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## Letting the catt out of the bag

<http://www.ivorcatt.co.uk/yak.htm> **a capacitor is a transmission line**

<http://www.ivorcatt.co.uk/x6611.pdf>

40 years ago, <http://www.ivorcatt.org/icrwiworld78dec1.htm>

Classical theories of capacitor and TL are incompatible

<http://www.ivorcatt.co.uk/x8cbwash.htm>

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### Description

Letting the cat out of the bag or out of the box is a colloquialism meaning to reveal facts previously hidden. The facts were usually hidden from a specific target audience or theatrical audience. [Wikipedia](#)



# Spot the Difference

The Catt is out of the bag. 10.3.2019. To Chris Spargo, Royal Society co-editor of <http://www.ivorcatt.co.uk/yak.htm> . Does the displacement current on the face of a step cause a magnetic field? 1 . 16.6.19 No Spargo answer.

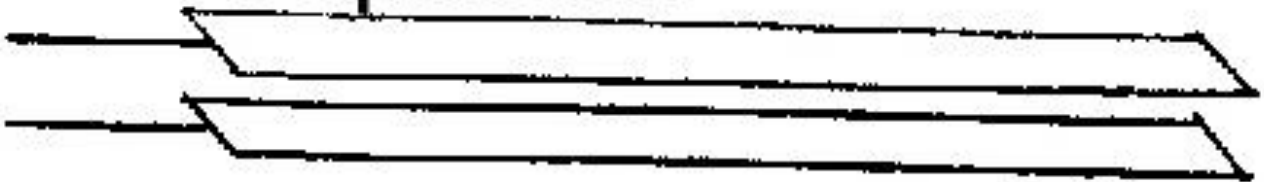
“ .... the concept of **energy current**. I managed to organize a seminar on Electromagnetism at Newcastle on 9 October 2013 to which I invited Mr Ivor Catt and Dr David Walton, who worked with Ivor Catt on various parts of his theory, particularly on demonstrating that **a capacitor is a transmission line** .... Last but not least, many thanks to the two anonymous reviewers for their thorough reading of the paper and producing invaluable comments and corrections.”

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## Transmission Line



## Capacitor



The difference is in our hands, not controlled by physical reality. Fortunately, If a TEM sine wave is introduced into them, the result is confusion. That is why all education about [transmission lines](#) is limited to sine waves.

The reason why no peer reviewed journal will publish “A capacitor is a transmission line” is because Maxwell’s “leap of genius”, displacement current, causes a magnetic field in one case and not in the other.

This is one way to skin a cat.

# Advanced Level Physics

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## chapter thirty-one

### Capacitors

A capacitor (or 'condenser'), is a device for storing electricity. The earliest capacitor was invented—almost accidentally—by van Musschenbroek of Leyden, in about 1746, and became known as a Leyden jar. A present-day form of it is shown in Fig. 31.1(i), J is a glass jar, FF are tin-foil coatings over the lower parts of its walls, and T is a knob connected to the inner coating. Modern forms of capacitor are shown at (ii) and (iv) in the figure. Essentially, all capacitors consist of two metal plates separated by an insulator. The insulator is called the dielectric; in some capacitors it is oil or air. Fig. 31.1(iii) shows the conventional symbol for a capacitor.

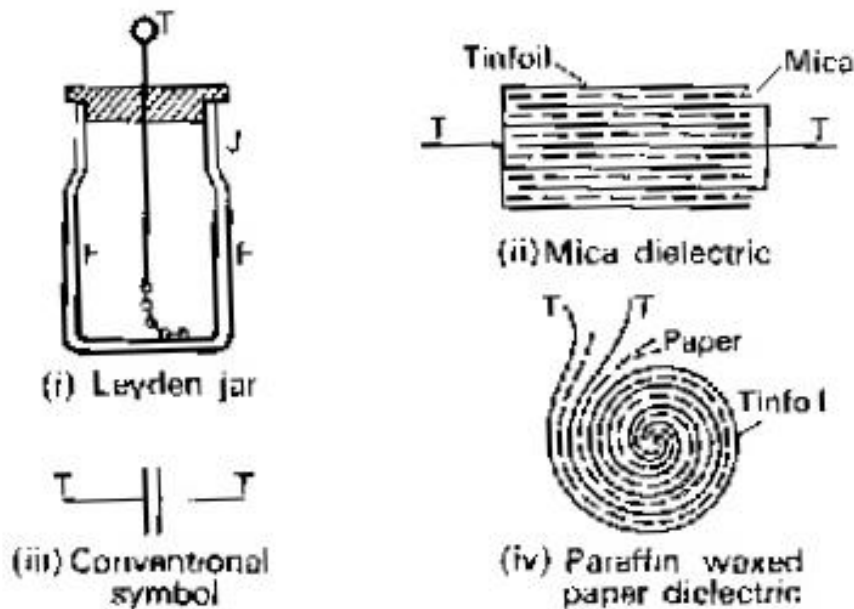


FIG. 31.1. Types of capacitor.

