

Name of the Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Max. Marks : 22 Marks

Time : 22 Minutes

**Q1.**

(a) A capacitor is marked '2200  $\mu\text{F}$  15 V'.

(i) Explain what is meant by a capacitance of 2200  $\mu\text{F}$ .

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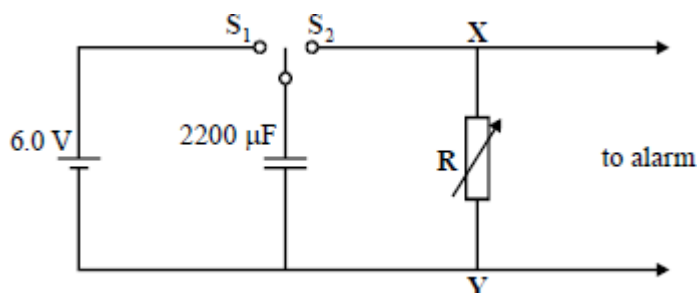
(ii) What is the significance of the 15 V marking?

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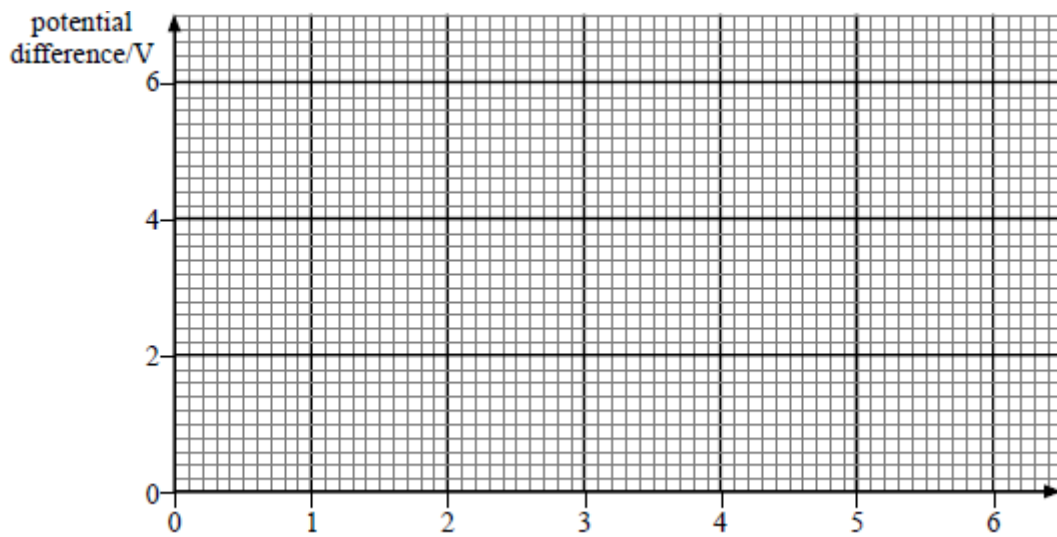
(b) An egg-timer is designed to produce a sound when an egg has been boiled for a sufficient time. The time which elapses before the alarm sounds is controlled by the circuit shown below. The circuit is operated from a 6.0 V cell of negligible internal resistance.



The time is set by means of the variable resistor **R**.

The capacitor is charged by moving the two-way switch to position **S<sub>1</sub>** for a short time. The timing is then started automatically when the two-way switch is moved to position **S<sub>2</sub>**. An alarm rings when the potential difference between terminals **XY** reaches 2.0 V.

(i) In one setting the time constant of the circuit when the capacitor is discharging is 3.0 minutes. Sketch a graph to show how the potential difference between the terminals **X** and **Y** varies with time for the first 6.0 minutes after the switch moves to the position **S<sub>2</sub>**.



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(ii) How long after timing commences will the alarm sound for the setting in part (i)?

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(iii) Calculate the resistance of the variable resistor when the time constant is 3.0 minutes.

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(iv) The system is designed to measure cooking times up to 5.0 minutes. Determine the maximum value of the resistance **R** that is needed.

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(v) State how a suitable capacitor would be connected to increase the measurable cooking time.

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(Total 11 marks)

**Q2.**

(a) (i) A label on a capacitor shows it to have a capacitance of 0.020 F. Explain what this tells you about the capacitor.

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- (ii) Sketch on **Figure 1** the graph that shows how the charge on the 0.020 F capacitor varies with the potential difference across it over the voltage range given. Insert an appropriate scale on the charge axis.

