

Today, we will: *Reminder: Always text Cimbala before class (37607) or log into PE*

- Do some example problems – basic electronics and dimensional analysis
- Review the pdf module: **Errors and Calibration** and do some example problems
- Review the pdf module: **Basic Statistics** and do some example problems

Example: Basic electronics

Given: The circuit shown.

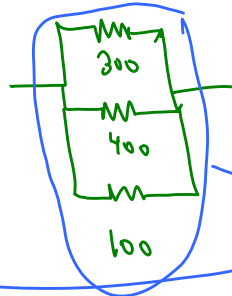
To do:

- Calculate the equivalent resistance of this circuit.
- Calculate the total current through this circuit.
- Calculate the power used by this circuit.

Solution:

- (a) • First do the top 2 in series
 $R_{top} = 100 + 200 = 300 \Omega$

• Now have



= 3 resistors in parallel

$$R_{eq} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{300} + \frac{1}{400} + \frac{1}{600}} = 133.33... \Omega$$

So, $R_{equivalent} = 133.33... \Omega$

The equivalent circuit is



(b) Ohm's Law: $\Delta V = IR \rightarrow I = \frac{\Delta V}{R_{eq}}$ here, so

[Note: 3 sig. digits in answer since 10.0 = 3 digits]

$$I = \frac{\Delta V}{R_{eq}} = \frac{(10.0 - 0.0) \text{ V}}{133.33... \Omega} \left(\frac{\text{A} \cdot \Omega}{\text{V}} \right) = 0.0750 \text{ A}$$

or $I = 75.0 \text{ mA}$

(Ohm's law)

[Unity conversion factors]

(c) $\dot{W} = (\Delta V) I = (IR) I = I^2 R$
 or, $\dot{W} = \Delta V (I) = \Delta V \left(\frac{\Delta V}{R} \right) = \frac{\Delta V^2}{R}$

$$\dot{W} = 0.0750 \text{ W}$$

Example: Basic electronics

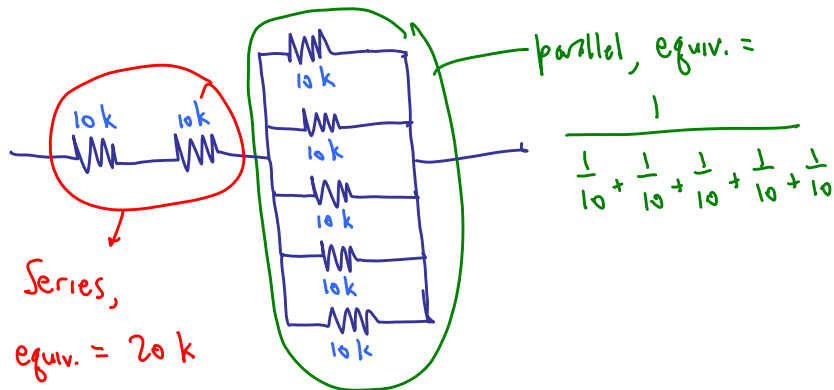
Given: A bunch of 10 kΩ resistors is available in the lab. We have need for a resistance of 22 kΩ for a circuit we are building on a breadboard.

To do: Figure out how to create the required resistance from the available resistors.

Solution:

We use trial & error, playing with series & parallel combinations.

Here is one option (there may be more):



Example: Basic electronics

Given: A voltage signal has a DC offset. We want to remove the DC offset so that the frequency content of the AC (fluctuating) component can be analyzed.

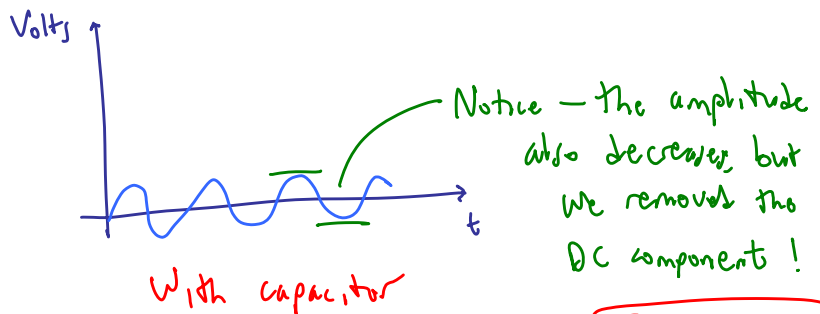
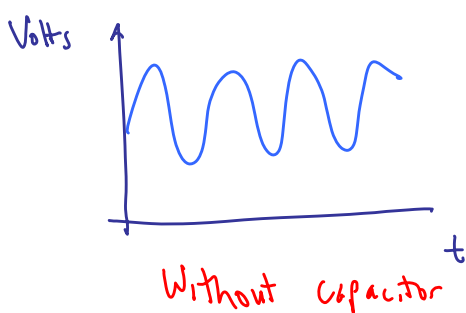
To do: Figure out how to remove the DC offset with a *single* electronic component (i.e., one resistor *only*, or one capacitor *only*, or one inductor *only*, etc.).

Solution:

See the Electronics Review notes on the course website.

A capacitor impedes DC signals. Basically, a DC voltage will build up a charge on the capacitor, but current does not flow through.

AC (fluctuating) voltages pass through, but are impeded slightly.



