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## Level 2 Physics, 2015

### 91173 Demonstrate understanding of electricity and electromagnetism

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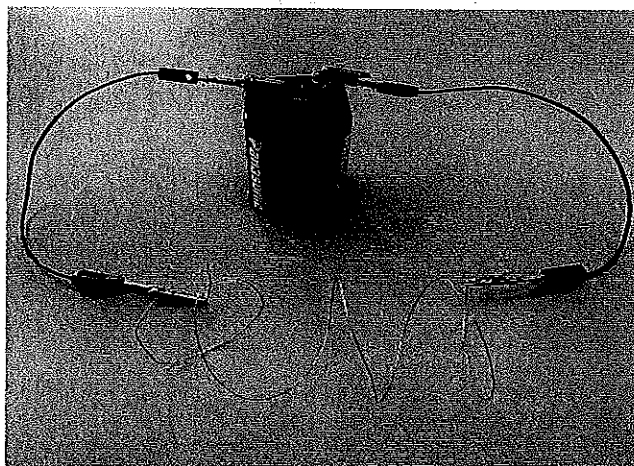
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# QUESTION ONE: ELECTRIC FIELD IN A WIRE

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Hamish connects a circuit as shown in the picture below. The circuit comprises a 6.0 V battery, 1.0 m of Nichrome resistance wire and two connecting wires. The battery produces a uniform electric field in the Nichrome resistance wire.



Assume that the connecting wires have no resistance.

- (a) Calculate the strength of the electric field in the Nichrome resistance wire.

$$E = \frac{V}{d}$$

$$E = 6.0 \times 1 = 6$$

$$E = 6 \text{ V m}^{-1}$$

- (b) Explain what happens to the size of the electric force on an electron as it travels through the Nichrome resistance wire.

~~increases as the battery is~~  $F = Eq$   $F = 6 \times -1.6 \times 10^{-19}$

$F = -9.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ N}$  the force experienced when travelling through the normal wire. the force acting upon the electron

will significantly decrease as the resistor/Nichrome decreases the current, voltage and increases resistance so a decrease in the strength of these components will decrease the electric force size.

- (c) Calculate the distance moved by an electron as it loses  $9.6 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$  of electrical potential energy.

$$E_p = Eqd$$

$$(Eq)(d) = \frac{E_p}{(Eq)}$$

$$\rightarrow d = 0.95 \text{ m}$$

$$\rightarrow d = 1 \text{ m}$$

$$d = -9.6 \times 10^{-20}$$

$$\rightarrow d = 1 \times 10^{-39} \text{ m}$$

$$(b) \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \left( -1.6 \times 10^{-19} \right)$$

- (d) Hamish then adds another 6.0 V battery in series AND shortens the wire to 0.50 m.  $\frac{1}{2}$

Write a comprehensive explanation on what will happen to the size of the force on the electron.

Calculations are not needed.

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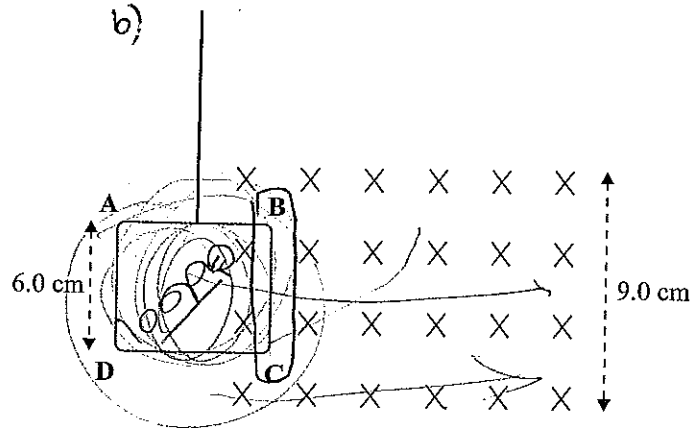
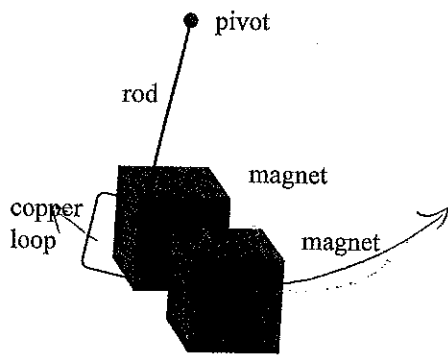
When Hamish adds another identical -6V battery to the series circuit the total voltage in the circuit will increase. Because of the equation  $E = \frac{V}{d}$  an increase in voltage  $\rightarrow 12V$  and the decrease in distance from 1m to 0.5m will increase the strength of the ~~magnetic~~ field. With the negative charge on the electron remaining the same and an increase in the strength of the electric field, using the equation  $F$  (force) - or in this case the force on the electron =  $E$  (electric field strength) ~~which~~ which we know has increased multiplied by  $q$  (charge in coulombs) which has remained the same. The increase in electric field strength because of the increase in voltage and decrease in what it is divided by - distance this being the increasing component of the size of the force the size of the force will increase on the electron.

