

# Chapter 27

## Current and Resistance

## 27-1 Moving Charging and Electric Currents

Electrostatics

→ Charges do not move

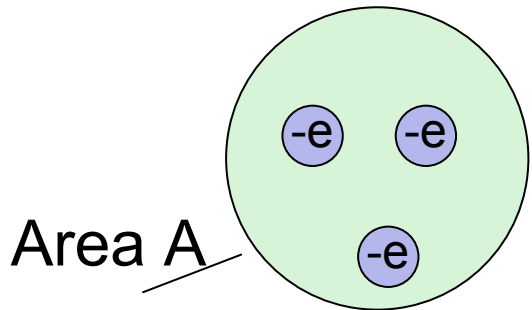
Electric current

→ Charges in motion

## 27-1 Moving Charging and Electric Currents

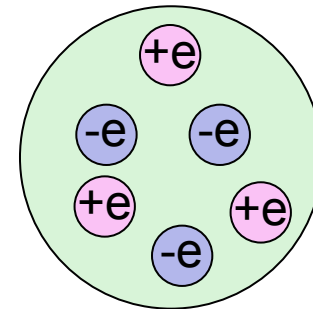
Electric current through a surface is the flow rate of **net** charges through the surface

3 electrons moving towards us



Current  $\neq 0$

3 electrons and 3 protons moving towards us



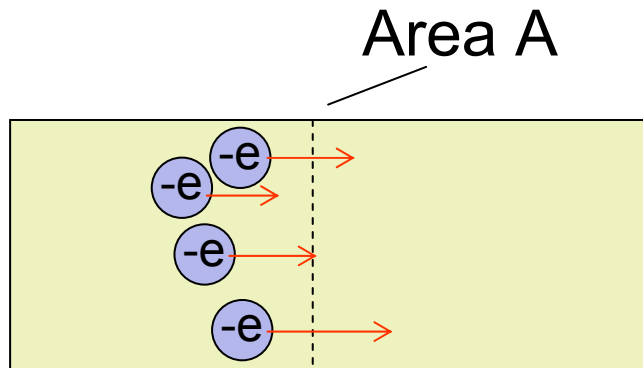
Current = 0

## 27-1 Moving Charging and Electric Currents

Electric current through a surface is the flow rate of **net** charges through the surface

Cross section

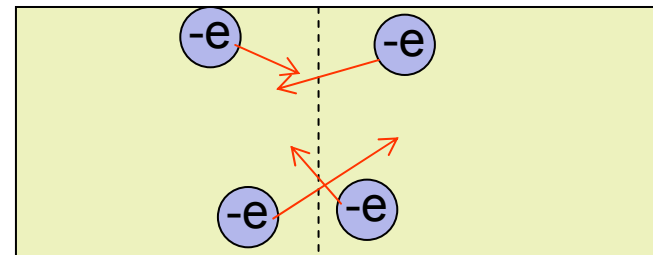
4 electrons moving to the right



Current  $\neq 0$

Cross section

4 electrons moving randomly in all direction



No net transport of charge

Current = 0

electrons in **isolated conductor**  
(no external electric field applied)

Random motion

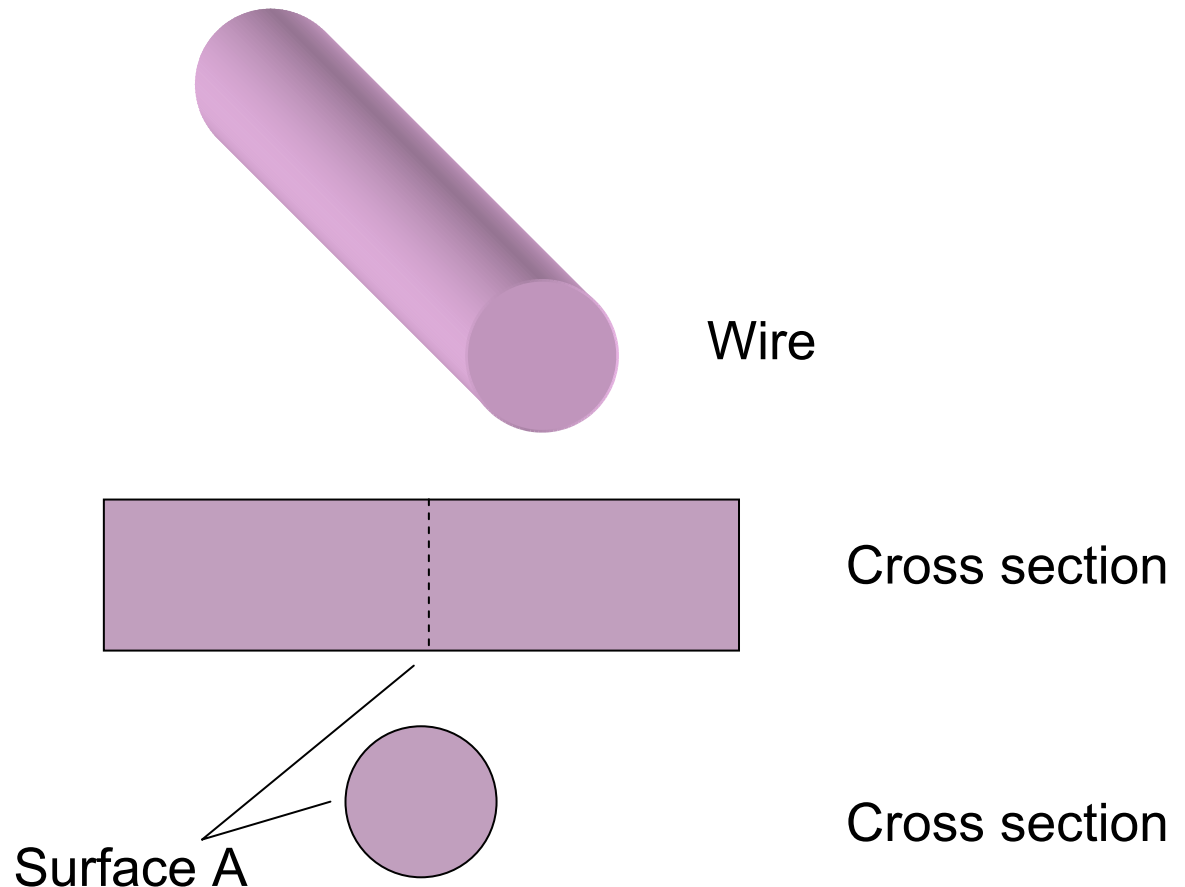
Speed  $\approx 10^6$  m/s

## 27-2 Electric Currents

Electric current through a surface  $A$  is the flow rate of **net** charges through the surface

