

Electricity

Question 1:

By what other name is the unit joule/coulomb called ?

Solution :

Volt

Question 2:

Which of the following statements correctly defines a volt ?

- (a) a volt is a joule per ampere.
- (b) a volt is a joule per coulomb.

Solution :

- (b) a volt is a joule per coulomb.

Question 3:

- (a) What do the letters p.d. stand for ?
- (b) Which device is used to measure p.d. ?

Solution :

- (a) p.d. stands for potential difference.
- (b) Voltmeter is used to measure p.d.

Question 4:

What is meant by saying that the electric potential at a point is 1 volt ?

Solution :

Electric potential at a point is 1 volt means 1 joule of work is done in moving 1 unit positive charge from infinity to that point.

Question 5:

How much work is done when one coulomb charge moves against a potential difference of 1 volt ?

Solution :

Potential difference = 1 V

Charge moved = 1C

Work done = Potential difference x Charge moved

= 1 x 1 = 1 J

Question 6:

What is the SI unit of potential difference ?

Solution :

Volt

Question 7:

How much work is done in moving a charge of 2 C across two points having a potential difference of 12 V ?

Solution :

Given,

Potential difference = 12 V, Charge moved = 2 C

We know that,

Work done = p.d. $\times$ charge moved

= 12 $\times$ 2

= 24 joules.

Question 8:

What is the unit of electric charge ?

Solution :

Coulomb

Question 9:

Define one coulomb charge.

Solution :

One coulomb of charge is that quantity of charge which exerts a force of 9×10^9 Newton on an equal charge is placed at a distance of 1 m from it.

Question 10:

Fill in the following blanks with suitable words :

(a) Potential difference is measured in..... by using a..... placed in..... across a component.

(b) Copper is a good..... Plastic is an.....

Solution :

(a) volts; voltmeter; parallel

(b) conductor; insulator

Question 11:

What is meant by conductors and insulators ? Give two examples of conductors and two of insulators.

Solution :

Conductors:- Those substances through which electricity can flow are known as conductors.
E.g., Copper, silver etc.

Insulators:- Those substances through which electricity cannot flow are known as insulators.
E.g., Plastic, cotton etc.

Question 12:

Which of the following are conductors and which are insulators ?

Sulphur, Silver, Copper, Cotton, Aluminium, Air, Nichrome, Graphite, Paper, Porcelain, Mercury,

Mica, Bakelite, Polythene, Manganin.

Solution :

Conductor:- Silver, Copper, Aluminum, Nichrome, Graphite, Mercury, Manganin

Insulators:- Sulphur, Cotton, Air, Paper, Porcelain, Mica, Bakelite, Polythene

Question 13:

What do you understand by the term "electric potential" ? (or potential) at a point ? What is the unit of electric potential ?

Solution :

The electric potential (or potential) at a point in an electric field is defined as the work done in moving a unit positive charge from infinity to that point.

Unit of electric potential is volt.

Question 14:

(a) State the relation between potential difference, work done and charge moved.

(b) Calculate the work done in moving a charge of 4 coulombs from a point at 220 volts to another point at 230 volts.

Solution :

(a) Potential difference = Work done/Charge moved.

(b) $V_1=220\text{ V}$, $V_2=230\text{ V}$, Charge moved= 4 C

Thus, the potential difference= $V_2 - V_1 = 230 - 220$
 $= 10$.

We know that,

Work done = Potential difference x Charge moved

$= 10 \times 4$

Work done = 40 joules

Question 15:

(a) Name a device that helps to measure the potential difference across a conductor.

(b) How much energy is transferred by a 12 V power supply to each coulomb of charge which it moves around a circuit ?

Solution :

(a) Voltmeter

(b) Given : Potential difference= 12 V , Charge moved= 1 C

We know that,

Work done = Potential difference x charge moved

$= 12 \times 1 = 12\text{ joules}$

Since work done on each coulomb of charge is 12 joules, the energy given to each coulomb of charge is also 12 joules.

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Question 16:

(a) What do you understand by the term "potential difference" ?

(b) What is meant by saying that the potential difference between two points is 1 volt ?

(c) What is the potential difference between the terminals of a battery if 250 joules of work is required to transfer 20 coulombs of charge from one terminal of battery to the other ?

(d) What is a voltmeter ? How is a voltmeter connected in the circuit to measure the potential difference between two points. Explain with the help of a diagram.

(e) State whether a voltmeter has a high resistance or a low resistance. Give reason for your answer.

Solution :

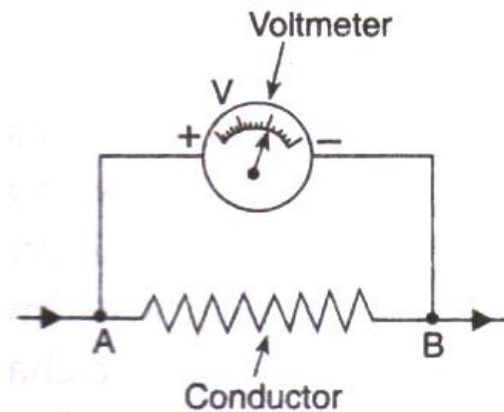
(a) Potential difference between two points in an electric circuit is defined as the amount of work done in moving a unit charge from one point to the other point.

(b) The potential difference between two points is 1 volt means 1 joule of work is done in moving 1 coulomb of electric charge from one point to the other.

(c) Given: Work done = 250J, Charge moved = 20C.

we know that, Potential difference = Work done/Charge moved
 $= 250/20 = 12.5$

(d) A voltmeter is a device which is used to measure the potential difference between two points in an electric circuit. Voltmeter is always connected in parallel across the two points where the potential difference is to be measured.



(e) Voltmeter has a high resistance so that it takes a negligible current from the circuit.

Question 22:

Three 2 V cells are connected in series and used as a battery in a circuit.

(a) What is the p.d. at the terminals of the battery ?

(b) How many joules of electrical energy does 1 C gain on passing through (i) one cell (ii) all three cells ?

Solution :

(a) If three cells of 2 volt each are connected in series to make a battery, then the total potential difference between terminals of the battery will be 6V.

(b) (i) Given: p.d. = 2V, Charge moved = 1C

We know that

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Work done} &= \text{p.d.} \times \text{charge moved} \\ &= 2 \times 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Work done} = 2 \text{ joules}$$

(ii) Given: p.d. = 6V, Charge moved = 1C

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Work done} &= \text{p.d.} \times \text{charge moved} \\ &= 6 \times 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Work done} = 6 \text{ joule.}$$

Question 23:

The atoms of copper contain electrons and the atoms of rubber also contain electrons. Then why does copper conduct electricity but rubber does not conduct electricity ?

Solution :

Copper has free electrons that are loosely held by the nuclei of the atoms. These free electrons result in conduction of electricity.

The electrons present in rubber are strongly held by the nuclei of its atoms. So, rubber does not have free electrons to conduct electricity.

Question 1:

By what name is the physical quantity coulomb/second called ?

Solution :

Ampere

Question 2:

What is the flow of charge called ?

Solution :

Electric Current.

Question 3:

What actually travels through the wires when you switch on a light ?

Solution :

Electrons.

Question 4:

Which particles constitute the electric current in a metallic conductor ?

Solution :

Electrons.

Question 5:

(a) In which direction does conventional current flow around a circuit ?

(b) In which direction do electrons flow ?

Solution :

(a) Conventional current flows from positive terminal of a battery to the negative terminal, through the outer circuit.

(b) Electrons flow from negative terminal to positive terminal of the battery (opposite to the direction of conventional current).

Question 6:

Which of the following equation shows the correct relationship between electrical units ?

$1\text{ A} = 1\text{ C/s}$ or $1\text{ C} = 1\text{ A/s}$

Solution :

$1\text{ A} = 1\text{ C/s}$

Question 7:

What is the unit of electric current ?

Solution :

Ampere.

Question 8:

(a) How many milliamperes are there in 1 ampere ?

(b) How many microamperes are there in 1 ampere ?

Solution :

(a) $1\text{ amp} = 10^3\text{ milli amp.}$

(b) $1\text{ amp} = 10^6\text{ micro amp.}$

Question 9:

Which of the two is connected in series : ammeter or voltmeter ?

Solution :

Ammeter is connected in series.

Question 10:

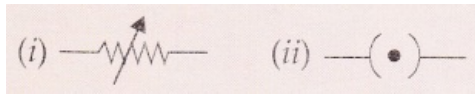
Compare how an ammeter and a voltmeter are connected in a circuit.

Solution :

Ammeter is connected in series in a circuit whereas voltmeter is connected in parallel.

Question 11:

What do the following symbols mean in circuit diagrams ?

**Solution :**

(i) Variable resistance.

(ii) A closed plug key.

Question 12:

If 20 C of charge pass a point in a circuit in 1 s, what current is flowing ?

Solution :

Given, $Q = 20 \text{ C}$, $t = 1 \text{ s}$

$I = ?$

We know that:

$$I = Q/t.$$

$$I = 20/1 = 20 \text{ A}.$$

Question 13:

A current of 4 A flows around a circuit for 10 s. How much charge flows past a point in the circuit in this time ?

Solution :

Given, $I = 4 \text{ amp}$, $t = 10 \text{ s}$ $Q = ?$

We know that:

$$I = Q/t.$$

$$Q = 4 \times 10 = 40 \text{ C}.$$

Question 14:

What is the current in a circuit if the charge passing each point is 20 C in 40 s ?

Solution :

Given, $Q = 20 \text{ C}$, $t = 40 \text{ s}$

$I = ?$

We know that:

$$I = Q/t.$$

$$\text{Thus } I = 20/40 = 0.5 \text{ A}.$$

Question 15:

Fill in the following blanks with suitable words :

(a) A current is a flow of..... For this to happen there must be a.....

(b) Current is measured in..... using an..... placed in..... in a circuit.

Solution :

(a) electrons; closed

(b) amperes; ammeter; series.

Question 16:

(a) Name a device which helps to maintain potential difference across a conductor (say, a bulb).

If a potential difference of 10 V causes a current of 2 A to flow for 1 minute, how much energy

is
transferred ?

Solution :

(a) Cell or battery helps to maintain potential difference across a conductor.

(b) Given: p.d. = 10 V, $I = 2\text{ amp}$, $t = 1\text{ min} = 60\text{s}$.

We know that:

$$I = Q/t.$$

$$\text{Thus, } Q = I \times t.$$

$$Q = 2 \times 60.$$

$$Q = 120\text{ C}.$$

$$\text{Work done} = \text{p.d.} \times \text{charge moved}$$

$$\text{Work done} = 120 \times 10\text{J}$$

$$\text{Work done} = 1200\text{J}.$$

Question 17:

(a) What is an electric current ? What makes an electric current flow in a wire ?

(b) Define the unit of electric current (or Define ampere).

Solution :

(a) An electric current is a flow of electric charges (electrons) through a conductor.

Potential difference between the ends of the wire makes electric current to flow in the wire.

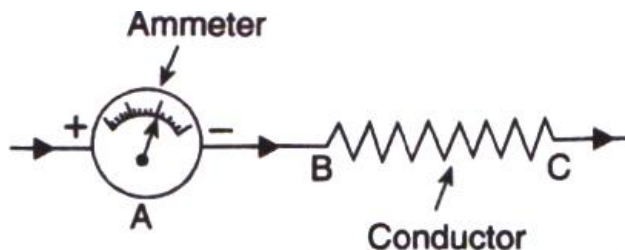
(b) When 1 coulomb of charge flows through any cross-section of a conductor in 1 second, the electric current flowing through it is said to be 1 ampere.

Question 18:

What is an ammeter ? How is it connected in a circuit ? Draw a diagram to illustrate your answer.

Solution :

Ammeter is a device used for the measurement of electric current. It is always connected in series with the circuit in which the current is to be measured.



Question 19:

(a) Write down the formula which relates electric charge, time and electric current.

(b) A radio set draws a current of 0.36 A for 15 minutes. Calculate the amount of electric charge that flows through the circuit.

Solution :

(a). Work done = Potential difference $\times$ charge moved.

(b). $I = 0.36\text{A}$, $t = 15\text{min} = 900\text{seconds}$.

$$Q = I \times t$$

$$= 0.36 \times 900$$

$$= 324\text{C}.$$

Question 20:

Why should the resistance of :

(a) an ammeter be very small ?

(b) a voltmeter be very large ?

Solution :

- (a) The resistance of an ammeter should be very small so that it may not change the value of the current flowing in the circuit.
- (b) The resistance of a voltmeter should be very large so that it takes a negligible current from the current.

Question 21:

Draw circuit symbols for (a) fixed resistance (b) variable resistance (c) a cell (d) a battery of three cells (e) an open switch (f) a closed switch.

Solution :

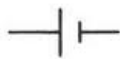
(a) Fixed resistance



(b) Variable resistance



(c) Cell



(d) Battery of three cells



(e) Open switch



(f) Closed switch

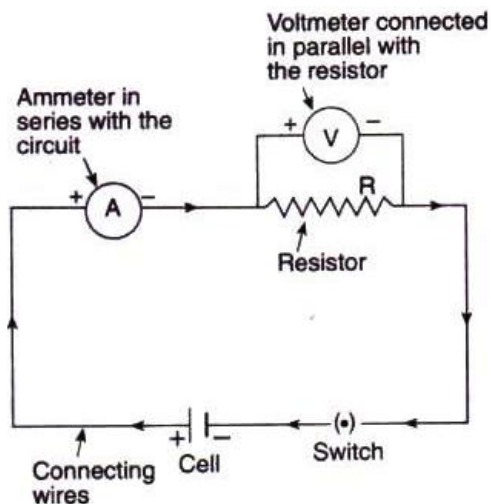


Question 22:

What is a circuit diagram ? Draw the labelled diagram of an electric circuit comprising of a cell, a resistor, an ammeter, a voltmeter and a closed switch (or closed plug key). Which of the two has a large resistance : an ammeter or a voltmeter ?

Solution :

A diagram which indicates how different components in a circuit have been connected by using the electrical symbols for the components is called a circuit diagram.



A voltmeter has a large resistance.

Question 23:

If the charge on an electron is 1.6×10^{-19} coulombs, how many electrons should pass through a conductor in 1 second to constitute 1 ampere current ?

Solution :

We know that

$$I = \frac{Q}{t}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \text{ A} = \frac{Q}{1 \text{ s}}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = 1 \text{ C}$$

Now,

When charge is 1.6×10^{-19} coulombs, number of electrons = 1

When charge is 1 coulomb, number of electrons =

$$\frac{1}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 0.625 \times 10^{19} = 6.25 \times 10^{18}$$

Question 24:

The p.d. across a lamp is 12 V. How many joules of electrical energy are changed into heat and light when :

- (a) a charge of 1 C passes through it ?
- (b) a charge of 5 C passes through it ?
- (c) a current of 2 A flows through it for 10 s ?

Solution :

p.d. = 12V

$$(a) \text{ p.d.} = \frac{\text{Work done}}{\text{Charge moved}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work done} &= \text{p.d.} \times \text{Charge moved} \\ &= 12 \times 1 = 12\text{J} \end{aligned}$$

Amount of electrical energy changed into heat and light=12J

$$(b) \text{ Work done} = \text{p.d.} \times \text{Charge moved} \\ = 12 \times 5 = 60\text{J}$$

Amount of electrical energy changed into heat and light=60J

$$(c) I = \frac{Q}{t}$$

$$Q = I \times t$$

$$= 2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work done} &= \text{p.d.} \times \text{Charge moved} \\ &= 12 \times 20 = 240\text{J} \end{aligned}$$

Amount of electrical energy changed into heat and light=240J

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Question 25:

In 10 s, a charge of 25 C leaves a battery, and 200 J of energy are delivered to an outside circuit as a result.

- (a) What is the p.d. across the battery ?
- (b) What current flows from the battery ?

Solution :

t = 10s, Q=25C, Energy delivered=Work done=200J

$$(a) \text{ p.d.} = \frac{\text{Work done}}{\text{Charge moved}} = \frac{200}{25} = 8\text{V}$$

$$(b) I = \frac{Q}{t} = \frac{25}{10} = 2.5\text{A}$$

Question 26:

- (a) Define electric current. What is the SI unit of electric current.
- (b) One coulomb of charge flows through any cross-section of a conductor in 1 second. What is the current flowing through the conductor ?
- (c) Which instrument is used to measure electric current ? How should it be connected in a circuit ?
- (d) What is the conventional direction of the flow of electric current ? How does it differ from the direction of flow of electrons ?
- (e) A flash of lightning carries 10 C of charge which flows for 0.01 s. What is the current ? If the voltage is 10 MV, what is the energy ?

