

NEW TEXTILES

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BASIC ELECTRICAL UNITS & MEASUREMENT

RESISTANCE

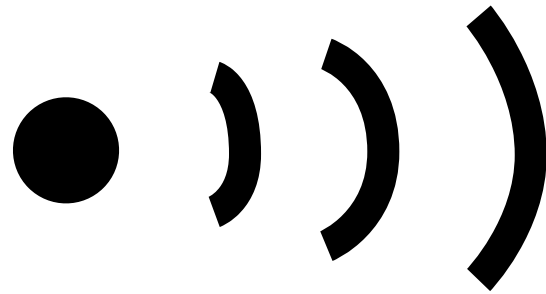
VOLTAGE

CURRENT



CONTINUITY (RESISTANCE)

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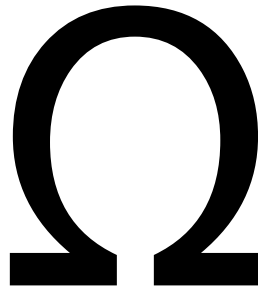
MEASURE CONTINUITY

measure at least 6 materials or objects
note whether each is conductive
take turns

Resistance

How conductive/resistive is this material?

measured in Ohms





resistance

	x1	Ω
kilo	x1,000	K Ω
mega	x1,000,000	M Ω

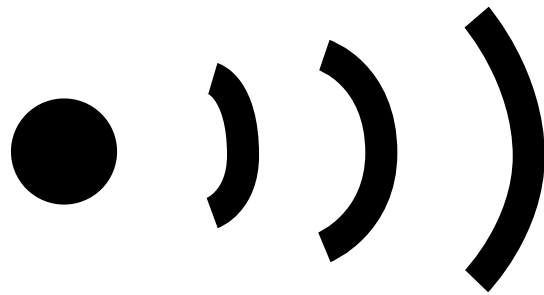
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draw & measure a graphite resistor

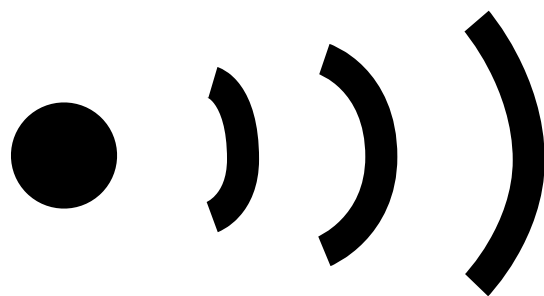
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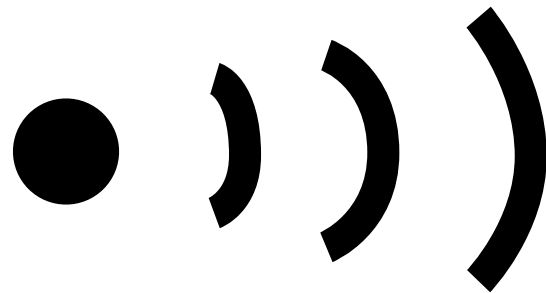


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$$R < 50 \ \Omega$$



Voltage

measured in Volts

V



MEASURE VOLTAGE

BREAD BOARDS

measure & note the voltage of your power supply

**create a circuit with resistors & the breadboard
measure & note the voltage after each resistor**

Current

measured in Amps

A



current

micro	x 1/1,000,000	uA
milli	x 1/1,000	mA
amp		A

MEASURE CURRENT

measure and note the current of your breadboard circuit

OHMS LAW

$$V \text{ (voltage)} = I \text{ (current)} \times R \text{ (resistance)}$$

calculate the current of your breadboard circuit

1ST HANDS-ON ASSIGNMENT

conductive yarns + conductivity

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