Charge  $dq$  passes through surface  $A$  in time  $dt$

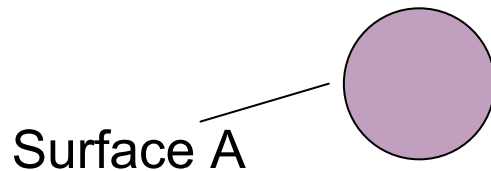
$$i = \frac{dq}{dt}$$



## 27-2 Electric Currents

$$i = \frac{dq}{dt}$$

Total charge  $q$  passes through surface  $A$  in time  $t$

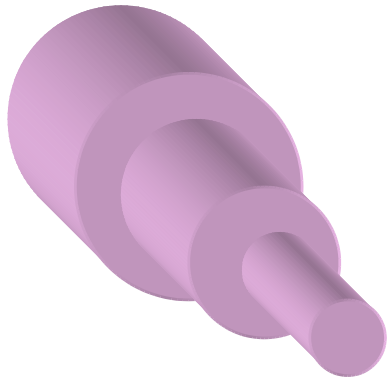


$$q = \int_0^t i dt$$

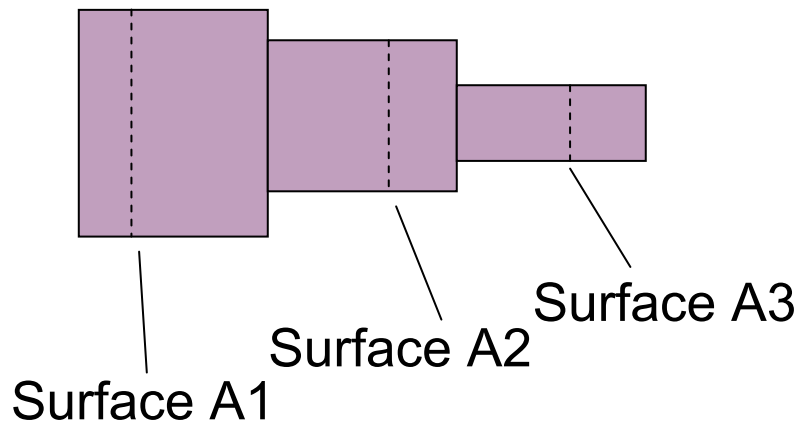
In a steady-state condition,  
current does not change with time

$$q = i t$$

## 27-2 Electric Currents



Wire



In a steady-state condition

Current through A1

= current through A2

= Current through A3

Since charge is conserved,  
any electron passed through A1  
should pass through A2 and A3

## 27-2 Electric Currents

SI unit for current

**Ampere**

$$i = \frac{dq}{dt}$$

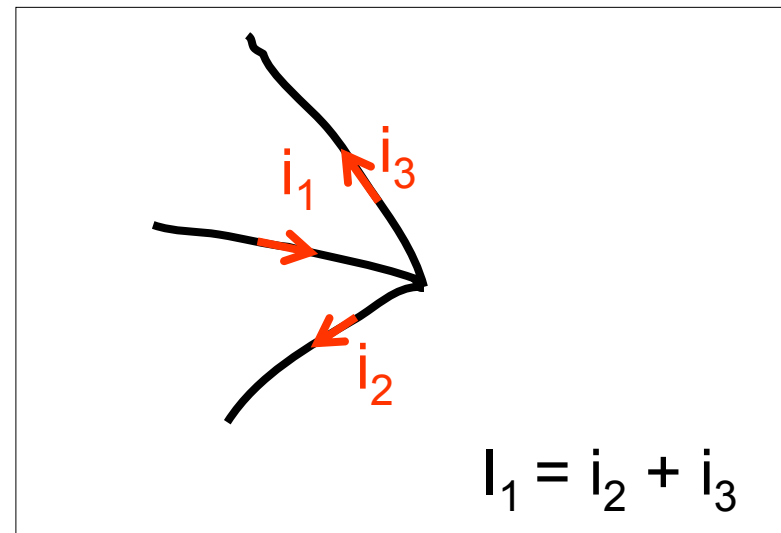
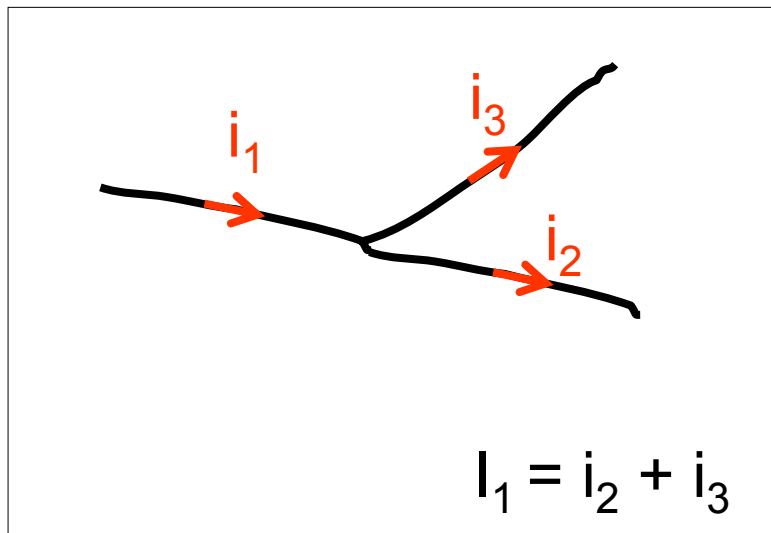
$$1 \text{ Ampere} = \frac{1 \text{ Coulomb}}{1 \text{ Second}}$$



## 27-2 Electric Currents

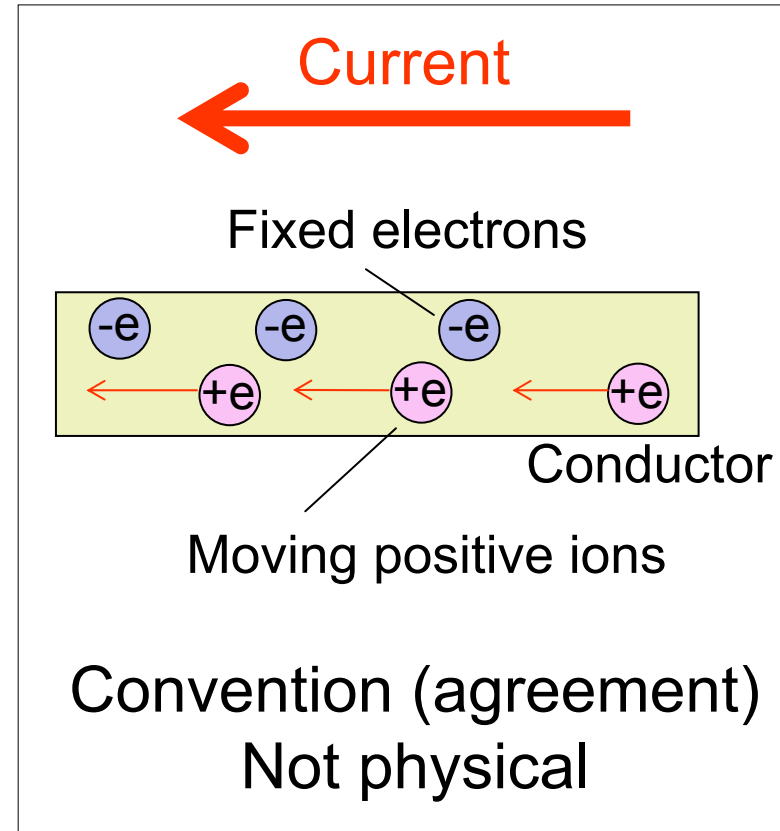
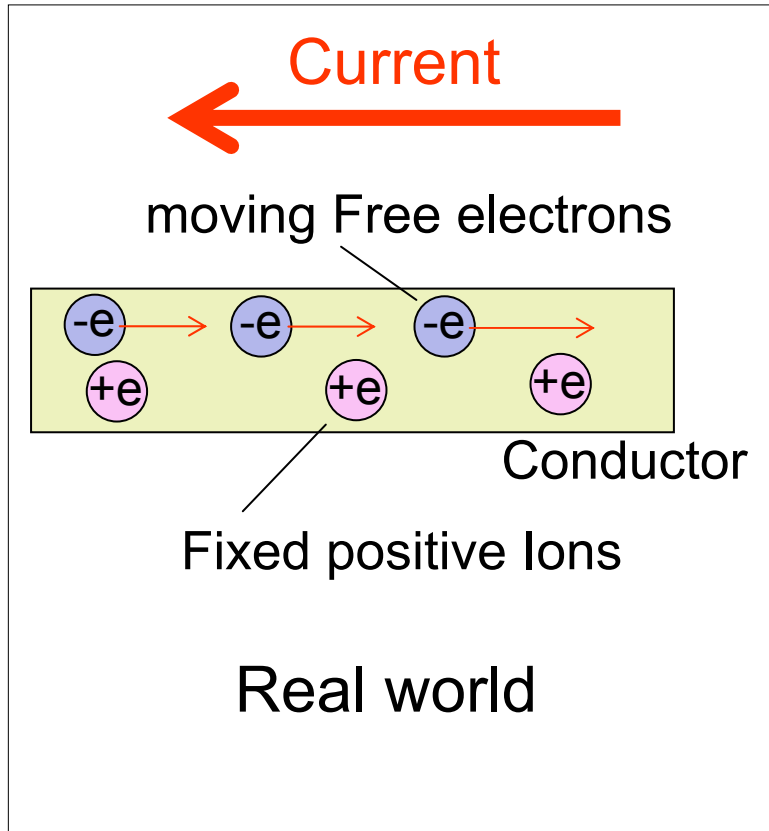
Current is a **scalar quantity**

