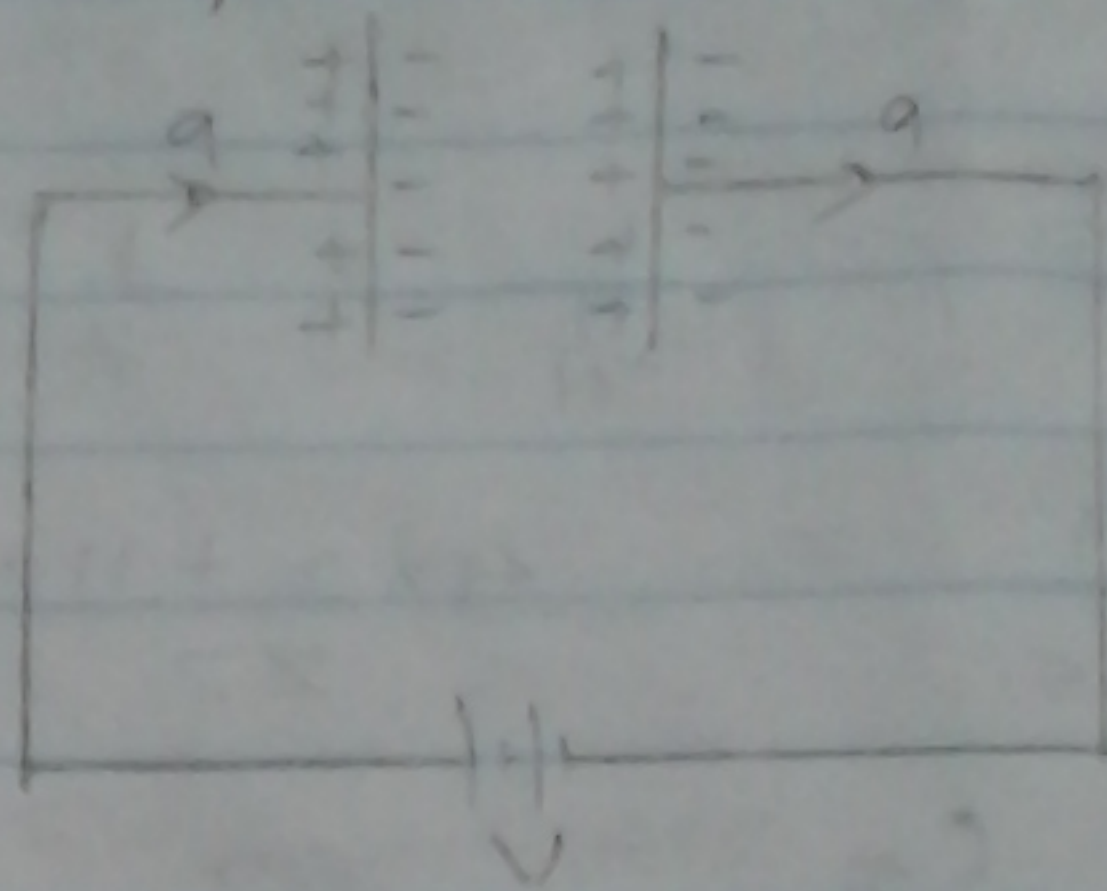




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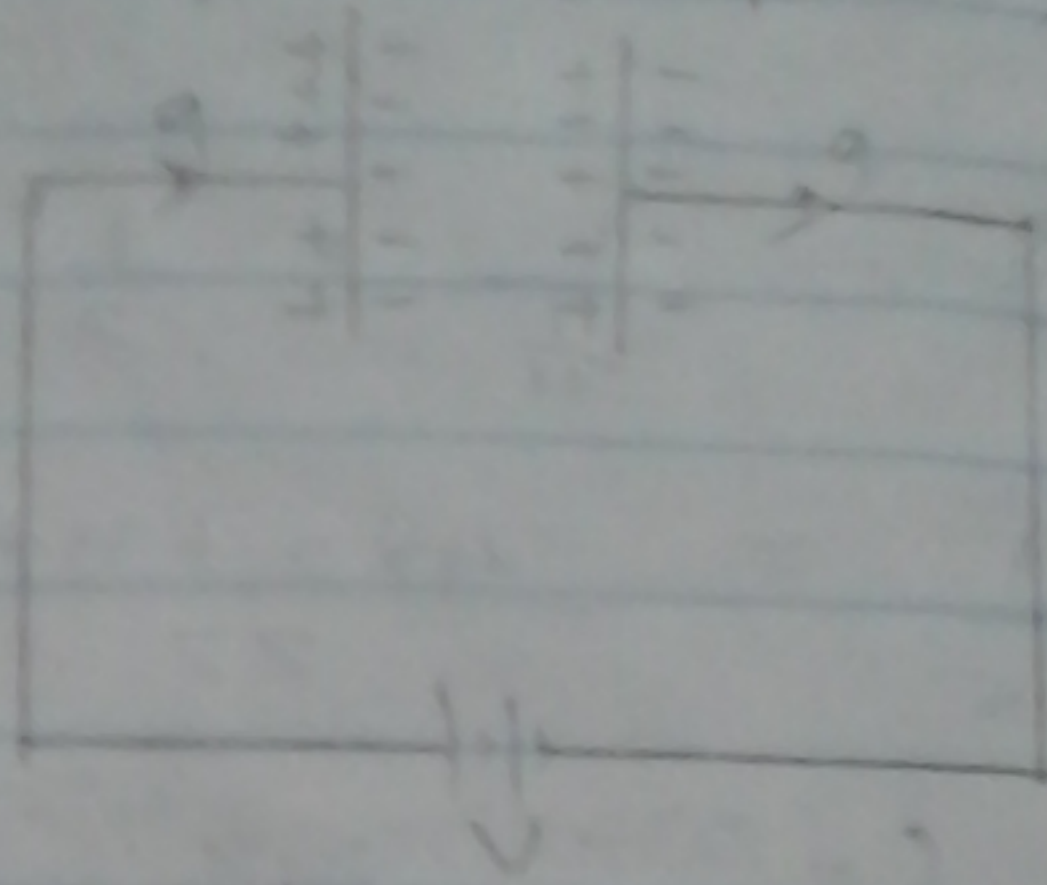