Solution :

(a) Electric current is the flow of electric charges (electrons) in a conductor such as a metal wire.

SI unit of electric current is ampere.

(b) 1 ampere.

(c) An ammeter is used to measure electric current. It should be connected in series with the circuit.

(d) Conventional direction of flow of electric current is from positive terminal of a battery to the negative terminal, through the outer circuit. The direction of flow of electrons is opposite to the direction of conventional current, i.e. from negative terminal to positive terminal.

(e) $Q=10\text{ C}$, $t=0.01\text{ s}$

$$I = \frac{Q}{t} = \frac{10}{0.01} = 1000\text{ A}$$

$$\text{p.d.} = \frac{W}{Q}$$

$$W = \text{p.d.} \times Q$$

$$= 10 \times 10^6 \times 10 = 100 \times 10^6 = 100\text{ MJ}$$

$$\text{Energy} = \text{work done} = 100\text{ MJ}$$

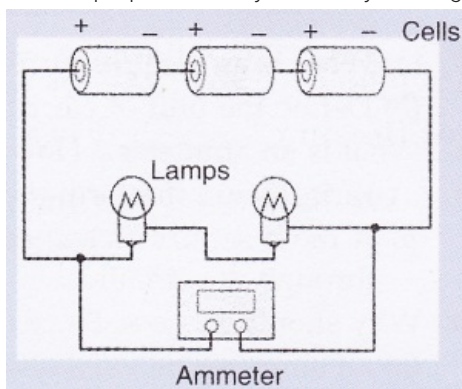
Question 32:

A student made an electric circuit shown here to measure the current through two lamps.

- (a) Are the lamps in series or parallel ?
- (b) The student has made a mistake in this circuit.
What is the mistake ?

(c) Draw a circuit diagram to show the correct way to connect the circuit.

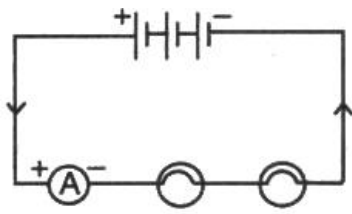
Use the proper circuit symbols in your diagram.

**Solution :**

(a) Lamps are in series.

(b) Student has connected ammeter in parallel with lamps. It should be connected in series.

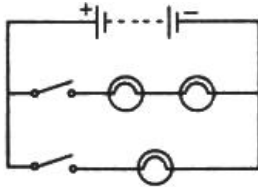
(c)



Question 33:

Draw a circuit diagram to show how 3 bulbs can be lit from a battery so that 2 bulbs are controlled by the same switch while the third bulb has its own switch.

Solution :



Question 34:

An electric heater is connected to the 230 V mains supply. A current of 8 A flows through the heater.

- (a) How much charge flows around the circuit each second ?
- (b) How much energy is transferred to the heater each second ?

Solution :

p.d. = 230 V, $I = 8\text{ A}$

(a) $I = \frac{Q}{t}$

$$8 = \frac{Q}{1}$$

$$Q = 8 \times 1 = 8\text{ C}$$

So, 8C of charge flows around the circuit each second.

(b) Energy transferred = Work done

$$\text{p.d.} = \frac{\text{Work done}}{\text{Charge moved}}$$

$$230 = \frac{\text{Work done}}{8}$$

$$\text{Work done} = 230 \times 8 = 1840\text{ J}$$

$$\text{Energy transferred} = 1840\text{ J}$$

Question 35:

How many electrons are flowing per second past a point in a circuit in which there is a current of 5 amp ?

Solution :

$$I = 5\text{ A}$$

$$t = 1\text{ s}$$

$$I = \frac{Q}{t}$$

$$Q = I \times t = 5 \times 1 = 5\text{ C}$$

$$\text{No. of electrons comprising } 1.6 \times 10^{-19}\text{ C} = 1$$

$$\text{No. of electrons comprising } 5\text{ C} = \frac{5}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 31.25 \times 10^{18}$$

Question 1:

Name the law which relates the current in a conductor to the potential difference across its ends.

Solution :

Ohm's law

Question 2:

Name the unit of electrical resistance and give its symbol.

Solution :

Unit of electrical resistance is ohm. Its symbol is Ω .

Question 3:

Name the physical quantity whose unit is "ohm".

Solution :

Electric resistance.

Question 4:

What is the general name of the substances having infinitely high electrical resistance ?

Solution :

Insulators.

Question 5:

Keeping the resistance constant, the potential difference applied across the ends of a component is halved. By how much does the current change ?

Solution :

$$V = IR$$

Keeping R constant, $V \propto I$

So, when V is halved, I also becomes half.

Question 6:

State the factors on which the strength of electric current flowing in a given conductor depends.

Solution :

Strength of electric current flowing in a given conductor depends on

- (i) potential difference across the ends of the conductor
- (ii) resistance of the conductor.

Question 7:

Which has less electrical resistance : a thin wire or a thick wire (of the same length and same material) ?

Solution :

Thick wire.

Question 8:

Keeping the potential difference constant, the resistance of a circuit is halved. By how much does the current change ?

Solution :

$$V = IR$$

$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

Keeping V constant, $I \propto \frac{1}{R}$

So, when R is halved, I also becomes double.

Question 9:

A potential difference of 20 volts is applied across the ends of a resistance of 5 ohms. What

current will flow in the resistance ?

Solution :

Potential difference, $V = 20V$

Resistance, $R = 5\text{ohms}$

Current, $I = ?$

We know that

$$V = IR$$

$$20 = I \times 5$$

$$I = 20/5 = 4 \text{ A}$$

Question 10:

A resistance of 20 ohms has a current of 2 amperes flowing in it. What potential difference is there between its ends ?

Solution :

$R = 20\text{ohms}$

$I = 2\text{amp}$

We know that

$$V = IR$$

Thus,

$$V = 2 \times 20$$

$$V = 40V$$

Question 11:

A current of 5 amperes flows through a wire whose ends are at a potential difference of 3 volts. Calculate the resistance of the wire.

Solution :

$I = 5\text{amp}$

p.d., $V = 3V$

We know that

$$V = IR$$

Thus,

$$3 = 5 \times R$$

$$R = 3/5 = 0.6 \text{ ohm}$$

Question 12:

Fill in the following blank with a suitable word :

Ohm's law states a relation between potential difference and.....

Solution :

current.

Question 13:

Distinguish between good conductors, resistors and insulators. Name two good conductors, two resistors and two insulators.

Solution :

Those substances which have very low electrical resistance are called as good conductors.

E.g., copper and aluminium.

Those substances which have comparatively high resistance than conductors are known as resistors. E.g., nichrome and manganin.

Those substances which have infinitely high electrical resistance are called insulators. E.g., rubber and wood.

Question 14:

Classify the following into good conductors, resistors and insulators :

Rubber, Mercury, Nichrome, Polythene, Aluminium, Wood, Manganin, Bakelite, Iron, Paper, Thermocol, Metal coin

Solution :

Conductor :- mercury, aluminum, iron, metal coin

Resistor :- manganin, nichrome

Insulator :- rubber, polythene, wood, bakelite, paper, thermocol

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Question 15:

What is Ohm's law ? Explain how it is used to define the unit of resistance.

Solution :

Ohm's law gives a relationship between current (I) and potential difference (V). According to ohm's law: At constant temperature, the current flowing through a conductor is directly proportional to the potential difference across its ends.

If I is the current flowing through a conductor and V is the p.d. across its ends, then according to the ohm's law:

$$I \propto V$$

$$\text{or, } V \propto I$$

$$\text{or, } V = RI$$

$$\text{or } R = \frac{V}{I}$$

where, R is a constant called "resistance" of the conductor.

The unit of resistance is ohm.

If $V = 1$ volt and $I = 1$ amp, then $R = \frac{1}{1} = 1 \text{ ohm}$.

Thus, 1 ohm is the resistance of a conductor such that when a potential difference of 1 volt is applied to its ends, a current of 1 amp flows through it.

Question 16:

(a) What is meant by the "resistance of a conductor" ? Write the relation between resistance, potential

difference and current.

(b) When a 12 V battery is connected across an unknown resistor, there is a current of 2.5 mA in the circuit. Calculate the value of the resistance of the resistor.

Solution :

(a) The property of a conductor due to which it opposes the flow of current through it is called resistance of the conductor.

Work done = Potential difference x charge moved.

(b) $V = 12 \text{ volt}$, $I = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A}$

We know that

$$V = IR$$

$$R = V/I$$

$$R = 12/(2.5 \times 10^{-3})$$

$$R = 4.8 \times 10^3 \text{ ohm} = 4800 \text{ ohm}.$$

Question 17:

(a) Define the unit of resistance (or Define the unit "ohm").

What happens to the resistance as the conductor is made thinner ?

Keeping the potential difference constant, the resistance of a circuit is doubled. By how much does the current change ?

Solution :

(a) 1 ohm is the resistance of a conductor such that when a potential difference of 1 volt is applied to its ends, a current of 1 ampere flows through it.

(b) Its resistance will increase.

(c)

$$V = IR$$

$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

Keeping V constant, $I \propto \frac{1}{R}$

So, when R is doubled, I becomes half.

Question 18:

(a) Why do electricians wear rubber hand gloves while working with electricity ?

(b) What p.d. is needed to send a current of 6 A through an electrical appliance having a resistance of 40Ω ?

Solution :

(a) Electricians wear rubber hand gloves while working with electricity because rubber is an insulator and protects them from electric shocks.

(b) $I=6\text{amp}$, $R=40\text{ohm}$

We know that

$$V=IR$$

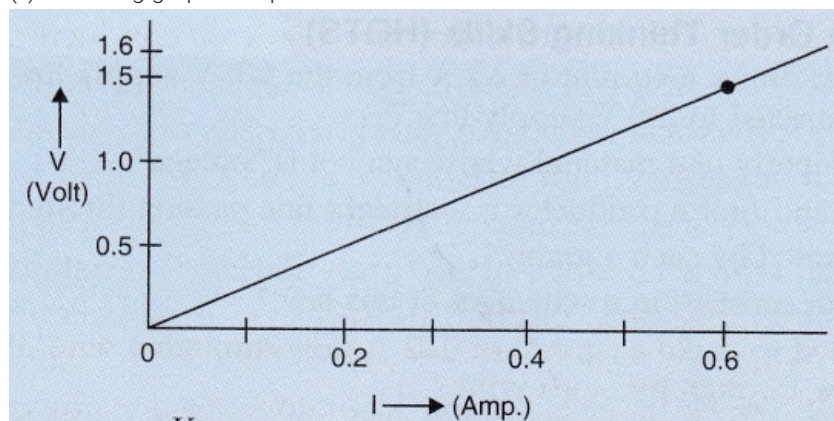
$$V = 6 \times 40 = 240 \text{ V.}$$

Question 19:

An electric circuit consisting of a 0.5 m long nichrome wire XY, an ammeter, a voltmeter, four cells of 1.5 V each and a plug key was set up.

(i) Draw a diagram of this electric circuit to study the relation between the potential difference maintained between the points 'X' and 'Y' and the electric current flowing through XY.

(ii) Following graph was plotted between V and I values :

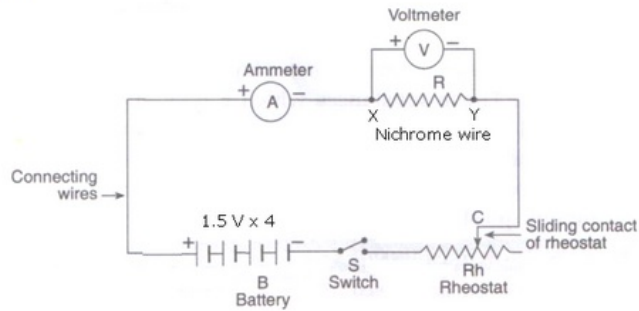


What would be the values of $\frac{1}{V}$ ratios when the potential difference is 0.8 V, 1.2 V and 1.6 V respectively ? What conclusion do you draw from these values ?

(iii) What is the resistance of the wire ?

Solution :

(i)



(ii) Since the graph is a straight line passing through the origin, so current is directly proportional to the potential difference.
Hence, the ratio $\frac{V}{I}$ remains constant.

From graph, when $V=1.5$ volt, $I=0.6$ amp

$$\text{So, } \frac{V}{I} = \frac{1.5}{0.6} = 2.5\Omega$$

For p.d. 0.8V, 1.2V and 1.6V, the value of $\frac{V}{I}$ ratio remains the same i.e., 2.5 ohm.

(iii) The resistance of the wire is equal to the ratio of potential difference applied and the current passing through it.

$$R = \frac{V}{I} = 2.5\Omega$$

Question 20:

(a) What is the ratio of potential difference and current known as ?

(b) The values of potential difference V applied across a resistor and the corresponding values of current I

flowing in the resistor are given below :

Potential difference, V (in volts)	:	2.5	5.0	10.0	15.0	20.0	25.0
Current, I (in amperes)	:	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0
Plot a graph between V and I , and calculate the resistance of the resistor.							

(c) Name the law which is illustrated by the above V - I graph.

(d) Write down the formula which states the relation between potential difference, current and resistance,

(e) The potential difference between the terminals of an electric iron is 240 V and the current is 5.0 A. What is the resistance of the electric iron ?

Solution :

(a) The ratio of potential difference and current is known as resistance.

(c) Ohm's law

(d) Potential difference = Current $\times$ Resistance

(e) $V = 240$ volt, $I = 5$ amp

We know that

$$V = IR$$

$$240 = 5 \times R$$

$$R = 240/5 = 48 \text{ ohm.}$$

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Question 30:

An electric room heater draws a current of 2.4 A from the 120 V supply line. What current will this room heater draw when connected to 240 V supply line ?

Solution :

In first case,

$$I = 2.4 \text{ amp, } V = 120 \text{ volt}$$

$$V = IR$$

$$120 = 2.4 \times R$$

$$R = 120/2.4 = 50 \text{ ohm}$$

In second case,

$$V = 240 \text{ volt, } R = 50 \text{ ohm}$$

$$V = IR$$

$$240 = I \times 50$$

$$I = 4.8 \text{ amp.}$$

Question 31:

Name the electrical property of a material whose symbol is "omega".

Solution :

Resistance.

Question 32:

The graph between V and I for a conductor is a straight line passing through the origin.

Which law is illustrated by such a graph ?

What should remain constant in a statement of this law ?

Solution :

(a) Ohm's law

(b) Temperature.

Question 33:

A p.d. of 10 V is needed to make a current of 0.02 A flow through a wire. What p.d. is needed to make a current of 250 mA flow through the same wire ?

Solution :

In first case,

$$I = 0.02 \text{ amp, } V = 10 \text{ volt}$$

$$V = IR$$

$$10 = 0.02 \times R$$

$$R = 10/0.02 = 500 \text{ ohm}$$

In second case,

$$I = 250 \times 10^{-3} \text{ amp, } R = 500 \text{ ohm}$$

$$V = IR$$

$$V = 250 \times 10^{-3} \times 500$$

$$V = 125 \text{ volt.}$$

Question 34:

A current of 200 mA flows through a 4 k Ω resistor. What is the p.d. across the resistor ?

Solution :

$$I = 200 \text{ mA} = 0.2 \text{ A}$$

$$R = 4 \times 10^3 \text{ ohm} = 4000 \text{ ohm}$$

We know that

$$V = IR$$

$$V = 0.2 \times 4000$$

$$V = 800 \text{ volt.}$$

Lakhmir Singh Physics Class 10 Solutions Page No:26**Question 1:**

What happens to the resistance as the conductor is made thicker ?

Solution :

The resistance decreases.

Question 2:

If the length of a wire is doubled by taking more of wire, what happens to its resistance ?

Solution :

Resistance also gets doubled.

Question 3:

On what factors does the resistance of a conductor depend ?

Solution :

Resistance of a conductor depends on the following factors:-

Length of the conductor, area of cross section of the conductor, nature of material of the conductor and temperature of the conductor.

