## Chapter 3

# **Current Electricity**

### **Solutions**

#### **SECTION - A**

#### **Objective Type Questions (One option is correct)**

- A voltmeter has resistance 2000  $\Omega$  and range 0-5 V. For increasing its range upto 20 V, a resistance of 1.
  - (1) 8000  $\Omega$  should be connected in series
  - (3) 8000 Ω should be connected in parallel
- (2) 6000  $\Omega$  should be connected in series
- (4) 6000  $\Omega$  should be connected in parallel

Sol. Answer (2)

$$i = \frac{5}{2000} = \frac{20}{2000 + x} \implies x = 8000 - 2000 = 6000 \ \Omega$$
 (connected in series)

- In the situation shown in figure, an ideal ammeter is connected across 7  $\Omega$  resistors. Select the correct 2. statement from the following ducational 58
  - 10
  - (1) The current drawn by the battery is 1 A
  - (2) The currents through 2  $\Omega$  and 7  $\Omega$  are equal
  - (3) The rate of heat production in 7  $\Omega$  is less than that in 2  $\Omega$
  - (4) Both (1) & (2)
- Sol. Answer (3)

As ideal ammeter has zero resistance thus  $7\Omega$  resistance will be shorted and all the current will pass through the ammeter.

In the circuit shown below, the ammeter reading will be independent of  $R_2$  when 3.



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(1) R_1 + R_2 = r
                          (2) R_1 = 2r
                                                   (3) r = R_1 - R_2
                                                                                (4)
                                                                                       r = 0
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#### Sol. Answer (4)

If r = 0, potential difference across  $R_1 = E$  = constant. Hence, in this case current through  $R_1$  does not depend on  $R_2$ .

4. What is the resistance of voltmeter shown in the circuit?



5. A galvanometer of resistance 95  $\Omega$ , shunted by a resistance of 5  $\Omega$ , gives a deflection of 50 divisions, when joined in series with a resistance of 20 k $\Omega$  and a 2.0 V accumulator. The current sensitivity of the ammeter, in divisions per  $\mu$ A, is

(1) 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 (2) 1 (3) 5 (4) 10

Sol. Answer (1)

Equivalent resistance of circuit  $\simeq$  20 k $\Omega$ 

$$: i = \frac{2 V}{20000 \Omega} = 10^{-4} A$$

$$: Current sensitivity = \frac{50 \text{ divisions}}{100 \mu A} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ divisions}/\mu A$$

#### [Meter Bridge, Potentiometer]

6. In the meterbridge experiment, the null point is obtained at N. The value of unknown resistance X will be



Sol. Answer (4)

 $\frac{10}{40} = \frac{x}{60} \implies x = 3 \times 5 \ \Omega = 15 \ \Omega$ 

7. In a potentiometer experiment, the balancing length for a cell was found to be 1.20 m. Now, a resistance of 10  $\Omega$  is connected across the terminals of this cell and the balancing length becomes 80 cm. The internal resistance of this cell is

(1)  $2 \Omega$  (2)  $5 \Omega$  (3)  $1.5 \Omega$  (4)  $15 \Omega$ Sol. Answer (2)  $i = \frac{\varepsilon}{10 + r}$  $\frac{\varepsilon}{1.2} = \frac{\varepsilon - ir}{0.8}$ 

On solving  $r = 5 \Omega$ .

8. Two cells when connected in series are balanced on 6 m on a potentiometer. If the polarity of one of these cell is reversed, they balance on 2 m. The ratio of e.m.f. of the two cells is



9. In the potentiometer circuit shown, the galvanometer shows no deflection for AD = 35 cm. The resistance of wire AB is 18  $\Omega$  and its length is 50 cm. Calculate the emf *E* of the cell.



Sol. Answer (3)

Current through the wire AB,

$$i = \frac{20 \text{ V}}{(18+2) \Omega} = 1 \text{ A}$$

$$\frac{R_{AD}}{R_{AB}} = \frac{35}{50}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_{AD} = \frac{7}{10} \times 18$$
  
$$\therefore E = i \cdot R_{AD} = \frac{7 \times 18}{10} \times 1 = 12.6 \text{ V}$$

#### [RC Circuit]

10. The power consumption by the circuit shown in figure at steady state is



(1) Directly proportional to L





Sol. Answer (3)

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$$
$$= \rho \frac{L}{tL}$$
$$= \frac{\rho}{t}$$

 $\Rightarrow$ Resistance is independent of L.

