

Report for Experiment 5

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ABSTRACT:

DATA:

Table 5-1

Component	Listed Value	Measured Value
R_1	2.7 k Ω	2.67 k Ω

Table 5-2

Measured value of		
Resistance	Voltage	Current
2.67 k Ω	12 V	4.5 mA
Computed Power		
$P = IV$	$P = I^2 R$	$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$
54 mW	51.7 mW	53.3 mW

Table 5-3

Variable Resistance Setting (R_2)	V_1 (measured)	V_2 (measured)	Power in R_2 $P_2 = \frac{V_2^2}{R_2}$
0.5 k Ω	10.1 V	1.93 V	7.4 mW
1.0 k Ω	8.8 V	3.3 V	10.89 mW
2.0 k Ω	6.9 V	5.2 V	13.52 mW
3.0 k Ω	5.6 V	6.4 V	13.65 mW
4.0 k Ω	4.8 V	7.25 V	13.14 mW
5.0 k Ω	4.2 V	7.9 V	12.5 mW
7.5 k Ω	3.2 V	8.9 V	10.56 mW
10.0 k Ω	2.53 V	9.53 V	9 mW

mW



Plot 5-1

RESULTS AND CONCLUSION:

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FURTHER INVESTIGATION RESULTS:



Plot 5-2

APPLICATION PROBLEM RESULTS:



Plot 5-3

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Table 5-1

Component	Measured Value	Standard Value
R	2.7 kΩ	

Table 5-2

Measured values of		
Resistance	Voltage	Current
kΩ	V	mA
Computed Power		
P = IV	P = I ² R	P = V ² /R
mW	mW	mW

EVALUATION AND REVIEW QUESTIONS:

1. In the first part of the experiment, you computed the power in a resistor using three different equations. Why might the results in each case be slightly different?

During exponential calculations, the remainders can be 105+ giving an answer slightly higher or lower

2. For the circuit in Figure 5-1, assume a student accidentally set the power supply to 24 V instead of 12 V.

- (a) How much power would be dissipated in the resistor? 213.3 mW
- (b) Would a $\frac{1}{4} \text{ W}$ resistor be adequate for this case? $\text{yes, a } \frac{1}{4} \text{ W resistor is good up to } 250 \text{ mW.}$

3. For the circuit in Figure 5-2, what was happening to the total power in the circuit as the resistance of R_2 was increasing? Explain your answer.

The measured resistance value of R_1 closely matched the resistance value of R_2 at its peak power measurement. Anything lower in R_2 , or anything higher in R_2 decreased the power curve.

4. A $1.5 \text{ k}\Omega$ resistor is found to have 22.5 V across it.

- (a) What is the current in the resistor? 15 mA
- (b) What is the power dissipated in the resistor? 337.5 mW
- (c) Could a $\frac{1}{4} \text{ W}$ resistor be used in this application? Explain your answer.

No, a $\frac{1}{4} \text{ W}$ resistor (250mW) would not be sufficient for a 337.5mW current
a $\frac{1}{2} \text{ W}$ resistor (500mW) would instead be sufficient

5. What physical characteristic determines the power rating of a resistor?

The wire size and the material of the resistor

6. What is the smallest value of resistance that can be used across 10 V if the power dissipated is not to exceed 0.5 W?

$$(10\text{V}^2) / 200\Omega = 0.5\text{W}$$

$$200\Omega$$