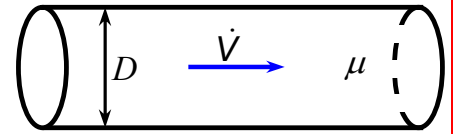
Answer:

Capacitor

This is a crude high-pass filter!

Example: Dimensional analysis – pipe flow

Given: Consider fully developed laminar flow through a very long round tube. Volume flow rate $\dot{V}$ is a function of the tube's inner diameter D , fluid viscosity μ , and axial pressure gradient dP/dx .



Pressure gradient = dP/dx

To do: If D is doubled, holding μ and dP/dx fixed, by what factor does $\dot{V}$ change?

Solution: Use dimensional analysis to generate a nondimensional functional relationship.

Step 1: $\dot{V} = fnc(D, \mu, dP/dx)$ (we treat dP/dx as one variable here) → $\left\{ \frac{F}{A} \right\} = \left\{ \frac{ML}{t^2 L^2} \right\}$

Step 2: $\left\{ \frac{L^3}{t} \right\}$ $\left\{ L \right\}$ $\left\{ \frac{m}{Lt} \right\}$ $\left\{ \frac{m}{L^2 t^2} \right\}$ n=4

Step 3: Pick j=3 since m, L, t appear in dimensions. Expect $k = n - j = 4 - 3 = 1$ Π_1 's

Step 4: Pick 3 repeating variables since $j=3 \rightarrow$ only choice is $D, \mu, dP/dx$.

Step 5: $\Pi_1 = \dot{V} D^a \mu^b \left(\frac{dP}{dx} \right)^c$ → Force this Π to be dimensionless by solving for the exponents as follows:

Dimensionless $\rightarrow \left\{ m^0 L^0 t^0 \right\} = \left\{ \frac{L^3}{t} \right\} \left\{ L \right\}^a \left\{ \frac{m}{Lt} \right\}^b \left\{ \frac{m}{L^2 t^2} \right\}^c$

Algebra:

$$m: 0 = b + c$$

$$L: 0 = 3 + a - b - 2c$$

$$t: 0 = -1 - b - 2c$$

} Solve simultaneously any way you can.

Result:

$a = -4, b = 1, c = -1$

$$\text{So, } \Pi_1 = \dot{V} D^{-4} \mu^1 \left(\frac{dP}{dx} \right)^{-1} \rightarrow \Pi_1 = \frac{\dot{V} \mu}{D^4 (dP/dx)}$$

Note: The constant cannot be found by dimensional analysis

Step 6: $\Pi_1 = fnc(\text{nothing}) \therefore \Pi_1 = \text{constant}$ →

Since there is only one Π_1 in this problem

$\dot{V} = \text{Constant} \frac{D^4 (dP/dx)}{\mu}$

ANSWER $\rightarrow$

Answer: If D is doubled, holding μ and dP/dx fixed, $\dot{V}$ goes up by a factor of 16.

If D doubled, $\dot{V} \uparrow$ by factor of $2^4 = 16$

[We got this without knowing any fluid mechanics!]

Example: Errors and calibration

Given:

- The actual (true) voltage is 4.6020 V.
- 256 voltage readings are taken, and the average voltage reading is 4.6015 V.

To do: (a) Calculate the systematic (bias) error and the mean bias error for this set of measurements. (b) Calculate the random (precision) error of a reading that is 4.6010 V.

Solution:

- (a) Bias error = Systematic error = Avg. - true value = $4.6015 - 4.6020 \text{ V} = -0.0005 \text{ V}$
MBE = Bias error / true value = $-0.0005 / 4.6020 = -0.0001086 \approx -0.011\%$
- (b) Random error of this one reading = reading - average of all readings = $4.6010 - 4.6015 = -0.0005 \text{ V}$

Example: Errors and calibration

Given:

- The actual (true) temperature is 22.100°C.
- Six thermometer readings are taken: 22.15, 22.22, 22.09, 22.21, 22.18, and 22.24°C.

To do: Calculate the mean, systematic error, and mean bias error for this set of data, and calculate the accuracy error (inaccuracy) and the precision error for each measurement.

T_i (°C)	Inaccuracy = $T_i - T_{\text{true}}$ (°C)	Precision error = $T_i - \bar{T}$ (°C)
22.15	$= 22.15 - 22.100 = 0.05$	$= 22.15 - 22.182 = -0.0317 \approx -0.03$
22.22	0.12	0.04
22.09	-0.01	THIS DECIMAL PLACE IS THE PLACE FOR THE LEAST SIGNIFICANT DIGIT IN THE ANSWERS
22.21	0.11	-0.09
22.18	0.08	0.03
22.24	0.14	-0.00
		-0.06

Solution: Average of all readings = Sample mean = $22.181666 \approx 22.182^\circ\text{C}$

• Systematic error = Avg - true value = $\frac{22.181667 - 22.100}{0.08167}$ Keeping significant digits in mind,

Systematic error = 0.082°C

• Precision error → See table. Precision error = reading - avg. of all readings

• MBE = $\frac{\text{Systematic error}}{\text{true value}} = \frac{0.081667}{22.100} = 0.003695$

MBE = 0.37% (to 2 sig. digits = best we can do)

[See also Excel spreadsheet on the website for this same problem]

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