12. Incandescent bulbs are designed by keeping in mind that the resistance of their filament increases with the increase in temperature. If at room temperature, 100 W, 60 W and 40 W bulbs have filament resistance  $R_{100}$ ,  $R_{60}$  and  $R_{40}$ , respectively, the relation between these resistance is

ρ

(1) 
$$\frac{1}{R_{100}} = \frac{1}{R_{40}} + \frac{1}{R_{60}}$$
 (2)  $R_{100} = R_{40} + R_{60}$  (3)  $R_{100} > R_{50} > R_{40}$  (4)  $\frac{1}{R_{100}} > \frac{1}{R_{60}} > \frac{1}{R_{40}}$ 

#### Sol. Answer (4)

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{R} \propto P$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{R_{100}} > \frac{1}{R_{60}} > \frac{1}{R_{40}}$$

Normally  $\frac{1}{R_{100}} = \frac{1}{R_{40}} + \frac{1}{R_{60}}$  could have been correct. But small change in resistance due to temperature change can destroy the equality.

13. Figure shows three resistor configurations R1, R2 and R3 connected to 3 V battery. If the power dissipated by the configuration R1, R2 and R3 is P1, P2 and P3, respectively, then



Sol. Answer (3)

 $R_1 = 1 \Omega$  (Balanced Wheatstone bridge)

$$R_3 = 2 \Omega$$

As 
$$P = \frac{V^2}{R} \Rightarrow P \propto \frac{1}{R}$$

14. To verify Ohm's law, a student is provided with a test resistor  $R_{T}$ , a high resistance  $R_1$ , a small resistance  $R_2$ , two identical galvanometers  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , and a variable voltage source V. The correct circuit to carry out the experiment is



#### Sol. Answer (3)

- $G_1$  is used as voltmeter by connecting it in series with high resistance and applying it across  $R_T$  in parallel
- $G_2$  is used as ammeter by shunting it with small resistance and connecting in series with  $R_T$ .



- 15. A resistance of 2  $\Omega$  is connected across one gap of a meter-bridge (the length of the wire is 100 cm) and an unknown resistance, greater than 2  $\Omega$ , is connected across the other gap. When these resistances are interchanged, the balance point shifts by 20 cm. Neglecting any corrections, the unknown resistance is
  - (1)  $3 \Omega$  (2)  $4 \Omega$  (3)  $5 \Omega$  (4)  $6 \Omega$
- Sol. Answer (1)

In first situation, the balancing length is at a distance 'x' from left end and 100 - x from other end. In second case, balancing length is at a distance 100 - x from left end.  $\therefore$  shift is (100 - x) - x = 20 cm

x = 40 cm, 100 - x = 60 cm

$$\frac{R}{2} = \frac{60}{40}$$
 (by Wheatstone bridge principle

or 
$$R = 3 \Omega$$

16. During an experiment with a metre bridge, the galvanometer shows a null point when the jockey is pressed at 40.0 cm using a standard resistance of 90  $\Omega$ , as shown in the figure. The least count of the scale used in the metre bridge is 1 mm. The unknown resistance is



 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = \frac{\Delta x}{x} - \frac{\Delta(100 - x)}{(100 - x)}$$
$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = \frac{\Delta x}{x} + \frac{\Delta x}{(100 - x)}$$
$$\Delta R = \left(\frac{0.1}{40} + \frac{0.1}{60}\right) 60$$
$$\Delta R = 0.25 \ \Omega$$
$$R = 60 \pm 0.25 \ \Omega$$

17. A meter bridge is set-up as shown, to determine an unknown resistance *X* using a standard 10 ohm resistor. The galvanometer shows null point when tapping key is at 52 cm mark. The end corrections are 1 cm and 2 cm respectively for the ends A and B. The determined value of X is



18. A circuit is connected as shown in the figure with the switch S open. When the switch is closed, the total amount of charge that flows from Y to X is



(1) 0

(3) 27 μC



The circuit before closing switch is shown



The circuit after closing the switch is shown



Initially, the charge in dotted region is zero

Finally, the charge in dotted region is +27  $\mu$ C (=36 – 9)

 $\therefore$  27µC charge flows from Y to X.

19. An infinite line charge of uniform electric charge density  $\lambda$  lies along the axis of an electrically conducting infinite cylindrical shell of radius *R*. At time *t* = 0, the space inside the cylinder is filled with a material of permittivity  $\varepsilon$  and electrical conductivity  $\sigma$ . The electrical conduction in the material follows Ohm's law. Which one of the following graphs best describes the subsequent variation of the magnitude of current density *j*(*t*) at any point in the material?



#### SECTION - B

#### Objective Type Questions (More than one options are correct)

#### [Electric Current in Conductors]

1. Figure shows a conical conducting wire connected to a source of emf. Let E,  $v_d$ , *i* represent the electric field, drift velocity and current at a cross-section of the wire. As one moves from end *A* to end *B* of the wire,



**Sol.** Answer (2, 3, 4)

(1) E increases

Since there is no source or sink of charge inside, so current (i) remains constant at each cross-section.

Current density,  $j = \frac{I}{A}$  decreases as one moves from A to B.

$$\therefore$$
  $V_d = \frac{j}{ne}$ ;  $\therefore$   $v_d$  also decreases

j = σE

:. E also decreases.

