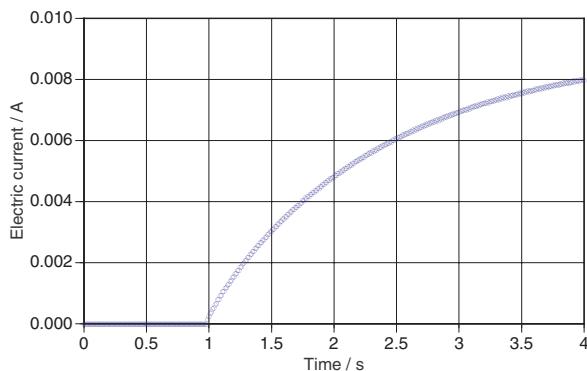


# PHYSICS EXAM

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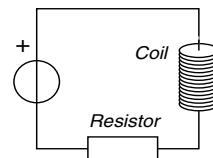


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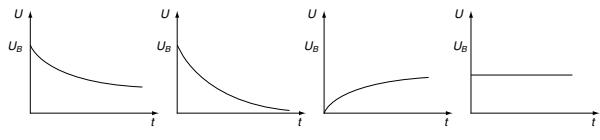
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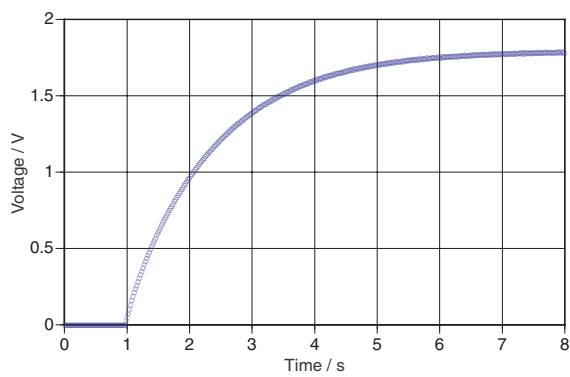
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5. A  $100\ \mu\text{F}$  capacitor is charged to voltage of  $10\ \text{V}$ . Then it is hooked up to a resistor having a resistance of  $100\ \Omega$ . The rate of change of the energy of the capacitor at the beginning is

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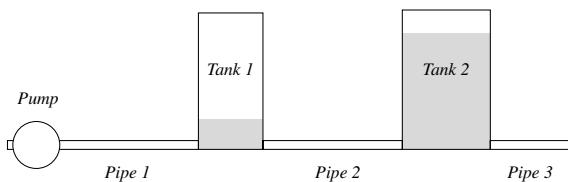
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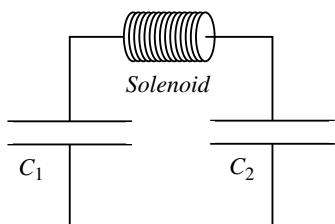
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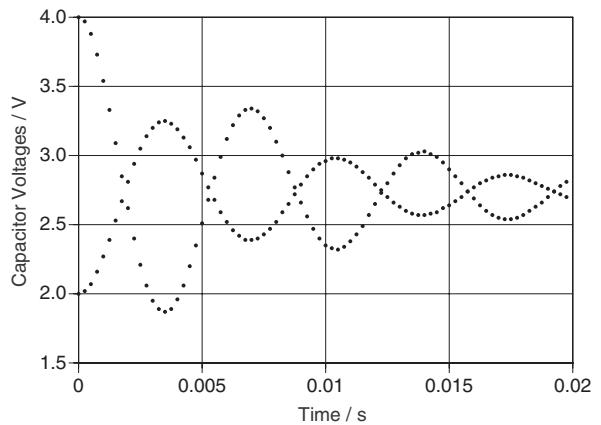


