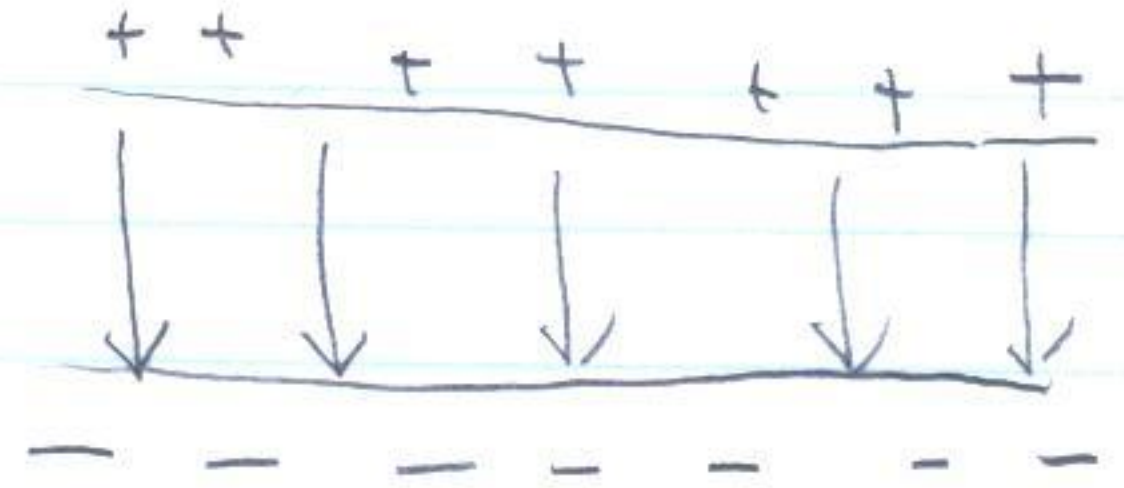
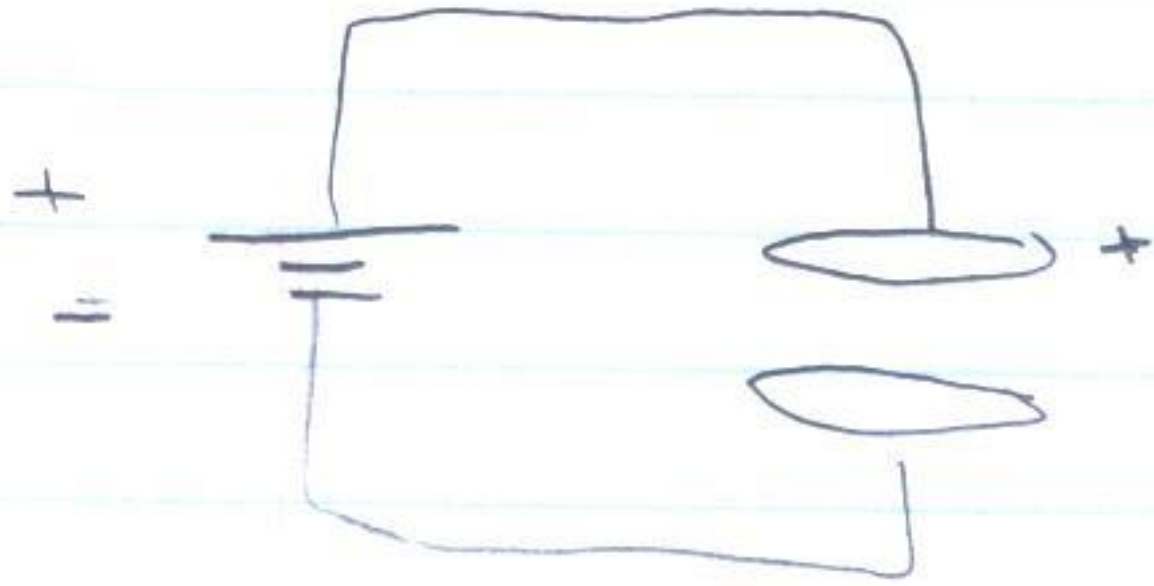


# Capacitance :



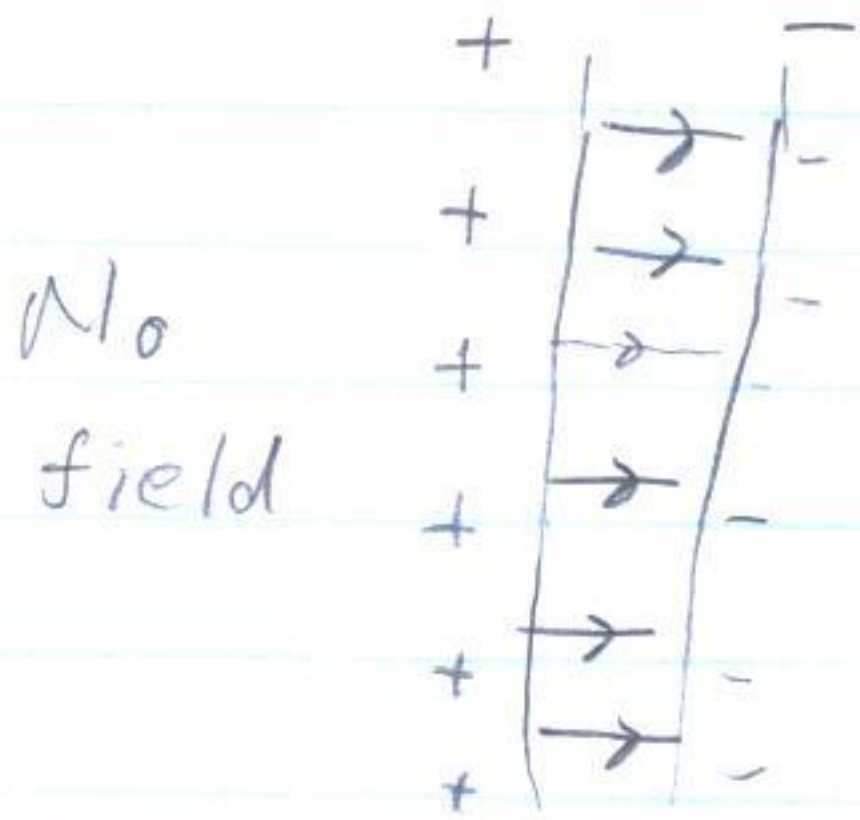
$$Q \propto \Delta V$$

$$Q = C \Delta V \Rightarrow \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = C \Rightarrow \text{Units} = \frac{\text{Coulomb}}{\text{V}}$$