There are two concentric metallic spherical shells of radii *a* and *b* (*a* < *b*). The shells are being maintained at a constant potential difference *V*. The medium between the shells is filled with a material of resistivity *ρ*. Select the correct alternatives. At a distance *r* (*a* < *r* < *b*) from the centre of the shells

(1) Electric field is 
$$\frac{Vab}{r^2(b-a)}$$
  
(2) Current density is  $\frac{Vab}{\rho r^2(b-a)}$   
(3) Electric field is  $\frac{V}{(b-a)}$   
(4) Current density is  $\frac{V}{\rho(b-a)}$   
Sol. Answer (1, 2)  
Resistance of element,  $dR = \rho \cdot \frac{dr}{4\pi r^2}$   
Integrating,  
 $R = \frac{\rho}{4\pi} \int_a^b \frac{dr}{r^2} = \frac{\rho}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} \right] = \frac{\rho(b-a)}{4\pi ab}$   
 $\therefore \quad i = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{4\pi Vab}{\rho(b-a)}$   
 $\therefore \quad j = \frac{i}{A} = \frac{4\pi Vab}{\rho(b-a)} \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{Vab}{\rho r^2(b-a)}$   
 $\therefore \quad \rho j = E$   
 $\therefore \quad E = \frac{Vab}{r^2(b-a)}$ 

- 3. A long conductor of circular cross-section of area S is made of material whose resistivity depends on radial distance from axis as  $\rho = \frac{\alpha}{r^2}$  where  $\alpha$  is a positive constant. The conductor carries current *I*.
  - (1) The field intensity E will be same at all points of the cross section of given conductor

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- (2) E would be  $\frac{2\pi\alpha I}{S^2}$
- (3) The resistance of a unit length of conductor would be  $\frac{2\pi\alpha}{S^2}$
- (4) None of these
- **Sol.** Answer (1, 2, 3)

$$I = \int j dS = \int_{0}^{R} \frac{E}{\rho} \cdot 2\pi r dr = E \int_{0}^{R} \frac{2\pi r^{3}}{\alpha} dr$$
$$I = E \frac{2\pi}{\alpha} \cdot \frac{R^{4}}{4}$$
$$I = \frac{\pi E}{2\alpha} \cdot R^{4}$$
$$\pi R^{2} = S$$
$$R^{2} = \frac{S}{\pi}$$
$$I = \frac{\pi E}{2\alpha} \times \frac{S^{2}}{\pi^{2}}$$



$$E = \frac{2\pi\alpha I}{S^2}$$
$$R_U = \frac{E}{I} = \frac{2\pi\alpha}{S^2}$$

4. A resistance  $R_1$  is connected to a source of constant voltage. On connecting a resistance  $R_2$  in series with  $R_1$ 

(2)

(4)

- (1) The total thermal power dissipated increases
- (3) Thermal power dissipated by  $R_1$  increases

$$i_1 = \frac{\varepsilon}{R_1}$$

$$i_2 = \frac{\varepsilon}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow i_2 < i_1$$



Thermal power dissipated by  $R_1$  decreases

Total power dissipated decreases

Thermal power generated in  $R_1 = i^2 R_1$ 

:. 
$$i_1^2 R_1 > i_2^2 R_1$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Thermal power generated in  $R_1$  decreases.

Total thermal power generated in two cases,

$$\frac{\varepsilon^2}{R_1} > \frac{\varepsilon^2}{R_1 + R_2} \quad \Rightarrow \text{decreases}$$

- 5. A cell supplies a current of 2 A to an external resistance of 2  $\Omega$  and a current of 1 ampere to another external resistance of 4.5  $\Omega$  connected across the cell separately. Select the correct alternative(s).
  - (1) Emf of the cell is 5 V

- (2) Emf of the cell is 4.25 V
- (3) Internal resistance of the cell is 0.5  $\Omega$
- (4) Internal resistance of the cell is 3.25  $\Omega$

**Sol.** Answer (1, 3)

$$i = \frac{\varepsilon}{R+r}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = \frac{\varepsilon}{2+r} \qquad \dots(1)$$
and  $1 = \frac{\varepsilon}{4.5+r} \qquad \dots(2)$ 
Solving (1) and (2), we get
$$\varepsilon = 5 \text{ V}, r = 0.5 \Omega.$$

6. Consider the circuit shown. Which of the following values is/are correct?



#### **Sol.** Answer (1, 2, 3)

Kirchhoff's loop theorem implies,

$$+7 + 3 - 10 i_{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow i_{3} = 1A$$

$$-10 i_{3} + 7 - 5i_{1} + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5i_{1} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow i_{1} = 1A.$$

From Kirchhoff's Junction Rule,

$$i_3 = i_1 + i_2$$
$$\implies i_2 = 0$$

8.

7. Consider the following arrangement of resistors. The currents in various branches are shown. Select the correct alternative(s).





