

Measure resistance in a circuit

Review

- What is resistance

On board: $R = \frac{U}{I}$

- How to measure a stand alone resistor

Use the definition. Practically, use a Ohm meter.

Resistor in a circuit

- Does that work for resistors in a circuit (and why).
 - Hint1: no
 - Hint2: what happens to the current

On board: draw resistor in parallel with unknown.

- So how to measure it. (Give example circuit)

On board: circuit diagram.

- Method 1, (one resistor known, live circuit)
 - Can we know the voltage? **On board:** mark voltages
 - Can we know the current? **On board:** mark currents
 - What do we know about the current flow?
 - How can we calculate the current?
 - Hint: what values can we measure.
- Method 2, (unknown resistor, offline circuit)
 - Treat like a blackbox.
 - What can we possibly measure.
 - What do we not want to deal with.
 - How do we "turn it off".
 - Now how to we calculate the resistances.