## Notes-19.1 Electric Potential Energy: Potential Difference

The diagram on the right presents an analogy comparing electric potential energy to gravitational potential energy. Gravitational and Electrostatic forces are both conservative, so the law of conservation of energy applies.

1. Where in the diagram would the positive charge have the greatest potential energy?
2. If the charge $(+q)$ were released to travel from $A$ to $B$, what would happen to its potential and kinetic energy?


PE: $\qquad$ KE: $\qquad$
3. Electric Potential is electric potential energy per unit of charge. This is not the same as electric potential energy. It is a ratio that applies to a specific point in an electric field, and it allows us to determine the potential energy of any charge at that point.
4. Voltage $=$ Electrical Potential Difference. This is the difference between the electrical potentials at two different points.
5. Units and symbols:

| Quantity | Symbol | Formula | Units |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Electrical Potential <br> Energy |  |  |  |
| Electrical Potential |  |  |  |
| Voltage (Electrical <br> Potential <br> Difference) |  |  |  |

6. In practice, you can use these formulas and units:
$\Delta \mathrm{PE}_{e}=$
$V($ voltage $)=$
7. Example Problem:

Suppose you have a 12.0 V motorcycle battery that can move 5000 C of charge, and a 12.0 V car battery that can move $60,000 \mathrm{C}$ of charge. How much energy does each deliver? (Assume that the numerical value of each charge is accurate to three significant figures.)
8. Electron Volts: It is useful to have an energy unit related to submicroscopic effects. An energy unit called the electron volt (eV), which is the energy given to a fundamental charge accelerated through a potential difference of $\qquad$ .
$1 \mathrm{eV}=$ $\qquad$ J
$q_{\text {electron }}=-1.6 \times 10^{-19} \mathrm{C} \quad \mathrm{KE}=1 / 2 \mathrm{mv}^{2}$

1. A. What is the speed of an electron starting from rest accelerated through a potential difference of 100 V ? $\mathrm{m}_{e}=9.11 \times 10^{-31} \mathrm{~kg}$
B. What is the speed of a proton starting from rest accelerated through a potential difference of 100 V ? $m_{p}=1.67 \times 10^{-27} \mathrm{~kg}$
2. An evacuated tube uses an accelerating voltage of 40.0 kV to accelerate electrons to hit a copper plate and produce $x$ rays. What is the speed of these electrons?
3. A bare helium nucleus has two positive charges (protons) and a mass of $6.64 \times 10^{-27} \mathrm{~kg}$.
A. Calculate its kinetic energy in joules at $2.00 \%$ of the speed of light. $c=3.00 \times$ $10^{8} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$.
B. What is this in electron volts?
C. What voltage would be needed to obtain this energy?

Answers:

1. A. $5.93 \times 10^{6} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
B. $1.38 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
2. $1.19 \times 10^{8} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
3. A. $1.20 \times 10^{-13} \mathrm{~J}$
B. $7.47 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{eV}$
C. $3.74 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{~V}$

Notes - 20.1 Current

1. Electric current is defined to be the rate at which $\qquad$ flows.
2. Write the equation for electric current.
3. The unit for electric current is $\qquad$ .
4. 1 ampere $=1$ $\qquad$ /second.
5. Example:
A. What is the current involved when a truck battery sets in motion 720 C of charge in 4.00 s while starting an engine? Show your work.
B. How long does it take 1.00 C of charge to flow through a handheld calculator if a $0.300-\mathrm{mA}$ current is flowing? Show your work.
6. Label the terms and components in this circuit.

7. By convention, the direction of current flow is from to
$\qquad$ . The direction of conventional current is the direction that
$\qquad$ charge would flow.
8. In metal wires, current is carried by $\qquad$ . So it is $\qquad$ charges that are moving, and they are moving oppositely to conventional current.
9. The fact that conventional current is taken to be in the direction that positive charge would flow can be traced back to American politician and scientist . He named the type of charge associated with electrons negative, long before they were known to carry current in so many situations. Franklin, in fact, was totally unaware of the small-scale structure of electricity.
10. It is important to realize that there is an $\qquad$ in conductors that is responsible for producing the current, unlike static electricity situations, where a conductor in equilibrium cannot have an electric field in it. Conductors carrying a current have an electric field and are not in static equilibrium. An electric field is needed to supply energy to move the charges.
11. If the $0.300-\mathrm{mA}$ current through a wire is carried by electrons, how many electrons per second pass through it? Show your work.
12. Electrical signals are known to move very rapidly. Most electrical signals carried by currents travel at speeds on the order of $\qquad$ $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s}$, a significant fraction of the speed of light. However, the actual electrons move much more slowly on average, typically drifting at speeds on the order of $\qquad$ $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s}$. Another example of sending messages quickly through a slowly-moving medium is provided by $\qquad$
13. Show the direction of the drift velocity $v_{d}$, electric field $E$ and the current $I$.