(3) Points P, Q, T and S are at same potential

(1)  $R_{AB} = \frac{3R}{4}$ 

(4) Points C and D are at same potential

В

#### Sol. Answer (1, 3)

From symmetry, points *P*, *Q*, *T* and *S* are at same potentials.

:. Equivalent circuit is

This is a series and parallel combination of resistors.

$$\therefore \quad R_{AB} = \frac{3R}{4}$$

- 9. In the circuit shown, current in different branches are marked. Select the correct alternative(s).



10. In the circuit shown, *R*<sub>2</sub> is varied from zero to infinity, keeping other values constant. Which of the following graphs is/are correct?







**Sol.** Answer (1, 3)

At 
$$R_2 = 0$$

No current passes through  $R_1$ , all current passes through  $R_2$ .

$$\Rightarrow$$
 V =  $i_2 R_2$  = 0

At  $R_2 = \infty$ , all current passes through  $R_1$  and  $I_1 = \frac{\varepsilon}{R_1 + r}$ 

$$\Rightarrow V = I_1 R_1 = \frac{\varepsilon R_1}{R_1 + r}$$

Therefore, graphs are as shown in options (1) and (3).

11. In the circuit shown, reading of galvanometer is zero. Select the correct alternative(s).



Sol. Answer (1, 2, 4)

(3) R must be zero

$$i_1 = \frac{15}{2+1} = 5 \text{ A}$$
 (Since no current flows through galvanometer)

Voltmeter reading =  $i_1 \times 2 = 5 \times 2 = 10$  V

Potential drop across 1  $\Omega$  resistor = 1 × 5 = 5 V

This is equal to emf of second cell. Hence no current passes through galvanometer irrespective of the value of R.

#### [RC Circuit]

12. In the circuit shown, the switch is closed at t = 0. Select the correct alternatives.



- (1) At t = 0,  $i = \frac{\varepsilon}{R}$
- (2) At t = 0,  $i = \frac{\varepsilon}{2R}$
- (3) At steady state, charge on the capacitor is  $\frac{\epsilon C}{2}$

(4) The current at any instant is given by  $i = \frac{\varepsilon}{2R} (1 + e^{-2t/RC})$ 

#### **Sol.** Answer (1, 3, 4)

At t = 0, all current passes through capacitor (Since capacitor acts as short circuit)

$$\therefore i = \frac{\varepsilon}{R}$$

In steady state, no current passes through capacitor, (it behaves as open circuit)

 $e^{\frac{-2t}{RC}}$ 

$$\therefore \quad i = \frac{\varepsilon}{2R} = i_0$$

At steady state, voltage across capacitor =  $iR = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ 

 $\therefore$  Charge on capacitor =  $\frac{\varepsilon}{2}C$ 

Time constant of circuit =  $\frac{RC}{2}$ 

- :. Instantaneous current =  $i_0 e^{\overline{RC}}$  =
- The figure shows two capacitors connected in parallel with two resistance and a battery of emf 10 V, internal resistance 5 Ω. At steady state,

$$15 \ \mu F \qquad 30 \ \mu F$$

$$2 \ \Omega \qquad B \qquad 3. \Omega$$

$$(1) \ V_A - V_B = -\frac{4}{3} \ V$$

$$(2) \ V_A - V_B = +\frac{4}{3} \ V$$

$$(3) \ \text{Energy stored in 15 } \mu \text{F capacitor is } \frac{15}{18} \times 10^{-4} \text{J}$$

$$(4) \ \text{Energy stored in 30 } \mu \text{F capacitor is } \frac{75}{18} \times 10^{-5} \text{J}$$
Sol. Answer  $(1, 3, 4)$ 

$$(4) \ \text{Energy stored in 30 } \mu \text{F capacitor is } \frac{75}{18} \times 10^{-5} \text{J}$$
Sol. Answer  $(1, 3, 4)$ 

$$(5) \ \mu \text{F capacitor } = 1 \ \lambda 2 = 2 \ V$$

$$(7) \ V_2 = \text{P.D. across } 15 \ \mu \text{F capacitor } = \frac{30}{15 + 30} \times 5 = \frac{2}{3} \times 5 = \frac{10}{3} \ V$$

 $\therefore$   $V_A - V_B = V_1 - V_2 = 2 - \frac{10}{3} = -\frac{4}{3} V$ 

Energy stored in 15 µF capacitor =  $\frac{1}{2}CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 15 \times \left(\frac{10}{3}\right)^2 \times 10^{-6} = \frac{15}{18} \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$ Energy stored in 30 µF capacitor =  $\frac{1}{2} \times 30 \times 10^{-6} \times \left(5 - \frac{10}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 30 \times 10^{-6} \times \frac{25}{9} = \frac{75}{18} \times 10^{-5}$  J

