

# Monday Reading Assessment: Unit 2, Ohm's Law and Batteries, Kirchhoff's Rules

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## 1 Memory Bank

- $V = IR$  ... Ohm's Law
- $P = IV$  ... Relationship between power, voltage, and current
- $V_{\text{terminal}} = \epsilon - Ir$  ... For a battery, the terminal voltage is the emf or ideal voltage, minus the current times the internal resistance.

## 2 Batteries and Power

1. (a) What is the power consumption of a 24 V system that draws 0.5 A of current? (b) If a different system operates at 12 V, and has a total resistance of  $50\Omega$ , what is the power consumption?
2. Suppose a battery is connected in series with a resistor (Fig. 1). The  $\epsilon$ , or emf of the battery is 1.5 V. The resistor  $R$  is  $50\Omega$ . The current measured to be 0.0285 A. (b) What is  $r$ , the internal resistance? (c) If another  $50\Omega$  resistor was added *in parallel*, what would be the new current?

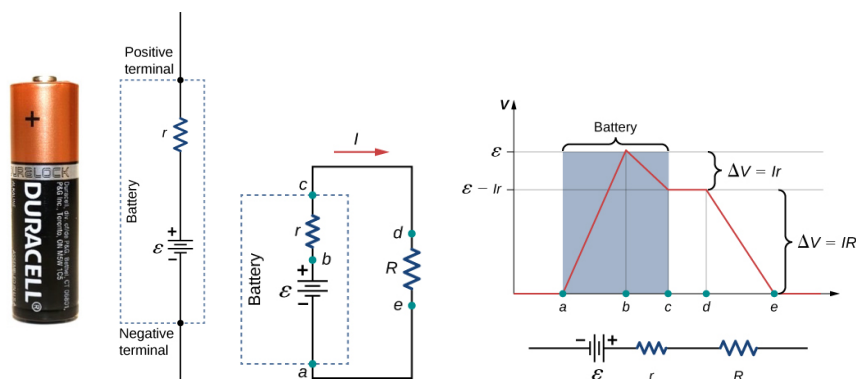


Figure 1: (Left) A battery is similar to a chemical capacitor, but keeps constant a constant voltage  $\epsilon$  called the emf. (Middle) However, a more accurate model is that the battery has some intrinsic or internal resistance  $r$ . (Right) Thus, the measured voltage  $V_{\text{terminal}}$  does not reach the idea emf for a given current  $I$ .