

EXPERIMENT 3 : SERIES-PARALLEL CIRCUIT

OBJECTIVE

Understanding mixed circuit logic.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

- DC Power Supply
- DMM
- Resistors

THEORY

Three basic laws can be used to solve a vast majority of circuits, Kirchhoff's voltage law (KVL), Kirchhoff's current law (KCL) and Ohm's law. KVL states that the sum of all the voltage drops in a circuit must equal zero. KCL states that the current entering a node must be equal to the current leaving the node. Ohm's law shows the correlation between voltage, current, and resistance and is expressed as $V = IR$.

PRELIMINARY CALCULATIONS:

1. For the circuit of Figure 3.1 calculate the resistance between nodes:

- a. A and B
- b. A and C
- c. C and D

Hint: Part c cannot immediately be reduced using series and parallel combinations.

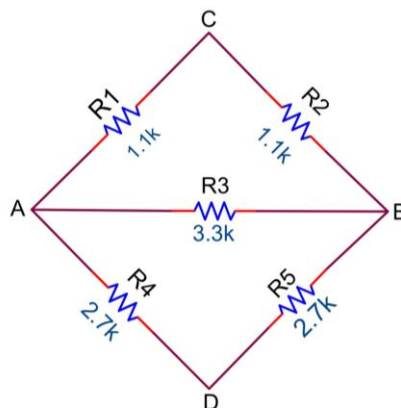


Figure 3.1

	R_{A-B}	R_{A-C}	R_{C-D}
Calculated	$\sim 1012\Omega$	$\sim 753\Omega$	$\sim 2688\Omega$

