

GRADE 12 REVISION 2013
ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM: ELECTRIC CIRCUITS - MEMORANDUM

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

- 1¹ A ✓✓
- 2² A ✓✓
- 3² C ✓✓
- 4³ B ✓✓
- 5⁴ A ✓✓
- 6⁵ D ✓✓
- 7⁶ C ✓✓

STRUCTURED QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1⁷

$$\begin{aligned} 1.1 \quad \frac{1}{R_p} &= \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \checkmark \\ &= \frac{1}{60} + \frac{1}{60} \checkmark \\ \therefore R_p &= 30 \Omega \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1.2 \quad R_{\text{ext}} &= 30 + 25 = 55 \Omega \checkmark \\ \text{Emf} &= I(R + r) \checkmark \\ \therefore 12 \checkmark &= I(55 + 1,5) \checkmark \\ \therefore I &= 0,21 \text{ A} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1.3 \quad V &= IR \checkmark \\ &= (0,21)(30) \checkmark \\ &= 6,3 \text{ V} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

QUESTION 2⁷

$$2.1 \quad 1,5 \text{ V} \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2.2 \quad \text{gradient/m} &= \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta l} \\ &= \frac{0,65 - 1,5}{1,0 - 0} \checkmark \\ &= - 0,85 \Omega \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$2.3 \quad \text{Internal resistance} \checkmark\checkmark$$

2.4 Decreases ✓
When I increase:
“Lost volts”/ Ir increases. ✓
V_{ext} = emf – Ir decreases. ✓

¹ Nov 2012

² Nov 2011

³ Nov 2008

⁴ Mrch 2012

⁵ Mrch 2011

⁶ Mrch 2010

⁷ Nov 2012

QUESTION 3⁸

3.1 12 V ✓

3.2

3.2.1

Option 1

$$I = \frac{V}{R} \checkmark = \frac{9,6}{2,4} \checkmark = 4 \text{ A}$$

Option 2

$$\text{emf} = IR + Ir \checkmark$$

$$12 = I(2,4) + 2,4 \checkmark \therefore I = 4 \text{ A} \checkmark$$

3.2.2 $\text{emf} = IR + Ir \checkmark$

$$12 = 9,6 + 4r \checkmark$$

$$\therefore r = 0,6 \Omega \checkmark$$

2.3

Option 1

$$\text{emf} = I(R + r) \checkmark$$

$$12 = 6(R + 0,6) \checkmark$$

$$R_{\text{ext}} = 1,4 \Omega$$

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \checkmark$$

$$\frac{1}{1,4} = \frac{1}{2,4} + \frac{1}{R} \checkmark$$

$$\therefore R = 3,36 \Omega$$

Each tail lamp

$$\therefore R = 1,68 \Omega \checkmark$$

Option 2

$$\text{Emf} = V_{\text{terminal}} + Ir \checkmark$$

$$12 = V_{\text{terminal}} + 6(0,6) \checkmark$$

$$\therefore V_{\text{terminal}} = 8,4 \text{ V}$$

$$I_{2,4 \Omega} = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{8,4}{2,4} = 3,5 \text{ A}$$

$$I_{\text{tail lamps}} = 6 - 3,5 = 2,5 \text{ A}$$

$$R_{\text{tail lamps}} = \frac{V}{I} \checkmark = \frac{8,4}{2,5} \checkmark = 3,36 \Omega$$

$$R_{\text{tail lamp}} = 1,68 \Omega \checkmark$$

Option 3

$$V = IR \checkmark$$

$$12 = (6)R \checkmark$$

$$R_{\text{ext}} = 2 \Omega$$

$$\therefore R_{\text{parallel}} = 2 - 0,6 = 1,4 \Omega$$

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \checkmark$$

$$\frac{1}{1,4} = \frac{1}{2,4} + \frac{1}{R} \checkmark$$

$$\therefore R = 3,36 \Omega$$

$$\text{Each tail lamp } R = 1,68 \Omega \checkmark$$

Option 4

For parallel combination:

$$I_1 + I_2 = 6 \text{ A}$$

$$\therefore \frac{V}{2,4} + \frac{V}{R_{\text{tailamps}}} \checkmark = 6 \checkmark$$

$$8,4 \checkmark \left(\frac{1}{2,4} + \frac{1}{R_{\text{tailamps}}} \right) \checkmark = 6$$

$$\therefore R_{\text{tail lamps}} = 3,36$$

$$R_{\text{tail lamp}} = 1,68 \Omega \checkmark$$

3.4 Increases ✓

Resistance increases, current decreases ✓

Ir (lost volts) decreases ✓

QUESTION 4⁹4.1 The current in a conductor is directly proportional to the potential difference ✓ across its ends at constant temperature. ✓