We use arrows to indicate directions of currents in wires.



**These arrows are not vectors.**

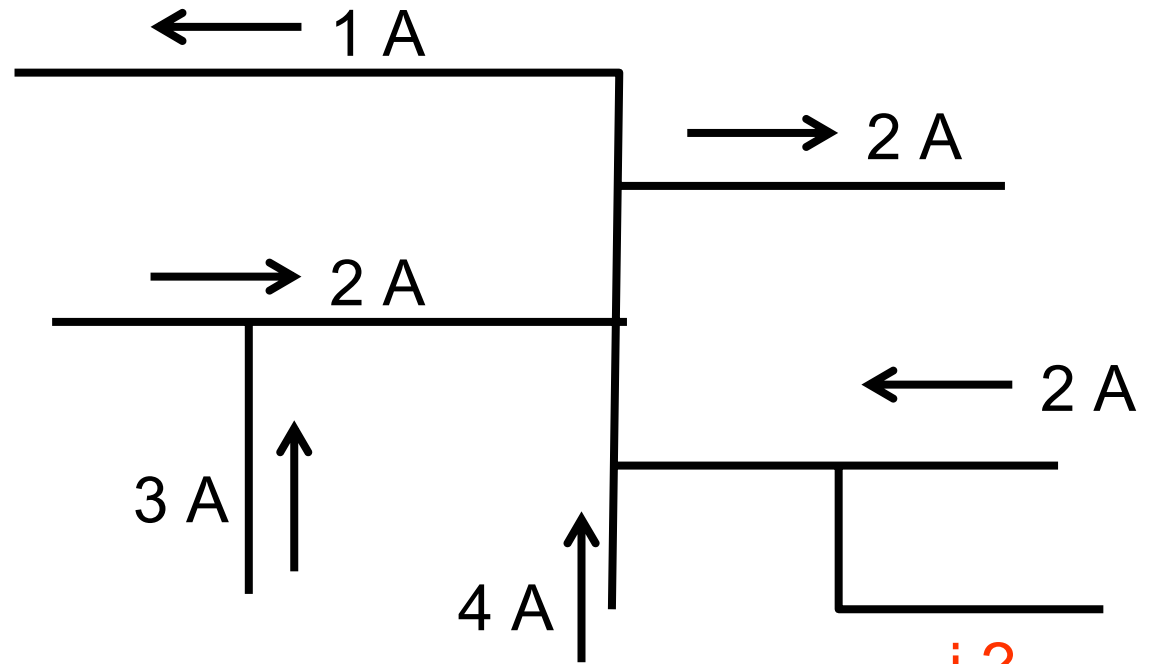
## 27-2 Electric Currents



A current arrow is drawn the direction in which positive charge would move, even if the actual carriers (electrons) are negative and move in the opposite direction

## 27-2 Electric Currents

## Checkpoint 1



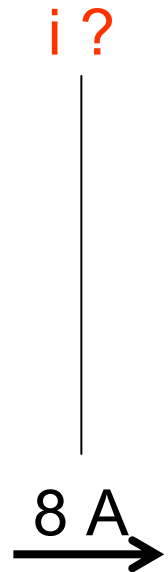
Charge is conserved

Current in = current out

$$\text{Given current in} = 3 + 2 + 4 + 2 = 11 \text{ A}$$

$$\text{Given current out} = 1 + 2 = 3 \text{ A}$$

$$i = 8 \text{ A out}$$

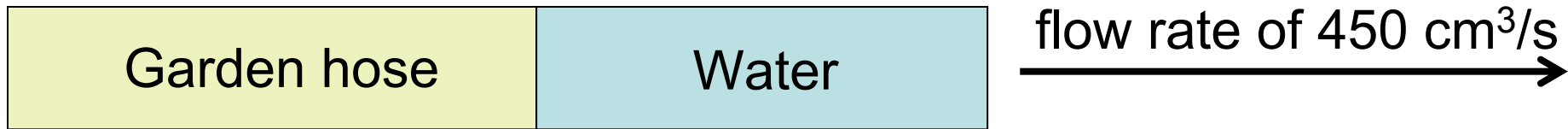


## 27-2 Electric Currents

### Sample Problem 27-1

Water flows from a garden hose at a rate of  $450 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$

What is the current of negative charge?



$$i = \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{time}}$$

## 27-2 Electric Currents

### Sample Problem 27-1

$$i = \frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{time}} = \frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{volume}} \frac{\text{volume}}{\text{time}} = 450 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$$

$$\frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{volume}} = \frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{mass}} \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}} = \text{water density} = 1 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$\frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{mass}} = \frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{mole}} \frac{\text{mole}}{\text{mass}} = \frac{1}{\text{molar mass}} = \frac{1}{(18 \text{ g/mole})}$$

$\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
oxygen = 8 protons + 8 neutrons  
hydrogen = 1 proton

$$\frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{mole}} = \frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{molecule}} \frac{\text{molecule}}{\text{mole}} = \text{Avogadro's Number} = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ Molecules/mole}$$

$$\frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{molecule}} = \frac{\text{negative charge}}{\text{electron}} \frac{\text{electron}}{\text{molecule}} = 10 \text{ electrons/molecule}$$

= 2 from hydrogen atoms and 8 from oxygen atom

$$= e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C/electron}$$

## 27-2 Electric Currents

### Sample Problem 27-1

The current of negative charge

$$i = \left( \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}}{\text{electron}} \right) \left( \frac{10 \text{ electrons}}{\text{molecule}} \right) \left( \frac{6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ molecules}}{\text{mole}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ mole}}{18 \text{ g}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ g}}{\text{cm}^3} \right) \left( \frac{450 \text{ cm}^3}{\text{s}} \right)$$