2. Calculate V_3 and V_4 for the circuit in Figure 3.2.

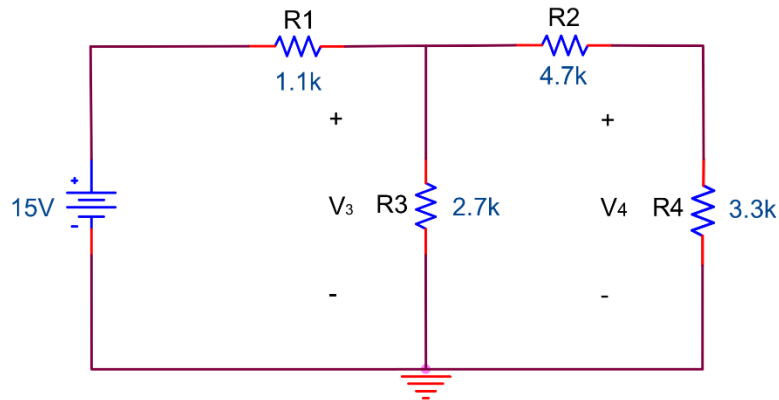


Figure 3.2

	V_3	V_4
Calculated		

3. Calculate all voltages and currents in Figure 3.3 and Figure 3.4.

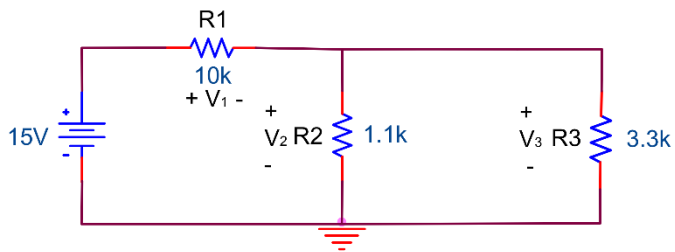


Figure 3.3

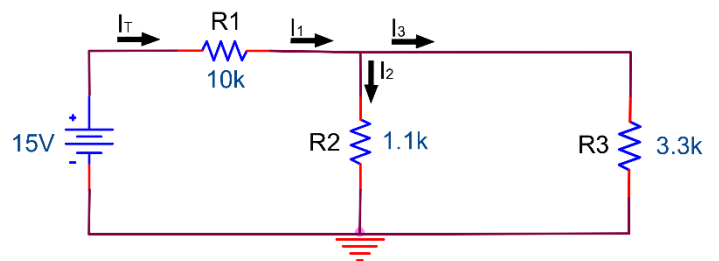


Figure 3.4

	V_1	V_2	V_3	I_1	I_2	I_3	I_T
Calculated							

4. Calculate all voltages and currents in Figure 3.5 and Figure 3.6.

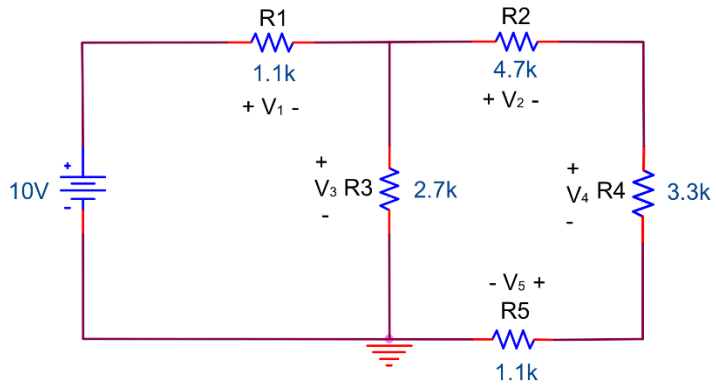


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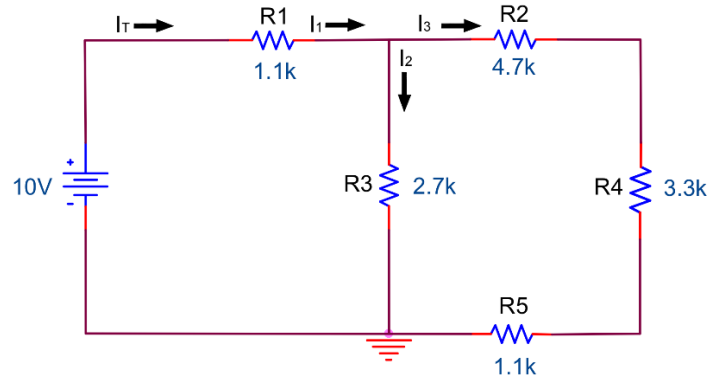


Figure 3.6

	V_1	V_2	V_3	V_4	V_5	I_1	I_2	I_3
Calculated								

PROCEDURE

1. Measure and record R_{ab} (Figure 3.7), R_{ac} (Figure 3.8), and R_{cd} (Figure 3.9).

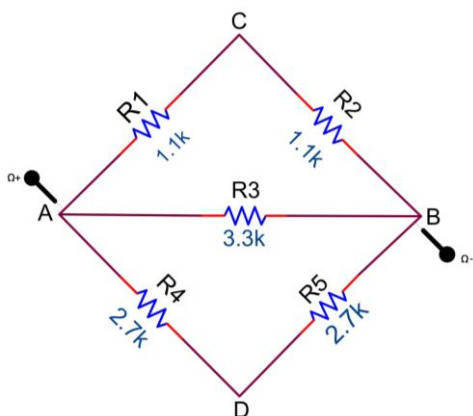


Figure 3.7

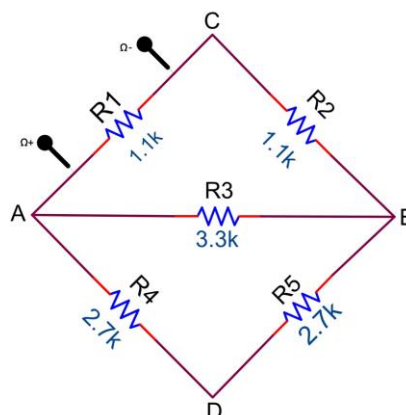


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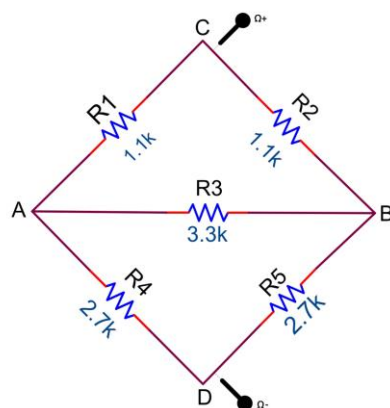


