PHYSICS 1B – Fall 2007



Electricity & Magnetism



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Schedule

- Today: Current, resistance
- Wednesday: Resistance and Power
- Friday: Circuits with Resistors/Capacitors
- Monday 11/12: NO CLASS
- Wednesday 11/14: Magnetism Ch 18
- Friday 11/16: QUIZ 3 (Ch 17 and 18)
- New Syllabus due to the fires: Posted Soon

Quiz results – posted soon

17.1 Electric Current

Electric current Drift speed Current sources: Batteries Charge flow slowly in a wire

Carry kinetic energy like water in a pipe

The energy can be released eg. Lightbulb



There is an electric field in the conductor. Non-Equilibrium System. – Charges move

Electric Current, I

rate of +charge flow through a surface



$$I = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t}$$
 Units Coulombs/sec –
 Δt Ampere (A)

A flashlight bulb carries a current of 0.1 A. (a) Find the charge passed in 10 s. (b) How many electrons does this correspond to?

(a)
$$I = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t}$$

 $\Delta q = I \Delta t = 0.1(10) = 1C$

(b)
$$q = Ne$$

 $N = \frac{q}{e} = \frac{1}{1.6x10^{-19}} = 6.2x10^{18} electrons$



Collisions of electron with the lattice (a.k.a resistance) slows down the velocity.

Drift velocity- Average velocity in the direction of the flow.

The electron moves at the Fermi speed, and has only a tiny drift velocity superimposed by the applied electric field.



Avogadro's number Density $n = \frac{(N_A atoms / mole)(\rho \ kg / m^3)}{A(kg / mole)}$ Atomic mass



q- charge per charge carrier

17.2 Find the drift velocity of electrons in Cu. For I=10 A, A= $3x10^{-6}$ m². Use density of Cu, $\rho=8.95$ g/cm³(each atom of Cu contributes 1 carrier electron) M_A=63.5g/mole



The drift velocity is very low.

The current is large because of the large number of charge carriers.

The electrical signal travels fast, because electrons interact and "push" other electrons in the conductor

Voltage sources Batteries



Chemical Energy->Electrical Energy

Cu has a higher *affinity* for electrons than Zn, produces ΔV : Zinc more readily loses electrons than copper, so placing zinc and copper metal in solutions of their salts can cause electrons to flow through an external wire which leads from the zinc to the copper.

Amp hour (unit of charge)



How much charge is equal to 2100 mAh (milliamp hours)

charge=(current)(time)

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Ni-MH Nickel metal hydride battery

A battery with a 2 amp hr rating is used to power a flashlight that draws 5 A of current. How long will the battery last

$$Q = I\Delta t$$
$$\Delta t = \frac{Q}{I} = \frac{2amp.hr}{5amp} = 0.4hr$$

Voltages in series



$$\Delta V = \Delta V_1 + \Delta V_2$$

Voltmeter- acts as the load

Ideal voltmeter draws no current

Voltages in parallel



The current is increased 2 fold

Resistance Chapter 17.4

Resistance

R units Volts/Ampere , Ohms (Ω)





Resistance causes conversion of potential energy to heat.

Resistors



carbon resistors wire wound resistors thin metal film resistors

Ohm's Law

For many conductors I is linear with ΔV ,



$$I = \frac{1}{R} \Delta V$$
$$\Delta V = IR$$

Gravitational analogy to $\Delta V=IR$ Water flow in a river



Water flow is fast where the slope is steep (large potential drop).

H₂O resistor



E&M & H₂O

The reservoir can supply water to the circuit, and holds the pressure of the adjacent pipes at the pressure of the reservoir. Reservoir _____ Ground

The ground can supply charge to the circuit, but its main function is to hold the voltage of nearby wires at the voltage of the earth.



E&M & H₂O

The resistance of a constriction in a large pipe is so great that essentially all the pressure drop will appear across the resistance.



Capacitor

Inductors



Movies

• Water/Circuit Analogies









Some materials show non-ohmic resistance

Semiconductor diode



Does the resistance of the diode increase or decrease as ΔV increases?

Resistors



carbon resistors wire wound resistors thin metal film resistors Resistance of a resistor is determined by the geometry of the resistor and the resistivity.



O Resistivity, ohms meter ($\Omega \cdot m$)

Voltage – Pressure Analogy



Some materials show non-ohmic resistance

Semiconductor diode



Does the resistance of the diode increase or decrease as ΔV increases?

A light bulb connected to a 3.0 V battery draws a current of 0.2 A. Find the resistance of the light bulb.



We assume that the resistance of the wires is negligible compared to the resistance of the light bulb.

Voltages in Parallel





A voltmeter is connected in parallel to measure the voltage change across a circuit element



Circuits with Resistors

