

MEGA LECTURE

Q1.

- 8 (a) Q/V , with symbols explained [do not allow in terms of units] **B1 [1]**
- (b) (i) on a capacitor, there is charge separation/there are + and - charges **M1**
either to separate charges, work must be done
or energy released when charges 'come together' **A1 [2]**
- (ii) either energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ or energy = $\frac{1}{2}QV$ and $C = Q/V$ **C1**
 change = $\frac{1}{2} \times 1200 \times 10^{-6} (50^2 - 15^2)$ **C1**
 change = 1.4 J (1.37) **A1 [3]**
 [allow 2 marks for $\frac{1}{2}C(\Delta V)^2$, giving energy = 0.74 J]

Q2.

- 5 (a) at $t = 1.0$ s, $V = 2.5$ V **C1**
 energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ **C1**
 $0.13 = \frac{1}{2} \times C \times (8.0^2 - 2.5^2)$ **M1**
 $C = 4500 \mu\text{F}$ **A0 [3]**
- (b) use of two capacitors in series in all branches of combination **M1**
 connected into correct parallel arrangement **A1 [2]**

Q3.

- 5 (a) (i) ratio of charge (on body) and its potential **B1 [1]**
(do not allow reference to plates of a capacitor)
- (ii) (potential at surface of sphere =) $V = Q / 4\pi\epsilon_0 r$ **M1**
 $C = Q / V = 4\pi\epsilon_0 r$ **A0 [1]**
- (b) (i) $C = 4 \times \pi \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 0.36$
 $= 4.0 \times 10^{-11}$ F (allow 1 s.f.) **A1 [1]**
- (ii) $Q = CV$
 $= 4.0 \times 10^{-11} \times 7.0 \times 10^5$
 $= 2.8 \times 10^{-5}$ C **A1 [1]**
- (c) plastic is an insulator / not a conductor / has no free electrons **B1**
 charges do not move (on an insulator) **B1**
either so no single value for the potential
or charge cannot be considered to be at centre **B1 [3]**
- (d) *either* energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ *or* energy = $\frac{1}{2}QV$ and $C = Q/V$ **C1**
 energy = $\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 10^{-11} \times \{(7.0 \times 10^5)^2 - (2.5 \times 10^5)^2\}$ **C1**
 = 8.6 J **A1 [3]**

Q4.



- 5 (a) e.g. 'storage of charge' / storage of energy
 blocking of direct current
 producing of electrical oscillations
 smoothing
 (any two, 1 mark each) B2 [2]
- (b) (i) capacitance of parallel combination = 60 μF C1
 total capacitance = 20 μF A1 [2]
- (ii) p.d. across parallel combination = $\frac{1}{2}$ \times p.d. across single capacitor C1
 maximum is 9V A1 [2]
- (c) *either* energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ *or* energy = $\frac{1}{2}QV$ and $Q = CV$ C1
 energy = $\frac{1}{2} \times 4700 \times 10^{-6} \times (18^2 - 12^2)$ C1
 = 0.42 J A1 [3]

Q5.

- 3 (a) charges on plates are equal and opposite M1
 so no resultant charge A1
 energy stored because there is charge separation B1 [3]
- (b) (i) capacitance = Q / V C1
 = $(18 \times 10^{-3}) / 10$
 = 1800 μF A1 [2]
- (ii) use of area under graph *or* energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ C1
 energy = $2.5 \times 15.7 \times 10^{-3}$ *or* energy = $\frac{1}{2} \times 1800 \times 10^{-6} \times (10^2 - 7.5^2)$
 = 39 mJ A1 [2]
- (c) combined capacitance of Y & Z = 20 μF *or* total capacitance = 6.67 μF C1
 p.d. across capacitor X = 8V *or* p.d. across combination = 12V C1
 charge = $10 \times 10^{-6} \times 8$ *or* $6.67 \times 10^{-6} \times 12$
 = 80 μC A1 [3]

Q6.

- 5 (a) two capacitors in series B1
 or any circuit such that $V \leq 25$ V across any C B1
 in parallel with second series pair or any correct combination B1 [2]
- (b) two capacitors in series in parallel with a single capacitor B2
 or other correct combination B2 [2]
 (leads not shown, then -1 overall)

Q7.