Figure 3.9

Resistance	Calculated	Measured	Percent Error
R_{ab}	1.012k Ω	1.023k Ω	1.09%
R_{ac}	753 Ω	742 Ω	-1.33%
R_{cd}	1.85k Ω	1.8385k Ω	-0.62%

2. Construct the circuit in Figure 3.10. Measure V_3 and V_4 using the DMM. Calculate the percent error.

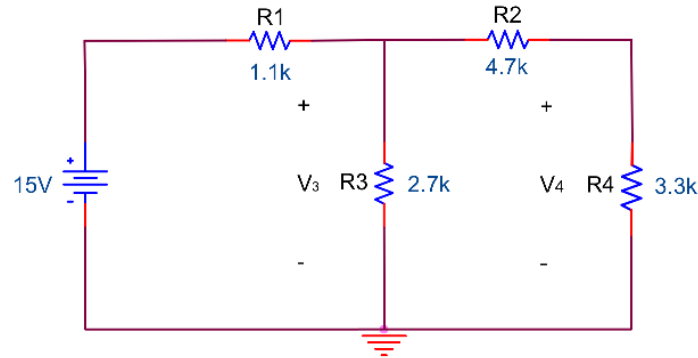


Figure 3.10

	V_3	V_4
Calculated	10.031	4.14
Measured	10.087	4.165
Percent Error	0.56%	0.60%

3. Measure and record the voltages and currents depicted in Figure 3.11 and Figure 3.12.

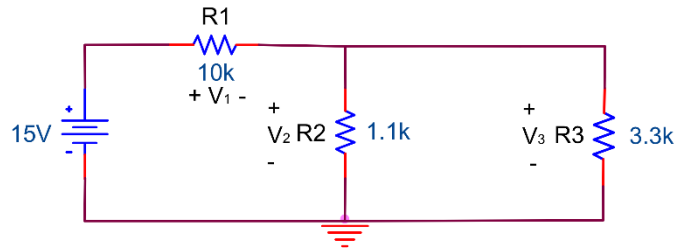


Figure 3.11

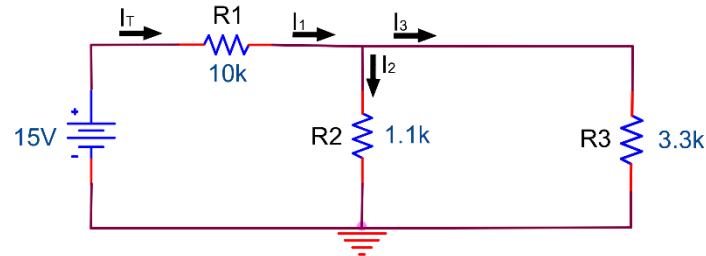


Figure 3.12

	R_1	R_2	R_3	V_1	V_2	V_3	I_1	I_2	I_3	I_T
Calculated	10k Ω	1.2k Ω	3.3k Ω	13.931	1.069	1.069	1.393m	1.069m	0.324m	1.393m
Measured	9.86k Ω	1.198k Ω	3.29k Ω	13.93	1.0693	1.0693	1.415m	1.090m	0.326m	1.415m
Percent Error	-1.4%	-0.17%	-0.30%	-0.01%	0.028%	0.028%	1.57%	1.96%	0.62%	0.02%