#### Charging a Capacitor

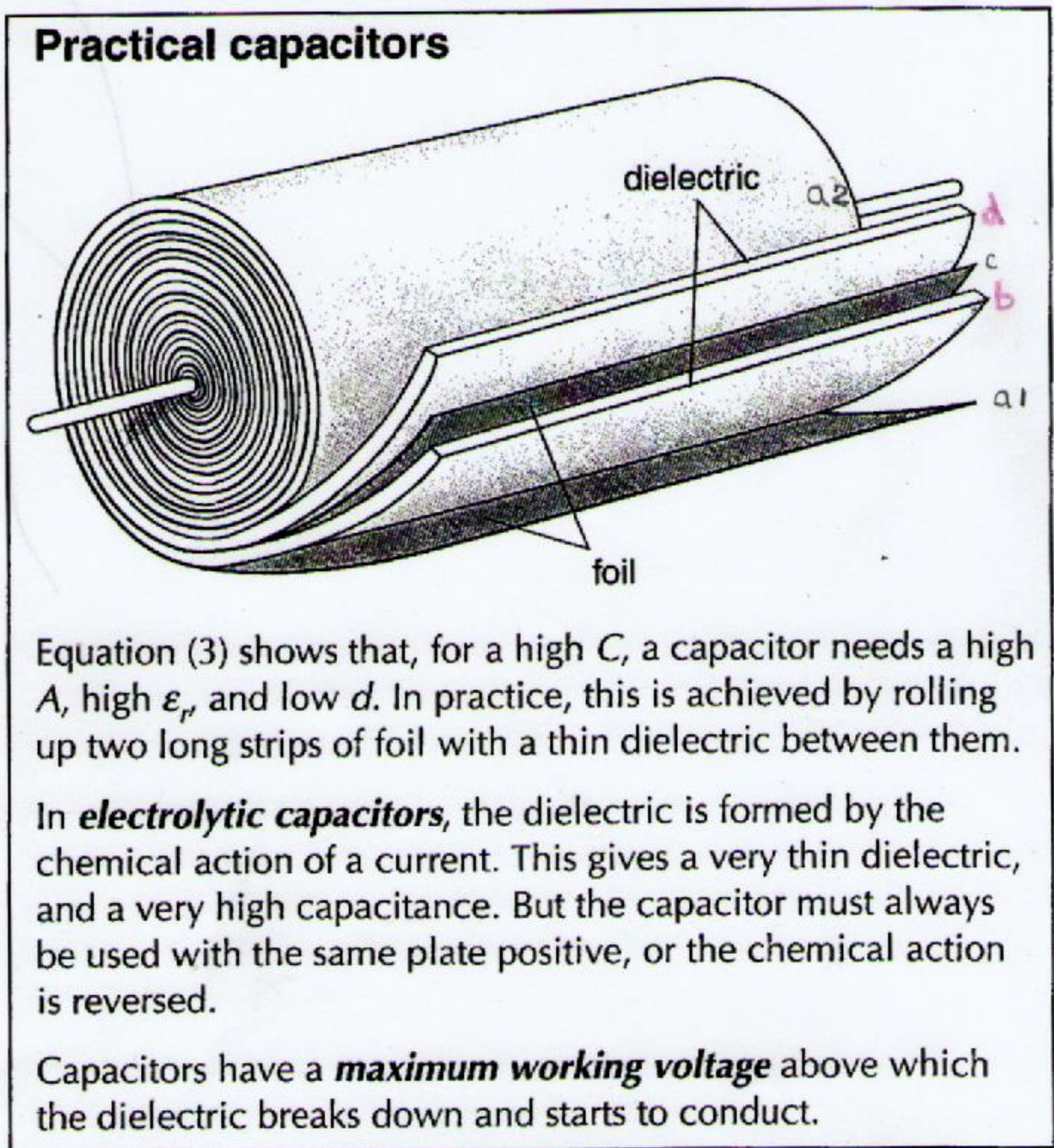
To study the action of a capacitor we need a paper one of about 4 microfarad capacitance (see later), a couple of high-tension batteries  $D$  and a high impedance voltmeter  $V$  such as a valve voltmeter reading to about 300 volts. We also need a two-way key ( $K$  in Fig. 31.2) and a poor conductor ( $R$ ). The latter is a short stick of powdered and compressed carbon; it is called a radio resistor, and should have a resistance of about 5 megohms (p. 790). We connect the batteries in series, and measure their total voltage,  $V_0$ , with the voltmeter (Fig. 31.2(i)). We then connect up all the apparatus as shown in Fig. 31.2(ii). If we close

