# HE1027 Electrical Principals 

Lecture 1: Basic concepts


## Course Structure

- 10 lectures (digital)
- 7 exercises (physical)
- 6 online quizzes (optional)
- 5 labs (physical)
- book times in the calendar

- written exam (physical)
- June 3

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## What is ELECTRICITY?

Electricity is a form of energy that can be changed into other forms

## Two Types of Electricity

Static electricity produced when some materials are rubbed together

Current electricity is caused by electrons that move through metal

Where does Electricity come from?

## Power Stations

Supply a lot of energy

Power generators
Similar to power stations

## Electric batteries

Supply a little electricity Portable Safe


## Electrical Units

- Basic units of measurement
- Current (amperes A)
- Voltage (volts V)
- Resistance (ohms $\Omega$ )



## Current

- To make an electrical appliance work, electricity must flow through it
- The flow of electricity is called an electric current
- An electric current is the rate of flow of electric charges in a circuit
- The path along which the electric current moves is called the electric circuit


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- Electric current (I) is measured in amperes (A) 1 ampere $=1$ coulomb / 1 second


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## Example 1

- The charge in point $A$ is 0.16 C
- The charge flows every 64 ms .
- What is a current in that point?


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I=\frac{Q}{t}=\frac{0,16}{0,064}=2,5 \mathrm{Al}
$$

## Example 2

- The current is 5 mA
- How long it will take for $4^{*} 10^{16}$ electrons to pass?

$$
\begin{aligned}
& Q=\frac{4 \cdot 10^{16}}{6.242 \cdot 10^{18}}=6.41 \cdot 10^{-3} \mathrm{C} \\
& t=\frac{Q}{I}=\frac{6.41 \cdot 10^{-3}}{5 \cdot 10^{-3}}=1,28 \mathrm{~s}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Current Flow

- Electron flow goes from negative to positive

- However, in analysis is used convention flow
- Convention flow goes from highest to lowest (from positive to negative)
- Similar high and low we can determine for all elements by determine by looking how element changes potential



## Voltage

- An electric cell gives energy to the electrons and pushes them round a circuit. Voltage is a measure of how much energy the electrons receive
- Voltage $(\mathrm{V})=\frac{\operatorname{energy}(\mathrm{W})}{\text { charge }(\mathrm{Q})}$
- Different voltages are supplied by different cells and batteries



## Resistance: Conductors and Insulators

- When an electric current flows through a circuit, there will be some resistance that opposes it


## Low resistance

Good conductors

Superconductor $\rho=0$
Silver $\rho=1.59 \times 10^{-8}$
Copper $\rho=1.68 \times 10^{-8}$
Gold $\rho=2.44 \times 10^{-8}$
Aluminium $\rho=2.65 \times 10^{-8}$
Iron $\rho=9.7 \times 10^{-8}$

High resistance
Poor conductors

Superinsulators $\rho=\infty$
Teflon $\rho=10^{24}$
Dry wood $\rho=10^{15}$
Air $\rho=10^{12}$
Rubber $\rho=10^{13}$
Diamond $\rho=10^{12}$

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\text { Resistance }(R)=\frac{\text { resistivity }(\rho)^{*} \text { length }(L)}{\text { cross sectional area }(A)}
$$

## Resistors

- Resistors are electrical components that are specially made to have a certain resistance
- Resistors are connected in a circuit to resist the current flow
- Resistors can be:
- fixed resistors (only one resistance value)
- variable resistors (resistors can be adjusted to change the resistance)



## Resistor Color-coding

- Thin-film resistors use colour coding based on 4,5 or 6 bands
- If 4 bands: 1 st digit, 2 nd digit, multiplier, tolerance
- If 5 bands: 1 st digit, 2nd digit, 3rd digit, multiplier, tolerance
- If 6 bands: 1st digit, 2nd digit, 3rd digit, multiplier, tolerance, temp coof


## $100 \Omega \pm 5 \%$



## Drawing Circuits

$\qquad$ wire

inductor


Voltage source

earth

power supply $\qquad$ switch

capacitor
resistor
voltmeter

## Examples



## Ohms Law

- Current through a conductor between two points is directly proportional to the voltage across the two points
- Current $(\mathrm{I})=\frac{\text { Voltage (V) }}{\text { Resistance (R) }}$
- $I=\frac{V}{R} \quad V=I^{*} R$
$R=\frac{V}{1}$

