

Kirchhoff's Laws in Series and Parallel Circuits

Pre-lab Exercise (10 Points)

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**Always remember to show your work! Staple your work sheet to this pre-lab test if used.
Treat these like textbook problems and follow the rules of significant figures.**

- (1) Three resistors, $3.30\text{ k}\Omega$, $1.05\text{ k}\Omega$ and $0.47\text{ k}\Omega$ are connected in series. Calculate the equivalent series resistance R_s . (Note: $1\text{ k}\Omega = 1000\Omega$)

$$R_s = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

- (2) Three resistors, $3.30\text{ k}\Omega$, $1.05\text{ k}\Omega$ and $.47\text{ k}\Omega$ are connected in parallel. Calculate the equivalent parallel resistance R_p .

$$R_p = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

- (3) Three resistors, $2.00\text{ k}\Omega$, $2.50\text{ k}\Omega$ and $3.00\text{ k}\Omega$, are connected in series. A power supply is connected in the circuit, and applies a voltage of 10.00 V across all three. Calculate the current in the circuit. Enter results in terms of milliamps (mA), where $1\text{ mA} = 0.001\text{ A}$.

$$I = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

- (4) Calculate the voltage drop across the $3.00\text{ k}\Omega$ resistor in question 3 above.

$$V = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

- (5) 10.00 volts EMF is applied across three resistors in series, and a current of 1.00 mA is recorded by the current meter in the circuit. A voltage of 4.50 V is measured across the first resistor R_1 , and a voltage of 2.20 V is measured across the second resistor R_2 . Find the resistance of the third resistor R_3 .

$$R_3 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$