14. Car batteries are rated in ampere-hours (A Ch). To what physical quantity do ampere-hours correspond (voltage? Charge? Energy? . . .)?
15. What is the current in milliamperes produced by the solar cells of a pocket calculator through which 4.00 C of charge passes in 4.00 h ?
16. What is the current when a typical static charge of $0.250 \mu \mathrm{C}$ moves from your finger to a metal doorknob in $1.00 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ ?
17. A large lightning bolt had a 20,000-A current and moved 30.0 C of charge. What was its duration?
18. A defibrillator passes 12.0 A of current through the torso of a person for 0.0100 s . How much charge moves?
19. A clock battery wears out after moving $10,000 \mathrm{C}$ of charge through the
 clock at a rate of 0.500 mA .
A. How long did the clock run?
B. How many electrons per second flowed?

## Solutions:

1. charge
2. 0.278 mA
3. 0.250 A
4. $1.50 \times 10^{-3} \mathrm{~s}$
5. 0.120 C
6. A. $2.00 \times 10^{7} \mathrm{~s}$
B. $3.13 \times 10^{15} \mathrm{e}^{-/ \mathrm{s}}$

## Notes - 20.2 Ohm's Law: Resistance and Simple Circuits

1. What drives current? We can think of various devices-such as batteries, generators, wall outlets, and so on-which are necessary to maintain a current. All such devices create a $\qquad$ difference and are loosely referred to as voltage sources. When a voltage source is connected to a conductor, it applies a potential difference $V$ that creates an $\qquad$ which in turn exerts an
$\qquad$ on the charges, causing a $\qquad$ to flow.
2. The current that flows through most substances is directly proportional to the
$\qquad$ applied to it. This is known as $\qquad$ Law.

3. Write the equation for Ohm's Law:
4. The units for resistance are $\qquad$ .
5. 


6. What is the resistance of an automobile headlight through which 2.50 A flows when 12.0 V is applied to it?
7. Resistances range over many orders of magnitude. Some ceramic insulators, such as those used to support power lines, have resistances of $10^{12} \Omega$ or more. A dry person may have a hand-to-foot resistance of $10^{5} \Omega$, whereas the resistance of the human heart is about $10^{3} \Omega$. A meter-long piece of large-diameter copper wire may have a resistance of $\qquad$ , and superconductors have $\qquad$ resistance at all.

## Practice - 20.2 Ohm's Law: Resistance and Simple Circuits

2. What current flows through the bulb of a $3.00-\mathrm{V}$ flashlight when its hot resistance is $3.60 \Omega$ ?
3. Calculate the effective resistance of a pocket calculator that has a $1.35-\mathrm{V}$ battery and through which 0.200 mA flows.
4. What is the effective resistance of a car's starter motor when 150 A flows through it as the car battery applies 11.0 V to the motor?
5. How many volts are supplied to operate an indicator light on a DVD player that has a resistance of $140 \Omega$, given that 25.0 mA passes through it?
6. A power transmission line is hung from metal towers with glass insulators having a resistance of $1.00 \times 10^{9} \Omega$. What current flows through the insulator if the voltage is 200 kV ? (Some high-voltage lines are DC.)

Notes: Chapter Sections 20.3, 20.4, and 21.1
Notes - 20.3 Resistance and Resistivity

1. The resistance of an object depends on its $\qquad$ and the
$\qquad$ of which it is composed.
2. $R=$
 independent of its shape or size.
3. In home wiring, currents are limited and minimum wire thicknesses are specified because, as current and resistance increase, more $\qquad$ is produced in the wires,
4.5 Example Problem: What is the resistance of a 20.0-m-long piece of 12-gauge copper wire having a $2.053-\mathrm{mm}$ diameter? $\left(\rho c_{u}=1.72 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \mathrm{~m}\right)$

## Notes - 20.4 Electric Power and Energy

5. Power $(P)$ is the $\qquad$ of energy use or energy conversion.
6. Voltage (electric potential) can be expressed as J/C, and Current (Amperes) can be expressed as $C /$ s. Therefore, $\mathrm{P}=$ $\qquad$
7. The unit for power is $\qquad$ .
8. $1 \mathrm{~W}=1$ $\qquad$
9. Given that $V=I R$, alternate expressions for power include:

$$
P=
$$

10. Power companies do not charge for power, they charge for $\qquad$ , which is sold to you in units called kilowatt-hours. $1 \mathrm{kWh}=$ $\qquad$ J.

