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Designing Information Devices and Systems I

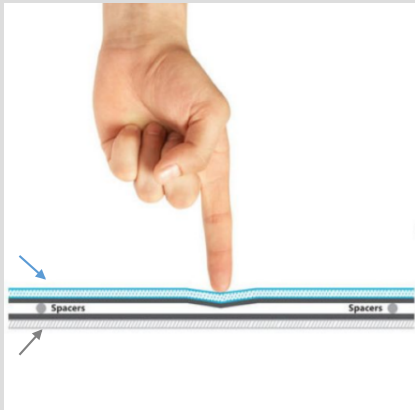
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Module 2
Lecture 7
Capacitors
(Note 16)

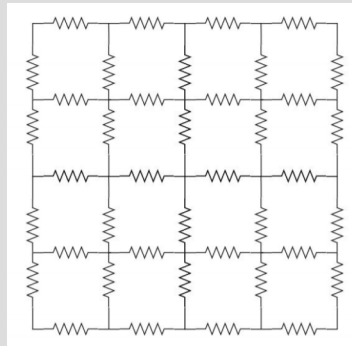


Now that we understand 2D resistive touchscreen, let's change it!

resistive sheet



resistive sheet



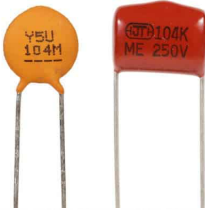
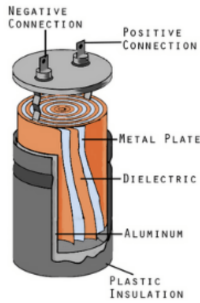
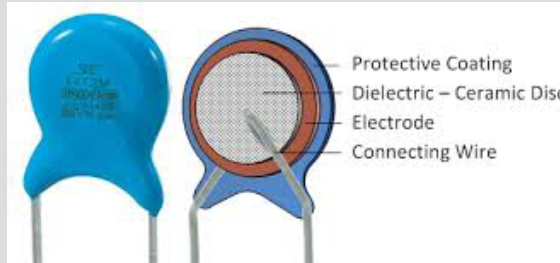
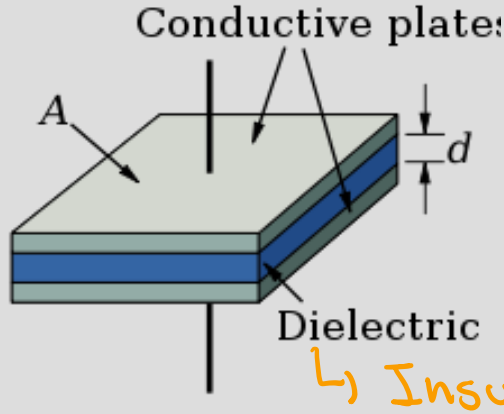
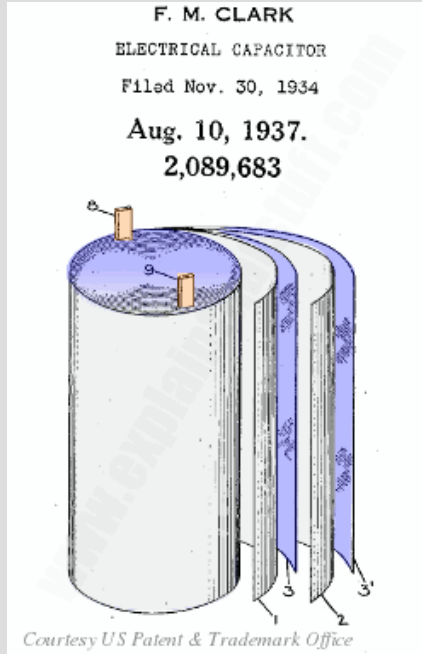
Circuit model for each resistive sheet is a grid of resistors

real-world touchscreens are usually capacitive, not resistive:

- don't need to be flexible
- multi-touch is easier
- more sensitive
- increased contrast on screen

Now, Capacitors!

