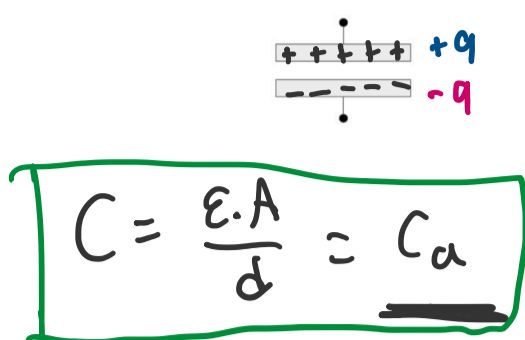


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1. Capacitance Equivalence

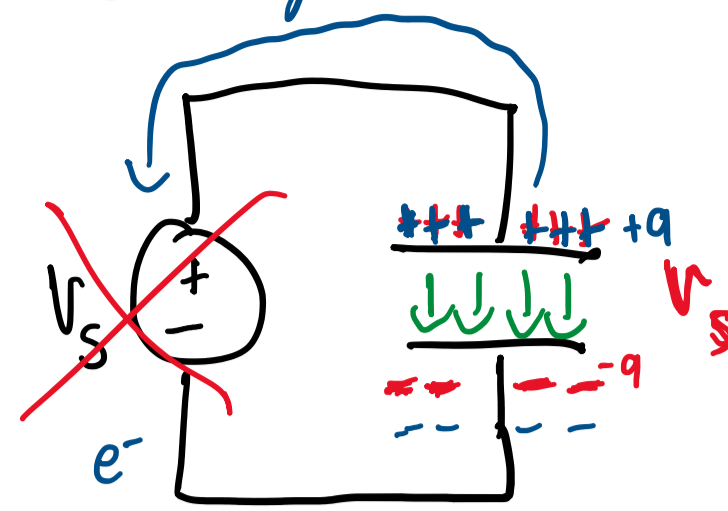
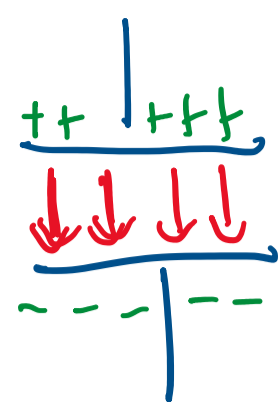
For the structures shown below, assume that the plates have a depth l into the page and a width W and are always a distance d apart. The dielectric between the plates has absolute permittivity ϵ . For the following calculations, assume the capacitance is purely parallel plate, i.e. ignore fringing field effects.

(a) What is the capacitance of the structure shown below?



$$C = \frac{\epsilon \cdot A}{d} = C_a$$

Capacitors: Devices that store charge



$$Q = CV$$

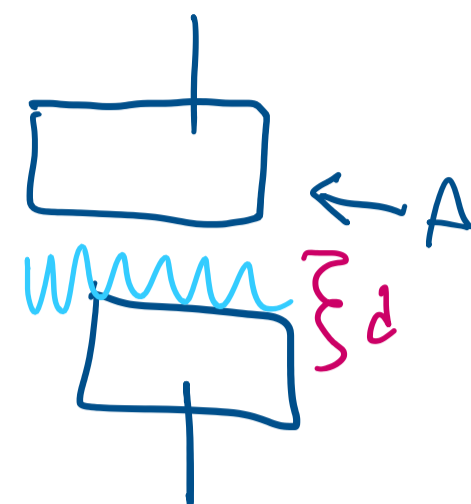
\uparrow charge \uparrow capacitance \nwarrow voltage

$$R = \frac{\rho \cdot L}{A}$$

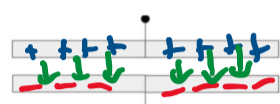
$$\epsilon_0$$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon \cdot A}{d}$$

$$\epsilon$$

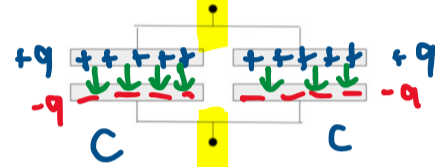


(b) Suppose that we take two such structures and put them next to each other as shown below. What is the capacitance of this new structure?