$$= 1 \text{ F}$$

↑

## Parallel Plate Cap



No field

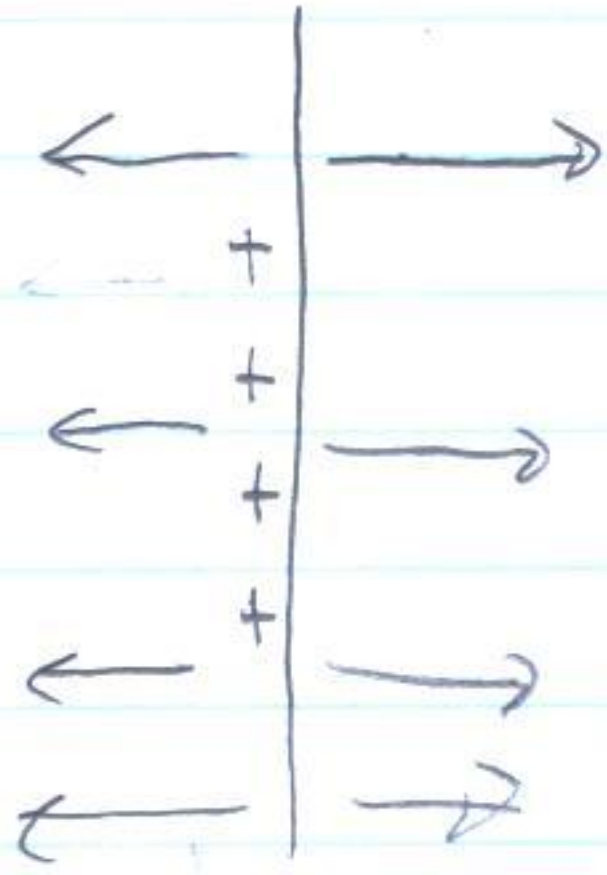
enormous

$$= 1 \mu\text{F} \approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$$

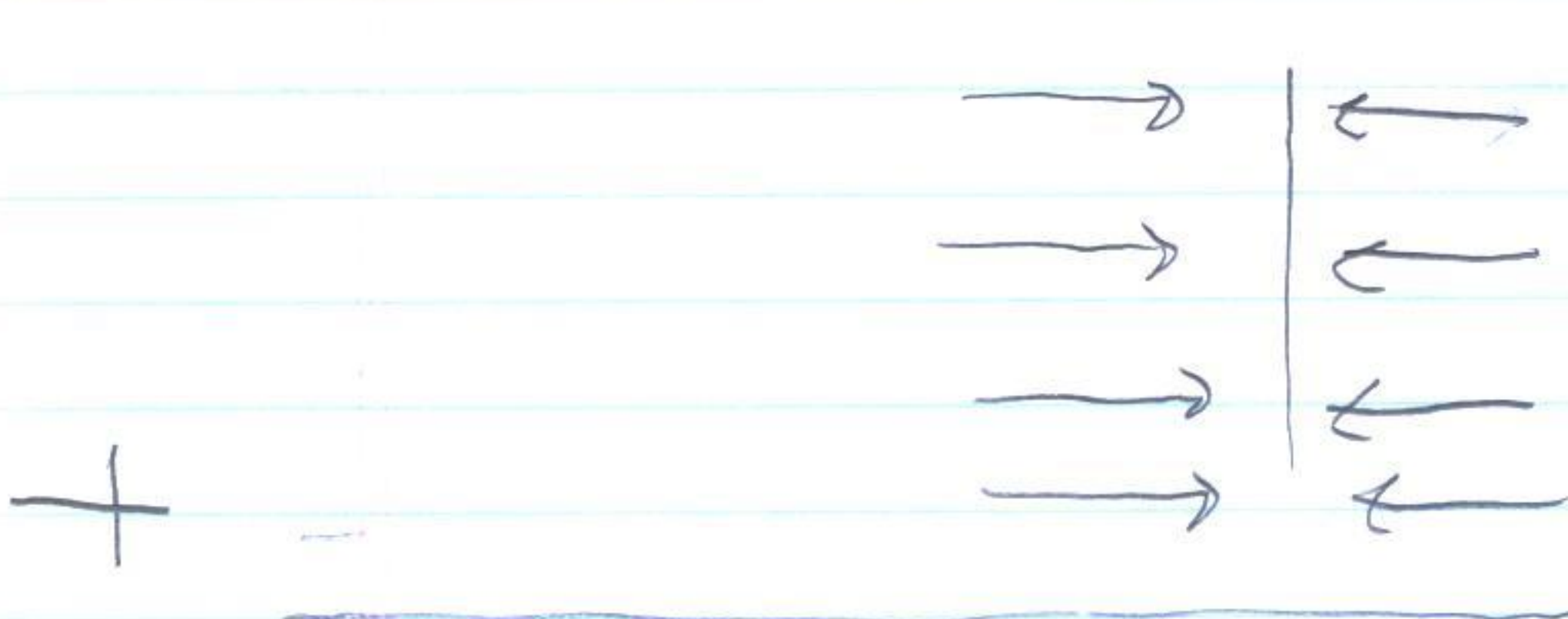
↑ typical

$$= 1 \text{ pF} \approx 1 \times 10^{-12}$$

Small

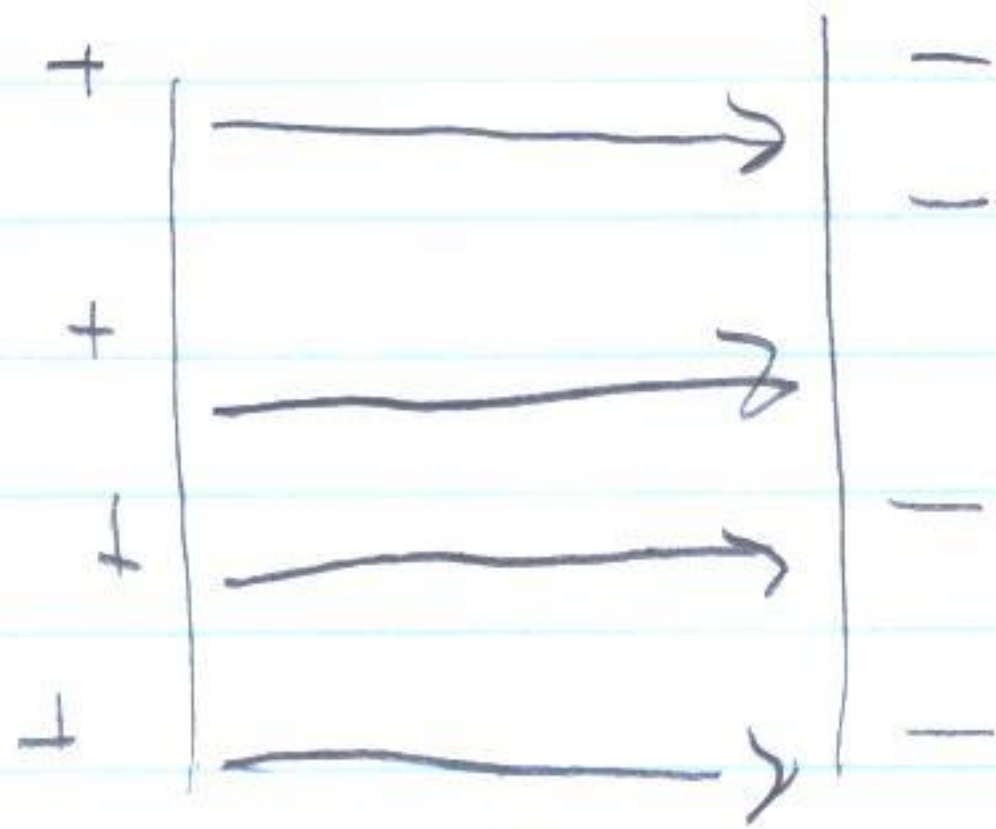


$$E = \frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$$



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$$E = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Delta V = Ed \quad \text{so} \quad C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q}{\frac{Q}{A} \frac{d}{\epsilon_0}}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} d = \frac{Q}{A} \frac{d}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$C = \frac{A \epsilon_0}{d}$$

• Its a function of Geometry only!

Units

Example

A parallel plate cap has area  $2 \text{ cm}^2$  and a separation of  $1 \text{ mm}$ . Calculate  $C$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} = \frac{(8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/\text{Nm}^2) (2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2)}{1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}}$$

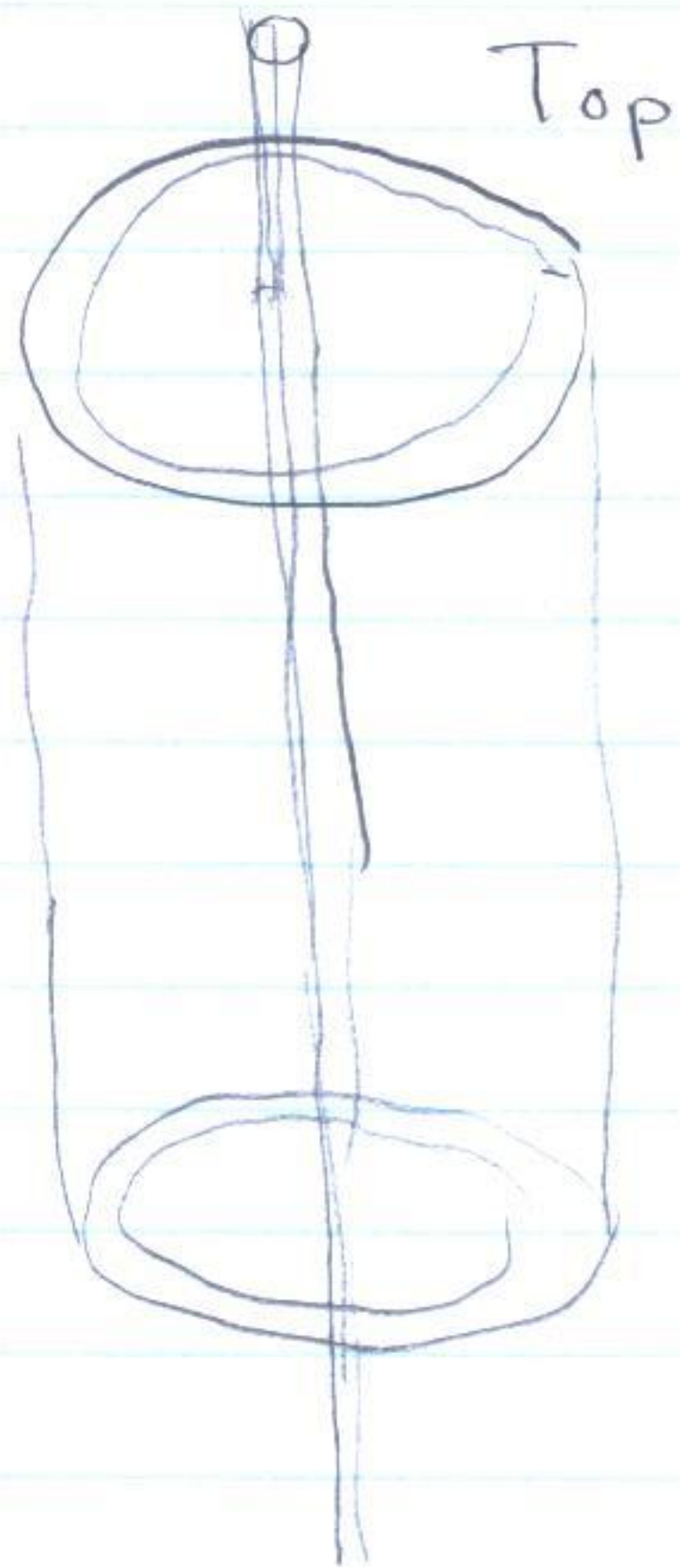
$$= 1.77 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F} = 1.77 \text{ pF}$$

