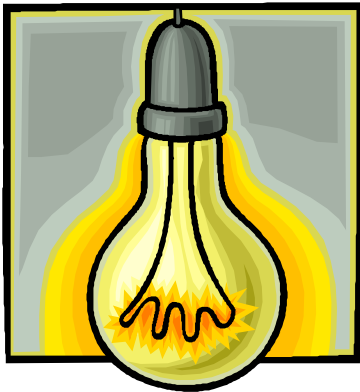


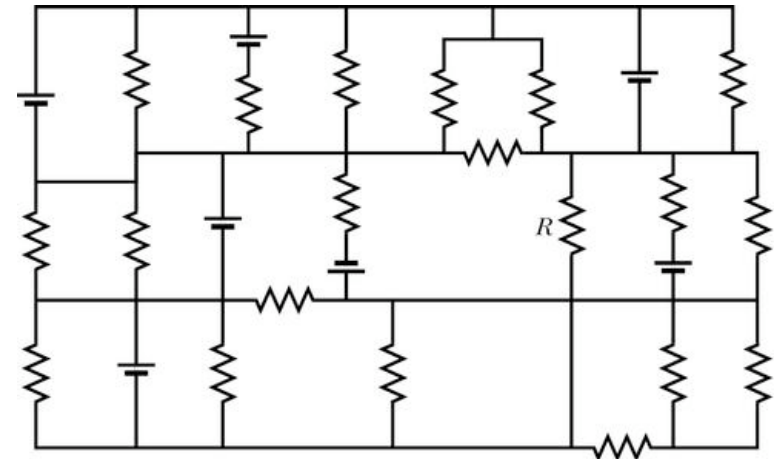
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Lecture 15

DC Circuits 1



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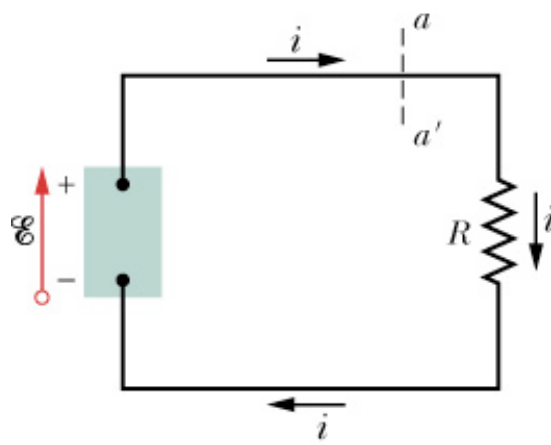
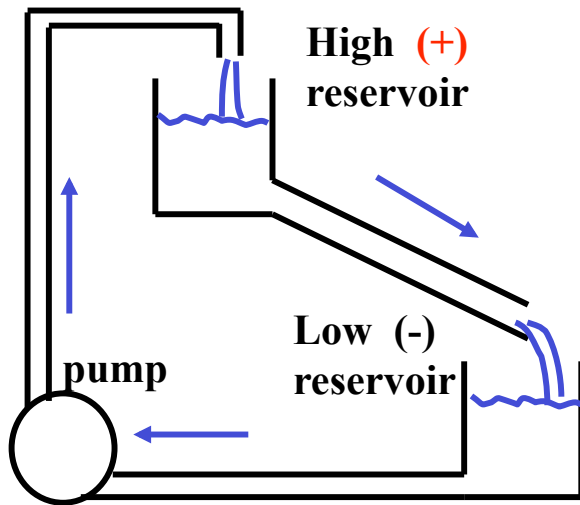
Review

- A **resistor** is a conductor whose resistance does **not** change with the voltage

$$R \equiv \frac{V}{i} \qquad R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

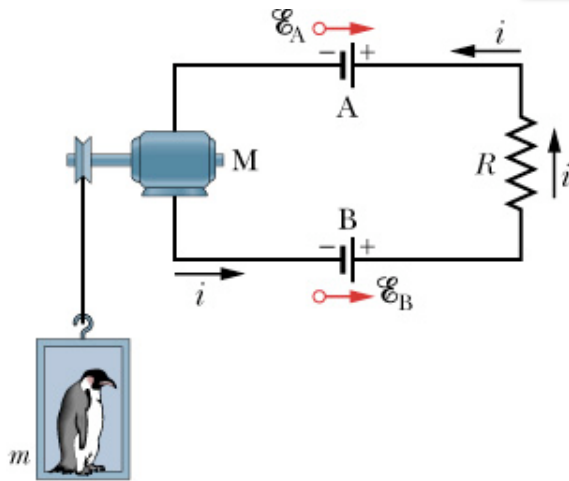
- A linear $I - V$ curve is said to be **Ohmic** otherwise non-Ohmic
- **Resistivity** is associated with a **material**, **resistance** with respect to a **device** constructed with the material
- Conductivity: $\sigma = \frac{1}{\rho}$
- Resistivity depends on temperature: $\rho = \rho_0 (1 + \alpha (T - T_0))$
- Reason for resistance: conduction electrons **collide** with stationary ionic lattice