Question 4:

Name the material which is the best conductor of electricity.

Solution :

Silver metal.

Question 5:

Which among iron and mercury is a better conductor of electricity ?

Solution :

Iron.

Question 6:

Why are copper and aluminium wires usually used for electricity transmission ?

Solution :

Because copper and aluminium have very low resistivities.

Question 7:

Name the material which is used for making the heating element of an electric iron.

Solution :

Nichrome.

Question 8:

What is nichrome ? State its one use.

Solution :

Nichrome is an alloy of nickel, chromium, manganese and iron having a resistivity of about 60 times more than that of copper. It is used for making the heating elements of electrical heating appliances.

Question 9:

Give two reasons why nichrome alloy is used for making the heating elements of electrical appliances.

Solution :

Nichrome alloy is used for making the heating elements of electrical appliances because:

- (i) nichrome has very high resistivity
- (ii) nichrome does not undergo oxidation (or burn) easily even at high temperature.

Question 10:

Why are the coils of electric irons and electric toasters made of an alloy rather than a pure metal ?

Solution :

Because

- (i) resistivity of an alloy is much higher than that of a pure metal
- (ii) an alloy does not undergo oxidation (or burn) easily even at high temperature.

Question 11:

Which has more resistance :

- (a) a long piece of nichrome wire or a short one ?
 (b) a thick piece of nichrome wire or a thin piece ?

Solution :

- (a) A long piece of nichrome wire.
 (b) A thin piece of nichrome wire.

Question 12:

- (a) How does the resistance of a pure metal change if its temperature decreases ?
 (b) How does the presence of impurities in a metal affect its resistance ?

Solution :

- (a) On decreasing the temperature, the resistance decreases.
 (b) Presence of impurities in a metal increases the resistance.

Question 13:

Fill in the following blanks with suitable words :

Resistance is measured in..... The resistance of a wire increases as the length.....
 ; as the
 temperature..... ; and as the cross-sectional area.....

Solution :

Ohms; increases; increases; decreases.

Question 14:

- (a) What do you understand by the "resistivity" of a substance ?

A wire is 1.0 m long, 0.2 mm in diameter and has a resistance of 10 Ω . Calculate the resistivity of its material ?

Solution :

- (a) Resistivity is the characteristic property of a substance which depends on the nature of the substance and its temperature. It is numerically equal to the resistance between the opposite faces of a 1 m cube of the substance.

- (b) $l = 1\text{m}$

$$r = d/2 = 0.2/2 \text{ mm} = 0.1 \text{ mm} = 0.0001\text{m},$$

$$R = 10 \text{ ohm}$$

We know that,

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$$

$$\rho = \frac{RA}{l}$$

$$= \frac{10 \times \pi \times (0.0001)^2}{1}$$

$$= 31.4 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$$

Question 15:

- (a) Write down an expression for the resistance of a metallic wire in terms of the resistivity.

What will be the resistance of a metal wire of length 2 metres and area of cross-section $1.55 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$, if the resistivity of the metal be $2.8 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$?

Solution :

- (b) $l = 2\text{m}$

$$A = 1.55 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$$

$$\rho = 2.8 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$$

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$$

$$= 2.8 \times 10^{-8} \times \frac{2}{1.55 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$= 0.036 \Omega$$

Question 16:

(a) Give two examples of substances which are good conductors of electricity. Why do you think they are

good conductors of electricity ?

Calculate the resistance of a copper wire 1.0 km long and 0.50 mm diameter if the resistivity of copper is $1.7 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$.

Solution :

(a) Silver and copper are good conductors of electricity because they have free electrons available for conduction.

(b) $l = 1\text{km} = 1000\text{m}$

$$r = \frac{d}{2} = \frac{0.5}{2} \text{ mm} = 0.25 \text{ mm} = 0.25 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

$$\rho = 1.7 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$$

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A} = \rho \frac{l}{\pi r^2}$$

$$R = 1.7 \times 10^{-8} \times \frac{1000}{3.14 \times (0.25 \times 10^{-3})^2} = 86.6 \Omega$$

Question 17:

Will current flow more easily through a thick wire or a thin wire of the same material when connected to the same source ? Give reason for your answer.

Solution :

Current will flow more easily through thick wire because the resistance of the thick wire will be lesser than that of thin wire.

Question 18:

How does the resistance of a conductor depend on :

(a) length of the conductor ?

(b) area of cross-section of the conductor ?

(c) temperature of the conductor ?

Solution :

(a) Resistance of a conductor increases (or decreases) with increase (or decrease) in the length of the conductor.

(b) Resistance of a conductor decreases (increases) with increase (decrease) in the area of cross-section of the conductor.

(c) Resistance of a conductor increases on raising the temperature and decreases on lowering the temperature.

Question 19:

(a) Give one example to show how the resistance depends on the nature of material of the conductor.

(b) Calculate the resistance of an aluminium cable of length 10 km and diameter 2.0 mm if the resistivity of aluminium is $2.7 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$.

Solution :

(a) If we take two similar wires of same length and same diameter, one of copper metal and other of nichrome alloy, we will find that the resistance of nichrome wire is about 60 times more than that of the copper wire. This shows that the resistance depends on the nature of material of the conductor.

$$(b) l = 10 \text{ km} = 10000 \text{ m}$$

$$d = 2 \text{ mm}$$

$$r = 1 \text{ mm} = 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

$$\rho = 2.7 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}$$

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$$

$$= 2.7 \times 10^{-8} \times \frac{10000}{3.14 \times (10^{-3})^2}$$

$$= 0.859 \times 10^2 \Omega$$

$$\approx 86 \Omega$$

Question 20:

What would be the effect on the resistance of a metal wire of :

- (a) increasing its length ?
- (b) increasing its diameter ?
- (c) increasing its temperature ?

Solution :

- (a) Resistance will increase.
- (b) Resistance will decrease.
- (c) Resistance will increase.

Question 21:

How does the resistance of a wire vary with its :

- (a) area of cross-section ?
- (b) diameter ?

Solution :

- (a) By increasing the area of cross section, the resistance will decrease.
- (b) By increasing the diameter, the resistance will decrease.

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Question 22:

How does the resistance of a wire change when :

- (i) its length is tripled ?
- (ii) its diameter is tripled ?
- (in) its material is changed to one whose resistivity is three times ?

Solution :

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$$

$$(a) l \rightarrow 3l$$

$$R' = \rho \frac{3l}{A} = 3R$$

Resistance gets tripled.

$$(b) d \rightarrow 3d$$

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A} = R = \rho \frac{l}{\pi r^2} = \rho \frac{l}{\pi \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2}$$

$$R' = \rho \frac{l}{\pi \left(\frac{3d}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{9} \rho \frac{l}{\pi \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{R}{9}$$

Resistance becomes $\frac{1}{9}$ th.

$$(c) R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$$

$$\rho \rightarrow 3\rho$$

$$R' = 3\rho \frac{l}{A} = 3R$$

Resistance becomes 3 times.

Question 23:

Calculate the area of cross-section of a wire if its length is 1.0 m, its resistance is 23 Ω and the resistivity of the material of the wire is $1.84 \times 10^{-6} \Omega\text{m}$.

Solution :

$$l = 1.0\text{m}$$

$$R = 23 \text{ ohm}$$

$$\rho = 1.84 \times 10^{-6} \text{ohm-meter}$$

we have

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$$

$$23 = 1.84 \times 10^{-6} \times \frac{1}{A}$$

$$A = \frac{1.84 \times 10^{-6}}{23}$$

$$= 0.08 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 8 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$$

Question 24:

(a) Define resistivity. Write an expression for the resistivity of a substance. Give the meaning of each symbol

which occurs in it.

(b) State the SI unit of resistivity.

(c) Distinguish between resistance and resistivity.

(d) Name two factors on which the resistivity of a substance depends and two factors on which it does not depend.

(e) The resistance of a metal wire of length 1 m is 26 Ω at 20°C. If the diameter of the wire is 0.3 mm, what will be the resistivity of the metal at that temperature ?

Solution :

(a) Resistivity, $\rho = \frac{R \times A}{l}$

where, R is the resistance of the conductor
A is the area of cross-section of the conductor
l is the length of the conductor.

(b) Ohm-meter

(c) 1. Resistance is the property of the conductor, while resistivity is the property of the material of the conductor.

2. Resistance of a conductor is the opposition to the flow of electric current through it. Resistivity of a substance is the opposition to the flow of electric current by a rod of that substance which is 1m long and 1m^2 in cross section.

3. Resistance of a conductor depends on length, thickness, nature of material and temperature of the conductor; while resistivity of a substance depends on the nature of the substance and temperature.

(d) Resistivity of a substance depends on the nature of the substance and its temperature. It does not depend on the length or thickness of the conductor.

(e) $l = 1\text{m}$

$R = 26\text{ ohm}$

$r = \frac{d}{2} = \frac{0.3}{2}\text{ mm} = 0.15\text{ mm} = 0.15 \times 10^{-3}\text{ m}$

$$\rho = \frac{R \times A}{l} = \frac{R \times \pi r^2}{l}$$

$$= \frac{26 \times 3.14 \times (0.15 \times 10^{-3})^2}{1}$$

$$= 1.83 \times 10^{-6}\text{ }\Omega\text{m}$$

Question 33:

A piece of wire of resistance $20\text{ }\Omega$ is drawn out so that its length is increased to twice its original length. Calculate the resistance of the wire in the new situation.

Solution :

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$$

Now,

$$l' = 2l \text{ and } A' = \frac{A}{2}$$

$$\rho' = \rho \text{ (since the material of the wire is the same)}$$

$$\text{So, } R' = \rho' \frac{l'}{A'}$$

$$= \rho \frac{2l}{A/2}$$

$$= 4\rho \frac{l}{A} = 4R$$

$$R' = 4 \times 20 = 80\text{ }\Omega$$

Question 34:

The electrical resistivities of three materials P, Q and R are given below :

P	$2.3 \times 10^3\text{ }\Omega\text{ m}$
Q	$2.63 \times 10^{-8}\text{ }\Omega\text{ m}$
R	$1.0 \times 10^{15}\text{ }\Omega\text{ m}$

Which material will you use for making (a) electric wires (b) handle for soldering iron, and (c) solar cells ? Give reasons for your choices.

Solution :

(a) Material Q with resistivity $2.63 \times 10^{-8}\text{ ohm-m}$ can be used for making electric wires because it has very low resistivity.

(b) Material R with resistivity $1.0 \times 10^{15}\text{ ohm-m}$ can be used for making handle of soldering iron because it has very high resistivity.

(c) Material P with resistivity $2.3 \times 10^3\text{ ohm-m}$ can be used for making solar cell because it is a semiconductor.

Question 35:

The electrical resistivities of four materials A, B, C and D are given below :

A	$110 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}$
B	$1.0 \times 10^{10} \Omega \text{ m}$
C	$10.0 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}$
D	$2.3 \times 10^3 \Omega \text{ m}$

Which material is : (a) good conductor (b) resistor (c) insulator, and (d) semiconductor ?

Solution :

- (a) Good conductor = C ($10 \times 10^{-8} \text{ ohm-m}$)
- (b) Resistor = A ($110 \times 10^{-8} \text{ ohm-m}$)
- (c) Insulator = B ($1 \times 10^{10} \text{ ohm-m}$)
- (d) Semiconductor = D ($2.3 \times 10^3 \text{ ohm-m}$)

Question 36:

The electrical resistivities of five substances A, B, C, D and E are given below :

A $5.20 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}$

Solution :

- (a) E is best conductor of electricity due to its least electrical resistivity.
- (b) C, because its resistivity is lesser than that of A.
- (c) B, because it has the highest electrical resistivity.
- (d) C and E, because of their low electrical resistivities.

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Question 1:

Give the law of combination of resistances in series.

Solution :

According to the law of combination of resistances in series, the combined resistance of any number of resistances connected in series is equal to the sum of the individual resistances.

Question 2:

If five resistances, each of value 0.2 ohm, are connected in series, what will be the resultant resistance ?

Solution :

As per the law of combination of resistances in series,

$$R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5$$

$$R = 0.2 + 0.2 + 0.2 + 0.2 + 0.2 = 1 \text{ ohm.}$$

Question 3:

State the law of combination of resistances in parallel.

Solution :

According to the law of combination of resistance in parallel, the reciprocal of the combined resistance of a number of resistances connected in parallel is equal to the sum of the reciprocals of all the individual resistances.

Question 4:

If 3 resistances of 3 ohm each are connected in parallel, what will be their total resistance ?

Solution :

$$R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 3 \Omega$$

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{3} = 1$$

$$\therefore R = 1 \Omega$$

Question 5:

How should the two resistances of 2 ohms each be connected so as to produce an equivalent resistance of 1 ohm ?

Solution :

Since the resultant resistance is less than the individual resistances, so the resistances should be connected in parallel.

Question 6:

Two resistances X and Y are connected turn by turn : (i) in parallel, and (ii) in series. In which case the resultant resistance will be less than either of the individual resistances ?

Solution :

In case of parallel combination, the resultant resistance will be less than either of the individual resistances.

Question 7:

What possible values of resultant resistance one can get by combining two resistances, one of value 2 ohm and the other 6 ohm ?

Solution :

$$R_1 = 2\text{ohm}, R_2 = 6\text{ohm}$$

Case I: (Parallel combination)

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

$$1/R = 1/2 + 1/6 = 4/6$$

$$R = 6/4 = 1.5\text{ohm}$$

Case II: (Series combination)

$$R = R_1 + R_2 = 2 + 6 = 8\text{ohm}$$

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Question 8:

Show how you would connect two 4 ohm resistors to produce a combined resistance of

(a) 2 ohms

(b) 8 ohms.

Solution :

(a) By connecting in parallel: Since equivalent resistance will be

$$1/R = 1/4 + 1/4 = 2/4 = 1/2$$

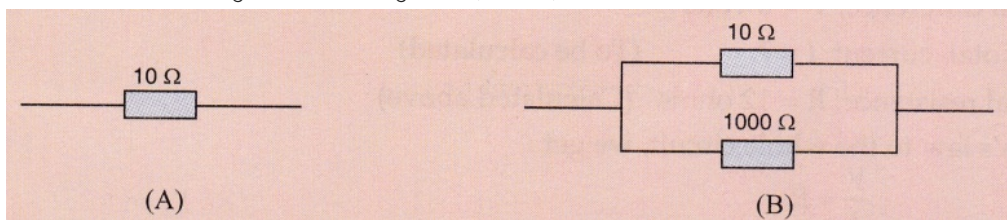
Therefore, $R = 2\text{ ohm}$

(b) By connecting in series : Since equivalent resistance will be

$$R = 4\text{ ohm} + 4\text{ ohm} = 8\text{ ohm}.$$

Question 9:

Which of the following resistor arrangement, A or B, has the lower combined resistance ?

**Solution :**

Resistance of arrangement A is 10 ohm.

Combined resistance of arrangement B is calculated as follows:

$$1/R = 1/10 + 1/1000 = (100+1)/1000$$

$$R = 1000/101 = 9.9 \text{ ohm}$$

Therefore, arrangement B has lower combined resistance.

Question 10:

A wire that has resistance R is cut into two equal pieces. The two parts are joined in parallel. What is the resistance of the combination ?

Solution :

Resistance of each part is $R/2$.

