Answer on Question # 78097, Physics -Electric Circuits:

Question: A battery of 10 Volts is connected to a resistance of 20 ohms through a variable resistance R. The amount of charge which has passed in the circuit in 4 minutes, if the variable resistance R is increasing at the rate of 5 ohms/min , will be ?

Solution: I = $\frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{V}{R}$ [I = current, V = voltage, R = resistance, dq = change in charge and dt = change in time.] Now, $\frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{dq}{dR} \cdot \frac{dR}{dt}$ And $\frac{dR}{dt} = 5$ ohms/ min = $\frac{1}{12}$ ohms/sec. So, $\frac{dq}{dR} \cdot \frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{V}{R}$ Now, dq = 12 x V x $\frac{dR}{R}$ [As $\frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{1}{12}$] So, q = 12 X 10 $\int_{20}^{40} \frac{dR}{R}$

= 83.18 Coulomb.

= 120. log 2 Coulomb.

Answer: So, charge will be 83.18 Coulomb.

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