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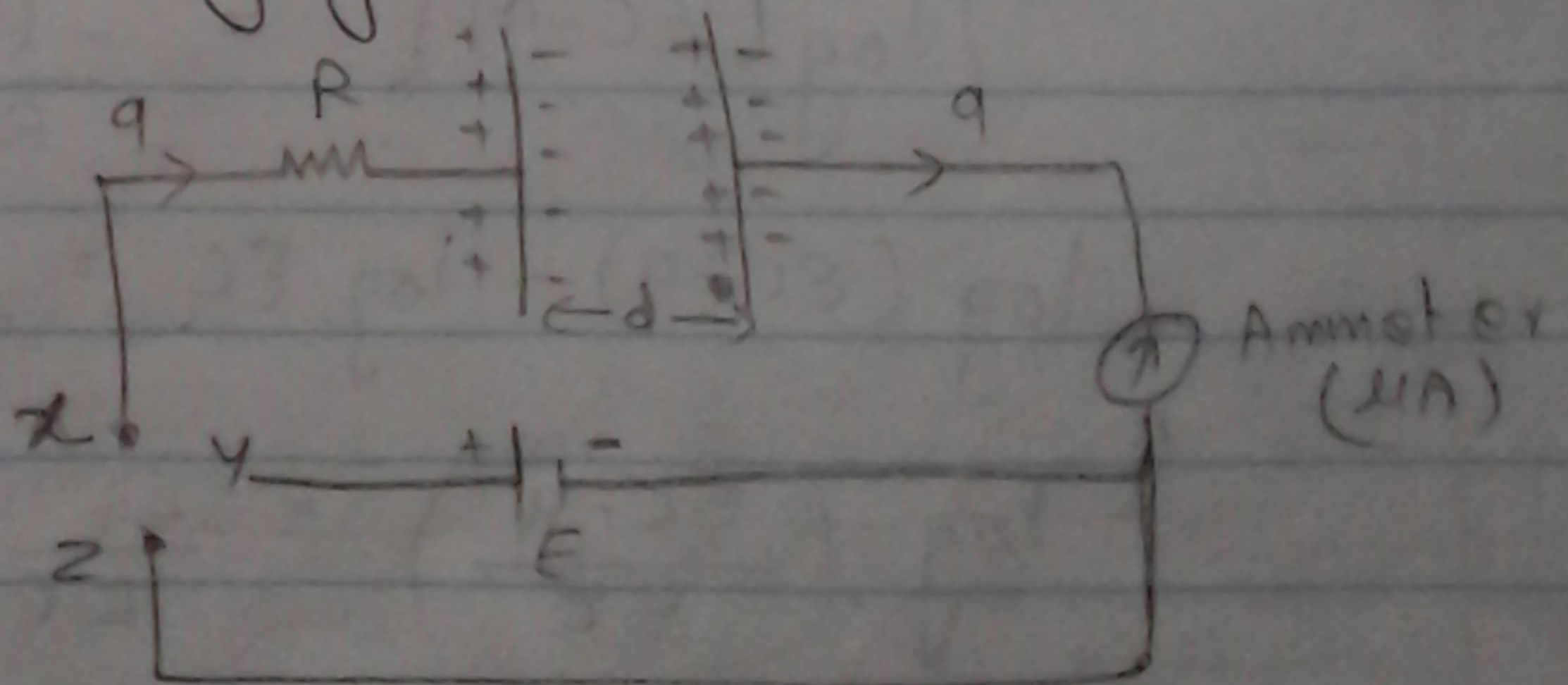
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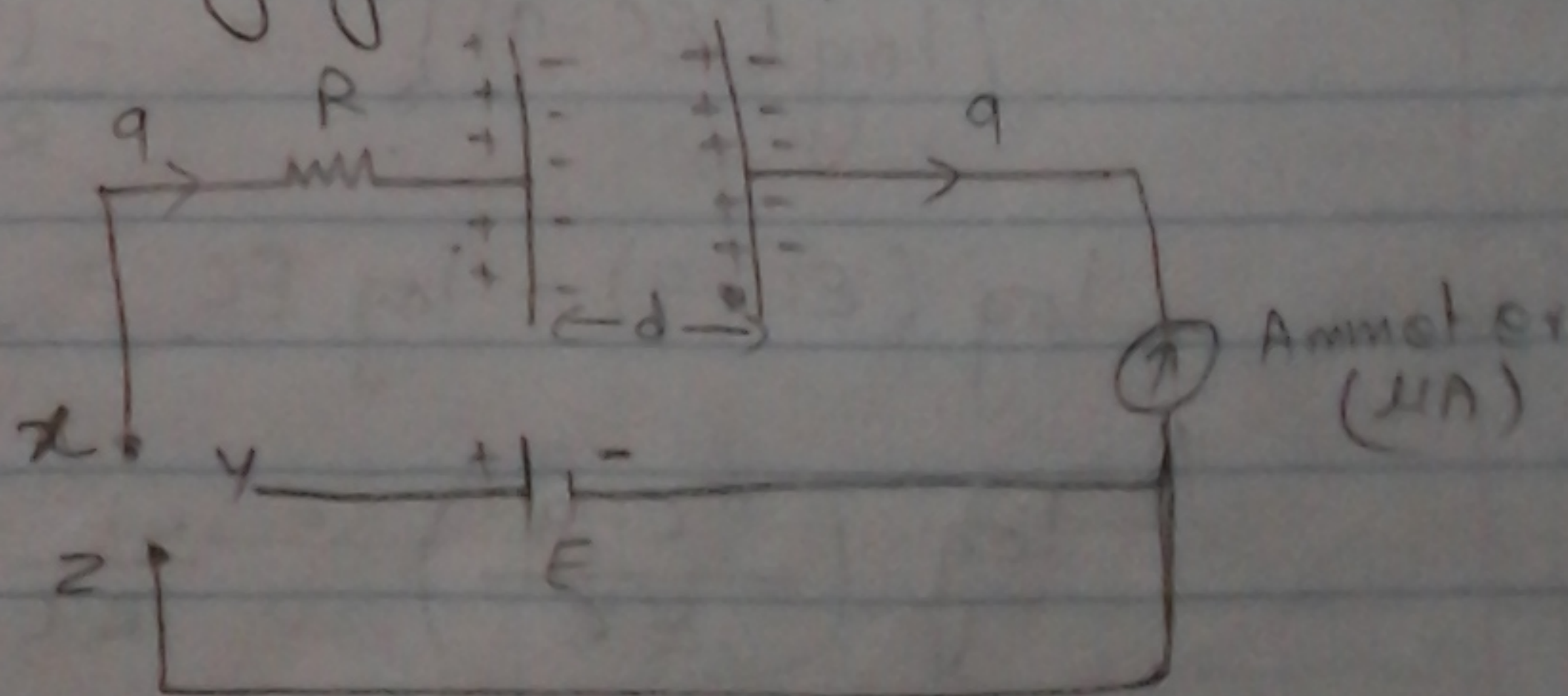