4. Construct Figure 3.13. Using the DMM, measure each of the variables and calculate the percent error for each.

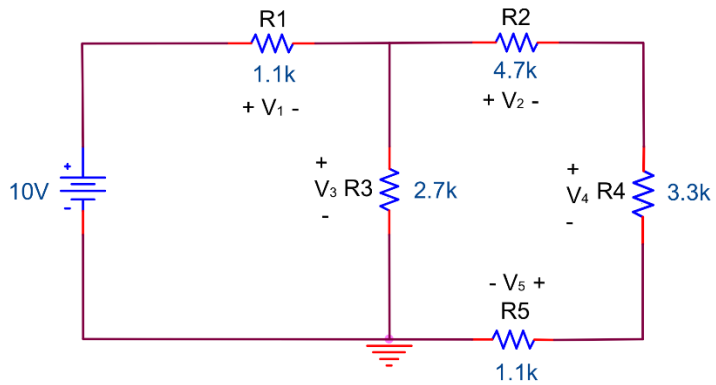


Figure 3.13

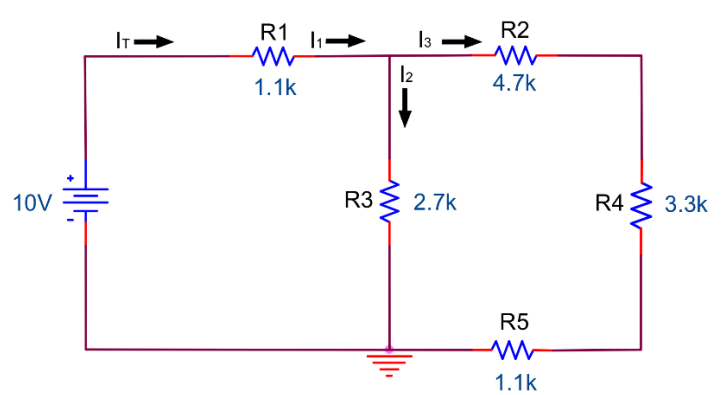


Figure 3.14

	V_1	V_2	V_3	V_4	V_5	I_1	I_2	I_3	I_4	I_5
Calculated	3.25	3.525	6.75	2.475	0.75	2.5m	0.75m	3.25m	N/A	N/A
Measured	3.17	3.52	6.78	2.45	0.67	2.46	0.74	3.23	N/A	N/A
Percent Error	-1.46%	-0.14%	0.44%	1.46%	-1.01%	1.46%	1.6%	-0.615%	N/A	N/A

$$R_1 = 1k \quad R_2 = 1k$$

$$R_3 = 3.3k \quad R_4 = 2.7k, \quad R_5 = 2.7k$$

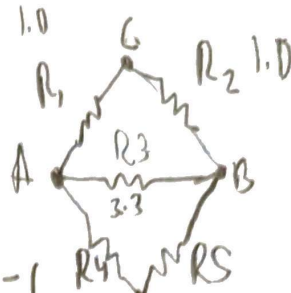
$$R_{a-b} = \left(\frac{1}{R_1 + R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} + \frac{1}{R_4 + R_5} \right)^{-1}$$

$$R_{a-c} = \left(\left(\frac{1}{R_4 + R_5} + \frac{1}{R_3} \right)^{-1} + R_2 \right) \parallel R_1$$

$$R_{c-d} = 1850\Omega$$

$$R_{a-b} = 1012\Omega \quad (A)$$

$$R_{a-c} = 753\Omega \quad (B)$$

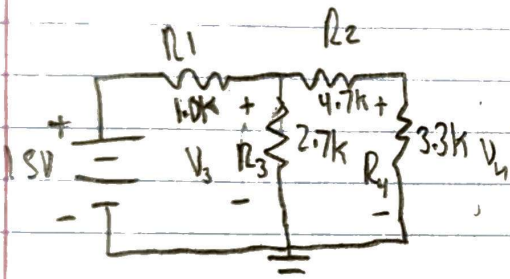


$$R_{A,B,C} = \frac{R_1 R_3}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3}$$

