

Fundamentals of Electrical Circuits

(Problems)

Introductory Concept of Electrical Circuits

Electric Current

1. A hair dryer draws a current of 3A. If it is switched on for 5 minutes,

- How much charge, and
- How many electrons have passed through it?

Given:

$$Q = ?$$

$$t = 5 \text{ min} \times 60 = 300 \text{ sec}$$

$$I = 3A$$

Solution:

a. $Q = I \times t$

$$Q = 3A \times 300 \text{ sec}$$

$$Q = 900C \text{ **ANS**}$$

b. Charge of 1 electron = $1.6 \times 10^{-19} C$

$$\text{No. of electrons} = \frac{900C}{1.6 \times 10^{-19} C}$$

$$\text{No. of electrons} = 5.625 \times 10^{21} \text{ **ANS**}$$