

AC Circuits (CETT 1405)



Credit: 4 semester credit hours (3 hours lecture, 4 hours lab)

Prerequisite: CETT 1403

Course Description

A study of the fundamentals of alternating current including series and parallel AC circuits, phasors, capacitive and inductive networks, transformers, and resonance.

Required Textbook and Materials

1. Electronics Fundamentals 8th edition by Thomas L. Floyd
ISBN-13: 9780135072950
2. Notebook
3. Calculator
4. Pencil

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate appropriate use of test equipment.
2. Identify various sources of electricity in AC circuits
3. Analyze AC circuits using appropriate mathematical formulas.
4. Troubleshoot various AC circuits using schematic diagrams

Course Outline

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| Chapter 8 Introduction to Alternating Current and Voltage | 9-2 Types of Capacitors |
| 8-1 The Sinusoidal Waveform | 9-3 Series Capacitors |
| 8-2 Sinusoidal Voltage Sources | 9-4 Parallel Capacitors |
| 8-3 Voltage and Current Values of Sine Waves | 9-5 Capacitors in DC Circuits |
| 8-4 Angular Measurement of a Sine Wave | 9-6 Capacitors in AC Circuits |
| 8-5 The Sine Wave Formula | 9-7 Capacitor Applications |
| 8-6 Analysis of AC Circuits | Chapter 10 RC Circuits |
| 8-7 Superimposed DC and AC Voltages | 10-1 Sinusoidal Response of RC Circuits |
| 8-8 Nonsinusoidal Waveforms | 10-2 Impedance and Phase Angle of Series RC Circuits |
| 8-9 The Oscilloscope | 10-3 Analysis of Series RC Circuits |
| Chapter 9 Capacitors | 10-4 Impedance and Phase Angle of Parallel RC Circuits |
| 9-1 The Basic Capacitor | 10-5 Analysis of Parallel RC Circuits |

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10-6 Analysis of Series-Parallel RC Circuits

10-7 Power in RC Circuits

10-8 Basic Applications

10-9 Troubleshooting

Chapter 11 Inductors

11-1 The Basic Inductor

11-2 Types of Inductors

11-3 Series and Parallel Inductors

11-4 Inductors in DC Circuits

11-5 Inductors in AC Circuits

11-6 Inductor Applications

Chapter 12 RL Circuits

12-1 Sinusoidal Response of RL Circuits

12-2 Impedance and Phase Angle of Series

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12-3 Analysis of Series RL Circuits

12-4 Impedance and Phase Angle of Parallel RL Circuits

12-5 Analysis of Parallel RL Circuits

12-6 Analysis of Series-Parallel RL Circuits

12-7 Power in RL Circuits

12-8 Basic Applications

12-9 Troubleshooting

Chapter 13 RLC Circuits and Resonance

13-1 Impedance and Phase Angle of Series

RLC Circuits

13-2 Analysis of Series RLC Circuits

13-3 Series Resonance

13-4 Series Resonant Filters

13-5 Parallel RLC Circuits

13-6 Parallel Resonance

13-7 Parallel Resonant Filters

13-8 Applications

Grade Scale

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| 90 – 100 | A |
| 80 – 89 | B |
| 70 – 79 | C |
| 60 – 69 | D |
| 0 – 59 | F |

Course Requirements

1. Describe the basic structure and characteristics of capacitors and inductors
2. Analyze series and parallel capacitor circuits
3. Describe how a capacitor operates in an AC circuit and in a DC circuit
4. Analyze series and parallel RC and RL circuits
5. Analyze series and parallel inductor circuits
6. Describe how an inductor operates in an AC circuit and in a DC circuit
7. Discuss basic capacitor, inductor, RL and RC applications
8. Analyze series and parallel RLC circuits
9. Analyze RLC circuits for resonance
10. Use a multimeter to measure voltage, current and resistance in a circuit
11. Use oscilloscope to measure voltage in a circuit

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12. Troubleshoot circuits using multimeters, oscilloscopes and appropriate mathematical formulas

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<http://www.lit.edu/depts/stuserv/special/defaults.aspx>

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Course Schedule

| Week | Topic | Reference |
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| 1 | Intro to AC Current and Voltage <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lecture• Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 8 |
| 2 | AC Current and Voltage <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lecture• Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 8 |
| 3 | AC Current and Voltage <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lecture• Lab: Chapter Exercises• Exam One | Chapter 8 |
| 4 | Capacitors <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lecture• Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 9 |
| 5 | Capacitors <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lecture• Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 9 |
| 6 | Capacitors <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lecture• Lab: Chapter Exercises• Exam Two | Chapters 9 |
| 7 | RC Circuits <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lecture | Chapters 10 |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lab: Chapter Exercises | |
| 8 | RC Circuits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 10 |
| 9 | RC Circuits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises • Exam Three | Chapter 10 |
| 10 | Inductors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 11 |
| 11 | Inductors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 11 |
| 12 | RL Circuits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 12 |
| 13 | RL Circuits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises • Exam Four | Chapter 12 |
| 14 | RLC Circuits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapter 13 |
| 15 | RLC Circuits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises | Chapters 13 |
| 16 | RLC Circuits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture • Lab: Chapter Exercises • Exam Five | Chapters 13 |