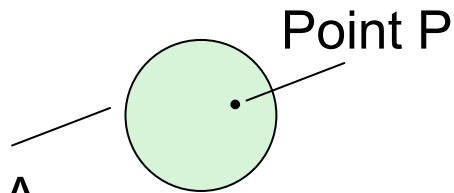
$$i = 24.1 \times 10^6 \text{ A}$$

The current of positive charge

$$i = 24.1 \times 10^6 \text{ A}$$

There is no net flow of charge (current = 0) through the hose

## 27-3 Current density



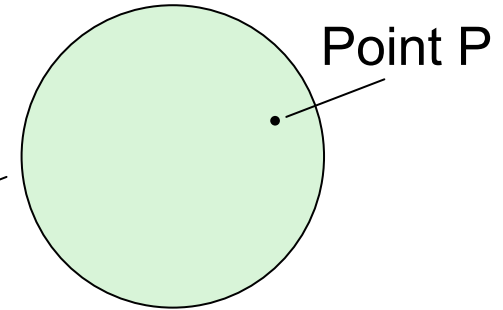
Surface  $A_1$   
 $= 0.2 \text{ m}^2$

4 coulombs pass per second  
 through surface  $A_1$

Current through  $A_1 = 4 \text{ A}$

Current density at point P

$$= \frac{\text{current}}{\text{area}} = 20 \text{ A/m}^2$$



Surface  $A_2$   
 $= 0.4 \text{ m}^2$

4 coulombs pass per second  
 through surface  $A_2$

Current through  $A_2 = 4 \text{ A}$

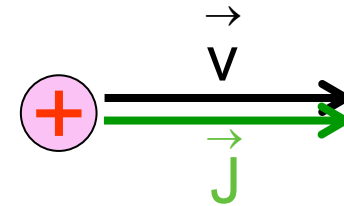
Current density at point P

$$= \frac{\text{current}}{\text{area}} = 10 \text{ A/m}^2$$

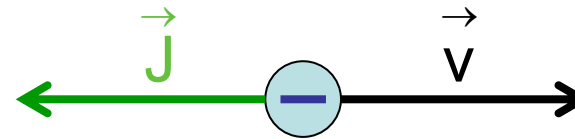
## 27-3 Current density

Current density is a vector quantity

Direction



Same as the direction of velocity of the moving positive charge



Opposite to the direction of velocity of the moving negative charge

Magnitude

$$J = \frac{\text{current}}{\text{area normal to the velocity}}$$

The SI unit for  $J$  is  $A/m^2$



## 27-3 Current density

$$i = \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

Area vector

Magnitude	Area of the surface
Direction	Normal to the surface

If  $\vec{J}$  is uniform and parallel to  $d\vec{A}$

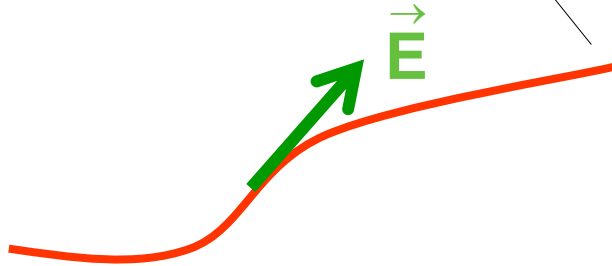
$$i = J A$$

$$J = \frac{i}{A}$$

## 27-3 Current density

Electric Field  $\vec{E}$

Electric Field lines

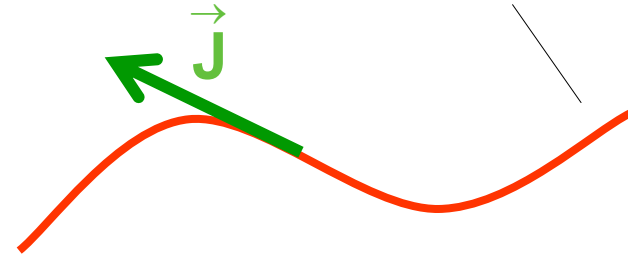


At any point, the **tangent** of the electric field lines gives the **direction** of the electric field

Number of lines per unit area in a plane perpendicular to the electric field lines is proportional the magnitude of the electric field

Current Density  $\vec{J}$

Streamlines



At any point, the **tangent** of the streamlines gives the **direction** of the current density

Number of lines per unit area in a plane perpendicular to the streamlines is proportional the magnitude of the current density

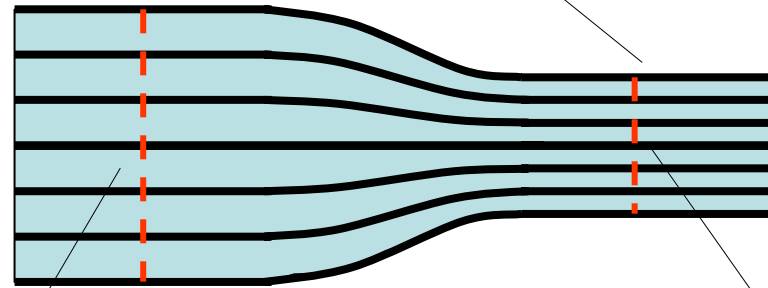
## 27-3 Current density

Same current

Charge is conserved

(Any charge pass thogh the 1<sup>st</sup> surface  
should pass through the 2<sup>nd</sup> surface

Streamlines representing  
current density in the flow of  
charge through a conductor



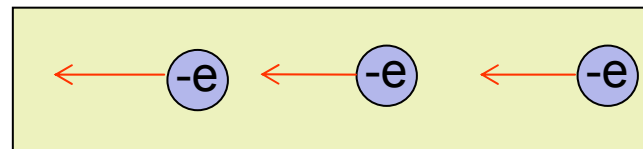
High current density

Low current density

## 27-3 Current density

### Checkpoint 2

Electrons moving leftward



Conductor

What is the direction of ...

Current?

Rightward



Current density?

Rightward



Electric Field?

Rightward



## 27-3 Current density

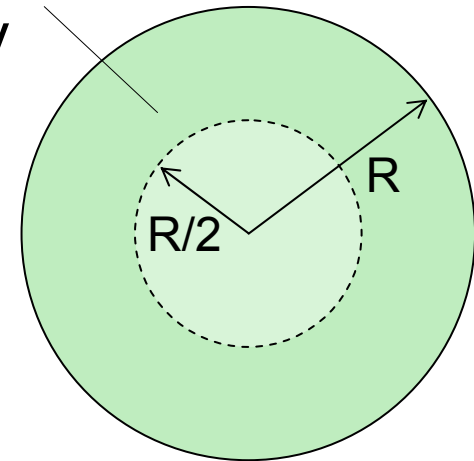
### Sample Problem 27-2

$$R = 2.0 \text{ mm}$$

$$J = 2.0 \times 10^5 \text{ A/m}^2$$

What is the current through the outer portion of the wire between radial distances  $R/2$  and  $R$ ?

Uniform current density



Cross section of a wire

$$i = J A$$

$$i = J \left( \pi R^2 - \pi \left( \frac{R}{2} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$i = J \left( \frac{3}{4} \pi R^2 \right) = 1.9 \text{ A}$$

## 27-3 Current density

### Sample Problem 27-2

$$R = 2.0 \text{ mm}$$

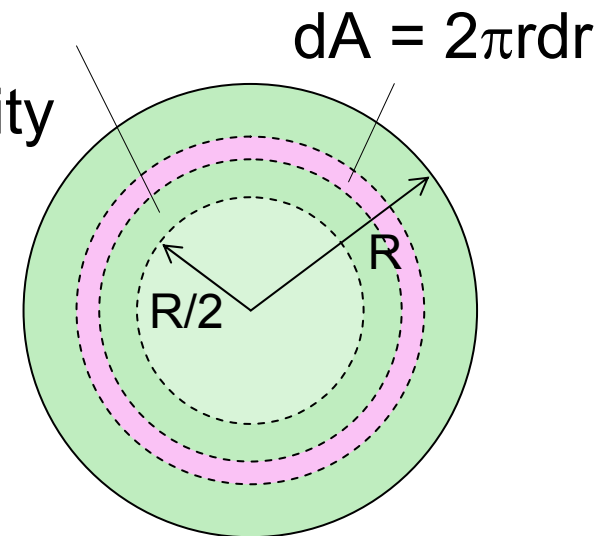
$$J = a r^2$$

$$a = 3.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ A/m}^2$$

$r$  in meters

What is the current through the outer portion of the wire between radial distances  $R/2$  and  $R$ ?

