

$\sigma = 9.2$

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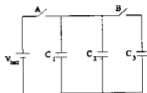
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**SHOW ALL WORK!!!!**

**REPORT ALL NUMBERS TO THREE SIGNIFICANT FIGURES!**

**Use the conversion constants and data given on the front page.**

In the arrangement shown, switch A is closed for a while and then opened. After A is open switch B is closed.



- (a) Find the potential on each capacitor after B is closed.  
 (b) Calculate the charge on each capacitor after B is closed.

$V_{\text{batt}} = 175 \text{ V}$   
 $C_1 = 1.25 \mu\text{F}$   
 $C_2 = 2.40 \mu\text{F}$   
 $C_3 = 3.00 \mu\text{F}$

a)

Initially when A is closed, before  $C_1$  &  $C_2$  are being charged the two are in parallel. so  $Q_{\text{tot}} = Q_1 + Q_2 = (C_1 + C_2)V$

$Q_1 = C_1 V = 1.25 \times 10^{-6} \times 175 = 2.19 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C}$

$Q_2 = C_2 V = 2.40 \times 10^{-6} \times 175 = 4.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C}$

$Q_{1,2} = Q_1 + Q_2 = 6.39 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C}$

$C_{1,2} = C_1 + C_2 = 3.65 \mu\text{F}$   
 we have:

When switch A is opened and B is closed

here  $V_{1,2} = V_3 = V$  (for all three capacitor) (since they're in parallel)



so  $V = \frac{Q}{C} = \frac{Q_{1,2}}{C_1 + C_2 + C_3} = \frac{Q_{1,2}}{C_{\text{tot}}} = \frac{6.39 \times 10^{-4}}{6.65 \times 10^{-6}}$

$V = 96.1 \text{ V}$

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b)

$Q_3 = VC_3 = 96.1 \times 3 \times 10^{-6} = 2.88 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C}$

$Q_2 = VC_2 = 96.1 \times 2.40 \times 10^{-6} = 2.31 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C}$

$Q_1 = VC_1 = 96.1 \times 1.25 \times 10^{-6} = 1.20 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C}$

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