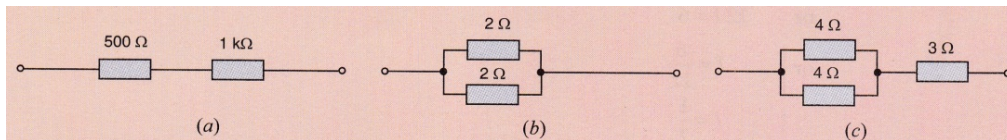
Resultant resistance R' is given by

$$1/R' = 2/R + 2/R$$

$$R' = R/4.$$

Question 11:

Calculate the combined resistance in each case :



Solution :

$$(a) R_1 = 500 \text{ ohm}, R_2 = 1000 \text{ ohm}$$

As per given figure,

$$R = R_1 + R_2 = 500 + 1000 = 1500 \text{ ohm}.$$

$$(b) R_1 = 2 \text{ ohm}, R_2 = 2 \text{ ohm}$$

As per given figure,

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

$$1/R = 1/2 + 1/2$$

$$R = 1 \text{ ohm}$$

$$(c) R_1 = 4 \text{ ohm}, R_2 = 4 \text{ ohm}, R_3 = 3 \text{ ohm}$$

As per given figure,

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

$$1/R = 1/4 + 1/4$$

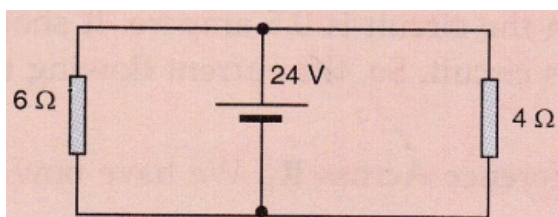
$$R = 2 \text{ ohm}$$

$$\text{Total resistance} = R + R_3$$

$$= 2 + 3 = 5 \text{ ohm}$$

Question 12:

Find the current in each resistor in the circuit shown below :



Solution :

$$R_1=6\text{ohm}, R_2=4\text{ohm } V=24\text{V}$$

The two resistances are connected in parallel.

$$\text{Current across } R_1 = I_1 = V/R_1 = 24/6 = 4\text{amp}$$

$$\text{Current across } R_2 = I_2 = V/R_2 = 24/4 = 6\text{amp}$$

Question 13:

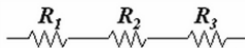
Explain with diagrams what is meant by the “series combination” and “parallel combination” of resistances. In which case the resultant resistance is : (i) less, and (ii) more, than either of the individual resistances ?

Solution :

(i) Series combination

When two or more resistances are connected end to end consecutively, they are said to be connected in series combination. The combined resistance of any number of resistances connected in series is equal to the sum of the individual resistances.

$$R = R_1 + R_2 + \dots$$

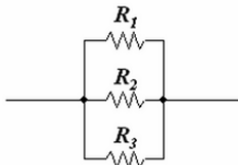


The resultant resistance is more than either of the individual resistances.

(ii) Parallel combination

When two or more resistances are connected between the same two points, they are said to be connected in parallel combination. The reciprocal of the combined resistance of a number of resistances connected in parallel is equal to the sum of the reciprocals of all the individual resistances.

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + \dots$$



The resultant resistance is less than either of the individual resistances.

Question 14:

A battery of 9 V is connected in series with resistors of 0.2 Ω , 0.3 Ω , 0.4 Ω , 0.5 Ω and 12 Ω .

How much current would flow through the 12 Ω resistor ?

Solution :

$$R_1=0.2\text{ohm}, R_2=0.4\text{ohm}, R_3=0.3\text{ohm}, R_4=0.5\text{ohm}, R_5=12\text{ohm}, V=9\text{V}$$

$$\text{Resultant resistance} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 + R_5$$

$$R = 0.2 + 0.4 + 0.3 + 0.5 + 12 = 13.4\text{ohm}$$

Thus the current flow through 12ohm resistance will be $= V/R$

$$I = 9/13.4$$

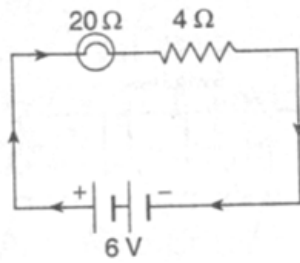
$$I = 0.67\text{amp.}$$

Question 15:

An electric bulb of resistance 20 Ω and a resistance wire of 4 Ω are connected in series with a 6 V battery. Draw the circuit diagram and calculate :

- total resistance of the circuit.
- current through the circuit.
- potential difference across the electric bulb.
- potential difference across the resistance wire.

Solution :



(a) Total resistance of the circuit = $R_1 + R_2 = 20 + 4 = 24 \text{ ohm}$

(b) We know that

$$V = IR$$

Therefore,

$$6 = I \times 24$$

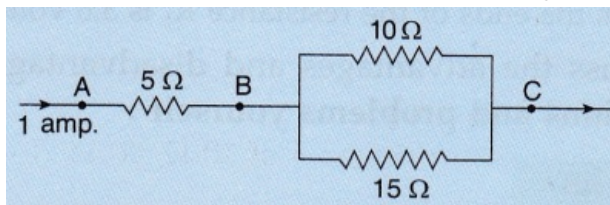
$$I = 6/24 = 0.25 \text{ amp}$$

(c) p.d. across bulb = $IR_1 = 0.25 \times 20 = 5 \text{ V}$

(d) p.d. across resistance wire = $IR_2 = 0.25 \times 4 = 1 \text{ V}$

Question 16:

Three resistors are connected as shown in the diagram.



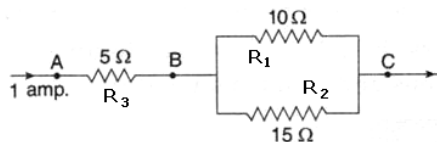
Through the resistor 5 ohm, a current of 1 ampere is flowing,

(i) What is the current through the other two resistors ?

(ii) What is the p.d. across AB and across AC ?

(iii) What is the total resistance ?

Solution :



According to the diagram,

(i) Total current $I = 1 \text{ amp}$ is entering the parallel combination of R_1 and R_2 . Let I_1 current flow through R_1 and I_2 current flow through R_2 . Then

$$I_1 = \frac{IR_2}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{1 \times 15}{10 + 15} = 0.6 \text{ A}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{IR_1}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{1 \times 10}{10 + 15} = 0.4 \text{ A}$$

(ii) p.d. across AB = $IR_3 = 1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ V}$

Equivalent resistance between B and C is

$$1/R' = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2 = 1/10 + 1/15$$

$$1/R' = 5/30$$

$$R' = 6 \text{ ohm}$$

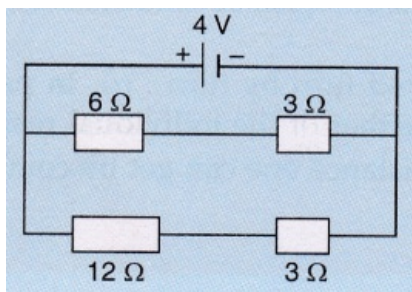
Total resistance between A and C is $R = 5 + 6 = 11 \text{ ohm}$

$$\text{p.d. across AC} = IR = 1 \times 11 = 11 \text{ V}$$

(iii) Total resistance = $R_3 + R' = 5 + 6 = 11 \text{ ohm}$

Question 17:

For the circuit shown in the diagram below :



What is the value of :

- (i) current through 6 Ω resistor ?
- (ii) potential difference across 12 Ω resistor ?

Solution :

As per the circuit

$$V = 4 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Total resistance in line 1} = R_1 = 6 + 3 = 9 \text{ ohm}$$

$$\text{Total resistance in line 2} = R_2 = 12 + 3 = 15 \text{ ohm}$$

$$(i) \text{ Current through } 6\Omega \text{ resistor} = \text{current through line 1} = \frac{V}{R_1} = \frac{4}{9} = 0.44 \text{ A}$$

(ii) p.d. across line 2 is 4V

$$\text{current through line 2} = \frac{V}{R_2} = \frac{4}{15} \text{ A}$$

$$\text{p.d. across } 12\Omega \text{ resistor} = \frac{4}{15} \times 12 = 3.2 \text{ V}$$

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Question 18:

Two resistors, with resistances 5 Ω and 10 Ω respectively are to be connected to a battery of emf 6 V so as to obtain :

- (i) minimum current flowing (ii) maximum current flowing
- (a) How will you connect the resistances in each case ? .
- (b) Calculate the strength of the total current in the circuit in the two cases.

Solution :

Given: Two resistors with resistances $R_1 = 5 \text{ ohm}$ and $R_2 = 10 \text{ ohm}$, $V = 6 \text{ volt}$

(a) For minimum current these two should be connected in series. For maximum current these two should be connected in parallel.

(b) In series,

$$\text{Total resistance} = 5 + 10 = 15 \text{ ohms}$$

$$\text{Therefore total current drawn} = V/R = 6/15 = 0.4 \text{ amps}$$

In parallel,

Total resistance R is given as

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

$$1/R = 1/5 + 1/10$$

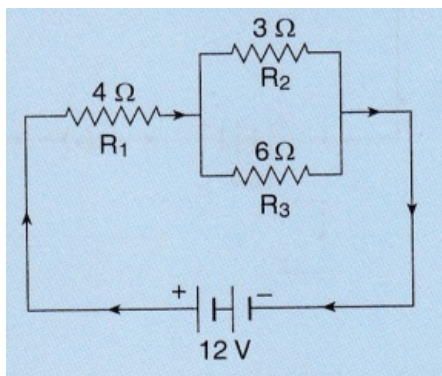
$$1/R = 3/10$$

$$R = 10/3 \text{ ohm}$$

$$\text{Therefore total current drawn by the circuit} = V/R = 6/(10/3) = 1.8 \text{ amps.}$$

Question 19:

The circuit diagram given below shows the combination of three resistors R_1 , R_2 and R_3 :



- Find : (i) total resistance of the circuit.
(ii) total current flowing in the circuit.
(iii) the potential difference across R_1 .

Solution :

(i) Total resistance of two resistors that are connected in parallel is

$$1/R' = 1/3 + 1/6$$

$$1/R' = 3/6$$

$$R' = 2 \text{ ohms}$$

$$\text{Total resistance of the circuit} = 2 + 4 \text{ ohms} = 6 \text{ ohms}$$

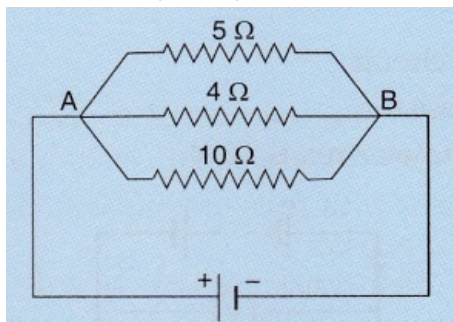
(ii) Total current flowing through the circuit = $V/\text{total resistance}$

$$I = 12/6 = 2 \text{ amps}$$

(iii) Potential difference across $R_1 = R_1 \times I = 4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ V}$.

Question 20:

In the circuit diagram given below, the current flowing across 5 ohm resistor is 1 amp. Find the current flowing through the other two resistors.



Solution :

Given :-

1 amp current is flowing through 5ohm resistor.

We know that in case of parallel connection, the p.d. across each resistor is same and is equal to the voltage applied.

$$\text{Therefore, applied voltage, } V = IR = 1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ V}$$

So,

$$\text{Current through 4 ohm resistor} = V/R = 5/4 = 1.25 \text{ A}$$

$$\text{Current through 10 ohm resistor} = V/R = 5/10 = 0.5 \text{ A}$$

Question 21:

A resistor has a resistance of 176 ohms. How many of these resistors should be connected in parallel so that their combination draws a current of 5 amperes from a 220 volt supply line ?

Solution :

$$I = 5A$$

$$V = 220V$$

$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{220}{5} = 44\Omega$$

Required resistance is less than 176Ω , so the resistors should be connected in parallel.

Let the required no. be n .

$$R_{eq} = \frac{176}{n} = 44$$

$$n = \frac{176}{44} = 4$$

Question 22:

An electric heater which is connected to a 220 V supply line has two resistance coils A and B of 24Ω resistance each. These coils can be used separately (one at a time), in series or in parallel. Calculate the current drawn when :

- (a) only one coil A is used.
- (b) coils A and B are used in series.
- (c) coils A and B are used in parallel.

Solution :

Given $V=220V$

$$R_A = R_B = 24 \text{ ohm}$$

(a) Current drawn when only coil A is used:

$$I = V/R_A = 220/24$$

$$=9.16\text{amps}$$

(b) Current drawn when coils A and B are used in series:

$$\text{Total resistance, } R = R_A + R_B = 24+24 = 48\text{ohms}$$

$$I = V/R = 220/48$$

$$=4.58\text{amps}$$

(c) Current drawn when coils A and B are used in parallel:

$$\text{Total resistance, } 1/R = 1/R_A + 1/R_B = 1/24 + 1/24 = 2/24 = 1/12$$

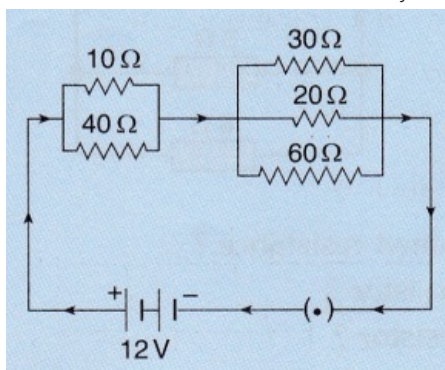
$$R=12\text{ohms}$$

$$I = V/R = 220/12$$

$$=18.33\text{amps}$$

Question 23:

In the circuit diagram given below five resistances of 10Ω , 40Ω , 30Ω , 20Ω and 60Ω are connected as shown to a 12 V battery.



Calculate :

- (a) total resistance in the circuit.

(b) total current flowing in the circuit.

Solution :

(i) Equivalent resistance of $10\ \Omega$ and $40\ \Omega$ resistances (connected in parallel) is R_1 , given as:

$$\frac{1}{R_1} = \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{40} = \frac{5}{40}$$

$$R_1 = 8\ \Omega$$

Equivalent resistance of $30\ \Omega$, $20\ \Omega$ and $60\ \Omega$ resistances (connected in parallel) is R_2 , given as:

$$\frac{1}{R_2} = \frac{1}{30} + \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{60} = \frac{6}{60}$$

$$R_2 = 10\ \Omega$$

R_1 and R_2 are connected in series.

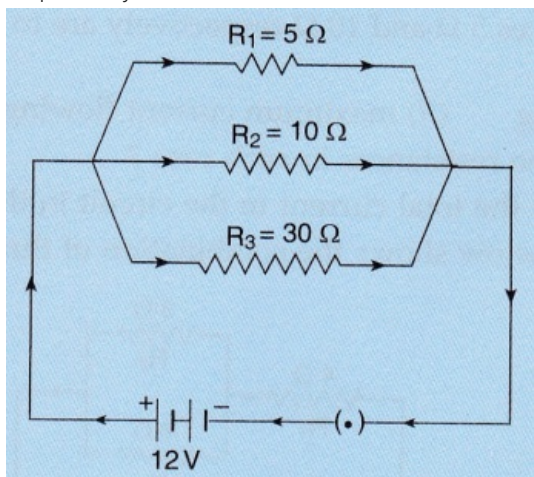
$\therefore$ Total resistance in the circuit is $R = R_1 + R_2 = 8 + 10 = 18\ \Omega$

(ii) Total current flowing in the circuit, $I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{12}{18} = 0.67\ \text{A}$

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Question 24:

In the circuit diagram given below, three resistors R_1 , R_2 , and R_3 of $5\ \Omega$, $10\ \Omega$ and $30\ \Omega$, respectively are connected as shown.



Calculate :

(a) current through each resistor.

(b) total current in the circuit.

(c) total resistance in the circuit.

Solution :

$$V = 12V$$

R_1 , R_2 and R_3 are connected in parallel.

(a) Current through $R_1 = V/R_1 = 12/5 = 2.4 \text{ A}$

Current through $R_2 = V/R_2 = 12/10 = 1.2 \text{ A}$

Current through $R_3 = V/R_2 = 12/30 = 0.4 \text{ A}$

(b) Total current in the circuit $= 2.4 + 1.2 + 0.4 = 4 \text{ A}$

(c) Total resistance in the circuit $= R$

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3$$

$$1/R = 1/5 + 1/10 + 1/30$$

$$1/R = 10/30$$

$$R = 3 \text{ ohm}$$

Question 25:

A p.d. of 4 V is applied to two resistors of 6Ω and 2Ω connected in series. Calculate :

(a) the combined resistance

(b) the current flowing

(c) the p.d. across the 6Ω resistor

Solution :

$$V = 4V,$$

$$R_1 = 6 \text{ ohm}, R_2 = 2 \text{ ohm (in series)}$$

(a) Combined resistance, $R = R_1 + R_2 = 6 + 2 = 8 \text{ ohm}$

(b) Current flowing, $I = V/R = 4/8 = 0.5 \text{ amp}$

(c) p.d. across 6 ohm resistor $= I \times R_1 = 0.5 \times 6 = 3 \text{ V}$

Question 26:

A p.d. of 6 V is applied to two resistors of 3Ω and 6Ω connected in parallel. Calculate :

(a) the combined resistance

(b) the current flowing in the main circuit

(c) the current flowing in the 3Ω resistor.