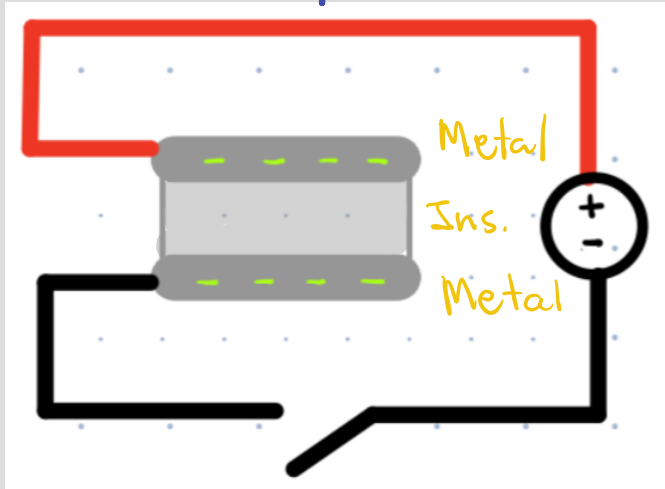
- Charge storage device (like a 'bucket' for charge)



↳ Higher Energy is needed to move charge.

The Physics of a Capacitor

* Energy is needed to move charge.



e^-

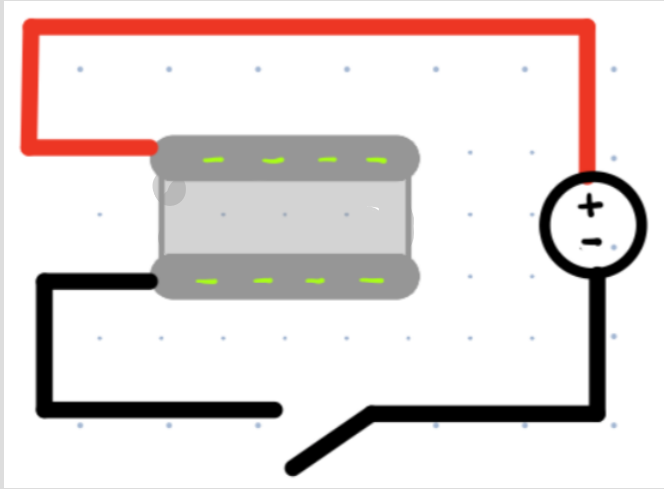
→ No current across the capacitor plates

→ Voltage Source provides Energy needed for flow of charges (e^-)

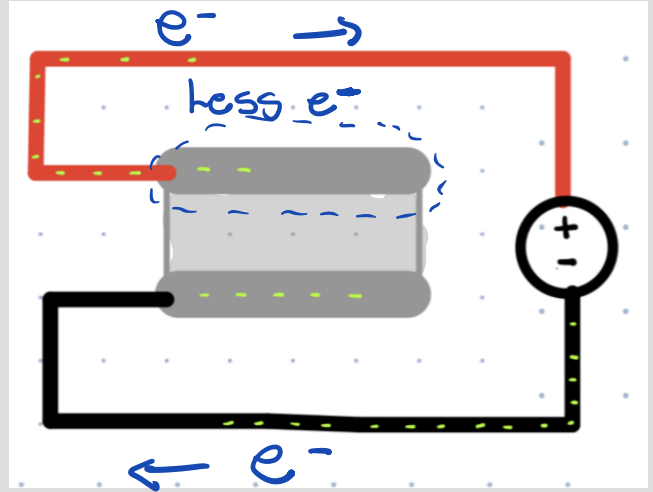
The Physics of a Capacitor

→ Once the switch is ON e^- flow!

