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# DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS \& COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING 

## 23ECB101 - CIRCUIT ANALYSIS AND DEVICES

I YEAR/ II SEMESTER

UNIT 1 - MESH AND NODE ANALYSIS OF ELECTRIC CIRCUITS

TOPIC - Resistors in Series and Parallel

## Resistors in Series

## A Resistor when connected in a circuit, that connection can be either series or parallel.



The total resistance of a circuit having series resistors is equal to the sum of the individual resistances. That means, in the above figure there are three resistors having the values $1 \mathrm{~K} \Omega, 5 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$ and $9 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$ respectively.

Total resistance value of the resistor network is $-R=R 1+R 2+R 3$

Which means $1+5+9=15 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$ is the total resistance.

## Resistors in Parallel

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The total resistance of a circuit having Parallel resistors is calculated differently from the series resistor network method. Here, the reciprocal $1 / R$ value of individual resistances are added with the inverse of algebraic sum to get the total resistance value.

Total resistance value of the resistor network is $-1 / R=1 / R 1+1 / R 2+1 / R 3$

For example, if the resistance values of previous example are considered, which means $R_{1}=1 \mathrm{~K} \Omega, R_{2}=5 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$ and $R_{3}=$ $9 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$. The total resistance of parallel resistor network will be -

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\begin{aligned}
1 / R & =1 / 1+1 / 5+1 / 9 \\
& =(45+9+5) / 45=59 / 45 \\
R & =45 / 59=0.762 K \Omega=76.2 \Omega
\end{aligned}
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## SERIES CIRCUIT

- current is the same at all points in the circuit.


PARALLEL CIRCUIT

- current is shared between the components



## measuring voltage

The 'electrical push' which the cell gives to the current is called the voltage. It is measured in volts (V) on a voltmeter


## series circuit

- voltage is shared between the components



## parallel circuit

- voltage is the same in all parts of the circuit.


answers



## Assessment

1. In series connection of resistors, what happens to the current across each resistor?
a) Increases
b) Decreases
c) Remain the same
d) Initially increases and then decreases
2. Identify the combination which is not a series connection.
a) Resistance box
b) Decorative bulbs
c) Fuses

d) Domestic appliances
3. Batteries are generally connected?
a) Series
b) Parallel
c) Either series or parallel
d) Neither series nor parallel

## THANK YOU

