

Phys 4

Midterm Exam Solutions  
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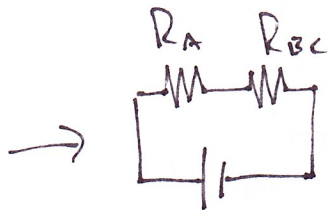
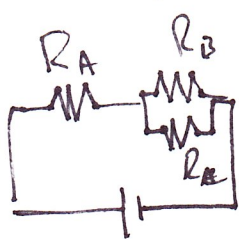
1] From the bulb ratings we can find their respective resistances:

$$R_A = \frac{P}{I^2} = \frac{85W}{(5.0A)^2} = 3.4 \Omega$$

$$R_B = \frac{V^2}{P} = \frac{(80V)^2}{205W} = 31 \Omega$$

$$R_C = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{120V}{0.6A} = 200 \Omega$$

Now, since the bulbs are essentially resistors, apply the rules for resistors in series and parallel to find the equivalent resistance:



$$\frac{1}{R_{BC}} = \frac{1}{R_B} + \frac{1}{R_C}$$

$$R_{BC} = \frac{R_B R_C}{R_B + R_C}$$

$$R_{eq} = R_A + R_{BC}$$

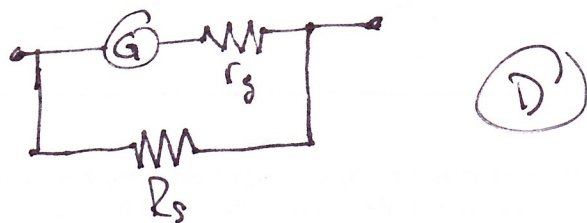
$$R_{eq} = R_A + \frac{R_B R_C}{R_B + R_C}$$

Plugging in the numbers, we find

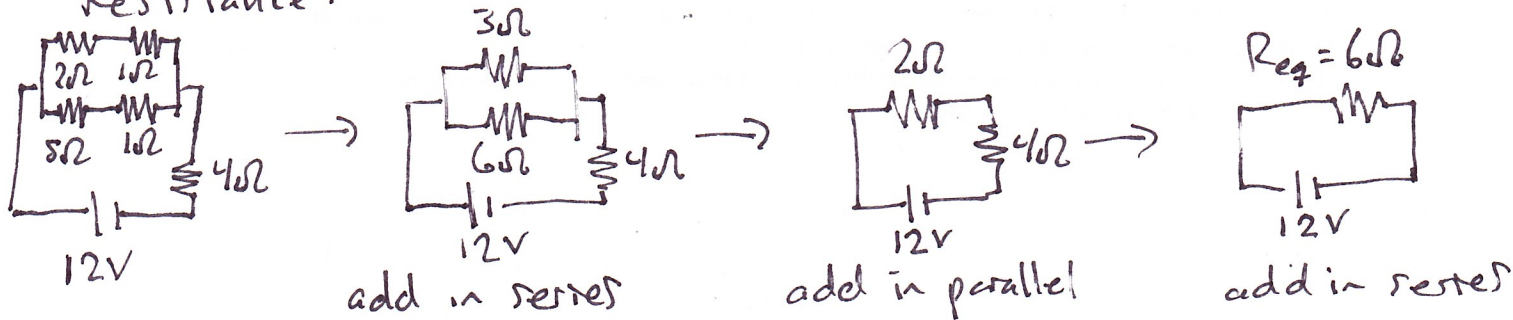
$$R_{eq} = 3.4 \Omega + \frac{(31 \Omega)(200 \Omega)}{31 \Omega + 200 \Omega}$$

$$R_{eq} = 30 \Omega \quad (B)$$

[2] In Ch. 27, see the section on electrical measuring instruments. Applying a "shunt resistor" in parallel with the internal resistance of the galvanometer. Adjusting  $R_s$  allows us to set the full scale current measurement on the galvanometer. The correct diagram for this is the following



[3] First, let's break the circuit down and find an equivalent resistance:



Thus we can determine the current of this reduced circuit as

$$I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{12V}{6\Omega} = 2A$$

With this current, the voltage drop over the  $4\Omega$  resistor will be

$$V = IR = (2A)(4\Omega) = 8V$$

and  $12V - 8V = 4V$  will be distributed to the parallel resistors each. The current through the lower parallel resistor is then  $I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{4V}{6\Omega} = 0.67A$ , which leaves  $2A - 0.67A = 1.33A$  to pass through the upper parallel resistors. The power dissipated by the  $2\Omega$  resistor is thus

$$P = I^2 R = (1.33A)^2 (2\Omega) = 3.54W$$

(E)

[4] For charging a capacitor, we will use the following

$$I = I_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

The time constant  $\tau = RC = (10^5 \Omega)(8 \times 10^{-5} F) = 8s$ . The

$I_0 = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{40V}{10^5 \Omega} = 0.0004 A = 0.4 \mu A$ . Thus the current after 20s will be

$$I = (0.4 \mu A) e^{-20s/8s}$$

$$I = 5.2 \times 10^{-5} A = 32 \mu A$$

The potential difference across the resistor then becomes

$$V = IR = (3.2 \times 10^{-5} A)(10^5 \Omega)$$

$$V = 3.2 V \quad \text{C}$$

[5] The force on the particle is found by

$$F = |q|vB = m \frac{v^2}{R}$$

and the velocity can be expressed in terms of the period

$$v = \frac{2\pi R}{T}$$

Thus

$$|q|B = \frac{2\pi R m}{RT}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi m}{|q|B}$$

Plugging in the known values, we find  $T = 1.3 \times 10^{-6} s = 1.3 \mu s$

A

[6] The electric potential is found by

$$\frac{1}{2} \mu v^2 = qV$$

$$V = \frac{\mu v^2}{2q}$$

Plugging in the <sup>numbers</sup> ~~results~~ we find

$$V \approx 7 \text{ kV}$$

(D)

The sign is negative on account of the direction of the magnetic field.

[7] The torque exerted on the loop can be found by

$$\tau = IBA \sin \phi$$

Since  $\mu = IA$  and  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , we have:

$$\tau = \mu B \sin \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= (0.75 \text{ Am}^2)(0.2 \text{ T})$$

$$\tau = 0.15 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

(B)

[8]  $v = 330 \text{ m/s}$ .  $B = -20 \hat{k} \mu\text{T}$ .

$$= (-20 \hat{k}) \times 10^{-6} \text{ T}$$

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi d}$$

$$d = +80 \text{ mm}$$

$$= \cancel{0.08 \text{ m}}$$

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$$I = \frac{(2\pi d) B}{\mu_0}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi(0.08 \text{ m})(-20 \times 10^{-6} \text{ T})}{4\pi \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$I = -0.08 \text{ A} = 80 \text{ mA, negative}$$

(A)

9] Gauss's Law tells us that the magnetic field at point P will not change if the loop is merely distorted.

(D)

10] A solenoid with length  $l$  and  $N$  windings will have a magnetic current given by

$$Bl = \mu_0 NI$$

$$I = \frac{Bl}{\mu_0 N}$$

Plug in the numbers and find that

$$I \approx 2.8 \text{ A}$$

(D)