• Typical Construction

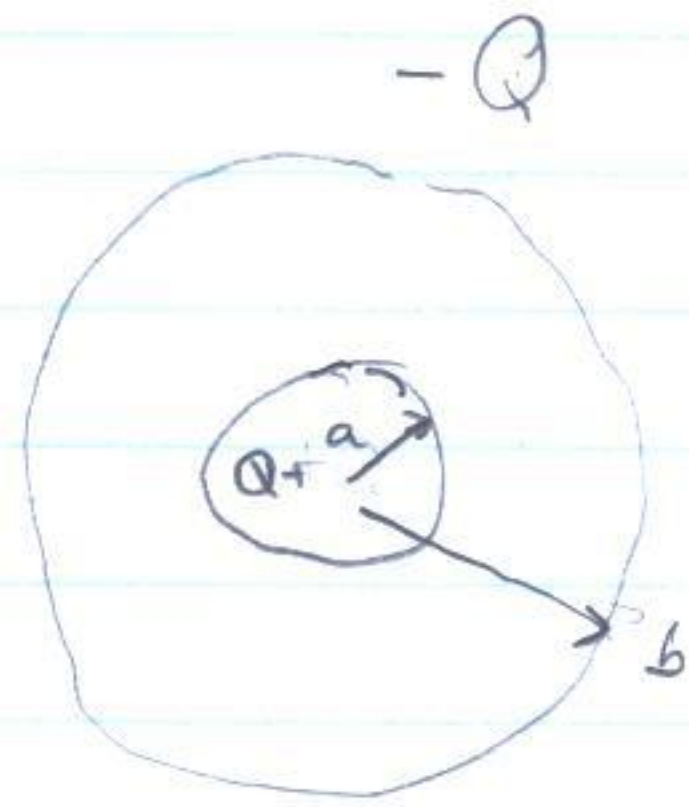
• Polystyrene / Paper  $\rightarrow$  add coated with metal

• Ceramic / metal

# Coaxial Cable



Side :



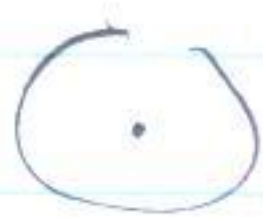
Find the capacitance of the cable:

- Calculate the Electric Field / Potential Gauss

You will Find  $V \propto \# Q$  (use  $Q = \sigma A$ ,  $Q = \lambda L$  etc)

$$C = \frac{V}{Q} = \#$$

Solution

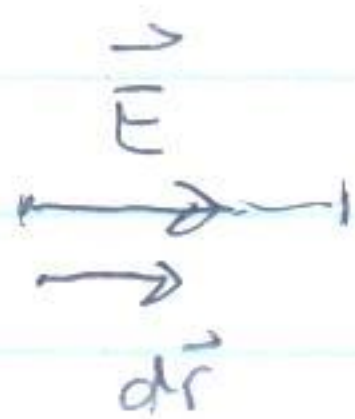


Gauss Law:

$$E \cdot \overbrace{(2\pi r) L}^{\text{Area}} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} (Q_{\text{enc}})$$

$$E = \frac{2 k_e Q}{L r} = \frac{2 k_e Q}{L r}$$

$$V_b - V_a = - \int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = - \int_a^b \frac{2 k_e Q}{L} \frac{1}{r} dr = \frac{2 k_e Q}{L} \log r \Big|_a^b$$



$$V_b - V_a = - \frac{2 k_e Q}{L} (\log b - \log a) = - \frac{2 k_e Q}{L} \ln \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\Delta V = + \frac{2 k_e Q}{L} \ln \frac{b}{a}$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q}{\frac{2 k_e Q}{L} \ln \frac{b}{a}} = \frac{L}{2 k_e \ln \frac{b}{a}}$$

Usually we are more interested in:

$$C/L = \text{Capacitance / Length} = \frac{1}{2 k_e \ln b/a}$$

Numerically:  $b \sim 10$   
 $a$

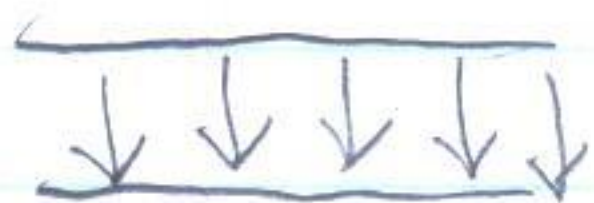
$$\ln 10 = 2.3$$

$$\frac{C}{L} = \frac{1}{2k_e} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln b/a} \approx 24 \frac{\text{pF}}{\text{m}}$$

~ Amateur radio people say that coaxial cable has

$$\frac{C}{L} \sim 12 \text{ pF / foot}$$

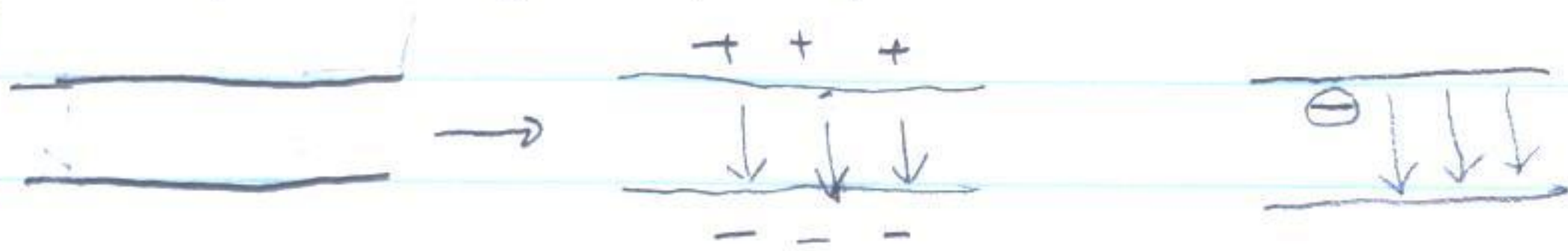
Why do we care about capacitance?



Because Energy is stored

## Energy Stored in a Capacitor:

Thought Exp. imagine pulling electrons



$$C \Delta V = C q \leftarrow \text{potential build up}$$

$$dW = \Delta V q dq \leftarrow \text{next } dq \text{ charge transfer}$$

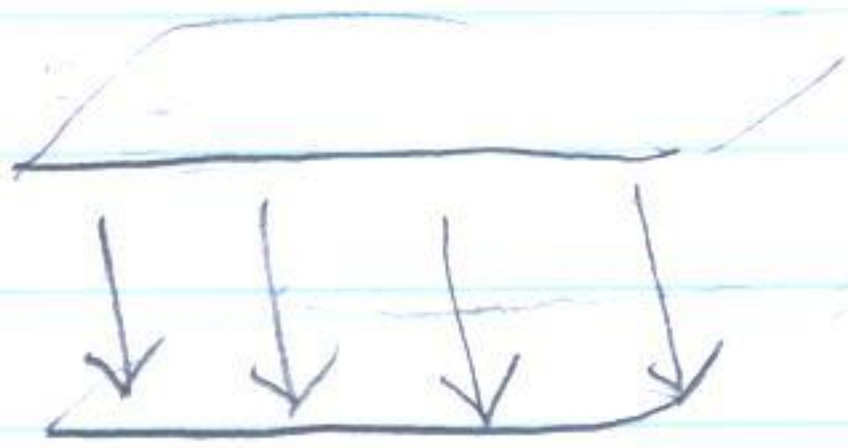
$$dW = \frac{1}{C} q dq$$

$$W = \int_0^Q \frac{1}{C} q dq = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{C} Q^2$$

$$PE = W_{\text{on cap}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{C} (C \Delta V)^2 = \frac{1}{2} C \Delta V^2$$

$$PE = \frac{1}{2} C (\Delta V)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C}$$

