

Physics 02: Electricity and magnetism

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EXERCISE 01

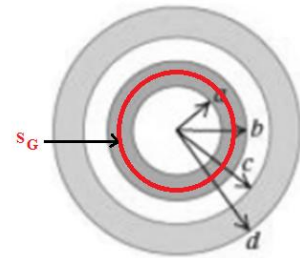
1- Determination of the total charge on the inner surface of the small shell.

According to Gauss's law:

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} = \frac{Q_{enclosed}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{q_{inner}(SMALL SHELL)}{\epsilon_0}$$

The electric field is zero everywhere inside the conductor

$$\vec{E} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0 \Rightarrow q_{inner}(SMALL SHELL) = 0$$



2- Determination of the total charge on the outer surface of the small shell.

Since no charge resides on the inner surface of the small shell, the total charge of $+2q$ must reside on its outer surface.

3- Determination of the total charge on the inner surface of the large shell.

According to Gauss's law:

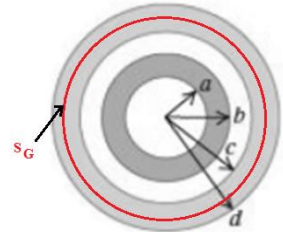
$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} = \frac{Q_{enclosed}}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{q(SMALL SHELL) + q_{inner}(LARGE SHELL)}{\epsilon_0}$$

The electric field is zero everywhere inside the conductor

$$\vec{E} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0 \Rightarrow Q_{enclosed} = 0$$

$$Q_{enclosed} = q(SMALL SHELL) + q_{inner}(LARGE SHELL) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow q_{inner}(LARGE SHELL) = -q(SMALL SHELL) = -2q$$



4- Determination of the total charge on the outer surface of the large shell.

$$q(LARGE SHELL) = q_{inner}(LARGE SHELL) + q_{outer}(LARGE SHELL) = 4q$$

$$\Rightarrow -2q + q_{outer}(LARGE SHELL) = +4q$$

$$\Rightarrow q_{outer}(LARGE SHELL) = +6q$$

EXERCISE 03

A parallel-plate capacitor has circular plates of 8.2 cm radius and 1.3 mm separation.

1- Calculation of the capacitance.

For a parallel-plate capacitor: $C = \frac{\epsilon_0 \cdot S}{d}$

For circular surface: $S = \pi r^2 \Rightarrow C = \frac{\epsilon_0 \cdot \pi r^2}{d} = \frac{8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times \pi \times (8.2 \times 10^{-2})^2}{1.3 \times 10^{-3}}$

$$\Rightarrow C = 1.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ F} = 140 \text{ pF}$$

$$(1 \text{ pF} = 10^{-12} \text{ F})$$

2- The appeared charge on the plates if a potential difference of 120 V is applied.

$$Q = C V = 1.4 \times 10^{-10} \times 120$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = 1.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C} = 17 \text{ nC}$$

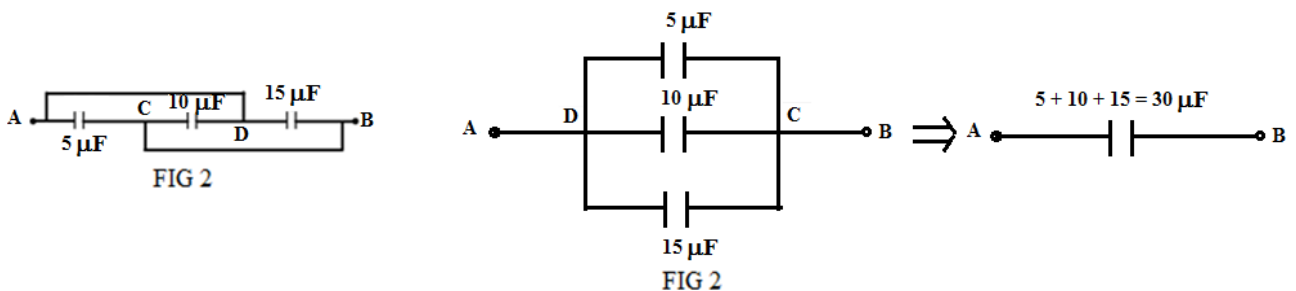
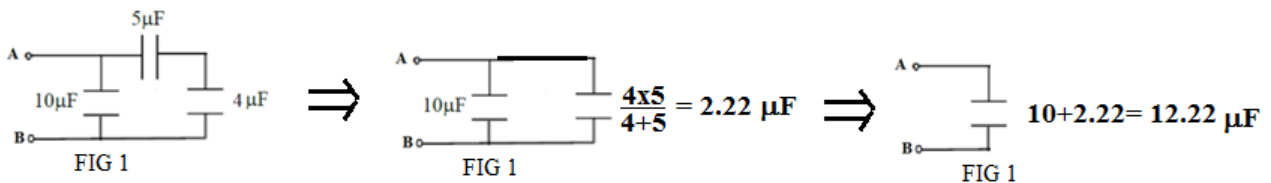
$$(1 \text{ nC} = 10^{-9} \text{ C})$$

