# **EET-1210: AC ELECTRIC CIRCUITS**

# **Cuyahoga Community College**

# Viewing: EET-1210 : AC Electric Circuits

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Subject Code

EET - Electrical/Electronic Engineer

#### Course Number:

1210

Title:

AC Electric Circuits

# **Catalog Description:**

Fundamentals of alternating current (AC) circuits involving resistance, capacitance, and inductance. Sinusoidal voltage, current power, phase, resonance, and frequency response of basic circuit elements in series, parallel, and series-parallel circuits, pulsed circuit analysis. Circuit analysis using network theorems may include Kirchhoff's laws, Mesh, Nodal, and Bridge Network analysis, Superposition, Thevenin's, Norton's and Maximum Power Transfer theorems. Decibels, filters, Bode plots, Fourier series, and system analysis are studied. Computer simulation and practical laboratory experiments using AC instrumentation for measuring series-parallel networks to observe and verify theory and concepts presented in lecture.

Credit Hour(s):

Lecture Hour(s): 2 Lab Hour(s): 2

Other Hour(s):

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# **Requisites**

# **Prerequisite and Corequisite**

EET-1161 Direct Current Circuits; and EET-1180 Surface Mount Soldering, or concurrent enrollment; and MATH-0965 Intermediate Algebra or concurrent enrollment, or qualified Math placement; or departmental approval.

# Outcomes

Course Outcome(s):

Demonstrate the properties of sine waves.

# **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

# Objective(s):

- a. Determine the relationship between peak, peak-to-peak and Root Mean Square (RMS) of a sine wave.
- b. Determine the period of a sine wave through calculation and measurement.
- c. Determine the instantaneous voltage given a time value.
- d. Define a radian and convert degrees to radians.
- e. Convert radians to degrees.
- f. Determine theoretically and through measurement the phase angle of two sine waves and determine which wave is leading and which wave is lagging.

g. Determine theoretically and through measurement the time difference of two sine waves and determine which wave is leading and which wave is lagging.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Use the rectangular coordinate system to explain the location of imaginary and real values.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

#### Objective(s):

- a. Explain the four quadrants in terms of x and y and show the signs of each in each quadrant.
- b. Explain the real and imaginary axis.
- c. Explain the imaginary operator, "j".
- d. Show how "j", in the geometric definition, represents a phase shift of 90 degrees.
- e. Show how to add and subtract real and complex numbers in rectangular form.
- f. Show how to multiply and divide complex numbers in polar form.
- g. Convert values from rectangular to polar form and from polar form to rectangular form.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Use trigonometry as a tool in AC circuit calculations.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

#### **Objective(s):**

- a. Demonstrate the relationship to side opposite (SO), side adjacent (SA) and the hypotenuse (H).
- b. Show the sine function as represented by SO/H.
- c. Given SO and H, calculate the sine.
- d. Use the inverse sine to find the angle.
- e. Show the cosine function as represented by SA/H.
- f. Given SA and H, calculate the cosine.
- g. Use the inverse cosine to find the angle.
- h. Show the tangent function as represented by SO/SA.
- i. Explain why the tangent function is not defined at 90 degrees.
- j. Given SA and SO, calculate the tangent.
- k. Use the inverse Tangent to find the angle.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Master the basic elements used in AC circuits.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

# **Objective(s):**

- a. Describe basic terms, prefixes, symbols, and components of AC electrical and electronic networks.
- b. Describe how resistors affect the voltage and current phase angle.
- c. Calculate capacitive reactance and show its dependency on frequency.
- d. Represent capacitive reactance in rectangular and polar form.
- e. Through theoretical and lab experimentation, show the current leads the voltage in a (perfect) capacitor by 90 degrees.
- f. Calculate inductive reactance and show its dependency on frequency.
- g. Represent inductive reactance in rectangular and polar form.
- h. Through theoretical and lab experimentation, show that the current lags the voltage in an inductor by 90 degrees.

i. Through theoretical and lab experimentation, show that the current lags the voltage in a (real) inductor with winding resistance by less than 90 degrees.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Show circuit parameters of a series circuit and its impedance.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

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#### Objective(s):

- a. Explain impedance and admittance.
- b. Represent resistance, capacitive reactance and inductive reactance as an impedance in rectangular and polar form.
- c. Plot the impedance of resistors, capacitive reactance and inductive reactance on a rectangular coordinate system.
- d. Calculate the total impedance of a RC circuit in polar form (magnitude and angle).
- e. Find the voltage drop across R and C.
- f. Explain why the voltage drop appears to violate Kirchhoff's voltage law (KVL).
- g. Calculate the total impedance of an RL circuit in polar form (magnitude and angle).
- h. Find the voltage drop across R and L.
- i. Explain why the voltage drop appears to violate (KVL).
- j. Calculate the total impedance of an RLC circuit in polar form (magnitude and angle).
- k. Using the total impedance, calculate the current and express in rectangular and polar forms.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Show circuit parameters of a parallel circuit and its impedance.

### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

#### Objective(s):

- a. Calculate the impedance of circuit elements that are in parallel.
- b. Find the total impedance of a two branch leg using product/sum (P/S).
- c. Convert the impedance of parallel components into their conductance and susceptance.
- d. Calculate the admittance based on conductance and susceptance.
- e. Convert the total conductance into the total impedance.
- f. Find the branch currents, add them to calculate the verify the total impedance.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Determine the characteristics of series-parallel AC circuits.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

#### Objective(s):

- a. Show how to group series parallel circuits into smaller series or parallel subcircuits.
- b. Simplify and collapse subcircuits to find the total impedance.
- c. Expand the subcircuits find critical node voltages in the process.
- d. Determine node voltage while expanding the subcircuits.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Determine and measure the characteristics of series resonant circuits.

### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

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#### Objective(s):

- a. Use the series resonant formula to solve for frequency and component values given the necessary information about the circuit parameters.
- b. Calculate a series resonant circuit's response, including impedance, voltage across components and current at resonance.
- c. Measure a series resonant circuit's response, including impedance, voltage across components and current at resonance.
- d. Using circuit simulation software, determine a series resonant circuit's response, including impedance, voltage across components and current at resonance.
- e. Calculate the Q (quality factor) and bandwidth as a function of the resistance and reactance of the circuit.
- f. Demonstrate theoretically, experimentally the Q rise in voltage across reactive elements.
- g. Explain and demonstrate in circuit simulation software Q's dependence on the L/C ratio (L = inductance, C = capacitance).

# Course Outcome(s):

Demonstrate the characteristics of parallel resonant circuits.

# **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

#### Objective(s):

- a. Use the parallel resonant formula (Q greater than or equal to 10) to solve for frequency and component values given the necessary information about the circuit parameters.
- b. Calculate a parallel resonant circuit's response, including impedance, voltage across components and current at resonance.
- c. Measure a parallel resonant circuit's response, including impedance, voltage across components and current at resonance.
- d. Using circuit simulation software, determine a parallel resonant circuit's response, including impedance, voltage across components and current at resonance.
- e. Calculate the Q (quality factor) and bandwidth as a function of the resistance and reactance of the circuit.
- f. Explain the reason why the impedance of a perfect parallel circuit is infinite.
- g. Explain and demonstrate in circuit simulation software Q's dependence on the L/C ratio (L = inductance, C = capacitance).

#### Course Outcome(s):

Use network theorems to analyze AC circuits.

# **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

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# Objective(s):

- a. Analyze a circuit using conventional methods and/or circuit software.
- b. Use a circuit theorem(s) to verify the response that includes one or more of the following: mesh, nodal, superposition, bridge analysis.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Calculate and measure resistor-capacitor (RC) response to a pulsed source.

# **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

# Objective(s):

- a. Calculate an RC circuit theoretical response to pulsed wave forms, including time constant calculation, and capacitor, resistor voltage / circuit current at any given time.
- b. Measure in lab resistor and capacitor voltages and, based upon these values, calculate the circuit current at any given time.

c. Using circuit simulation software, measure in lab resistor and capacitor voltages and, based upon these values, calculate the circuit current at any given time.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Calculate, measure and/or simulate circuit parameters in a poly (three) phase system.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

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#### Objective(s):

- a. Determine the line voltage given the phase voltage in a wye configuration.
- b. Determine the phase voltage given the line voltage in a wye configuration.
- c. Compare phase voltages and currents of wye and delta source configurations.
- d. Determine wye connected load voltage, current and power (assuming a resistive load).
- e. Determine delta connected load voltage, current and power (assuming a resistive load.
- f. Calculate or simulate voltage, current and power for and unbalanced wye-connected resistive load with and without a neutral connection.
- g. Explain triplens and why they are harmful to delta connected sources.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Construct an electronic project.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

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#### **Objective(s):**

- a. Construct an electronic project that requires soldering.
- b. Test the project to ascertain that it is functioning properly.
- c. Write a formal lab report that includes measured parameters regarding the tests that determine functionality.