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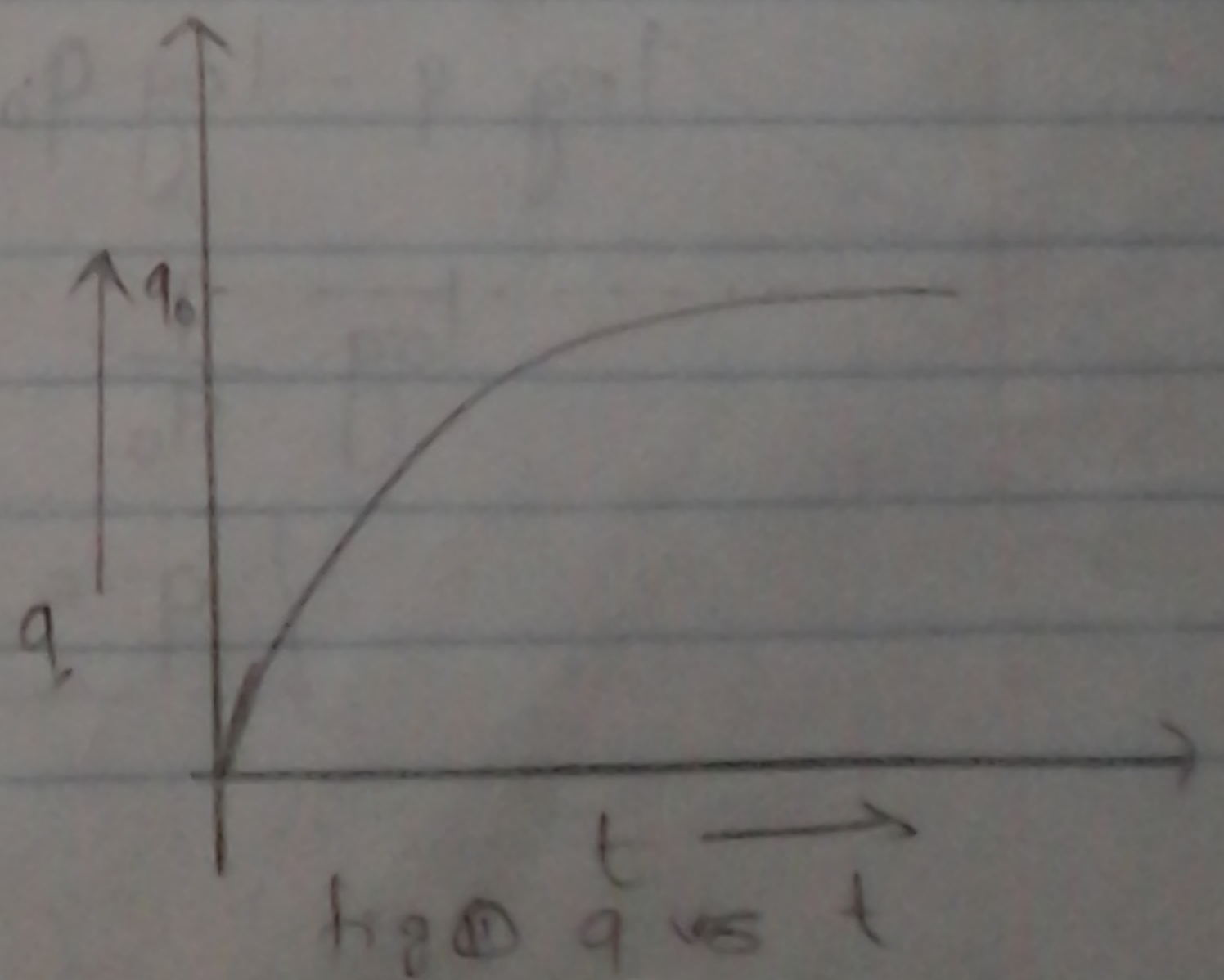
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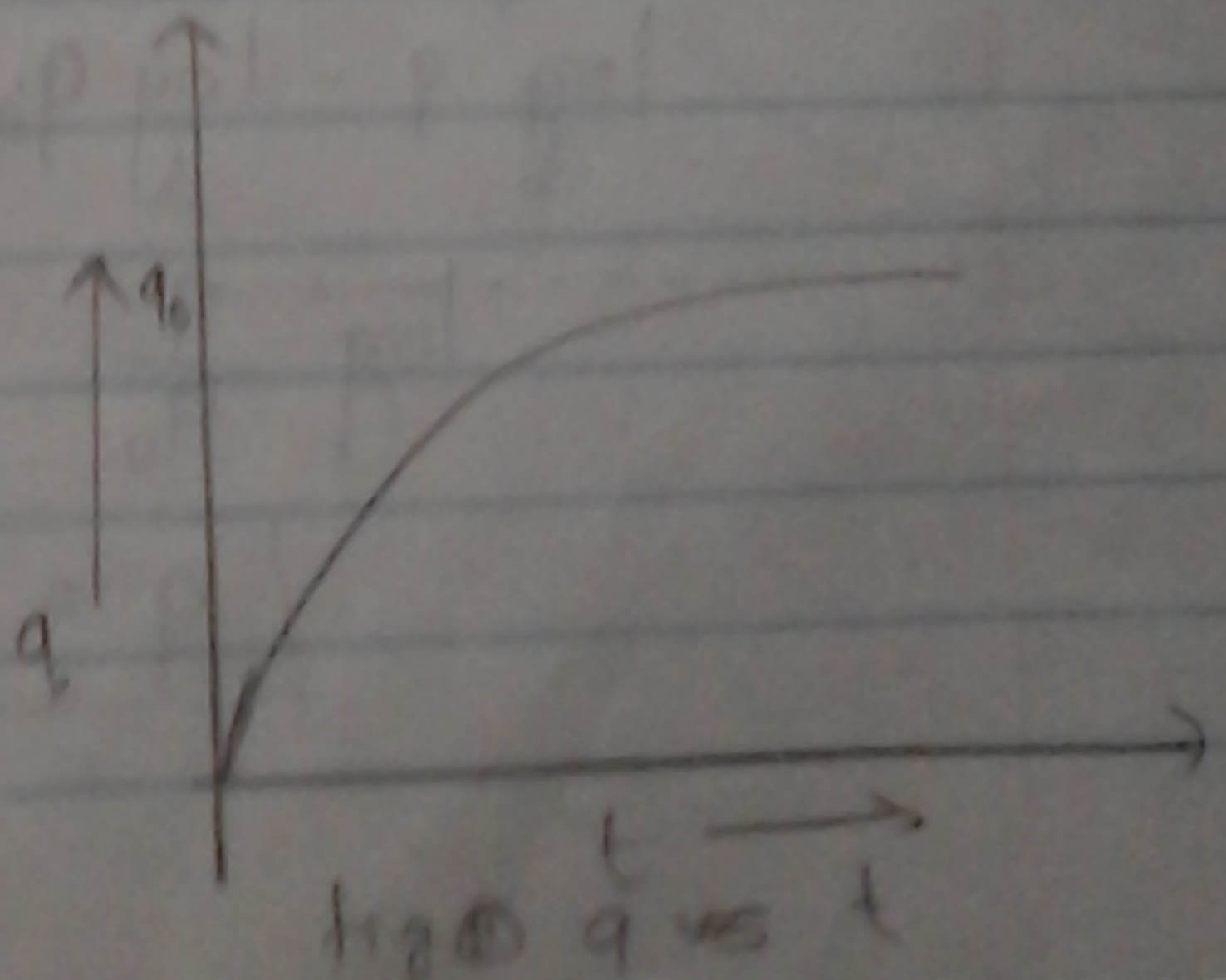
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