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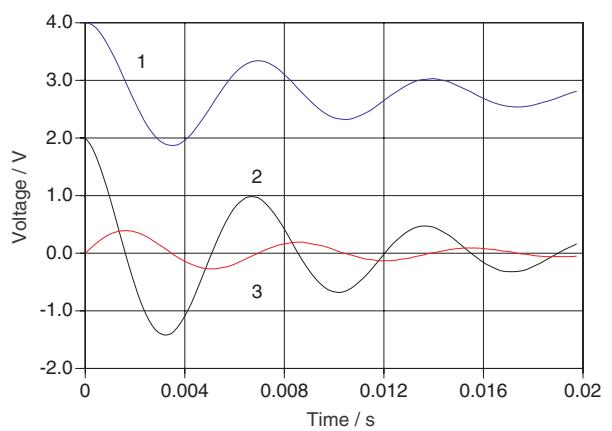
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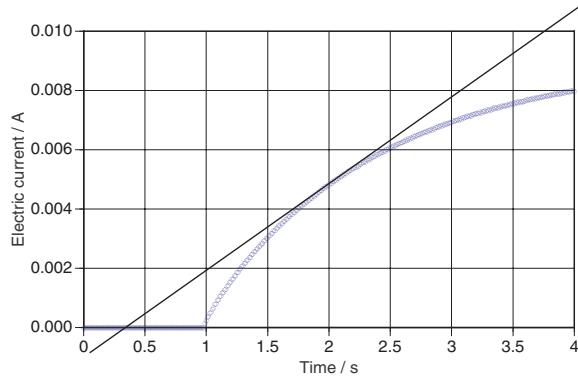
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- Use the data of the capacitor voltages to determine graphically the electrical current at the point  $t = 0.0875 \text{ s}$  (when both voltages are the same). What is the energy of the solenoid's magnetic field at that moment?
- There are three voltages represented in the second diagram below. Which of the three curves shows the inductive voltage? What are your reasons for believing this?



- Why is it that from  $t = 0 \text{ s}$  until the end of the first period the change of energy in the circuit (meaning the total energy of capacitors and solenoids) equals the change of energy of the two capacitors?

# SOLUTIONS

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Explanation:  $dI_Q / dt = \text{slope of tangent at } t = 2 \text{ s.}$

Slope  $\approx 0.010 \text{ A} / 3.38 \text{ s} = 0.0030 \text{ A/s.}$

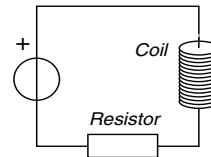
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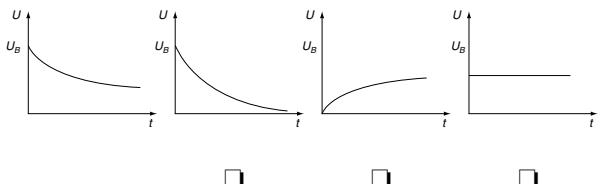
Explanation: Two processes take place in the pipe: fluid friction (because of flow) and induction (because of change of flow).  $\Delta P_{\text{pipe}}$  is responsible for both.

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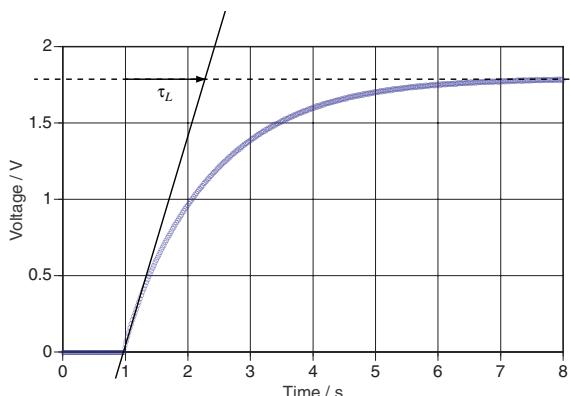
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Explanation: At  $t = 0 \text{ s}$ ,  $U_R = 0 \text{ V}$  (since  $I_Q = 0 \text{ A}$ ), therefore  $U_{\text{coil}} = U_B$ . After a long time,  $dI_Q / dt = 0$  and  $I_Q \neq 0$ , therefore  $U_L = 0$ , but  $U_{\text{coil}} = U_{R_{\text{coil}}} = R_{\text{coil}} \cdot I_Q \neq 0$ !

