

## CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2017 PROJECT SUMMARY

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### **Project Title**

# The Relationship between Conductivity and Temperature

#### **Abstract**

### **Objectives/Goals**

My Objective of this study is to see the relationship between conductivity and temperature.

#### Methods/Materials

I used an AC power source which stands for alternative current, 2 multimeters, a thermometer, an electrical stirrer/hot plate, Volumetric flasks and beakers. I boiled the half molar solutions; CuSO## and Zn(NO#y)#ü. As the temperature goes up, I measured the Ampere (#E). I used copper for the CuSO## solution and graphite for Zn (NO#y)#ü solution as electrodes.

#### Results

I did 6 trials for both solutions and I found out as the temperature increases, the resistivity decreases and the electrical current increases. Also, I found out that the solution of Zn (NO#y)#ü carries more electrical current than the solution of CuSO##.

#### **Conclusions/Discussion**

In my first experiment with the CuSO## solution, I had a little problem. For example, there is missing data for the first three experiments. I fixed it and tried a new solution out of Zn (NO#y)#ü and using a new electrode called graphite (type of carbon). Also, I cleaned the rings that are oxidized and the electrolytes. Keeping the distance of the two electrodes helps improve my experiment. These modification helped me get better data.

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#### **Summary Statement**

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### Help Received

My science teacher explained me about electrolytes and how to deal whith chemicals.