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Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences

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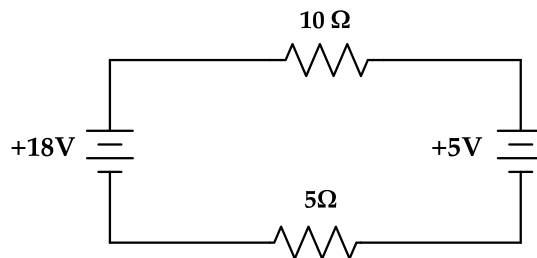
Use SI Units only. Partial Marks will be given for partially correct answers ONLY.

1. Kirchoff's Junction Rule works in a closed loop due to the conservation of — (1)
☐ Energy ☒ Charge ☐ Current ☐ Potential
2. You turn on a switch for a light-bulb 20 m away. The electron drift speed in the circuit (diameter 1.0 mm) is $5.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m s}^{-1}$. Which of the following generates a current in the wire? — (1)
☐ Random motion of the free electrons ☒ Drift motion ☐ Current Density ☐ Positive charges
3. Find the voltage drop across the 5Ω resistor and the direction of I in the circuit. Use only Kirchhoff's Loop rule to answer this. Mention travel directions and apply the sign convention accurately. (4)

Apply KVL,

$$\begin{aligned} -I(10 \Omega) - 5 \text{ V} - I(5 \Omega) + 18 \text{ V} &= 0 \\ -I(15 \Omega) + 13 \text{ V} &= 0 \\ I &= \frac{13 \text{ V}}{15 \Omega} \\ &= 0.867 \text{ A.} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the voltage drop across the 5Ω resistor is $5 \Omega \times 0.867 \text{ A} = 4.335 \text{ V}$, and the current direction is clockwise.



4. What is the current produced by a 12 V car battery with an internal resistance of 0.025Ω , attached to a resistance 10Ω ? How much power is supplied by the battery? How much power is supplied to the external circuit? (3)

The current produced by the battery is:

$$I = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{R + r} = \frac{12}{10.025} \approx 1.197 \text{ A}$$

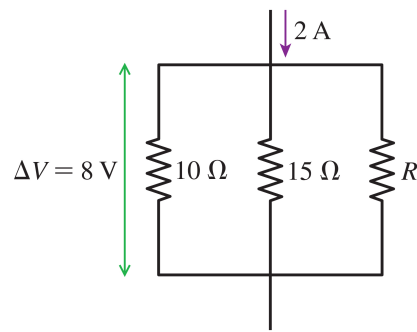
The total power supplied by the battery is:

$$P_{\text{battery}} = I\mathcal{E} = 12 \cdot 1.197 \approx 14.364 \text{ W}$$

The power supplied to the external circuit is:

$$P_{\text{external}} = I^2 \cdot R = (1.197)^2 \cdot 10 \approx 14.328 \text{ W}$$

5. What is the value of resistor R ? [Hint: Use Parallel connection idea. No KCL is required.] (3)



For resistors in parallel, the total equivalent resistance is given by:

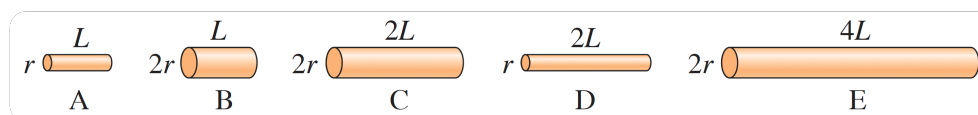
$$\frac{1}{R_{\text{total}}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots$$

Use Ohm's law:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta V}{R_{\text{total}}} &= I = \frac{\Delta V}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R}} \\ \frac{8 \text{ V}}{2 \text{ A}} &= \left(\frac{1}{10 \Omega} + \frac{1}{15 \Omega} + \frac{1}{R} \right)^{-1} \\ \frac{1}{4} \Omega &= 0.1 \Omega + 0.067 \Omega + \frac{1}{R} \\ \frac{1}{R} &= 0.25 \Omega - 0.167 \Omega = 0.083 \Omega. \\ R &\approx 12 \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

6. The wires are all made of the same material. A fixed potential ΔV is applied across all wires. Rank in order, from largest to smallest, the currents I_A to I_E . **[Hint: Use Ohm's Law.]**

(3)



Use Ohm's Law:

$$I = \frac{\Delta V}{R} = \frac{\Delta V A}{\rho L}.$$

Since all wires are made of the same material, the resistance R , by extension, the current depends on the geometry of the wires:

$$I \propto \frac{A}{L} = \frac{\pi r^2}{L}.$$

Check for the currents for all 5 cases:

$$I_A \propto \frac{\pi r^2}{L}, \quad I_B \propto \frac{\pi (2r)^2}{L} = 4I_A, \quad I_C \propto \frac{\pi (2r)^2}{2L} = 2I_A, \quad I_D \propto \frac{\pi (r)^2}{2L} = \frac{1}{2}I_A, \quad I_E \propto \frac{\pi (2r)^2}{4L} = I_A.$$

Ranking: $I_B > I_C > I_A = I_E > I_D$.



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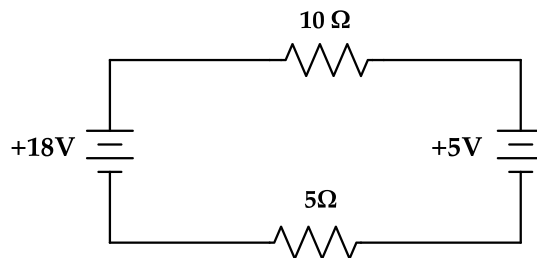
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1. Kirchhoff's Loop Rule works in a closed loop due to the conservation of — (1)
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Thus, the voltage drop across the 10Ω resistor is $10 \Omega \times 0.867 \text{ A} = 8.67 \text{ V}$, and the current direction is clockwise.



4. What is the current produced by a 12 V car battery with an internal resistance of 0.025Ω , attached to a resistance 15Ω ? How much power is supplied by the battery? How much power is supplied to the external circuit? (3)

The current produced by the battery is:

$$I = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{R + r} = \frac{12}{15.025} \approx 0.799 \text{ A}$$

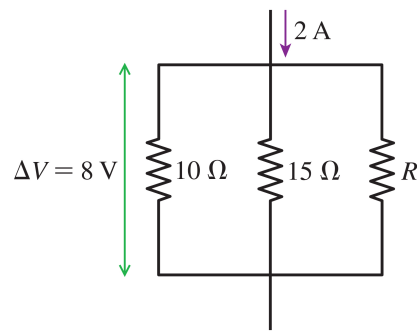
The total power supplied by the battery is:

$$P_{\text{battery}} = I\mathcal{E} = 12 \cdot 0.799 \approx 9.59 \text{ W}$$

The power supplied to the external circuit is:

$$P_{\text{external}} = I^2 \cdot R = (0.799)^2 \cdot 15 \approx 9.58 \text{ W}$$

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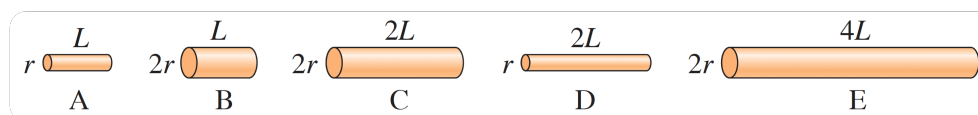
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