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What happens	to the tota	l resistance in a	a series	circuit when	more resistors	are added?

- A. It decreases
- B. It remains the same
- C. It increases ✓
- D. It becomes zero

In a series circuit, how does the current behave?

- A. It varies at different points
- B. It is zero
- C. It is the same at every point ✓
- D. It doubles at each component

Which formula represents Ohm's Law?

A. P = IV

B. V = IR ✓

C. R = VI

D. I = VR

Why might a series circuit be a poor choice for wiring a home? Provide at least two reasons.

Series circuits are not suitable because if one component fails, the entire circuit stops working, and they do not allow for independent operation of devices.

Discuss the implications of using a series circuit in a string of holiday lights.



If one bulb fails, the entire string of lights will go out, requiring troubleshooting to find the faulty bulb.

	Which of the	following	is	an	advan	tage	of	series	circuit	s?
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- A. Independent operation of components
- B. Simple design and construction ✓
- C. Low power consumption
- D. High efficiency

Which of the following statements about series circuits are true?

- A. Current is the same through all components ✓
- B. Voltage is the same across all components
- C. Total resistance is the sum of individual resistances ✓
- D. They have multiple paths for current

Which components can be found in a series circuit?

- A. Resistors √
- B. Capacitors ✓
- C. Inductors ✓
- D. Transistors

Explain how the total resistance in a series circuit is calculated.

The total resistance is the sum of the resistances of all components in the circuit.

Describe what happens to the current in a series circuit if one of the resistors is removed.

The circuit becomes open, and the current stops flowing through the circuit.

How does Ohm's Law apply to a series circuit with three resistors? Provide an example calculation.



Ohm's Law (V = IR) can be used to calculate the total voltage, current, or resistance. For example, if each resistor is 2 ohms and the current is 1 amp, the total voltage is $V = 1 \times (2 + 2 + 2) = 6$ volts.

Compare and contrast series circuits with parallel circuits in terms of voltage and current distribution.

In series circuits, current is the same through all components, while voltage is divided. In parallel circuits, voltage is the same across all branches, while current is divided.

Which of the following applications typically use series circuits?

- A. Christmas lights ✓
- B. Home wiring systems
- C. Flashlights ✓
- D. Power grids

What is a series circuit?

- A. A circuit with multiple paths for current
- B. A circuit with components arranged in a single path ✓
- C. A circuit with no resistors
- D. A circuit with alternating current

What is the unit of resistance?

- A. Ampère
- B. Volt
- C. Ohm ✓
- D. Watt

What are the effects of adding more resistors in a series circuit?

- A. Total resistance increases ✓
- B. Total current decreases ✓
- C. Total voltage increases
- D. Total power consumption decreases ✓



What are potential disadvantages of series circuits?

- A. Component failure affects the entire circuit ✓
- B. Complex design
- C. Voltage drop across each component ✓
- D. High efficiency

If one component fails in a series circuit, what happens to the circuit?

- A. The circuit continues to work
- B. The circuit becomes faster
- C. The entire circuit stops working ✓
- D. The circuit becomes more efficient

In a series circuit, if the total voltage is 12V and there are three resistors, which of the following could be true?

- A. Each resistor has 4V across it ✓
- B. The sum of voltages across the resistors is 12V \checkmark
- C. One resistor could have 12V across it ✓
- D. Each resistor has 12V across it

In a series circuit, the total voltage is:

- A. Equal to the voltage across the largest resistor
- B. The sum of the voltages across each component \checkmark
- C. Equal to the voltage across the smallest resistor
- D. Always zero