

Electrostatics

Coulomb's Law

$$\vec{F}_{12} = \frac{kq_1q_2}{r_{12}^2} \hat{r}_{12}$$

Electric field

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}}{q_0}$$

Electric field due to point charge

$$\vec{E}_{iP} = \frac{kq_i}{r_{iP}^2} \hat{r}_{iP}$$

Electric field due to a system of points

$$\vec{E}_P = \sum_i \vec{E}_{iP}$$

Dipole moment

$$\vec{p} = q\vec{L}$$

Torque on a dipole

$$\tau = pE \sin \theta$$

Potential energy of a dipole

$$U = -pE \cos \theta + U_0$$

Electric field for continuous charge distribution

$$\vec{E} = \int \frac{k\hat{r}}{r^2} dq$$

Electric flux

$$\phi = \int_s \vec{E} \cdot \hat{n} dA$$

Electric flux for uniform field

$$\phi = EA \cos \theta$$

Gauss's law

$$\phi_{net} = \frac{Q_{inside}}{\epsilon_0}$$

Electric field due to a line of charge of infinite length

$$E_R = 2k \frac{\lambda}{R}$$

Electric field on the axis of a charged ring

$$E_z = \frac{kQz}{(z^2 + a^2)^{3/2}}$$

Electric field on the axis of a charged disk

$$E_z = \text{sign}(z) \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left[1 - \left(1 + \frac{R^2}{z^2} \right)^{-1/2} \right]$$

Electric field due to an infinite plane

$$E_z = \text{sign}(z) \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$

Electric field due to a thin spherical shell

$$E_r = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \quad r > R$$

$$E_r = 0 \quad r < R$$

Constants

Magnitude of electron charge

$$e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

Coulomb's constant

$$k = 8.99 \times 10^9 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2 / \text{C}^2$$

Permittivity of free space

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{4\pi k} = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 / (\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2)$$

Mass of electron

$$m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$$

Equations from 121

Kinematic equations

$$v_x = v_{0x} + a_x t$$

$$v_{av,x} = \frac{1}{2}(v_{0x} + v_x)$$

$$\Delta x = x - x_0 = v_{av,x} t = \frac{1}{2}(v_{0x} + v_x) t$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2 + v_{0x} t$$

$$v_x^2 = v_{0x}^2 + 2a_x \Delta x$$

Kinetic energy

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

Newton's second law

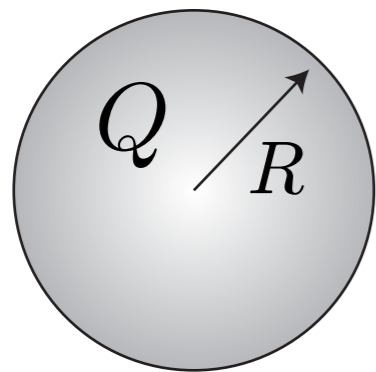
$$\vec{F}_{net} = m\vec{a}$$

Newton's third law

$$\vec{F}_{12} = -\vec{F}_{21}$$

Capacitance

- **Capacitance:** *Capacity (or efficiency)* of conductor to hold charge at a potential difference.



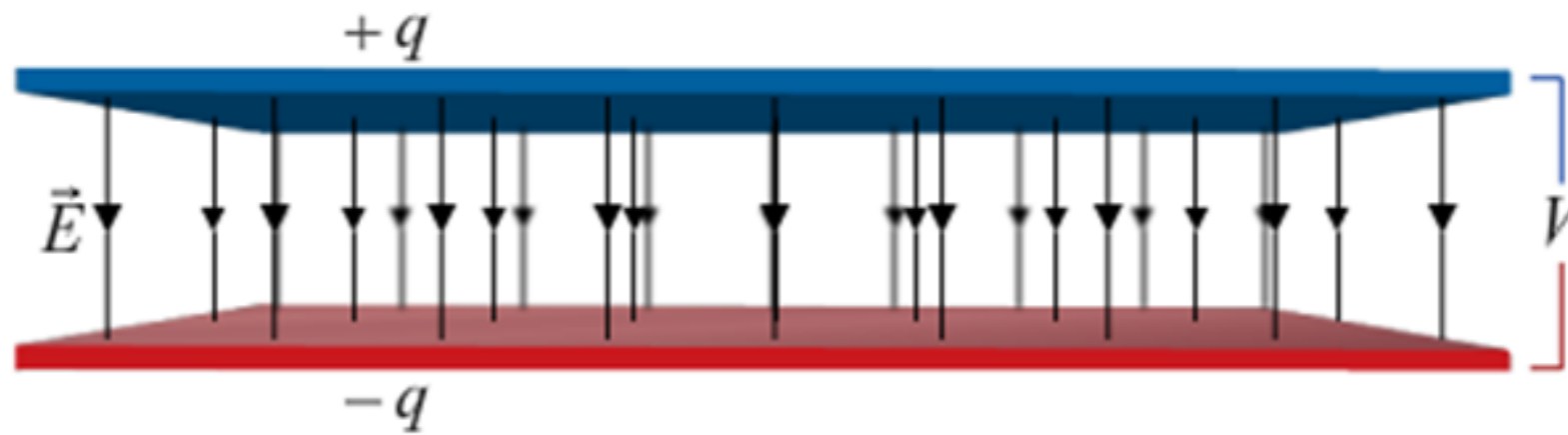
$$V(R) = \frac{kQ}{R}$$

- In general, we always find that whatever the geometry of the conductor:

