

Physics 140B HWK 1

Griffiths 7.2

(a) Kirchoff's law

$$\frac{Q}{C} = IR = \frac{dQ}{dt} R$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} - \frac{Q}{\tau} = 0 \quad \tau \equiv RC$$

Solves as $Q = Q_0 e^{-t/\tau} = CV_0 e^{-t/\tau}$

$$Q(t) = CV_0 e^{-t/\tau} \quad \text{with } \tau = RC$$

$$I = -\frac{dQ}{dt} \Rightarrow$$

$$I(t) = \frac{V_0}{R} e^{-t/\tau}$$

(b)

$$E = \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} P dt &= \int_0^{\infty} I^2 R dt = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{V_0^2}{R} e^{-2t/\tau} dt \\ &= \frac{V_0^2}{R} \left[-\frac{RC}{2} e^{-2t/RC} \right]_0^{\infty} \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} P dt = \frac{1}{2} C V_0^2 = E$$

(c) In part (a) we had $I = -\frac{dQ}{dt}$, i.e. decreasing the charge in the capacitor gave positive current. Now, it is the opposite i.e., positive current corresponds to increased charge on the capacitor, i.e. $I = +\frac{dQ}{dt}$

Kirchoff law then $V_0 = QC + IR = QC + R\frac{dQ}{dt}$

This then gives

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{1}{RC} [CV_0 - Q]$$

Remember $\tau \equiv RC$

$$\frac{dQ}{Q - CV_0} = - \frac{dt}{\tau}$$

Integrating both sides

$$\log(Q - CV_0) = -\frac{t}{\tau} + C_2 \quad \leftarrow \text{Some constant}$$

$$Q = CV_0 + C_2 e^{-t/\tau} \quad (C_2 = e^{C_1})$$

At $t=0$, $Q=0$

This gives $C_2 = -CV_0$

Solution then is

$$Q(t) = CV_0 [1 - e^{-t/\tau}]$$

$$I(t) = \frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{CV_0}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau}$$

and since $\tau = RC$

$$I(t) = \frac{V_0}{R} e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$(d) \int_0^{\infty} V_0 I dt = \frac{V_0^2}{R} \int_0^t e^{-t/\tau} dt$$
$$= \frac{V_0^2}{R} \tau = \boxed{CV_0^2}$$

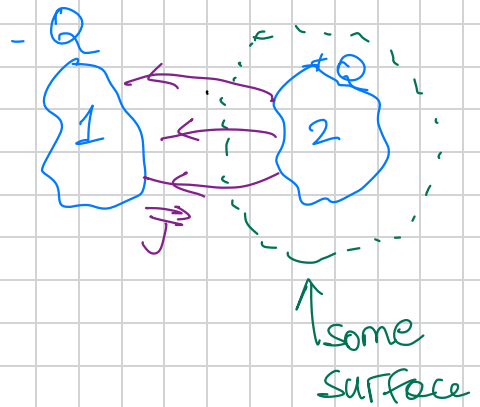
$I(t)$ is the same as in part (c) _

So once again, energy dissipated as heat in the resistor is $\frac{1}{2} CV_0^2$

At $t \rightarrow \infty$, $I = 0$ and voltage on capacitor is V_0 , \Rightarrow energy in capacitor is $\frac{1}{2} CV_0^2$

One half of the energy provided by the battery is dissipated as heat. The other half is stored in the capacitor

Griffiths 7.3



(a) Current flowing out of 2

$$I = \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

over a surface enclosing 2 -

$$\text{But } \vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E}$$

$$I = \sigma \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \sigma \frac{Q}{\epsilon_0} \quad (\text{Using Gauss' law})$$

$$\text{But } Q = CV \quad \text{so } I = \frac{\sigma CV}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\text{or } V = I \frac{\epsilon_0}{\sigma C} \quad \text{But } V = IR$$

Therefore

$$R = \frac{\epsilon_0}{\sigma C}$$

(b) This is same as the previous problem -
Everything happens with a time constant

$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{R}C \text{ ie}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \epsilon_0 / \sigma$$

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(e) $\frac{d\phi}{dt} = Blv = \text{emf}$ (up to a sign that I don't care about right now)

$$I = \frac{\text{emf}}{R}$$

$$I = Blv/R$$

The flux into the page is increasing - The current wants to setup a B-field that keeps the flux as constant as possible, i.e. a B field out of the page - By the right-hand rule the induced current is counter-clockwise through the resistor

(b) $F = IlB$

$$F = B^2 l^2 v / R$$

In the bar the current is flowing upwards

Then the force is *to the left*

(c) $F = ma$, with the acceleration being to the left, i.e., in the direction opposite to the velocity

$$\text{Acceleration } \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{F}{m} = -\frac{Bl^2 v}{mR}$$



(The minus sign is there because of this)

The simple differential equation has solution

$$v(t) = v_0 \exp\left(-\frac{Bl^2 t}{mR}\right)$$

$$(d) E = \int_0^{\infty} I^2 R dt = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{Blv}{R}\right)^2 R dt$$

$$E = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{B^2 l^2 v^2}{R} dt = \frac{B^2 l^2 v_0^2}{R} \int_0^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{2Bl^2 t}{mR}\right) dt$$

$$E = \frac{B^2 l^2 v_0^2}{R} \cdot \frac{mR}{2B^2 l^2}$$

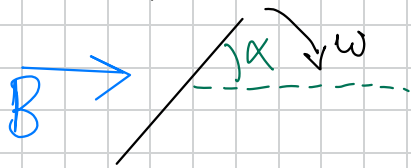
$$E = \frac{1}{2} m v_0^2$$

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$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ This then implies that the integral $\int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{\alpha}$ is the same through any surface, with any shape, with the same boundary line. See theorem 2c on page 52.

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Let α be the angle that the perpendicular to the loop makes it with the B field



$$\alpha = \omega t + \alpha_0$$

Area of loop $A = a^2$

Flux $\phi = BA \sin \phi = B a^2 \sin(\omega t + \alpha_0)$

$$\text{emf} = - \frac{d\phi}{dt}$$

$$\text{emf} = -\omega B a^2 \cos \omega t + \alpha_0$$