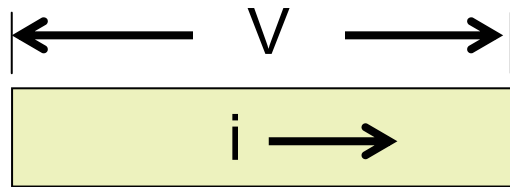
Not uniform  
current density



Cross section of a wire

$$\begin{aligned} i &= \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{A} = \int J dA = \int_{R/2}^R J 2\pi r dr = \int_{R/2}^R a r^2 2\pi r dr \\ &= 2\pi a \int_{R/2}^R r^3 dr = 2\pi a \left[ \frac{r^4}{4} \right]_{R/2}^R = 2\pi a \left( \frac{R^4}{4} - \frac{R^4}{64} \right) \\ &= \frac{15}{32} \pi a R^4 = 7.1 \text{ A} \end{aligned}$$

## 27-4 Resistance and Resistivity



An object  
Resistor

Resistor  
symbol



$$V = R i$$

Potential  
difference

Resistance

Current

## 27-4 Resistance and Resistivity

SI unit for resistance

Ohm ( $\Omega$ )

$$V = R i$$

$$1 \text{ Ohm} = \frac{1 \text{ Volt}}{1 \text{ Ampere}}$$



## 27-4 Resistance and Resistivity

Resistor  $R$  of an object

Property of the object  
Depends on the shape

$$V = R i$$

SI unit ohm  
 $\Omega$

Resistivity  $\rho$  of a material

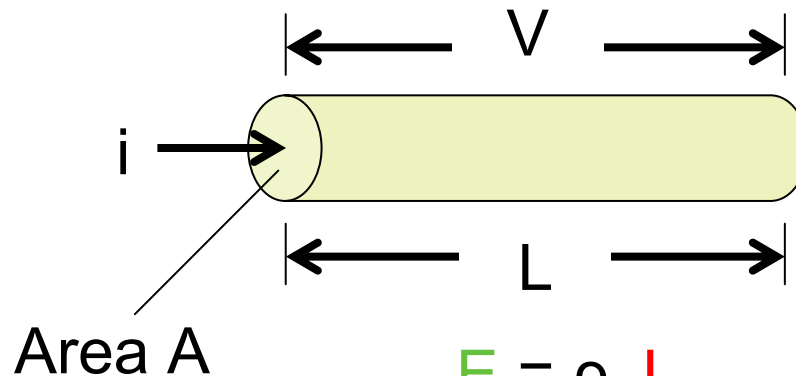
Property of the material  
Does not depend on the shape

$$\vec{E} = \rho \vec{J}$$

SI unit ohm•meter  
 $\Omega \cdot \text{m}$

## 27-4 Resistance and Resistivity

### Calculating Resistance from Resistivity



A homogenous  
isotropic conductor of  
uniform cross section  
A and length L

$$\mathbf{E} = \rho \mathbf{J}$$

$$\frac{V}{L} = \rho \frac{i}{A}$$

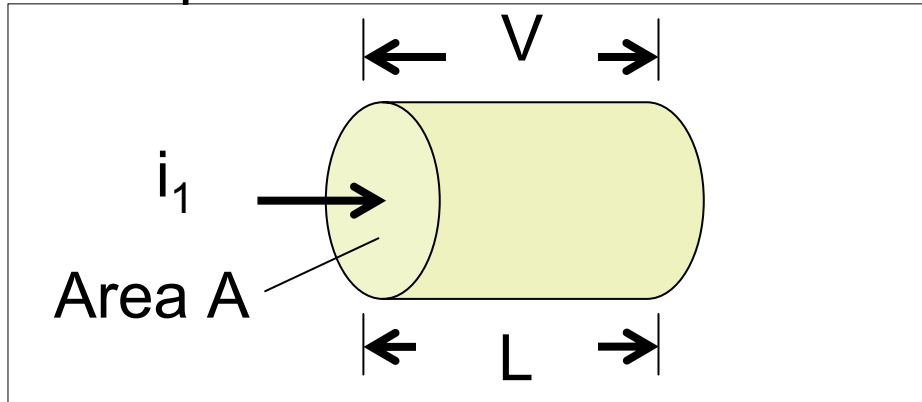
$$\frac{V}{i} = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

$$R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

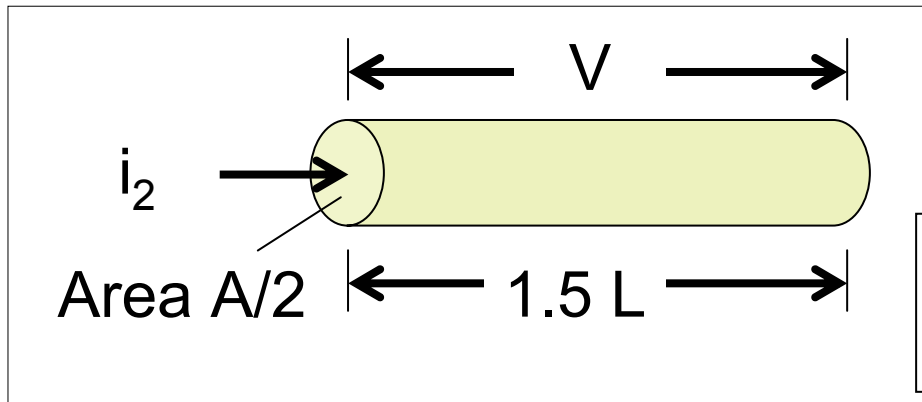
homogenous  
property does not depend  
on the position  
Isotropic  
property does not depend  
on direction

## 27-4 Resistance and Resistivity

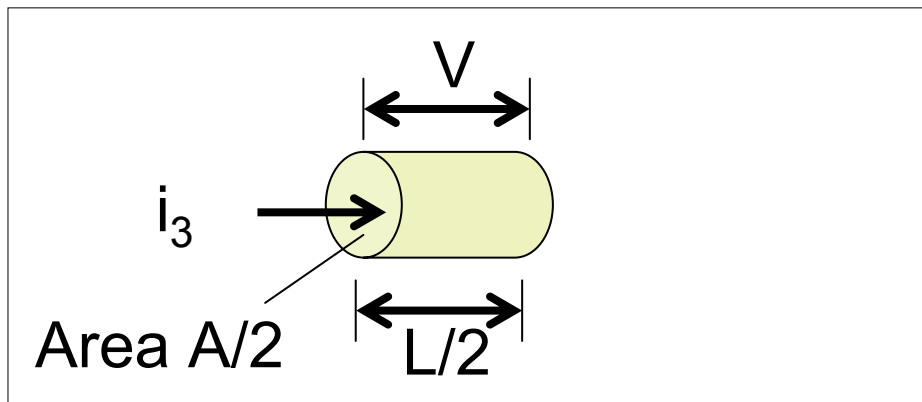
## Checkpoint 3



$$i_1 = \frac{V}{\rho} \frac{A}{L}$$



$$i_2 = \frac{V}{\rho} \frac{A/2}{1.5L} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{V}{\rho} \frac{A}{L}$$