## Notes - 21.1 Resistors in Series and Parallel

11. Most circuits have more than one component, called a resistor that limits the flow of charge in the circuit. A measure of this limit on charge flow is called $\qquad$
12. Label which resistors are in series and which are in parallel.

13. Resistors in Series:
A. Series resistances add. Rseries $=$ $\qquad$
B. The current flowing through resistors in series is
C. Individual resistors $\qquad$ the overall voltage drop.

## 14. Resistors in Parallel:

A. Individual resistors' voltages $\qquad$
B. Resistors in parallel $\qquad$ the overall source current.
C. Parallel resistances are found from $\qquad$
15. Suppose the voltage output of a battery is 12.0 V , and the resistances for 3 resistors connected in series with the battery are $\mathrm{R}_{1}=1.00 \Omega, \mathrm{R}_{2}=6.00 \Omega$ and $\mathrm{R}_{3}=13.0 \Omega$.
A. Draw a diagram of the circuit.
B. What is the total resistance?
C. Find the current.
D. Calculate the voltage drop in each resistor, and show these add to equal the voltage output of the source.
E. Calculate the power dissipated by each resistor.
F. Find the power output of the source, and show that it equals the total power dissipated by the resistors.
16. Suppose the voltage output of a battery is 12.0 V , and the resistances for 3 resistors connected in parallel with the battery are $R_{1}=1.00 \Omega, R_{2}=6.00 \Omega$ and $R_{3}=13.0 \Omega$.
A. Draw a diagram of the circuit.
B. What is the total resistance?
C. Find the total current.
D. Calculate the currents in each resistor, and show these add to equal the total current output of the source.
E. Calculate the power dissipated by each resistor.
F. Find the power output of the source, and show that it equals the total power dissipated by the resistors.

## Circuit Reduction - The Nine Companions

Assume each resistor has a value of 10 Ohms. Find the equivalent resistance of each circuit. Use the space provided to do circuit reductions as necessary.
1.

4.
3.

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5.

6.


9.


Answers:

1. $2.5 \Omega$
2. $40 \Omega$
3. $10 \Omega$
4. $7.5 \Omega$
5. $13.3 \Omega$
6. $4 \Omega$
7. $6 \Omega$
8. $25 \Omega$
9. $16.7 \Omega$
10. Voltmeters measure $\qquad$ whereas ammeters measure
$\qquad$ .
11. Voltmeters are connected in $\qquad$ with whatever device's voltage is to be measured. A parallel connection is used because objects in parallel experience the same
$\qquad$ .
12. Ammeters are connected in $\qquad$ with whatever device's current is to be measured. A series connection is used because objects in series have the same
$\qquad$ passing through them. [Note: you will not be using your multimeter as an ammeter. You will be using an
 ammeter that is built into the power source. This will limit you to only being able to directly measure the total current.]
13. When you use a voltmeter or ammeter, you are connecting another resistor to an existing circuit and, thus, altering the circuit. Ideally, voltmeters and ammeters
$\qquad$ appreciably affect the circuit.

4a. The voltmeter, which is always placed in parallel with the device being measured, must have very little $\qquad$ flowing through it. To achieve this, the voltmeter's resistance must be considerably $\qquad$ than the device being measured. Remember that a large resistance in parallel with a small one has a combined resistance essentially equal to the small one.

4b. An ammeter is placed in series in the branch of the circuit being measured. As a result, its resistance adds to that branch. Therefore, so as to not appreciably affect the circuit, the ammeter's resistance must be $\qquad$ compared with the resistances of the devices in the circuit. Remember that a small resistance in series with a large one has a combined resistance essentially equal to the large one.

## Lab: Analyzing Circuits with Power Supplies and Multimeters

## Using the Power Supply

Step 1: Set Voltage to Zero
Step 2: Set current to $\frac{1}{2}$ of maximum.

Step 3: Turn on power supply. Keep voltage at or below 6 V .<br>Measuring Source Voltage and<br>Current: See Power Supply Readout<br>\section*{Measuring Individual Voltage}<br>Drops across resistors (bulbs):



Set the Digital Multimeter (DMM) to measure the lower of either 20V or 200V DC (solid line over dotted line) This is done by turning the dial. The DMM should read 0 when you turn it on. Let your teacher know if it does not.

