

Answer on Question 61344, Physics, Electromagnetism

Question:

15) A battery has emf 13.2 V and internal resistance $24\text{ m}\Omega$. If the load current is 20.0 A , find the terminal voltage of the battery:

a) 12.7 V

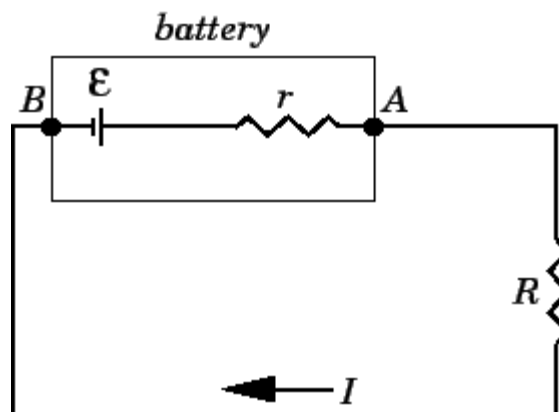
b) 14.5 V

c) 16.8 V

d) 17.7 V

Solution:

Let's consider a source of electromotive force (the battery) connected to a resistance R through which a steady current I flows as shown in the picture below:



here, \mathcal{E} is the electromotive force of the battery; A and B is the positive and negative terminals of the battery, respectively; R is the resistance connected to the battery; r is the internal resistance of the battery.

Let's denote the potential difference across the resistance R as V and the potential drop across the battery as V_r . Then, we can write the formula for the electromotive force of the battery:

$$\mathcal{E} = V + V_r.$$

Or

$$V = \mathcal{E} - V_r.$$

We can find V_r from the Ohm's law:

$$V_r = Ir.$$

Let's substitute V_r into the previous formula:

$$V = \mathcal{E} - Ir,$$

here, V is the terminal potential difference of the battery or the terminal voltage of the battery (because we measured it across the terminals A and B).

Let's substitute the numbers:

$$V = \mathcal{E} - Ir = 13.2 \text{ V} - 20.0 \text{ A} \cdot 24 \cdot 10^{-3} \Omega = 12.7 \text{ V}.$$

Answer:

$$V = 12.7 \text{ V}.$$

16) Electrical energy is sold by PHCN in units of kilowatt-hour (kWh). The lighting of a house is done with five 60 W bulbs which are switched on for approximately three hours per day. What is the lighting bill for the household over a period of 30 days at the rate of $N1.20$ per kilowatt-hour?

a) $N1.50$

b) $N25.30$

c) $N32.40$

d) $N52.20$

Solution:

Let's first calculate the total energy used by 5 bulbs which are switched on for approximately three hours per day:

$$E = nPt,$$

here, n is the number of bulbs, $P = 0.06 \text{ kW}$ is the power used by the one bulb, t is the time.

Let's substitute the numbers:

$$E = nPt = 5 \cdot 0.06 \text{ kW} \cdot 3 \frac{\text{h}}{\text{day}} = 0.9 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{day}}.$$

Finally, we can calculate the lighting bill for the household over a period of 30 days at the rate of N1.20 per kilowatt-hour:

$$\text{Lightning Bill} = \text{Rate} \cdot \text{Days} \cdot E = N1.20 \frac{\$}{\text{kWh}} \cdot 30 \text{ days} \cdot 0.9 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{day}} = N32.40.$$

Answer:

c) N32.40