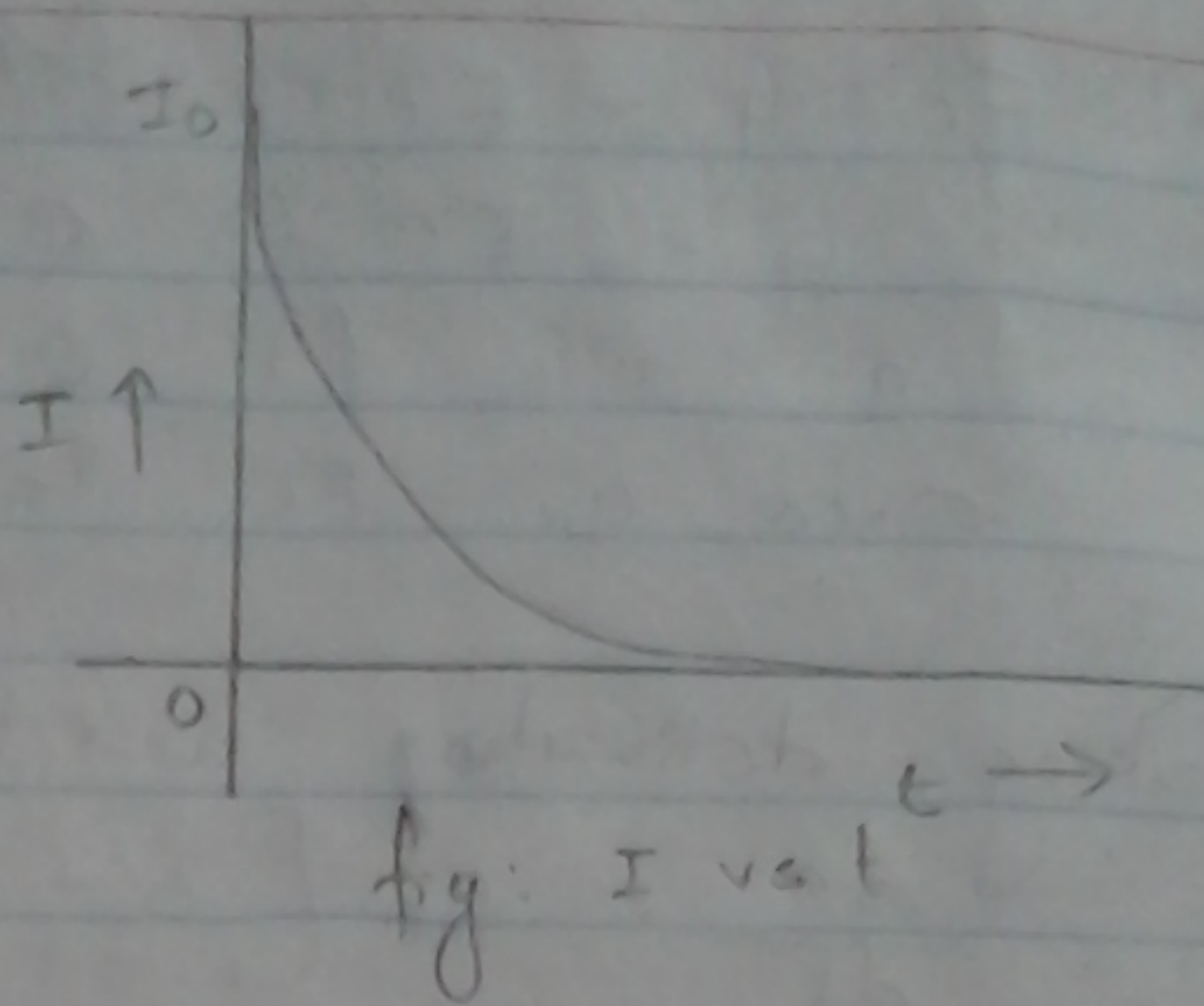
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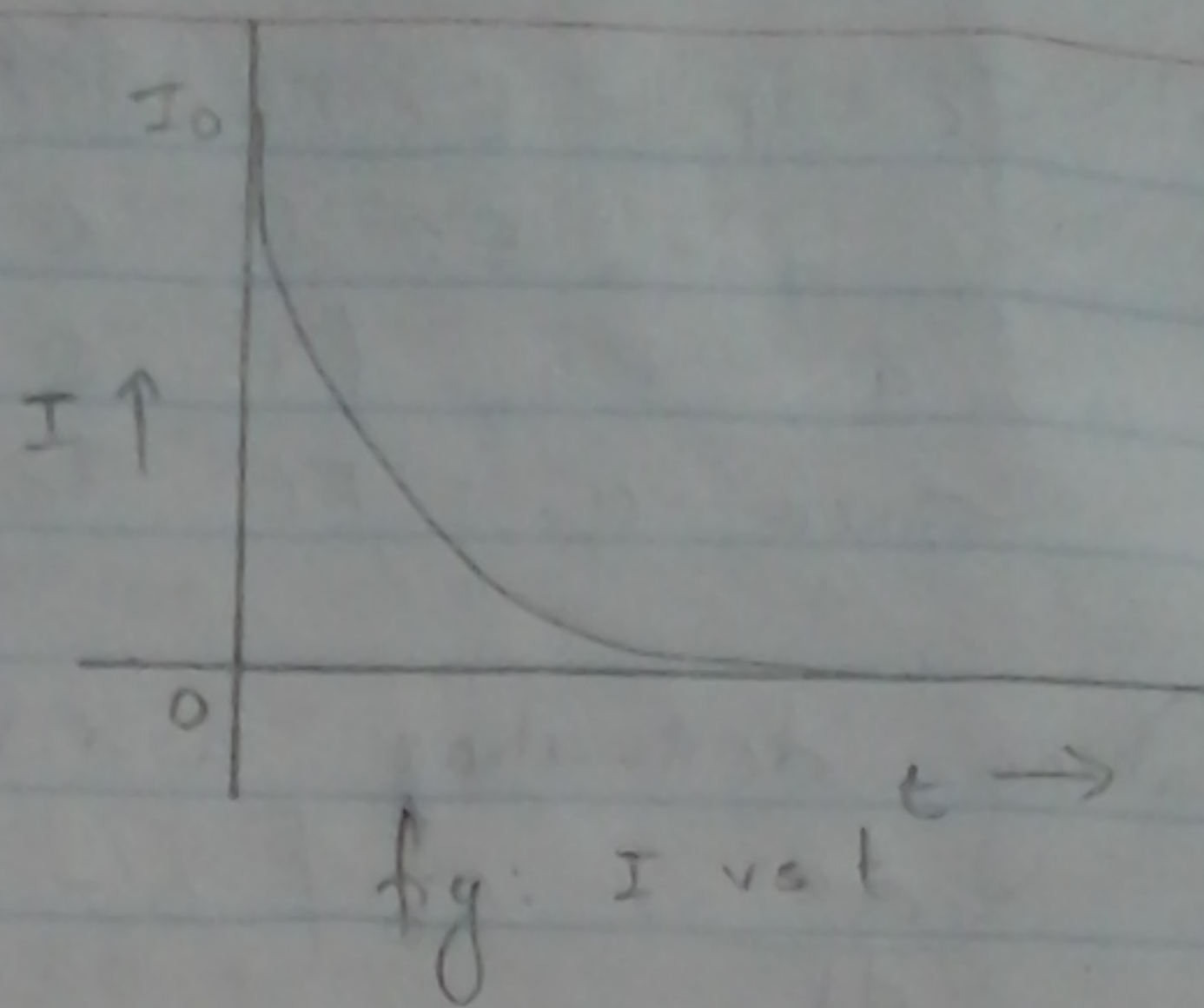
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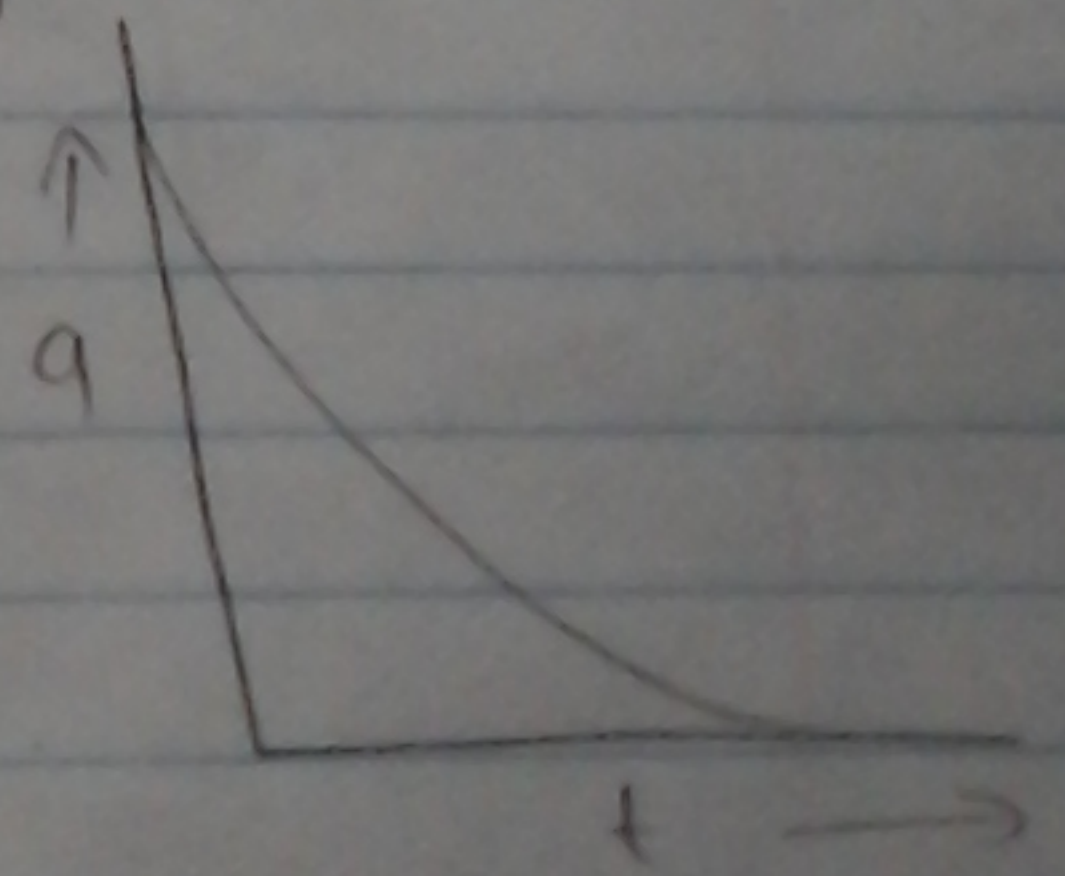
