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## Experiment - 02: Lab 2: KCL, Current Divider Rule with Parallel and Ladder Circuit

### Objective:

In this experiment, we have learned:

- How to connect a parallel circuit on a breadboard
- Validate the current divider rules.
- Verify the theory of Kirchhoff's Current Law
- Verify KCL and KVL in the ladder circuit.

### List of Equipment:

In this experiment, the required component was

- Trainer board
- Resistors:
  - Circuit-01:
    - 1K \* 1 unit
    - 3.3 K $\Omega$  \* 1 unit
    - 4.7 K $\Omega$  \* 1 unit
    - 5.6K \* 1 unit
    - 10K \* 1 unit
  - Circuit-02:
    - 1K \* 3 unit
    - 3.3 K $\Omega$  \* 1 unit
    - 4.7 K $\Omega$  \* 1 unit
    - 10K \* 1 unit
- Digital Multimeter (DMM)
- Connecting Wire

### Theory:

**Kirchhoff's Current Law:** When the summation of the current junction (or region) of a network must equal the summation of the currents leaving the same junction (or regions) is known as Kirchhoff's Current Law.

**Formula:**  $\sum I_i = \sum I_o$

In Parallel Series, the amount of current that gets into a circuit is equal to the amount of current that gets out from the circuit. Voltage remains the same in Parallel circuits.

**Current Divider Rule:** In a parallel circuit, the equal dividing of two or more parallel elements with equal value is known as the Current Divider Rule.

**Formula:**  $I_x = (R_T/R_x) * I_T$

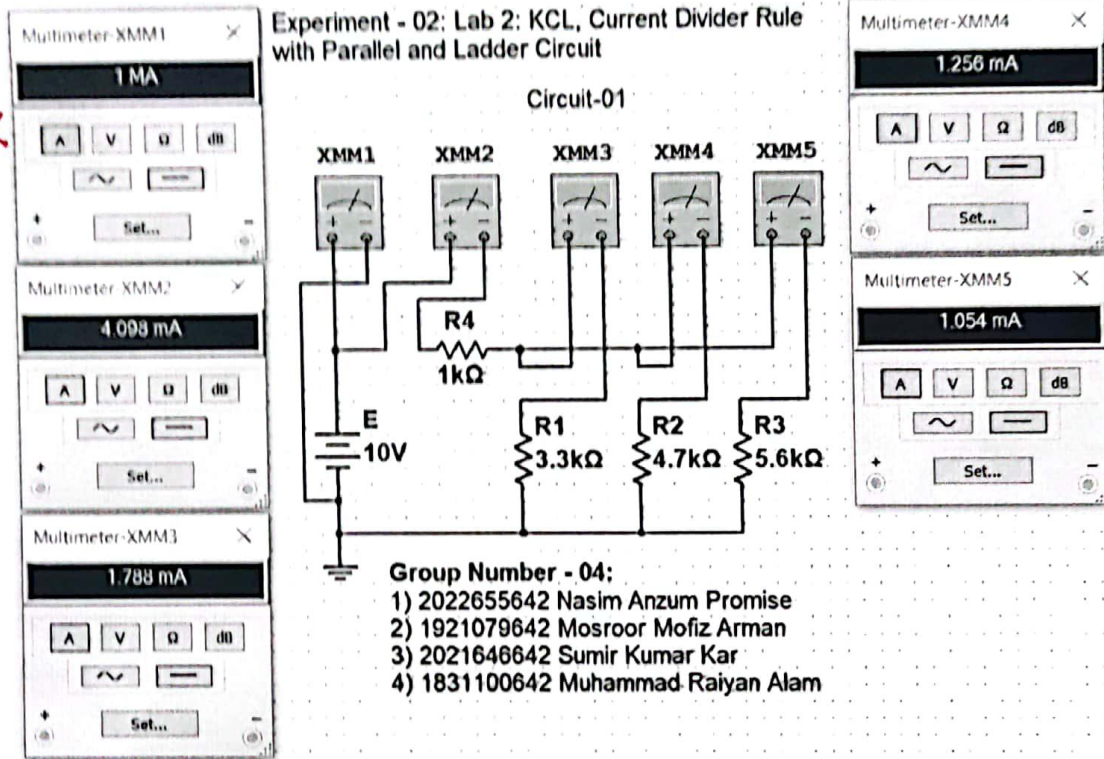
CDR is used to calculate the divided current of the current source into every single branch of a parallel circuit. CDR can be used to calculate and find out the source current of a Parallel Circuit.