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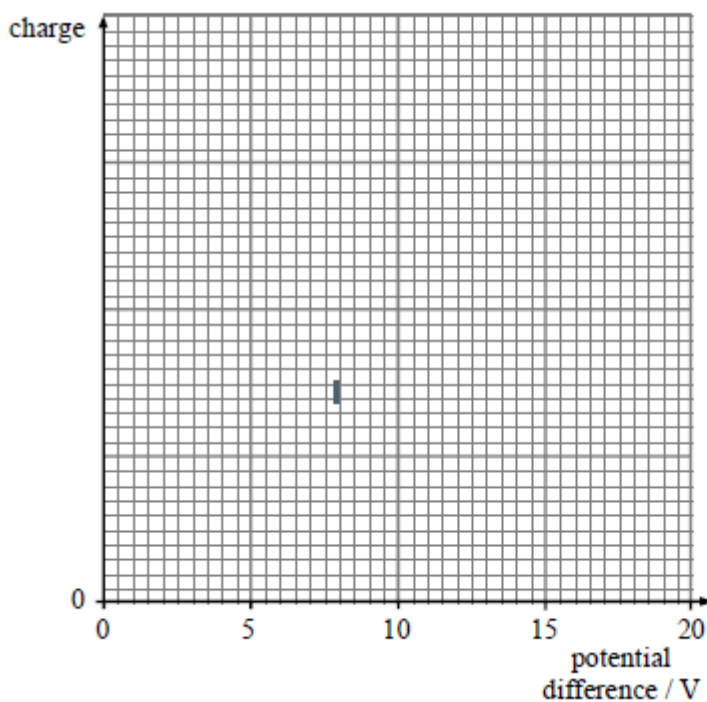
- (iii) Explain how your graph could be used to obtain the energy stored for a given potential difference.

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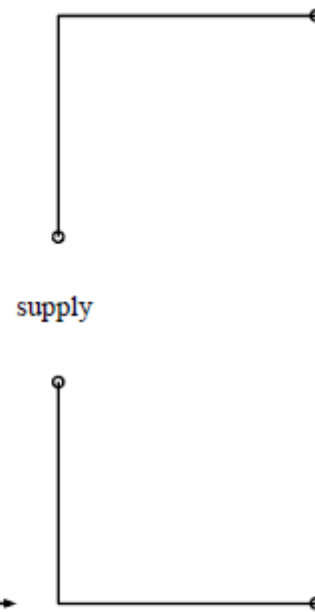
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**Figure 1**



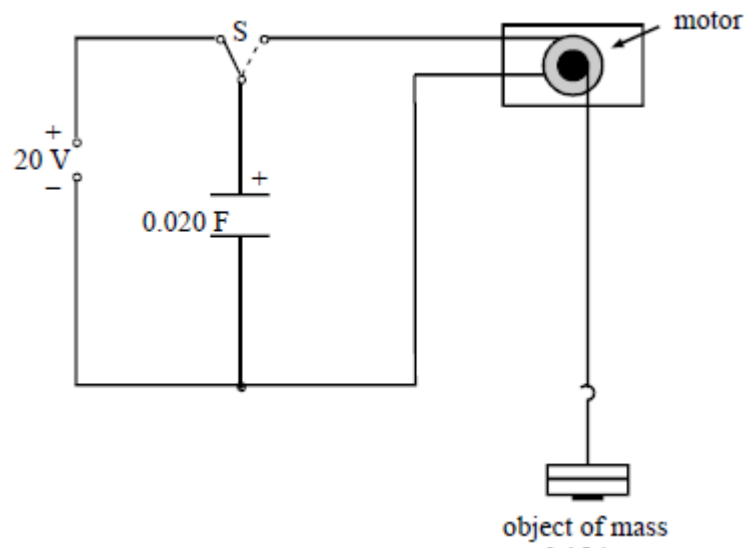
**Figure 2**

- (iv) Show on **Figure 2** how **two** similar capacitors could be connected to a supply to store more energy for the same potential difference.

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- (b) **Figure 3** shows one 0.020 F capacitor connected to a 20 V supply. By means of the changeover switch **S**, the capacitor is disconnected from the supply and connected to a small motor. The motor lifts an object of mass 0.15 kg through a height of 0.80 m, after which the energy left in the capacitor is negligible.

acceleration of free fall,  $g = 9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$



**Figure 3**

Calculate:

- (i) the initial energy stored by the capacitor;

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- (ii) the efficiency of the energy conversion.

(3)

**(Total 11 marks)**