$$i_3 = \frac{V}{\rho} \frac{A/2}{L/2} = \frac{V}{\rho} \frac{A}{L}$$

All made of copper

Rank current greatest first

$$i = \frac{V}{R}$$

$$R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

$$i = \frac{V}{\rho} \frac{A}{L}$$

$$i_1 = i_3 > i_2$$

## 27-4 Resistance and Resistivity

### Variation with Temperature

Temperature coefficient of resistivity

$$\rho - \rho_0 = \rho_0 \alpha (T - T_0)$$

Current density at T

Current density at  $T_0$

Reference temperature

Good approximation over a wide temperature range

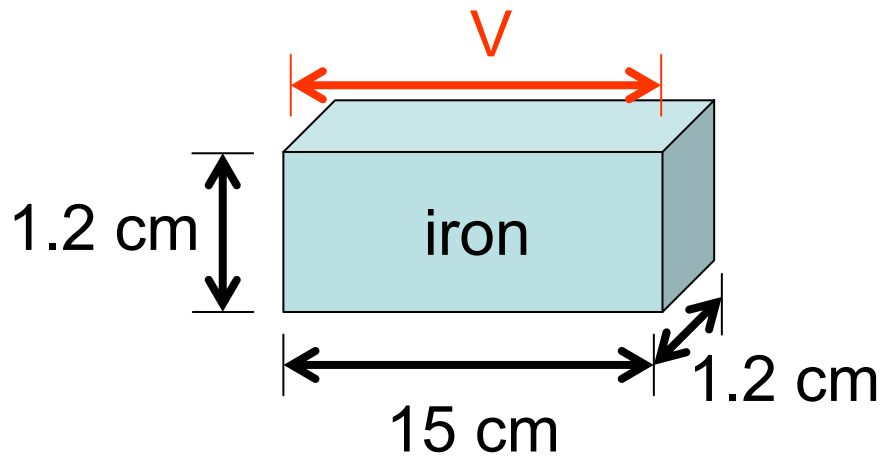
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## 27-4 Resistance and Resistivity

### Sample Problem 27-4

For iron  $\rho = 9.68 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \cdot \text{m}$

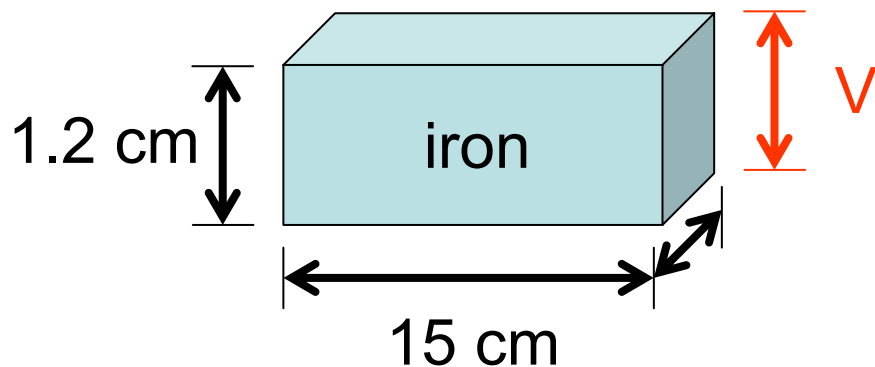
What is the resistance of the block?



$$R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

$$R = (9.68 \times 10^{-8}) \frac{0.15}{(.012)(0.012)}$$

$$R = 100 \mu\Omega$$

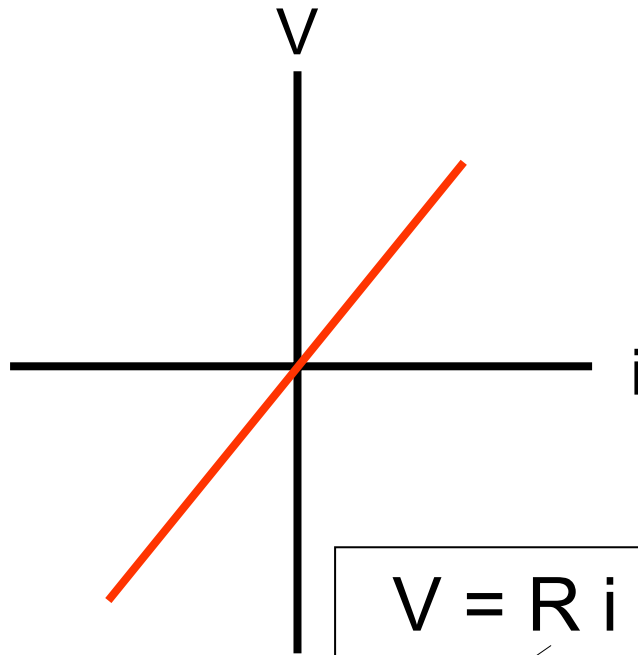


$$R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

$$R = (9.68 \times 10^{-8}) \frac{.012}{(0.15)(0.012)}$$

$$R = 0.65 \mu\Omega$$

## 27-5 Ohm's Law

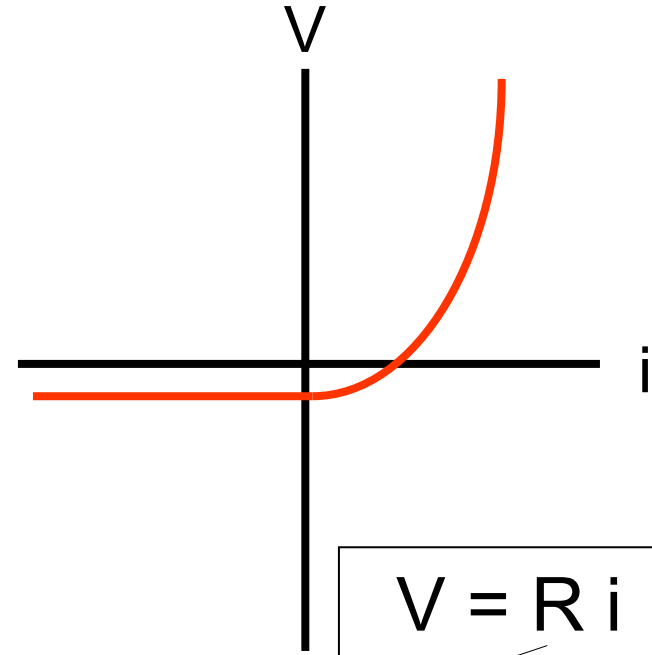


$$V = R i$$

Constant

Current is directly proportional  
to the potential difference

Device  
obeys Ohm's law



$$V = R i$$

Function of  
the potential difference

Device  
does not obey Ohm's law

## 27-5 Ohm's Law

### Checkpoint 4

Which device does not obey Ohm's law?

