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## parallel and series combination of resistors experiment

### Purpose

- (1) To study resistors connected in series
- (2) To study resistors connected in parallel.
- (3) To study resistors connected in series and parallel.

### Apparatus

Power Supply , 3 resistors , an ammeter , circuit wizard program

### Circuits

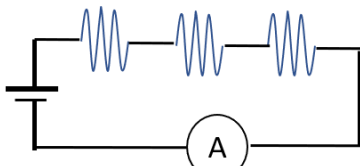


Fig 1

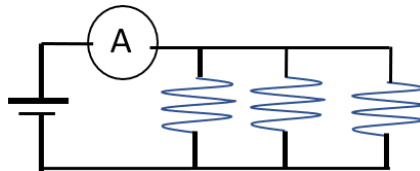


Fig 2

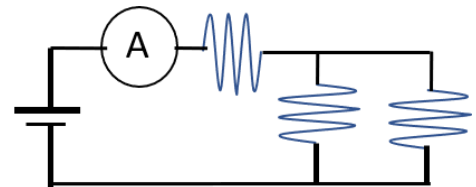


Fig 3

### Theory

#### Combinations of Resistors.

When two or more resistors ( $R_1, R_2, R_3, \dots$ ) are connected in series (Fig. 1) then this combination is equivalent to a single resistor of resistance  $R_{eq}$  given by equation (1).

When two or more resistors are connected in parallel (Fig. 3) then the equivalent resistance  $R_{eq}$  is given by equation (3).

## Exp # 2 parallel and series combination of resistors

When three or more resistors are connected in both parallel and series combinations within the same circuit (Fig. 4) then the equivalent resistance  $R_{eq}$  is given by using equation (2 & 3).

The voltage between the end of the resistors is dependent on the current flows through it

**Equations**

$$V = R \cdot I \quad \text{equation (1)} \quad R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 \quad \text{series equation (2)}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \quad \text{equation (3)}$$

$$P = V \cdot I \quad \text{equation (4)} \quad P = R \cdot I^2 \quad \text{equation (5)}$$

The equations symbols meaning

symbol	meaning	unit
<b>V</b>		
<b>I</b>		
<b>R</b>		
<b><math>R_{eq}</math></b>		
<b>P</b>		

Exp # 2 parallel and series combination of resistors

R1= ohm R2= ohm R3= ohm

**resistors connected in series Fig. 1**

V	5	10	15	20	25
I					

For  $v = 20$  volt find the power of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  &  $R_3$

p	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$

$R_{eq}$	Theoretical from the equations	Experimental From the graph

**resistors connected in parallel Fig. 2**

V	5	10	15	20	25
I					

For  $v = 20$  volt find the power of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  &  $R_3$

p	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$

$R_{eq}$	Theoretical from the equations	Experimental From the graph

**resistors connected in series and parallel Fig. 3**

V	5	10	15	20	25
I					

For  $v = 20$  volt find the power of  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  &  $R_3$

p	$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$

$R_{eq}$	Theoretical from the equations	Experimental From the graph