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## 1 | Resistance

So, let's figure out resistance.

We know that...  $V=\frac{J}{C}$ , per [KBhPHYS201Voltage], and we also know that resistance would equal a unit  $\frac{Vs}{c}$  given that  $I=\frac{C}{s}=\frac{\Delta V}{Resistance}$  (see [KBhPHYS201Current] Current). Plugging in the definition of voltage, we get that resistance is measured in  $\frac{Js}{C^2}$ . We call this unit Ohms, or  $\Omega$ .

**Definition 1** · **Resistance**  $\Omega$  A value measured in  $\frac{Js}{C^2}$  that measures the resistance to current

## Calculating resistance

- So, let's think. With a wire of length L and with a wire of area A, if we increase L, the resistance in the wire would increase; if we increase area A, the resistance in the the wire would decrease.
- $Resistance = \frac{L}{A} * ResistivityOfMaterial$  with units  $\frac{m}{m^2}(\Omega \times m)$ .

and, indeed, resistivity of materials are measured in  $\Omega \times m$ , which also makes sense intuitively.