- 14. Two identical metallic balls of radius a are placed in a homogeneous poorly conducting medium with resistivity ρ. Distance between them is much larger than their size. If initially (t = 0) they have charge  $q_0$  and  $-q_0$  respectively. Choose the correct option among the followings :
  - (1) The resistance of medium between balls under above consideration would be  $\frac{\rho}{2\pi a}$

(2) 
$$q(t) = q_0 e^{-\frac{\rho \varepsilon_0}{t}}$$
 where *q* is charge on the charged ball

- (3)  $q(t) = q_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\rho \varepsilon_0}}$  where q is charge on positive charged ball
- (4) None of these
- **Sol.** Answer (1, 3)

At time t, charges on balls are + q, -q. since the balls are at large distance from one another, electric field near the surface of each ball is practically determined by the charge of nearest sphere and its charge can be distributed uniformly on the surface. Surrounding the positively charged ball by a concentric sphere adjoining directly the balls surface, we write the expression for current through this sphere.

$$I = 4\pi a^2 J$$

where J = current density

$$J = \frac{E}{\rho}$$
 and  $E = \frac{q}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 a^2}$ 

$$I = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \beta}$$

Aedical III A Adas Let us now find the P.D. between balls

$$\Delta V \approx \frac{2q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a}$$

$$C = \frac{q}{\Delta V} = \frac{q.4\pi\epsilon_0 a}{2q} = 2\pi\epsilon_0 a$$

$$R = \frac{\Delta V}{I} = \frac{\rho}{2\pi a}$$

$$T = RC = 2\pi\epsilon_0 a \times \frac{\rho}{2\pi a} = \rho\epsilon_0$$

$$q(t) = q_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\rho\epsilon_0}}$$

$$\tau = RC = 2\pi\epsilon_0 a \times \frac{\rho}{2\pi a} = \rho\epsilon_0$$

$$q(t) = q_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\rho\epsilon_0}}$$

- 15. Heater of an electric kettle is made of a wire of length L and diameter d. It takes 4 minutes to raise the temperature of 0.5 kg water by 40 K. This heater is replaced by a new heater having two wires of the same material, each of length L and diameter 2d. The way these wires are connected is given in the options. How much time in minutes will it take to raise the temperature of the same amount of water by 40 K?
  - (1) 4 if wires are in parallel
  - (3) 1 if wires are in series

- (2) 2 if wires are in series
- (4) 0.5 if wires are in parallel

- **Sol.** Answer (2, 4)
  - $t = \frac{H}{P} = \frac{HR}{V^2}$

$$\Rightarrow t \propto R. \qquad \qquad R = \rho I / A, R' = \frac{\rho I}{4A} \text{ (as } d' = 2d)$$

When wires are in series,  $R_1 = R' + R' = 2R' = \frac{R}{2} \Rightarrow t' = \frac{t}{2} = 2 \min$ 

When wires are in parallel,  $R_2 = \frac{R'}{2} = \frac{R}{8} \Rightarrow t' = \frac{t}{8} = 0.5 \text{ min}$ 

16. Two ideal batteries of emf  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  and three resistances  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  are connected as shown in the figure. The current in resistance  $R_2$  would be zero if



$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_1}{R_1} = \frac{V_2}{V_3}$$

Now possible answers are (1), (2), (4).

17. In an aluminium (AI) bar of square cross section, a square hole is drilled and is filled with iron (Fe) as shown in the figure. The electrical resistivities of AI and Fe are  $2.7 \times 10^{-8} \Omega$  m and  $1.0 \times 10^{-7} \Omega$  m, respectively. The electrical resistance between the two faces *P* and *Q* of the composite bar is



- 18. Consider two identical galvanometers and two identical resistors with resistance *R*. If the internal resistance of the galvanometers  $R_c < R/2$ , which of the following statement(s) about any one of the galvanometers is(are) true?
  - (1) The maximum voltage range is obtained when all the components are connected in series
  - (2) The maximum voltage range is obtained when the two resistors and one galvanometer are connected in series, and the second galvanometer is connected in parallel to the first galvanometer
  - (3) The maximum current range is obtained when all the components are connected in parallel
  - (4) The maximum current range is obtained when the two galvanometers are connected in series and the combination is connected in parallel with both the resistors

Sol. Answer (2, 3)  
Range for voltmeter  
(1) 
$$V_1 = 2I_g \left(2R + \frac{R_c}{2}\right)$$
  
(2)  $V_2 = I_g(2R + 2R_c) = 2I_g(R + R_c)$ 

R

V

Now, 
$$V_1 - V_2 = 2I_g \left(2R + \frac{R_c}{2} - R - R_c\right)$$
  

$$\Rightarrow V_1 - V_2 = 2I_g \left(R - \frac{R_c}{2}\right) > 0 \Rightarrow V_1 > V_2$$

Hence maximum range will be obtained in Case-1

#### Range for ammeter



### SECTION - C Linked Comprehension Type Questions

#### **Comprehension-I**

Figure shows the circuit of a flashing lamp, used at construction sites. The fluorescent lamp L, having negligible capacitance, is connected in parallel across the capacitor C of an RC circuit. There is a current through the lamp only when the potential difference across it reaches the breakdown voltage  $V_L$ . In this event, the capacitor discharges completely through the lamp and lamp flashes momentarily.