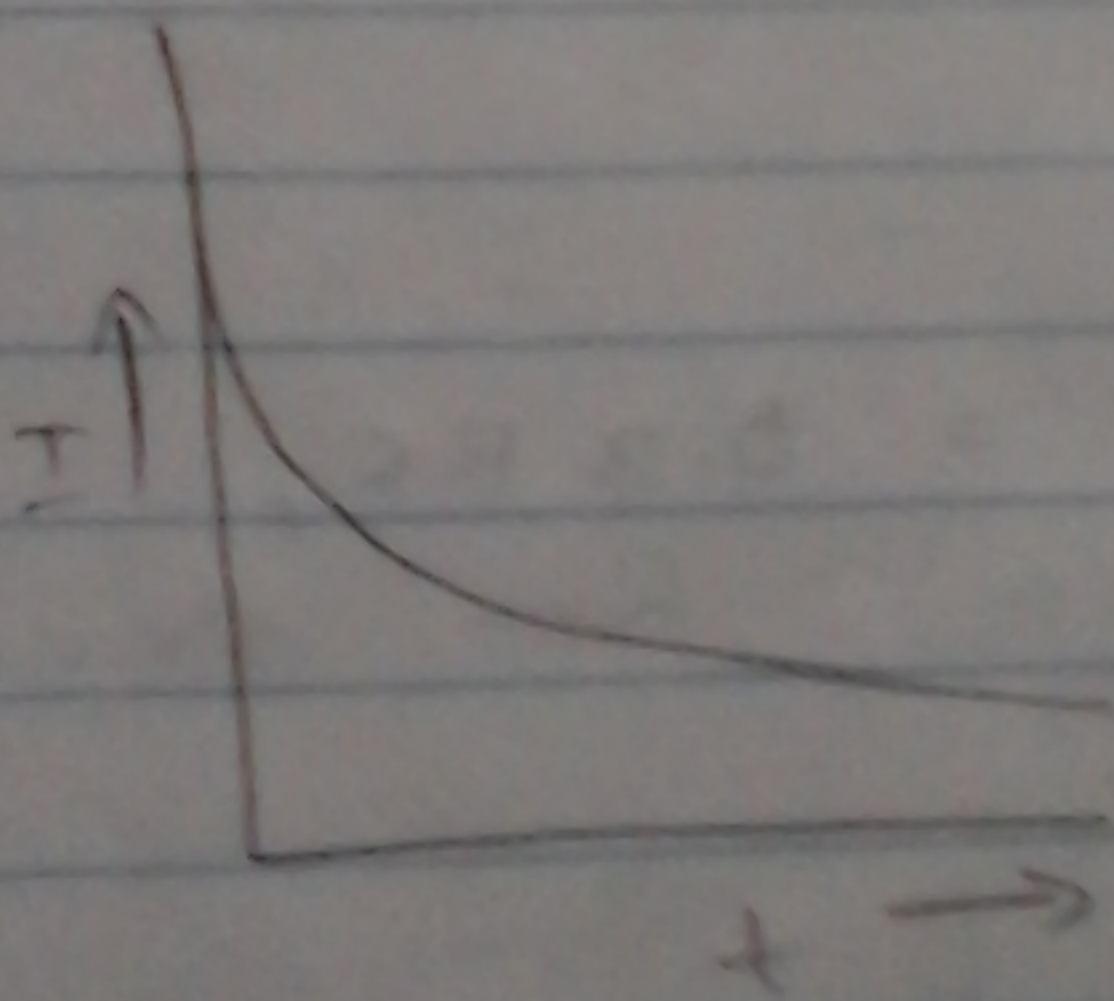
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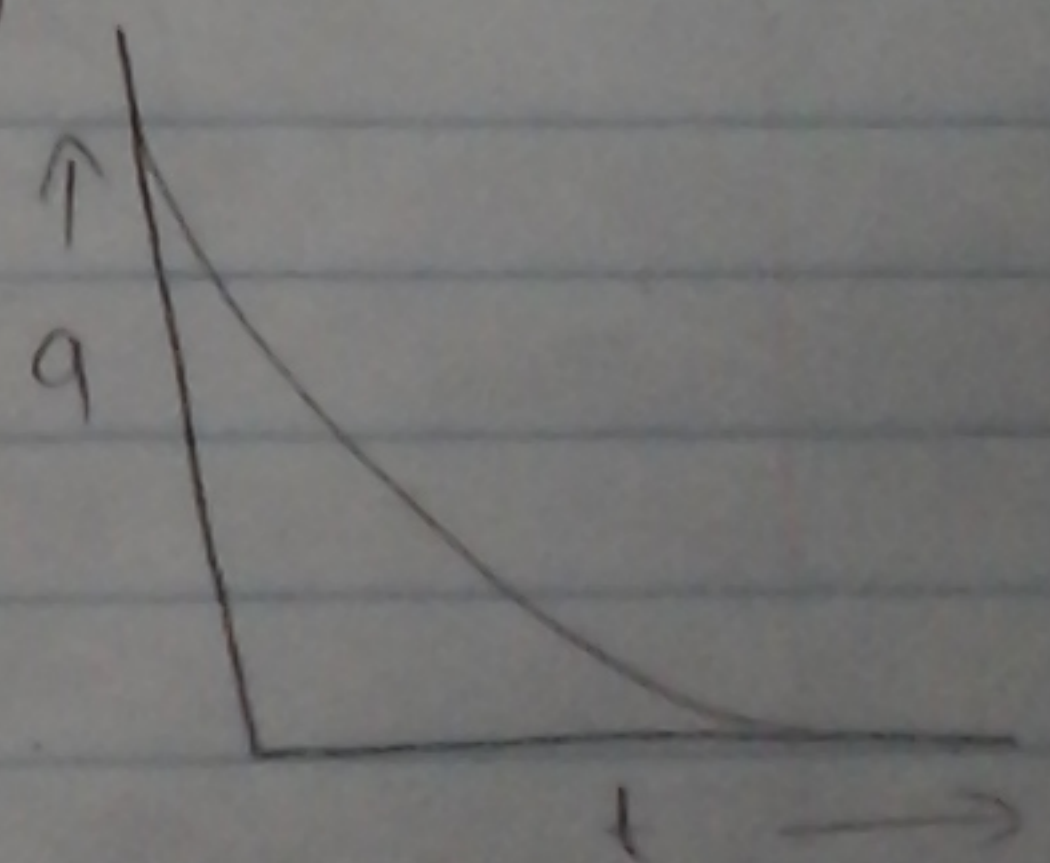
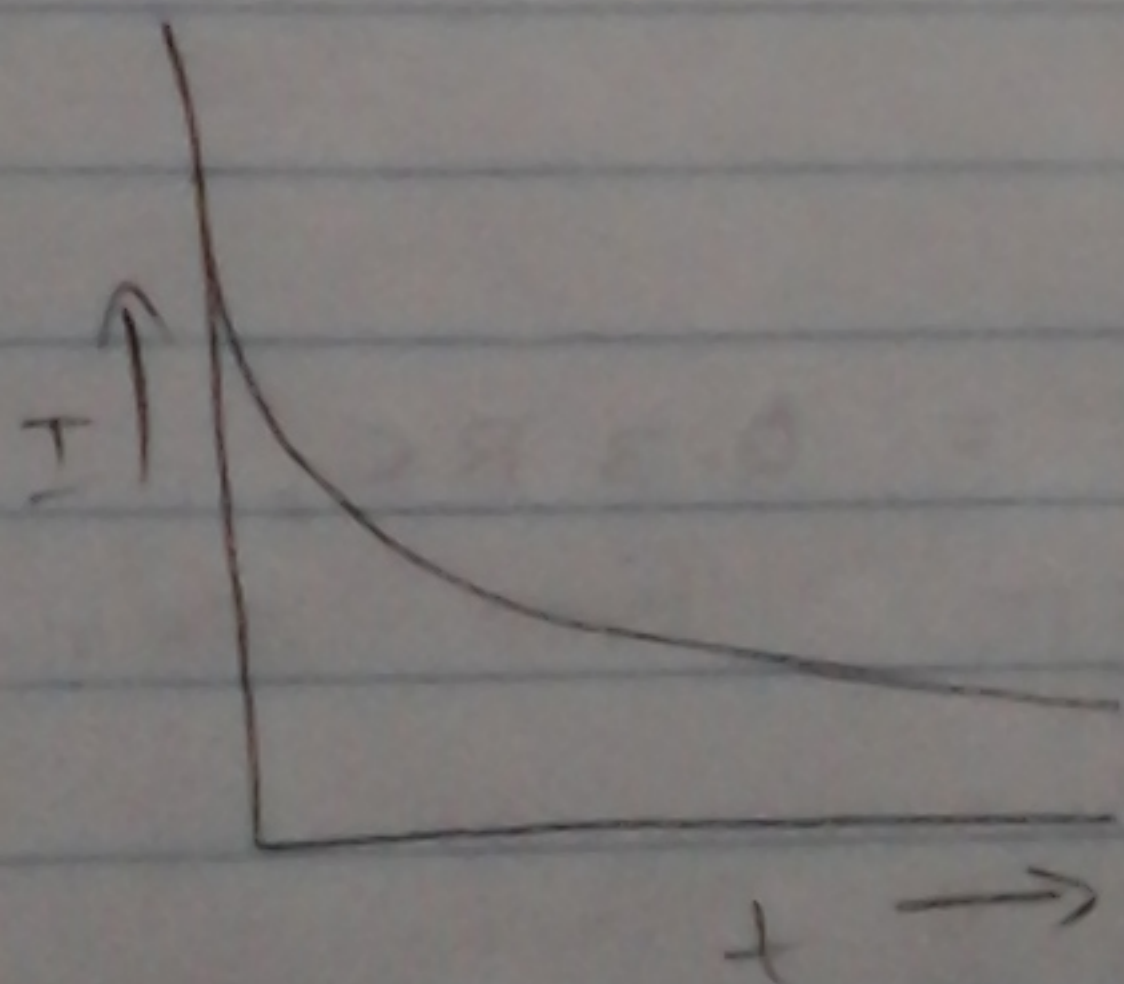
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\Rightarrow Solⁿ;