Solution :

$$V = 6V$$

$$R_1 = 3 \text{ ohm}, R_2 = 6 \text{ ohm (in parallel)}$$

(a) Combined resistance,

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

$$1/R = 1/3 + 1/6 = 3/6 = 1/2$$

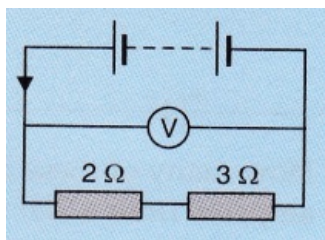
$$R = 2 \text{ ohm}$$

(b) Current flowing in the main circuit, $I = V/R = 6/2 = 3 \text{ A}$

(c) Current flowing in 3 ohm resistor $= V/R_1 = 6/3 = 2 \text{ A}$

Question 27:

In the circuit shown below, the voltmeter reads 10 V.



- (a) What is the combined resistance ?
- (b) What current flows ?
- (c) What is the p.d. across 2 Ω resistor ?
- (d) What is the p.d. across 3 Ω resistor ?

Solution :

$$I = 6 \text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = 2 \, \Omega, R_2 = 3 \, \Omega$$

$$(a) \text{ Combined resistance, } R_{\text{tot}} = 2 + 3 = 5 \, \Omega$$

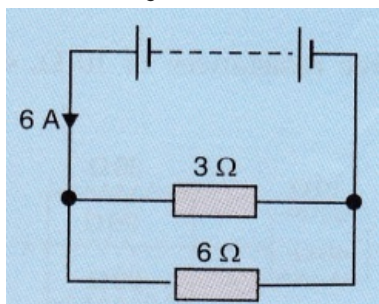
$$(b) I = \frac{V}{R_{\text{tot}}} = \frac{10}{5} = 2 \text{ A}$$

$$(c) \text{ p.d. across } 2 \, \Omega \text{ resistor} = I \times R_1 = 2 \times 2 = 4 \text{ V}$$

$$(d) \text{ p.d. across } 3 \, \Omega \text{ resistor} = I \times R_2 = 2 \times 3 = 6 \text{ V}$$

Question 28:

In the circuit given below :



- (a) What is the combined resistance ?
- (b) What is the p.d. across the combined resistance ?
- (c) What is the p.d. across the 3 Ω resistor ?
- (d) What is the current in the 3 Ω resistor ?
- (e) What is the current in the 6 Ω resistor ?

Solution :

$$\text{Total current flowing through circuit, } I = 6 \text{ A}$$

$$R_1 = 3 \text{ ohm, } R_2 = 6 \text{ ohm}$$

$$(a) \text{ Combined resistance } R \text{ is}$$

$$1/R = 1/3 + 1/6$$

$$1/R = 3/6$$

$$R = 2 \text{ ohms}$$

$$(b) \text{ p.d. across the combined resistance} = IR = 6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ V}$$

$$(c) \text{ p.d. across the } 3 \text{ ohm resistor} = \text{p.d. across the combined resistance} = 12 \text{ V}$$

$$(d) \text{ Current flowing through the } 3 \text{ ohm resistor} = V/R_1 = 12/3 = 4 \text{ A}$$

$$(e) \text{ Current flowing through the } 6 \text{ ohm resistor} = V/R_2 = 12/6 = 2 \text{ A}$$

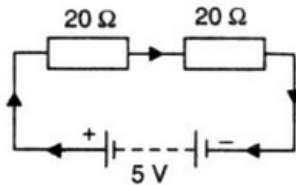
Question 29:

A 5 V battery is connected to two $20\ \Omega$ resistors which are joined together in series.

- Draw a circuit diagram to represent this. Add an arrow to indicate the direction of conventional current flow in the circuit.
- What is the effective resistance of the two resistors ?
- Calculate the current that flows from the battery.
- What is the p.d. across each resistor ?

Solution :

(a)

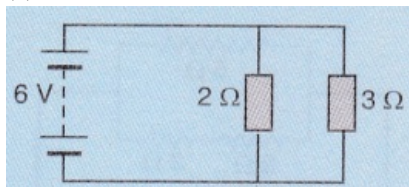


- Effective resistance = $20 + 20 = 40\ \text{ohms}$
- Current flowing through the circuit = $I = V/R = 5/40 = 0.125\ \text{amps}$
- p.d. across each resistance = $I \times R = 0.125 \times 20 = 2.5\ \text{V}$

Question 30:

The figure given below shows an electric circuit in which current flows from a 6 V battery through two resistors.

- Are the resistors connected in series with each other or in parallel ?
- For each resistor, state the p.d. across it.
- The current flowing from the battery is shared between the two resistors. Which resistor will have bigger share of the current ?
- Calculate the effective resistance of the two resistors.
- Calculate the current that flows from the battery.



Solution :

$$V=6\text{V}, R_1=2\text{ohms}, R_2=3\text{ohms}$$

- Resistors are connected in parallel
- p.d. across each resistor is same and is equal to 6V.
- 2 ohms resistance have bigger share of current because of its lower resistance.
- Effective resistance= R

$$1/R=1/2+1/3$$

$$1/R=5/6$$

$$R=1.2\text{ohms}$$

- Current flowing through battery, $I=V/R=6/1.2=5\text{amps}$

Question 31:

A $4\ \Omega$ coil and a $2\ \Omega$ coil are connected in parallel. What is their combined resistance ? A total current of 3 A passes through the coils. What current passes through the $2\ \Omega$ coil ?

Solution :

4Ω and 2Ω coil are connected in parallel.

Combined resistance is R

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$R = \frac{4}{3} \Omega$$

$$\text{Total current } I = \frac{V}{R} = 3\text{A}$$

$$\frac{V}{4/3} = 3$$

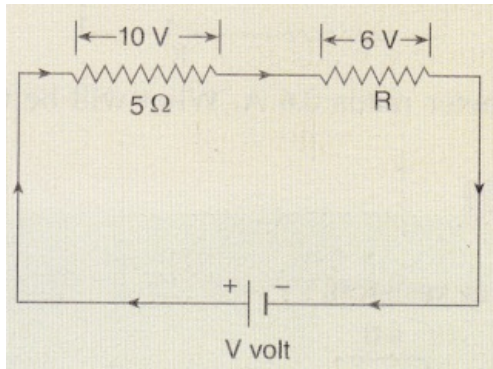
$$V = 3 \times \frac{4}{3} = 4\text{V}$$

$$\text{Current through } 2\Omega \text{ coil} = \frac{V}{2} = \frac{4}{2} = 2\text{A}$$

Question 32:

(a) With the help of a circuit diagram, deduce the equivalent resistance of two resistances connected in series.

(b) Two resistances are connected in series as shown in the diagram :



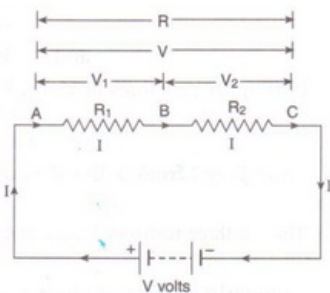
(i) What is the current through the 5 ohm resistance ?

(ii) What is the current through R ?

(iii) What is the value of R ?

(iv) What is the value of V ?

Solution :



(a) Fig shows two resistances R_1 and R_2 connected in series with a battery of V volts.

Let the p.d. across R_1 is V_1 and the p.d. across R_2 is V_2 .

s.t. $V = V_1 + V_2$ -----(1)

Let the equivalent resistance be R and current flowing through whole circuit is I .

By Ohm's law,

$$\frac{V}{I} = R$$

$$V = I \times R \text{ -----(2)}$$

Applying Ohm's law to both R_1 and R_2 ,

$$V_1 = I \times R_1 \text{ -----(3)}$$

$$V_2 = I \times R_2 \text{ -----(4)}$$

From eqs. (1), (2), (3) and (4), we get

$$I \times R = I \times R_1 + I \times R_2$$

$$I \times R = I \times (R_1 + R_2)$$

$$R = R_1 + R_2$$

(b)

$$(i) \text{ Current through } 5\Omega \text{ resistor} = \frac{10}{5} = 2A$$

(ii) Since 5Ω resistor and R are connected in series, so same current flows through them.

So, Current through $R = 2A$

$$(iii) V = IR$$

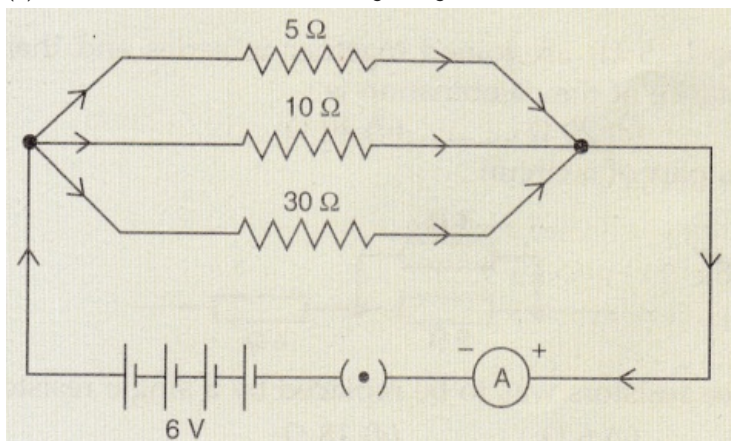
$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{6}{2} = 3\Omega$$

$$(iv) V = 10 + 6 = 16V$$

Question 33:

(a) With the help of a diagram, derive the formula for the resultant resistance of three resistors connected in series.

(b) For the circuit shown in the diagram given below :



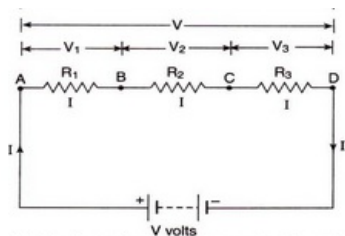
Calculate :

(i) the value of current through each resistor.

(ii) the total current in the circuit.

(iii) the total effective resistance of the circuit.

Solution :



(a) Fig shows three resistances R_1 , R_2 and R_3 connected in series with a battery of V volts.

Let the p.d. across R_1 , R_2 and R_3 is V_1 , V_2 and V_3 respectively.

s.t. $V = V_1 + V_2 + V_3$ -----(1)

Let the equivalent resistance be R and current flowing through whole circuit is I .

By Ohm's law,

$$\frac{V}{I} = R$$

$$V = I \times R$$
 -----(2)

Applying Ohm's law to both R_1 , R_2 and R_3 ,

$$V_1 = I \times R_1$$
 -----(3)

$$V_2 = I \times R_2$$
 -----(4)

$$V_3 = I \times R_3$$
 -----(5)

From eqs. (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5), we get

$$I \times R = I \times R_1 + I \times R_2 + I \times R_3$$

$$I \times R = I \times (R_1 + R_2 + R_3)$$

$$R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$$

(b) Let $5\Omega = R_1$, $10\Omega = R_2$, $30\Omega = R_3$

$$(i) \text{ Current through } R_1 = I_1 = \frac{V}{R_1} = \frac{6}{5} = 1.2A$$

$$\text{Current through } R_2 = I_2 = \frac{V}{R_2} = \frac{6}{10} = 0.6A$$

$$\text{Current through } R_3 = I_3 = \frac{V}{R_3} = \frac{6}{30} = 0.2A$$

(ii) Total current in the circuit = $1.2 + 0.6 + 0.2 = 2A$

(iii) Effective resistance R is given as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{R} &= \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \\ &= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{30} \\ &= \frac{6+3+1}{30} = \frac{10}{30} \end{aligned}$$

$$R = \frac{30}{10} = 3\Omega$$

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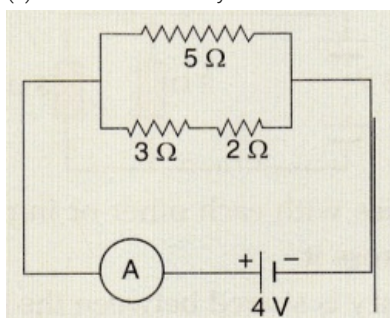
Question 34:

(a) With the help of a circuit diagram, obtain the relation for the equivalent resistance of two resistances connected in parallel.

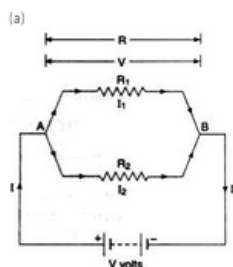
In the circuit diagram shown below, find :

(i) Total resistance.

(ii) Current shown by the ammeter A



Solution :



Suppose total current flowing the circuit is I , then the current passing through resistance R_1 will be I_1 and current passing through resistance R_2 will be I_2 .

$$\text{Total current } I = I_1 + I_2$$

Let resultant resistance of this parallel combination is R . By applying the Ohm's law to the whole circuit, we get that $I = V/R$

Since the potential difference across the both the resistances is same, so applying the Ohm's law to each resistance we get that

$$I_1 = V/R_1$$

$$I_2 = V/R_2$$

Putting these eq in the above one, we get that

$$V/R = V/R_1 + V/R_2$$

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

If two resistance are connected in parallel than, the resultant resistance will be

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

(b)

(i) Total resistance = R

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

$$R_2 = 3 + 2 = 5 \text{ ohms}$$

$$R_1 = 5 \text{ ohms}$$

$$1/R = 1/5 + 1/5$$

$$1/R = 2/5$$

$$R = 2.5 \text{ ohms}$$

(ii) Current flowing through the circuit

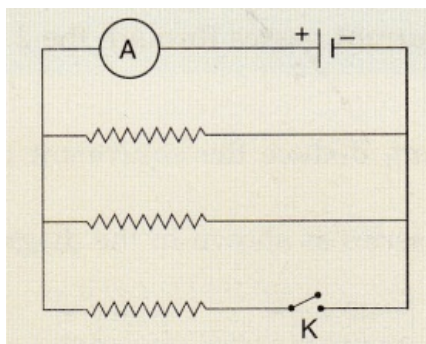
$$I = V/R = 4/(2.5)$$

$$= 1.6 \text{ amps}$$

Question 35:

(a) Explain with the help of a labelled circuit diagram, how you will find the resistance of a combination of three resistors of resistances R_1 , R_2 and R_3 joined in parallel.

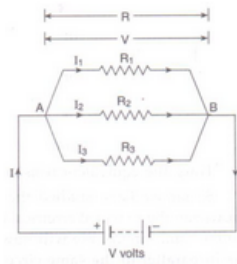
(b) In the diagram shown below, the cell and the ammeter both have negligible resistance. The resistors are identical.



With the switch K open, the ammeter reads 0.6 A . What will be the ammeter reading when the switch is closed ?

Solution :

(a)



Suppose total current flowing in the circuit is I , then the current passing through resistance R_1 will be I_1 , current passing through resistance R_2 will be I_2 and current passing through resistance R_3 will be I_3 .

$$\text{Total current } I = I_1 + I_2 + I_3$$

Let resultant resistance of this parallel combination is R . By applying the Ohm's law to the whole circuit, we get that

$$I = V/R$$

Since the potential difference across all the resistances is same, so applying the Ohm's law to each resistance we get that

$$I_1 = V/R_1$$

$$I_2 = V/R_2$$

$$I_3 = V/R_3$$

Putting these eqs. in the above one, we get

$$V/R = V/R_1 + V/R_2 + V/R_3$$

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3$$

If two resistance are connected in parallel, then the resultant resistance will be

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_3$$

(b) If switch is open, then only upper two resistances (connected in parallel) are in the circuit.

Effective resistance is $1/R_{eq} = 1/R + 1/R = 2/R$

$$R_{eq} = R/2$$

So the current $I = V/(R/2) = 0.6A$ (given)

$$V/R = 0.3 A$$

When the switch closes, the third resistance also comes in the circuit. The effective resistance of the circuit becomes $R/3$

$$\text{Hence, Current } I = V/(R/3) = 3(V/R) = 3 \times 0.3 = 0.9 A$$

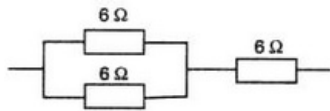
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Question 43:

Show with the help of diagrams, how you would connect three resistors each of resistance 6Ω , so that the combination has resistance of (i) 9Ω (ii) 4Ω .

