

## It is the information about the task N26

1) Th-234 has a half-life of 24.1 days. Your answer is:

$$T_{1/2} = 24.106 \pm 0.007 \text{ s.}$$

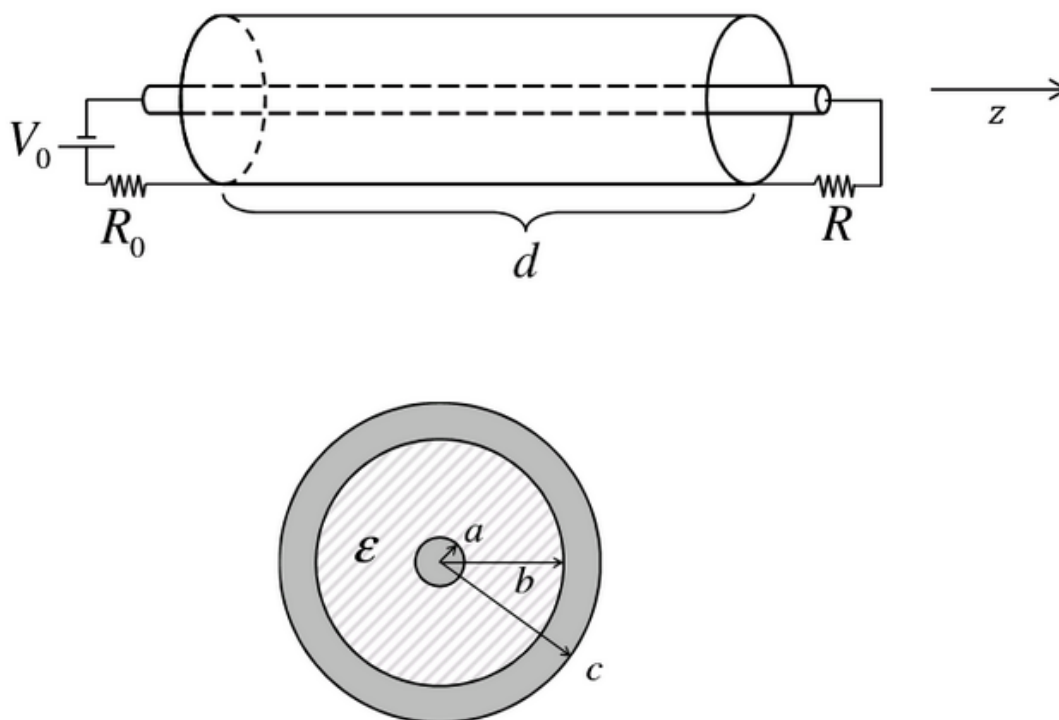
2),3) and 5) I agree with your answers.

4) It is a good that you know the telegraph equation. The variable  $x$  is a coordinate along the coaxial cable. If you solve the system

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial t^2} &= u^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2}, \\ \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial t^2} &= u^2 \frac{\partial^2 I}{\partial x^2},\end{aligned}$$

how would you find the magnetic and electric fields  $\vec{B}(r,t)$ ,  $\vec{E}(r,t)$  (where  $b \leq r \leq a$  is the distance from the center of the cable)?

**4)** A coaxial cable consists of a wire with radius  $a$  (the core of the cable), which is wrapped with insulating material with dielectric constant  $\epsilon$ , until radius  $b$  (called the insulator).



1. There may be a misprint, the correct unit is “days”.
2. With known functions  $V(x, t)$  and  $I(x, t)$  the fields can be calculated directly from Maxwell equations, e.g. with the method demonstrated in the calculation of the cable’s parameters.