Pumping charges

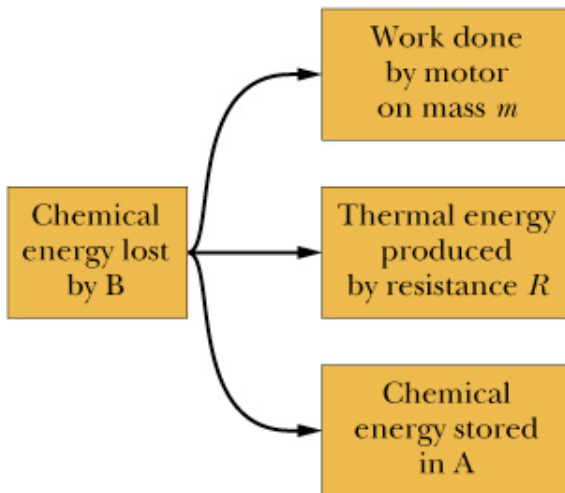


- The battery operates as a “pump” that **moves positive charges** from lower to higher electric potential
- Higher potential: **positive terminal**, lower potential: **negative terminal**
- A battery or electric generator are examples of **electromotive force** (EMF) devices
- Mechanical analog for water flow

Energy Conversion



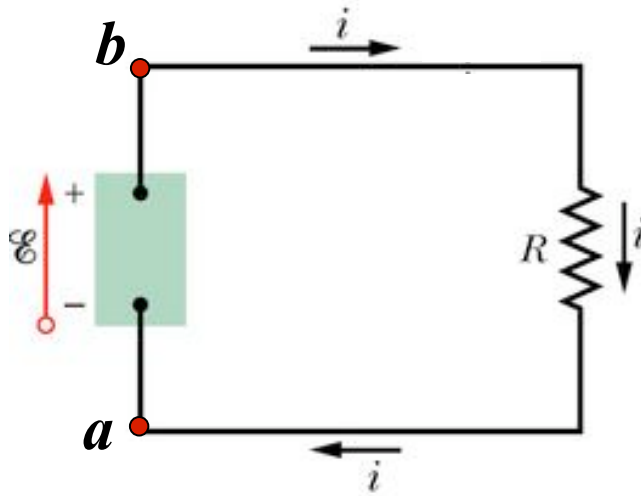
(a)



(b)

- The **energy** from emf B changes form
- **Energy** does mechanical work via the motor
- **Energy** produces thermal energy on the resistor
- **Energy** is converted into chemical energy in emf A

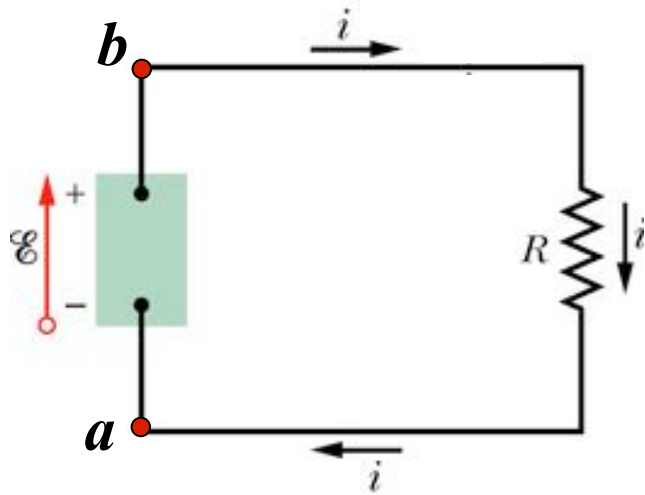
Electromotive Force Devices



- emf devices **transform** one source of energy into electrical energy
- emf device sets up current around circuit by **doing work on charges**
- A battery uses **chemical energy**, a generator **mechanical energy**, a solar cell **energy from light**, etc.

