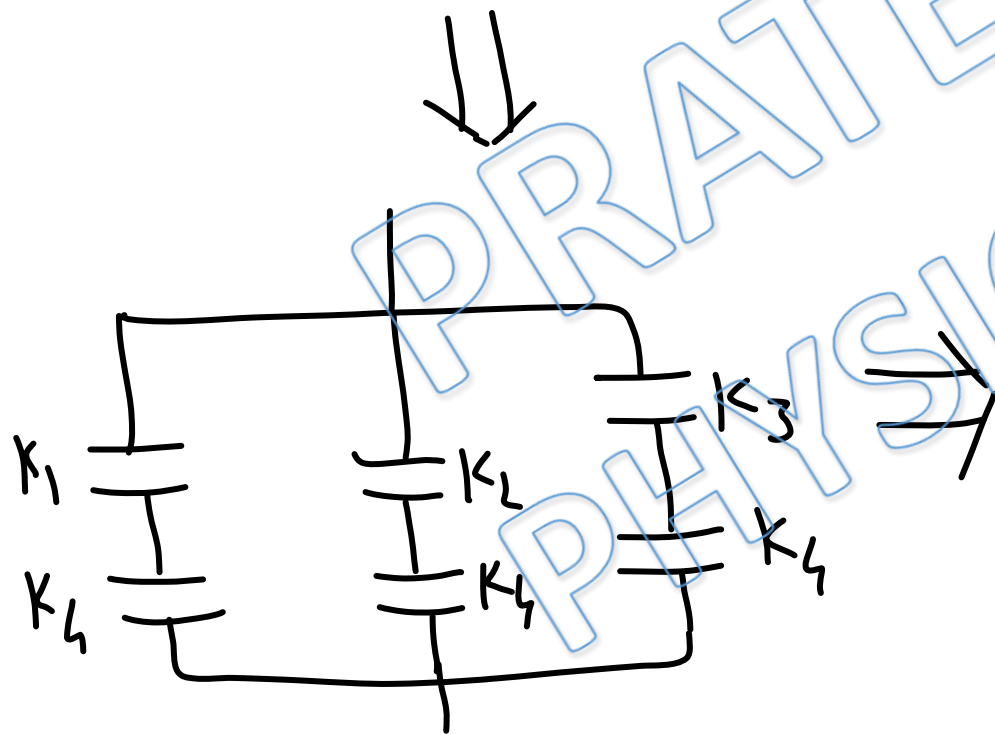
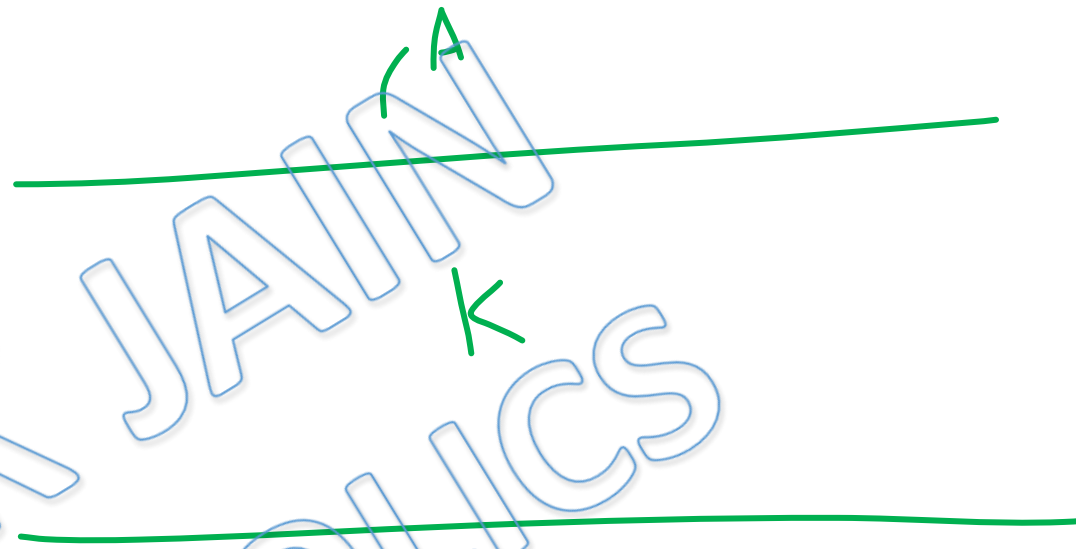
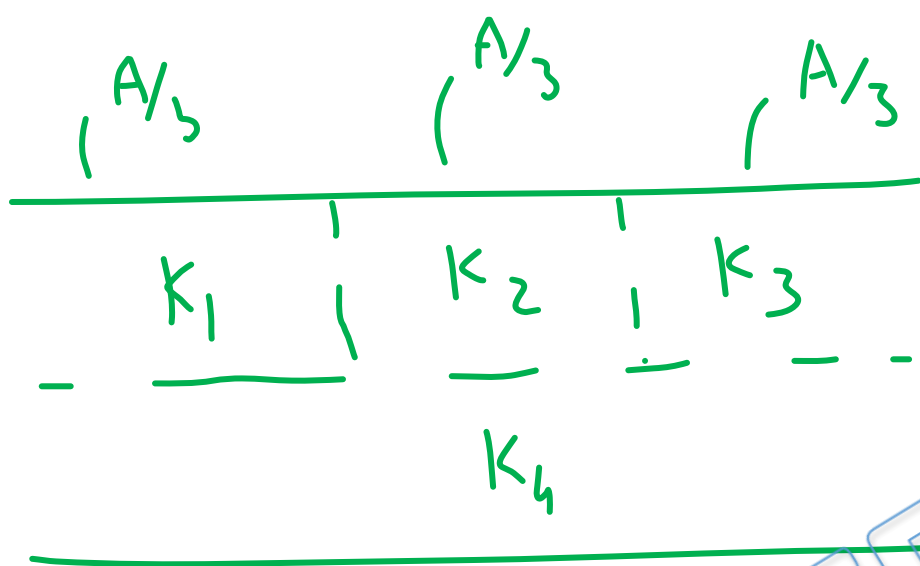
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- (a) $k = k_1 + k_2 + k_3 + 3k_4$
- (b) $k = \frac{2}{3}(k_1 + k_2 + k_3) + 2k_4$
- (c) $\frac{2}{k} = \frac{3}{k_1 + k_2 + k_3} + \frac{1}{k_4}$
- (d) $\frac{1}{k} = \frac{1}{k_1} + \frac{1}{k_2} + \frac{1}{k_3} + \frac{3}{2k_4}$

all given answers are wrong



$$\frac{1}{C'} = \frac{3d}{2A\epsilon_0 K_1} + \frac{3d}{2A\epsilon_0 K_4} = \frac{3d(K_1 + K_4)}{2A\epsilon_0 K_1 K_4}$$

$$C^I = \frac{2A\epsilon_0 K_1 K_4}{3d(K_1 + K_4)}$$

$$C^{II} = \frac{2A\epsilon_0 K_2 K_4}{3d(K_2 + K_4)}$$

$$C^{III} = \frac{2A\epsilon_0 K_3 K_4}{3d(K_3 + K_4)}$$

$$C = C' + C'' + C'''$$

$$\frac{AE_0 K}{d} = \frac{2AE_0}{3d} \left[\frac{K_1 K_4}{K_1 + K_4} + \frac{K_2 K_4}{K_2 + K_4} + \frac{K_3 K_4}{K_3 + K_4} \right]$$

$$K = \frac{2K_4}{3} \left[\frac{K_1}{K_1 + K_4} + \frac{K_2}{K_2 + K_4} + \frac{K_3}{K_3 + K_4} \right]$$

All options are wrong.

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