Solution :

(i)



Resultant resistance for parallel circuit= R

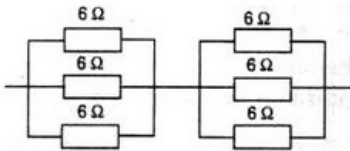
$$1/R = 1/6 + 1/6$$

$$1/R = 2/6$$

$$R = 3$$

$$\text{Effective resistance} = 6 + 3 = 9\text{ohms}$$

(ii)



Resultant resistance for each parallel circuit= R

$$1/R = 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/6$$

$$1/R = 3/6$$

$$R = 2$$

$$\text{Therefore effective resistance} = 2 + 2 = 4\text{ohms.}$$

Question 44:

Two resistances when connected in parallel give resultant value of 2 ohm; when connected in series the value becomes 9 ohm. Calculate the value of each resistance.

Solution :

Two resistances when connected in series, resultant value is 9ohms.

Two resistances when connected in parallel, resultant value is 2ohms.

Let the two resistances be R_1 and R_2 .

If connected in series, then

$$9 = R_1 + R_2$$

$$R_1 = 9 - R_2$$

If connected in parallel, then

$$1/2 = 1/R_1 + 1/R_2$$

From above equations we get that

$$1/2 = (R_1 + R_2) / R_1 R_2$$

$$1/2 = 9 / (9 - R_2) R_2$$

$$9R_2 - R_2^2 = 18$$

$$R_2^2 - 9R_2 + 18 = 0$$

$$(R_2 - 6)(R_2 - 3) = 0$$

$$R_2 = 6, 3$$

So if $R_2 = 6\text{ohms}$, then $R_1 = 9 - 6 = 3\text{ohms}$.

If $R_2 = 3\text{ohms}$, then $R_1 = 9 - 3 = 6\text{ohms}$.

Question 45:

A resistor of 8 ohms is connected in parallel with another resistor X. The resultant resistance of the combination is 4.8 ohms. What is the value of the resistor X ?

Solution :

Given:

A resistor of 8ohm is connected in parallel with a resistor of X.

And resultant is 4.8.

Then $X = ?$

We know that for parallel case

$$1/R = 1/R_1 + 1/X$$

$$1/4.8 = 1/8 + 1/x$$

$$1/4.8 - 1/8 = 1/x$$

After solving we get that

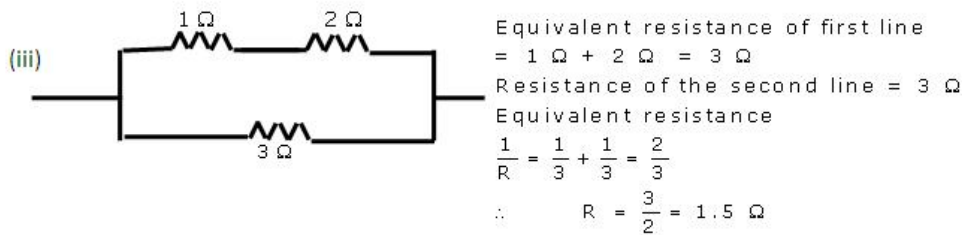
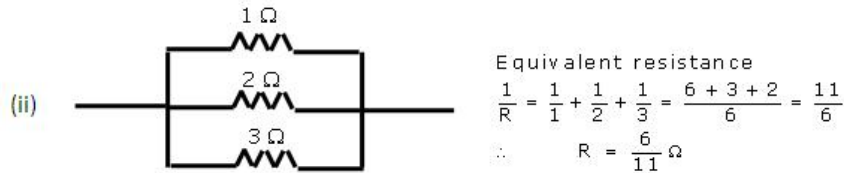
$$X = 12\text{ohms}$$

Question 46:

You are given three resistances of 1, 2 and 3 ohms. Show by diagrams, how with the help of these resistances you can get:

- (i) $6\ \Omega$ (ii) $\frac{6}{11}\ \Omega$ (iii) $1.5\ \Omega$

Solution :



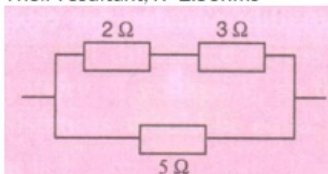
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Question 47:

How will you connect three resistors of $2\ \Omega$, $3\ \Omega$ and $5\ \Omega$ respectively so as to obtain a resultant resistance of $2.5\ \Omega$? Draw the diagram to show the arrangement.

Solution :

Given: Three resistances of 2ohms, 3ohms, 5ohms.
 Their resultant, $R=2.5\text{ohms}$



Resistance of first line = $2+3 = 5\ \text{ohm}$
 So, $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5}$
 On solving we get that
 $R=2.5\text{ohms}$

Question 48:

How will you connect three resistors of resistances $2\ \Omega$, $3\ \Omega$ and $6\ \Omega$ obtain a total resistance of: (a) $4\ \Omega$, and (b) $1\ \Omega$?

Solution :

- (a) Connect 2ohms resistor in series with a parallel combination of 3ohms and 6ohms.
 (b) Connect 2ohms, 3ohms, and 6ohms in parallel.

Question 49:

What is (a) highest, and (b) lowest, resistance which can be obtained by combining Com resistors having the following resistances ?

$4\ \Omega$, $8\ \Omega$, $12\ \Omega$, $24\ \Omega$

Solution :

(a) For obtaining the highest resistance by combining the given resistances, we must connect them in series.

We get,

$$R = 4 + 8 + 12 + 24 = 48 \text{ ohms}$$

(b) For obtaining the lowest resistance by combining the given resistances, we must connect them in parallel.

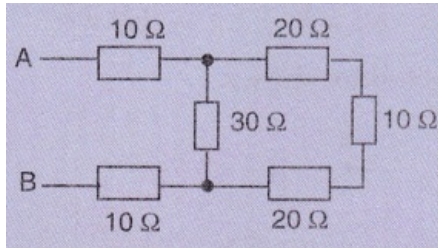
We get,

$$1/R = 1/4 + 1/8 + 1/12 + 1/24$$

On solving we get, $R = 2 \text{ ohms}$

Question 50:

What is the resistance between A and B in the figure given below ?



Solution :

The three resistance of 20 ohm, 10 ohm and 20 ohm on the extreme right side are in series.

So, the resultant of these three resistances = $20 + 20 + 10 = 50 \text{ ohms}$.

This 50 ohms is in parallel with 30 ohms. So resultant of these two will be

$$1/R = 1/30 + 1/50$$

$$1/R = 80/1500$$

$$R = 18.75 \text{ ohms}$$

Now, the resistances 10 ohms, 18.75 ohms and 10 ohms are in series.

Therefore, resultant resistance = $18.75 + 10 + 10 = 38.75 \text{ ohms}$.

Question 51:

You are given one hundred 1 Ω resistor. What is the smallest and largest resistance you can make in a circuit using these ?

Solution :

Given: $n = 100$, $R = 1 \text{ ohm}$

For obtaining the smallest resistance, these resistances are connected in parallel:

$$\text{Equivalent resistance} = 1/1 + 1/1 + 1/1 \dots 100 \text{ times} = 100/1$$

$$R_{eq} = 1/100 = 0.01 \text{ ohm}$$

For obtaining the largest resistance, these resistances are connected in series:

$$\text{Equivalent resistance} = 1 + 1 + 1 \dots 100 \text{ times} = 100$$

$$R_{eq} = 100 \text{ ohm}$$

Question 52:

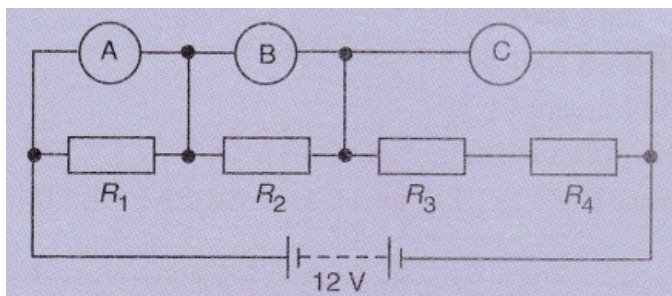
You are supplied with a number of 100 Ω How could you combine some of these resistors to make a 250 Ω resistor ?

Solution :

For obtaining 250 ohms, connect two 100 ohms in series with a parallel combination of two 100 ohms.

Question 53:

The resistors R_1 , R_2 , R_3 and R_4 in the figure given below are all equal in value.



What would you expect the voltmeters A, B and C to read assuming that the connecting wires in the circuit have negligible resistance ?

Solution :

$$R_{eq} = R + R + R + R = 4R \text{ ohm}$$

$$\text{Total current in the circuit, } I = V/R = 12/4R = 3/R$$

$$\text{Reading of voltmeter A} = \text{Voltage across } R_1 = I \times R_1 = 3/R \times R = 3V$$

$$\text{Reading of voltmeter B} = \text{Voltage across } R_2 = I \times R_2 = 3/R \times R = 3V$$

$$\text{Reading of voltmeter C} = \text{Voltage across the series combination of } R_3 \text{ and } R_4 = I \times (R_3 + R_4) = 3/R \times 2R = 6V$$

Question 54:

Four resistances of 16 ohms each are connected in parallel. Four such combinations are connected in series.

What is the total resistance ?

Solution :

Resultant resistance of a parallel combination of four 16 ohm resistances is

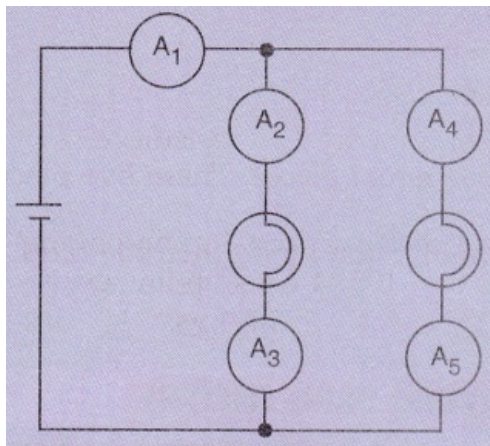
$$1/R = 1/16 + 1/16 + 1/16 + 1/16 = 4/16$$

$$R = 4 \text{ ohm}$$

Four such combinations are connected in series, so total resistance = $4 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 16 \text{ ohm}$.

Question 55:

If the lamps are both the same in the figure given below and if A_1 reads 0.50 A, what do A_2 , A_3 , A_4 and A_5 read ?



Solution :

The total current of 0.5 A flowing in the circuit distributes equally in the two arms having lamps (since the lamps have same resistances). So the current through each of these arms is 0.25 A. Hence A_2 , A_3 , A_4 and A_5 , all will read 0.25 A.

Question 1:

Are the lights in your house wired in series ?

Solution :

No, they are wired in parallel.

Question 2:

What happens to the other bulbs in a series circuit if one bulb blows off ?

Solution :

All the other bulbs also stop glowing.

Question 3:

What happens to the other bulbs in a parallel circuit if one bulb blows off ?

Solution :

All the other bulbs keep glowing.

Question 4:

Which type of circuit, series or parallel, is preferred while connecting a large number of bulbs :

(a) for decorating a hotel building from outside ?

(b) for lighting inside the rooms of the hotel ?

Solution :

(a) Series

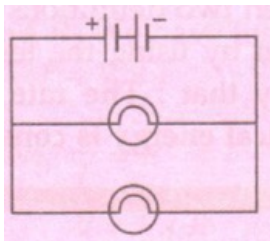
(b) Parallel

Question 5:

Draw a circuit diagram to show how two 4 V electric lamps can be lit brightly from two 2 V cells.

Solution :

The two lamps (of 4V each) should be arranged in parallel with the two 2V cells.



Question 6:

Why is a series arrangement not used for connecting domestic electrical appliances in a circuit ?

Solution :

A series arrangement is not used for connecting domestic electrical appliances in a circuit because if one electrical appliance stops working due to some defect, then all other appliance also stop working as the whole circuit is broken.

Question 7:

Give three reasons why different electrical appliances in a domestic circuit are connected in parallel.

Solution :

Different electrical appliances in a domestic circuit are connected in parallel because of the following advantages:

- (i) If one electrical appliance stops working due to some defect, then all other appliances keep working properly.
- (ii) Each electrical appliance has its own switch due to which it can be turned on or turned off independently, without affecting other appliances.
- (iii) Each electrical appliance gets the same voltage as that of the power supply line.

Question 8:

Ten bulbs are connected in a series circuit to a power supply line. Ten identical bulbs are connected in a

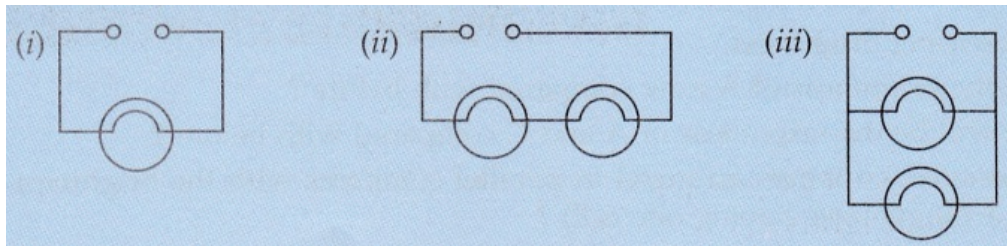
- (a) parallel circuit to an identical power supply line.
- (b) Which circuit would have the highest voltage across each bulb ?
- (c) In which circuit would the bulbs be brighter ?
- (d) In which circuit, if one bulb blows out, all others will stop glowing ?
- (e) Which circuit would have less current in it ?

Solution :

- (a) Parallel circuit
- (b) Parallel circuit
- (c) Series circuit
- (d) Series circuit.

Question 9:

Consider the circuits given below :



- (a) In which circuit are the lamps dimmest ?
- (b) In which circuit or circuits are the lamps of equal brightness to the lamps in circuit (i) ?
- (c) Which circuit gives out the maximum light ?

Solution :

- (a) circuit (ii)
- (b) circuit (iii)
- (c) circuit (iii)

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Question 10:

If you were going to connect two light bulbs to one battery, would you use a series or a parallel arrangement ? Why ? Which arrangement takes more current from the battery ?

Solution :

Parallel arrangement because if one electrical bulb stops glowing due to some defect the other will keep glowing.

Parallel arrangement takes more current from the battery due to its lesser equivalent resistance.

Question 11:

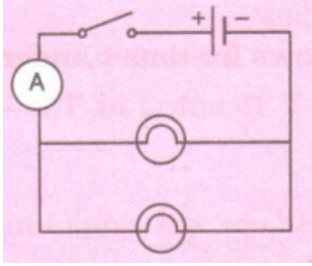
- (a) Which is the better way to connect lights and other electrical appliances in domestic wiring : series circuits or parallel circuits ? Why ?
- (b) Christmas tree lamps are usually wired in series. What happens if one lamp breaks ?
- (c) An electrician has wired a house in such a way that if a lamp gets fused in one room of the house, all the lamps in other rooms of the house stop working. What is the defect in the wiring ?
- (d) Draw a circuit diagram showing two electric lamps connected in parallel together with a cell

and a switch that works both lamps. Mark an  on your diagram to show where an ammeter should be placed to measure the current.

Solution :

- (a) Parallel circuits – Because if one electrical appliance stops working due to some defect, then all other appliances in the circuit will keep working properly.

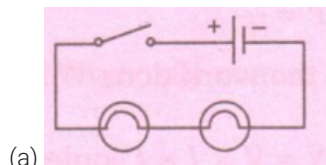
- (b) All the other lamps stop glowing.
- (c) All lamps are connected in series.
- (d)



Question 14:

- (a) Draw a circuit diagram showing two lamps, one cell and a switch connected in series.
- (b) How can you change the brightness of the lamps ?

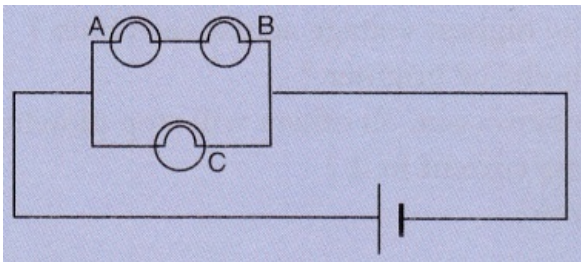
Solution :



- (a)
- (b) The brightness of the lamps can be changed by connecting the lamps in parallel.