$$C_b = \frac{\epsilon \cdot 2A}{d} = 2 \cdot \frac{\epsilon A}{d} = 2 \cdot C_a$$

(c) Now suppose that rather than connecting together as shown above, we connect them with an ideal wire as shown below. What is the capacitance of this structure?



$$C_c = \frac{\epsilon \cdot 2A}{d} = 2 \cdot C_a = C_a + C_a$$

Parallel Cap

$$C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2$$

Series Res.

$$R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2$$

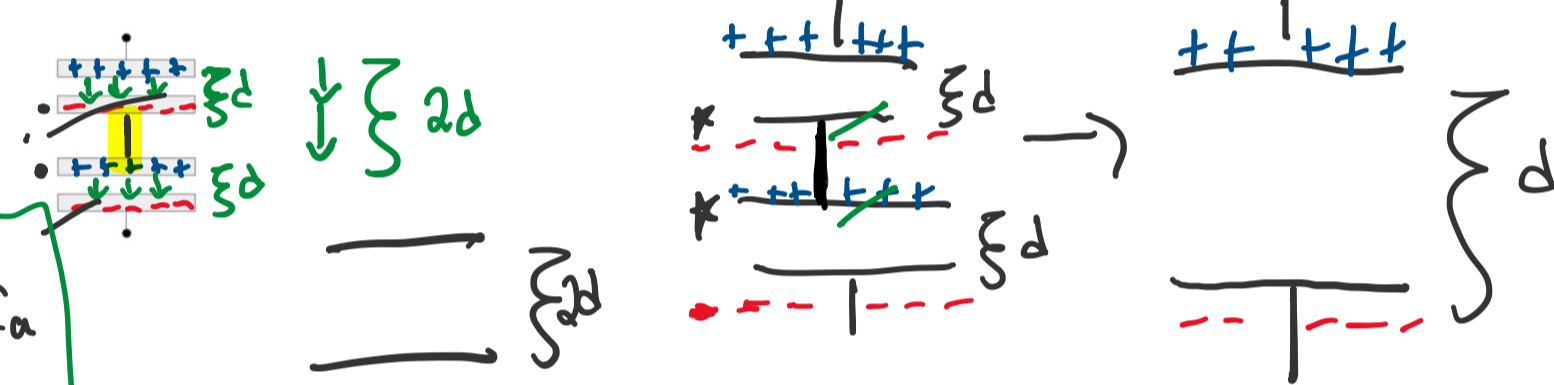
Series Cap

$$C_{eq} = \left(\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} \right)^{-1} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

Parallel Res.

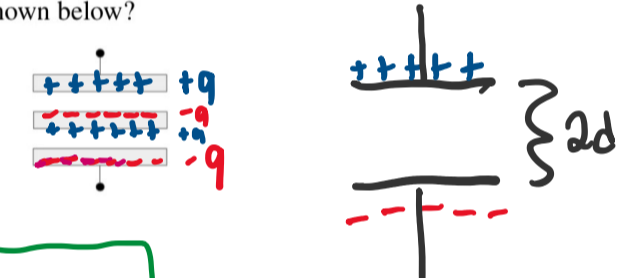
$$R_{eq} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

(d) Suppose that we now take two capacitors and connect them as shown below. What is the capacitance of the structure?



$$C_d = \frac{\epsilon \cdot A}{2d} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot C_a$$

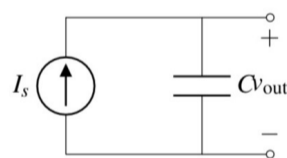
(e) What is the capacitance of the structure shown below?



$$C_e = \frac{\epsilon \cdot A}{2d} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot C_a$$