Simply touch the two probes to each terminal on the bulb holder. This measures the potential difference between the two sides of the bulb.

Do not measure current directly, using the multimeter! When students try this they often blow the fuse, and the multimeter stops working! You will have to infer these values using other methods.


Measure Voltage Drop by touching the two probes of the voltmeter to each terminal of the bulb holder.

About The Circuit Diagrams: The small circle at the top left end of the circuit represents the red (positive) terminal of the power source. Each $X$ represents a bulb (resistor). The ground symbols (three dashes of diminishing length) represent connections to the black (negative) terminal on the power source. The " $A$ " represents the presence of the internal ammeter that is built in to the power source.

Directions: Build each of the following circuits. Then, for each of the circuits, use the power source readout to determine the source voltage drop [**keep it at 6 V or less], the source current, the total power dissipated by the circuit, and the total circuit resistance. Last, use a multimeter to determine the voltage drop at each bulb ( $X$ symbol). Use that voltage drop to deduce the other values at each bulb. Identify the circuit as parallel or series.

## Remember:

series circuits: 1) The current through each resistor is the same as the source current, and 2) The sum of the individual voltage drops across all of the resistors equals the source voltage drop. 3) Equivalent resistance for the entire circuit should be $\qquad$ (> or <) the resistances of the individual resistors. 4) Total Power = sum of power dissipated by all of the individual resistors.
parallel circuits 1) The voltage drop across each device is the same as the source voltage, and 2) The sum of the individual currents flowing through the resistors equals the current flowing through the source. 3) Equivalent resistance for the entire circuit should be
$\qquad$ (> or <) the resistances of the individual resistors.
4) Total Power = sum of power dissipated by all of the individual resistors.

Bulb Resistance May Vary: 1) Bulbs are "non-ohmic." Their resistances may be different at different voltages. Do not expect the same bulb to always have the same resistance. 2) We have different types of bulbs, and they have different resistances.




## Problem 1

A. Find the equivalent resistance of this circuit.

B. Find the current passing through the battery.
C. $400 \Omega$ Resistor
i. Find $V$
ii. Find I
iii. Find $P$
D. $500 \Omega$ Resistor
i. Find $V$
ii. Find I
iii. Find $P$
A. Find the equivalent resistance of this circuit.
B. Find the current passing through the battery.

C. $10.0 \Omega$ Resistor
i. Find $V$
ii. Find I
iii. Find $P$
D. $4.0 \Omega$ Resistor
i. Find $V$
ii. Find I
iii. Find $P$

Solutions:

| Prob 1: $\mathrm{A} .692 \Omega$ | B. 0.0173 A | C.i. 6.94 V | ii. 0.0173 A | iii. 0.120 W | D.i. 5.06 V | ii. 0.0101 A | iii. 0.0512 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| W |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prob 2: $\mathrm{A} .10 .1 \Omega$ | B. 0.887 A | C.i. 4.12 V | ii. 0.412 A | iii. 1.70 W | D.i. 1.27 V | ii. 0.317 A | iii. 0.402 W |

## KIRCHHOFF'S RULES

- Kirchhoff's first rule-the junction rule. The sum of all currents entering a junction must equal the sum of all currents leaving the junction.
- Kirchhoff's second rule-the loop rule. The algebraic sum of changes in potential around any closed circuit path (loop) must be zero.

1. When applying Kirchhoff's first rule, the junction rule, you must label the current in each branch and decide in what direction it is going. For example, in Figure, Figure, and Figure, currents are labeled $I_{1}, I_{2}, I_{3}$, and $I$, and arrows indicate their directions. There is no risk here, for if you choose the wrong direction, the current will be of the correct magnitude but negative.
2. When applying Kirchhoff's second rule, the loop rule, you must identify a closed loop and decide in which direction to go around it, clockwise or counterclockwise. For example, in Figure the loop was traversed in the same direction as the current (clockwise). Again, there is no risk; going around the circuit in the opposite direction reverses the sign of every term in the equation, which is like multiplying both sides of the equation by -1 .

- When a resistor is traversed in the same direction as the current, the change in potential is $-I R$. (See Figure.)
- When a resistor is traversed in the direction opposite to the current, the change in potential is $+I R$. (See Figure.)
- When an emf is traversed from - to + (the same direction it moves positive charge), the change in potential is +emf. (See Figure.)
- When an emf is traversed from + to - (opposite to the direction it moves positive charge), the change in potential is -emf. (See Figure.)

Kirchoff's Laws \#1. Find the correct current in each branch of each circuit.