t_0



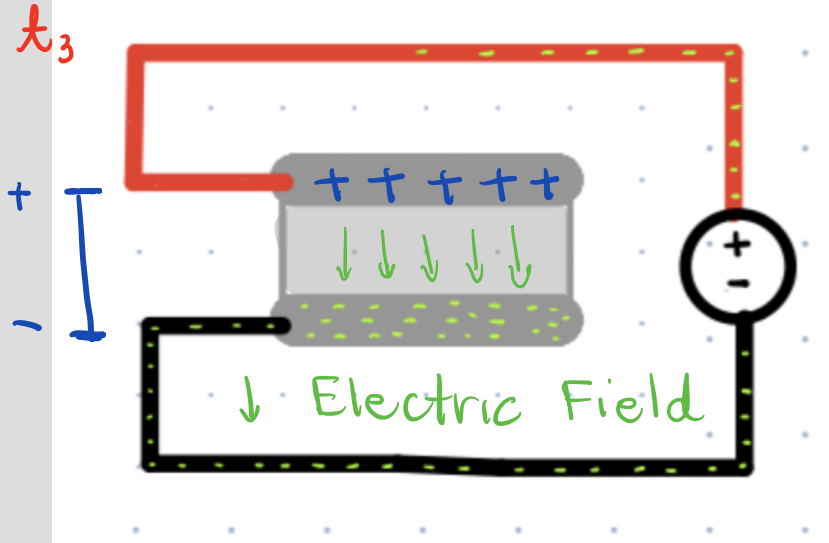
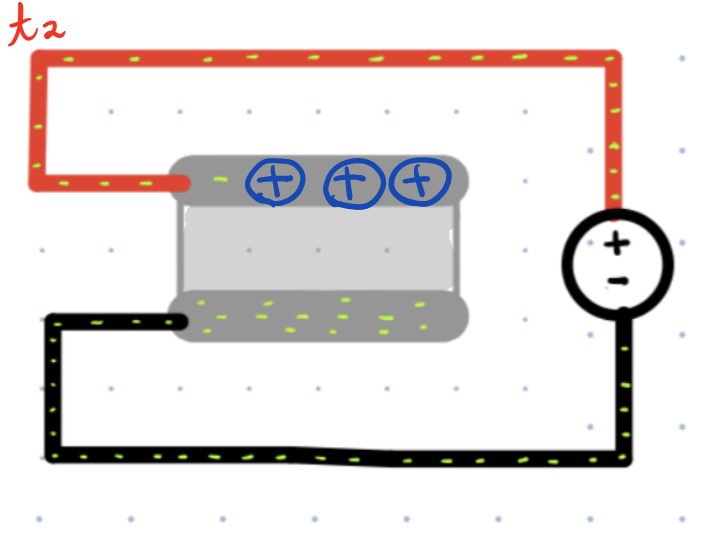
t_1



The Physics of a Capacitor

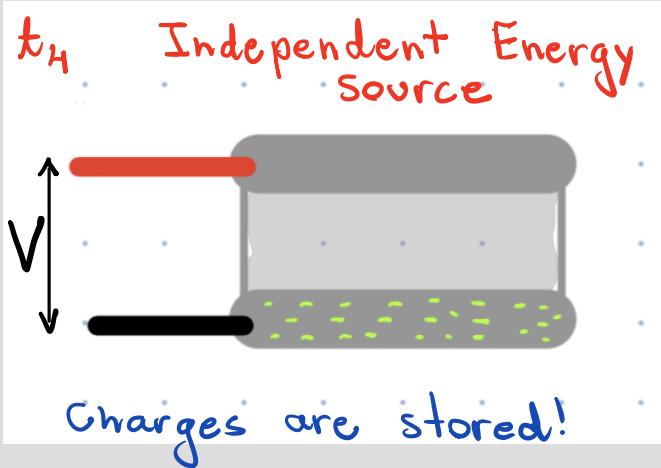
lack of electrons means holes!

h^+



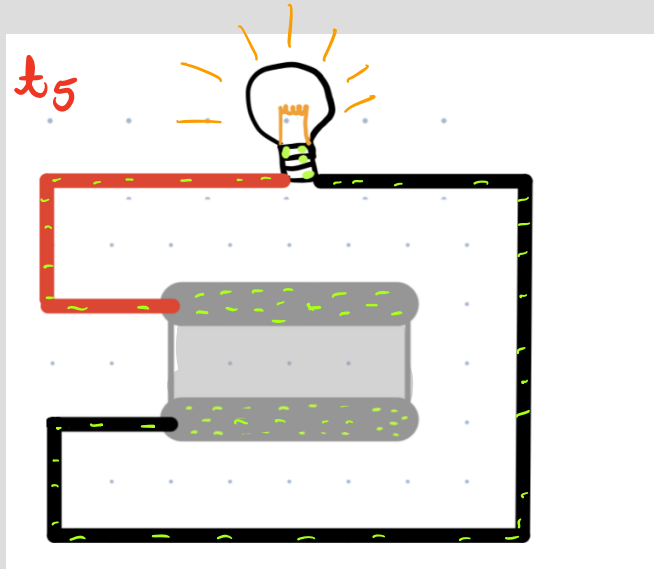
Potential difference
between the two
plates! } V

