

# UNIT 11: ELECTRICITY AND CIRCUITS

## WORK PACKET

### Ohm's Law and Current

1. An electrical circuit has  $2.5 \text{ mA}$  running through it. How much charge passes by a given point in  $3.5 \text{ s}$ ?

$$I = \frac{q}{t} \rightarrow q = It = (2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A})(3.5 \text{ s}) = 8.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ C}$$

2. Based on your answer to question 1, how many electrons will pass by in this given time?

$$8.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ C} \times \frac{1 e^-}{1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}} = 5.47 \times 10^{16} e^-$$

3. A light bulb has a resistance of  $5 \text{ ohms}$  and is connected to a  $9 \text{ V}$  battery. Determine rate at which charge moves through the light bulb.

$$R = \frac{V}{I} \rightarrow I = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{9 \text{ V}}{5 \Omega} = 1.8 \text{ A}$$

4. A radio is connected to a wall socket that provides  $120 \text{ V}$ . If the radio requires  $2.5 \text{ mA}$  of current, what is the resistance of the circuit in the radio?

$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{120 \text{ V}}{2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A}} =$$

$$R = 48,000 \Omega$$

### Resistance:

1. By magnitude does the resistance of a copper wire change if the length is cut in half?

$$R = \frac{\rho L}{A} = \frac{1(1/2)}{1} = 1/2$$

2. By what magnitude does the resistance of a copper wire change if the radius of the wire is doubled?

$$R = \frac{\rho L}{A} = \frac{\rho L}{(\pi r^2)} = \frac{(1)(1)}{(1)(2)^2} = 1/4$$

3. Calculate the resistance of a  $10 \text{ m}$  copper wire with a cross sectional area of  $8.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$ .

$$R = \frac{\rho L}{A} = \frac{(1.72 \times 10^{-8} \Omega \cdot \text{m})(10 \text{ m})}{8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2} = 0.0215 \Omega$$