

# task\_70jg4yzznocarsq\_with\_calculation

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**Exercise E2 Temperature-dependent Resistance  
(written test, approx. 6 % of a 60-minute written test, WS2022)**

A refrigerator exhibits a temperature coefficient of resistance of  $\alpha = 0.01 \text{ K}^{-1}$  and a quadratic coefficient of  $\beta = 71 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-2}$ . The resistance of the system is  $R_0 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$  at  $T_0 = 25^\circ\text{C}$ .  
Its temperature coefficients are:  $\alpha = 0.01 \text{ K}^{-1}$  and  $\beta = 71 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-2}$

**Result**  
The temperature inside the refrigeration system can reach down to  $-40^\circ\text{C}$ .

Calculate the resistance of the thermostat at  $-40^\circ\text{C}$ .

$$R = 6.5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

The power transfer resistor  $R$  is part of the circuit and generates heat. Therefore, a solution is to use a heat sink to cool the resistor.

Therefore, with constant  $U$  and increasing  $R$  the power decreases. Ten times more resistance decreases the heat flow to one-tenth.

$$R = R_0 \cdot (1 + \alpha \cdot \Delta T + \beta \cdot \Delta T^2)$$

with  $\Delta T = T_{\text{end}} - T_{\text{start}}$

$$R = 10 \text{ k}\Omega \cdot (1 + 0.01 \text{ K}^{-1} \cdot (-40^\circ\text{C} - 25^\circ\text{C}) + 71 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-2} \cdot (-40^\circ\text{C} - 25^\circ\text{C})^2)$$

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