realised the voltage increases, but then mixed up magnetic and electric fields

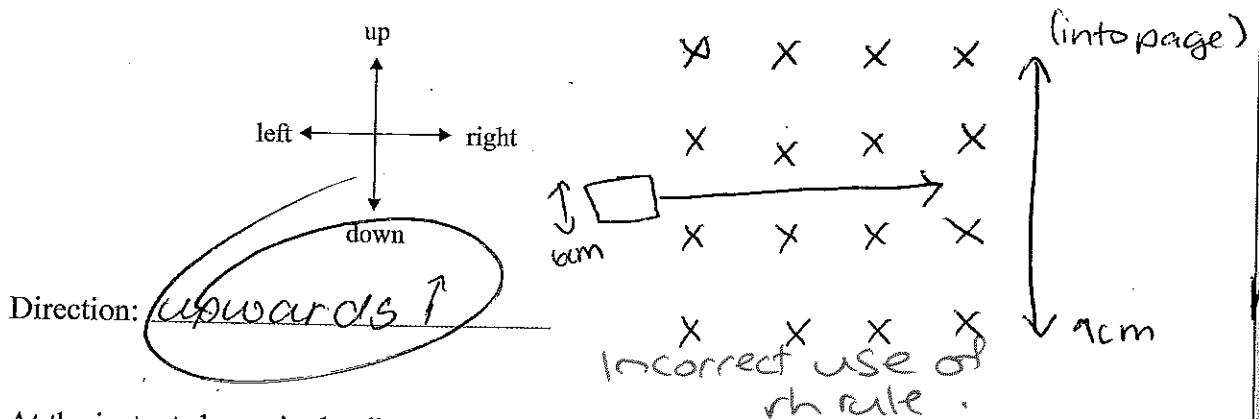
## QUESTION TWO: THE ELECTROMAGNETIC SWING

Monique builds a swing to show electromagnetic induction. It comprises a light rod, pivoted at the top so it can swing, and a loop of copper wire at the bottom. She places two strong magnets at the lowest point of the motion with opposite poles facing each other.  $\rightarrow$  attraction  $\rightleftharpoons$

The diagrams below show the loop entering the magnetic field.



- (a) Determine the direction of the force acting on electrons in the wire BC, due to their motion in the magnetic field.



- (b) At the instant shown in the diagram, the voltage across the wire BC is 0.15 mV.

Calculate the speed of the wire loop. (through the mag. field.)

The magnetic field strength is  $3.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ T}$ .

$$BC = 6 \text{ cm}$$

$$0.06 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = E \times v$$

$$\mathcal{E} = 3.0 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.15$$

$$\mathcal{E} = 4.5 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = 4.5 \text{ mV}$$

$$R = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{I} \quad I = 3.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A}$$

$$E = \frac{V}{d} \quad \frac{V}{a} = E \times d$$

$$V = 3.0 \times 10^{-3} \times 4.5$$

$$V = 0.0135 \text{ mV}$$

confused V for voltage  
for velocity

- (e) Monique repeats the experiment, but starts the swing from a greater height. The speed of the loop at the point shown in the diagram is doubled.