OR

The ratio of potential difference to current is constant ✓ at constant temperature. ✓⁸ Nov 2011⁹ Nov 2010

4.2

$$4.2.1 \frac{1}{R_p} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \checkmark = \frac{1}{1,4} + \frac{1}{1,4} \checkmark \therefore R_p = 0,7 \Omega \checkmark$$

OR

$$R_p = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \checkmark = \frac{1,4 \times 1,4}{1,4 + 1,4} \checkmark = 0,7 \Omega \checkmark$$

4.2.2

OPTION 1:

$$\text{emf} = I(R + r) \checkmark \\ \therefore 12 = I(0,7 + 0,1) \checkmark \\ \therefore I = 15 \text{ A}$$

$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

$$0,7 = \frac{V}{15} \checkmark \\ \therefore V = 10,5 \text{ V} \checkmark$$

OPTION 3

Voltage divides 0,7: 0,1 / 7:1

$$\therefore V_{\text{headlight}} = \frac{7}{8} \checkmark \times 12 \checkmark \\ = 10,5 \text{ V} \checkmark \\ = 11,83 \text{ V} \checkmark$$

OPTION 2:

$$I = \frac{V}{R} \checkmark = \frac{12}{0,8} \checkmark = 15 \text{ A}$$

$$V = IR \\ = (15)(0,7) \checkmark \\ = 10,5 \text{ V} \checkmark$$

$$\text{emf} = I(R + r) \\ 12 = V_{\text{external}} + (15)(0,1) \checkmark \\ V_{\text{external}} = 12 - (15)(0,1) \\ = 10,5 \text{ V} \checkmark$$

$$V_{\text{"lost"}} = Ir = (15)(0,1) \checkmark = 1,5 \text{ V} \\ V_{\text{external}} = 12 - 1,5 \text{ V} = 10,5 \text{ V} \checkmark$$

$$I_{\text{headlight}} = \frac{15}{2} = 7,5 \text{ A} \checkmark$$

$$V = IR = (7,5)(1,4) = 10,5 \text{ V} \checkmark$$

4.2.3

OPTION 1

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R} \checkmark \\ = \frac{10,5^2}{1,4} \checkmark \\ = 78,75 \text{ W} \checkmark$$

OPTION 2

$$I(\text{light}) = 7,5 \text{ A} \\ P = VI \checkmark \\ = (10,5)(7,5) \checkmark \\ = 78,75 \text{ W} \checkmark$$

OPTION 3

$$I(\text{light}) = 7,5 \text{ A} \\ P = I^2R \checkmark \\ = (7,5)^2(1,4) \checkmark \\ = 78,75 \text{ W} \checkmark$$

4.3 Decreases \checkmark (Effective/ total) resistance decreases. \checkmark (Total) current increases. \checkmark

"Lost volts" / V_{internal} / Ir increases, thus potential difference / V (across headlights) decreases. \checkmark

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R} \text{ decreases.}$$

QUESTION 5¹⁰

5.1 9 V ✓

Potential difference measured when:
switch is open / no current flows / circuit is open/no work done is in external circuit ✓

5.2

$$\text{Emf} = IR + Ir \checkmark$$

$$9 \checkmark = V_{\text{ext}} + (3)(0,3) \checkmark \therefore V_{\text{ext}} = 8,1 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{\text{ext}} = I(R_1 + R_2)$$

$$8,1 = 3(3R) \checkmark \therefore R_1 = 0,9 \Omega \checkmark$$

5.3 Decreases ✓

5.4 Increases ✓

Resistance decreases. ✓

Current increases. ✓Ir increases.**QUESTION 6¹¹**

6.1 Any two:

Temperature ✓

Cross sectional area (thickness) of material ✓

Length

6.2

Conductor Q ✓

For the same potential difference, ✓ wire Q has a higher current than wire P. ✓

Therefore wire Q has a lower resistance than wire P. ✓

OR

Conductor Q ✓

The gradient of the graph for wire Q is bigger than that for wire P. ✓

Gradient = $\frac{I}{V}$ is bigger ✓, thus $\frac{V}{I} = R$ is smaller. ✓¹⁰ Nov 2009¹¹ Nov 2008

QUESTION 7¹²

7.1 $V_{int} = 45 - 43,5 = 1,5 \text{ V } \checkmark$

$$I = \frac{V}{R} \checkmark = \frac{1,5}{0,5} = 3 \text{ A}$$

$$V_{12\Omega} = IR_{12\Omega} = 3 \times 12 \checkmark = 36 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{//} = 43,5 - 36 = 7,5 \text{ V}$$