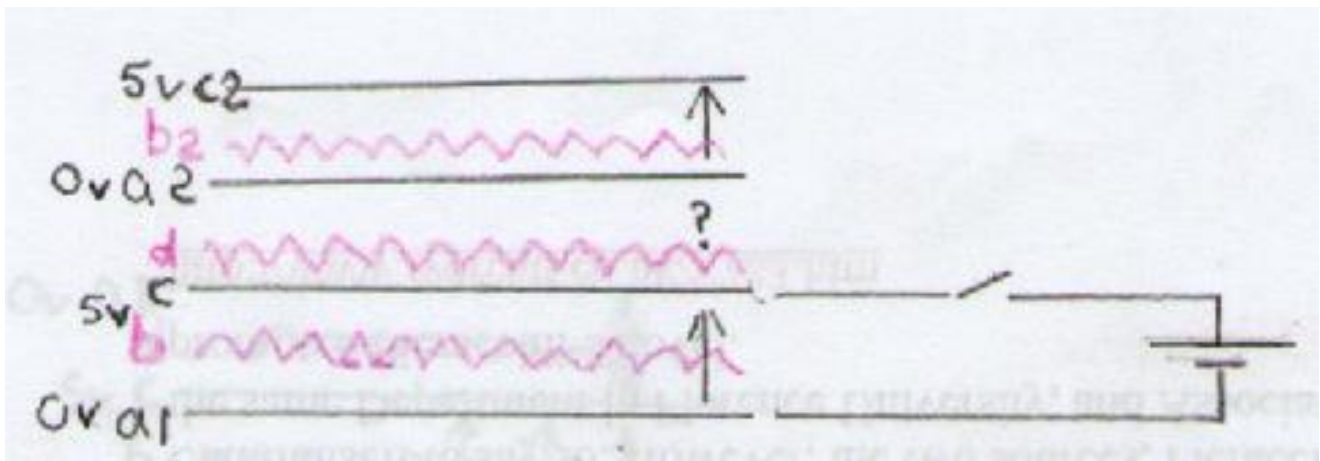
Another book. Added 28 february 2017. Ivor Catt.

“Advanced Physics through diagrams” – Stephen Pople  
For A Level Physics students (17 years old).

Oxford University Press. 2001.

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There are two transmission lines. Energy is introduced into the bottom one  $a_1/c$ , amplitude  $5v$  and proceeds in this transmission line. It comes back round in the  $a_2/c$  transmission line. No energy is introduced in the upper, second transmission line  $c/a_2$ . There is a voltage difference between them, but no electric field, and no  $E \times H$  or perhaps  $(1/2)CV^2$  energy. In the case of high frequency input, not from a battery, this is easily explained by skin effect. The energy introduced means electricity is in/on the top surface of  $a_1$  and the bottom surface of  $c$ . The top surface of  $c$ , like the bottom surface of  $a_2$ , is at  $0v$ .

To summarise. For a high frequency input, the bottom surface of  $c$  is alternating voltage, but its top surface is at  $0v$ .

But what about DC from a battery? The bottom surface of  $c$  stays at  $5v$ , and the top surface stays at  $0v$ . There is a steady  $5v$  drop from bottom to top of the thin metal .

12 March 2017. Solution, below.

At the centre, the lower dielectric must be wrapped round to become the upper dielectric, or the metal conductors  $a$ ,  $c$  would be shorted together at the centre. Thus, energy entering the capacitor between  $a$  and  $c$  only gets into the upper dielectric, between  $c$  and  $a$ , after it has travelled to the centre of the capacitor and back. Both dielectric sheets end up with energy within them. Because a short at the centre must be avoided, there is no possibility that only half the capacitance comes into play.

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