Device 1

V	I
2.00	4.50
3.00	6.75
4.00	9.00

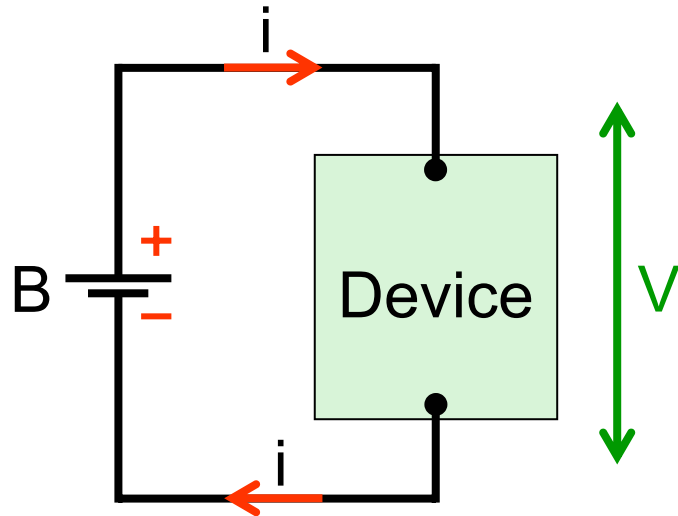
Device 1  
obeys Ohm's law

Device 2

V	I
2.00	1.50
3.00	2.00
4.00	2.70

Device 2  
does not obey Ohm's law

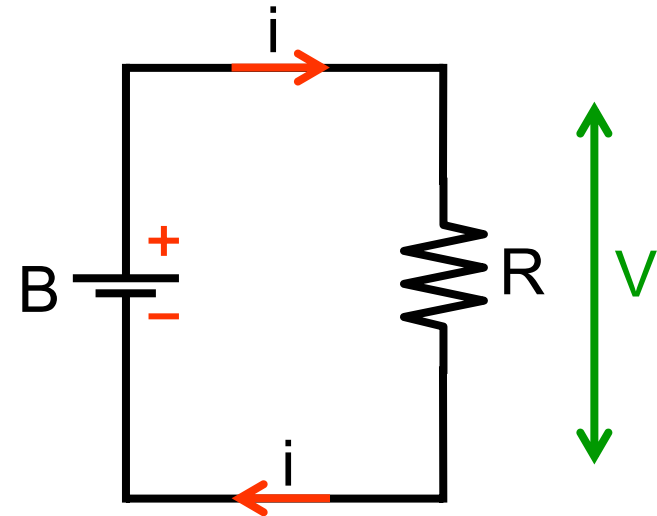
## 27-7 Power in Electric Circuits



Rate of electric energy transfer from the battery to the device

$$P = i V$$

General



Rate of electric energy transfer from the battery to the device

$$P = i V$$

$$P = i^2 R$$

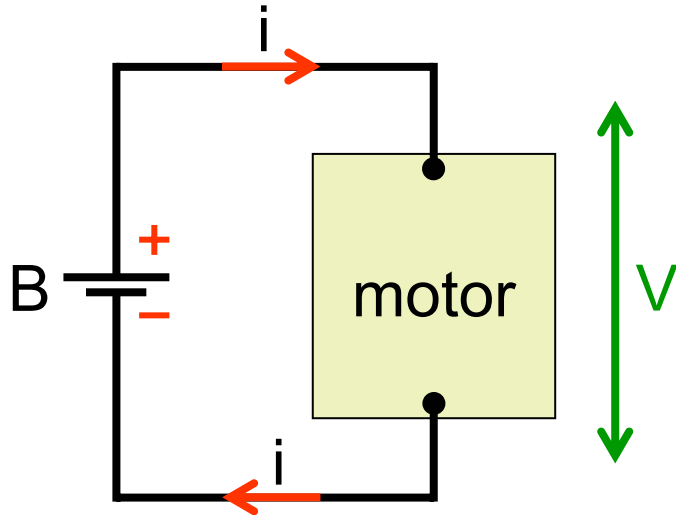
$$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

Special case for a resistor

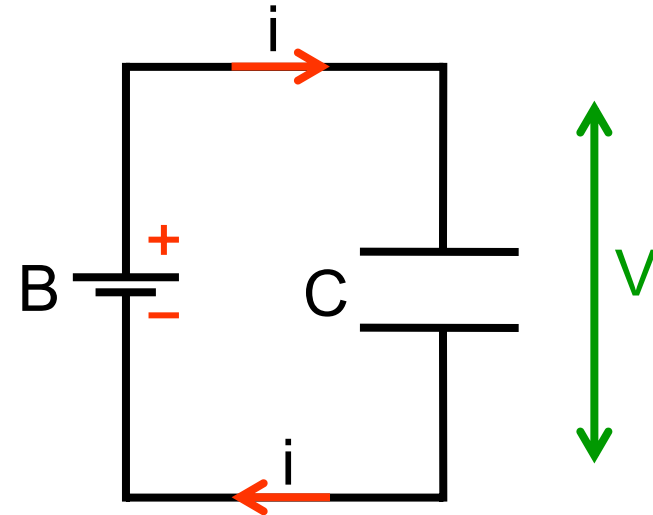
$$V = R i$$



## 27-7 Power in Electric Circuits

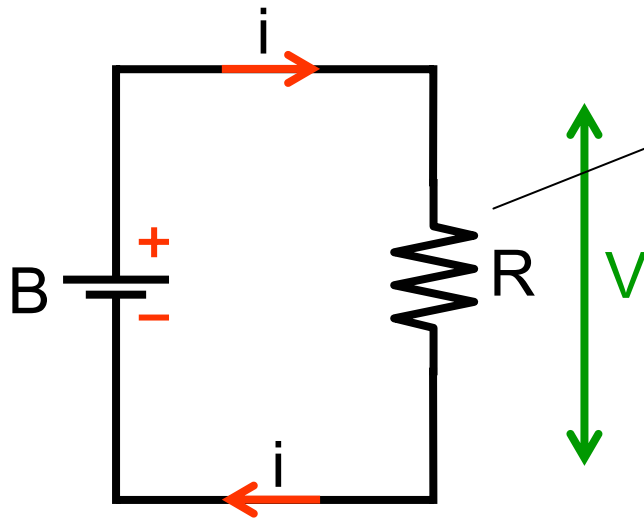


Electric energy from the battery is transferred at a rate of  $P = i V$  to **rotate** the motor



Electric energy from the battery is transferred at a rate of  $P = i V$  to **charge** the capacitor

## 27-7 Power in Electric Circuits

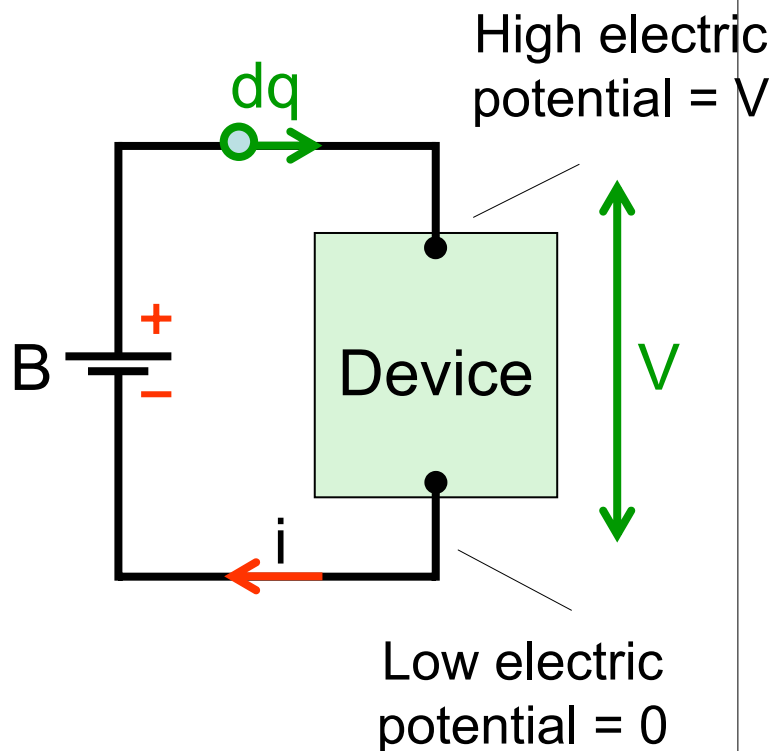


Electric energy from the battery is transferred at a rate of  $P = i V$  to **heat up** the resistor

