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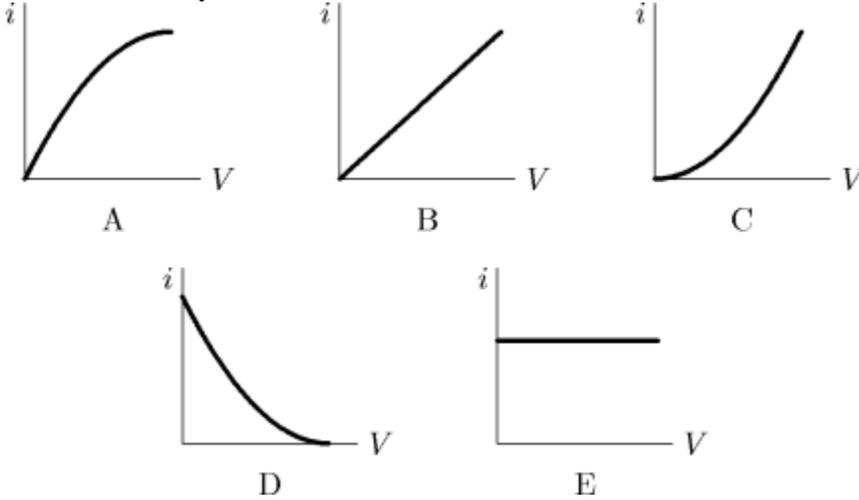
1. The current density is the same in two wires. Wire A has twice the free-electron concentration of wire B. The magnitude of the average velocity of electrons in A is:
  - A) twice that of electrons in B
  - B) four times that of electrons in B
  - C) half that of electrons in B
  - D) one-fourth that of electrons in B
  - E) the same as that of electrons in B
  
2. Copper contains  $8.4 \times 10^{28}$  free electrons/m<sup>3</sup>. A copper wire of cross-sectional area  $7.4 \times 10^{-7}$  m<sup>2</sup> carries a current of 1 A. The magnitude of the average electron velocity is approximately:
  - A)  $3 \times 10^8$  m/s
  - B)  $10^3$  m/s
  - C) 1 m/s
  - D)  $10^{-4}$  m/s
  - E)  $10^{-23}$  m/s
  
3. For an ohmic resistor, resistance is the proportionality constant for:
  - A) potential difference and electric field
  - B) current and electric field
  - C) current and length
  - D) current and cross-sectional area
  - E) current and potential difference
  
4. A certain wire has resistance  $R$ . Another wire, of the same material, has half the length and half the diameter of the first wire. The resistance of the second wire is:
  - A)  $R/4$
  - B)  $R/2$
  - C)  $R$
  - D)  $2R$
  - E)  $4R$

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5. For an ohmic substance the resistivity is the proportionality constant for:
- A) current and potential difference
  - B) current and electric field
  - C) current density and potential difference
  - D) current density and electric field
  - E) potential difference and electric field
6. A car battery is rated at 80 A · h. An ampere-hour is a unit of:
- A) power
  - B) energy
  - C) current
  - D) charge
  - E) force
7. The current is zero in a conductor when no potential difference is applied because:
- A) the electrons are not moving
  - B) the electrons are not moving fast enough
  - C) for every electron with a given velocity there is another with a velocity of equal magnitude and opposite direction.
  - D) equal numbers of electrons and protons are moving together
  - E) otherwise Ohm's law would not be valid
8. Two wires are made of the same material and have the same length but different radii. They are joined end-to-end and a potential difference is maintained across the combination. Of the following the quantity that is the same for both wires is:
- A) potential difference
  - B) current
  - C) current density
  - D) electric field
  - E) average conduction electron velocity

