

# Resistors

## RESISTOR COLOUR CODES - CARBON FILM

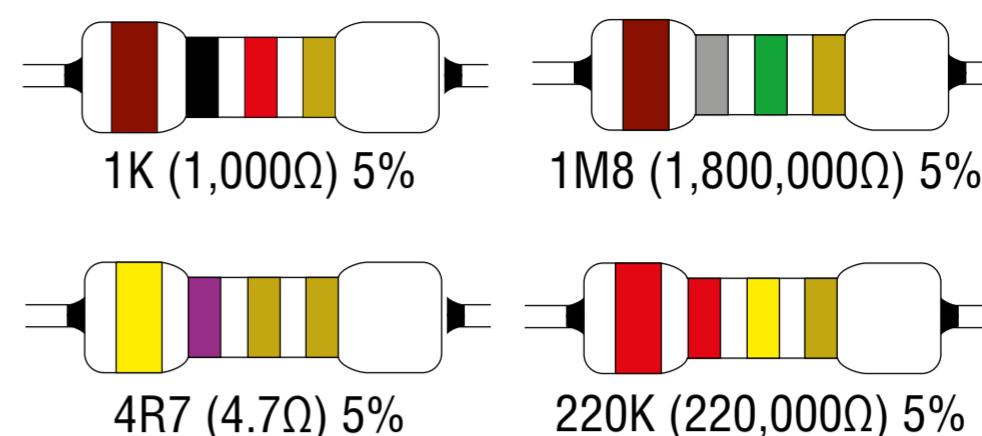
|        | 1st Band | 2nd Band | 3rd Band Multiplier | 4th Band Tolerance |
|--------|----------|----------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Gold   | -        | -        | ÷10                 | 5% tolerance       |
| Silver | -        | -        | ÷100                | 10% tolerance      |
| Black  | 0        | 0        |                     |                    |
| Brown  | 1        | 1        | 0                   | 1% tolerance       |
| Red    | 2        | 2        | 00                  |                    |
| Orange | 3        | 3        | 000                 |                    |
| Yellow | 4        | 4        | 0000                |                    |
| Green  | 5        | 5        | 00000               |                    |
| Blue   | 6        | 6        | 000000              |                    |
| Violet | 7        | 7        | 0000000             |                    |
| Grey   | 8        | 8        |                     |                    |
| White  | 9        | 9        |                     |                    |

### Multiplication factors and symbols

|   |       |           |               |
|---|-------|-----------|---------------|
| M | mega  | 1 000 000 | ( $10^6$ )    |
| K | kilo  | 1 000     | ( $10^3$ )    |
| m | milli | 0.001     | ( $10^{-3}$ ) |
| μ | micro | 0.000 001 | ( $10^{-6}$ ) |

| Capacitance (picofarad pF) | Capacitance (nanofarad nF) | Capacitance (microfarad μF) | Capacitance Code |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 10                         | 0.01                       |                             | 100              |
| 15                         | 0.015                      |                             | 150              |
| 47                         | 0.047                      |                             | 470              |
| 82                         | 0.082                      |                             | 820              |
| 100                        | 0.1                        |                             | 101              |
| 330                        | 0.33                       |                             | 331              |
| 470                        | 0.47                       | 0.00047                     | 471              |
| 1000                       | 1.0                        | 0.001                       | 102              |
| 1500                       | 1.5                        | 0.0015                      | 152              |
| 2200                       | 2.2                        | 0.0022                      | 222              |
| 4700                       | 4.7                        | 0.0047                      | 472              |
| 6800                       | 6.8                        | 0.0068                      | 682              |
| 10000                      | 10                         | 0.01                        | 103              |
| 22000                      | 22                         | 0.022                       | 223              |
| 47000                      | 47                         | 0.047                       | 473              |
| 100000                     | 100                        | 0.1                         | 104              |
| 220000                     | 220                        | 0.22                        | 224              |
| 470000                     | 470                        | 0.47                        | 474              |

### EXAMPLES



### Equation for selecting resistor value for LEDs

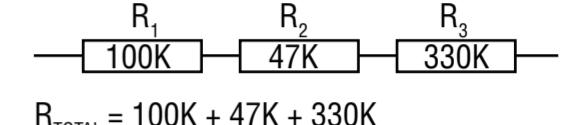
Supply voltage - forward voltage of LED  
÷ forward current of LED in amps

Example:  
RED LED at 2V and 20mA on a 12 Volt supply  
 $12V-2V = 10V \div .02 \text{ Amps} = 500 \text{ Ohms}$   
(use next preferred value which is 560 Ohms).

### Resistors in series

$$R_{\text{TOTAL}} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 \text{ etc...}$$

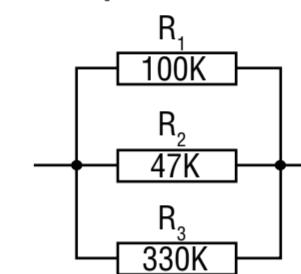
Example:



### Resistors in parallel

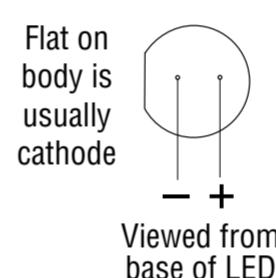
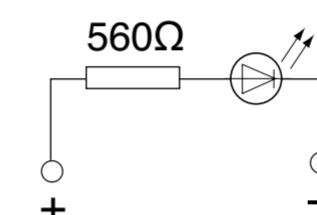
$$\frac{1}{R_{\text{TOTAL}}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \text{ etc...}$$

Example:



$$\frac{1}{R_{\text{TOTAL}}} = \frac{1}{100K} + \frac{1}{47K} + \frac{1}{330K}$$

$$R_{\text{TOTAL}} = 29.15K$$



Capacitance codes give a value in pF. The first two digits are significant digits and the third digit is number of zeros.

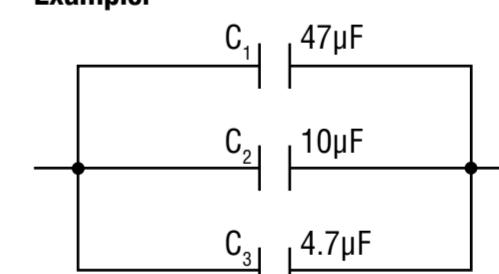
Examples:

103 is 10 with three zeros – 10,000pF or 10nF  
471 is 47 with one zero – 470pF or 0.47nF

### Capacitors in parallel

$$C_{\text{TOTAL}} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 \text{ etc...}$$

Example:



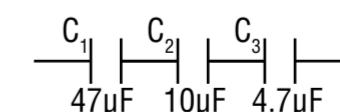
$$C_{\text{TOTAL}} = 47\mu F + 10\mu F + 4.7\mu F$$

$$C_{\text{TOTAL}} = 61.7\mu F$$

### Capacitors in series

$$\frac{1}{C_{\text{TOTAL}}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} \text{ etc...}$$

Example:



$$\frac{1}{C_{\text{TOTAL}}} = \frac{1}{47\mu F} + \frac{1}{10\mu F} + \frac{1}{4.7\mu F}$$

so the total capacitance is 2.99pF