

5. What is the resistance of a copper wire 2.0 meters long with a cross-sectional area of  $6.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$ ?

6. a) What is the resistance of a nichrome wire 12 meters long with a diameter of  $2.7 \times 10^{-4}$  meter?

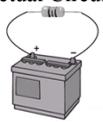
b) if the diameter of the wire above is doubled, what is its resistance?

### Simple Circuits and Schematics

Schematic: diagram using symbols to represent circuit elements

For each circuit shown below, draw a corresponding schematic diagram using appropriate Circuit Symbols

1. Actual Circuit



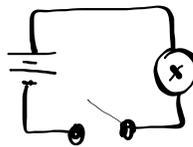
Schematic Diagram of Circuit



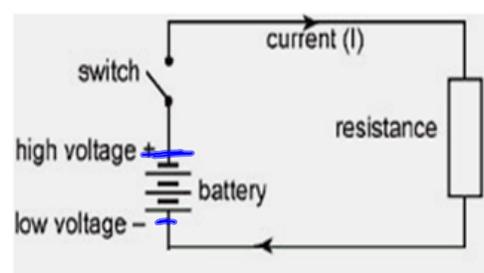
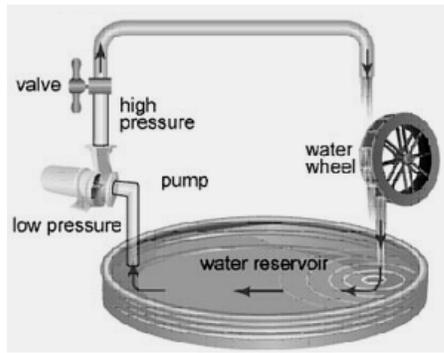
2. Actual Circuit



Schematic Diagram of Circuit



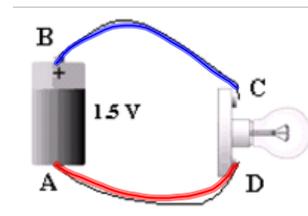
## Water Analogy for a Simple Circuit



## Electric Circuits

1. For the electric circuit shown, what is the potential (voltage) at:

Point A	Point B	Point C	Point D
0v	+1.5v	+1.5v	0v



2. For the electric circuit shown, what is the potential difference from:

A→B	B→C	C→D	D→A
+1.5v	0	-1.5v	0

Electromotive Force (emf): conversion from some other form of energy into electrical energy **voltage rise, potential increase**

Potential difference (pd): conversion from electrical energy into some other form of energy **voltage drop, potential decrease**

Device				pd or emf?	
Cell	<i>converts energy from</i>	chemical	<i>into</i>	electrical	emf
Resistor		electrical		internal	pd
Microphone		sound		electrical	emf
Loudspeaker		electrical		sound	pd
Lamp		electrical		light (and internal)	pd
Photovoltaic cell		light		electrical	emf
Dynamo		kinetic		electrical	emf
Electric motor		electrical		kinetic	pd

## Resistance in an Electric Circuit

Variable:	V	I	R
Quantity:	<i>Pot. Diff</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Resistance</i>
Units:	<i>[V]</i>	<i>[A]</i>	<i>[V/A] = [Ω]</i>
Type:	<i>scalar</i>	<i>scalar</i>	<i>scalar</i>

Electrical resistance: **ratio of applied potential difference to current**

Formula: 
$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

## Resistance in an Electric Circuit

3. What is the resistance of a small appliance that draws 3.00 A at 120 Volts?

$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{120\text{V}}{3\text{A}} = 40\Omega$$
$$V = IR$$



Georg Simon Ohm  
(1787 - 1854)

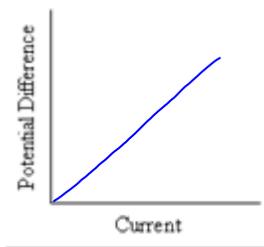
## Ohm's Law

**Ohm's Law:** For a conductor at constant temperature, potential difference is proportional to current over a wide range of potential differences