Then, the volume is



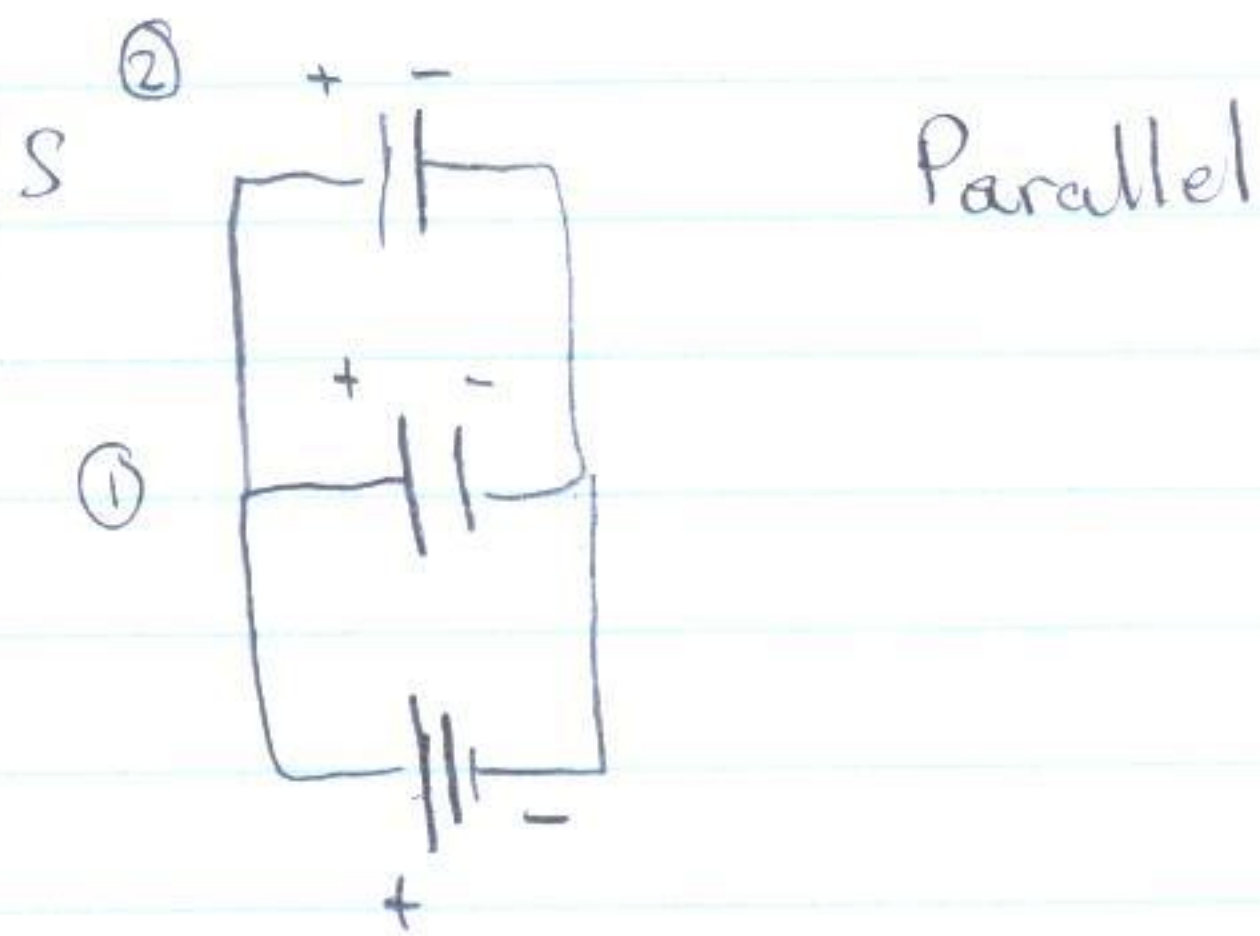
$$\frac{PE}{Vol} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{C (\Delta V)^2}{A \cdot d} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \overset{C}{\epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}} \right) \frac{\overset{\Delta V^2}{(E \cdot d)^2}}{A \cdot d}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{PE}{Vol} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2}$$

Doesn't Depend  
on geometry Etc  
only Electric Field



## Capacitors in Parallel and Series



We see that

$$\Delta V = \Delta V_1 = \Delta V_2$$

$$Q_{\text{Tot}} = Q_1 + Q_2$$

So

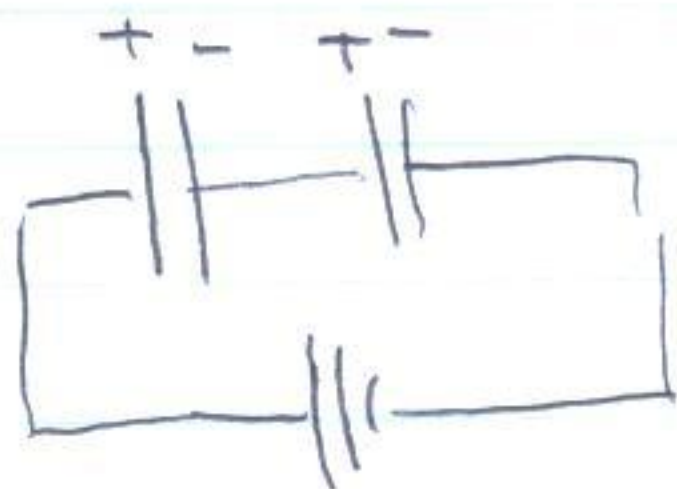
$$C_{\text{eff}} = \frac{Q_{\text{Tot}}}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q_1 + Q_2}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q_1}{\Delta V} + \frac{Q_2}{\Delta V}$$

$$C_{\text{eff}} = C_1 + C_2$$

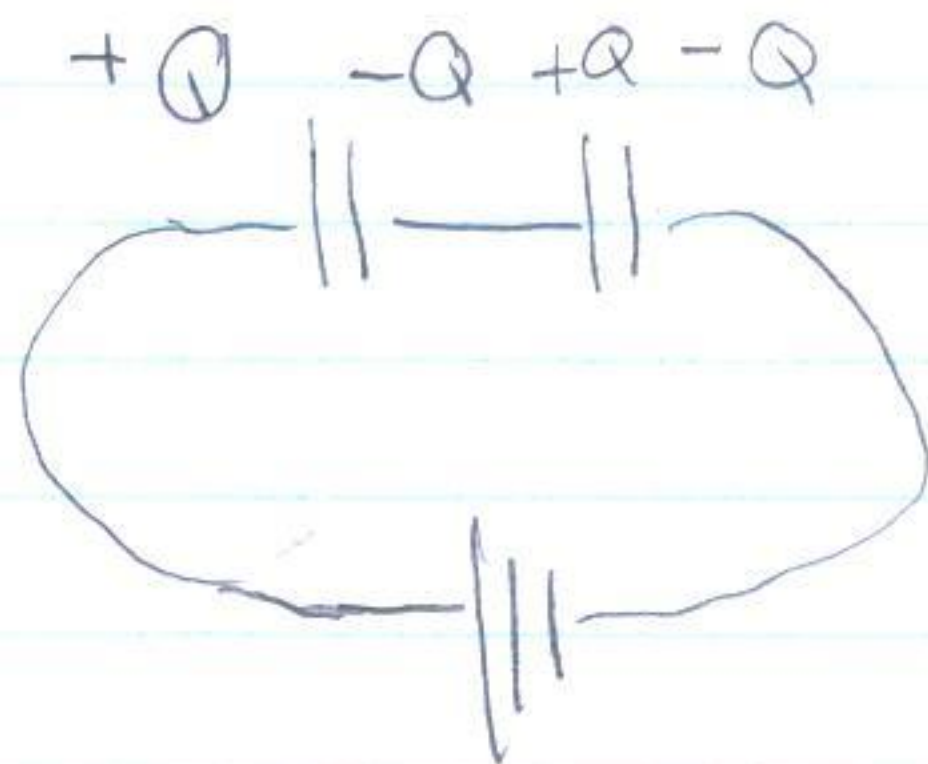
General Case;  $C = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 \dots$