$$= \frac{(1.1k)(3.3k)}{(1.1k + 3.3k + 1.1k)}$$

$$R_{eq} = 1900\Omega$$

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$$R_{eq} \approx 308.69$$

$$I_{tot} \approx 4.969mA$$

$$I_3 = 4.969 \left(\frac{4.7k + 3.3k}{(2.7 + 4.7 + 3.3k)} \right)$$

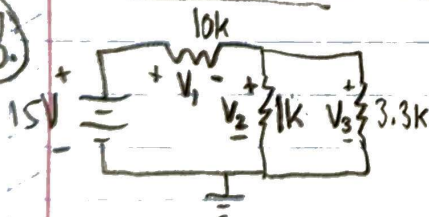
$$\approx 3.715mA \cdot 3.3k \approx 12.26V$$

$$I_4 = 4.969 \left(\frac{2.7}{(2.7 + 4.7 + 3.3k)} \right)$$

$$\approx 1.254mA \cdot 3300 \approx 4.138V$$

	V_3	V_4
Calculated	10.031	4.14V

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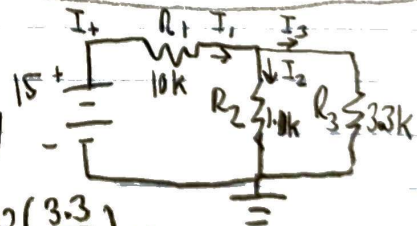
$$R_{eq} = 10.025k\Omega$$

$$\frac{15}{10.067} \approx 1.393mA = I_1$$

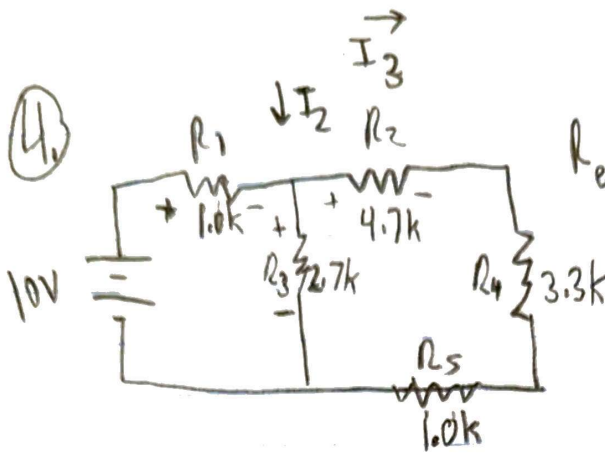
$$V_1 = 1.393(10) \approx 13.931V$$

$$V_2 = 1.069V \quad I_2 = 1.393 \left(\frac{3.3}{1+3.3} \right) \approx 1.069$$

$$V_3 = 1.069V \quad I_3 = 1.393 \left(\frac{1}{4.3} \right) \approx 0.324$$



	V_1	V_2	V_3	I_1	I_2	I_3
Calculated	13.931V	1.069V	1.069V	1.393mA	1.069mA	0.324mA



$$R_{eq} = \frac{40 \cdot 1}{13} \approx 3.077$$

$$I_T = I_1 = \frac{10}{4} \approx 3.25 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_1 = 3.25 \cdot 1 \approx 3.25 \text{ V}$$

$$I_2 = 3.25 \left(\frac{1}{1+2.7} \right) \approx 2.5 \text{ mA} \quad V_2 \approx 3.525 \text{ V}$$

$$I_3 = 3.25 \left(\frac{2.7}{1+2.7} \right) \approx 0.75 \text{ mA} \quad V_3 \approx 2.5 \cdot 2.7 \approx 6.75 \text{ V}$$

$$I_1 \approx 3.25 \text{ mA}$$

$$3.3 \quad V_4 \approx 2.475 \text{ V}$$

	V_1	V_2	V_3	V_4	V_5	I_1	$V_5 \approx 0.75 \cdot 1.0 = 0.75$	I_2	I_3
Calculated	3.25	3.525	6.75	2.475	0.75	2.5 mA	0.75 mA	0.75 mA	3.25 mA

3.3k

2.7k