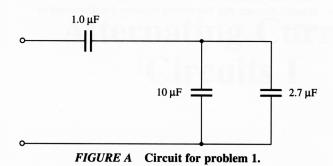
## **QUESTIONS AND PROBLEMS**

Calculate the effective capacitance of the circuit shown in Figure A.



2. Calculate the effective capacitance of the circuit shown in Figure B.

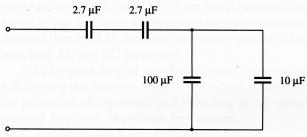


FIGURE B Circuit for problem 2.

3. Sketch  $v_{out}$  vs. time for the circuit shown in Figure C after the switch is closed.

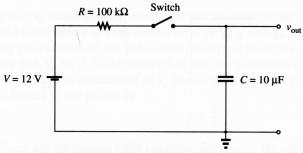
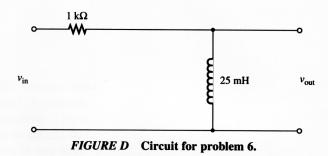


FIGURE C Circuit for problems 3, 4 and 5.

- Given that the tolerance for the resistor is  $\pm 5\%$  and that for the capacitor is -20% to +80%, what would be the minimum and maximum values of  $v_{out}$  you would expect from the circuit of Figure C after a time of 1.0 second?
- An RC circuit is needed with a time constant of 1.000 second. Explain why the circuit shown in Figure C is a poor circuit if the capacitor is electrolytic.
- A designer wishes to replace the circuit shown in Figure D with an RC circuit that has the same voltage vs. time characteristics. Design an acceptable RC circuit.



7. In the circuit shown in Figure E, describe the current that flows from the battery to point A after the switch is closed. In what direction does it flow and what is its value?

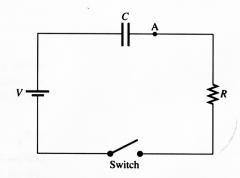


FIGURE E Circuit for problem 7.

- A timing circuit may use the RC charging time to control a subsequent stage, as in Figure F. With  $R = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$ , what value of C is needed so that  $v_c$  equals 70 V at 10.0 seconds after the switch closes?
- If the subsequent stage referred to in problem 8 has an effective resistance to ground of 10 k $\Omega$ , how long after the