$$\text{Energy stored } (\mathcal{E}) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{q^2}{C} \quad U = \frac{1}{4} U_0$$

At $t = t_1$

$$\mathcal{E}_1 = \frac{1}{4} \times \mathcal{E}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} \frac{q^2}{C} = \frac{1}{8} \frac{q^2}{C} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^2$$

Now,

$$q = q_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

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We have;

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$$(q_0 e^{-t/RC})^2 = \frac{1}{4} q_0^2$$

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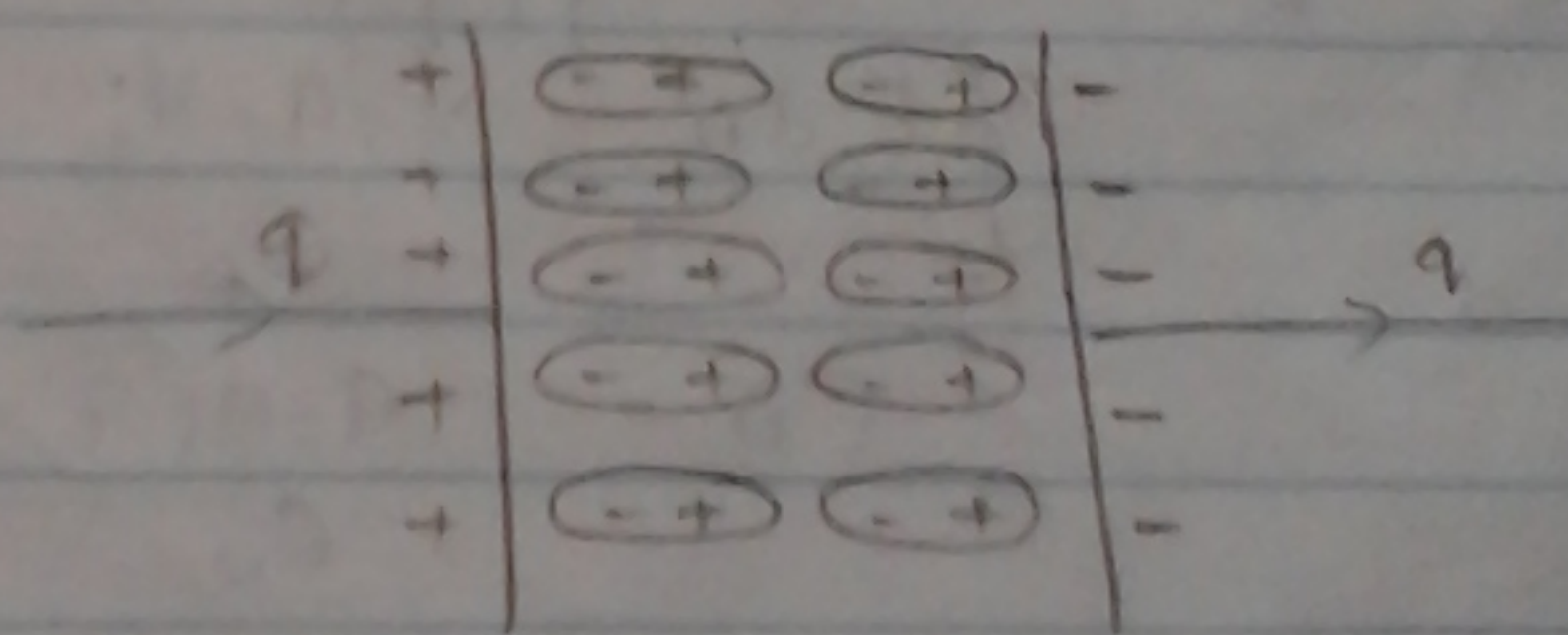
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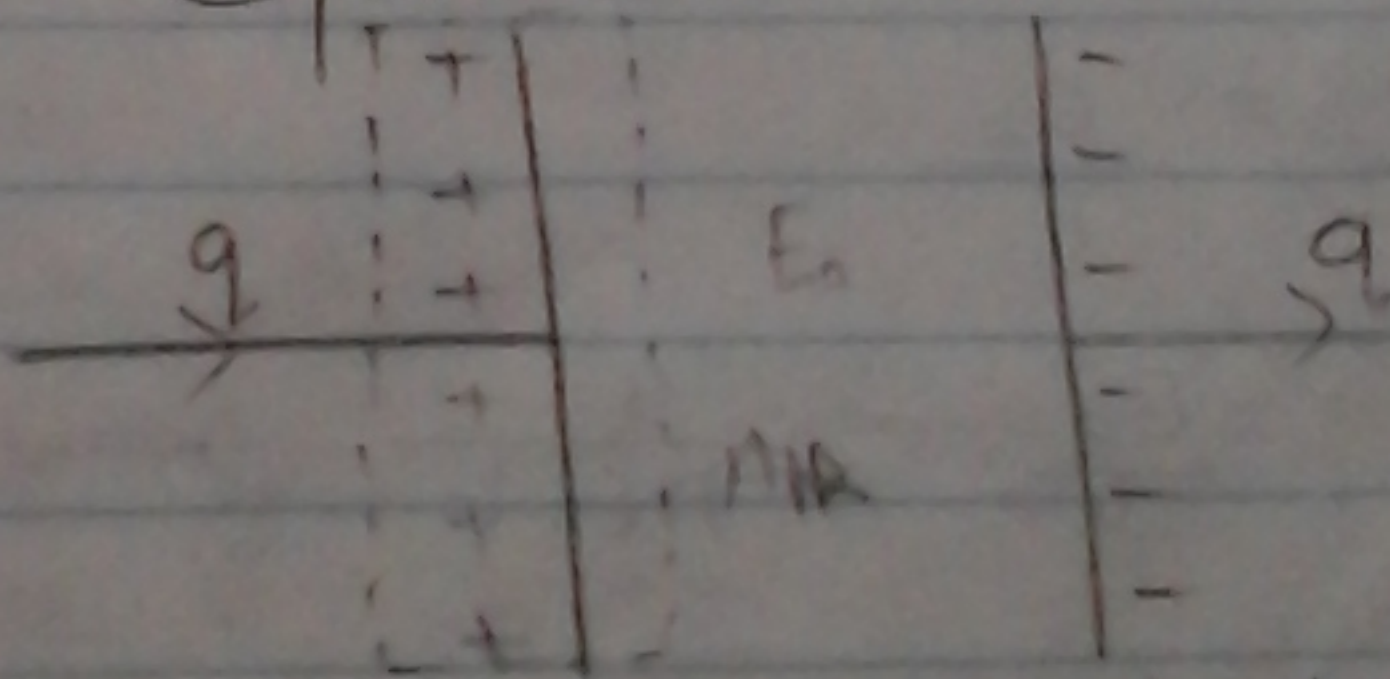


