

- 5 (a) A resistor of resistance R consists of a thin layer of copper deposited uniformly on the surface of an iron wire of radius of 0.60 mm and length 3.0 m as shown in Fig. 5.1. The thickness of the copper is 1.78×10^{-5} m.

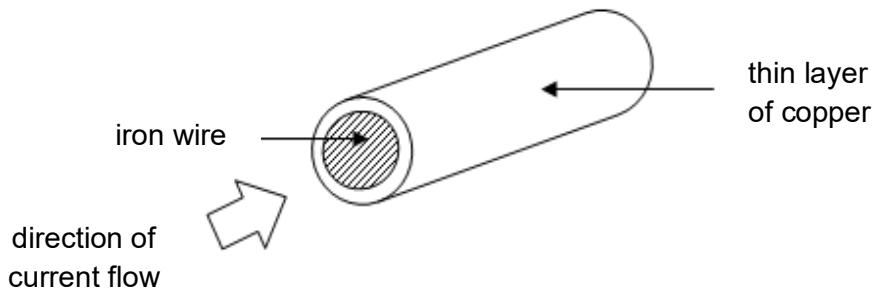


Fig. 5.1

- (i) The resistivity of iron and copper are $8.90 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}$ and $1.60 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \text{ m}$ respectively.

If the resistance of iron wire is 0.236Ω , show that R is 0.18Ω .

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- (ii) Explain how R changes after the current passes through it for a period of time.

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- (b) A 50 Hz 240 V alternating sinusoidal voltage is applied across the primary coil of a **step-down** transformer as shown in Fig. 5.2. A diode acting as a rectifier is placed in series with the resistor in (a) and the secondary coil.

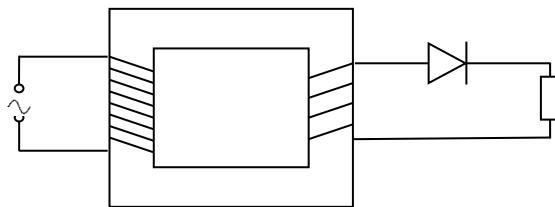


Fig. 5.2

The ratio $\frac{\text{number of turns in primary coil}}{\text{number of turns in secondary coil}}$ is 10.

- (i) Determine the maximum output voltage from the transformer.

$$\text{maximum output voltage} = \dots \text{V} \quad [2]$$

- (ii) On Fig. 5.3, sketch the variation with time the output power of the resistor. Label your graph clearly.

output power / W



Fig. 5.3

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- (iii) Hence, or otherwise, calculate the mean power generated by the resistor.
Show your working clearly.

mean power = W [3]

- (c) In a new electrical circuit as shown in Fig. 5.4, a direct current voltage of 24 V is connected across the resistor in (a). A diode is placed in series with the resistor.

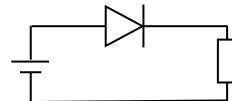


Fig. 5.4

Explain if there is any change to the mean power generated by the resistor as compared to your answer in (b)(iii).

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