# Experiment No. 1 <br> Resistor Color Code 

## Object

1. To learn Resistor Color Code
2. To determine the stated value of a resistor by interpreting the color code indicated on the resistor.

## Apparatus

1. Set of wires.
2. Carbon Resistors.
3. Digital A.V.O. meter.

Theory
There are two ways to find the resistance value of a resistor. The color bands on the body of the resistor tell how much resistance it has. As shown in the following diagrams figure (1), there are 5-band resistors and 4-band resistors. Form both 5 - and 4-band resistors, the last band indicates tolerance in table (1). Consult with the "Resistor Tolerance" in table (2) chart for finding the tolerance value.


Fig.(1) 5- Band and 4- Band resistors


Fig.(2): First method read resistor

Table 1 : band and color value

| COLOR | FIRST BAND | SECOND BAND | MULTIPLIER | TOLERANCE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BLACK |  | 0 | $10^{\circ}=1$ |  |
| BROWN | 1 | 1 | $10^{1}=10$ | - |
| RED | 2 | 2 | $10^{2}=100$ |  |
| ORANGE | 3 | 3 | $10^{3}=1000$ | , |
| YELLOW | 4 | 4 | $10^{4}=10000$ |  |
| GREEN | 5 | 5 | $10^{5}=100000$ |  |
| BLUE | 6 | 6 | $10^{6}=1000000$ |  |
| VIOLET | 7 | 7 | $10^{7}=10000000$ |  |
| GREY | 8 | 8 | $10^{8}=100000000$ |  |
| WHITE | 9 | 9 | $10^{9}=1000000000$ |  |
| GOLD |  |  | $10^{-1}=0.1$ | 5\% |
| SILVER |  |  | $10^{-2}=0.01$ | 10\% |
| NO COLOR |  |  | - | 20\% |

The first litter word to represent color resistor code in table (1)

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Table (2): Resistor Tolerance

| Color | Tolerance |
| :--- | :--- |
| Silver | $\pm 10 \%$ |
| Gold | $\pm 5 \%$ |
| Red | $\pm 2 \%$ |
| Brown | $\pm 1 \%$ |
| Green | $\pm 0.5 \%$ |
| Blue | $\pm 0.25 \%$ |
| Violet | $\pm 0.1 \%$ |
| Gray | $\pm 0.05 \%$ |

View the resistors and based on the color bands determine its value. Below is an example:

| Table 2-1 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Band | Color Code | Numeric Value |
| $1^{1^{\text {t }} \text { Band }}$ | Brown | 1 |
| $2^{\text {dd }}$ Band | Black | 0 |
| $3^{\text {d }}$ Band | Orange | $10^{3}$ |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Band | Gold | $\pm 5 \%$ |
| The Resistor Value is $\mathbf{1 0 K}$ |  | The tolerance is $\pm 5 \%$ |

- The first band is a one (1), the second band is a zero (0), and the multiplier band or third band is
- one time text to the third power $\left(10^{3}\right)$ or one thousand (1000). Multiply 10 times 1000.
- Another way to tell the resistance value of a resistor is to actually measure it with the ohmmeter. The explanation of how to measure the resistance is given in the later tip.

Where:-

$$
\operatorname{Rmax}=\mathrm{R}+(\mathrm{R} * \mathrm{~T})
$$

## Procedure

1. Measure and record twenty resistors with value of 1 Kohm .
2. Find the $\mathrm{R}_{\text {max. }}$, $\mathrm{R}_{\text {min }}$, then calculate the percentage error.
3. Repeat the steps $(1,2)$ with resistor value of 10 K ohm.
4. Repeat the steps $(1,2)$ with resistor value of 100 K ohm.

## Discussion

1. Comment for your results.
2. Determine the value and tolerance of the 10 resistors as shown in the following tables for fig. (3):

| Table 2-2 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Band | Color Code | Numeric Value |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Band | Orange |  |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Band | Orange |  |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Band | Orange |  |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Band | Silver |  |
| The Resistor Value is___ | The Tolerance is $\quad . \quad \%$ |  |


| Table 2-3 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Band | Color Code | Numeric Value |
| $1^{1^{\text {t }} \text { Band }}$ | Orange |  |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Band | Orange |  |
| $3^{3^{\text {d }} \text { Band }}$ | Red |  |
| $4^{\text {h }}$ Band | Silver |  |
| The Resistor Value is__ |  |  |


| Table 2-6 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Band | Color Code | Numeric Value |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Band | Red |  |
| $2^{\text {dd }}$ Band | Violet |  |
| $3^{3^{\text {d }} \text { Band }}$ | Brown |  |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Band | Gold |  |
| The Resistor Value is__ | The Tolerance is___ $\%$ |  |


| Table 2-7 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Band | Color Code | Numeric Value |
| 1 $^{\text {t }}$ Band | Brown |  |
| $2^{\text {d }}$ Band | Brown |  |
| $3^{\text {dd }}$ Band | Red |  |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Band | Gold |  |
| The Resistor Value is___ |  | The Tolerance is_____ |


| Table 2-8 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Band | Color Code | Numeric Value |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Band | Yellow |  |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Band | Violet |  |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Band | Red |  |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Band | Silver |  |
| The Resistor Value is |  | The Tolerance is ____\% |


3. Record resistor colors gave to its value in below:
$4.7 \mathrm{~K} \Omega 5 \%, \quad 910 \Omega \pm 10 \%, \quad 12 \Omega 5 \%$,
$6.8 \mathrm{~K} \Omega 20 \%$