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Explanation: Inductive time constant  $\tau_L = L / R$ .  
 From the graph,  $\tau_L \approx 1.35$  s. Therefore,  $R = L / \tau_L \approx 500$  Ohm.

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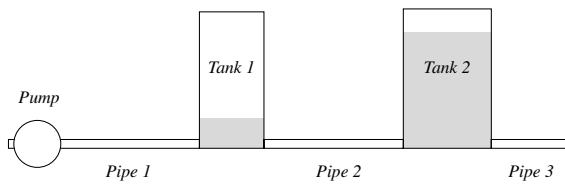
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- 10 W
- 0.10 J/s

Explanation:  $dW/dt = I_W$ ,  $I_W = U \cdot I_Q$ . At  $t = 0$  s,

$$I_Q = U_R / R = U_C / R = 10 / 100 \text{ A} = 0.10 \text{ A}.$$

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### SOLUTION

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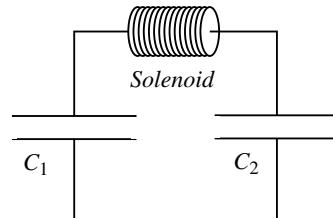
$$\text{b. } P_{\text{pump}} = \Delta p_{\text{pump}} \cdot IV_1 = 1 \cdot 10^5 \cdot 9.0 \cdot 10^{-2} = 9000 \text{ W}$$

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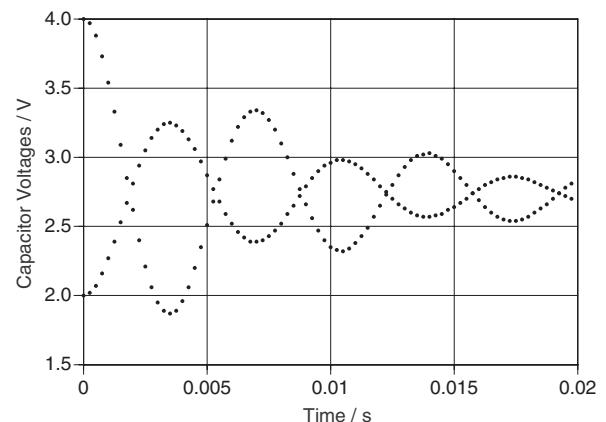
$$\text{d. } dV_1/dt = IV_1 - IV_2 = 9.0 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3/\text{s} - (-7.0 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}) = 16.0 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

$$\text{e. } dW_2/dt = -(|IV_2| + |IV_3|) \cdot \Delta p C_2 = -23.0 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 1000 \cdot 10 \cdot 8 \text{ Pa} = -1840 \text{ W}$$

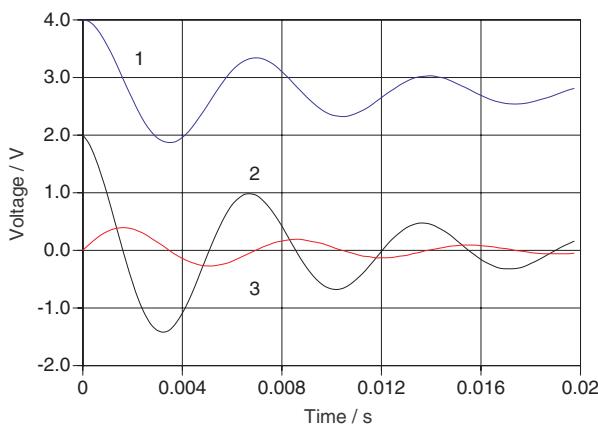
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