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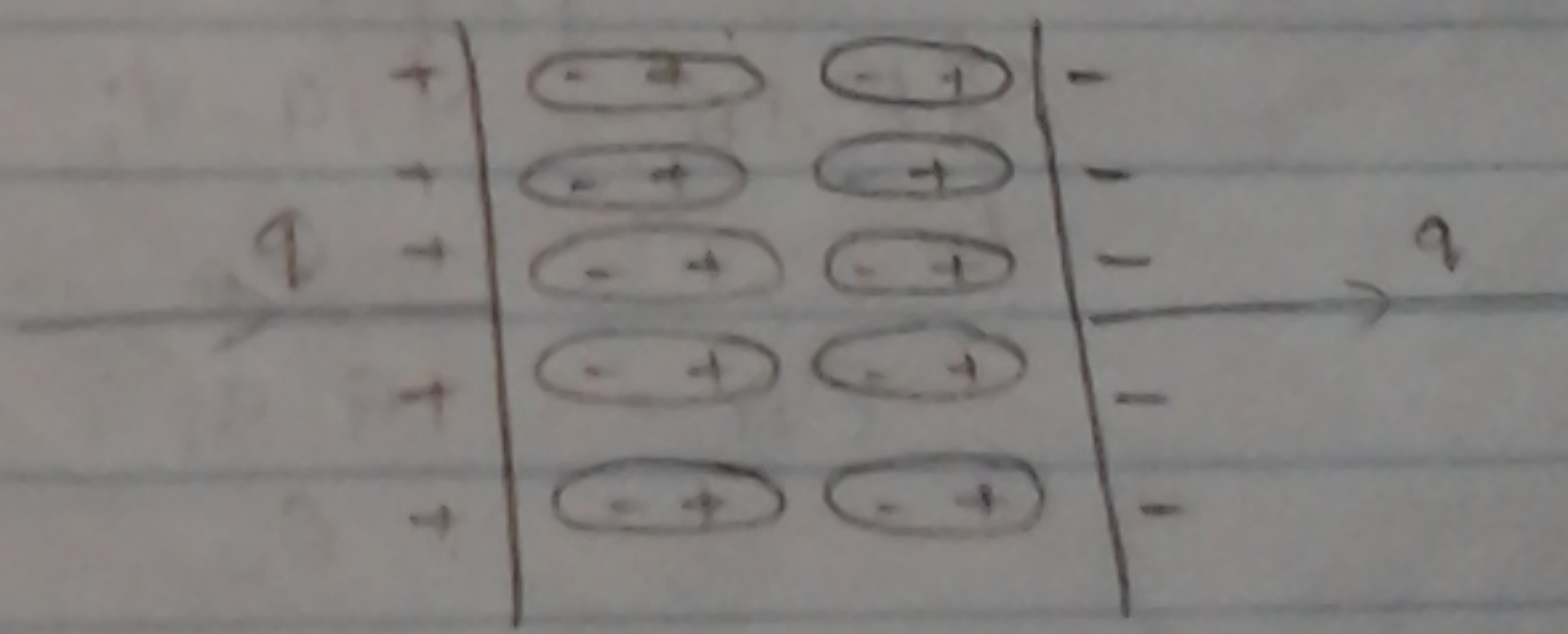
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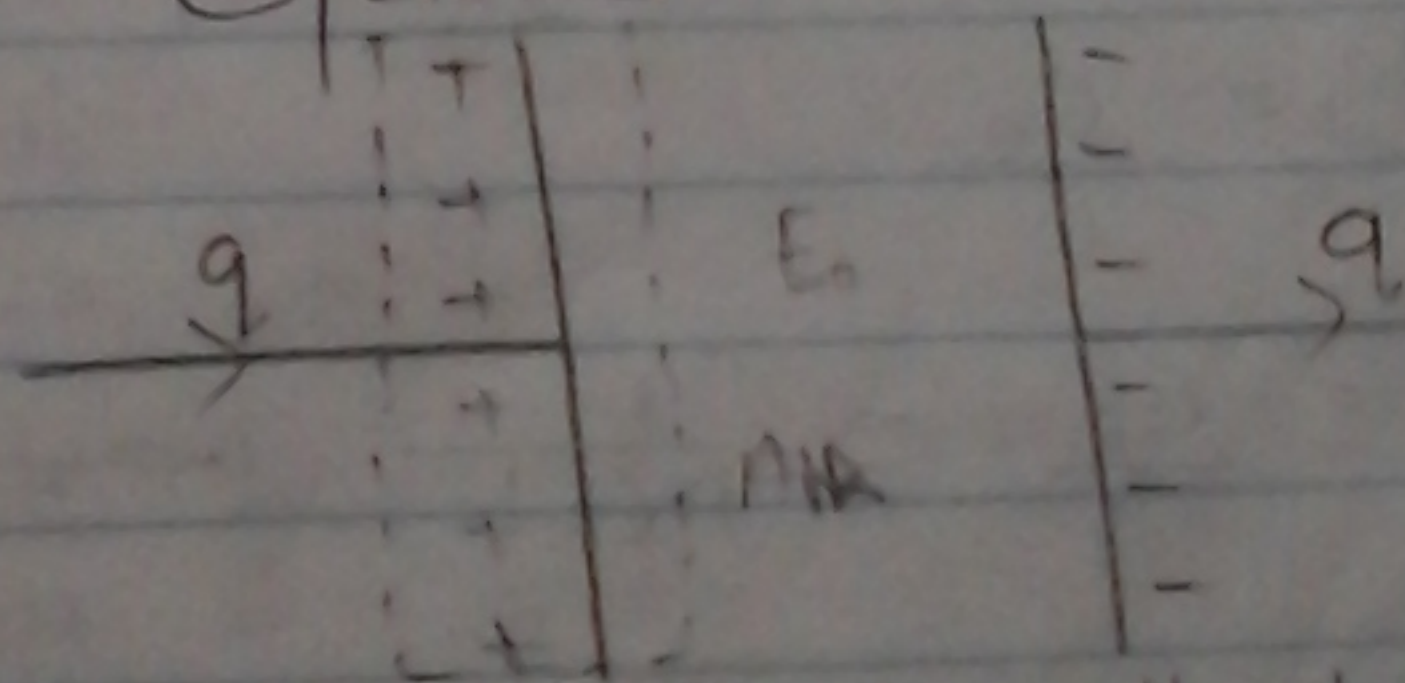


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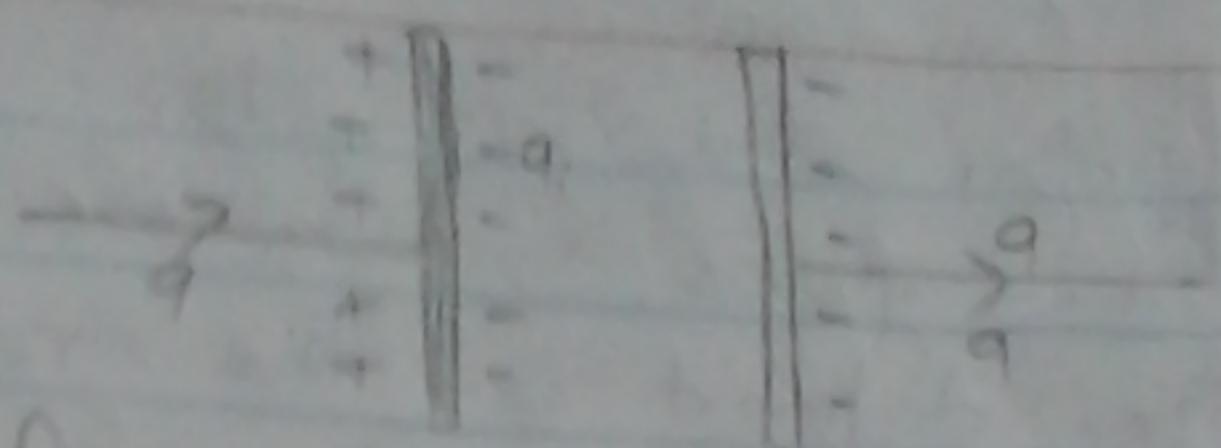


fig. 10 Capacitor with dielectric material

Consider 'q' amount of charge be applied into the plates of capacitor without presence of any dielectric material then the uniform electric field is produced between them say i.e. E_0 . Now using Gauss's law

$$\oint E_0 dA = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$E_0 = \frac{q}{A\epsilon_0} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

where A is the cross-sectional area of plate.