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Explain what happens to the size of the current in the loop.

- the current will increase as the velocity (speed) of the loop is doubled the current will increase as the loop is moving faster through the magnetic field and it is generating more magnetic and electrical energy interacting with other particles the current generated will increase.
- (d) A short time later the whole loop is inside the magnetic field.
- needed to support answer with evidence.

Write a comprehensive explanation about the current in the loop when the whole loop is in the magnetic field.

$$IR = \frac{V}{R} \quad P = IV \quad IV = \frac{PT}{\Delta t}$$

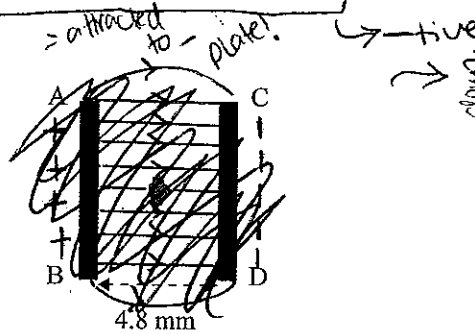
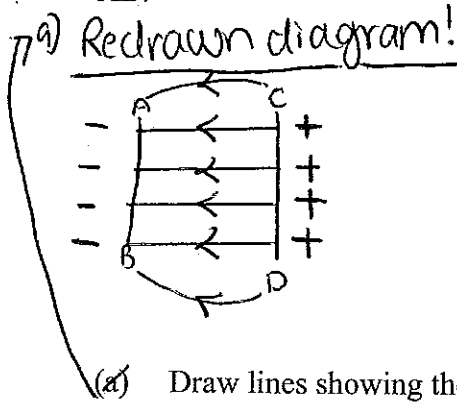
Since now the whole loop is inside the magnetic field - to create an electric field an object or particle must be inserted - with movement between two polar magnets. This is done in this experiment and for the current in the loop to change there must be an increase in the magnetic field strength - there is! The increase is ~~caused~~ caused by the increased size of the object - and because the loop of copper wire is increased, when the whole loop is in, wire being a conductor it increases the voltage across the wires and increases the magnetic field strength as there is far more movement generating more power. Because of this increase in field strength and voltage the current in the loop will increase as it is moving far more and is fully inside the magnetic field causing it to increase in strength.

### QUESTION THREE: THE SMOKE DETECTOR

Charge on an electron =  $-1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

One type of smoke detector comprises a pair of metal plates 4.8 mm apart, connected to a battery. Alpha particles from a radioactive source ionise particles of smoke between the plates. This causes the smoke particles to lose one or more electrons and become charged. *electric field.*

The diagram below shows a positively charged smoke particle. The force on the particle is towards is *losing electrons when smoke there it is too thick to stop and alpha stream stops causing the circuit to break = alarm!*



*= smoke particle.*

(a) Draw lines showing the electric field between the plates.

Include the direction of the field lines.

The mass of the smoke particle is  $1.7 \times 10^{-7} \text{ kg}$

(b) A particular smoke particle loses two electrons. It then experiences a force of  $5.88 \times 10^{-16} \text{ N}$  due to the electric field.

Calculate the strength of the electric field.

$$F = Eq \quad Eq = F \rightarrow E = \frac{F}{q}$$

$$E = \frac{5.88 \times 10^{-16}}{(-1.6 \times 10^{-19}) \times 2} = -1837.5 \text{ NC}^{-1}$$

(c) Maria brings a magnet close to the smoke detector. The magnet produces a magnetic field of strength  $3.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ T}$ , which, with reference to the diagram above, is directed into the page.

State the size of the force due to the magnet on the stationary smoke particle.