The Physics of a Capacitor



Every Capacitor can be charged up to a fixed Voltage.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X4EUwTwZ110>



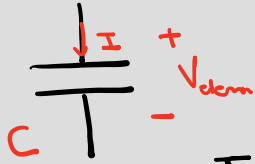
The capacitor will charge a "load" until the charges on the plate are equalized. (No change in V)

Charge storage device (like a 'bucket' for charge)

Holds electric charge when we apply a voltage across it, and gives up the stored charge to the circuit when voltage removed

Circuit Model: IV relationship

Capacitor Symbol



$$Q_{elem} = C \cdot V_{elem}$$

$[C]$ $[F]$ $[V]$
(Farad)

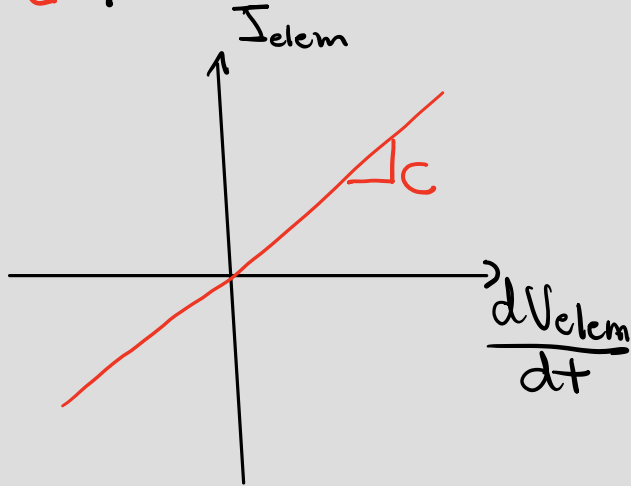
We know: $I_{elem} = \frac{dQ_{elem}}{dt}$

$$I_{elem} = \frac{d}{dt} C \cdot V_{elem}$$

$C = \text{constant over time}$

$$I_{elem} = C \cdot \frac{dV_{elem}}{dt}$$

→ Can use the same 7-step analysis.



Capacitance

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

$$[F] = \left[\frac{F}{m} \right] \left[\frac{m^2}{m} \right]$$

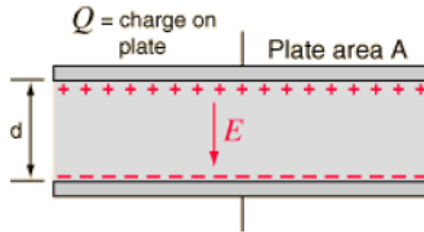
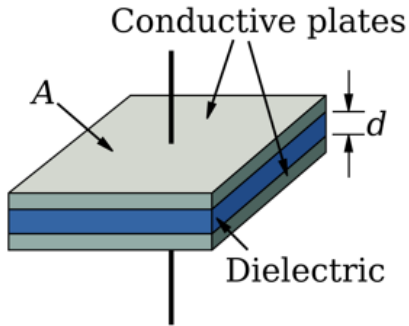
Depends on:

- Materials : ϵ permittivity

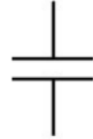
$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$$

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r$$

- Geometry of Conductors



Symbol:



Capacitance:

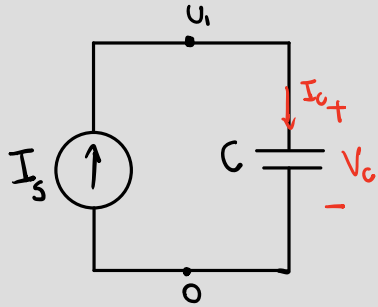
C

Units: Farads [F]

