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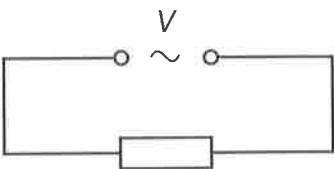


Fig. 6.1

Fig. 6.2 shows the variation with time t of the power P dissipated in the resistor.

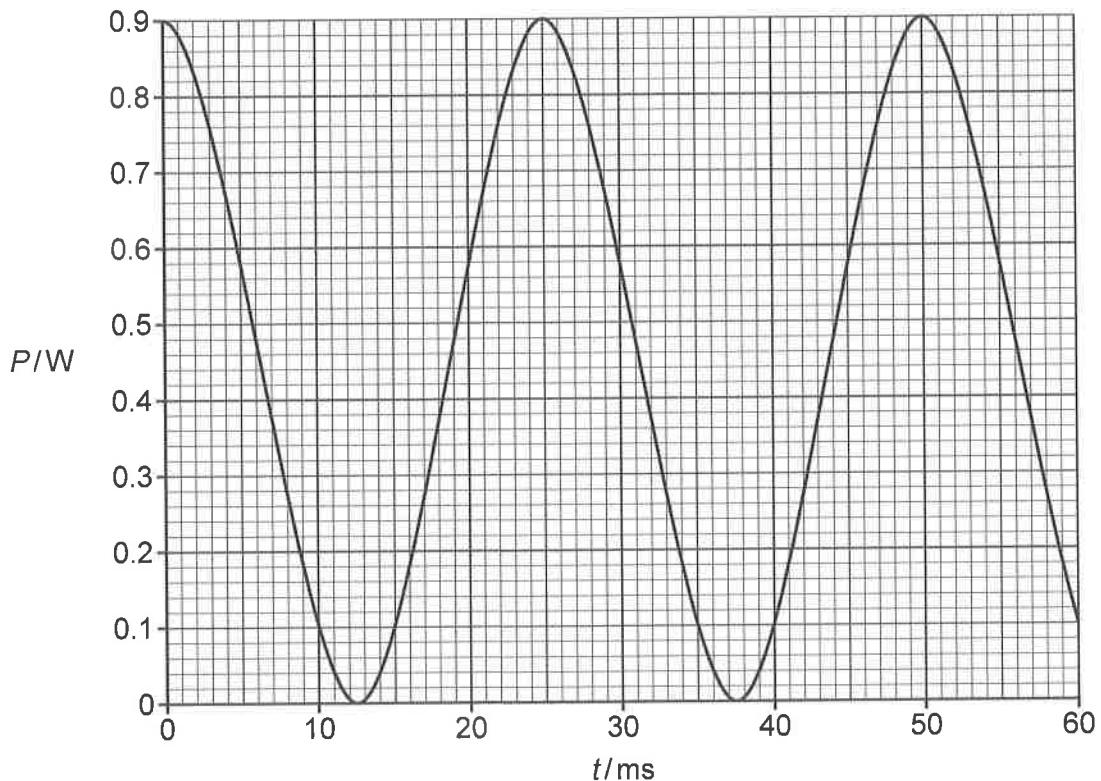


Fig. 6.2

- (a) The variation of V with t is given by:

$$V = V_0 \cos 2\pi ft$$

where f is the frequency of the alternating power supply and V_0 is the peak voltage.

- (i) Determine f .

$$f = \dots \text{Hz} [2]$$





- (ii) The peak current in the resistor is 0.12A.

Determine the root-mean-square (r.m.s.) value of the output p.d. of the supply.

r.m.s. output p.d. = V [3]

- (b) With reference to Fig. 6.2, explain why the mean power dissipated in the resistor is equal to half of the maximum power.

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