Explain your answer.

$$F = Eq \quad F = 5.88 \times 10^{-16} + 3.0 \times 10^{-2} = 0.03 \text{ N}$$

*The force is small, this is because of the mag magnetic field now created there is no movement as the particle is stationary and even though it is positively charged there is also needs to be a force acting on the movement for the magnetic field to increase and therefore the strength force to also increase.*

$$\frac{4.8}{2} = 2.4$$

- (d) The smoke particle becomes ionised by losing two electrons when it is 2.4 mm from plate AB.

Calculate the speed of the smoke particle when it reaches the plate AB.

Assume that only the electric force acts on the smoke particle.

$$W = (-1837.5) \times (1.7 \times 10^{-7}) \times (0.4 \times 10^{-3})$$

$$\text{speed} = -1.4994 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 1.4994 \times 10^{-3}$$

used mass of electron  
not the charge

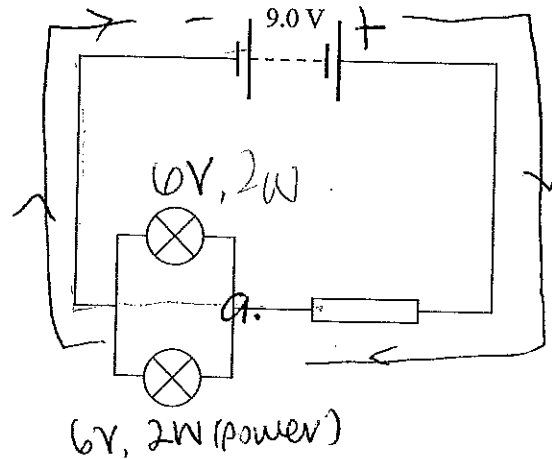
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# QUESTION FOUR: CIRCUITS

Kahu has two identical lamps marked 6.0 V, 2.0 W. He wants to connect them to a 9.0 V battery. He realises that he will have to connect a resistor to reduce the voltage across the lamps.

He connects the circuit shown below.



- (a) Calculate the current in each lamp when it is operating at its normal brightness.

$$P = IV \quad I = \frac{P}{V} \quad I = \frac{2}{6} \quad I = 0.33 \text{ A}$$

- (b) Calculate the resistance of the resistor that he should use so that the lamps are at their normal brightness.

9 - 3 = 6V 3Ω resistor, as current flows from positive to negative and the lamps ~~have~~ are 6V at normal brightness so  $9 - 6 = 3 = 3\Omega$ .

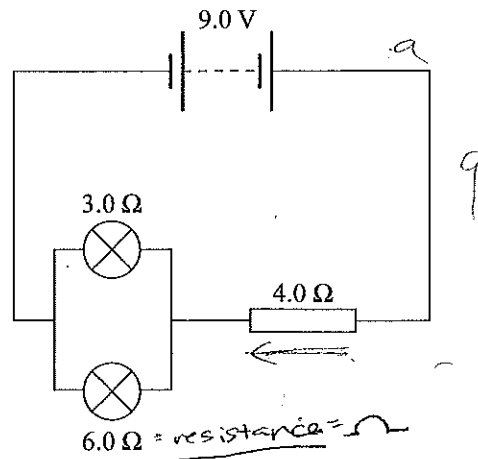
- (c) What will happen to the current in the resistor if one lamp "blows"?

Explain your answer.

current in the  
If one lamp blows the resistor will remain the same as even though the current is divided when both lamps are working because of the parallelism in the series circuit once both wires connect again at a. (on diagram) the current combines to its original and that is what is in the resistor. Because in a parallel circuit there are alternate paths the current will all go through the working lamp and the same amount will flow through the resistor.



Kahu sets up a new circuit with different lamps and resistor, as shown in the diagram below.



- (d) Calculate the voltage across the  $4.0\ \Omega$  resistor.