IV equation:

$$I = C \cdot \frac{dV}{dt}$$

Simple Circuit 1



KCL: $I_s = I_c$

Element Def.:

$$I_c = C \cdot \frac{dV_c}{dt}$$

Voltage Def:

$$u_i - 0 = V_c$$

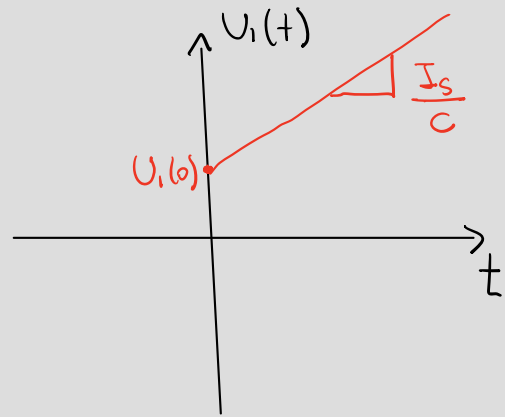
$$I_s = C \frac{dU_i}{dt} \times dt$$

$$I_s \cdot dt = C dU_i$$

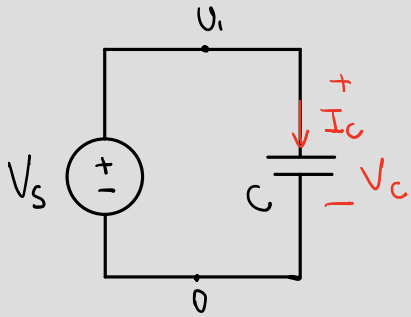
$$\int_0^t I_s dt = \int_{U_i(0)}^{U_i(t)} C \cdot dU_i$$

$$I_s t = C \cdot (U_i(t) - U_i(0))$$

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



Simple Circuit 2



$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_1 - 0 &= V_s \\ u_1 - 0 &= V_c \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Voltage Def.}$$

$$V_s = V_c$$

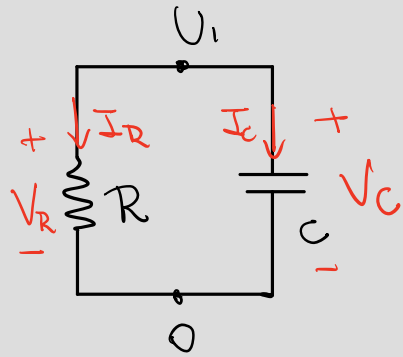
$$I_c = C \frac{dV_c}{dt} \quad (\text{capacitor Def.})$$

$$I_c = C \frac{dV_c}{dt} = C \cdot \frac{dV_s}{dt} = 0$$

Current in a capacitor is zero when a constant voltage source is across it.

Hint: We like zeros... they make our lives easier!

Simple Circuit 3



$$U_i = ?$$

Steady State:
means the Voltages
Settled.

If current is zero \Rightarrow  OPEN-CIRCUIT

looking for U_i value when
 $V_C = \text{const.}$ (steady-state)

$$I_C = C \frac{dV_C}{dt} = 0$$

$$\text{KCL: } I_C + I_R = 0$$

$$I_R = 0$$

$$\text{Ohm's law: } V_R = I_R R = 0$$

$$\text{Voltage Def: } U_i - 0 = V_R$$

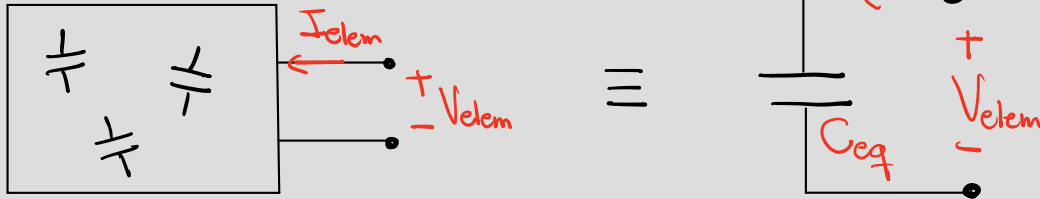
$$U_i = 0$$

Equivalent Circuits with Capacitors

* Capacitor-only circuits

~~Step 1: find V_{th} and I_{no}~~ no source

Step 2:
$$C_{eq} = \frac{I_{elem}}{\frac{dV_{elem}}{dt}}$$



only if
(match $\frac{dV_{elem}}{dt}$)