9. Two wires made of different materials have the same uniform current density. They carry the same current only if:
- A) their lengths are the same
  - B) their cross-sectional areas are the same
  - C) both their lengths and cross-sectional areas are the same
  - D) the potential differences across them are the same
  - E) the electric fields in them are the same
10. A coulomb is the same as:
- A) ampere/second
  - B)  $(1/2)$  ampere  $\cdot$  second<sup>2</sup>
  - C) ampere/meter<sup>2</sup>
  - D) ampere  $\cdot$  second
  - E) newton  $\cdot$  meter<sup>2</sup>
11. A flat iron is marked “120 V, 600 W”. In normal use, the current in it is:
- A) 2 A
  - B) 4 A
  - C) 5 A
  - D) 7.2 A
  - E) 0.2 A
12. A certain sample carries a current of 4 A when the potential difference is 2 V and a current of 10 A when the potential difference is 4 V. This sample:
- A) obeys Ohm's law
  - B) has a resistance of  $0.5 \Omega$  at 1 V
  - C) has a resistance of  $2.5 \Omega$  at 1 V
  - D) has a resistance of  $2.5 \Omega$  at 2 V
  - E) does not have a resistance
13. Of the following, the copper conductor that has the least resistance is:
- A) thin, long and hot
  - B) thick, short and cool
  - C) thick, long and hot
  - D) thin, short and cool
  - E) thin, short and hot

14. Which of the following graphs best represents the current-voltage relationship for a device that obeys Ohm's law?



- A) A  
 B) B  
 C) C  
 D) D  
 E) E
15. A student kept her 60-watt, 120-volt study lamp turned on from 2:00 PM until 2:00 AM. The charge that went through it was
- A) 150 C  
 B) 3,600 C  
 C) 7,200 C  
 D) 18,000 C  
 E) 21,600 C
16. The rate at which electrical energy is used may be measured in the unit:
- A) watt/second  
 B) watt · second  
 C) watt  
 D) joule · second  
 E) kilowatt · hour

17. You wish to triple the rate of electrical energy dissipation in a heating device. To do this you could triple:
- A) the potential difference keeping the resistance the same
  - B) the current keeping the resistance the same
  - C) the resistance keeping the potential difference the same
  - D) the resistance keeping the current the same
  - E) both the potential difference and current
18. Conductivity is:
- A) the same as resistivity, it is just more convenient to use for good conductors
  - B) expressed in  $\Omega^{-1}$
  - C) equal to 1/resistance
  - D) expressed in  $(\Omega \cdot \text{m})^{-1}$
  - E) not a meaningful quantity for an insulator
19. It is better to send 10,000 kW of electric power long distances at 10,000 V rather than at 220 V because:
- A) there is less heating in the transmission wires
  - B) the resistance of the wires is less at high voltages
  - C) more current is transmitted at high voltages
  - D) the insulation is more effective at high voltages
  - E) the  $iR$  drop along the wires is greater at high voltage
20. Current has units:
- A) kilowatt · hour
  - B) coulomb/second
  - C) coulomb
  - D) volt
  - E) ohm

21. A 60-watt light bulb carries a current of 0.5 A. The total charge passing through it in one hour is:
- A) 120 C
  - B) 3600 C
  - C) 3000 C
  - D) 2400 C
  - E) 1800 C
22. If  $\vec{J}$  is the current density and  $d\vec{A}$  is a vector element of area then the integral  $\int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{A}$  over an area represents:
- A) the electric flux at the area
  - B) the average current density at the position of the area
  - C) the resistance of the area
  - D) the resistivity of the area
  - E) the current through the area
23. A cylindrical copper rod has resistance  $R$ . It is reformed to twice its original length with no change of volume. Its new resistance is:
- A)  $R$
  - B)  $2R$
  - C)  $4R$
  - D)  $8R$
  - E)  $R/2$
24. The mechanical equivalent of heat is  $1 \text{ cal} = 4.18 \text{ J}$ . The specific heat of water is  $1 \text{ cal/g} \cdot \text{K}$ . An electric immersion water heater, rated at 400 W, should heat a kilogram of water from  $10^\circ \text{C}$  to  $30^\circ \text{C}$  in about:
- A) 3.5 min
  - B) 1 min
  - C) 15 min
  - D) 45 min
  - E) 15 s

**25.** Current has units:

- A) kilowatt · hour
- B) ampere**
- C) coulomb
- D) volt
- E) ohm

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## Answer Key

1. C
2. D
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12. B
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19. A
20. B
21. E
22. E
23. C
24. A
25. B

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