

Q. 03

The resistance of a bulb filament is 100Ω at a temperature of 100°C . If its temperature coefficient of resistance be 0.005 per $^\circ\text{C}$, its resistance will become 200Ω at a temperature of

- (a) 300°C
(c) 500°C

- (b) 400°C
(d) 200°C

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Ans

$$R_1 = R_0 [1 + \alpha \times 100] = 100 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$R_2 = R_0 [1 + \alpha \times T] = 200 \quad \dots(2)$$

On dividing we get

$$\frac{200}{100} = \frac{1 + \alpha T}{1 + 100\alpha} \Rightarrow 2 = \frac{1 + 0.005 T}{1 + 100 \times 0.005}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = 400^\circ\text{C}$$

NOTE We may use this expression as an approximation because the difference in the answers is appreciable. For accurate results one should use $R = R_0 e^{\alpha \Delta T}$