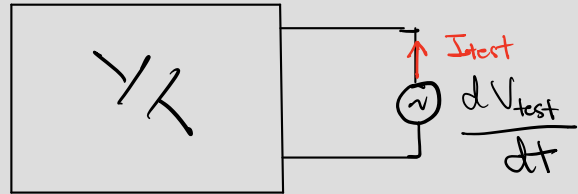
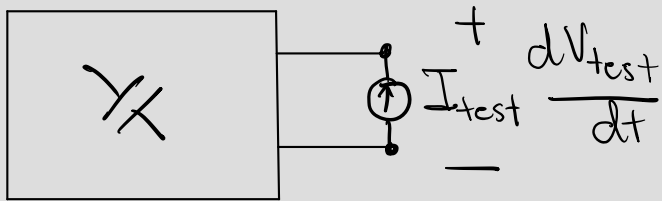
Two Methods:

a) Apply I_{test} and measure $\frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$

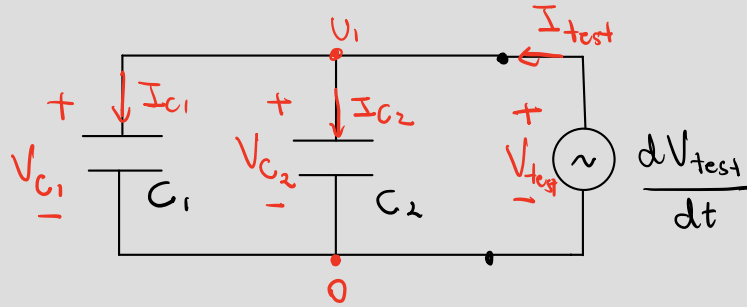
b) Apply $\frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$ and measure I_{test}

$$= C_{\text{eq}} = \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{\frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}}$$

(a)



Example 1



$$V_{C1} = U_1, V_{C2} = U_1 \text{ and}$$
$$U_1 = V_{test}$$

$$\frac{dU_1}{dt} = \frac{dV_{test}}{dt}$$

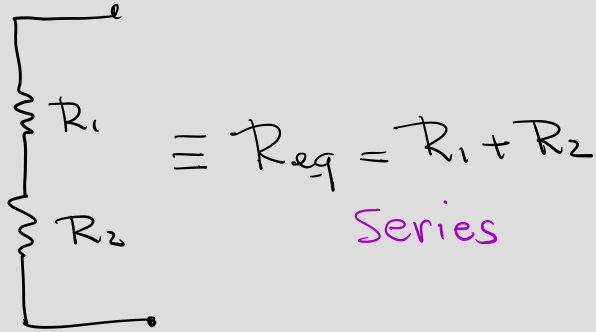
Elem def: $I_{C1} = C_1 \frac{dV_1}{dt} = C_1 \frac{dU_1}{dt} = C_1 \frac{dV_{test}}{dt}$

Elem def: $I_{C2} = C_2 \frac{dV_2}{dt} = C_2 \frac{dU_1}{dt} = C_2 \frac{dV_{test}}{dt}$

KCL: $I_{test} = I_{C1} + I_{C2} = C_1 \frac{dV_{test}}{dt} + C_2 \frac{dV_{test}}{dt}$

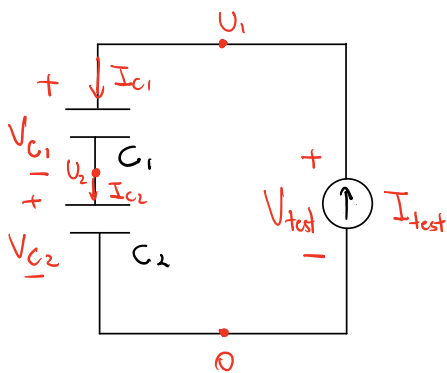
$$I_{\text{test}} = (C_1 + C_2) \frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}$$

$$C_{\text{eq}} = \frac{I_{\text{test}}}{\frac{dV_{\text{test}}}{dt}} = C_1 + C_2$$



Example 2 :

"Capacitors in series"



