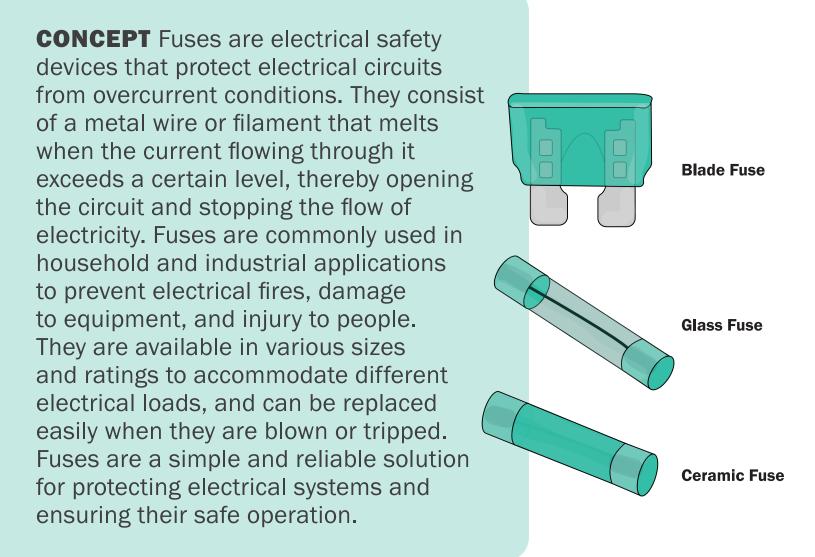


# OHM'S LAW



# BACKGROUND

The history of fuses dates back to the early 1800s, when the first electrical circuits were being developed. In 1831, a British scientist named Joseph Henry discovered the principle of electromagnetic induction, which led to the development of electrical generators and motors. As electrical systems became more common, the need for protection against overcurrents arose. In 1890, Thomas Edison patented the first commercially successful fuse, which used a replaceable wire element to protect circuits from overloading. Over the years, fuses have evolved to include different types and designs to meet the needs of various applications. Today, fuses are widely used in household and industrial settings to protect electrical equipment and prevent fires, and they continue to play an essential role in electrical safety.

## REAL WORLD CONNECTIONS

Many older homes and businesses still have fuse boxes that use fuses to protect the structures electrical system from overloads and short circuits. In commercial and industrial settings, fuses are also commonly used to protect electrical equipment such as motors, transformers, and control panels. Additionally, fuses are used in automotive applications, such as in the electrical systems of cars and trucks to protect them from electrical faults and overloads. Fuses are an essential component of electrical safety and are used in a wide range of applications to protect people and equipment from electrical hazards.

#### Make sure it measures up

## APPLICATION

Cars and other vehicles have complex electrical systems that include various components such as lights, radios, sensors, and motors. These electrical systems are prone to overcurrents, short circuits, and other electrical faults that can cause damage to the components or even lead to fires.

To protect against these hazards, automotive fuses are used to interrupt the flow of current when an overcurrent condition occurs. In modern cars, there are typically multiple fuse boxes located throughout the vehicle, each containing fuses of different ratings and types.

## EXAMPLES

**FUSE ELEMENT:** The wire or filament that melts and breaks the circuit when there is an overcurrent condition.

**FUSE BODY:** The outer casing that houses the fuse element and protects it from damage and external factors.

FUSE HOLDER: The component that holds the fuse and allows for easy replacement.

**RATED CURRENT:** The maximum current that the fuse is designed to carry continuously without blowing.

**BREAKING CAPACITY:** The maximum current that the fuse can interrupt safely without causing damage.

**FUSE TYPE:** There are several types of fuses, including fast-acting, slow-blow, and resettable fuses, each with their own specific applications and characteristics.

**VOLTAGE RATING:** The maximum voltage that the fuse is designed to operate at.

**SIZE AND SHAPE:** Fuses come in different sizes and shapes, including cylindrical, blade, and surface-mount, to accommodate various applications and installation requirements.





