# Lecture 12: Chapter 31 Beginning, October 13 2005

# Outline

- Resistors and Ohm's Law
- Real Batteries
- Power
- Circuitry and Kirchhoff's Laws

For a capacitor we assumed  $\Delta V_c = \mathcal{E}$  for  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Why is that?



What is *I*? What is the potential drop on the wires?

# Let us consider a short.



What is *I*? What is the potential drop on the wires?

# More detailed look...



• Don't try it at home. What will happen to the circuit and to the battery?

- Is current zero or nonzero?
- Is there potential change along the wires?

## **Resistors and Ohm's Law**

Consider a part of this circuit:



$$J = \sigma E = E/\rho$$

$$I = JA = EA/\rho = (\Delta V/L)A/\rho$$

The quantity  $R = \rho L/A$ resistance of the conductor. The unit is the *ohm*, where 10hm = 1V/A

 $I = \Delta V/R$  – this relationship between I and  $\Delta V$  is known as Ohm's Law

Often used as V = IR

# **Ohmic and Nonohmic Materials**

# Despite its name Ohm's law is *not* a law of nature. It is limited to those materials whose resistance *R* remains constant during use.

(a) Ohmic material





Ohm's Law typically applies to the resistors *only*.

Nonohmic devices:

(b) Nonohmic materials

- Batteries where  $\varepsilon$  = Const
- Semiconductors
- Capacitors where the  $I_{\rm DC}$  =
- 0, but  $I_{AC} \neq 0$ .

#### **Examples of Ohmic circuit materials**



(b) The voltage drop along the wires is much less than across the resistor because the V





• *Wires* are metals with very small resistivities  $\rho$  and very small resistances  $R << 1\Omega$ An **ideal wire** has  $R = 0 \Omega$ 

• **Resistors** are poor conductors with resistances  $10\Omega < R < 10^6 \Omega$ . They can be made from thin metal wire with high  $\rho$ .

• *Insulators* are materials such as glass, plastic, or glass. An ideal insulator has  $R \rightarrow \infty$ .

#### **Control Question**



Assuming Ohm's law ( $\Delta V = IR$ ) where would you expect the potential to drop in a circuit: across the wires or across resistors?

# How to find the current



**Resistance Rule**: For a move through *R* in the direction of current, the change in potential is -IR, otherwise it is +IR

**EMF Rule**: For a move through an ideal battery in the direction of the EMF, the change in potential is +E, otherwise it is -E



#### **Energy and Power – Reading Chapter 31**

# $P_{\rm R} = I \Delta V_{\rm R} = I^2 R = (\Delta V_{\rm R})^2 / R$ – Important expressions

#### **Series Resistors**



#### **Parallel Resistors – Reading Chapter 31**

(a) Two resistors in parallel



(b) An equivalent resistor

The rules of connecting resistors in series and in parallel are opposite to that for capacitors

#### **Fundamentals of Circuits**

#### Goals

• To be able to find currents and potential differences in most complicated circuits such as multiloop circuit exemplified below

• To be able to consider real (complited) circuits where battery is included in the circuit such as this one:



# **Rules of circuit's algebra**

- Assume arbitrary directions for currents
- Assume arbitrary directions of making the loop
- Use the Kirchhoff's junction rule
- Use the Kirchhoff's loop rule:





#### Loop law: $\Delta V_1 + \Delta V_2 + \Delta V_3 + \Delta V_4 = 0$

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