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1. An inductor
    - A) is a circuit element that stores electric potential energy
    - B) is a circuit element that provides a potential difference
    - C) is a circuit element that opposes changes in current
    - D) is a circuit element that provides resistance to the flow of charge
    - E) is a circuit element that measures the current in a circuit
  2. Which combination of units can be used to express inductance?
    - A)  $\text{T}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{A}$
    - B)  $\text{T}\cdot\text{m}/\text{A}$
    - C)  $\text{T}^2\cdot\text{m}/\text{A}$
    - D)  $\text{T}\cdot\text{m}/\text{A}^2$
    - E)  $\text{T}^2\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{A}$
  3. In an  $RL$  circuit,  $\mathcal{E} = 9\text{ V}$ ,  $R = 30\ \Omega$ , and  $L = 6\text{ mH}$ . How much energy is stored in the inductor's magnetic field when the current reaches its maximum steady-state value?
    - A) Zero
    - B)  $1.6 \times 10^{-4}\text{ J}$
    - C)  $2.7 \times 10^{-4}\text{ J}$
    - D)  $1.6 \times 10^{-3}\text{ J}$
    - E)  $8.1 \times 10^{-3}\text{ J}$
  4. When two circuits create magnetic flux through each other, what is the same for both circuits?
    - A) magnetic flux
    - B) current
    - C) mutual inductance
    - D) emf
    - E) capacitance
  5. Which of the following does the inductance of an inductor depend on?
    - A) number of turns per length
    - B) length
    - C) radius
    - D) physical constants
    - E) all of the above
  6. The Henry ( $H$ ) is the SI unit for which of the following?
    - A) potential difference
    - B) magnetic field
    - C) electric field
    - D) current
    - E) inductance
  7. At equilibrium, what is the voltage across an inductor?
    - A) zero
    - B) infinity
    - C)  $LI$
    - D)  $2LI$
    - E)  $LI^2$
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8. The time constant of an  $RL$  circuit is equal to
- A)  $LR$
  - B)  $L/R$
  - C)  $LR^2$
  - D)  $L^2R$
  - E)  $L^2/R$
9. In an  $RL$  circuit as,  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , what does the current in the circuit approach?
- A)  $V/R$
  - B) Zero
  - C) Infinity
  - D)  $LR$
  - E)  $L/R$
10. After an inductor in an  $RL$  circuit has been connected to a battery for a very long time, a switch is flipped causing the inductor to be connected to a resistor of resistance  $R$ . As  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , what does the current in the circuit approach?
- A)  $V/R$
  - B) zero
  - C) infinity
  - D)  $LR$
  - E)  $L/R$
11. What is the equation for current growth in an inductor in an  $RL$  circuit?
- A)  $I(t) = V/R$
  - B)  $I(t) = (1 - e^{-(R/L)t})V/R$
  - C)  $I(t) = (e^{-(R/L)t})V/R$
  - D)  $I(t) = (1 + e^{-(R/L)t})V/R$
  - E)  $I(t) = (e^{-(R/L)t} - 1)V/R$
12. What is the equation for current decay in an inductor in an  $RL$  circuit?
- A)  $I(t) = V/R$
  - B)  $I(t) = V/R(1 - e^{-(R/L)t})$
  - C)  $I(t) = V/R(e^{-(R/L)t})$
  - D)  $I(t) = V/R(1 + e^{-(R/L)t})$
  - E)  $I(t) = V/R(e^{-(R/L)t} - 1)$
13. What is the equation for the magnitude of voltage across an inductor during current growth in an  $RL$  circuit?
- A)  $V(t) = IR$
  - B)  $V(t) = V_0(1 - e^{-(R/L)t})$
  - C)  $V(t) = V_0e^{-(R/L)t}$
  - D)  $V(t) = V_0(1 + e^{-(R/L)t})$
  - E)  $V(t) = V_0(e^{-(R/L)t} - 1)$
14. What is the equation for the magnitude of voltage across an inductor during current decay in an  $RL$  circuit?
- A)  $V(t) = IR$
  - B)  $V(t) = V_0(1 - e^{-(R/L)t})$
  - C)  $V(t) = V_0e^{-(R/L)t}$
  - D)  $V(t) = V_0(1 + e^{-(R/L)t})$
  - E)  $V(t) = V_0(e^{-(R/L)t} - 1)$
15. The voltage across an inductor is proportional to the
- A) current through the inductor
  - B) the resistance of the inductor
  - C) the charge on the inductor
  - D) the rate of change voltage across the inductor
  - E) the rate of change of current through the inductor

**Answer Key**  
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