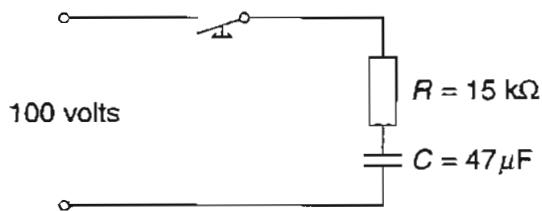


Question 20 (5 marks)

An electrical circuit is shown.



Calculate, showing all working:

- (a) the time constant for the circuit;

2

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_C &= RC \\ &= 15 \text{ k}\Omega \times 47 \mu\text{F} \\ &= 0.705 \text{ Sec} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) the maximum circuit current;

1

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{V}{R} \\ &= \frac{100}{15000} = 6.67 \text{ mA} \end{aligned}$$

- (c) the value of resistance to be added to change the time constant to one second.

2

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_C &= RC \\ 1 &= R \times 47 \mu\text{F} \\ \frac{1}{47 \mu\text{F}} &= 12 \quad R = 21276.5 \text{ }\Omega \end{aligned}$$