(If only $V_{//} = 7,5 \text{ V}$: 2 marks)

$$I = \frac{V_{//}}{R} = \frac{7,5}{10} = 0,75 \text{ A } \checkmark$$

7.2 $I_R = 3 - 0,75 = 2,25 \text{ A } \checkmark$

$$R = \frac{V_{//}}{I} = \frac{7,5}{2,25} = 3,33 \Omega \checkmark$$

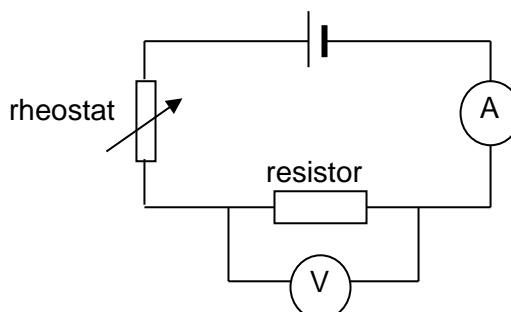
7.3 Increases \checkmark

The total resistance increases, \checkmark

therefore the current decreases \checkmark therefore $V_{internal}$ decrease \checkmark therefore reading on V increases.

QUESTION 8

8.1



Criteria for circuit diagram	Mark
Battery connected to the resistor as shown – correct symbols used.	\checkmark
Rheostat connected in series with resistor – correct symbols used.	\checkmark
Ammeter connected in series so that it measures the current through resistor – correct symbols used.	\checkmark
Voltmeter connected in parallel across resistor – correct symbols used.	\checkmark

8.2 Temperature \checkmark

8.3 B \checkmark

The ratio $\frac{V}{I}$ is greater than that of A. $\checkmark \checkmark$

QUESTION 9

9.1 $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} \checkmark = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{16} \checkmark$

$$\therefore R = 3,2 \Omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\text{effective}} &= 3,2 \Omega + 2 \Omega + 0,8 \Omega \checkmark \\ &= 6 \Omega \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

9.2

Option 1:

$$V = IR \checkmark$$

$$12 = I(6) \checkmark$$

$$I = 2 \text{ A} \checkmark$$

Option 2:

$$\text{emf} = I(R + r) \checkmark$$

$$12 = I(5,2 + 0,8) \checkmark$$

$$I = 2 \text{ A} \checkmark$$

9.3

$$V_{\text{parallel}} = IR \checkmark$$

$$= (2)(3,2) \checkmark$$

$$= 6,4 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{8\Omega} = \frac{6,4}{2} \checkmark = 3,2 \text{ V} \checkmark$$

QUESTION 1010.1 **Option 1**

$$\frac{1}{R_e} = \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} \checkmark = \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{23} \checkmark \therefore R = 6,47 \Omega$$

$$R_{\text{tot}} = 6,47 + 2 + 0,2 \checkmark = 8,67 \Omega$$

$$I = \frac{V}{R} \checkmark = \frac{12}{8,67} \checkmark = 1,38 \text{ A} \checkmark$$

Option 2

$$\frac{1}{R_e} = \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} \checkmark = \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{23} \checkmark \therefore R = 6,47 \Omega$$

$$R_{\text{ext}} = 6,47 + 2 \checkmark = 8,47 \Omega$$

$$\text{Emf} = I(R + r) \checkmark \therefore 12 = I(8,47 + 0,2) \checkmark \therefore I = 1,38 \text{ A} \checkmark$$

10.2 Decreases \checkmark (Effective) resistance of circuit decreases \checkmark (No current through 15 Ω and 8 Ω resistances)Current (I) increases \checkmark Ir (lost volts) increases \checkmark V_{external} decreases

QUESTION 11¹³

- 11.1 The current through a conductor is directly proportional to the potential difference across its ends at constant temperature. ✓✓
- 11.2 Equal ✓
2 A divides equally at T (and since $I_M = 1 \text{ A}$ it follows that $I_N = 1 \text{ A}$) ✓
- 11.3 $\text{emf} = IR + Ir \checkmark \therefore 17 = 14 + Ir \checkmark \therefore Ir = 3 \text{ V}$
- $r = \frac{V_{\text{lost}}}{I} \checkmark = \frac{3}{2} \checkmark = 1,5 \Omega \checkmark$
- 11.4 $V_N = IR_N \checkmark = (1)(2) \checkmark = 2 \text{ V} \checkmark$
- 11.5 $V_Y = 14 - 2 = 12 \text{ V} \checkmark$
 $V_Y = IR_Y \checkmark \therefore 12 = (2)R_Y \checkmark$
 $\therefore R_Y = 6 \Omega \checkmark$

¹³ March 2010