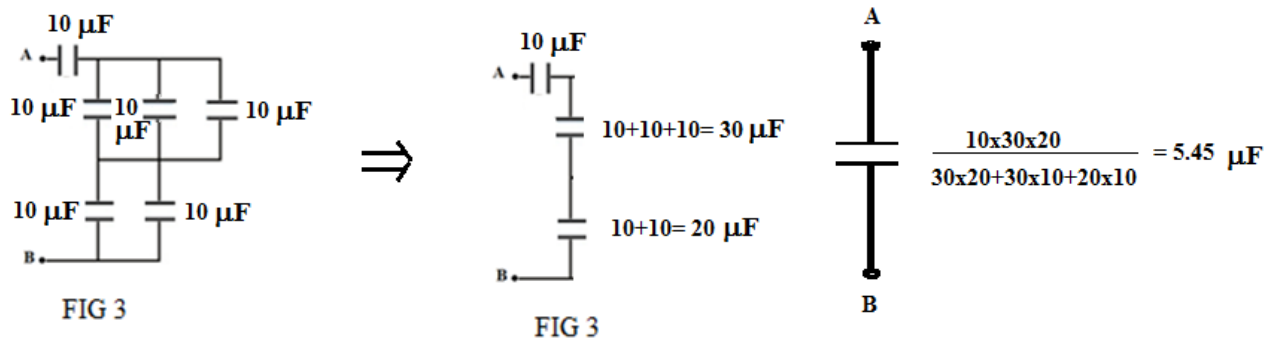
EXERCISE 04

The total capacitance C_{eq} between A and B:

Association in series: $\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{C_i}$

Association in parallel: $C_{eq} = \sum_{i=1}^n C_i$



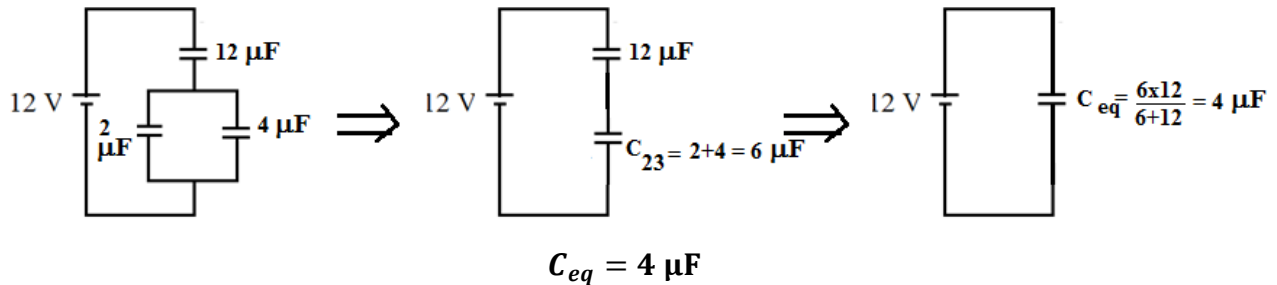


EXERCISE 05

$$C_1 = 12 \mu\text{F}, C_2 = 2 \mu\text{F}, C_3 = 4 \mu\text{F}, V = 12 \text{ V}$$

1- The charge and the voltage across each capacitor.

the equivalent capacitance between points A and B



$$Q = C_{eq} V = 4 \times 12 \Rightarrow Q = 48 \mu\text{C}$$

$$Q = Q_1 = Q_{23} = 48 \mu\text{C} \text{ (} C_1 \text{ and } C_{23} \text{ are in series)}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{Q_1}{C_1} = \frac{48}{12} \Rightarrow V_1 = 4 \text{ V}$$

$$V = V_1 + V_{23}, \quad V_{23} = V_2 = V_3, \quad Q_{23} = Q_2 + Q_3$$

$$V = V_1 + V_{23} \Rightarrow V_{23} = V - V_1 = 12 - 4 \Rightarrow V_{23} = 8 \text{ V}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{23} = V_2 = V_3 = 8 \text{ V}$$

$$Q_2 = C_2 V_2 = 2 \times 8 \Rightarrow Q_2 = 16 \mu\text{C}$$

$$Q_3 = C_3 V_3 = 4 \times 8 \Rightarrow Q_3 = 32 \mu\text{C}$$

2-The energy stored in each capacitor.