## Chapters 20-21 Practice Test 2016-2017

(*** The actual test will also have at least one problem requiring Kirchoff's Rules.)

## I. Matching:

A. Match each SI unit with the correct electrical parameter.

1. kilowatt-hour
A. current
2. volt
B. potential difference
3. ohm
C. power
4. watt
D. resistance
E. energy
B. Match each SI unit with the correct electrical parameter.
5. ampere
A. resistivity
6. coulomb
B. drift velocity
7. ohm-meter
C. resistance
8. meters per second
D. current
E. charge
II. Multiple Choice: Select the one best answer for each question.
9. In a circuit, the indicated direction of the current is in the
A. same direction as the net electron flow.
B. direction from the negative battery terminal to the positive battery terminal.
C. opposite direction as the net electron flow.
D. is in the same direction that protons are moving through the wire.
10. If the potential difference across a resistor is doubled,
A. only the current is doubled.
B. only the current is halved.
C. only the resistance is doubled.
D. only the resistance is halved.
E. both the current and resistance are doubled.
11. Three identical light bulbs are connected to a battery. What will happen if the top bulb burns out?
A. All the bulbs will go out.
B. The light intensity of the other two bulbs will decrease (but they won't go out).
C. The light intensity of the other two bulbs will increase.
D. The light intensity of the other two bulbs will remain the same.
E. More current will be drawn from the battery.

12. Which of the following appliances consumes the most power when operating?
A. Appliance \#1
120 V
1.0 A
B. Appliance \#2:
240 V
0.5 A
C. Appliance \#3: 240 V
2.0 A
D. Appliance \#4: 120 V
3.0 A
13. To measure the potential difference across a resistor, a voltmeter is connected in
$\qquad$ because it has the $\qquad$ _.
A. series, same current flowing through it as the resistor
B. series, same potential difference across it as the resistor
C. parallel, same current flowing through it as the resistor
D. parallel, same potential difference across it as the resistor
14. Which of these equations is Ohm's Law?
A. $V=I R$
B. $I=V R$
C. $R=I V$
D. $P=I V$
15. Which graph represents the current through a resistor that obeys Ohm's Law?

A.

B.

C.

D.

E.
16. The resistivity of a conductor depends upon:
A. the length of the conductor.
B. only on the specific material of the conductor.
C. the cross-sectional area of the conductor.
D. the current flowing through the conductor.
17. Current is a measure of:
A. force that moves a charge past a point
B. resistance to the movement of a charge past a point
C. energy used to move a charge past a point
D. amount of charge that moves past a point per unit time
E. speed with which a charge moves past a point
18. In a simple circuit consisting of a battery and a resistor, if the resistance of the resistor increases, the current through the resistor will:
A. increase
B. decrease
C. stay the same
19. If a circuit consists of a battery and two resistors connected in parallel with the battery and a third identical resistor is added in parallel, the current in the two initial resistors will:
A. increase
B. decrease
C. stay the same
20. If a circuit consists of a battery and two resistors connected in series to each other and a third identical resistor is added in series, the current in the circuit will:
A. increase
B. decrease
C. stay the same
21. In a string of holiday lights, when one bulb burns out the rest of the bulbs stay lit, the bulbs must be connected in
A. series
B. parallel
III. Problems:
22. You have a $15.0-\mathrm{m}$-long piece of 14 -gauge copper wire having a radius of 0.814 mm ? ( $\rho c_{u}=1.67$ $\times 10^{-8} \Omega \mathrm{~m}$ )
A. What is the resistance of this wire?
B. How much current will flow through the wire if there is a 12.0 V potential difference between the ends (i.e. if it is hooked up to a 12.0 V battery)?
23. A clock battery wears out after moving $2.40 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{C}$ of charge through the clock with an average current of 0.330 mA .
A. How long did the clock run?
B. How many electrons per second on average flowed through the clock?
24. A. Calculate the total equivalent resistance of this circuit.
B. Calculate the current flowing through this circuit.

25. How much does it cost to run a 200.0 watt floodlight 13.00 hours a day for 30.00 days if the local electric company charges 14.00 cents per kilowatt-hour?
26. A. Calculate the total equivalent resistance of this circuit.
B. Calculate the total current flowing through this circuit.
C. Calculate the current flowing through the $7.40-\Omega$ resistor.

27. A. Calculate the total equivalent resistance of this circuit.
B. Calculate the total current flowing through this circuit.
C. Calculate the potential difference across the $5.30-\Omega$ resistor.
D. Calculate the current flowing through the 24.0- $\Omega$ resistor.
E. Calculate the total power dissipated as heat in this circuit.