$$V = Q/C$$

- where the **capacitance C** depends on the geometry

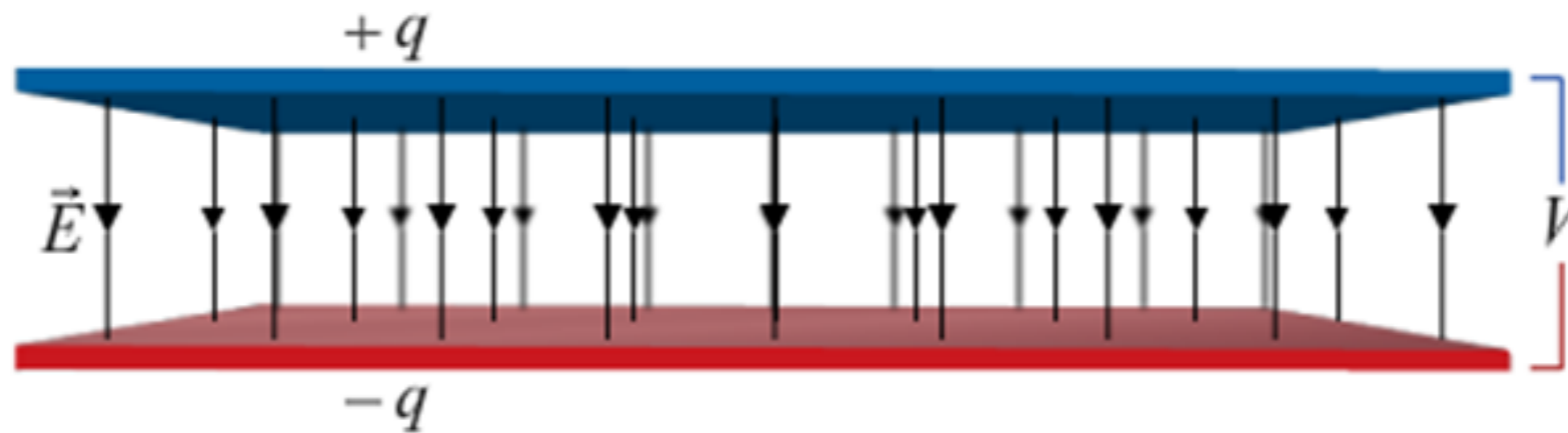
Compute C for a plate capacitor...



$$Q = CV$$

work it out...

Compute C for a plate capacitor...

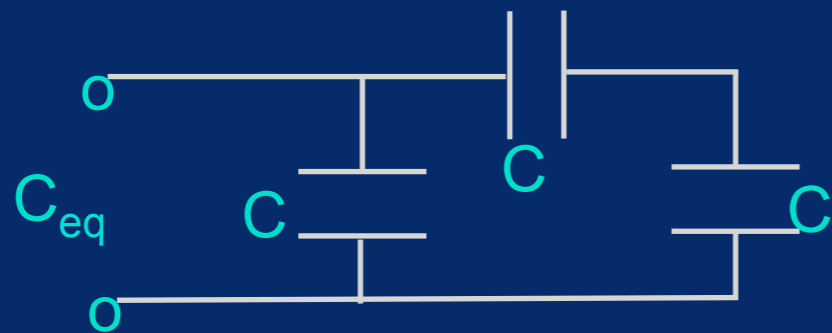


$$Q = CV \qquad C = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d}$$

Intuitive meaning...

Adding capacitors (pictorially)

What is the equivalent capacitance, C_{eq} , of the combination shown?



