

10. The equivalent capacitance is

$$C_{\text{eq}} = C_3 + \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} = 4.00 \mu\text{F} + \frac{(10.0 \mu\text{F})(5.00 \mu\text{F})}{10.0 \mu\text{F} + 5.00 \mu\text{F}} = 7.33 \mu\text{F}.$$

11. The equivalent capacitance is

$$C_{\text{eq}} = \frac{(C_1 + C_2) C_3}{C_1 + C_2 + C_3} = \frac{(10.0 \mu\text{F} + 5.00 \mu\text{F})(4.00 \mu\text{F})}{10.0 \mu\text{F} + 5.00 \mu\text{F} + 4.00 \mu\text{F}} = 3.16 \mu\text{F}.$$

14. (a) The potential difference across C_1 is $V_1 = 10.0 \text{ V}$. Thus,

$$q_1 = C_1 V_1 = (10.0 \mu\text{F})(10.0 \text{ V}) = 1.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ C}.$$

(b) Let $C = 10.0 \mu\text{F}$. We first consider the three-capacitor combination consisting of C_2 and its two closest neighbors, each of capacitance C . The equivalent capacitance of this combination is

$$C_{\text{eq}} = C + \frac{C_2 C}{C + C_2} = 1.50 C.$$

Also, the voltage drop across this combination is

$$V = \frac{C V_1}{C + C_{\text{eq}}} = \frac{C V_1}{C + 1.50 C} = 0.40 V_1.$$

Since this voltage difference is divided equally between C_2 and the one connected in series with it, the voltage difference across C_2 satisfies $V_2 = V/2 = V_1/5$. Thus

$$q_2 = C_2 V_2 = (10.0 \mu\text{F}) \left(\frac{10.0 \text{ V}}{5} \right) = 2.00 \times 10^{-5} \text{ C}.$$

19. (a) and (b) We note that the charge on C_3 is $q_3 = 12 \mu\text{C} - 8.0 \mu\text{C} = 4.0 \mu\text{C}$. Since the charge on C_4 is $q_4 = 8.0 \mu\text{C}$, then the voltage across it is $q_4/C_4 = 2.0 \text{ V}$. Consequently, the voltage V_3 across C_3 is $2.0 \text{ V} \Rightarrow C_3 = q_3/V_3 = 2.0 \mu\text{F}$.

Now C_3 and C_4 are in parallel and are thus equivalent to $6 \mu\text{F}$ capacitor which would then be in series with C_2 ; thus, Eq 25-20 leads to an equivalence of $2.0 \mu\text{F}$ which is to be thought of as being in series with the unknown C_1 . We know that the total effective capacitance of the circuit (in the sense of what the battery “sees” when it is hooked up) is $(12 \mu\text{C})/V_{\text{battery}} = 4 \mu\text{F}/3$. Using Eq 25-20 again, we find

$$\frac{1}{2 \mu\text{F}} + \frac{1}{C_1} = \frac{3}{4 \mu\text{F}} \Rightarrow C_1 = 4.0 \mu\text{F} .$$

57. The pair C_3 and C_4 are in parallel and consequently equivalent to $30 \mu\text{F}$. Since this numerical value is identical to that of the others (with which it is in series, with the battery), we observe that each has one-third the battery voltage across it. Hence, 3.0 V is across C_4 , producing a charge

$$q_4 = C_4 V_4 = (15 \mu\text{F})(3.0 \text{ V}) = 45 \mu\text{C} .$$