~~$V = IR$  voltage = current~~  
 ~~$I = \frac{V}{R}$  current = voltage~~

$V = IR$

$V = I (13)$

$= 5\text{ V}$

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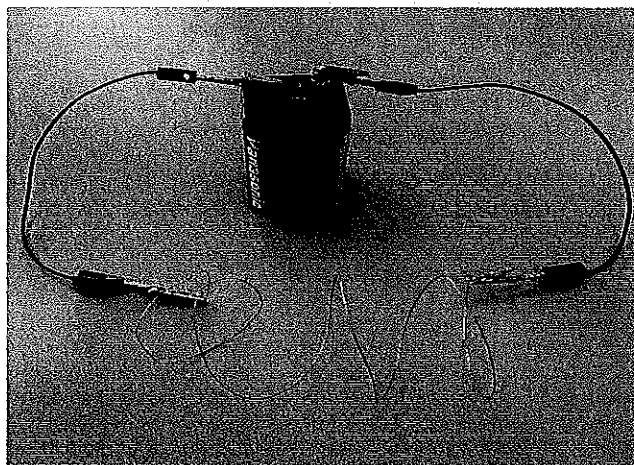
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Assume that the connecting wires have no resistance.

- (a) Calculate the strength of the electric field in the Nichrome resistance wire.

$$E = \frac{V}{d} = \frac{6\text{V}}{1\text{m}} = 6\text{Vm}^{-1}$$

- (b) Explain what happens to the size of the electric force on an electron as it travels through the Nichrome resistance wire.

- (c) Calculate the distance moved by an electron as it loses  $9.6 \times 10^{-20} \text{ J}$  of electrical potential energy.

$$d = \frac{\Delta E}{E \times q}$$

$$d = \frac{9.6 \times 10^{-20}}{6\text{Vm}^{-1} \times -1.6 \times 10^{-19}\text{C}}$$

$$d = 0.1\text{m}$$

- (d) Hamish then adds another 6.0 V battery in series AND shortens the wire to 0.50 m.

Write a comprehensive explanation on what will happen to the size of the force on the electron.

Calculations are not needed.

When you add  $6V$  and take off  $0.5m$  of wire there is no change to the ~~E~~ Electric Field Strength so therefore you are not making any changes to the ~~field~~ force on the electron. ~~so~~ The size of the force on the electron will remain the same.

could not apply  $E = \frac{V}{d}$ .

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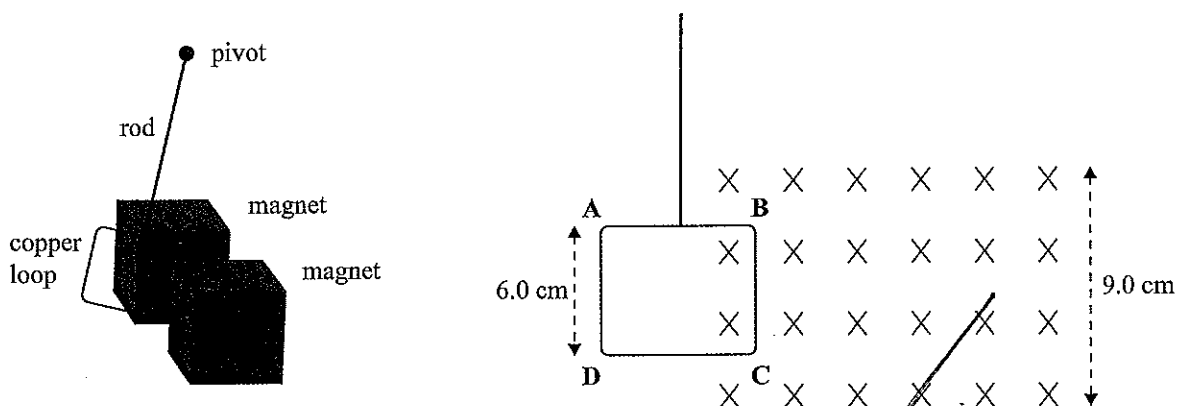
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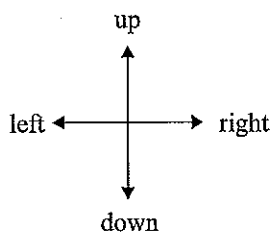
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Monique builds a swing to show electromagnetic induction. It comprises a light rod, pivoted at the top so it can swing, and a loop of copper wire at the bottom. She places two strong magnets at the lowest point of the motion with opposite poles facing each other.

