PH 223 Week 10

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The last two problems are borrowed/adapted from Chapters 29 and 30 of the *Student Workbook* for *Physics for Scientists and Engineers*. The first problem is from the Week 9 Help and Practice Problems for PH 213, and probably was originally sourced from the same textbook.

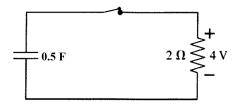
Activity 1

Use the Biot-Savart law to find the magnetic field strength at the center of the semicircle in the figure below.



Activity 2

The capacitor in this circuit was initially charged, then the switch was closed. At this instant of time, the potential difference across the resistor is $\Delta V_R = 4$ V.



- (a) At this instant of time, what is the current through the resistor?
- (b) What is the current through the resistor over time?
- (c) What is the charge in the capacitor over time?
- (d) If the capacitor consists of two parallel plates of area A, symbolically calculate the electric flux between them, and the time derivative of this flux.

Activity 3

The capacitor in an LC circuit has maximum charge at $t=1~\mu s$. The current through the inductor next reaches a maximum at $t=3~\mu s$.

- (a) When will the inductor current reach a maximum in the opposite direction?
- (b) What is the circuit's period of oscillation?