$$E = \frac{1}{2C} Q^2 = \frac{1}{2} C V^2$$

So:

$$E_1 = \frac{1}{2} C_1 V_1^2 = \frac{1}{2} 12 \times 4^2 = 96 \mu\text{J}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{1}{2} 2 \times 8^2 = 64 \mu\text{J}$$

$$E_3 = \frac{1}{2} 4 \times 8^2 = 128 \mu\text{J}$$

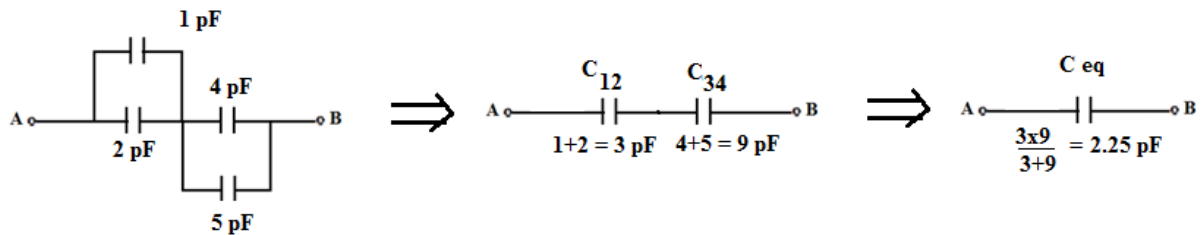
The total energy stored in this network is:

$$E = E_1 + E_2 + E_3 = 288 \mu\text{J} = \frac{1}{2} C_{eq} V^2$$

EXERCISE 06

$$C_1 = 1 \text{ pF}, C_2 = 2 \text{ pF}, C_3 = 4 \text{ pF}, C_4 = 5 \text{ pF}$$

1- The equivalent capacitance between points A and B.



$$C_{eq} = 2.25 \text{ pF}$$

2- Calculate the charge on each capacitor if $V_{AB} = 12 \text{ V}$.

$$Q = C_{eq} V = 2.25 \times 12 \Rightarrow Q = 27 \text{ pC}$$

$$Q = Q_{12} = Q_{34} = 27 \text{ pC} \text{ (} C_{12} \text{ and } C_{34} \text{ are in series)}$$

$$V = V_{12} + V_{34}$$

$$V_{12} = V_1 = V_2, \quad Q_{12} = Q_1 + Q_2$$

$$V_{12} = V_1 = V_2 \Rightarrow \frac{Q_1}{C_1} = \frac{Q_2}{C_2} \Rightarrow Q_1 = \frac{C_1}{C_2} Q_2$$

$$Q_{12} = Q_1 + Q_2 = \frac{C_1}{C_2} Q_2 + Q_2$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_2 = \frac{C_2}{C_1 + C_2} Q_{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_2 = \frac{2}{1+2} 27 \Rightarrow Q_2 = 18 \text{ pC}$$

$$Q_1 = \frac{C_1}{C_2} Q_2 \Rightarrow Q_1 = \frac{1}{2} 18 \Rightarrow Q_1 = 9 \text{ pC}$$

$$V_{34} = V_3 = V_4, \quad Q_{34} = Q_3 + Q_4$$

$$V_{34} = V_3 = V_4 \Rightarrow \frac{Q_3}{C_3} = \frac{Q_4}{C_4} \Rightarrow Q_3 = \frac{C_3}{C_4} Q_4$$

$$Q_{34} = Q_3 + Q_4 = \frac{C_3}{C_4} Q_4 + Q_4$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_4 = \frac{C_4}{C_3+C_4} Q_{34}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_4 = \frac{5}{4+5} 27 \Rightarrow Q_4 = 15 \text{ pC}$$

$$Q_3 = \frac{C_3}{C_4} Q_4 \Rightarrow Q_3 = \frac{4}{5} 15 \Rightarrow Q_3 = 12 \text{ pC}$$

3- The voltage across each capacitor.

$$V_1 = \frac{Q_1}{C_1} = \frac{9}{1} \Rightarrow V_1 = 9 \text{ V}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{Q_2}{C_2} = \frac{18}{2} \Rightarrow V_2 = 9 \text{ V}$$

$$V_1 = V_2 \text{ (} C_1 \text{ and } C_2 \text{ are in parallel)}$$

$$V_3 = \frac{Q_3}{C_3} = \frac{12}{4} \Rightarrow V_3 = 3 \text{ pV}$$

$$V_4 = \frac{Q_4}{C_4} = \frac{15}{5} \Rightarrow V_4 = 3 \text{ pV}$$

$$V_3 = V_4 \text{ (} C_3 \text{ and } C_4 \text{ are in parallel)}$$

$$V = V_{12} + V_{34} \text{ (} C_{12} \text{ and } C_{34} \text{ are in parallel)}$$