The diagrams below show the loop entering the magnetic field.



- (a) Determine the direction of the force acting on **electrons** in the wire BC, due to their motion in the magnetic field.



Direction:

up

incorrect use of  
rh rule.

- (b) At the instant shown in the diagram, the voltage across the wire BC is 0.15 mV.

Calculate the speed of the wire loop.

The magnetic field strength is  $3.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ T}$ .

$$V = B_v L$$

$$v = \frac{V}{BL}$$

$$= \frac{0.0015}{3.0 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.06 \text{ m}}$$

$$v = 0.83 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

- (c) Monique repeats the experiment, but starts the swing from a greater height. The speed of the loop at the point shown in the diagram is doubled.

Explain what happens to the size of the current in the loop.

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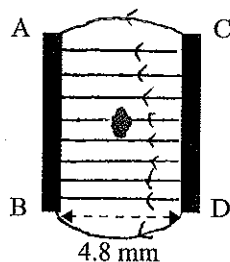
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Calculate the strength of the electric field.

$$F = Eq \quad E = F/q \quad E = \frac{5.88 \times 10^{-16} \text{ N}}{2(1.6 \times 10^{-19})}$$

$$E = 1837 \text{ NC}^{-1}$$

- (c) Maria brings a magnet close to the smoke detector. The magnet produces a magnetic field of strength  $3.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ T}$ , which, with reference to the diagram above, is directed into the page.

State the size of the force due to the magnet on the stationary smoke particle.

Explain your answer.

$$F = Bqv$$

$$F = 3.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ T} \times 3.2 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \times 0$$

could not use  $v=0$   
as stationary

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Calculate the speed of the smoke particle when it reaches the plate AB.

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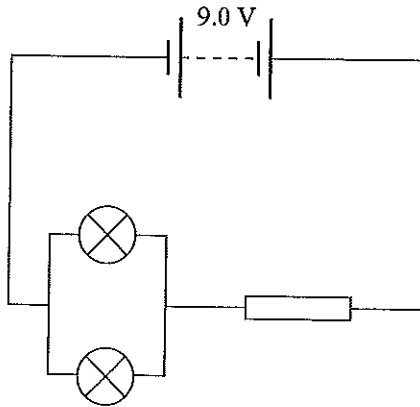
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He connects the circuit shown below.



- (a) Calculate the current in each lamp when it is operating at its normal brightness.

$$I = \frac{P}{V} \quad I = \frac{2}{6} \text{ or } 0.33 \text{ amps}$$

- (b) Calculate the resistance of the resistor that he should use so that the lamps are at their normal brightness.

$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{9}{0.66} = 13.5 \Omega$$

Found total current.

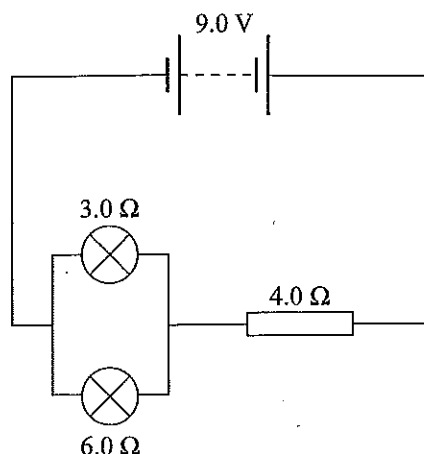
- (c) What will happen to the current in the resistor if one lamp "blows"?

Explain your answer.

Nothing will happen to the current in the resistor. The resistor is in series with the two lamps so the current will only have an effect on the other lamp.

Did not realise that changing part of the circuit alters the resistance and current

Kahu sets up a new circuit with different lamps and resistor, as shown in the diagram below.



- (d) Calculate the voltage across the 4.0 Ω resistor.

~~V~~ in Series Voltage is shared so

$$\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{4}{6} \times 9 = 6V$$

$$R_T = 2$$

$$R_T = 2 + 4 = 6 \Omega$$

The voltage across the 4 Ω Resistor is 6V

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