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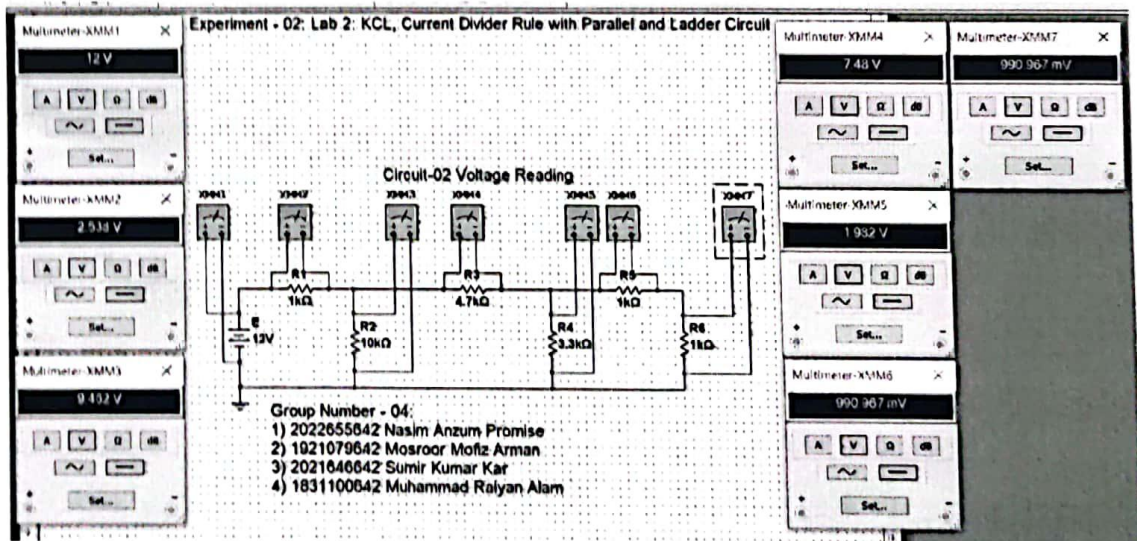
### Circuit Diagram

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Circuit-01

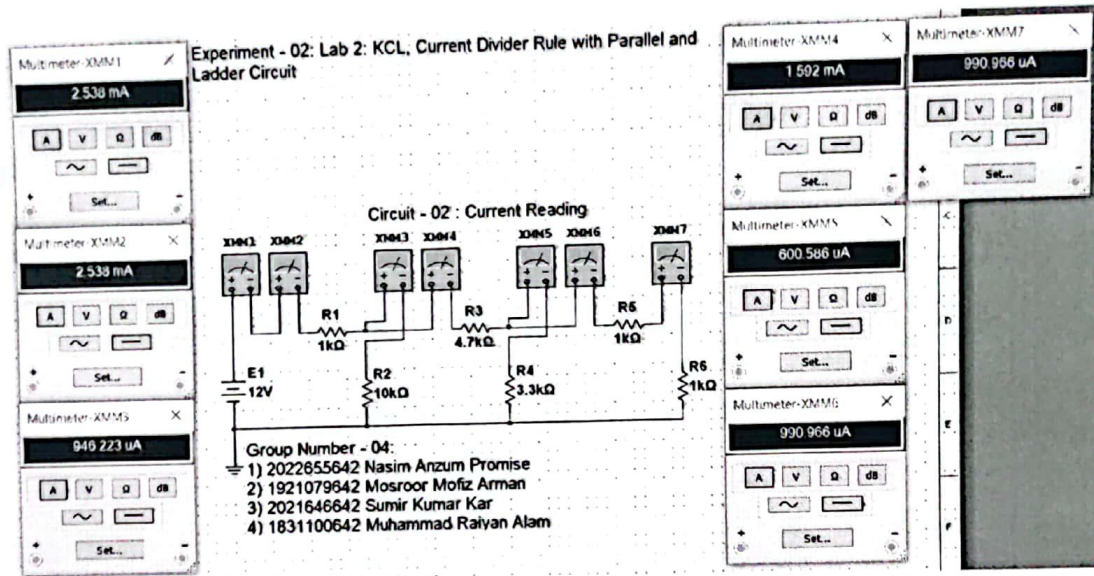


Circuit -01 (above)