When electrons drift through a resistor, they collide with the molecules of the resistor, this increases the random motion of the molecules which is equivalent to higher temperature

## 27-7 Power in Electric Circuits

Derivation of  $P = i V$



Suppose a charge of  $dq$  moves through the device during time  $dt$

The change in potential energy of  $dq$  is

$$dU = dq(0 - V) = -dqV$$

The rate at which potential energy changes

$$\frac{dU}{dt} = - \frac{dq V}{dt} = - \frac{dq}{dt} V = - i V$$

loss

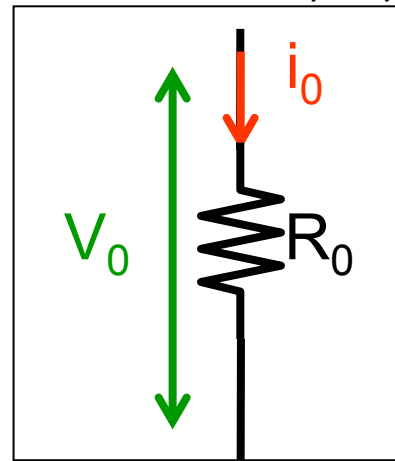
Since the energy is conserved, the rate at which potential energy is lost is the rate at which energy of other form is gained

$$P = - \frac{dU}{dt} = i V$$

## 27-7 Power in Electric Circuits

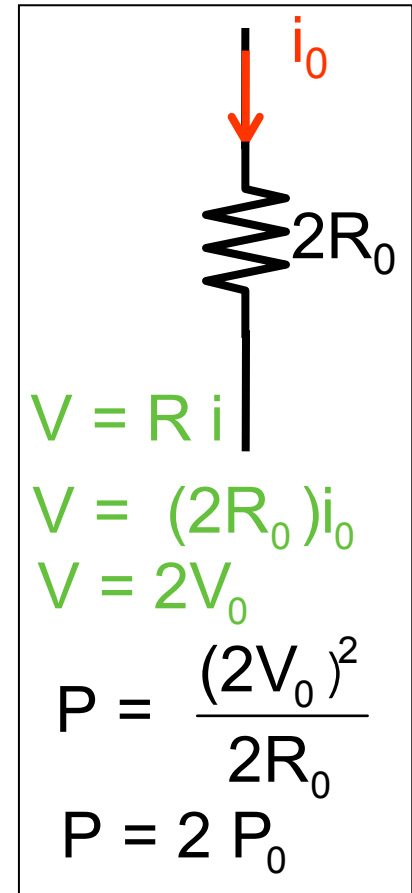
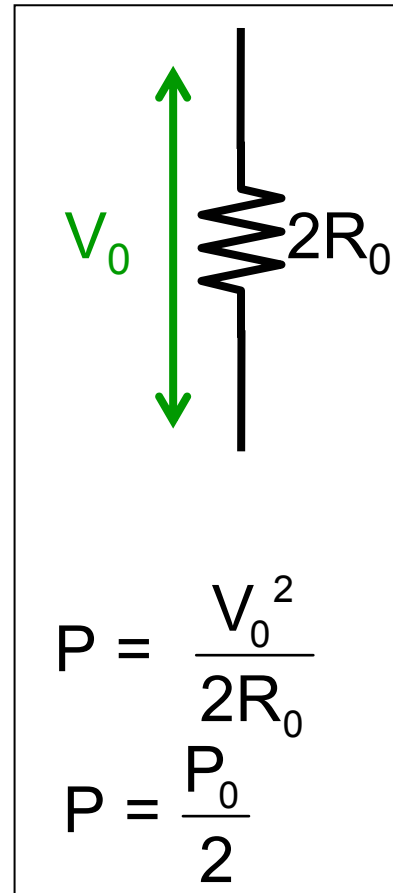
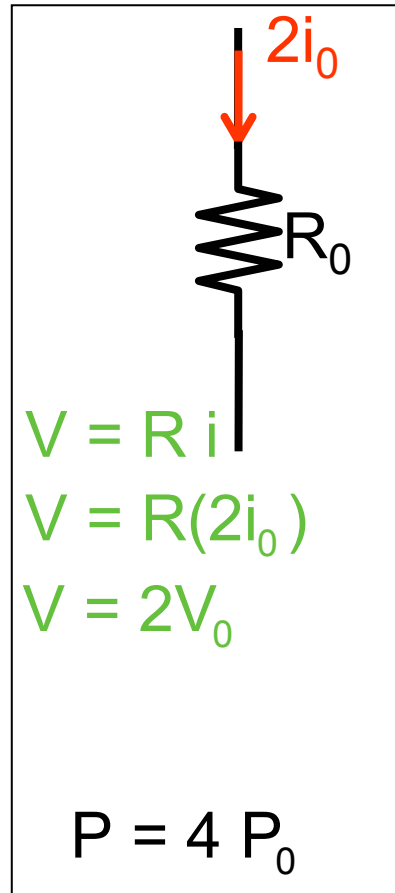
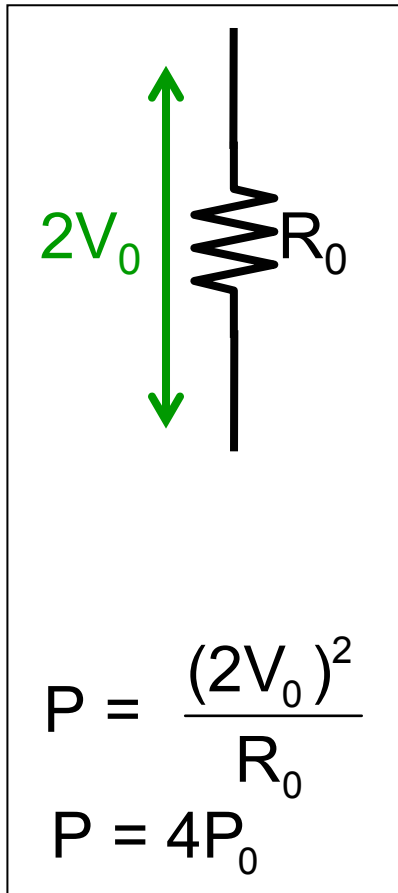
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Rank the change in the rate at which electrical energy is converted to thermal energy due to the resistance?



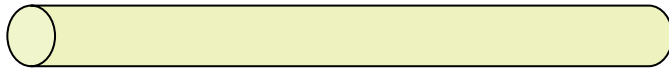
$$V_0 = R_0 i_0$$

$$P_0 = \frac{V_0^2}{R_0}$$



## 27-7 Power in Electric Circuits

### Sample Problem 27-6



Nichrome heating wire  
Nickel-chromium-iron alloy

$$R = 72 \, \Omega$$

$$V = 120 \, \text{V}$$

At what rate is energy dissipated?

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R} = 200 \, \text{W}$$

If the wire is cut in half, at what rate is energy dissipated ?

For half the length  $R = 36 \, \Omega$

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R} = 400 \, \text{W}$$