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- 5 (a) e.g. separate charges, store energy, smoothing circuit. etc.B1 [1]
 (allow 'stores charge')
- (b) (i) charge = current \times timeB1 [1]
- (ii) area is 21.2 cm^2 (allow $\pm 0.5 \text{ cm}^2$)C2
 (allow 1 mark if outside $\pm 0.5 \text{ cm}^2$ but within $\pm 1.0 \text{ cm}^2$)
 1.0 cm^2 represents $(0.125 \times 10^{-3} \times 1.25 =)$ $156 \mu\text{C}$ C1
 charge = $3300 \mu\text{C}$ A1 [4]
- (iii) capacitance = Q/V C1
 = $(3300 \times 10^{-6}) / 15$
 = $220 \mu\text{F}$ A1 [2]
- (c) either energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ or energy = $\frac{1}{2}QV$ and $C = Q/V$ C1
 $\frac{1}{2} \times C \times 15^2 = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times C \times V^2$ C1
 $V = 10.6 \text{ V}$ A1 [3]

Q8.

- 4 (a) charge / potential(ratio must be clear) B1 [1]
- (b) potential (at surface of sphere) = $Q / 4\pi\epsilon_0 R$ M1
 $C = Q / V = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R$ A0 [1]
- (c) (i) $C = 4\pi \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 0.63$ C1
 = 7.0×10^{-11} A1
 farad / FB1 [3]
- (ii) energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ C1
 $0.25 \times \frac{1}{2}C \times (1.2 \times 10^6)^2 = \frac{1}{2}CV^2$ C1
 $V = 6.0 \times 10^5 \text{ V}$ A1 [3]
 (use of 0.75 rather than 0.25, allow max 2 marks)

[Total: 8]

Q9.



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- 4 (a) charge / potential (difference) (*ratio must be clear*) B1 [1]
- (b) (i) $V = Q / 4\pi\epsilon_0 r$ B1 [1]
- (ii) $C = Q / V = 4\pi\epsilon_0 r$ and $4\pi\epsilon_0$ is constant
so $C \propto r$ M1
A0 [1]
- (c) (i) $r = C / 4\pi\epsilon_0 r$ C1
 $r = (6.8 \times 10^{-12}) / (4\pi \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12})$ C1
 $= 6.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{m}$ A1 [3]
- (ii) $Q = CV = 6.8 \times 10^{-12} \times 220$ A1 [1]
 $= 1.5 \times 10^{-9} \text{C}$
- (d) (i) $V = Q/C = (1.5 \times 10^{-9}) / (18 \times 10^{-12})$ A1 [1]
 $= 83 \text{V}$
- (ii) *either* energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ C1
 $\Delta E = \frac{1}{2} \times 6.8 \times 10^{-12} \times 220^2 - \frac{1}{2} \times 18 \times 10^{-12} \times 83^2$ C1
 $= 1.65 \times 10^{-7} - 6.2 \times 10^{-8}$
 $= 1.03 \times 10^{-7} \text{J}$ A1 [3]
- or* energy = $\frac{1}{2}QV$ (C1)
 $\Delta E = \frac{1}{2} \times 1.5 \times 10^{-9} \times 220 - \frac{1}{2} \times 1.5 \times 10^{-9} \times 83$ (C1)
 $= 1.03 \times 10^{-7} \text{J}$ (A1)

Q10.

- 4 (a) (i) work done moving unit positive charge from infinity to the point M1
A1 [2]
- (ii) charge / potential (difference) (*ratio must be clear*) B1 [1]
- (b) (i) capacitance = $(2.7 \times 10^{-6}) / (150 \times 10^3)$ C1
(*allow any appropriate values*)
capacitance = 1.8×10^{-11} (*allow 1.8 ± 0.05*) A1 [2]
- (ii) *either* energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ *or* energy = $\frac{1}{2}QV$ *and* $Q = CV$ C1
energy = $\frac{1}{2} \times 1.8 \times 10^{-11} \times (150 \times 10^3)^2$ *or* $\frac{1}{2} \times 2.7 \times 10^{-6} \times 150 \times 10^3$
 $= 0.20 \text{ J}$ A1 [2]
- (c) *either* since energy $\propto V^2$, capacitor has $(\frac{1}{2})^2$ of its energy left
or full formula treatment C1
energy lost = 0.15 J A1 [2]

Q11.