Circuit-02: Voltage Reading (above)





Circuit-3 Current Reading (above)

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Data Collection

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$$\frac{10 - 51}{1} \times 100$$

Table 1:

Resistance using colour coding					Resistance using DMM	% Error
Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Resistance $\pm$ tol		
Brown 1	Black 0	Red $\times 100 \Omega$	Golden $\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	0.983 k $\Omega$	9.73%
Orange 3	Orange 3	Red $\times 100 \Omega$	Golden $\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	3.23 k $\Omega$	2.13%
Yellow 4	Violet 7	Red $\times 100 \Omega$	Golden $\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	4.63 k $\Omega$	1.489%
Green 5	Blue 6	Red $\times 100 \Omega$	Golden $\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	5.55 k $\Omega$	0.893%
Brown 1	Black 0	Orange $\times 1k \Omega$	Golden $\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	9.96 k $\Omega$	10.4%
Brown 1	Black 0	Red $\times 100 \Omega$	Golden $\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	0.988 k $\Omega$	1.2%
Brown 1	Black 0	Red $\times 100 \Omega$	$\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	0.975 k $\Omega$	2.5%

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Table 2:

Experimental readings				Theoretical values			
$I_s$	$I_{R1}$	$I_{R2}$	$I_{R3}$	$I_s$	$I_{R1}$	$I_{R2}$	$I_{R3}$
4.06 mA	1.85 mA	1.28 mA	1.06 mA	4.002 mA	4.365 mA	3.065 mA	2.572 mA
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$I_s$		$I_{R1}$		$I_{R2}$		$I_{R3}$	
59.43%		57.61%		58.23%		59.40%	

Table 3:

$I_s$	4.06 mA	Is Total Current equal to sum individual current?
Sum of individual Current ( $I_{R1} + I_{R2} + I_{R3}$ )	$(1.85 + 1.28 + 1.06) \text{ mA}$ $= 4.19 \text{ mA}$	Yes.

Table 4:

Experimental Req	Theoretical Req	% Error
2.4 k $\Omega$	2.44 k $\Omega$	1.64%

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Table 5:

Component	Voltage	Current
E	12.08V	2.57mA
R1	2.53V	2.57mA
R2	0.51V	0.29mA
R3	7.53V	1.63mA
R4	2.00V	0.62mA
R5	0.99V	1.01mA
R6	0.98V	<del>1.01mA</del>



## Questions and Answers

- 1) State the Current Division Rule.

**Ans:** In a parallel circuit, the equal dividing of two or more parallel elements with equal value is known as the Current Divider Rule.

- 2) State the Kirchhoff's Current Law (KCL).

**Ans:** When the summation of the current junction (or region) of a network must equal the summation of the currents leaving the same junction (or regions) is known as **Kirchhoff's Current Law**.

- 3) With the experimental data, verify Kirchhoff's voltage law within each independent closed loop of the circuit.

**Solution:**

$$V = IR$$

$$V_s = IR_s = (4.06 \times 10^{-3}) \times (0.983 \times 10^3) = 3.991 \text{ V}$$

$$V_1 = IR_1 = (1.85 \times 10^{-3}) \times (3.23 \times 10^3) = 5.976 \text{ V}$$

$$V_2 = IR_2 = (1.28 \times 10^{-3}) \times (4.63 \times 10^3) = 5.927 \text{ V}$$

$$V_3 = IR_3 = (1.06 \times 10^{-3}) \times (5.53 \times 10^3) = 5.884 \text{ V}$$

Applying KVL in order to verify:

**In Loop-I:**  $10 - 3.991 - 5.976 = 0.033$  (almost 0)

**In Loop-II:**  $10 - 3.991 - 5.927 = 0.082$  (almost 0)

**In Loop-III:**  $10 - 3.991 - 5.884 = 0.125$  (almost 0)

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- 4) With the experimental data, verify Kirchhoff's current law at nodes a and b of the circuit.