- V is applied to voltage drops
- E is applied to voltage sources

$$
V=E
$$

## Example 1

What is a resistance of a light bulb if current is 500 mA and voltage is 220 V ?

$$
I=\frac{V}{R} \rightarrow R=\frac{V}{I}=\frac{220}{0,5}=440 \Omega
$$

## Example 2

- What is a current?


$$
I=\frac{V}{R}=\frac{1,5}{68 \cdot 10}=\frac{1,5}{680}=2,2 \mathrm{~mA}
$$

## Power

- Power shows how much work (energy conversion) can be done in a specific amount of time
- Power $(P)=\frac{\text { energy }(W)}{\text { time }(t)}$



## Different Types of Connection



Series Connection
Parallel Connection

## Series Circuits



- The total resistance of a series configuration is a sum of the resistance levels

$$
R_{T}=R_{1}+R_{2}+R_{3}
$$

- The current is the same at every point in a series circuit

$$
\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{T}}=\mathrm{I}_{1}=\mathrm{I}_{2}=\mathrm{I}_{3} \quad \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{T}}=\frac{\mathrm{E}}{\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{T}}}
$$

- Voltage is calculated for each element

Example


Determine the voltage across each resister and indicate their polarity

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R_{\text {Total }}=1 \Omega+2 \Omega+3 \Omega+4 \Omega=10 \Omega \\
& I_{\text {Total }}=I_{1}=I_{2}=I_{3}=I_{4}=\frac{E}{R_{\text {Total }}}=\frac{20}{10}=2 \mathrm{~A} \\
& V_{1}=R_{1} \cdot I_{1}=2 \mathrm{~V} \quad V_{3}=R_{3} \cdot I_{3}=6 \mathrm{~V} \\
& V_{2}=R_{2} \cdot I_{2}=4 \mathrm{~V} \quad V_{4}=R_{4} \cdot I_{4}=8 \mathrm{~V}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Parallel Circuits


$\frac{1}{R_{T}}=\frac{1}{R_{1}}+\frac{1}{R_{2}}+\frac{1}{R_{3}}$
Voltage is the same for all branches

Current is calculated for each element

For two parallel resistors: $R_{T}=\frac{R_{1} \cdot R_{2}}{R_{1}+R_{2}}$

## Example



Determine the voltage through each branch
Since it is parallel connection, $V_{1}=V_{2}=V_{3}=V_{\text {Tota }}=24 \mathrm{v}$
Find the total resistance
$\frac{1}{R_{T}}=\frac{1}{R_{1}}+\frac{1}{R_{2}}+\frac{1}{R_{3}}=\frac{1}{10}+\frac{1}{220}+\frac{1}{1200}=0,10538 \quad R_{T}=\frac{1}{0,10538}=9,49 \Omega$
Calculate the source current

$$
I=\frac{V}{R_{T}}=\frac{24}{9,49}=2,53 A
$$

Determine the current through each branch
$I_{1}=\frac{V}{R_{1}}=\frac{24}{10}=2,4 \mathrm{~A}$

$$
I_{2}=\frac{V}{R_{2}}=\frac{24}{220}=0,11 \mathrm{~A}
$$

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I_{3}=\frac{V}{R_{3}}=\frac{24}{1200}=0,02 \mathrm{~A}
$$

## Suggested reading

## Introductory Circuit Analysis

-Kap 1: 1.6-1.8
-Kap 2: 2.2-2.12, 2.2-2.8
-Kap 3: 3.4, 3.5-3.8, 3.9
-Kap 4: 4.2-4.5
-Kap 5: 5.1-5.5
-Kap 6: 6.2-6.4

## Suggested exercises

- Kap 1: 30-33
- Kap 2: 8-11, 14-17
- Kap 3: 34-35, 44
- Kap 4: 1-12, 24-28
- Kap 5: 3, 7, 10
- Kap 6: 7, 13, 15, 17