Question 15:

Consider the circuit given below where A, B and C are three identical light bulbs of constant resistance.



- (a) List the bulbs in order of increasing brightness.
- (b) If C burns out, what will be the brightness of A now compared with before ?
- (c) If B burns out instead, what will be the brightness of A and C compared with before ?

Solution :

- (a) C will be the brightest. Voltage will be distributed equally between A and B, so they will have equal brightness but lesser than that of C.
- (b) A gets the same voltage as before, so its brightness remains the same.
- (c) If B burns out, A will also stop glowing because it is connected in series with B. However, brightness of C remains the same.

Question 16:

How do you think the brightness of two lamps arranged in parallel compares with the brightness of two lamps arranged in series (both arrangements having one cell) ?

Solution :

The brightness of two lamps arranged in parallel is much more than those arranged in series.

Question 17:

If current flows through two lamps arranged :

- (a) in series,
- (b) in parallel,

and the filament of one lamp breaks, what happens to the other lamp ? Explain your answer.

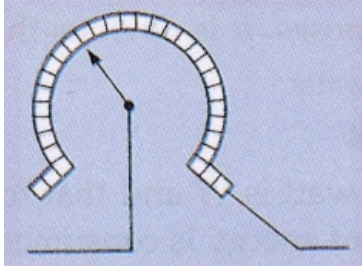
Solution :

- (a) In case of series connection, if filament of one lamp breaks, the other will stop glowing.
(b) In case of parallel connection, if filament of one lamp breaks, the other will keep glowing.

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Question 18:

The figure below shows a variable resistor in a dimmer switch.



How would you turn the switch to make the lights : (a) brighter, and (b) dimmer ? Explain your answer.

Solution :

- (a) Turn the switch to right side so as the resistance decreases.
(b) Turn the switch to the left side so as the resistance increases.

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Question 1:

State two factors on which the electrical energy consumed by an electrical appliance depends.

Solution :

Electrical energy consumed by an electrical appliance depends on:

1. Power rating of the appliance.
2. Time for which the appliance is used.

Question 2:

Which one has a higher electrical resistance : a 100 watt bulb or a 60 watt bulb ?

Solution :

60 watt bulb, because power is inversely proportional to the resistance.

Question 3:

Name the commercial unit of electric energy.

Solution :

Kilowatt-hour is the commercial unit of electric energy.

Question 4:

An electric bulb is rated at 220 V, 100 W. What is its resistance ?

Solution :

$$V = 220 \text{ V}, P = 100 \text{ W}$$

$$R = ?$$

We know that

$$P = V^2/R$$

Thus

$$R = V^2/P = 220^2/100 = 484 \text{ ohm}$$

Question 5:

What is the SI unit of (i) electric energy, and (ii) electric power ?

Solution :

- (i) joule
- (ii) watt

Question 6:

Name the quantity whose unit is (i) kilowatt, and (ii) kilowatt-hour.

Solution :

- (i) Electric power
- (ii) Electric energy

Question 7:

Which quantity has the unit of watt ?

Solution :

Electric power has the unit of watt.

Question 8:

What is the meaning of the symbol kWh ? Which quantity does it represent ?

Solution :

kWh is the short form of kilowatt-hour, which is the commercial unit of electrical energy.

Question 9:

If the potential difference between the end of a wire of fixed resistance is doubled, by how much does the electric power increase ?

Solution :

$$P = V^2/R$$

R is fixed.

V becomes double.

$$\text{Now, } P = (2V)^2/R = 4 V^2/R$$

So, the electric power becomes four times its previous value.

Question 10:

An electric lamp is labelled 12 V, 36 W. This indicates that it should be used with a 12 V supply. What other information does the label provide ?

Solution :

Other information is that it will consume energy at the rate of 36 J/s.

Question 11:

What current will be taken by a 920 W appliance if the supply voltage is 230 V ?

Solution :

$$P = 920\text{W}, V = 230\text{V}, I = ?$$

We know that

$$P = V \times I,$$

$$920 = 230 \times I$$

$$I = 920/230 = 4\text{amp}$$

Question 12:

Define watt. Write down an equation linking watts, volts and amperes.

Solution :

When an electrical appliance consumes electrical energy at the rate of 1 joule per second, its power is said to be 1 watt.

$$1 \text{ watt} = 1 \text{ volt} \times 1 \text{ ampere.}$$

Question 13:

Define watt-hour. How many joules are equal to 1 watt-hour ?

Solution :

One watt hour is the amount of electrical energy consumed when an electrical appliance of 1 watt power is used for 1 hour.

$$1 \text{ watt hour} = 3600 \text{ joules}$$

Question 14:

How much energy is consumed when a current of 5 amperes flows through the filament (or element) of a heater having resistance of 100 ohms for two hours ? Express it in joules.

Solution :

$$I=5\text{amp}, R=100\text{ohms}, t=2\text{h}$$

We know that

$$\text{Electric energy consumed} = P \times t = I^2 R t$$

$$= 25 \times 100 \times 2$$

$$= 5000 \text{ Wh}$$

$$= 5 \text{ kWh}$$

$$\text{We know that } 1\text{kWh} = 3.6 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } 5\text{kWh} = 5 \times 3.6 \times 10^6 \text{ J} = 18 \times 10^6 \text{ J}.$$

Question 15:

An electric bulb is connected to a 220 V power supply line. If the bulb draws a current of 0.5 A, calculate the power of the bulb.

Solution :

$$V=220\text{V}, I=0.5\text{amp}, P=?$$

We know that

$$P=VI=220 \times 0.5$$

$$P=110 \text{ watt}.$$

Question 16:

In which of the following cases more electrical energy is consumed per hour ?

(i) A current of 1 ampere passed through a resistance of 300 ohms.

(ii) A current of 2 amperes passed through a resistance of 100 ohms.

Solution :

$$(i) R = 300 \text{ ohm}, I = 1 \text{ A}, t = 1\text{h}$$

$$P = I^2 R = 1^2 \times 300 = 300 \text{ W}$$

$$E = P \times t = 300 \times 1 = 300 \text{ Wh}$$

$$(ii) R = 100 \text{ ohm}, I = 2 \text{ A}, t = 1\text{h}$$

$$P = I^2 R = 2^2 \times 100 = 400 \text{ W}$$

$$E = P \times t = 400 \times 1 = 400 \text{ Wh}$$

Hence, in case (ii), the electrical energy consumed per hour is more.

Question 17:

An electric kettle rated at 220 V, 2.2 kW, works for 3 hours. Find the energy consumed and the current drawn.

Solution :

$$V=220\text{V}, P=2.2\text{kW}=2200\text{W}, t=3\text{h}$$

We know that

$$\text{Electrical energy consumed} = P \times t = 2.2 \times 3 = 6.6 \text{ kWh}$$

$$\text{We have, } P = V \times I$$

$$2200 = 220 \times I$$

$$I=10\text{amp}$$

Question 18:

In a house two 60 W electric bulbs are lighted for 4 hours, and three 100 W bulbs for 5 hours everyday. Calculate the electric energy consumed in 30 days.

Solution :

Case 1:

Power, $P_1 = 60\text{W}$

Number, $n_1 = 2$

Time for use, $t_1 = 4\text{h}$ everyday

Electrical energy consumed everyday, $E_1 = n_1 \times P_1 \times t_1$
 $= 2 \times 60 \times 4 = 480\text{Wh} = 0.48\text{kWh}$

Electrical energy consumed in 30 days $= 30 \times 0.48 = 14.4\text{kWh}$

Case 2:

Power, $P_2 = 100\text{W}$

Number, $n_2 = 3$

Time for use, $t_2 = 5\text{h}$ everyday

Electrical energy consumed everyday, $E_2 = n_2 \times P_2 \times t_2$
 $= 3 \times 100 \times 5 = 1500 = 1.5\text{kWh}$

Electrical energy consumed in 30 days $= 30 \times 1.5 = 45\text{kWh}$

Total electrical energy consumed in 30 days $= 14.4\text{kWh} + 45\text{kWh} = 59.4\text{kWh}$

Question 19:

A bulb is rated as 250 V; 0.4 A. Find its : (i) power, and (ii) resistance.

Solution :

$V=250\text{V}, I=0.4\text{amp}$

(i) We know that

Power $= VI = 250 \times 0.4 = 100\text{watt}$

(ii) We have

$P = I^2 R$

$100 = 0.4^2 \times R$

$R = 625\text{ohm}$

Question 20:

For a heater rated at 4 kW and 220 V, calculate :

- (a) the current,
- (b) the resistance of the heater,
- (c) the energy consumed in 2 hours, and
- (d) the cost if 1 kWh is priced at ₹ 60.

Solution :

Given

$$P=4\text{kw}, V=220\text{v}$$

(a) $I=?$

$$\text{Power}=VI=250X I$$

$$4000=250I$$

$$I=16\text{amp}$$

(b) $R=?$

$$P=I^2R$$

$$P=16^2XR$$

$$R=4000/16^2$$

$$R=15.25\text{ohm}$$

(c) Energy consumed in two hour= PXt

$$=4X2$$

$$=8\text{kw-hr}$$

(d) If $1\text{kwh}=\text{Rs } 4.6$

$$\text{total cost}=8 \times 4.6=\text{Rs } 36.8$$

Question 21:

An electric motor takes 5 amperes current from a 220 volt supply line. Calculate the power of the motor and electrical energy consumed by it in 2

Solution :

$$I=5\text{amp}, V=220\text{volt}, t=2\text{h}$$

$$P=?, E=?$$

$$P=VXI$$

$$=220X5$$

$$=1100\text{watt}$$

$$=1.1\text{kW}$$

$$\text{Energy consumed, } E=PXt$$

$$=1.1X2$$

$$=2.2\text{kWh}$$

Question 22:

Which uses more energy : a 250 W TV set in 1 hour or a 1200 W toaster in 10 minutes ?

Solution :

Case 1: TV set

$$P=250\text{W}=0.25\text{kWh}$$

$$t=1\text{h}$$

$$\text{Energy consumed}=PXt=0.25X1=0.25\text{kWh}$$

Case 2: Toaster

$$P=1200\text{W}=1.2\text{kW}, t=10\text{min}=10/60=1/6\text{h}$$

$$\text{Energy consumed}=PXt=1.2X(1/6)=0.2\text{kWh}$$

Thus, TV uses more energy.

Question 23:

Calculate the power used in the $2\ \Omega$ resistor in each of the following circuits :

(i) a 6 V battery in series with $1\ \Omega$ and $2\ \Omega$ resistors.

(ii) a 4 V battery in parallel with $12\ \Omega$ and $2\ \Omega$ resistors.

Solution :

(i) $V=6\text{V}$, $R_1=1\Omega$, $R_2=2\Omega$
 Equivalent resistance $= R_1 + R_2 = 1 + 2 = 3\Omega$
 Total current, $I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{6}{3} = 2\text{A}$
 Current through $R_2 = I_2 = I = 2\text{A}$
 Voltage across $R_2 = V_2 = I_2 R_2 = 2 \times 2 = 4\text{V}$
 Power used in $R_2 = I_2 V_2 = 2 \times 4 = 8\text{W}$

(ii) $V=4\text{V}$, $R_1=12\Omega$, $R_2=2\Omega$
 Voltage across $R_2 = V_2 = V = 4\text{V}$
 Current across $R_2 = I_2 = \frac{V_2}{R_2} = \frac{4}{2} = 2\text{A}$
 Power used in $R_2 = I_2 V_2 = 2 \times 4 = 8\text{W}$

Question 24:

Two lamps, one rated 40 W at 220 V and the other 60 W at 220 V, are connected in parallel to the electric supply at 220 V.

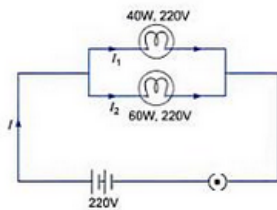
- Draw a circuit diagram to show the connections.
- Calculate the current drawn from the electric supply.
- Calculate the total energy consumed by the two lamps together when they operate for one hour.

Solution :

Given 2 lamps: $P_1=40\text{W}$, $P_2=60\text{W}$

$V=220\text{V}$

(a)



(b) Voltage across both the bulbs is same and is equal to 220V.
 Current through 40W lamp $= I_1 = P_1/V = 40/220\text{A}$
 Current through 60W lamp $= I_2 = P_2/V = 60/220\text{A}$
 Total current drawn from the electric supply $= 40/220 + 60/220 = 0.45\text{A}$

(a) Energy consumed by 40 W lamp in 1 hr, $E_1 = P_1 \times t = 40 \times 1 = 40\text{Wh}$
 $1\text{Wh} = 3.6\text{kJ}$
 $E_1 = 40 \times 3.6 = 144\text{kJ}$
 Energy consumed by 60W lamp in 1 hr, $E_2 = P_2 \times t = 60 \times 1 = 60\text{Wh} = 216\text{kJ}$
 Total energy consumed $= 144 + 216 = 360\text{kJ}$

Question 25:

An electric kettle connected to the 230 V mains supply draws a current of 10 A. Calculate :

- the power of the kettle.
- the energy transferred in 1 minute.

Solution :

Given $V=230\text{V}$, $I=10\text{amp}$

(a) $P=VI$

$P=230 \times 10$

$P=2300\text{watt} = 2300\text{J/s}$

(b) Energy consumed in minute $= P \times t = 2300\text{J/s} \times 60\text{s} = 138000\text{J}$

Question 26:

A 2 kW heater, a 200 W TV and three 100 W lamps are all switched on from 6m. to 10 p.m.
 What is the total cost at Rs. 5.50 per kWh ?

Solution :

For heater:

$$P=2\text{kW}, t=4\text{h}$$

$$E=P \times t=2 \times 4=8\text{kWh}$$

For TV:

$$P=200\text{W}=0.2\text{kW}, t=4\text{h}$$

$$E=P \times t=0.2 \times 4=0.8\text{kWh}$$

Lamps:

$$P=100\text{W}=0.1\text{kW}, t=4\text{h}, n=3$$

$$E=n \times P \times t=3 \times 0.1 \times 4=1.2\text{kWh}$$

$$\text{Total energy consumed} = 8+0.8+1.2 = 10\text{kWh}$$

$$\text{Cost of 1kWh} = \text{Rs. } 5.50$$

$$\text{Cost of 10kWh} = \text{Rs. } 5.50 \times 10 = \text{Rs. } 55$$

Question 27:

What is the maximum power in kilowatts of the appliance that can be connected safely to a 13 A ; 230 V mains socket ?

Solution :

$$I=13\text{amp}, V=230\text{V}$$

$$\text{Power}=VI$$

$$=230 \times 13$$

$$=2990\text{W}$$

$$P=2.99\text{kW}$$

Question 28:

An electric fan runs from the 230 V mains. The current flowing through it is 0.4 A. At what rate is electrical energy transferred by the fan ?

Solution :

$$\text{Given :- } V=230\text{V}, I=0.4\text{amp}$$

$$\text{Rate at which electric energy is transferred} = \text{Power}$$

$$\text{Power} = V \times I$$

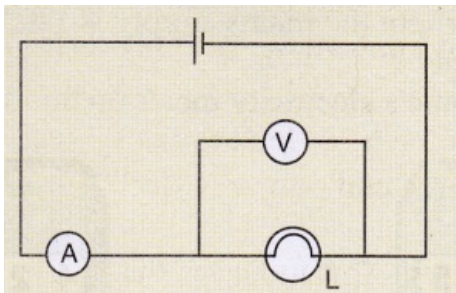
$$= 230 \times 0.4$$

$$= 92\text{ W} = 92\text{ J/s}$$

Question 29:

(a) What is meant by "electric power" ? Write the formula for electric power in terms of potential difference and current.

(b) The diagram below shows a circuit containing a lamp L, a voltmeter and an ammeter. The voltmeter reading is 3 V and the ammeter reading is 0.5 A



(i) What is the resistance of the lamp ?

(ii) What is the power of the lamp ?

(c) Define kilowatt-hour. How many joules are there in one kilowatt-hour ?

(d) Calculate the cost of operating a heater of 500 W for 20 hours at the rate of ? ₹ 3.90 per unit.

