

INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRICITY

2º ESO

WORKS. 3

Asociación de receptores.

Tipos de circuitos

When connecting receptors in a circuit, there are three possibilities, connecting them in series, in parallel or combining both ways (combined circuits)

Series circuit

The current (I) that flows through any receptor is the same. $I_{total} = I_1 = I_2$

The **voltage** (V)is shared among the elements and depends on their resistance. It is calculated using the Ohm's law. $V_{total} = V_1 + V_2$



The total resistance is the sum of the resistance in each receptor. Rtotal=R1+R2

Parallel circuit

The voltage (V) is the same in all receptors:

$$V_{total} = V_1 = V_2$$

The current (I) that flows through each receptor is independent.

$$I_{\text{total}} = I_1 + I_2$$

The total resistance is calculated using the equation:

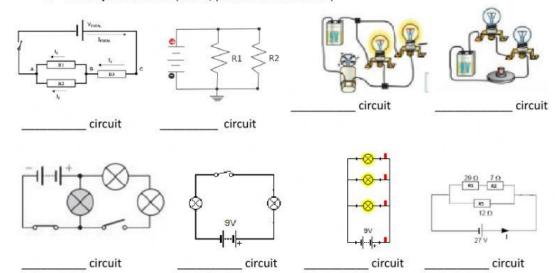
$$Rt = 1/(1/R1+1/R2)$$

Combined or mixed circuit

In this case, some of the receptors are connected in series and some others in parallel. To calculate the quantities we need to make groups with different elements according to the way they are connected and follow the steps applied for series or parallel elements in each case.



1. Identify the circuits (series, parallel or combined?)



2. Indicate the correct option:

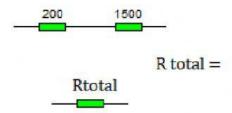
- a. In a series circuit the current is ______.
- b. In a series circuit the total resistance is______
- c. In a parallel circuit the voltage (V)
- d. The total resistance (in a parallel circuit) ______ will always be lower than the individual ones.
- e. The elements connected in parallel have in common ______.
- f. The elements connected in series have in common ______.
- g. The sum of the voltages of the elements in series will be______
- h. In a series circuit the more bulbs you have _____ the light will be.
- i. If we have 10 equal resistors connected in series, the total resistance will
- j. If we have 10 equal resistors connected in parallel, the total resistance will

be_____.

k. In a _____ circuit when a bulb blows the others stop working, they go off.

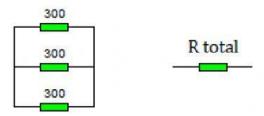


3. If we connect a 200 ohms and a 1500 ohms resistors in series, the total resistance is obtained using the equation:



Therefore, in this particular case the total resistance will be: $___$

4. To calculate the total resistance in a parallel circuit we use the equation:



If we have three 300 ohms resistors in parallel, the total resistance will be ______ohms

