E4b Prelab: Simple D.C. Circuits



Read Lab instructions and Watch Videos Before **Answering Questions**

1. Vashti has arranged three resistors and a battery into a circuit as shown below. The battery has a voltage of V = 61 V and the resistors have resistances of $_1$ = 63 Ω , $_2$ = 127 Ω , and $_3 = 867 \Omega$.



a) Calculate the equivalent resistant of the series circuit.

Hint: Read section 20.6 from your textbook for series wiring (Physics, Cutnell and Johnson).

b) Using Ohms Law, calculate the total current that Vashti measures.

2. Vashti rearranges the resistors as shown below ($_1 = 63 \Omega$, $_2 = 127 \Omega$, and $_3 = 867 \Omega$). He keep the same voltage for the Battery (V = 61 V).



a) Calculate the equivalent resistant of the parallel circuit.

Hint: Read section 20.7 from your textbook for series wiring (Physics, Cutnell and Johnson).

b) Using Ohms Law, calculate the total current that they measure.