- The difference in potential energy that the device establishes is called the emf and denoted by $\mathcal{E} = dW / dq$
- \mathcal{E} is potential difference between terminals for **no current**
- **Polarity** of emf device indicated by arrow **from negative to positive** terminal

Single Loop Circuits



- To calculate the **circulating current**
- Circuit solving consists in “taking a walk” along the wires
- As one “walks” through the circuit (in any direction) one needs to **two rules**:

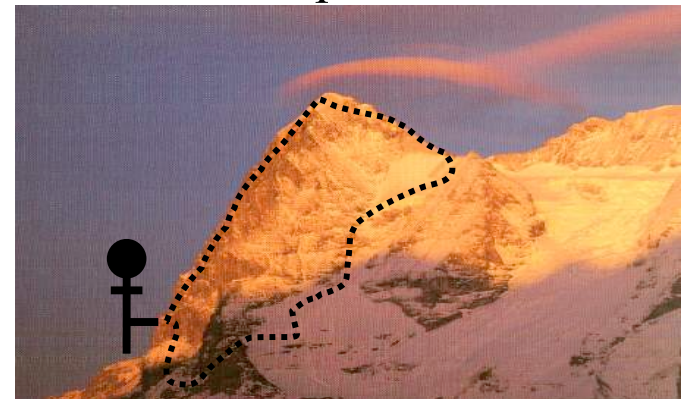
When walking through an EMF, add $+E$ if you flow with the current or $-E$ otherwise. How to remember: current “gains” potential in a battery

When walking through a resistor, add $-iR$, if flowing with the current or $+iR$ otherwise. How to remember: resistors are passive, current flows “potential down”

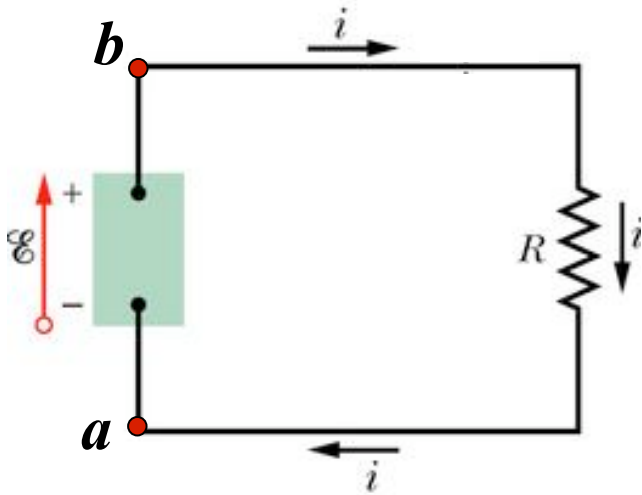
Example:

Walking clockwise from a : $+E - iR = 0$.

Walking counter-clockwise from a : $-E + iR = 0$.



Power in electrical circuits 1



- A **current** i flows as indicated
- Electric energy is **converted** by the resistance to **heat**
- How much **work** does the battery do to move a small amount of charge dq from a to b?

$$\begin{aligned} dW &= dU = dq V = (dq/dt) dt V \\ &= iV dt \end{aligned}$$

Power in electrical circuits 2

- The battery “power” is the work it does **per unit time**:

$$P = dW/dt = iV$$

- $P = iV$ is true for the battery **pumping charges** through any device
- If the device follows **Ohm's law** (i.e., it is a resistor), then $V = iR$ and the energy loss in the device is called **resistive dissipation**

$$P = iV = i^2 R = V^2 / R$$

- Unit of power is **Watt**: $1\text{ W} = 1\text{ V A} = 1\text{ J / s}$

Example

A 1250 W radiant heater is constructed to operate at 115 V.

- (a) What will be the current in the heater?
- (b) What is the resistance of the heating coil?
- (c) How much thermal energy is produced in 1.0 h by the heater?

- Formulas: $P=i^2R=V^2/R$; $V=iR$
- Know P, V; need R to calculate current!
- $P=1250\text{W}$; $V=115\text{V} \Rightarrow R=V^2/P=(115\text{V})^2/1250\text{W}=10.6\ \Omega$
- $i=V/R=115\text{V}/10.6\ \Omega=10.8\ \text{A}$
- Energy? $P=dU/dt \Rightarrow dU=P\ dt = 1250\text{W} \times 3600\ \text{sec} = 4.5\ \text{MJ}$

Example

A 100 W lightbulb is plugged into a standard 120 V outlet.

- (a) What is the resistance of the bulb?
- (b) What is the current in the bulb?
- (c) How much does it cost per month to leave the light turned on continuously? Assume electric energy costs 6¢/kW·h.
- (d) Is the resistance different when the bulb is turned off?

- Resistance: $R = V^2/P = 144 \, \Omega$
- Current, $i = V/R = 0.83 \, \text{A}$
- We pay for energy used (kW h):

$$W = Pt = 0.1 \text{ kW} \times (30 \times 24) \text{ h} = 72 \text{ kW h} \Rightarrow \$4.32$$

- (d): Resistance should be the same, but it's not: **resistivity and resistance increase with temperature**. When the bulb is turned off, it is colder than when it is turned on, so the resistance is lower.

Summary

- **Electromotive force devices** (emf) maintain a potential between their terminals
- **Kirchhoff's loop rule** (KLR):

KLR : The algebraic sum of the changes in potential encountered in a complete traversal of any loop in a circuit is equal to zero.

- When walking through an emf, add $+E$ if you flow with the current or $-E$ otherwise
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