**Solution:**

**At Node A:**

$$I_{in} = I_{out}$$

$$\text{or, } 2.57\text{mA} = 0.94\text{mA} + 1.63\text{mA}$$

**At Node B:**

$$I_{in} = I_{out}$$

$$\text{or, } 1.63\text{mA} = 0.62\text{mA} + 1.01\text{mA}$$

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- 5) Showing all steps, calculate the theoretical values in Table 2. Compare theoretical values to your experimental values and explain whether your circuit follows KCL or not.

**Solution:**



Here  $R_1, R_2, R_3$  is in parallel so total resistance  $R_{123}$  will be

$$R_{123} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3.3 \times 10^3} + \frac{1}{4.7 \times 10^3} + \frac{1}{5.6 \times 10^3}} = 1.44 \times 10^3 \Omega$$

$$R_t = 1.44 \times 10^3 + 1 \times 10^3 = 2.44 \times 10^3 \Omega$$

$$I_t = \frac{V}{R_t} = \frac{10V}{2.44 \times 10^3} = 4.09 \text{ mA}$$

Here,

$$I_s = I_t$$

$$I_s = 4.09 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_1 = \frac{I_s R_{123}}{R_1} = \frac{(4.09)(1.44 \times 10^3)}{3.3 \times 10^3} = 1.79 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{I_s R_{123}}{R_2} = \frac{(4.09)(1.44 \times 10^3)}{4.7 \times 10^3} = 1.25 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_3 = \frac{I_s R_{123}}{R_3} = \frac{(4.09)(1.44 \times 10^3)}{5.6 \times 10^3} = 1.05 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_s = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 = (1.79 + 1.25 + 1.05) \text{ mA} = 4.09 \text{ mA}$$

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$$\% \text{ Error} = \frac{|(\text{Experimental Value} - \text{Theoretical Values})|}{\text{Theoretical Values}} * 100\%$$

$$I_s = \frac{|(4.06 - 4.09)|}{4.09} * 100\% = 0.73\%$$

$$I_1 = \frac{|(1.85 - 1.79)|}{1.79} * 100\% = 3.35\%$$

$$I_2 = \frac{|(1.28 - 1.25)|}{1.25} * 100\% = 2.4\%$$

$$I_3 = \frac{|(1.06 - 1.05)|}{1.05} * 100\% = 0.95\%$$

The experimental values of our experiment follow KCL.

- 6) Showing all the steps, theoretically calculate Req. Compare with the experimental value.

**Solution:**

**Theoretical Values:**

Here  $R_1, R_2, R_3$  is in parallel so total resistance  $R_{123}$  will be

$$R_{123} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3.3 \times 10^3} + \frac{1}{4.7 \times 10^3} + \frac{1}{5.6 \times 10^3}} = 1.44 \times 10^3 \Omega$$

Here  $R_s$  and  $R_{123}$  is in series so,

$$R_{123s} = (1.44 \times 10^3 + 1 \times 10^3) \Omega = 2.44 \times 10^3 \Omega$$

$$\% \text{ Error} = \frac{|(2.4 - 2.44)|}{2.44} * 100\% = 1.64\%$$

- 7) Calculate all the theoretical values for Table 5. Show all steps.

**Solution:**

$R_5$  and  $R_6$  are in series so

$$R_{56} = R_5 + R_6$$

$$R_{56} = 1 \text{ k}\Omega + 1 \text{ k}\Omega = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$R_4$  and  $R_{56}$  are in parallel so

$$R_{456} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_4} + \frac{1}{R_{56}}}$$

$$R_{456} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3.3} + \frac{1}{2}} = 1.25 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$R_3$  and  $R_{456}$  are in series so

$$R_{3456} = R_3 + R_{456}$$

$$R_{3456} = 1.25 \text{ k}\Omega + 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega = 5.95 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$R_2$  and  $R_{3456}$  are in parallel so

$$R_{23456} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_{3456}} + \frac{1}{R_2}}$$

$$R_{23456} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{5.95} + \frac{1}{10}} = 3.73 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$R_1$  and  $R_{23456}$  are in series so

$$R_t = R_1 + R_{23456}$$

$$R_t = 1 \text{ k}\Omega + 3.73 \text{ k}\Omega = 4.73 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Now for E Voltage is  $V_E = 12V$

$$\text{Current will be } I_E = \frac{V_E}{R_T} = \frac{12}{4.73} = 2.54 \text{ mA}$$