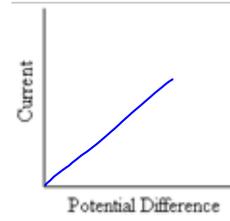
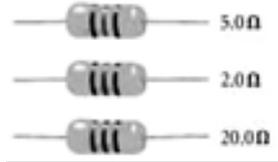
This means that . . . the resistance of these materials is constant over a wide range of applied voltages

## Resistance in an Electric Circuit

**I. Ohmic device:** device whose resistance remains constant – obeys Ohm's law



Example:

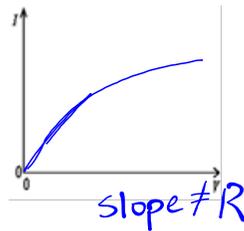


Slope:  $\frac{V}{I} = R$

Slope:  $\frac{I}{V} = \frac{1}{R}$

## Resistance in an Electric Circuit

**II. Non-Ohmic device:** device whose resistance changes – doesn't follow Ohm's law



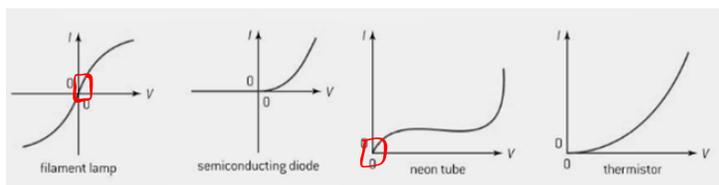
Relationship

current increases w/voltage, but at slower (decreasing) rate

Example:

4. Why is a filament lamp non - ohmic?

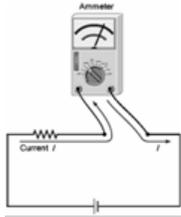
as more current flows, more collisions w/lattice ions, filament heats up, lattice ions move more -> higher R



I-V characteristics for various non-ohmic conductors

## Types of Meters

Ammeter: device to measure current



Placement:

Must be placed **in series** to allow current to flow through it

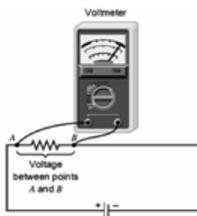
Circuit must be broken to insert ammeter

Ideal ammeter:

Has **zero resistance** so it will not affect current flowing through it

## Types of Meters

Voltmeter: device to measure potential difference



Placement:

Must be placed **in parallel** to measure potential difference between two points

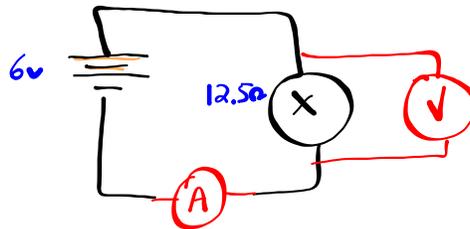
Placed outside circuit – no need to break circuit

Ideal voltmeter:

Has **infinite resistance** so it will not allow any current to flow through it and disrupt circuit

## Simple Circuits and Schematics

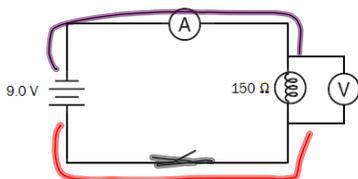
5. Draw a circuit diagram to include a 6.0 V battery hooked to a 12.5 Ω resistor. Include an ammeter reading the current in the circuit and a voltmeter to measure the potential difference across the resistor. Determine the reading on each meter.



$$I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{6V}{12.5\Omega} = .48A$$

## Simple Circuits and Schematics

6. Determine the readings on the meters when the switch is open and when it is closed.



Meter	Reading when Open	Reading when Closed
⊖ V ⊖	0V	9V
⊖ A ⊖	0A	.06A

Open circuit: incomplete pathway for current – break in circuit – infinite resistance

Closed circuit: complete pathway for current

Short circuit: circuit with little to no resistance – extremely high current - overheating