Also note  $\frac{Q_1}{C_1} = \frac{Q_2}{C_2} \Rightarrow \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$

Next



## Capacitors in Series



$$\Delta V = \Delta V_1 + \Delta V_2$$

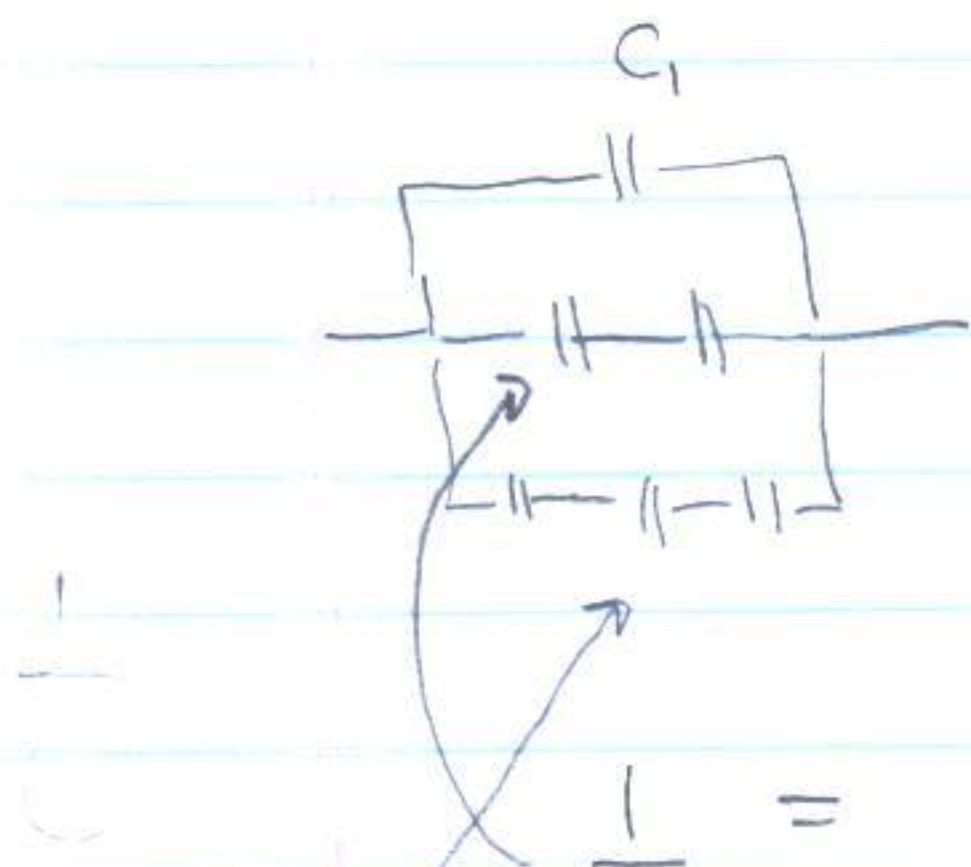
$$\frac{\Delta V}{Q} = \frac{\Delta V_1}{Q} + \frac{\Delta V_2}{Q}$$

$$Q = Q_1 = Q_2$$

$$\frac{1}{C} = \frac{\Delta V}{Q} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}$$

$$\frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2}$$

Problem # 18



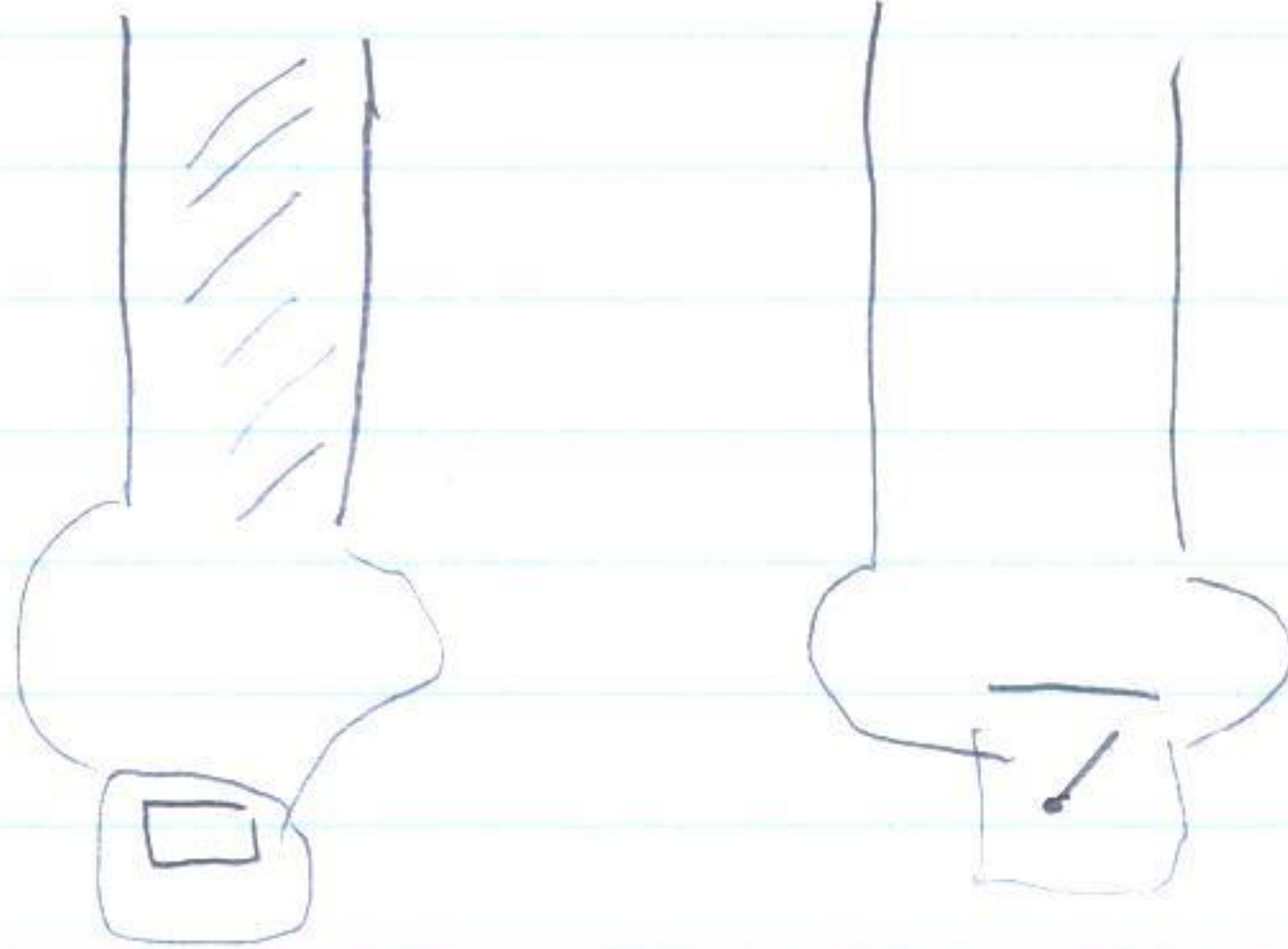
$$\frac{1}{C_2} = \frac{1}{C} + \frac{1}{C}$$

$$\frac{1}{C_2} = \frac{2}{C} \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{C}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{C_3} = \frac{1}{C} + \frac{1}{C} + \frac{1}{C} \Rightarrow C_3 = \frac{C}{3}$$

$$C_{\text{TOT}} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 = C + \frac{C}{2} + \frac{C}{3} = \frac{11}{6}C$$

