

Chapter 26

7. The cross-sectional area of wire is given by $A = \pi r^2$, where r is its radius (half its thickness). The magnitude of the current density vector is

$$J = i / A = i / \pi r^2,$$

so

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{i}{\pi J}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.50 \text{ A}}{\pi (440 \times 10^4 \text{ A/m}^2)}} = 1.9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}.$$

The diameter of the wire is therefore $d = 2r = 2(1.9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}) = 3.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$.

14. Since the potential difference V and current i are related by $V = iR$, where R is the resistance of the electrician, the fatal voltage is $V = (50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A})(2000 \Omega) = 100 \text{ V}$.

17. We find the conductivity of Nichrome (the reciprocal of its resistivity) as follows:

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{L}{RA} = \frac{L}{(V/i)A} = \frac{Li}{VA} = \frac{(1.0 \text{ m})(4.0 \text{ A})}{(2.0 \text{ V})(1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2)} = 2.0 \times 10^6 / \Omega \cdot \text{m}.$$

19. The resistance of the wire is given by $R = \rho L / A$, where ρ is the resistivity of the material, L is the length of the wire, and A is its cross-sectional area. In this case,

$$A = \pi r^2 = \pi (0.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})^2 = 7.85 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2.$$

Thus,

$$\rho = \frac{RA}{L} = \frac{(50 \times 10^{-3} \Omega) (7.85 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2)}{2.0 \text{ m}} = 2.0 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \cdot \text{m}.$$

23. We use $J = E/\rho$, where E is the magnitude of the (uniform) electric field in the wire, J is the magnitude of the current density, and ρ is the resistivity of the material. The electric field is given by $E = V/L$, where V is the potential difference along the wire and L is the length of the wire. Thus $J = V/L\rho$ and

$$\rho = \frac{V}{LJ} = \frac{115 \text{ V}}{(10 \text{ m})(1.4 \times 10^4 \text{ A/m}^2)} = 8.2 \times 10^{-4} \Omega \cdot \text{m}.$$

40. The resistance is $R = P/i^2 = (100 \text{ W})/(3.00 \text{ A})^2 = 11.1 \Omega$.

41. (a) Electrical energy is converted to heat at a rate given by $P = V^2/R$, where V is the potential difference across the heater and R is the resistance of the heater. Thus,

$$P = \frac{(120 \text{ V})^2}{14 \Omega} = 1.0 \times 10^3 \text{ W} = 1.0 \text{ kW}.$$

(b) The cost is given by $(1.0 \text{ kW})(5.0 \text{ h})(5.0 \text{ cents/kW} \cdot \text{h}) = \text{US\$}0.25$.

49. (a) Assuming a 31-day month, the monthly cost is

$$(100 \text{ W})(24 \text{ h/day})(31 \text{ days/month})(6 \text{ cents/kW} \cdot \text{h}) = 446 \text{ cents} = \text{US\$}4.46.$$

(b) $R = V^2/P = (120 \text{ V})^2/100 \text{ W} = 144 \Omega$.

(c) $i = P/V = 100 \text{ W}/120 \text{ V} = 0.833 \text{ A}$.

53. (a) From $P = V^2/R$ we find $R = V^2/P = (120 \text{ V})^2/500 \text{ W} = 28.8 \Omega$.

(b) Since $i = P/V$, the rate of electron transport is

$$\frac{i}{e} = \frac{P}{eV} = \frac{500 \text{ W}}{(1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(120 \text{ V})} = 2.60 \times 10^{19} / \text{s}.$$

66. The horsepower required is $P = \frac{iV}{0.80} = \frac{(10 \text{ A})(12 \text{ V})}{(0.80)(746 \text{ W/hp})} = 0.20 \text{ hp}$.

and the negative terminal.