#### Methods of Evaluation:

- a. Tests
- b. Laboratory performance
- c. Homework
- d. Computer projects
- e. Quizzes

#### Course Content Outline:

- a. Sinusoidal waveforms
  - i. Definitions, AC voltage characteristics
  - ii. Voltage and current forms of the sine wave
  - iii. Phase relationships
  - iv. Average and effective values
  - v. AC measuring instrumentation
- b. Circuit elements and phasors
  - i. Definition of the derivative
  - ii. Resistance (R), inductance (L), and capacitance (C) response characteristics to sinusoidal voltage or current
  - iii. Average power and power factors
  - iv. Complex numbers and mathematical operations
  - v. Polar, rectangular, and polar/rectangular conversions
  - vi. Phasors
- c. Series and parallel AC circuits

- i. Impedance and the phasor diagram
- ii. Series circuits
- iii. Voltage divider rule
- iv. Frequency response of RC circuits
- v. Admittance and susceptance
- vi. Resistive-inductive (RL), resistive-capacitance (RC), and resistive-inductive-capacitive (RLC) parallel circuits
- vii. Frequency response of RL circuits
- viii. Equivalent circuits
- d. Series-parallel networks
  - i. Circuit configurations
  - ii. Ladder networks
  - iii. Computer analysis
- e. Network analysis techniques
  - i. Independent and dependent sources
  - ii. Mesh analysis
  - iii. Nodal analysis
  - iv. Bridge networks
  - v. Delta-wye and wye-delta conversions
  - vi. Computer analysis
- f. Network theorems
  - i. Superposition theorem
  - ii. Thevenin's theorem
  - iii. Norton's theorem
  - iv. Maximum power transfer theorem
- g. Power and power factor correction
  - i. Real and apparent power
  - ii. Inductance, capacitance, and reactive power
  - iii. The power triangle and power calculations
  - iv. Power factor correction
  - v. Effective resistance
- h. Resonance
  - i. Series resonant circuit
  - ii. Quality factor
  - iii. Impedance vs. frequency
  - iv. Selectivity (series)
  - v. Voltage, current, and frequency
  - vi. Parallel resonant circuit
  - vii. Selectivity (parallel)
  - viii. Quality factor in parallel circuits
  - ix. Computer analysis
- i. Decibels, filters, and bode plots
  - i. Review of logarithms
  - ii. Decibels
  - iii. Low-pass filter
  - iv. High-pass filter
  - v. Band-pass filters
  - vi. Band-stop filters
  - vii. Bode plots
- viii. Filter attenuation
- ix. Computer analysis
- j. Three-phase generation
  - i. Wye-configured system
  - ii. Wye-delta system
  - iii. Delta configured combinations
  - iv. Delta-wye combinations
  - v. Power calculations
  - vi. Unbalanced systems
- k. Non-Sinusoidal waveforms

- i. Periodic waveforms
- ii. Fourier series
- iii. Circuit response characteristics
- iv. Computer analysis
- I. Transformers
  - i. Mutual inductance
  - ii. Iron-core transformers
  - iii. Air-core transformers
  - iv. Magnetically coupled coils
- m. System analysis
  - i. Impedance parameters
  - ii. Voltage, current, and power gain
  - iii. Cascaded systems
  - iv. Hybrid models
  - v. Computer analysis
- n. Laboratory topics
  - i. Use of the oscilloscope for troubleshooting and measurement of circuit parameters
  - ii. R, L, and C characteristics that relate to solving voltage, current, phase, etc. circuit characteristics
  - iii. Measuring and calculating the frequency response of RL and RC networks
  - iv. Series sinusoidal circuits, comparing theoretical with measured results
  - v. Parallel sinusoidal circuits, comparing theoretical with measured results
  - vi. Measuring and testing series-parallel sinusoidal circuits versus theoretical parameters
  - vii. Network theorems
  - viii. Power factor correction as related to calculating a resistive solution
  - ix. Series resonant circuits, theory of operation and compared to measured results
  - x. Parallel resonant circuits, theoretically comparing the three definitions and comparing to measured results
  - xi. Passive filters, calculating and measuring frequency response
  - xii. Periodic waveforms, measuring exponential decay in pulse waveforms and relating results to theoretical data
  - xiii. Use of circuit simulation software to support measured and calculated results

# Resources

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# **Instructional Services**

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