# Media



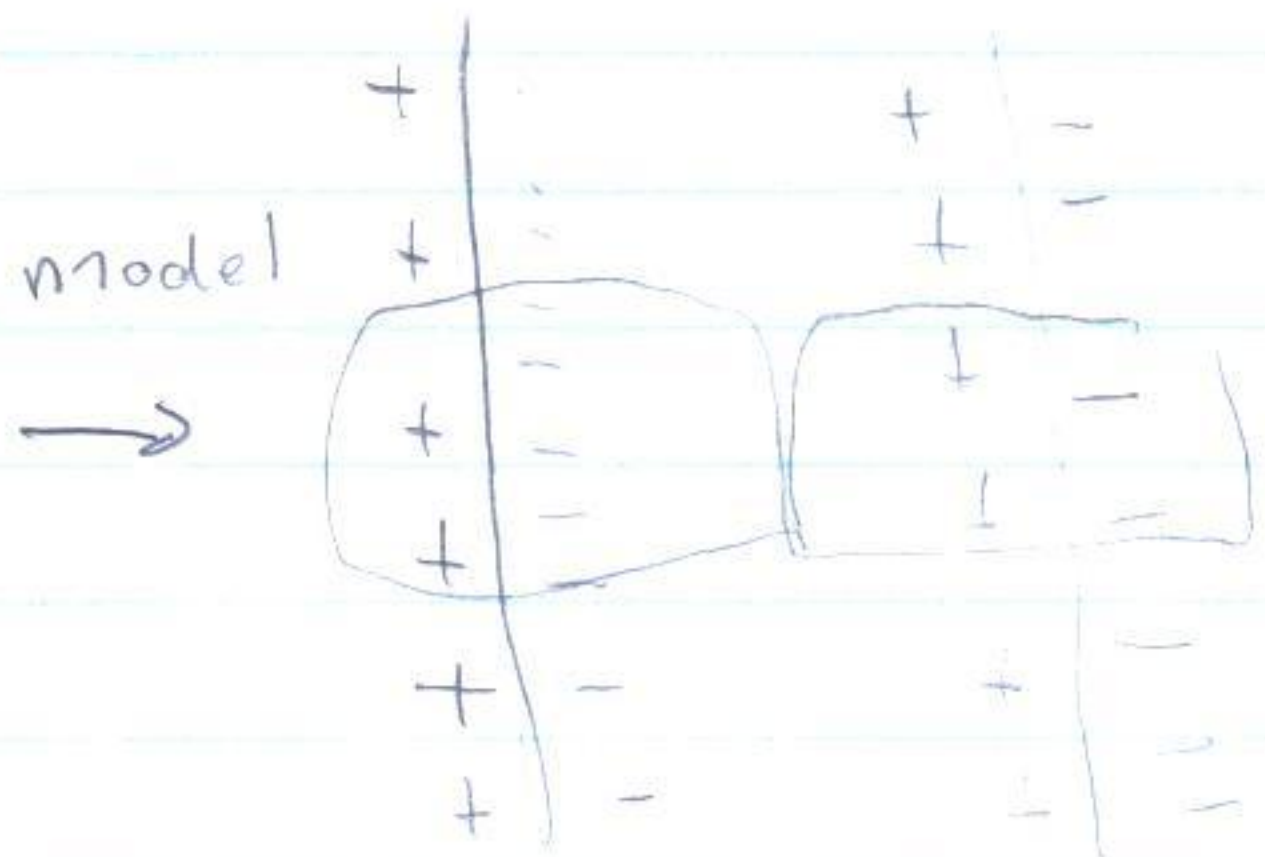
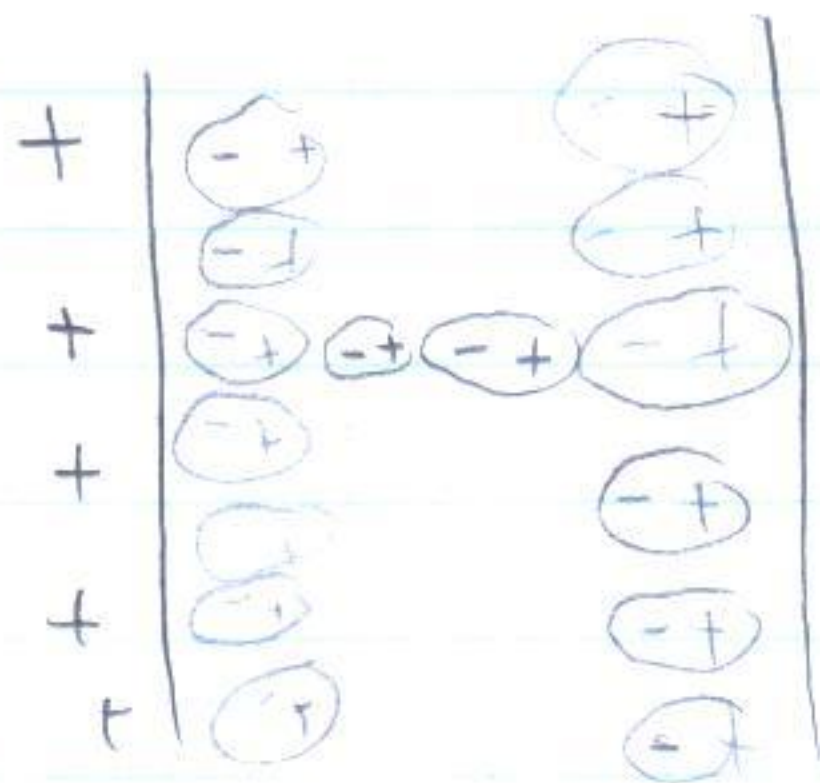
$$\Delta V_{\text{with Stuff}} = \frac{\Delta V_0}{\kappa}$$

$$C = \frac{Q_0}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q_0}{\Delta V_0 / \kappa} = \kappa \frac{Q_0}{\Delta V_0} = \kappa C_0$$

Capacitance increases by a factor  $\kappa$

$\sim$  Polystyrene  $\sim 3,5 = \kappa$

Picture



$$E = \left( \frac{\sigma_0}{2\epsilon_0} \right) + \left( \frac{\sigma_0}{2\epsilon_0} \right) - \left( \frac{\sigma_{ind}}{2\epsilon_0} + \frac{\sigma_{ind}}{2\epsilon_0} \right)$$

$$E = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} (\sigma_0 - \sigma_{ind}) = \frac{E_0}{K} = \frac{\sigma_0}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} (\sigma_0 - \sigma_{ind}) = \frac{\sigma_0}{K\epsilon_0}$$

$$\sigma_0 - \frac{\sigma_{ind}}{K} = \sigma_{ind}$$

$$\left( 1 - \frac{1}{K} \right) \sigma_0 = \sigma_{ind}$$

$$K = \text{metal} = \infty$$

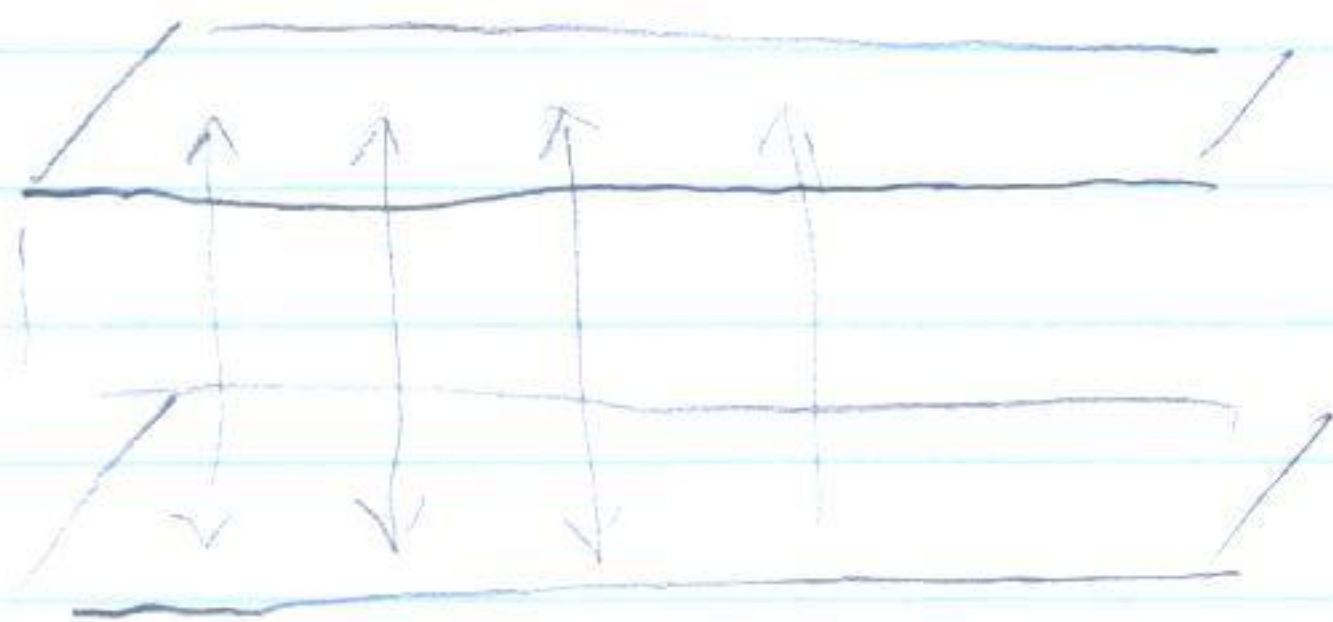
$$\sigma_{ind} = \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\infty} \right) \sigma_0 = \sigma_0$$