1. Consider an instant, when the capacitor has just discharged through the flash light. Taking this instant as t = 0, the time after which the lamp flashes momentarily is given by

(1) 
$$T_0 = RC \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon - V_L}\right)$$
  
(2)  $T_0 = RC \left[1 - \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{V_L}\right)\right]$   
(3)  $T_0 = RC \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{V_L}\right)$   
(4)  $T_0 = RC \ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon - V_L}{\varepsilon}\right)$ 

Sol. Answer (1)

The lamp flashes briefly when potential drop across the lamp becomes equal to breakdown voltage  $V_L$ , then,

$$V_{L} = \varepsilon \left( 1 - e^{\frac{-t}{RC}} \right)$$
$$\Rightarrow e^{\frac{-t}{RC}} = 1 - \frac{V_{L}}{\varepsilon} \Rightarrow -\frac{t}{RC} = \ln \left( 1 - \frac{V_{L}}{\varepsilon} \right) \Rightarrow t = RC \ln \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon - V_{L}}$$

 The number of flashes per second produced by the arrangement is (neglecting the time of flashing or discharging of capacitor)



3. Which of the following graphs represents the variation of potential drop across the resistor?



Sol. Answer (2)

Voltage across resistor,

$$V_R = \varepsilon - V_C = \varepsilon - \varepsilon \left(1 - e^{\frac{-t}{RC}}\right) = \varepsilon e^{\frac{-t}{RC}}$$

and minimum value of  $V_R$  is =  $\varepsilon - V_L$ 

#### Comprehension-II

Figure shows the circuit of a potentiometer. The length of the potentiometer wire *AB* is 50 cm. The emf of the battery  $E_1$  is 4 volt, having negligible internal resistance. Values of resistances  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are 15 ohm and 5 ohm respectively. When both the keys are open, the null point is obtained at a distance of 31.25 cm from end *A* but when both the keys are closed, the balance length reduces to 5 cm only.  $R_{AB} = 10 \Omega$ .



4. The balance length when key  $K_1$  is open and  $K_2$  is closed, is given by

(1) 10.5 cm (2) 11.5 cm (3) 12.5 cm (4) 13.5 cm

Sol. Answer (3)

When  $K_1$  is open and  $K_2$  is closed. In this case  $R_1$  is included in the potentiometer, circuit and terminal potential difference of  $E_2$  is balanced by the potentiometer.

$$\frac{E_2R_2}{R_2 + r} = \frac{4}{25} \times \frac{10}{50} \times I$$
$$\frac{1 \times 5}{5 + 7.5} = \frac{4}{125} \times I$$

*l* = 12.5 cm

- 5. Which of the following can be a possible way to connect the batteries in the potentiometer setup above?
  - (1) Positive terminal of  $E_1$  and positive terminal of  $E_2$  connected to point A
  - (2) Negative terminal of  $E_1$  and negative terminal of  $E_2$  connected to A
  - (3) Positive terminal of  $E_1$  and negative terminal of  $E_2$  connected to A
  - (4) Positive terminal of  $E_2$  and negative terminal of  $E_1$  connected to A

#### Sol. Answer (1, 2)

As in potentiometer arrangement we equate potential differences thus batteries has to be joined with same polarities.

#### Comprehension-III

Consider a simple RC circuit as shown in Figure 1.

**Process 1:** In the circuit the switch *S* is closed at t = 0 and the capacitor is fully charged to voltage  $V_0$  (i.e., charging continues for time T >> RC). In the process some dissipation  $(E_D)$  occurs across the resistance *R*. The amount of energy finally stored in the fully charged capacitor is  $E_C$ .

**Process 2:** In a different process the voltage is first set to  $\frac{v_0}{3}$  and maintained for a charging time T >> RC. Then

the voltage is raised to  $\frac{2V_0}{3}$  without discharging the capacitor and again maintained for a time T >> RC. The process is repeated one more time by raising the voltage to  $V_0$  and the capacitor is charged to the same final voltage  $V_0$  as in Process 1.

