

31.47. Solve: (a) Current is defined as $I = Q/\Delta t$, so the charge delivered in time Δt is

$$Q = I\Delta t = (150 \text{ A})(0.80 \text{ s}) = 120 \text{ C}$$

(b) The drift speed is

$$v_d = \frac{J}{ne} = \frac{I/A}{ne} = \frac{I}{\pi r^2 ne} = \frac{150 \text{ A}}{\pi (0.0025 \text{ m})^2 (8.5 \times 10^{28} \text{ m}^{-3})(1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})} = 5.617 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m/s}$$

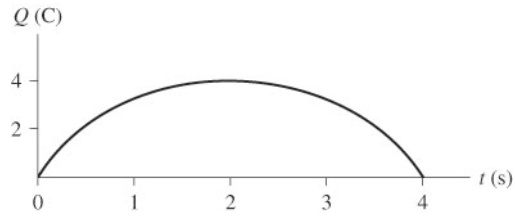
At this speed the electrons drift a distance

$$d = (5.617 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m/s})(0.80 \text{ s}) = 4.49 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m} = 0.45 \text{ mm}$$

31.48. Solve: The total charge in the battery is

$$Q = I\Delta t = (90 \text{ A})(3600 \text{ s}) = 3.2 \times 10^5 \text{ C}$$

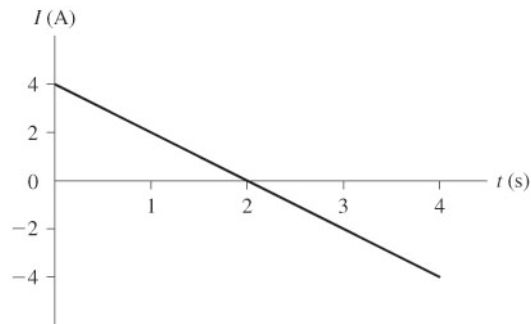
31.53. Solve: (a)



(b) Since $I = \Delta Q / \Delta t$, for infinitesimal changes

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(4t - t^2) = 4 - 2t$$

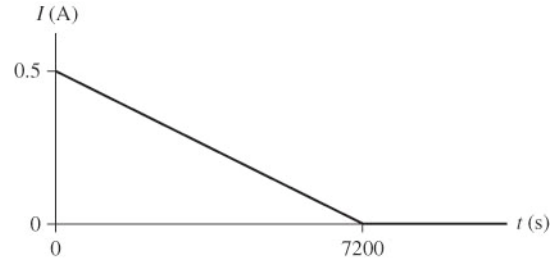
(c)



(d) The value of I at $t = 2.0$ s is zero. This is because the charge, having reached its maximum value, has stopped entering the wire. The negative values of I mean that charge is flowing out of the wire.

31.63. Model: Assume the battery is ideal.

Visualize: The current supplied by the battery and passing through the wire is $I = \Delta V_{\text{bat}}/R$. A graph of current versus time has exactly the same shape as the graph of ΔV_{bat} with an initial value of $I_0 = (\Delta V_{\text{bat}})_0/R = (1.5 \text{ V})/(3.0 \Omega) = 0.50 \text{ A}$. The horizontal axis has been changed to seconds.



Solve: Current is $I = dQ/dt$. Thus the total charge supplied by the battery is

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \int_0^{\infty} I dt = \text{area under the current-versus-time graph} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(7200 \text{ s})(0.50 \text{ A}) = 1.80 \times 10^3 \text{ C} \end{aligned}$$

31.68. Solve: (a) The charge delivered is

$$(50 \times 10^3 \text{ A})(50 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}) = 2.5 \text{ C}.$$

(b) The current in the lightning rod and the potential drop across it are related by Equation 31.22. Using ρ for iron from Table 31.2,

$$I = \frac{A}{\rho L} \Delta V \Rightarrow A = \frac{\rho L I}{\Delta V} = \frac{(9.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ } \Omega\text{m})(5.0 \text{ m})(50 \times 10^3 \text{ A})}{100 \text{ V}} = 2.43 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$$

This is the area required for a maximum voltage drop of 100 V. The corresponding diameter of the lightning rod is

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}} = \sqrt{\frac{2.43 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2}{\pi}} = 8.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} = 8.8 \text{ mm}$$