

Electrostatic Potential Formula



Here are six problems based on Ohm's Law:

1. Problem:

Calculate the current flowing through a resistor of resistance $5\ \Omega$ when a potential difference of $10\ V$ is applied across it.

2. Problem:

A circuit contains a battery of emf $12\ V$ and internal resistance $1\ \Omega$. Calculate the current in the circuit when the external resistance is $3\ \Omega$.

3. Problem:

Three resistors of $2\ \Omega$, $4\ \Omega$, and $6\ \Omega$ are connected in series to a $12\ V$ battery. Calculate the total resistance and the current flowing through the circuit.

4. Problem:

Two resistors of $5\ \Omega$ and $10\ \Omega$ are connected in parallel. Calculate the equivalent resistance and the current through each resistor if a $15\ V$ battery is connected across the combination.

5. Problem:

A copper wire of resistance $1\ \Omega$ is connected to a voltage source of $20\ V$. Calculate the power dissipated in the wire.

6. Problem:

A heater uses a current of $5\ A$ when connected to a $220\ V$ supply. Calculate the resistance of the heater and the energy consumed in $2\ hours$.

Answer Key

1. Solution:

$$I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{10\ V}{5\ \Omega} = 2\ A$$

2. Solution:

Total resistance, $R_{total} = R_{internal} + R_{external} = 1\ \Omega + 3\ \Omega = 4\ \Omega$

$$I = \frac{V}{R_{total}} = \frac{12\ V}{4\ \Omega} = 3\ A$$

3. Solution:

Total resistance, $R_{total} = 2\ \Omega + 4\ \Omega + 6\ \Omega = 12\ \Omega$

$$I = \frac{V}{R_{total}} = \frac{12\ V}{12\ \Omega} = 1\ A$$

4. Solution:

Equivalent resistance, $\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{5\Omega} + \frac{1}{10\Omega}$

$$R_{eq} = \frac{10\Omega \cdot 5\Omega}{10\Omega + 5\Omega} = \frac{50}{15}\Omega = 3.33\Omega$$

$$I_{total} = \frac{V}{R_{eq}} = \frac{15V}{3.33\Omega} \approx 4.5A$$

Current through 5Ω resistor:

$$I_1 = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{15V}{5\Omega} = 3A$$

Current through 10Ω resistor:

$$I_2 = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{15V}{10\Omega} = 1.5A$$

5. Solution:

Power dissipated, $P = \frac{V^2}{R} = \frac{20^2}{1} = 400W$

6. Solution:

Resistance of the heater, $R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{220V}{5A} = 44\Omega$

Energy consumed, $E = P \cdot t = V \cdot I \cdot t = 220V \cdot 5A \cdot 2h = 2200Wh = 2.2kWh$