These two processes are depicted in Figure 2



1. In Process 1, the energy stored in the capacitor  $E_c$  and heat dissipated across resistance  $E_D$  are related by

(1) 
$$E_C = E_D \ln 2$$
  
(2)  $E_C = E_D$   
(3)  $E_C = 2E_D$   
(4)  $E_C = \frac{1}{2}E_D$ 

Sol. Answer (2)

Final charge on capacitor = CV

$$W_b = CV^2$$

$$E_c = \frac{1}{2}CV^2$$

$$E_D = W_b - \Delta E_c = CV^2 - \frac{1}{2}CV^2 = \frac{1}{2}CV^2$$

$$\boxed{E_c = E_D}$$

2. In Process 2, total energy dissipated across the resistance  $E_D$  is

(1) 
$$E_D = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2 \right)$$
  
(2)  $E_D = 3 \left( \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2 \right)$   
(3)  $E_D = 3 C V_0^2$   
(4)  $E_D = \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2$ 

Sol. Answer (1)

$$\begin{split} E_{D} &= W_{b} - \Delta V \\ &= \frac{CV_{0}}{3} \left[ \frac{V_{0}}{3} + \frac{2V_{0}}{3} + V_{0} \right] - \frac{1}{2} CV_{0}^{2} = \frac{CV_{0}}{3} \left[ \frac{V_{0} + 2V_{0} + 3V_{0}}{3} \right] - \frac{1}{2} CV_{0}^{2} \\ &= \frac{CV_{0}}{3} [2V_{0}] - \frac{1}{2} CV_{0}^{2} \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \right) CV_{0}^{2} \\ &= \frac{CV_{0}^{2}}{6} \end{split}$$

#### **SECTION - D**

#### **Matrix-Match Type Questions**

1. Column I lists physical quantities for a uniform current carrying conductor. These quantities depend on quantities given in column II. Match entries in column I to all the quantities in column II on which it depends.

#### Column I

- (A) Resistivity
- (B) Current through the conductor for a given potential difference across the conductor
- (C) Current density in conductor for a given potential difference across the conductor
- (D) Thermal power generated per unit volume for given value of potential difference across the conductor

- Column II
- (p) Length of conductor
- (q) Electric field in conductor
- (r) Temperature of conductor
- (s) Nature of conductor
- (t) Area of conductor

**Sol.** Answer A(r, s), B(p, q, r, s, t), C(p, q, r, s), D(p, q, r, s)

Resistance depends upon nature, length area of cross section and temperature.

2. Current *i* is following through a wire of non-uniform cross-section as shown. Match the following columns.



#### Column-I

- (A) Current density
- (B) Electric field
- (C) Resistance per unit length
- (D) Potential difference per unit length

Sol. Answer A(p), B(p), C(p), D(p)

$$J \propto \frac{1}{A}, E \propto \frac{1}{A}, R \propto \frac{1}{A}, dV \propto \frac{1}{A}$$

#### Column-II

- (p) More at section 1 than 2
- (q) More at section 2 than 1
- (r) Same at both sections 1 and 2
- (s) Data insufficient
- 3. Column I shows some electrical circuits with point A, B and C marked in the figures. Column II lists value of electrical resistance between any two of these three points. Match incomplete statements given in Column I to the entries in Column II.



Equivalent resistance of circuit between

A and B cannot be

Solutions of Assignment (Level-II)



Equivalent resistance of circuit between

A and B cannot be

(t) 8*R*/15

3R/5

(s)

- Sol. Answer A(p, q, r, s, t), B(q, r, s, t), C(p, q, r, s), D(p, q, r, t)
  - (A) No current will flow in 'r'



4. Consider the circuit shown in figure. There are three switches  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$ ,  $S_3$ . Match the columns.





On closing all the switches capacitor will be shorted and hence charge on it will be Zero.

5. Consider the circuit shown '*R*' is a variable resistance '*e*' is some unknown emf with polarity as shown. Match the following.



**Sol.** Answer A(p, q, t), B(p, q, r, s, t), C(p, q, r, s, t), D(p, q, r, t)

If equivalent of 4 V battery and e is greater than 6V with polarity same as 6V then current will flow from C to F. If it is less than 6V then current will flow from F to C and if it is equal to 6V then current will be zero.



#### **SECTION - E**

#### **Assertion-Reason Type Questions**

1. STATEMENT-1 : As we move across a resistor in the direction of current, current decreases.

and

STATEMENT-2 : As we move across a resistor in the direction of current, potential decreases.

Sol. Answer (4)

Current at each cross-section of resistor remains same.

 STATEMENT-1 : When the plates of a charged capacitor are connected to a resistor, a current starts flowing in the resistor.

and

STATEMENT-2 : A charged capacitor acts as a battery of steady emf.

Sol. Answer (3)

As the capacitor discharges, the voltage across it decreases. So, it cannot work as a battery of steady emf.

3. Consider the circuit diagram. The connecting wires are assumed to be perfectly conducting.



STATEMENT-1 : The current in branch AB is zero.

and

STATEMENT-2 : The potential difference between A & B is zero.

Sol. Answer (4)

Potential difference across A and B = 0 because they are short circuited.

Current through 
$$AB = i_1 - i_2$$

$$i_1 = \frac{6}{9}i$$
$$i_2 = \frac{3}{9}i$$

$$\therefore i_1 - i_2 \neq 0$$

4. STATEMENT-1 : As temperature of a conducting wire increases, the slope of V-I graph (V on y-axis and I on x-axis) increases.