When the dielectric material is introduced in between the plates and apply the same charge q. then certain charges are induced in the surface of parallel plate. These charges are responsible to polarize the opposite charge on next plate so that a dielectric material the electric field is reduced to E. Then apply the Gauss's law

$$\oint E dA = \frac{q - q_i}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$EA = \frac{q - q_i}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E = \frac{q - q_i}{A\epsilon_0} = \frac{q}{A\epsilon_0} - \frac{q_i}{A\epsilon_0} \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Example

$$k = \frac{E_0}{E}$$

$$E = \frac{E_0}{k} = \frac{q}{A\epsilon_0 k} \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

From (ii) & (iii)

$$\frac{q}{A\epsilon_0 k} = \frac{q}{A\epsilon_0} - \frac{q_i}{A\epsilon_0}$$

$$\frac{q}{k} = q - q_i$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{q}{q - q_i}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{q_i}{q}}$$

Since $q_i < q$

$$\Rightarrow k > 1$$

Again, from eqn (ii)

$$E = \frac{q}{A\epsilon_0} - \frac{q_i}{A\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_0}{k} = \frac{q}{A\epsilon_0} - \frac{q_i}{A\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{q}{A\epsilon_0} = \frac{E_0}{k} + \frac{q_i}{A\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{q}{A} = \epsilon_0 E + \frac{q_i}{A}}$$

or,

$$\boxed{\vec{D} = \epsilon_0 \vec{E} + \vec{P}}$$

where \vec{D} = Displacement vector = $\frac{\text{total free charge}}{\text{cross-sectional area}}$

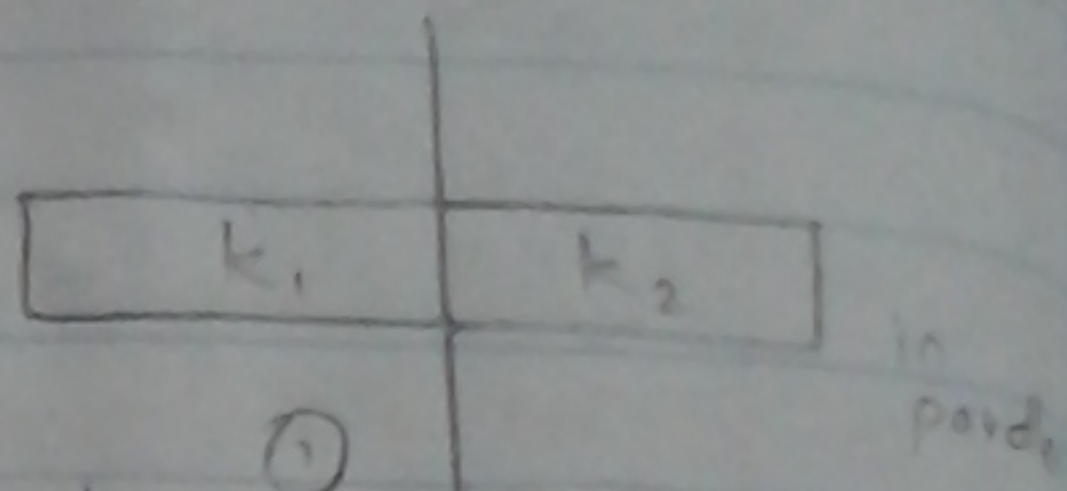
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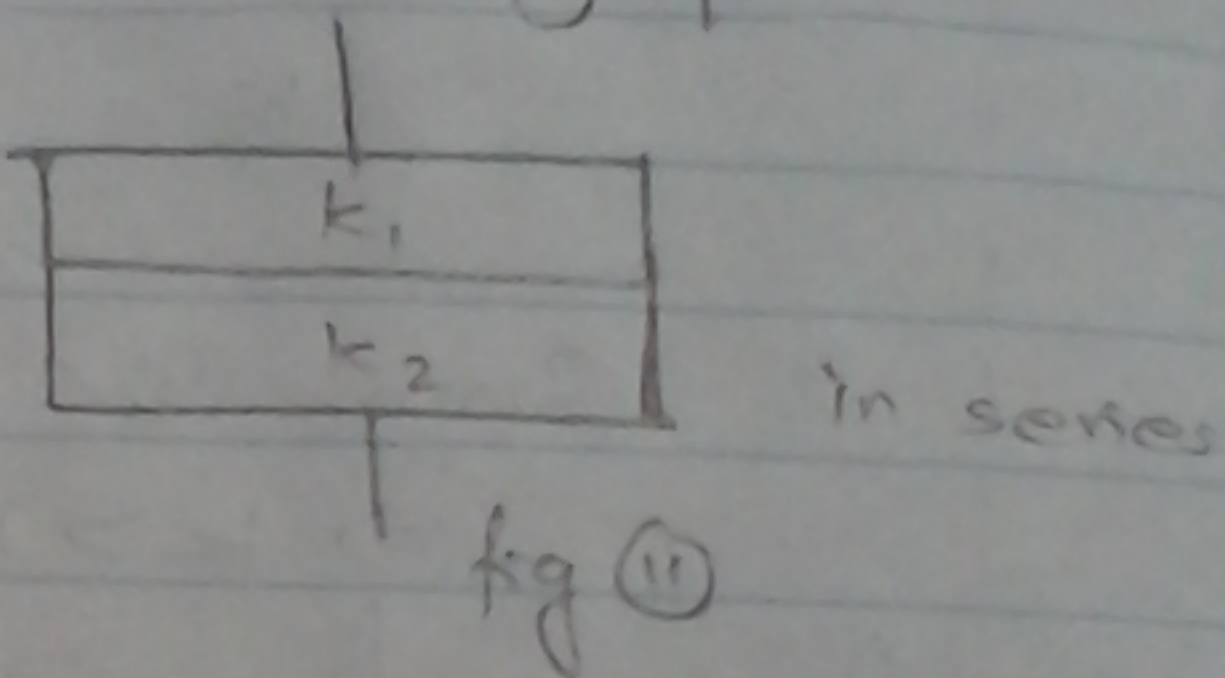
= $\frac{\text{Total induced free charge}}{\text{Area of plate.}}$

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Q.1) A parallel plate capacitor is filled with two dielectric material of dielectric constant k_1 & k_2 so that the capacitance is given by (i) $C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{d} \left(\frac{k_1 + k_2}{2} \right)$



(ii) $C = \frac{2\epsilon_0 A}{d} \left(\frac{k_1 k_2}{k_1 + k_2} \right)$



(i)

$$k_1 = \frac{C_1}{\epsilon_0}$$

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C_1 & C_2 are in parallel

$$\therefore C = C_1 + C_2$$

$$= \epsilon_0 k_1 + \epsilon_0 k_2$$

$$= \epsilon_0 (k_1 + k_2)$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{2d} (k_1 + k_2)$$

(ii)

$$k_1 = \frac{C_1}{\epsilon_0} \Rightarrow C_1 = \frac{k_1 \epsilon_0 A/2}{d} \quad \therefore \epsilon_0 = \frac{2C_1 A}{d}$$

$$k_2 = \frac{C_2}{\epsilon_0} \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{k_2 \epsilon_0 A/2}{d}$$

C_1 & C_2 are in series

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &= \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2} \\
 &= \frac{(\epsilon_0 \cdot \epsilon_0 k_1 \cdot k_2)}{\epsilon_0 k_1 + \epsilon_0 k_2} \\
 &= \frac{\epsilon_0^2 k_1 k_2}{\epsilon_0 (k_1 + k_2)} \\
 &= \epsilon_0 \times \left(\frac{k_1 k_2}{k_1 + k_2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{2 \epsilon_0 A}{d} \left(\frac{k_1 k_2}{k_1 + k_2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Q. A parallel plate capacitor has a capacitance of $100 \mu\text{F}$. - A of plate area of 100 cm^2 mica dielectric at 50V p.d. calculate.

- i) ϵ in the mica
- ii) q in the plate
- iii) induced surface charge

⇒ Solⁿ:

$$C = 100 \mu\text{F} = 100 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F}$$

$$A = 100 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$$

$$V = 50\text{V}$$

$$q = CV = 100 \times 10^{-6} \times 50 = 5 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \epsilon &= \frac{q}{C_0 A} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-9}}{100 \times 10^{-4} \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12}} \\
 &= 5.88 \times 10^4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta E = \frac{1}{AC_0} (q - q_i)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5.88 \times 10^4 &= \frac{1}{100 \times 10^{-4} \times 2.85 \times 10^{-12}} (5 \times 10^{-9} - q) \\
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