KCL : $I_{C1} = I_{C2} = I_{test}$

Elements :

$$I_{C2} = C_2 \frac{dV_{C2}}{dt}$$

$$I_{C1} = C_1 \frac{dV_{C1}}{dt}$$

Voltage Def :

$$V_{C2} = U_2 - 0$$

$$V_{C1} = U_1 - U_2$$

$$V_{test} = U_1 - 0$$

For V_{C2} :

$$I_{C2} = C_2 \frac{dV_{C2}}{dt}$$

$$I_{test} = C_2 \frac{dU_2}{dt} = \frac{dU_2}{dt} = \frac{I_{test}}{C_2}$$

For V_{C1} :

$$I_{C1} = C_1 \frac{dV_{C1}}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dV_{C1}}{dt} = \frac{I_{C1}}{C_1} = \frac{dU_1 - dU_2}{dt} = \frac{I_{test}}{C_1}$$

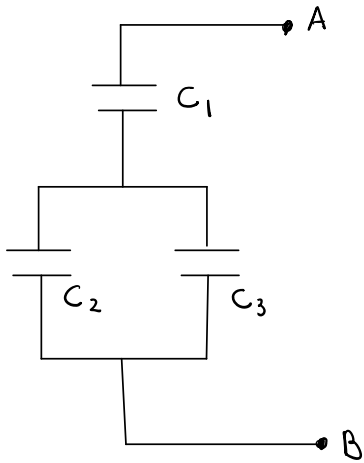
$$\frac{dU_1}{dt} = \frac{dU_2}{dt} + \frac{I_{test}}{C_1} = \frac{I_{test}}{C_2} + \frac{I_{test}}{C_1}$$

$$\frac{dU_1}{dt} = \frac{dV_{test}}{dt} = I_{test} \left(\frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_1} \right)$$

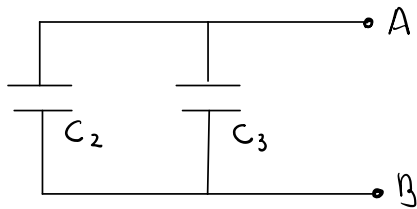
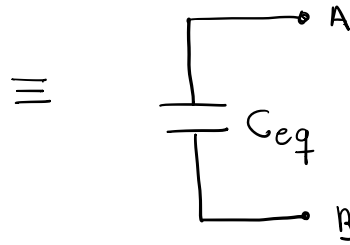
$$C_{eq} = \frac{I_{test}}{\frac{dV_{test}}{dt}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} = C_1 \parallel C_2$$

$C_{eq} = C_1 \parallel C_2$ (\parallel - parallel mathematical operator)

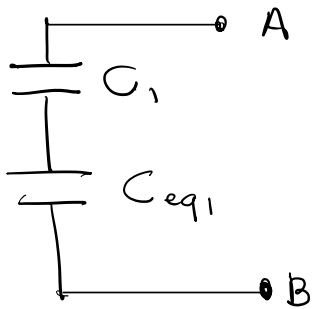
Example 3



$$C_{eq} = C_1 \parallel (C_2 + C_3)$$

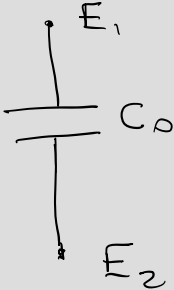
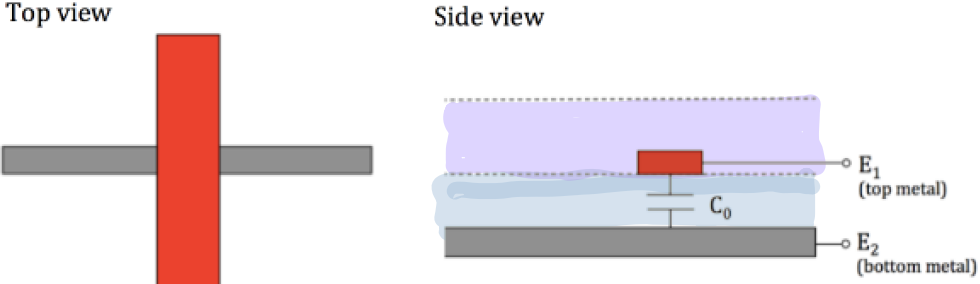