 $3\Omega$ 

1444

6Ω

3Ω

and

STATEMENT-2 : For a conductor, the resistance increases with increase in temperature.

Sol. Answer (1)

∵ V = IR

- $\Rightarrow$  Slope of V-I curve represents R and R increases with increase in temperature for a conductor.
- 5. STATEMENT-1 : Fuse wire must have high resistance and low melting point.

and

STATEMENT-2 : Fuse is used for small current flow only.

Sol. Answer (3)

Fuse wire must have high resistance because in series heat produced will be high if R is high. The melting point must be low so that wire may melt with increase in temperature.

 STATEMENT-1 : In a meter bridge, if its wire is replaced by another wire having same length, same material but twice the cross sectional area, then the accuracy of measurement decreases.

and

STATEMENT-2 : Accuracy of meter bridge depends on the length of wire.

Sol. Answer (4)

Accuracy of meter bridge is independent of the area of cross-section of wire.

#### SECTION - F

#### **Integer Answer Type Questions**

1. A potential difference of 22 V is maintained across a 1200  $\Omega$  rheostat *PR*. The voltmeter has a resistance of 600  $\Omega$  and *PQ* is one fourth of distance from *P* to *R*. What is the reading (in V) of the voltmeter?



2. Consider the circuit shown with key opened. The key is closed at t = 0. Capacitance of one of the shown capacitors is  $x \mu F$ . For what value of x the galvanometer does not show any deflection?



Sol. Answer (8)

 $R_1C_1 = R_2C_2$  for no deflection

3. Consider the infinite ladder circuit shown. What is the value of current *I* (in A) shown in one of the 6  $\Omega$  resistors?



Sol. Answer (4)

 $R_{xy} = 3 \Omega$ 

Current distribution is as shown.



4. An ammeter and a voltmeter are connected in series to a battery with an emf = 6 V. When a certain resistance is connected in parallel with the voltmeter, the reading of the latter decreases  $\eta$  = 2 times, whereas the reading of the ammeter increases the same number of times. Find the voltmeter reading (in volts) after the connection of the resistance.





On solving

 $\frac{r_A}{r_V} = \frac{1}{2}$  and voltmeter reading = 2 volt

5. Consider a wire of length  $\ell$ , area of cross-section *A* and resistivity  $\rho$  and resistance  $\frac{1}{5}\Omega$ . Its length is increased by applying a force on it and its length increases by four times of its original length. Find the new resistance in ohms of the wire.

#### **Sol.** Answer (5)

$$A_1\ell_1 = A_2\ell_2$$

$$A_2 = \frac{A}{5}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow R_2 = 25R_1$$

$$R_2 = 5 \Omega$$

- A current, 32 A, is made to pass through a conductor where the free electrons density is 4  $\times$  10<sup>28</sup> m<sup>-3</sup> and 6. its area of cross section is 10<sup>-6</sup> m<sup>2</sup>. Find out the value of the drift velocity (in mm/s) of free electrons.
- Sol. Answer (5)

$$V_d = \frac{I}{n_e A}$$
$$\frac{32}{4 \times 10^{28} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 10^{-6}} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s}$$

- neducational Services Limited The deflection in a moving coil galvanometer falls from 50 divisions to 10 divisions when a shunt of 2  $\Omega$  is 7. applied. What is the resistance (in ohms) of the galvanometer?
- Sol. Answer (8)

8. When two identical batteries of internal resistance 1  $\Omega$  each are connected in series across a resistor R, the rate of heat produced in R is  $J_1$ . When the same batteries are connected in parallel across R, the rate is  $J_2$ . If  $J_1 = 2.25 J_2$ , then the value of R in  $\Omega$  is

5 G = 8 Ω

In case 1, 
$$J_1 = \left(\frac{2\varepsilon}{R+2}\right)^2 R$$
  
In case 2,  $J_2 = \left(\frac{2\varepsilon}{2R+1}\right)^2 R$   
 $J_1 = 2.25 J_2$   
 $\Rightarrow R = 4 O$ 

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9. At time t = 0, a battery of 10 V is connected across points A and B in the given circuit. If the capacitors have no charge initially, at what time (in seconds) does the voltage across them become 4 V?





Sol. Answer (2)

Resistance of circuit = 1 M $\Omega$ 

Capacitance of circuit = 4 µF

Time constant = RC = 4 s

Voltage across capacitor at time 0 = 0 V

Voltage across capacitor at time 
$$\infty$$
 = 10 V

In general

Sol. Answer (5)

 $V = 10(1 - e^{\frac{-t}{4}})$ Putting V = 4 VWe get t = 2 s

10. Two batteries of different emfs and different internal resistance are connected as shown. The voltage across NICES AB in volts is



11. In the following circuit, the current through the resistor  $R (= 2 \Omega)$  is I amperes. The value of I is



#### Sol. Answer (1)

The circuit is shown below.