(a) $C_{eq} = (3/2)C$

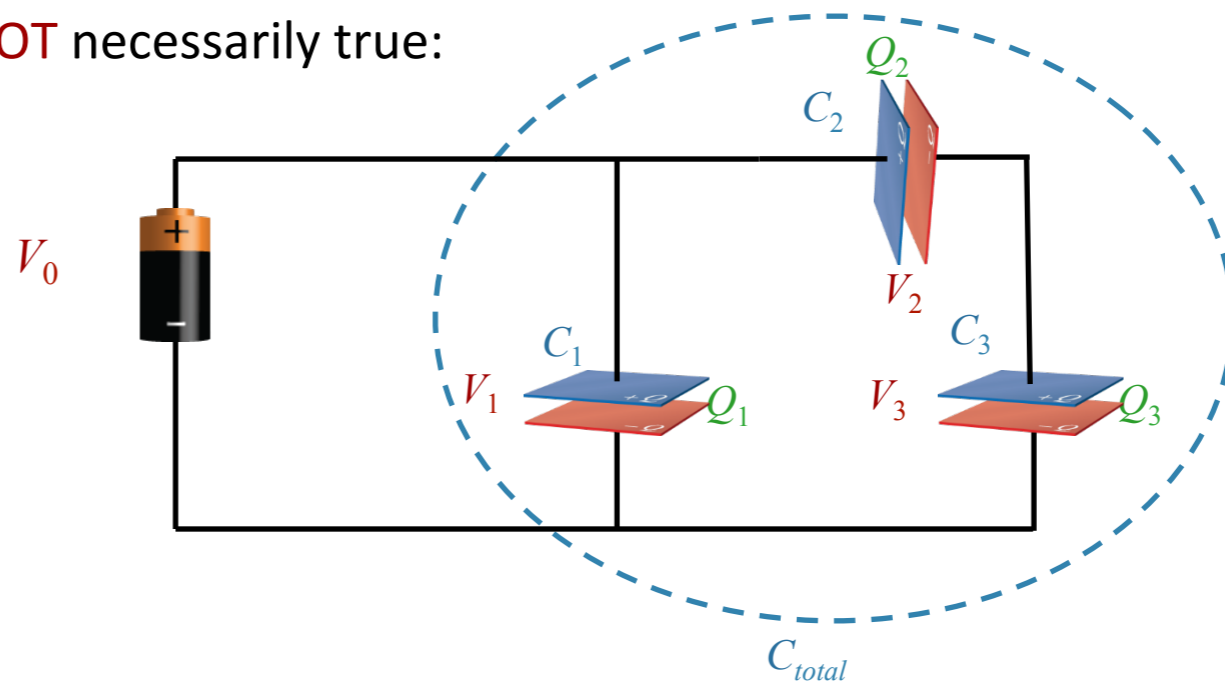
(b) $C_{eq} = (2/3)C$

(c) $C_{eq} = 3C$

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Which of the following is **NOT** necessarily true:

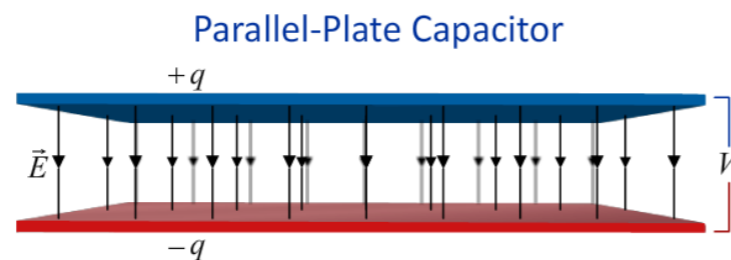
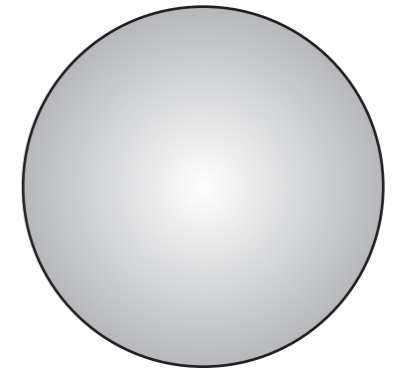
- A) $V_0 = V_1$
- B) $C_{total} > C_1$
- C) $V_2 = V_3$
- D) $Q_2 = Q_3$
- E) $V_1 = V_2 + V_3$



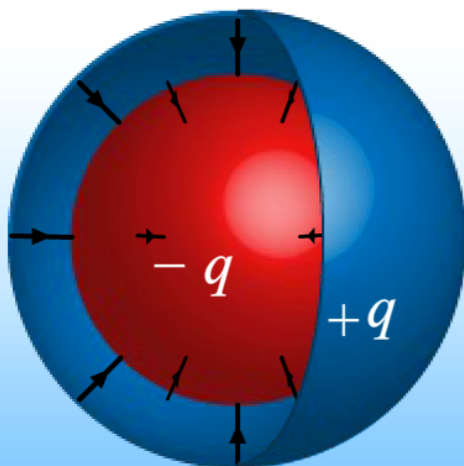
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Capacitors

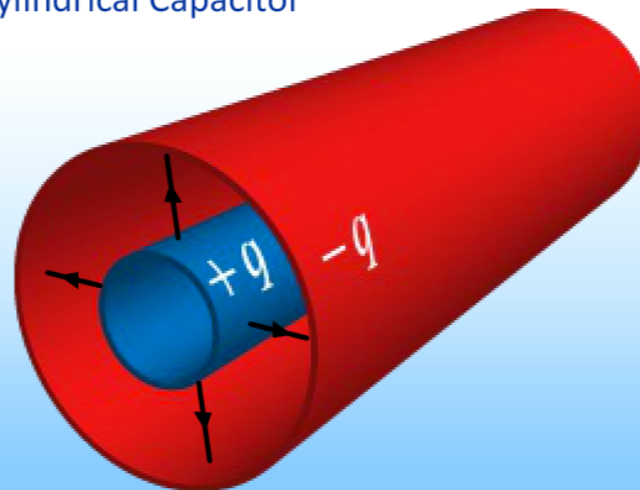
- Not just planes...
spheres, cylinders, plates,
isolated conductor...



Spherical Capacitor



Cylindrical Capacitor



Capacitance
depends only
on geometry
(not charge).

Messing with capacitors