- 4 (a) e.g. storing energy
 separating charge
 blocking d.c.
 producing electrical oscillations
 tuning circuits
 smoothing
 preventing sparks
 timing circuits
(any two sensible suggestions, 1 each, max 2) B2 [2]
- (b) (i) $-Q$ (induced) on opposite plate of C_1
 by charge conservation, charges are $-Q, +Q, -Q, +Q, -Q$ B1
 B1 [2]
- (ii) total p.d. $V = V_1 + V_2 + V_3$ B1
 $Q/C = Q/C_1 + Q/C_2 + Q/C_3$ B1
 $1/C = 1/C_1 + 1/C_2 + 1/C_3$ A0 [2]
- (c) (i) energy = $\frac{1}{2}CV^2$ or energy = $\frac{1}{2}QV$ and $C = Q/V$ C1
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 10^{-6} \times 9.0^2$
 $= 4.9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$ A1 [2]
- (ii) energy dissipated in (resistance of) wire/as a spark B1 [1]

Q12.

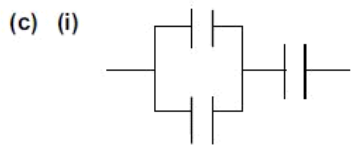
- 5 (a) (i) ratio of charge and potential (difference)/voltage
(ratio must be clear) B1 [1]
- (ii) capacitor has equal magnitudes of (+)ve and (-)ve charge
total charge on capacitor is zero (so does not store charge)
 (+)ve and (-)ve charges to be separated
 work done to achieve this so stores energy B1
 B1
 M1
 A1 [4]
- (b) (i) capacitance of Y and Z together is $24 \mu\text{F}$ C1
 $1/C = 1/24 + 1/12$
 $C = 8.0 \mu\text{F}$ (allow 1 s.f.) A1 [2]
- (ii) some discussion as to why all charge of one sign on one plate of X
 $Q = (CV) = 8.0 \times 10^{-6} \times 9.0$ B1
 $= 72 \mu\text{C}$ M1
 A0 [2]
- (iii) 1. $V = (72 \times 10^{-6}) / (12 \times 10^{-6})$
 $= 6.0 \text{ V}$ (allow 1 s.f.) (allow 72/12) A1 [1]
2. either $Q = 12 \times 10^{-6} \times 3.0$ or charge is shared between Y and Z
 charge = $36 \mu\text{C}$ C1
Must have correct voltage in (iii)1 if just quote of $36 \mu\text{C}$ in (iii)2. A1 [2]

Q13.

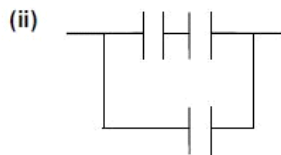
4 (a) e.g. store energy (do not allow 'store charge')
 in smoothing circuits
 blocking d.c.
 in oscillators
any sensible suggestions, one each, max. 2 B2 [2]

(b) (i) potential across each capacitor is the same and $Q = CV$ B1 [1]

(ii) total charge $Q = Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3$
 $CV = C_1V + C_2V + C_3V$
 (allow $Q = CV$ here or in (i))
 so $C = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ M1
M1
A0 [2]



A1 [1]



A1 [1]

Q14.

6 (a) (i) energy = EQ C1
 $= 9.0 \times 22 \times 10^{-3}$
 $= 0.20 \text{ J}$ A1 [2]

(ii) 1. $C = Q/V$ C1
 $V = (22 \times 10^{-3}) / (4700 \times 10^{-6})$
 $= 4.7 \text{ V}$ A1 [2]

2. either $E = \frac{1}{2}CV^2$ C1
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 4700 \times 10^{-6} \times 4.7^2$
 $= 5.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ J}$ A1 [2]

or $E = \frac{1}{2}QV$ (C1)
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 22 \times 10^{-3} \times 4.7$
 $= 5.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ J}$ (A1)

or $E = \frac{1}{2}Q^2/C$ (C1)
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times (22 \times 10^{-3})^2 / 4700 \times 10^{-6}$
 $= 5.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ J}$ (A1)

(b) energy lost (as thermal energy) in resistance/wires/battery/resistor B1 [1]
(award only if answer in (a)(i) > answer in (a)(ii)2)

Q15.

- 6 (a) for the two capacitors in parallel, capacitance = $96 \mu\text{F}$ C1
for complete arrangement, $1/C_T = 1/96 + 1/48$ A1 [2]
 $C_T = 32 \mu\text{F}$
- (b) p.d. across parallel combination is one half p.d. across single capacitor C1
total p.d. = 9V A1 [2]

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