2. Current Sources And Capacitors

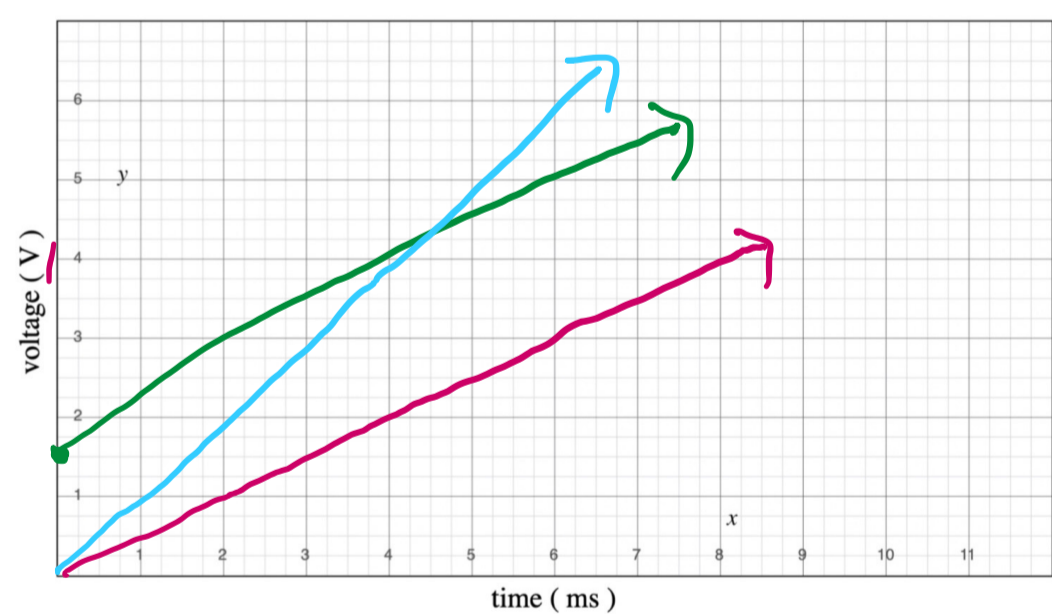
Given the circuit below, find an expression for $v_{out}(t)$ in terms of I_s , C , V_0 , and t , where V_0 is the initial voltage across the capacitor at $t = 0$.



Then plot the function $v_{out}(t)$ over time on the graph below for the following conditions detailed below. Use the values $I_s = 1 \text{ mA}$ and $C = 2 \mu\text{F}$.

- (a) Capacitor is initially uncharged $V_0 = 0$ at $t = 0$.
- (b) Capacitor has been charged with $V_0 = +1.5 \text{ V}$ at $t = 0$.
- (c) Practice: Swap this capacitor for one with half the capacitance $C = 1 \mu\text{F}$, which is initially uncharged $V_0 = 0$ at $t = 0$.

HINT: Recall the calculus identity $\int f'(x) dx = f(b) - f(a)$, where $f'(x) = \frac{df}{dx}$.



$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$$

$$Q = CV$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = C \cdot \frac{dV_{out}}{dt}$$

$$\int \frac{dQ}{C} = \int \frac{dV_{out}}{dt} dt$$

$$\frac{I_s t}{C} = V_{out}(t) - V_{out}(0)$$

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{I_s}{C} t + V_{out}(0)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \mu\text{V} & \text{mV} \\ \uparrow & \uparrow \\ 10^{-6} & 10^{-3} \end{matrix}$$

1. a) $V_0 = 0$ @ $t = 0$

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{1 \text{ mA}}{2 \mu\text{F}} t = \frac{1 \text{ V}}{2 \text{ ms}} t$$

$$[A] = \frac{[C]}{[s]}$$

$$Q = CV$$

\uparrow [C] \uparrow [F] \uparrow [V]

$$[F] = \frac{[C]}{[V]}$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{[C]}{[V]}$$

$$\frac{A}{F} = \frac{\cancel{C}}{S} \cdot \frac{V}{\cancel{C}} = \frac{V}{S}$$

b) $V_0 = 1.5 \text{ V}$ @ $t = 0$

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{1 \text{ mA}}{2 \mu\text{F}} t + 1.5 \text{ V}$$

$$= \frac{1 \text{ V}}{2 \text{ ms}} t + 1.5 \text{ V}$$

c) $V_0 = 0 \text{ V}$ @ $t = 0$ $C = 1 \mu\text{F}$

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{1 \text{ mA}}{1 \mu\text{F}} t$$

$$= \frac{1 \text{ V}}{1 \text{ ms}} t$$