Solution :

(a) The rate at which electrical work is done or the rate at which electrical energy is consumed, is known as electric power.

It is given by

$$P=VI=\text{watt}$$

(b) Given: $V=3\text{V}$, $I=0.5\text{amp}$

(i) $R=?$

We know that $V=IR$

$$3=0.5R$$

$$R=6\text{ohms}$$

(ii) Power of lamp $=VI$

$$=3 \times 0.5$$

$$=1.5\text{watt}$$

(c) One kilowatt hour is the amount of electrical energy consumed when an electrical appliance having a power rating of 1 kilowatt is used for 1 hour.

$$1\text{kWh}=3.6 \times 10^6\text{J}$$

(d) Given $P=500\text{W}=0.5\text{kW}$, $t=20\text{hr}$

We know that

$$\text{Energy consumed} = P \times t = 0.5 \times 20$$

$$=10\text{kwh}$$

$$\text{Total cost} = 10 \times \text{cost per unit}$$

$$\text{Cost per unit} = \text{Rs. } 3.9 \text{ per unit}$$

$$\text{Therefore, total cost} = 10 \times 3.9 = \text{Rs } 39$$

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Question 41:

State whether an electric heater will consume more electrical energy or less electrical energy per second when the length of its heating element is reduced. Give reasons for your answer.

Solution :

By reducing the length of element the resistance will decrease.

Power is inversely proportional to resistance. So, this will result in more consumption of energy.

Question 42:

The table below shows the current in three different electrical appliances when connected to the 240 V mains supply :

Appliance	Current
Kettle	8.5 A
Lamp	0.4 A
Toaster	4.8 A

(a) Which appliance has the greatest electrical resistance ? How does the data show this ?

(b) The lamp is connected to the mains supply by using a thin, twin-cored cable consisting of live and neutral wires. State two reasons why this cable should not be used for connecting the kettle to the mains supply.

(c) Calculate the power rating of the kettle when it is operated from the 240 V mains supply.

(d) A man takes the kettle abroad where the mains supply is 120 V. What is the current in the kettle when it is operated from the 120 V supply ?

Solution :

(a) Lamp; because least current is flowing through it.

(b) Large current drawn by the kettle; Earth connection needed.

(c) We know that

$$P=VI$$

$$V=240\text{V}, I=8.5\text{A}$$

$$P=240 \times 8.5 = 2040\text{W} = 2.04\text{kW}$$

(d) When connected to 240 V supply, $P=2040\text{W}$

$$R = V^2/P = 240^2/240$$

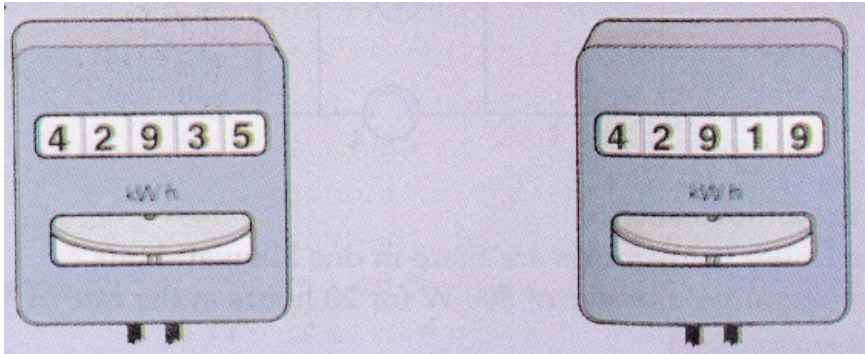
$$R=28.23\Omega$$

Now, when $V=120\text{V}$, $R=28.23\Omega$

$$I=V/R=120/28.23=4.25\text{A}$$

Question 43:

A boy noted the readings on his home's electricity meter on Sunday at 8 AM and again on Monday at 8 AM (see figure below).



- (a) What was the meter reading on Sunday ?
- (b) What was the meter reading on Monday ?
- (c) How many units of electricity have been used ?
- (d) In how much time these units have been used ?
- (e) If the rate is Rs. 5 per unit, what is the cost of electricity used during this time ?

Solution :

- (a) 42919
- (b) 42935
- (c) $42935-42919=16$ units
- (d) 24 hours
- (e) Cost of 1 unit = Rs. 5
Cost of 16 units = $16 \times 5 = \text{Rs. } 80$

Question 44:

An electric bulb is rated as 10 W, 220 V. How many of these bulbs can be connected in parallel across the two wires of 220 V supply line if the maximum current which can be drawn is 5 A ?

Solution :

$$P=10\text{W}, V=220\text{V}, I=5\text{A}$$

We know that

$$P=VI$$

$$=220 \times 5$$

$$P=1100\text{W}$$

$$\text{Power of one bulb}=10\text{W}$$

$$\text{Total no. of bulbs that can be connected}=1100/10=110$$

Question 45:

Two exactly similar electric lamps are arranged (i) in parallel, and (ii) in series. If the parallel and series combination of lamps are connected to 220 V supply line one by one, what will be the ratio of electric power consumed by them ?

Solution :

Let resistance of each lamp = R ohms.

Case 1: Parallel connection

$$\text{Resultant resistance} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R}} = \frac{R}{2}$$

$$\text{Electric power consumed } P_1 = \frac{V^2}{R} = \frac{220^2}{R/2} = \frac{96800}{R}$$

Case 2: Series connection

Resultant resistance = $R + R = 2R$

$$\text{Electric power consumed } P_2 = \frac{V^2}{2R} = \frac{24200}{R}$$

$$\therefore \frac{P_1}{P_2} = \frac{96800/R}{24200/R} = \frac{4}{1}$$

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Question 1:

How does the heat H produced by a current passing through a fixed resistance wire depend on the magnitude of current I ?

Solution :

Heat produced is directly proportional to the square of current.

Question 2:

If the current passing through a conductor is doubled, what will be the change in heat produced?

Solution :

Heat produced is directly proportional to the square of current.

If current I is doubled, heat H will be four times.

Question 3:

Name two effects produced by electric current.

Solution :

Two effects of produced by electric current are:

- (a) Heating effect
- (b) Magnetic effect

Question 4:

Which effect of current is utilised in an electric light bulb?

Solution :

Heating effect

Question 5:

Which effect of current is utilised in the working of an electric fuse?

Solution :

Heating effect

Question 6:

Name two devices which work on the heating effect of electric current.

Solution :

Electric heater and electric fuse.

Question 7:

Name two gases which are filled in filament type electric light bulbs.

Solution :

Argon and nitrogen.

Question 8:

Explain why, filament type electric bulbs are not power efficient.

Solution :

Filament type electric bulbs are not power efficient because most of the electric power consumed by the filament of a bulb appears as heat and only a small amount of electric power is converted into light.

Question 9:

Why does the connecting cord of an electric heater not glow hot while the heating element does ?

Solution :

The connecting cord of the heater made of copper does not glow because negligible heat is produced in it by passing current (because of its extremely low resistance); but the heating element made of nichrome glows because it becomes red-hot due to the large amount of heat produced on passing current (because of its high resistance).

Question 10:

(a) Write down the formula for the heat produced when a current I is passed through a resistor R for time

(b) An electric iron of resistance 20 ohms draws a current of 5 amperes. Calculate the heat produced in 30 seconds.

Solution :

(a) Heat produced, $H = I^2 R t$

(b) Given: $R = 20 \text{ ohm}$, $I = 5 \text{ amp}$, $t = 30 \text{ s}$

We know that $H = I^2 R t$

$$H = 5^2 \times 20 \times 30$$

$$H = 15000 \text{ J}$$

Question 11:

State three factors on which the heat produced by an electric current depends. How does it depend on these factors ?

Solution :

Heat produced by an electric current depends on the following factors:

- (i) Heat produced is directly proportional to square of current.
- (ii) Heat produced is directly proportional to resistance.
- (iii) Heat produced is directly proportional to the time for which current flows.

Question 12:

(a) State and explain Joule's law of heating.

(b) A resistance of 40 ohms and one of 60 ohms are arranged in series across 220 volt supply. Find the heat in joules produced by this combination of resistances in half a minute.

Solution :

(a) Joule's law of heating states that heat produced in joules when a current of I amperes flows in a wire of resistance R ohms for time t seconds is given by $H = I^2Rt$.

Thus the heat produced in a wire is directly proportional to:

(i) Square of current

(ii) Resistance of wire

(iii) Time for which current is passed

(b) Given: $R_1=40\text{ohms}$, $R_2=60\text{ohms}$ (in series), $V=220\text{V}$, $t=30\text{sec}$
We know that

Total resistance, $R=40+60=100\text{ohms}$

By Ohm's law,

$$V=IR$$

$$I=V/R$$

$$I=220/100=2.2\text{amp}$$

Putting the values of I, R and t in eq. $H=I^2RT$

$$H=2.2^2 \times 100 \times 30$$

$$H=14520\text{ J}$$

Question 13:

Why is an electric light bulb not filled with air ? Explain why argon or nitrogen is filled in an electric bulb.

Solution :

If air is filled in an electric bulb, then the extremely hot tungsten filament would burn up quickly in the oxygen of air. So, the electric bulb is filled with a chemically unreactive gas like argon or nitrogen. These gases do not react with the hot tungsten filament and hence prolong the life of the filament of the bulb.

Question 14:

Explain why, tungsten is used for making the filaments of electric bulbs.

Solution :

Tungsten is used for making the filaments of electric bulbs because it has a very high melting point. Due to its very high melting point, the tungsten filament can be kept white hot without melting away. Also, tungsten has high flexibility and low rate of evaporation at high temperature.

Question 15:

Explain why, the current that makes the heater element very hot, only slightly warms the connecting wires leading to the heater.

Solution :

The connecting wires of the heater get only slightly warm because they have extremely low resistance due to which negligible heat is produced in them by passing current.

Question 16:

When a current of 4.0 A passes through a certain resistor for 10 minutes, $2.88 \times 10^4\text{ J}$ of heat are produced. Calculate :

(a) the power of the resistor.

(b) the voltage across the resistor.

Solution :

Given: $I=4\text{amp}$, $t=10\text{min}=10\times 60=600\text{sec}$, $H=2.88\times 10^4\text{J}$

(a) We have

$$H=I^2RT$$

$$28800=4^2\times R\times 600$$

$$R=3\text{ohms}$$

We know that

$$P=I^2R$$

$$=4^2\times 3$$

$$P=48\text{W}$$

(b) $V=?$

We know that

$$V=IR$$

$$V=4\times 3$$

$$V=12\text{V}$$

Question 17:

A heating coil has a resistance of $200\ \Omega$. At what rate will heat be produced in it when a current of 2.5 A flows through it ?

Solution :

Given: $R=200\text{ohms}$, $I=2.5\text{amp}$, $t=1\text{sec}$

We know that

$$H=I^2RT$$

$$H=2.5^2\times 200\times 1$$

$$H=1250\text{ J/s}$$

Question 18:

An electric heater of resistance $8\ \Omega$, takes a current of 15 A from the mains supply line.

Calculate the rate at which heat is developed in the heater.

Solution :

Given: $R=8\text{ohms}$, $I=15\text{amp}$, $t=1\text{sec}$

We know that

$$H=I^2RT$$

$$H=15^2\times 8\times 1$$

$$H=1800\text{J/s}$$

Question 19:

A resistance of $25\ \Omega$ is connected to a 12 V battery. Calculate the heat energy in joules generated per minute.

Solution :

Given: $R=25\text{ohms}$, $V=12\text{V}$, $H=?$, $t=60\text{sec}$

$$V=IR$$

$$12=25\times I$$

$$I=0.48\text{amp}$$

We have

$$H=I^2RT$$

$$H=0.48^2\times 25\times 60$$

$$H=345.6\text{J}$$

Question 20:

100 joules of heat is produced per second in a 4 ohm resistor. What is the potential difference

across the resistor ?

Solution :

Given: $H=100\text{J}$, $t=1\text{sec}$, $R=4\text{ohms}$,

We know that

$$H=I^2RT$$

$$100=I^2 \times 4 \times 1$$

$$100/4=I^2$$

$$I=5\text{amp}$$

$$V=IR$$

$$V=5 \times 4$$

$$=20\text{V}$$

Question 21:

(a) Derive the expression for the heat produced due to a current 'I' flowing for a time interval 't' through a resistor 'R' having a potential difference 'V' across its ends. With which name is this relation known ?

(b) How much heat will an instrument of 12 W produce in one minute if it is connected to a battery of 12 V ?

(c) The current passing through a room heater has been halved. What will happen to the heat produced by it ?

(d) What is meant by the heating effect of current ? Give two applications of the heating effect of current.

(e) Name the material which is used for making the filaments of an electric bulb.

Solution :

(a) When an electric charge Q moves against a p.d. V, the amount of work done is given by

$$W=Q \times V \text{ ----(1)}$$

We know, current, $I=\frac{Q}{t}$

$$Q = I \times t \text{ ----(2)}$$

By Ohm's law, $\frac{V}{I} = R$

$$V = I \times R \text{ ----(3)}$$

Putting eqs. (2) and (3) in eq. (1),

$$W=I \times t \times I \times R$$

$$W=I^2Rt$$

Assuming that all the electrical work done is converted into heat energy, we get

Heat produced, $H=I^2Rt$ joules

This relation is known as Joule's law of heating.

(b) Given: $P=12\text{W}$, $V=12\text{V}$, $t=60\text{sec}$

$$P=VI$$

$$I=P/V=12/12=1\text{A}$$

$$V=IR$$

$$R=V/I=12/1=12\text{ohm}$$

$$H=I^2Rt$$

$$H=1^2 \times 12 \times 60$$

$$H=720\text{J}$$

(c) The heat produced by the heater will become one-fourth because heat produced is directly proportional to the square of the current.

(d) When an electric current is passed through a high resistance wire, the wire becomes very hot and produces heat. This effect is known as heating effect of current. This effect is used in room heaters and electric ovens.

(e) Tungsten is used for making the filaments of an electric bulb.

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Question 31:

The electrical resistivities of four materials P, Q, R and S are given below :

P	$6.84 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$
Q	$1.70 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$
R	$1.0 \times 10^{15} \Omega\text{m}$
S	$11.0 \times 10^{-7} \Omega\text{m}$

Which material will you use for making : (a) heating element of electric iron (b) connecting wires of electric iron (c) covering of connecting wires ? Give reason for your choice in each case.

Solution :

- (a) S; because it has high resistivity of $1.1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ ohm-m}$ (it is actually nichrome).
- (b) Q; because it has very low resistivity of $1.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ ohm-m}$ (it is actually copper).
- (c) R; because it has very very high resistivity of $1.0 \times 10^{10} \text{ ohm-m}$ (it is actually rubber).

Question 32:

- (a) How does the wire in the filament of a light bulb behave differently to the other wires in the circuit when the current flows ?
- (b) What property of the filament wire accounts for this difference ?

Solution :

- (a) The filament wire becomes white hot where as other wires in the circuit do not get heated much.
- (b) High resistance of filament wire accounts for this difference.

Question 33:

Two exactly similar heating resistances are connected (i) in series, and (ii) in parallel, in two different circuits, one by one. If the same current is passed through both the combinations, is more heat obtained per minute when they are connected in series or when they are connected in parallel ? Give reason for your answer.

Solution :

In series, because total resistance in series connection is more than that in parallel connection.

Question 34:

An electric iron is connected to the mains power supply of 220 V. When the electric iron is adjusted at 'minimum heating' it consumes a power of 360 W but at 'maximum heating' it takes a power of 840 W. Calculate the current and resistance in each case.

Solution :

Given: $V=220\text{V}$, $P_{\min}=360\text{W}$, $P_{\max}=840\text{W}$

For minimum heating case:

We know that

$$P_{\min}=VI$$

$$360=220I$$

$$I=1.63\text{amp}$$

$$R=V/I$$

$$R=220/1.63$$

$$R=134.96\text{ohms}$$

For maximum heating case:

We know that

$$P_{\max}=VI$$

$$840=220I$$

$$I=3.81\text{amp}$$

$$R=V/I$$

$$R=220/3.81$$

$$R=57.74\text{ohms}$$

Question 35:

Which electric heating devices in your home do you think have resistors which control the flow of electricity ?

Solution :

Electric iron , electric oven, water heater, room heater.