So for a metal



## Problem

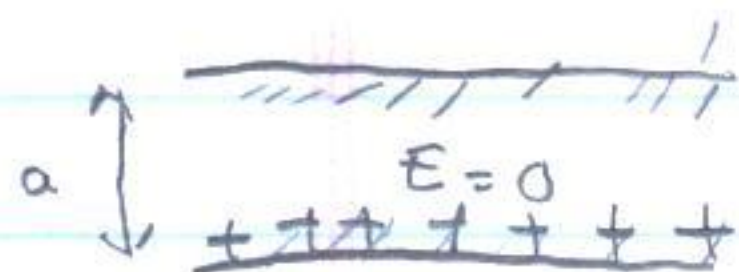
A // plate cap has separation,  $d$ , and area  $A$ . An uncharged metallic slab of thickness  $a$  is inserted midway between the plates



## Solution

$$\Delta V = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \cdot \frac{(d-a)}{2} + \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} \frac{(d-a)}{2}$$

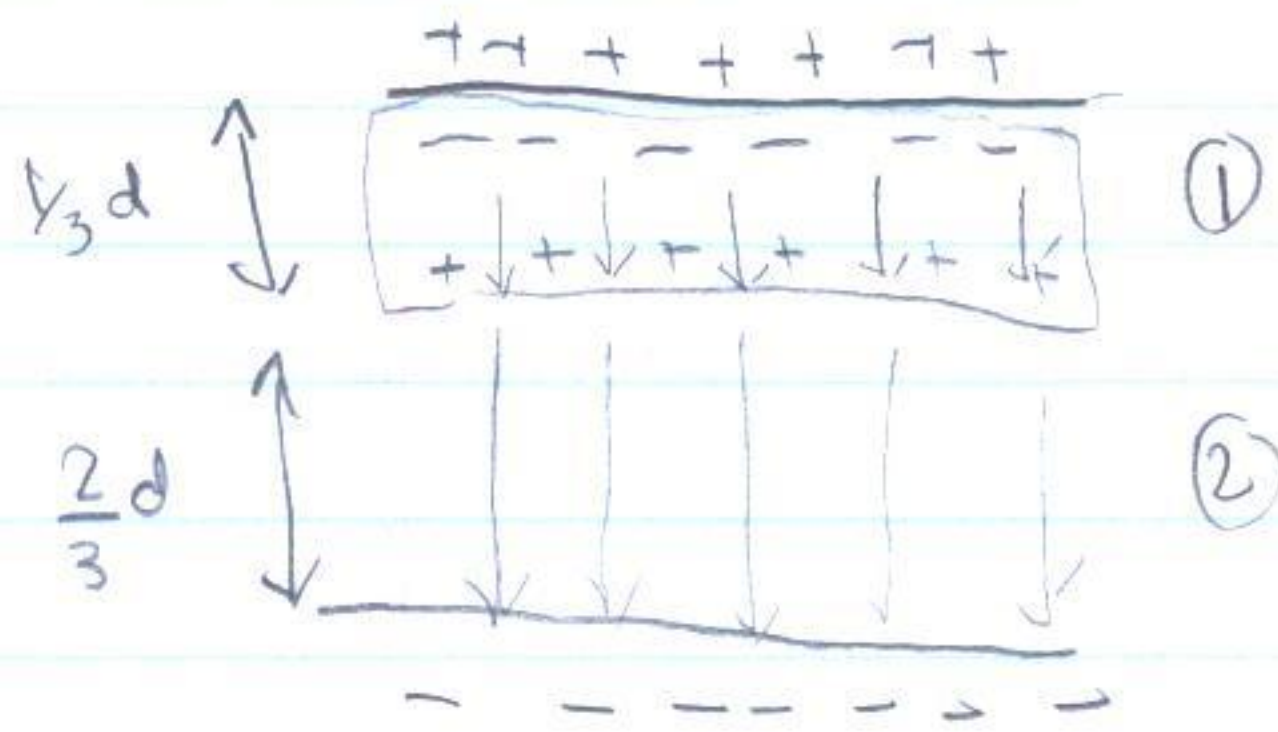
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$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q}{\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} \frac{d-a}{2}}$$

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$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 Q}{\frac{Q}{A} \frac{d-a}{2}} = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d-a}$$



Determine the capacitance

Solution

$$E_1 = \frac{E_0}{\kappa} \quad E_2 = E_0$$

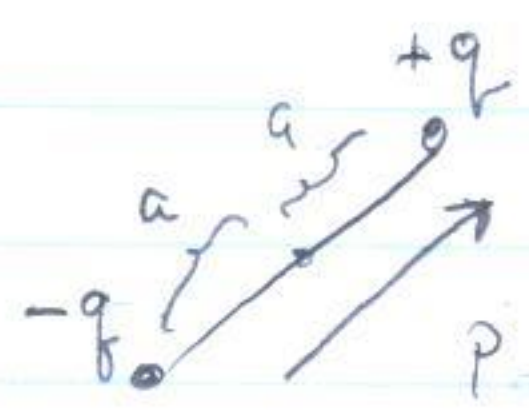
$$\Delta V = \frac{E_0}{\kappa} \frac{d}{3} + E_0 \cdot \frac{2}{3}d$$

$$E_0 = \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0}$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = \frac{Q}{\frac{E_0}{\kappa} \frac{d}{3} + E_0 \frac{2}{3}d} = \frac{Q}{\frac{1}{\kappa} \left( \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} \right) \frac{d}{3} + \left( \frac{Q}{A\epsilon_0} \right) \frac{2}{3}d}$$

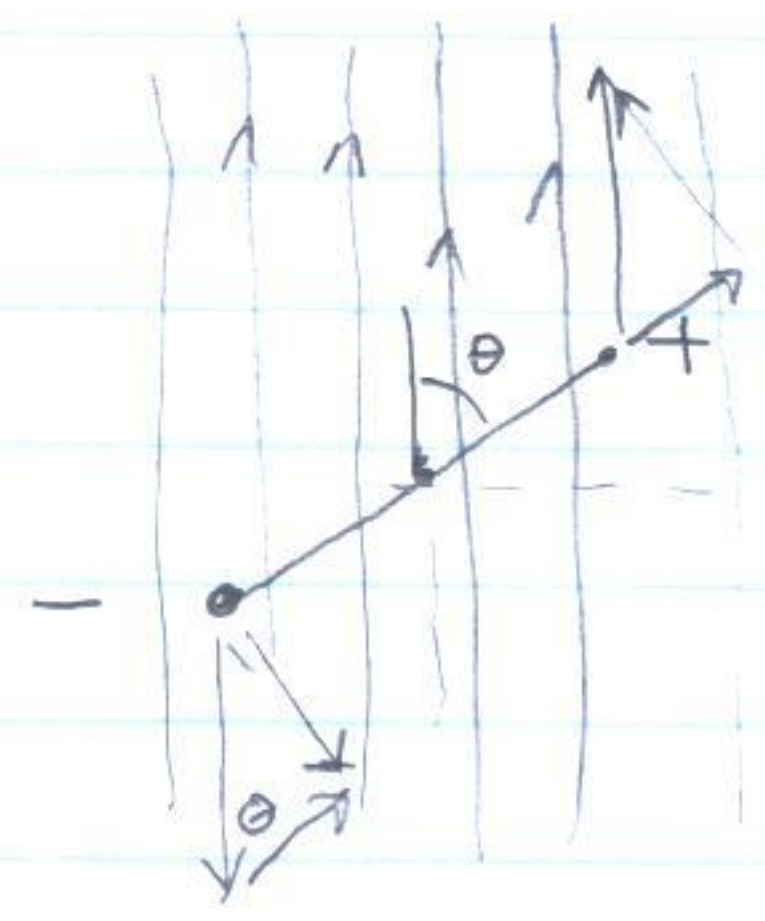
$$C = \frac{A\epsilon_0}{d} \left( \frac{3\kappa}{1+2\kappa} \right)$$

