

- 7 (a) A sinusoidal alternating voltage has a root-mean-square (r.m.s.) potential difference (p.d.) of 4.2 V and a frequency of 50 kHz.

- (i) The alternating voltage is applied across a resistor of resistance 760Ω .

By considering the peak voltage, show that the maximum power dissipated by the resistor is 46 mW.

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- (ii) On Fig. 7.1, draw a smooth curve to show how the power P dissipated in the resistor varies with time t between $t = 0$ and $t = 40\mu\text{s}$. Assume that $P = 0$ when $t = 0$.

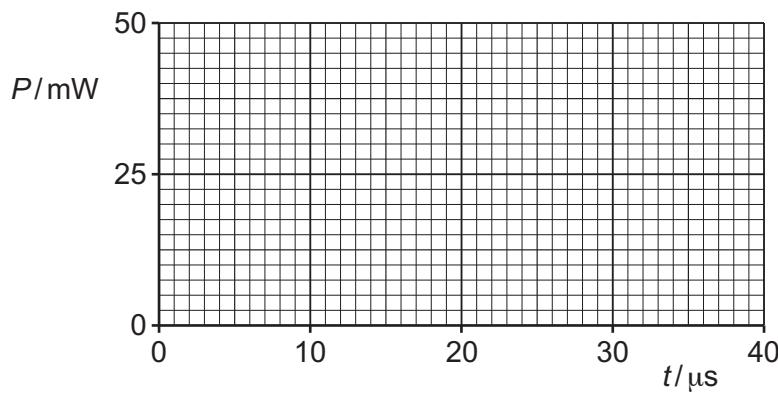


Fig. 7.1

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- (iii) Use your line in (a)(ii) to explain why the mean power dissipated in the resistor is 23 mW.

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(b) The alternating voltage in (a) is now applied to a piezoelectric crystal in air.

(i) Explain what happens to the air surrounding the crystal.

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(ii) A second piezoelectric crystal is placed in the air near to the first crystal.

Explain the effect of the surrounding air in (b)(i) on the second crystal.

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