

Exercise 12

EMF and Internal Resistance

1 B

2 B

3 E

4 B

5 a emf = 12V

The emf is measured in open circuit ie switch open –no current

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b i $emf = tpd + lost_volts$

$$lost_volt = 12 - 9.6$$

$$lost_volt = 2.4$$

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

$$I = \frac{2.4}{2}$$

$$I = 1.2A$$

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

use – tpd

$$R = \frac{9.6}{1.2}$$

$$R = 8\Omega$$

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c Two 8Ω resistors in parallel = 4Ω

$$R_{total} = R + r$$

$$R_{total} = 4 + 2$$

$$R_{total} = 6\Omega$$

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

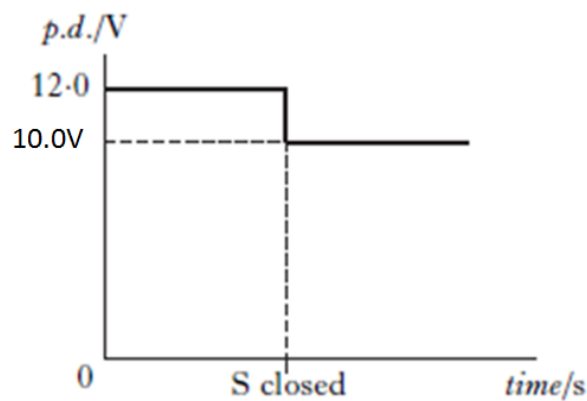
$$I = \frac{12}{6}$$

$$I = 2.0A$$

$$tpd = I \times R$$

$$tpd = 2.0 \times 5$$

$$tpd = 10V$$



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6 a i $R_{total} = R + r + r$

$$R_{total} = 3.6 + 0.2 + 0.2$$

$$R_{total} = 4\Omega$$

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

$$I = \frac{1.5+1.5}{4}$$

$$I = 0.75A$$

$$\text{ii } P = I^2 \times R$$

$$P = 0.75 \times 0.75 \times 3.6$$

$$P = 2.0W$$

b As the internal resistance of the cells increases \rightarrow total resistance increases \rightarrow current falls $\rightarrow I^2R$ falls \rightarrow Power falls

7 a i An emf of 10V means that the cell gives each coulomb of charge 10J of energy
 $10V = 10J/C$

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$$\text{ii } emf = \text{tpd} + \text{lost_volts}$$

$$10.0 = 7.50 + \text{lost_volts}$$

$$\text{lost_volt} = 10.0 - 7.50$$

$$\text{lost_volt} = 2.50V$$

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

$$R = \frac{2.50}{1.25}$$

$$R = 2.00\Omega$$

3b

b i Voltmeter reading decreased since:
 Parallel combination reduces external resistance $R \rightarrow$ total resistance decreases \rightarrow current falls $\rightarrow I_r$ across load falls
 Or
 The potential division of the emf will change in proportion to the size of the resistors. Load now smaller taking a smaller share of emf

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ii} \quad R_{total} &= \frac{V}{I} \\
 R_{total} &= \frac{6.0}{2.0} \\
 R_{total} &= 2.0\Omega \\
 \frac{1}{R_t} &= \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \\
 \frac{1}{2.0} &= \frac{1}{6.0} + \frac{1}{R_2} \\
 \frac{1}{2.0} - \frac{1}{6.0} &= \frac{1}{R_2} \\
 R_2 &= 3\Omega
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 8 \quad \text{a} \quad \text{i} \quad emf &= tpd + lost_volts \\
 emf &= IR + lost_volts \\
 10 &= 3 \times 1.5 + lost_volts \\
 10 - 5.5 &= IR + lost_volts \\
 lost_volts &= 5.5V
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ii} \quad r &= \frac{lost_volts}{current} \\
 r &= \frac{5.5}{3} \\
 r &= \frac{lost_volts}{current} \\
 r &= 1.8\Omega
 \end{aligned}$$

b

As R increases the total current I increases → the lost volts Ir will also decrease.

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