$$\Rightarrow C_{eq1} = C_2 + C_3$$



$$C_{eq} = C_1 \parallel C_{eq1}$$

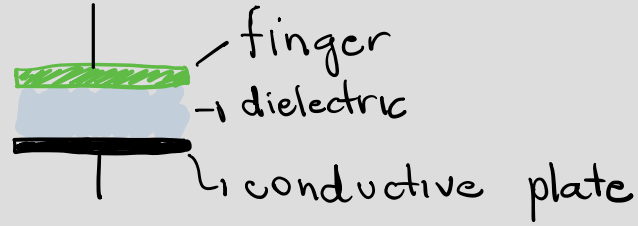
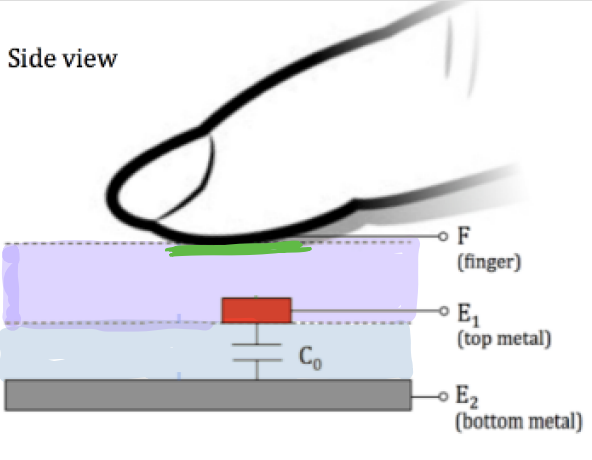
Capacitive Touchscreen – Model without touch



$$C_0 = \epsilon \cdot \frac{A}{d}$$

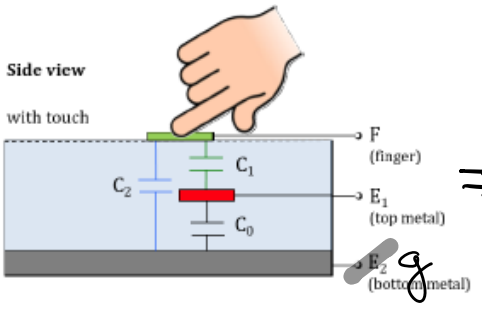
Capacitive Touchscreen – Model with touch

When there is a touch, it makes a capacitor!

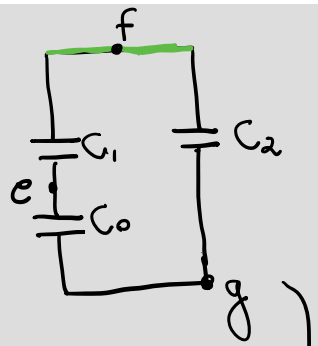


Problem: How can Voltage/Current when the finger is one of the terminals?

Solution: Models / Good architecture



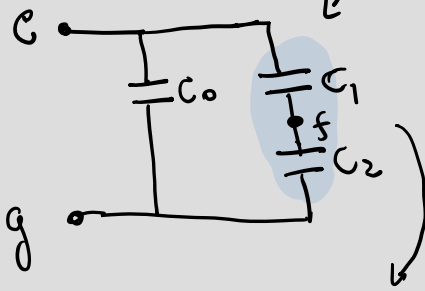
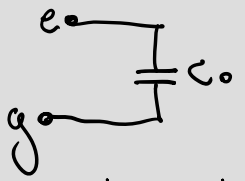
⇒ circuit model



We only have access to nodes e and g, not f

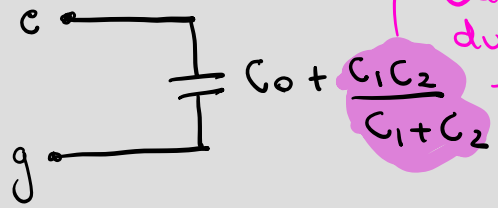
Redraw to focus on terminals (nodes) e and g

when no touch:

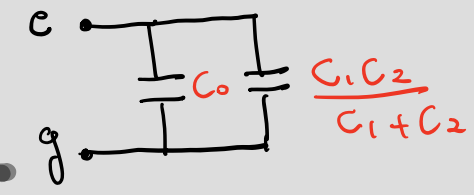


Equivalent capacitance for C1 in series with C2

with touch:



Extra Capacitance due to touch!



⇒ Equiv. Capacitance for C0 in parallel to $\frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$