# Dynamics of Dipoles



$$|\vec{p}| = +2aq$$

} Good model for many molecules



• net force on dipole = 0, There is no net charge

$$\vec{\tau}_1 = r F_{\perp} = a F \sin\theta = aqE \sin\theta \hat{k}$$

← RHRule

$$\vec{\tau}_2 = r F_{\perp} = a F \sin\theta = a|q|E \sin\theta \hat{k}$$

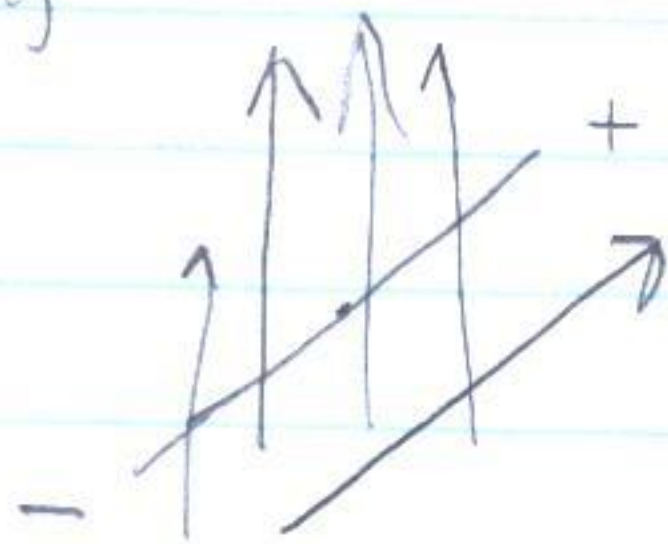
$$\vec{\tau} = \underbrace{2aq}_{p} E \sin\theta \hat{k} = p E \sin\theta$$

$p$  ← dipole moment

$$\boxed{\vec{\tau} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E}}$$



Energy



$$W_{\text{by you}} = \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{x} = \int_0^{\theta_0} \tau d\theta$$

$$= \int p E \sin\theta d\theta$$

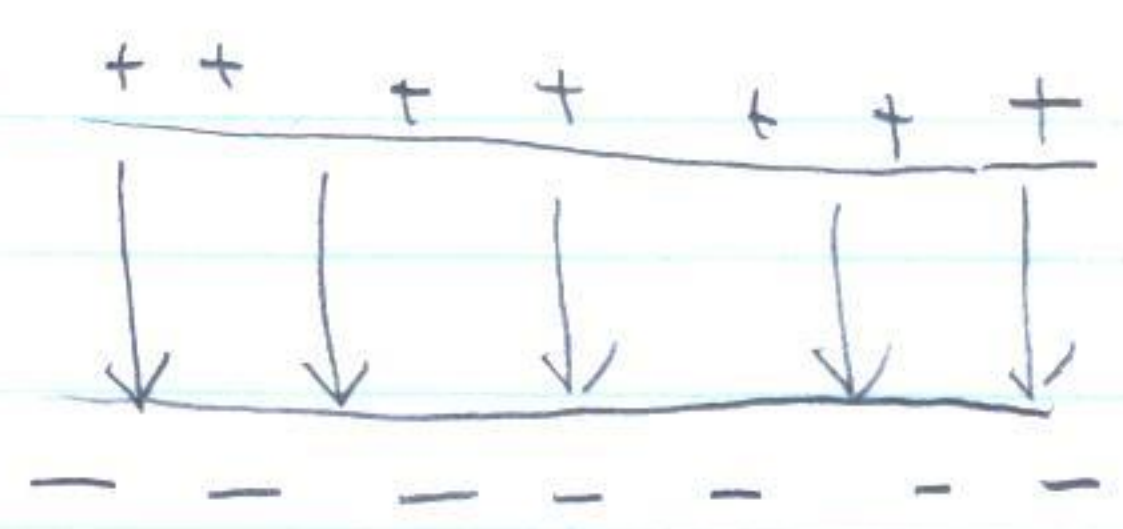
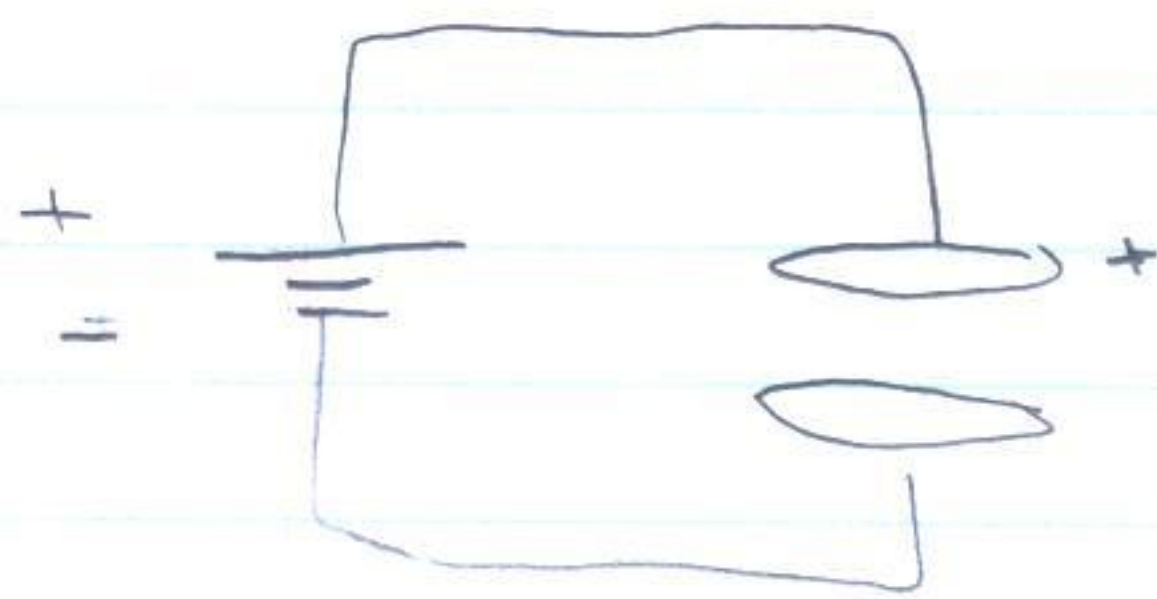
$$= -p E \cos\theta \Big|_0^{\theta_0}$$

$$W_{\text{by you}} = -p E \cos\theta_0 + p E$$

$$PE = -p E \cos\theta_0 + \text{Const}$$

$$PE \text{ dipole} = -\vec{p} \cdot \vec{E}$$

# Capacitance :



$$Q \propto \Delta V$$

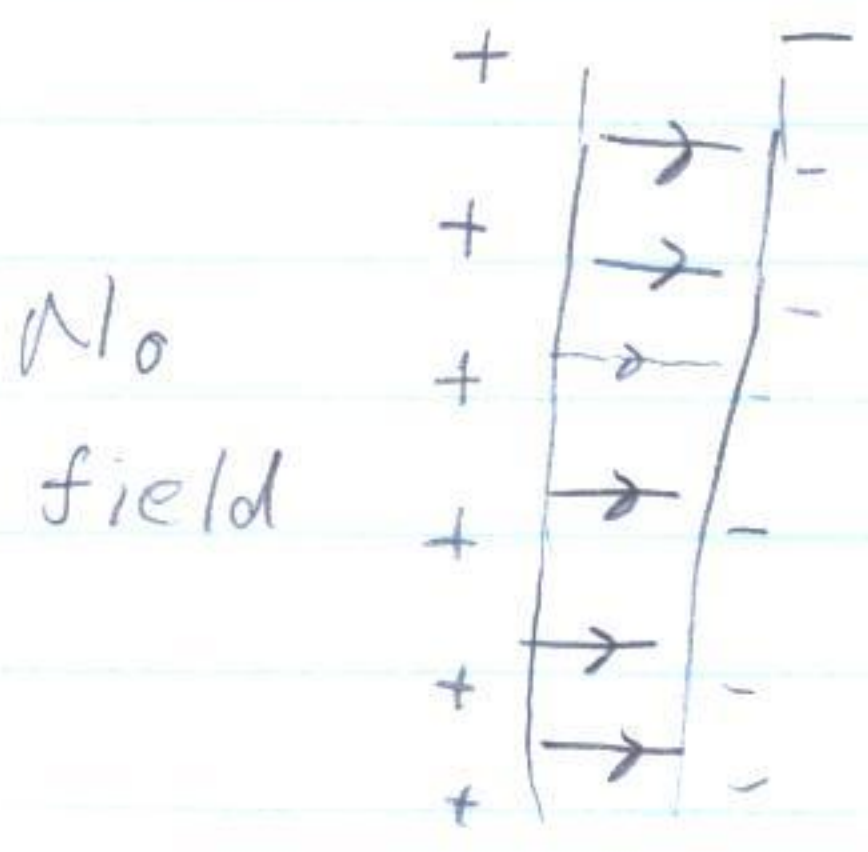
$$Q = C \Delta V \Rightarrow \frac{Q}{\Delta V} = C \Rightarrow \text{Units} = \frac{\text{Coulomb}}{\text{V}}$$

$$= 1 \text{ F}$$

↑

enormous

## Parallel Plate Cap



No field

$$= 1 \mu\text{F} \approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$$

↑ typical

$$= 1 \text{ pF} \approx 1 \times 10^{-12}$$

Small