At  $R_1$  using Voltage Divider Rule

$$V_1 = \frac{V_E R_1}{R_T} = \frac{(12 V)(1 k\Omega)}{4.73 k\Omega} = 2.54 V$$

$$I_1 = \frac{V_1}{R_1} = \frac{2.54 V}{1 k\Omega} = 2.54 \text{ mA}$$

At  $R_2$  using Current Divider Rule

$$I_2 = \frac{I_1 R_{23456}}{R_2} = \frac{(2.54 \text{ mA})(3.73 k\Omega)}{10 k\Omega} = 0.947 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_2 = I_2 * R_2 = 0.947 \text{ mA} * 10 k\Omega = 9.47 V$$

At  $R_3$  using Voltage Divider Rule

$$V_3 = \frac{V_2 R_3}{R_{3456}} = \frac{(9.47 V)(4.7 k\Omega)}{5.95 k\Omega} = 7.48 V$$

$$I_3 = \frac{V_3}{R_3} = \frac{7.48 V}{4.7 k\Omega} = 1.59 \text{ mA}$$

At  $R_4$  using Current Divider Rule

$$I_4 = \frac{I_3 R_{456}}{R_4} = \frac{(1.59 \text{ mA})(1.25 k\Omega)}{3.3 k\Omega} = 0.602 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_4 = I_4 * R_4 = 0.602 \text{ mA} * 3.3 k\Omega = 1.98 V$$


At  $R_5$  using Voltage Divider Rule

$$V_5 = \frac{V_4 R_5}{R_{56}} = \frac{(1.98 V)(1 k\Omega)}{2 k\Omega} = 0.99 V$$

$$I_5 = \frac{V_5}{R_5} = \frac{0.99 V}{1 k\Omega} = 0.99 \text{ mA}$$

At  $R_6$

$$I_6 = I_5 = 0.99 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_6 = V_5 = 0.99 V$$




### Result analysis & Discussion

In this lab, we learned the practical implementation of KCL, Current Divider Rule with Parallel and Ladder Circuit. This might be because of the Internal Resistance of each and every component. Practical use of Current Divider Rule  $I_s = I_{s1} + I_{s2}$ , KVL:  $\sum I_i = \sum I_o$  and KCL were done in the experiment.

In the equipment, we were provided 1K, 3.3 K $\Omega$ , 4.7 K $\Omega$ , 5.6K, and 10K resistors with a DMM (Digital Multimeter). First, we checked the resistors using color coding and filled them in Table 1. Then we measured the resistance of the resistors using DMM and filled in the column in Table 1. Then, we took the resistors and completed circuit 1. Then we measured currents  $I_s$ ,  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$ , and  $I_3$ . We filled it up in Table 2. Then we calculated  $I_s$  (Total current). Now, we disconnected the voltage source from the circuit and measured the total load resistance  $R_{eq}$  of the course using DMM and Noted down the values in Table 4. That was the end of circuit 1. Next, we built circuit 2. Using DMM, we measured the potential differences across all the resistors in circuit 2 and recorded all the readings in Table 5. After that,, we measured the current through all the resistors and recorded them in Table 5. That was the end of the experiment. During this lab, we faced some problems. Our DMM was not working correctly. Sometimes it gave us the correct value; sometimes, it didn't. We changed our DMM four times to get accurate current and voltage values.

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**Table of Contributions**  
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**3) 1921079642 Mosroor Mofiz Arman:** Checked whether all the circuits were built correctly or not and whether all the data were written carefully and accurately or not.

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**2) 1921079642 Mosroor Mofiz Arman:** Report Writing according to the Guideline given in the canvas.

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