

# **Chapter 31. Current and Resistance**

#### **Topics:**

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- Resistance and Ohm's Law

## **Chapter 32. Simple circuits**

- Capacitors in series and parallel
- Resistors in series and parallel
- Kirchhoff's Rules







$\rho$ is called resistivity, R is the resistance				V =
SI unit: V.m / A = $\Omega$ . m				
Table 25.1 R	esistivities at Room Temperature (20°C) Substance	$\rho(\Omega \cdot m)$	Substance	$\rho(\Omega \cdot m)$
Conductors Metals: Alloys:	Semiconductors Silver Copper Gold Aluminum Tungsten Steel Lead Mercury Manganin (Cu 84%, Mn 12%, Ni 4%)	$\begin{array}{c} 1.47\times 10^{-8}\\ 1.72\times 10^{-8}\\ 2.44\times 10^{-8}\\ 5.25\times 10^{-8}\\ 20\times 10^{-8}\\ 22\times 10^{-8}\\ 95\times 10^{-8}\\ 44\times 10^{-8}\\ \end{array}$	Pure carbon (graphite) Pure germanium Pure silicon <i>Insulators</i> Amber Glass Lucite Mica Quartz (fused)	$\begin{array}{c} 3.5\times10^{-5}\\ 0.60\\ 2300\\ 5\times10^{14}\\ 10^{10}10^{14}\\ >10^{13}\\ 10^{11}10^{15}\\ 75\times10^{16} \end{array}$
	Constantan (Cu 60%, Ni 40%) Nichrome	$\begin{array}{c} 49 \times 10^{-8} \\ 100 \times 10^{-8} \end{array}$	Sulfur Teflon Wood	${ 10^{15} \\ > 10^{13} \\ 10^8 - 10^{11} }$













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In the circuits below, the two batteries are identical and all of the resistors have the same value.

- (a) Compare  $\Delta V_{ab}$  and  $\Delta V_{cd}$ .
- (b) Rank the currents (from high to low).







