

### Answer on Question 59044, Physics, Electric Circuits

#### Question:

Calculate the resistance of 180 m of silver wire having a cross section of  $0.33 \text{ mm}^2$ . The resistivity of silver is  $1.6 \cdot 10^{-8} \Omega \cdot m$ .

- a)  $11.2 \Omega$
- b)  $9.6 \Omega$
- c)  $14.6 \Omega$
- d)  $7.5 \Omega$

#### Solution:

The resistance  $R$  of the wire of length  $l$  and cross-sectional area  $A$  is given by the formula:

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A},$$

here,  $\rho$  is the constant called the resistivity and is a characteristic of the material from which the wire is made.

Then, from this formula we can calculate the resistance of the wire:

$$R = \rho \frac{l}{A} = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-8} \Omega \cdot m \cdot \frac{180 \text{ m}}{0.33 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2} = 8.73 \Omega.$$

#### Answer:

None of these answers are correct. The correct answer is  $R = 8.73 \Omega$ .