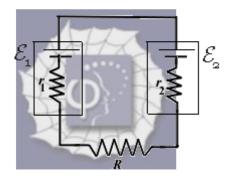
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Problem 33.7 (RHK)

For the circuit shown in the figure, we have to find (a) the value of R so that the current in the circuit is 50 mA. We may take $E_1 = 2.0 \text{ V}$, $E_2 = 3.0 \text{ V}$, and $r_1 = r_2 = 3.0 \Omega$. (b) We have to find the rate at which internal energy appears in R.



Solution:

In the circuit shown in the figure

$$E_1 = 2.0 V,$$

 $E_2 = 3.0 V,$
and
 $r_1 = r_2 = 3.0 \Omega.$
As

 $E_2 > E_1$, the direction of the current in the circuit will be counter-clockwise. Let the current in the circuit be *i* A. We go round the circuit in the counter-clockwise direction and write the algebraic equation for the potential changes. We have

$$-2.0 \text{ V} - ir_1 - iR - ir_2 + 3.0 \text{ V} = 0.$$

As $r_1 = r_2 = 3.0 \Omega$, we have

$$(6+R)i \Omega A = 1 V.$$

We want current, i, in the circuit to be 50 mA. Therefore, the value of R should be

$$R = \left(\frac{1}{50 \times 10^{-3}} - 6\right) \Omega = 14 \Omega.$$
(b)

Rate at which internal energy appears in *R* will be the Joule heat, and is given by the equation

$$P = i^2 R = (50 \times 10^{-3})^2 \times 14 \text{ W} = 35 \text{ mW}.$$