

**Problem 25.58** A resistor with resistance  $R$  is connected to a battery that has emf  $12.0\text{ V}$  and internal resistance  $r = 0.40\ \Omega$ . For what two values of  $R$  will the power in the resistor be  $80.0\text{ W}$ ?

**Solution.** The power  $P$  delivered to a resistor is

$$P = I^2 R, \quad (25.18)$$

where  $I$  is the current through the resistor and  $R$  its resistance. We can find the current from

$$V_{ab} = \mathcal{E} - Ir, \quad (25.17)$$

where  $V_{ab}$  is the voltage difference across the resistor,  $\mathcal{E}$  is the emf of the battery, and  $r$  its internal resistance. We also know that

$$V_{ab} = IR. \quad (25.11)$$

Substituting (??) into (??), we get

$$IR = \mathcal{E} - Ir \implies \mathcal{E} = I(R + r) \implies I = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{R + r}.$$

Now we can substitute this result into (??) and solve for  $R$ :

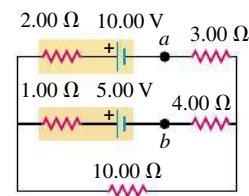
$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{\mathcal{E}^2}{(R + r)^2} R \implies \mathcal{E}^2 R = P(R^2 + 2Rr + r^2) \implies 0 = PR^2 + (2Pr - \mathcal{E}^2)R + Pr^2 \\ \implies R &= \frac{\mathcal{E}^2 - 2Pr \pm \sqrt{(2Pr - \mathcal{E}^2)^2 - 4P^2 r^2}}{2P} \end{aligned}$$

Plugging in our numerical values for  $r$ ,  $P$ , and  $\mathcal{E}$ , and recalling that  $1\text{ W} = 1\text{ V}^2\ \Omega^{-1}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \frac{(12.0\text{ V})^2 - 2(80.0\text{ W})(0.40\ \Omega) \pm \sqrt{[2(80.0\text{ W})(0.40\ \Omega) - (12.0\text{ V})^2]^2 - 4(80.0\text{ W})^2(0.40\ \Omega)^2}}{2(80.0\text{ W})} \\ &= \frac{80.0\text{ V}^2 - \pm \sqrt{(80\text{ V}^2)^2 - (64\text{ V}^2)}}{160\text{ V}^2\ \Omega^{-1}} = \frac{80.0\text{ V}^2 \pm \sqrt{2306\text{ V}^4}}{160\text{ V}^2\ \Omega^{-1}} = \frac{80.0 \pm 48.0}{160}\ \Omega = (0.50 \pm 0.30)\ \Omega \\ &= \begin{cases} 0.80\ \Omega, \\ 0.20\ \Omega. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 26.26** In the circuit shown in **Fig. E26.26**, find

- the current in each branch, and
- the potential difference  $V_{ab}$  of point  $a$  relative to point  $b$ .



**Figure E26.26**

**Solution.**

- We need to use Kirchhoff's rules. Since this circuit has more than one loop, we need to use both the junction rule,

$$\sum I = 0, \quad (26.5)$$

and the loop rule,

$$\sum V = 0. \quad (26.6)$$

Let's choose the current to be flowing to the right across the 10.00 V battery, and start with the loop rule. For the top loop, we have

$$0 = 10 \text{ V} - I_1(2 \Omega) - I_1(1 \Omega) - 5 \text{ V} - I_1(4 \Omega) - I_1(3 \Omega) = 5 \text{ V} - I_1(10 \Omega) \quad (\text{A})$$

**Exercise 26.29** In the circuit shown in **Fig. E26.29** the batteries have negligible internal resistance and the meters are both idealized. With the switch  $S$  open, the voltmeter reads 15.0 V.

- Find the emf  $\mathcal{E}$  of the battery.
- What will the ammeter read when the switch is closed?

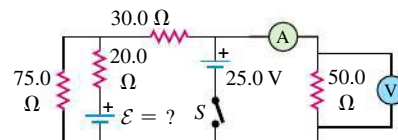


Figure E26.29

**Exercise 26.41** In the circuit shown in **Fig. E26.41** both capacitors are initially charged to 45.0 V.

- How long after closing the switch  $S$  will the potential across each capacitor be reduced to 10.0 V, and
- what will be the current at that time?

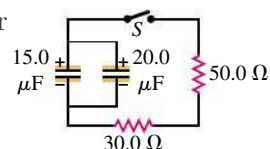


Figure E26.41

**Exercise 26.47** In the circuit shown in **Fig. E26.47** the capacitors are initially uncharged, the battery has no internal resistance, and the ammeter is idealized. Find the ammeter reading

- just after the switch  $S$  is closed, and
- after  $S$  has been closed for a very long time.

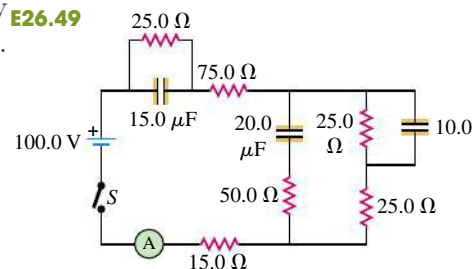
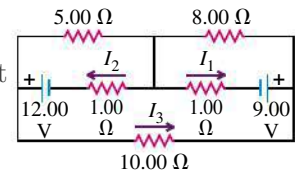


Figure E26.47

**Problem 26.53** A capacitor with capacitance  $C$  is connected in series to a resistor of resistance  $R$  and a battery with emf  $\mathcal{E}$ . The circuit is completed at time  $t = 0$ .

- In terms of  $\mathcal{E}$ ,  $R$ , and  $C$ , how much energy is stored in the capacitor when it is fully charged?
- The power output of the battery is  $P_{\mathcal{E}} = \mathcal{E}i$ , with  $i$  given by Eq. (??). The electrical energy supplied in an infinitesimal time  $dt$  is  $P_{\mathcal{E}} dt$ . Integrate from  $t = 0$  to  $t \rightarrow \infty$  to find the total energy supplied by the battery.
- The rate of consumption of electrical energy in the resistor is  $P_R = i^2 R$ . In an infinitesimal time interval  $dt$ , the amount of electrical energy consumed by the resistor is  $P_R dt$ . Integrate from  $t = 0$  to  $t \rightarrow \infty$  to find the total energy consumed by the resistor.
- What fraction of the total energy supplied by the battery is stored in the capacitor? What fraction is consumed in the resistor?

**Problem 26.59** Calculate the currents  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$ , and  $I_3$  indicated in the circuit diagram shown in **Fig. P26.59**.



**Figure P26.59**